



NEWS for January 2025
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Sir Knights—

A New Year, a new beginning. January 1st is a time many of us come up with New Year's resolutions. Some are kept, and some are well intentioned (my gym membership for example). This year let it be our resolve to concentrate on the things we can do and make a difference in. Let's start simple by bringing back some of the things we used to do but just got away from. Remember when we used to have calling committees or what some called them calling trees? Somewhere we got too busy for them and dumped them into one persons lap. He got overwhelmed and stopped coming or laid down his working tools and no one took that responsibility.

On average most all memberships could be divided among 3-4 officers of a Commandry with no one spending an extended period on the phone and you could cover the SK's you have missed over the years if for no other reason to let them know they are not forgotten. What about our widows

and orphans? Do we contact them on a regular basis? I will be honest with you this is a shortcoming of mine that I plan to fix. I know several Commandries invite widows to the Christmas Observance but what else do you do? Is there a special lady's night in the works for your ladies and the widows? February is right around the corner.

The summer picnic is another great time for us to invite the special ladies to an event. Maybe even think about having a potluck at your building. It doesn't have to be fancy or often whatever best fits your needs. Some might like weekly, some might like monthly and others quarterly. Let's show the rest of the world that we know what Brotherly Love is all about here in Washington. 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.

Sincerely and fraternally,

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Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Washington**