

The Florida Knight

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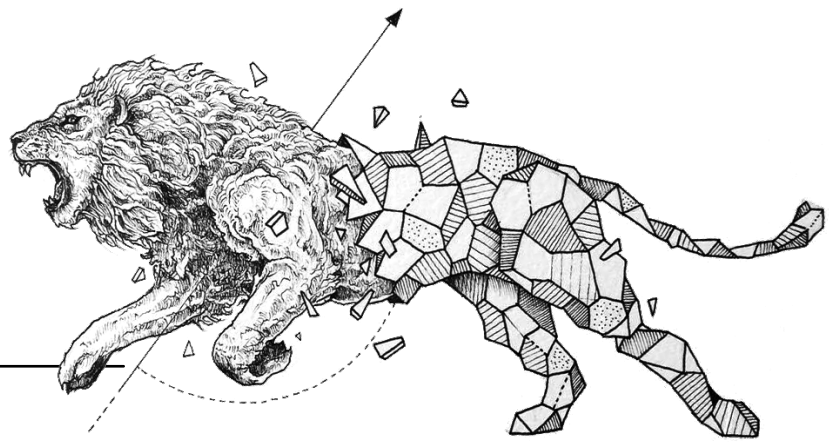
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Greetings Sir Knights,

Thank you, Knights Templar of Florida, for electing me as your Grand Commander and for your support that just started as (hopefully) the pandemic is over. Support your Commandery and there is a lot you can do to make this year one we can be proud of.

One of my favorite stories is that of the Lion and the Gazelle. The Lion must get up every morning to outrun the slowest Gazelle or risk the possibility of starvation. In turn, the slowest Gazelle must outrun the fastest Lion to avoid starvation and imminent death. The moral: No matter what, whether you are a Lion or a Gazelle, every morning you better be "up and running". A part of the "up running" is your attendance at District meetings as well as Rededicating ourselves to Templarism. This Rededication not only to Templarism, but to Royal Arch Masonry and Cryptic Masons which will commence Saturday, November 19, 2022. You will have a chance to Rededicate yourself to those bodies of York Rite Free Masonry.

Yet, before that Rededication, we need you to call upon all our Sir Knights, we may have not seen in a while, those "brethren" and see they return and participate. Take part in the opening and closing; be the backup; take part in the ritual as well as work with the Eminent Commander to provide Masonic education or an interesting talk. Plan to give money to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and the Holy Land Pilgrimage. Working together will enhance the brotherhood and make us stronger. Let's "leave no one behind" by helping the Recorder. He will give you a list of NPDs or those about to become NPDs. Call them up. Tell them we need their help to make Templarism strong. Work with them to ensure all dues go to support the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Holy Land Pilgrimage and other worthwhile charities as well as support your Commandery.

Yours in Christ,

Sheldon Arpad

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