



**NEWS for November 2024**  
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**Sir Knights—**

**It is the time of year where we take the extra time out to reflect on what we are thankful for. As for me, I am thankful for this great fraternity we belong to. We truly are blessed to have one another as extended family. Our Meeting Halls should come alive this time of year. I encourage all of you to think of having a family night at your hall and invite non-Masons to attend. Some have grand buildings, others have cozy buildings, but we all have a place to sit with our family and share some joy.**

**There was a time in the not too distant past that the phrase “it takes a village” was commonplace in America. We ate together, took care of each other and built each other up (sound like something Knights should be doing?) Sir Knights I won’t lie. It has been a mixed couple of weeks for me. Equal amounts of Bad and Good but I choose to focus on the positive. And that is probably what has driven this message of togetherness.**

**I hope my message finds you all safe, happy, and healthy during this Thanksgiving Holiday. I did have some great visitations in October with Cataract Commandry and Juan DeFuca Commandry. It is inspiring to see these Commandries working to promote the craft in**

**positive ways.**

**The Northwest Regional York Rite Conference was held in Spokane and what a spectacular job they did! The hotel was great, the information during the seminars was on point and the banquet was outstanding. Thank you to those leaders who put that on. If you were unable to make it this year, please mark your calendar for the same time next year. It will be held in Spokane again. Don't forget—we are looking for people to form a statewide drill team. Please contact SK John Vivian and let him know you are interested.**

**And last but not least be well and God Bless you.**

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