

Wisconsin Forward

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Greetings Sir Knights of Wisconsin,

As we prepare for the ending of summer and beginning of Fall it is time to set into motion our personal plan for this next Templar year. As many asylums start back up from being dark, it is time to get your uniform cleaned and pressed and put back together for what should be a GREAT inspection season.

To kick things off this year, I am holding Commander meetings via zoom about every other month. I am doing this to get a feel and understanding where and how the Grand Commandery Officers can help all the great commanderies here in Wisconsin. So, if you have an idea, need some help or assistance, want to know, or understand more about Templary here in Wisconsin please share your thoughts, questions, requests with your home Commander and ask that he bring them to the next Commanders meeting. I will make sure that every request is addressed, and responses get back to you.

This effort has already brought forth a school of instruction that will be held up in the Eau Claire area on 06 January 2024. This School of instruction will be put on by Grand Commandery Officers DGC Noble and GCG Bingheim with the help assistance and direction from PGC LeRoy Kiefer. If you're looking for some polish to your work, looking for some additional instruction or wish to help, make plans to be in Eau Claire for what will be a GREAT day of learning. As always let the Eau Claire Recorder know you're coming so they have a good idea of the turnout.

As I had expressed to the Commanders at the Commanders meeting one of my focuses this year is on you, the Sir Knights of Wisconsin. I want to make sure that all the men of the Grand Commandery are working to help, assist, and educate all the great Sir Knights of this great state. So, if we can help in any way, please connect with any one of us and remember there is no dumb question, we all don't do this every day, so ask. I assure you that if we don't know the answer to your question we will dig and find it for you. Like I have said before we are here for you, so use us as your partner to help grow Templary here in the state.

As membership is always a topic, and if you have men that are looking for the Red Cross and Malta degrees, please keep in mind that on Saturday 07 October 2023 the amazing degree teams at Wisconsin #1 will be putting these two degrees on in FULL FORM. If you have not seen these degrees in full form, I urge you to make plans and come see them. The men of Wisconsin #1 do the most impressive degree work I have personally ever seen with these degrees and is well worth your time. If you are planning to attend, please reach out to the Recorder and let them know you will be in attendance. If you have men that will receive the degrees, you must also let the Recorder know so they are prepared for all candidates.

I hope to see ALL of you this fall and at Wisconsin # 1.

Through Knighthood- your servant,

fraternally Greetings Sir Knights,
S.K. Michael Roering,
Grand Commander



Sir Knights:

On June 17, 2023, I was installed as the Grand Warder at the 165th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Wisconsin. This is my first time in the Grand Commandery line, and I am extremely honored and very humbled to serve you.

As part of my duties as the Grand Warder, I will be running the 50/50 raffle for the Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund at all our inspections.

Our medieval brethren guarded pilgrims on the road to the Holy Land. Nowadays there is not so much a need for that sort of thing. However, we continue in our medieval predecessors mission by raising the necessary funds to send members of the clergy on pilgrimages to the Holy Land.

As Sir Knights this should serve as a great source of pride for us all and I humbly urge everyone to consider buying 50/50 raffle tickets at all our inspections to help support the Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund.

I look forward to seeing all of you at your inspection. Please feel free to walk up and say hi, maybe even ask me about my suspenders.

Courteously yours
Joshua T Sudbrink, GW