



STATE NEWS - August 2024

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Greetings, Sir Knights

Our 2024 Grand Conclave is rapidly approaching, and Sir Knight Carl and I are staying busy processing Annual Assessments and Returns and trying to get everything together and making sure that everything we need will be loaded in the trailer. As of this writing, several bodies have not paid their assessments; I'd remind you that there are Constitutional requirements on submitting those in a timely manner, not to mention that there are bills to pay. Please get those in soon. If you're waiting on the office to send you the recapitulation reports, they were emailed in early July. If you don't have them, check your spam box or contact me and we'll get you another copy. I'm aware also that there are several new Recorders this year, and we want to welcome you to the jungle. Please contact me if you're having any problems or questions. Alternatively, please answer your phone when you see me calling. A couple of you are starting out in a hole and we need to get a rope down to you.

There are a couple of pieces of legislation for consideration and they are included a little later in this document. Almost all of the awards have been obtained, or are in shipment. Last year's proceedings are posted on our website and hardcopies will be available for each body at sessions, along with dues cards for next year for Chapter and Council.

If you are chairman of a committee, you need to get your report to the office for inclusion in the Advance Proceedings, preferably by the middle of August, definitely by the end of the month. **Otherwise, be prepared to present an oral report at Conclave, and have a written copy with you to give to the Grand Recorder.** Preferably also have a digital copy so that we don't have to retype or scan.

Registration and the office will be open at 1:00 pm on Sunday, September 15 and will reopen every day at 7:00 am. We will have the office open as much as possible during the week, but will by necessity be in the meetings; the office will be closed during those times, and for lunch. We will try to be open in the afternoons as much as possible for those who have questions or need assistance, or to pick up meal tickets.

Please support our sessions by purchasing meals and staying at the hotel. You miss out on a lot when you drive in. I realize there are financial considerations involved but hanging out after sessions and sharing meals with friends, and new friends, is part of the experience. The organization also needs the support to help cover expenses for the meetings. We have minimums that we have to meet on rooms and meals to get the prices that we do get. If you've called and got a price quote on a room there, you know that we're getting a really good rate.

Looking forward to seeing you at Sessions.

Randall Partin, PGC
Grand Recorder

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Kentucky

Proposal I:

We the Committee on Constitution make the following recommendation for adopting a new section of the Constitution at the Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Kentucky to be held on September 16th, 2024.

Add to Section 21 subsection: (D) Ceremonial uniform

In lieu of the regulation Templar uniform, a Constituent Commandery within the Grand Commandery of Kentucky, may provide and use ceremonial robes conforming to and consistent with the historical traditions and practices of Templary.

Submitted by:

SK Greg Raque, PC KTCH

Jefferson Commandery No. 52

SK Barry Eastham, PC, D.C. VIIB

Ashland Commandery No. 28

SK Chris Griffith, PC

Paintsville Commandery No. 48

Proposal II

Be it known that at a stated Conclave of Louisville DeMolay Commandery No 12. A motion was made and passed that the Grand Commandery of Kentucky shall vote to establish the following legislation at the next Grand Conclave.

Add to Section 10 Fees of our Constitution.

Section 10 A - Life Membership KTEF

Being that on October 16, 2023, our Grand Commandery achieved 100% Life Member sponsorship in KTEF. That each Commandery of our Commonwealth after this Grand Conclave, held on September 16, 2024, shall purchase a Life membership in the Knight Templar Eye Foundation (KTEF) for each member (candidates and affiliations) who joins their Commandery. This fee shall be collected at time of application and shall be whatever the KTEF charges for a fee for Life Membership.

Given under our hand and seal of our Commandery.

Attested by:

John Johnson, Recorder

Dr. Thomas Harper, Commander

The proposals were received in a timely manner and were forwarded to the Jurisprudence Committee for review. They will be presented and considered in accordance with the following section of the Constitution.

AMENDMENTS Section 11. The Grand Commandery, upon the concurrence of three-fourths of its members present at any Stated Conclave, as reported by the Committee on Credentials, may revise, amend and alter this Constitution, provided, however, that a written copy of the motion so to revise, amend or alter, shall be filed with the Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery at least three months before the day on which the Annual Conclave is to be held at which such motion is to be considered, and a copy thereof shall be inserted in the Notice of the Annual Conclave and presented by the Grand Recorder to the Grand Commandery for consideration, otherwise, no such motion shall be considered; provided also, that if the Grand Recorder fails to give such notice, the proposed amendment may be called up by consent of three-fourths of the members present and acted upon as if said notice had been given; provided further, that with the unanimous consent of the members of the Grand Commandery present, any member may introduce such an amendment which may be considered and acted upon by the Grand Commandery at said Conclave; provided further, that the proposed amendment may be modified in any manner by the Grand Commandery while it is under consideration if such modification is germane to the proposed amendment.



The Grand York Rite Bodies of Kentucky

2024 Grand Sessions

Embassy Suites Lexington/UK Coldstream



1801 Newtown Pike
Lexington, KY, US 40511
Grand Sessions Rate \$127 + tax.
859-455-5000 Code: 90E (Nine Zero E)

Room Reservation Deadline August 14, 2024



**Grand Commandery K.T.
Annual Conclave
Monday September 16, 2024**

Registration/Office Opens
7:00 AM
Conclave Opens
9:00 AM
Men's & Ladies Lunches
Noon (\$26.00)
Installation
2:00 PM (tentative)
7:00 PM – KYCH
(Dress – Coat and Tie)



**Grand Council R. & S. M.
Annual Assembly
Tuesday September 17, 2024**

Registration/Office Opens
7:00 AM
Assembly Opens
9:00 AM
Men's & Ladies Lunches
Noon (\$26.00)
Installation
2:00 PM (tentative)
York Rite Banquet
6:30 PM



