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## Ad Inexplorata

Greetings Sir Knights. As we move forward into 2023, we face many challenges. While we have challenges, we also have opportunities for improvement and advancement. I hope that we will all embrace those opportunities and put forth our best efforts to improve our personal, professional, and Masonic lives.

With January comes a new inspection season and the chance to observe and evaluate the talents of our fellow Sir Knights in Ohio. I encourage each of you to attend as many inspections as possible. Not only does attending inspections give us all a chance to socialize with our fraters but it just might give you the opportunity to see something that you have not seen before. When you attend an inspection this year, please just don't go to watch, go to OBSERVE and to learn.

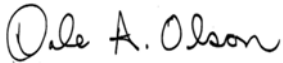
I am excited by the opportunities that we have in 2023. We not only have the chance to excel in our inspections, but the York Rite Leadership Training is returning this year. These courses will be offered at the East Central Department York Rite Conference in Ft Wayne, IN on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. I encourage anyone who is interesting in participate in these outstanding courses to visit the following link: <https://yorkriteleadership.org/>.

In addition to the East Central Conference, we have the Easter Sunrise Service at the George Washington Masonic Memorial in Alexandria VA on April 9<sup>th</sup>. Sir Knights from the Grand Commandery of Ohio will also be placing a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery at 12:15 on Saturday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. I encourage each of you to join Lady Diana and me at this solemn and moving event. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Embassy Suites in Old Town Alexandria for this weekend. Room reservations can be made at the following link: <https://book.passkey.com/go/GrandCommandery2023>

I am certainly not sad to leave 2022 behind and I am excited at the possibilities that 2023 holds for all of us. As we move into this new phase of our Templar year, I would like to tell you about one of my favorite patches from the USAF. Of course, my all- time favorite patch is that of the Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Service and its motto, "That Others May Live." I wore that patch proudly for most of my time in the USAF. A close second is the patch of the USAF Flight Test Center at Edwards AFB, California. The design of the patch is quite

simple, but it is the wording on the patch that I love. Printed across the bottom of this patch are the words “Ad Inexplorata.” It is a Latin phrase, and it translates to “Into the Unknown.” As we move forward into our inspection season and beyond, this is a very appropriate sentiment. None of us knows what lies ahead and all we can do is press forward and do our best. I ask God’s blessing on each of you and your families, and I invite you all to join me on an exciting journey into 2023. Please accompany Lady Diana and me as we move forward Ad Inexplorata, Into the Unknown!

Sincerely and fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale A. Olson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Right Eminent Grand Commander  
Grand Commandery of Ohio