

## Grand Commandery Knights Templar **Oregon**



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## Greetings, Sir Knights

Not every time you start out on a journey do you get a clean start. What was agreed to in the past is forgotten or misunderstandings bring you to different conclusions. It is the mark of flexibility to be able to change things on the run and adapt to new situations. This is something that we should all learn as we are recovering from a time of isolation. We need to adapt to our new situation and move forward.

I would like to thank all of those who had faith in me and voted me to the office of Right Eminent



Grand Commander. I will do everything in my power to move us forward and grow our Commanderies. That includes creating a Tactics committee to clarify the ritual in the correct manner that will be accepted by Grand Encampment. It also means working with the Knights to create a Commandery in Holding, OR, and working to place those displaced by the action taken at the Grand Commandery session concerning Pilgrim Commandery.

There is plenty of work being done in the Grand Chapter to bring new men into the Royal Arch. It was just announced that on June 17, 2023, they will be holding the Royal Arch Degree at the Salem Scottish Rite Temple. Please take a moment to check the announcements page of our website for details. With these men working through the degrees, we should look not only helping the Chapter, but participating in the Council degrees so that we may put on the Orders this fall. The only growth we will experience is through helping our Blue Lodges, Chapters, and Councils.

Speaking of the website (<a href="www.oregonyorkrite.org">www.oregonyorkrite.org</a>), you will notice that we are now the sole source of information for what is happening in our state. The links from the General Grand Chapter, General Grand Council, and Grand Encampment now point directly to our site. I would like to thank Brother, Companion, and Sir Knight Dan Pushee for all of his help and advice in this process. Sir Knights, this is your site and the information that is shared there if for your use. If there is a need for a correction or if you want to share information with your fellow Knights, please use the contact form so that it can be done. Also, for those who use Facebook, there is an Oregon York Rite Group that you can join to share information. The more we communicate the more we will grow.

The Grand Commander's message used to be an integral part of the Knight Templar Magazine. Over the last year it has been available to you only online or through the Knight Templar Magazine app on your phone. Now you will find a link to it on the Grand Commandery of Oregon webpage, and I will be attempting to send it directly to your Commanders and Recorders so that it is available to all. If you are not currently receiving it you can contact any Grand Commandery Officer, District Supervisor, or your Commandery Recorder for a copy of my monthly message. This is my source of sharing information with you.

May is also ended by Memorial Day. This is not a time for remembrance of passed family members, but to remember those who have given their lives in the defense of this country. Much as those who have died in the military, we should take this time to remember those who have died in the battlefield of Templary. To remember those who have died in our service gives them honor.

Courteously,

Dale E. Imbleau, Grand Commander