**Grand Chapter R.A.M.
Annual Convocation
Wednesday September 18, 2024**

Registration/Office Opens
7:00 AM
Convocation Opens
9:00 AM
Men's & Ladies Lunches
Noon (\$26.00)
Installation
2:00 PM (tentative)



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Hospitality Room

<p><i>Sunday 9-15-2024 Noon-4:00 p.m. and after Memorial Service</i></p> <p><i>Hosted by RE Grand Commander W. Michael Yount</i></p>	<p><i>Monday 9-16-2024 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.</i></p> <p><i>Hosted by MI Grand Master Bernie Kaita</i></p>	<p><i>Tuesday 9-17-2024 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and after Banquet</i></p> <p><i>Hosted by ME Grand High Priest John Johnson</i></p>
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MEMORIAL SERVICE DINNER	YORK RITE BANQUET
<p>Sunday 9-15-2024 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM Memorial Service \$50.00 <i>(Coat and tie)</i></p>	<p>Tuesday 9-17-2024 6:30 PM Doors Open 7:00 PM Meal Served \$50.00 <i>(Formal dress)</i></p>

Registration and the Grand Secretary/Recorder's Office will open at 1:00 pm on Sunday and will open at 7:00 am daily. The office will be open for limited hours during business sessions but will be open as much as possible before and after.



Grand York Rite of Kentucky Sessions 2024

Sunday- September 15, 2024

1:00 p.m.	Office	Bourbon
1:00 p.m.	Registration	Clark
2:00 p.m.	Philalethes Society	Fayette
3:00 p.m.	AMD	Fayette
4:00 p.m.	Past Grand Commanders	Cold Stream 4
6:00 p.m.	Memorial Service Dinner	Cold Stream 1&2
7:00 p.m.	York Rite Memorial Service	Cold Stream 3

Monday- September 16, 2024

7:00 a.m.	Office	Bourbon
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Clark
7:00 a.m.	Deputy Grand Commander's Staff	Fayette
9:00 a.m.	Grand Commandery Convenes	Cold Stream 3
Noon	Commandery Lady's Luncheon	Cold Stream 5
Noon	Sir Knights Lunch	Cold Stream 1
12:45 p.m.	Golgotha/Centurion HRAKTP	TBD
2:00 p.m.	Incoming Officers Pictures	Cold Stream 3
2:30 p.m.	Installation of Officers	Cold Stream 3
3:00 p.m.	Knights Preceptor	Cold Stream 3
4:00 p.m.	Knight Masons	Cold Stream 3
7:00 p.m.	KYCH KY Priory #25 (Coat & Tie)	Cold Stream 3

Tuesday- September 17, 2024

7:00 a.m.	Office	Bourbon
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Clark
7:00 a.m.	Deputy Grand Master's Staff	Fayette
7:30 a.m.	Ish Sodi	Cold Stream 3
9:00 a.m.	Grand Council Convenes	Cold Stream 3
Noon	Council Lady's Luncheon	Cold Stream 5
Noon	Companion's Lunch	Cold Stream 2
1:00 p.m.	Silver Trowel	Fayette
2:30 p.m.	Incoming Officers Pictures	Cold Stream 3
3:00 p.m.	Council Officer Installation	Cold Stream 3
6:30 p.m.	GYR Banquet Introductions	Cold Stream 3
7:00 p.m.	Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner)	Cold Stream 3

Wednesday- September 18, 2024

7:00 a.m.	Office	Bourbon
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Clark
7:00 a.m.	Grand King's Staff	Fayette
7:30 a.m.	Order of High Priesthood	Cold Stream 3
9:00 a.m.	Grand Chapter Convenes	Cold Stream 3
Noon	Chapter Lady's Luncheon	Cold Stream 5
Noon	Men's Fellowship Lunch	Cold Stream 1
1:00 p.m.	Past Grand High Priests	Fayette
1:30 p.m.	Incoming Officers Pictures	Cold Stream 3
2:00 p.m.	Chapter Officer Installation	Cold Stream 3

NOTE: ROOMS AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE



Grand York Rite of Kentucky

2024 ANNUAL SESSIONS MEAL ORDER FORM

Name: _____ Title: _____

Lady (if she is accompanying you): _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Out of state Jurisdiction _____

Please include an email address and/or phone number so that we can contact you if necessary and so that we can let you know that your ticket order has been received.

Please Mark nights you will be staying at hotel Sunday Monday Tuesday

Meal orders received after September 10 will not be processed until we arrive in Lexington.

	# of Tickets	Price per Ticket	Total
Sunday September 15, 2024 Memorial Service Banquet		\$50.00	\$
Monday September 16, 2024 Templar Men's Lunch		\$26.00	\$
Monday September 16, 2024 Templar Lady's Luncheon		\$26.00	\$
Tuesday September 17, 2024 Council Men's Lunch		\$26.00	\$
Tuesday September 17, 2024 Council Lady's Luncheon		\$26.00	\$
Tuesday September 17, 2024 York Rite Banquet		\$50.00	\$
Wednesday September 18, 2024 Chapter Men's Lunch		\$26.00	\$
Wednesday September 18, 2024 Chapter Lady's Luncheon		\$26.00	\$
Total of all tickets		---	\$

Tickets will be available for pick-up at the Grand Secretary's Office throughout sessions.

Make Checks Payable to: **Grand Council of Kentucky York Rite**

Mail payment and form to:

Randall Partin
Grand Secretary/Recorder
PO Box 481
Williamsburg, KY 40769

Let us know of any special dietary needs you have so that a suitable option can be provided.

(Do not enclose your voting Credentials with this form.)