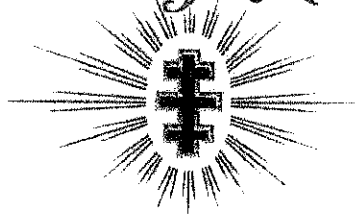


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E. JEFFREY CRAIG, KCT
RIGHT EMINENT DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Dear Sir Knight,

August 30th, 2024

Greetings! This letter is to provide you with information for the Northwest Department Conference for the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar to be held on Saturday, October 19th, 2024, at the River Hotel, 700 N Division St, Spokane, WA 99202. Complete Conference information can be found at: <https://nwyr.org>, including accommodation, registration and the agenda. Please note the Hotel reservation deadline of Thursday, September 17th, 2024, to take advantage of our negotiated room pricing. Every person attending the Conference MUST BE Registered, and registration this year is available ONLY online at <https://nwyr.org>. General Grand Chapter and General Grand Council will have their presentations on Friday, October 18th, and the banquet will take place Friday evening. The Grand Encampment presentations will take place all day Saturday. The Emerging Leaders training will NOT be offered at this year's Conference.

Pursuant to Section 114(b) of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment, every Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Captain General and Grand Recorder is required to attend the Conference. I request that each Right Eminent Grand Commander in the Northwest Department assist in ensuring that your Officers are fully appraised of the Conference details and emphasize the necessity and importance of their attendance! If any of the above Officers are unable to attend the Northwest Department Conference, he must directly request an excusal, with the reasons therefor, from the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. This Conference is open to all Sir Knights who desire to attend, so please feel free to advise your Sir Knights and extend them an invitation to attend and participate in the Conference.

The Officers of the Grand Encampment expend considerable time and effort in preparing the Department Conference Program in order to assist your Grand Commandery and your efforts as an elected Grand Officer. I believe that you will find the same to be most beneficial as you prepare and execute your plans to promote and grow Templar Masonry during the triennium in your respective Jurisdictions. Together, we will continue to make Templar Masonry the most prestigious appendant Masonic Body that one may petition for membership.

Each Grand Commander will be called upon to give a brief account of the activities planned or occurring in your Grand Commandery. Please give some thought to your presentations as each of us can learn from one another. Make it concise and insightful for your peers.

Courteously and Fraternally in His Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Jeffrey Craig".

SK ++Jeff Craig
Northwest Department Commander