



GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF NEBRASKA

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It seems like I just wrote one of these. We are on the other side of bitter cold, and hopefully we have a regular winter from here. Things have been terribly busy on this end. As we get closer to Spring day by day, we have Grand Lodge in just a few days. Congratulations to MW John Millington on a successful year. Good luck to almost MW John Ferguson. We expect remarkable things from you this year.

March 2nd there is a Royal Arch Festival in Omaha. If you have candidates that want or need to have their degree work done, please inform our Grand Secretary. Bring them, and see some excellent work done. This is the time for you to promote York Rite in Nebraska. If you get your petitions in late you will need to have your local secretary, get in-touch with our Grand High Priest for his dispensation.

Grand Season is about to begin. We will have Grand Lodge for Nebraska, Grand York Rite, and Grand OES all between now and May. I encourage all of you to attend and take part. If you want to travel to other jurisdictions for the York Rite those are coming up also. It is a blast to see how other states conduct their formal meetings, and also the after-meeting meetings. It is a fantastic way to build brotherhood throughout the region.

Now for commandery. Easter is approaching fast. This is one of our observances. Activate your local commandery. Celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This is one of the things that separate us from the rest of the craft. This is a season to celebrate and to become the people we should be in his glorious light. Spread the word and become that bright and shining light for all of masonry, and our fellow man.

Be proud of being a Commandery member. Spread the word for Freemasonry. Promote Blue Lodge and bring in your fellow lodge members. Your entire line in your lodge can benefit from being a York Rite member. In so doing, you will make your lodge better, and keep York Rite Masonry in Nebraska a vibrant part of Masonry in Nebraska

Thank you for all you do or will do for Masonry. You are the one who can help all of Masonry in our state survive.

Sincerely,
SK Steven R. Barchus
Grand Commander - Nebraska