



Grand Commandery Knights Templar South Dakota



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Grand Commander's Message

We are in the next Triennial, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. There were eight, Sir Knights representing South Dakota Grand Commandery. Little America was an excellent venue for this event. It was only a few blocks from the Mormon Temple. Our SD group was able to have dinner one evening at a restaurant on Main Street, half way to the Temple. The schedule kept us engaged and busy; not much time for sightseeing.

Grand Master Kussman did a great job keeping business rolling and with a sense of humor. Sir Knight McGee was elected General Grand Captain General; the other General Grand Officers were re-elected. We met our new North Central Department Commander, Sir Knight Leeland Burlison from Wisconsin. We will see him at the South Dakota Grand York Rite Session.

Wyoming Grand York Rite Session is in a week. This the first time in many years their session was not scheduled the same as South Dakota. I will be attending to extend our friendship and brotherly love. Wyoming York Rite is in the process of healing after the last triennial. We need to support them as they move forward.

Congratulations to Cyrene Commandery #2! On August 24th, they knighted 8 new Sir Knights. It has been a good year for Sioux Falls with 9 new Sir Knights during the York Rite Commandery Festival in March.



Photo #1

Left to Right: SK Michael Argenziano, SK George Bauder, PGC, SK Danial Conklin, SK Jon Gonsor, PGC, SK Ervin "Red" Alspaw, PGC, SK Bruce Crisman, REGC, SK Herbert Cook, PGC, SK Stan Schwellenbach, PGC.



Photo #2

Cyrene Commandery #2 and REGC Bruce Crisman with new Sir Knights: Mythchell Hagan, Mitchell Aman, Gary Hinton, Steven Hoffman, Ryan Sommer, Brady Wiedeier, Dustin Vostad, and Jacob Button.