GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF IOWA SEPTEMBER 2024





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Sir Knights:

It is hard to believe that we are, as of this writing, almost three months into this Grand Commandery year of 2024-2025. It has been a busy and rewarding few months.

As I write, we just recently got back from Salt Lake City attending the 69th Triennium of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America. What a great session and turnout it was. Iowa was well represented as we had Eleven Sir Knights in attendance at the sessions. Congratulations to our own Sir Knight David Dryer on completion of his term as the North Central Department Commander. It will seem somewhat strange not having him as our Department Commander, but I am sure we will be in good hands as well with his replacement.

We enjoyed a great night out Monday evening for an "Iowa State Dinner", where we had nine Sir Knights and three ladies in attendance enjoying each other's company.

We have several events this month of September that we will be attending and participating in, including:

September 3rd: **Hiawatha** – Cornerstone Laying Ceremony, Hiawatha Fire Station No. 2, 1550 Stamy Road, G.L.O. practice at 3:30 P.M. Grand Lodge opens at 4:30 P.M. with a practice at 4:45 P.M. at the Lodge, 905 Tower Terrace Road, Ceremony starts at 5:30 P.M. G.L.O. Dark Business Suits. Ladies are invited.

September 14th: **Cedar Rapids** – Joint Grand York Rite Officers Reception to be held in the dining room of the Cedar Rapids Scottish Rite, beginning with a social hour at 3:00 PM and Meal at 4:00 with introductions and program to follow. Ladies and family are encouraged to attend. Please refer to General Order No. 9 for details. If wishing to attend, contact the Grand Recorder at iowagrandsecrec@gmail.com

September 18th – **Des Moines** – Commandery School with Temple Commandery No. 4

September 19th-21st – **Cedar Rapids** - 180th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa. A "Unity Lunch" is being sponsored on Thursday the 19th by the Grand York Rite Bodies

of Iowa, whereas we will have a York Rite information area setup with video presentations and pamphlets and York Rite members available to answer any questions from attendees.

September 19th-21st – **Huron, SD** – Grand York Rite of South Dakota Annual Grand Session will be at the Crossroads Hotel and Event Center.

Some upcoming events for October

October 19th – **West Union** – Cornerstone ceremony at the courthouse. More information forthcoming.

October 25th-26th – **Sioux Falls, SD.** North Central Department Conferences.



The" Iowa Contingency" attending the 69th Triennium in Salt Lake City, UT

L-R: S.K. Rusty Hill, REPGC, S.K. Willard Loper, REPGC, S.K. David Dryer, REPGC-NCDC, S.K. Scott Schabacker, Grand Recorder, S.K. Keith Myhre, REGC, S.K. Dennis Boehmer, REPGC, S.K. Wade Sheeler, REPGC, S.K. Michael Boomer, Grand Generalissimo, S.K. Bryce Hildreth, REPGC, S.K. Jerry Wahl, REPGC. Not pictured, but present, S.K. Joseph Charbonneau, Grand First Guard.

I look forward to seeing and meeting as many of you as possible throughout this coming year. We have an outstanding slate of officers this year and do not hesitate to reach out to any of us for any type of assistance you may need. We are here to help.

Your Grand Officers for 2024-2025



Right Eminent Grand Commander: Sir Knight Keith A. Myhre Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander: Sir Knight Jason W. Delzell **Eminent Grand Generalissimo:** Sir Knight Michael D.C. Boomer Eminent Grand Captain General: Sir Knight Bryan D. Bever **Eminent Grand Senior Warden:** Sir Knight Scott D. Campbell Eminent Grand Junior Warden: Sir Knight W. Wayne Castle **Eminent Grand Prelate:** Theodore M. Boomgarden **Eminent Grand Treasurer:** Sir Knight Nathaniel F. Renner Eminent Grand Recorder: Sir Knight Scott A. Schabacker **Eminent Grand Standard Bearer:** Sir Knight Douglas R. Clabaugh **Eminent Grand Sword Bearer:** Sir Knight Anthony L. Oxley **Eminent Grand Warder:** Sir Knight John D. Determan Eminent Grand 1st Guard: Sir Knight Joseph P. Charbonneau Eminent Grand 2nd Guard: Sir Knight Michael H. Johnson Eminent Grand 3rd Guard: Sir Knight Travis J. Stouffer **Eminent Grand Organist:** Sir Knight Antonio B. Collins

SAVE THE DATE – 161st Annual Grand Conclave and Joint Sessions of the Grand York Rite Bodies of Iowa. June 4-7, 2025 Cedar Falls, IA Holiday Inn and Bien Venu

Courteously,

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Keith A. Myhre, Grand Commander