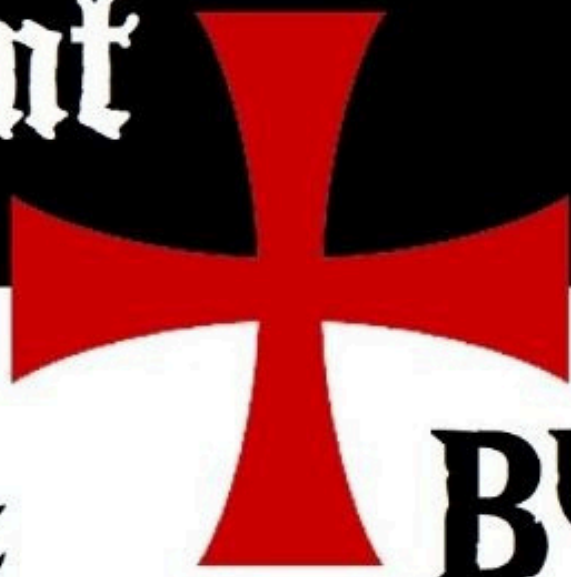


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“Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected.’ Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray, for their wickedness blinded them, and they did not know the secret purposes of God, nor hope for the wages of holiness, nor discern the prize for blameless soul”
Wisdom (of Solomon) 2:20-22

As Easter approaches we need to ask ourselves "What is Holy Week?" and why is it that we should know more about: Triduum, Spy Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, the Great Sabbath, and Easter Sunday.

Read a brief lesson on these, from Revrend Sir Knight Ryan Stout on your Minnesota's Grand Commandery Blog: [Holy Week](#)

EDIFICATION

What do a Masonic apron, the music of the spheres, and a 1959 Donald Duck cartoon have in common? More than you might think.

Journey through time to uncover how one simple shape—the star—carries centuries of symbolism, mathematical elegance, and esoteric meaning. From Pythagorean brotherhoods to modern Lodge halls, the path of geometry and virtue may be older (and weirder) than you imagined.

Read the full article now in our blog:

[Pythagoreans: The First Step in the Masonic Journey](#)

What happens when the caretakers themselves are left without care? In a deeply moving reflection inspired by the recent passing of Gene Hackman and his beloved wife, this article invites you to consider the unseen bonds that sustain us—and how fragile those lifelines can be when left untended. In the face of aging, isolation, and quiet suffering, we are reminded of our solemn duty: to remain vigilant, to be neighborly, and to extend compassion beyond appearances.

Read the full piece and reflect with us on our shared humanity in: [Santa Fe Sunshine](#)

NEWS

Honorary Past Grand Commander Sir Knight Michael Powles of Knight Templars Minnesota has been called to the Celestial Encampment. A Knight of 52 years, he was the recipient of the Knight Templar Cross of Honor along with many other well earned honors. Please keep his family in your thoughts & prayers.

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Congratulations to our 2025 class of Sir Knights, 18 candidates and 19 Knights made on Saturday, March 15th at the Minneapolis Scottish Rite Masonic Center. The Orders were beautiful and divine, lasting memories were made for many. Pictured here is the class along with this year's Right Eminent Grand Commander Jerry Ziertd and on the outer flanks the presiding officers of the final Order of the day.

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NEWS

Minnesota Grand York Rite Session

June 26th - 28 , 2025

Best Western Kelly Inn

100 4th Avenue South

St. Cloud, MN 56301

[Registration](#)

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Annual York Rite Sponsored Masonic Family
Picnic

Maple Grove Weaver Lake Park Pavillion

8401 Dunkirk Lane N

Maple Grove, MN 55311

Tuesday, July 22nd, 2025

(Freewill offering)

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95th Grand Encampment Easter Observance
George Washington Masonic National
Memorial

Arlington, Virginia

April 20th, 2025

[\(**rsvp required**\)](#)



Wisconsin Grand Chapter & Council
Convocation and Assembly

Manawa Masonic Center

520 North Bridge Street

Manawa, WI, 54949

May 3rd, 2025

[**Registration**](#)



2025 North Dakota Grand York Rite Session

Hilton Garden Inn Fargo

4351 17th Avenue South

Fargo, North Dakota, 58103

[**Grand Session Registration Packet**](#)



2025 Iowa Grand York Rite Session

Holiday Inn and Bien Venu

7400 Hudson Road

Cedar Falls, IA 50613

June 4th-7th, 2025

[**Session Schedule and Registration Form**](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Wisconsin Grand Commandery Conclave
Lake Masonic Center
1235 East Howard Avenue
Milwaukee, WI, 53207
June 14th, 2025

[Registration](#)

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Church Basement Ladies
Join Zion Commandery @
Plymouth Playhouse
2705 Annapolis Ln N
Plymouth, MN 55441
August 10th, 2025

[Please R.S.V.P. Here](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Masonic Retreat Weekend

Dunrovin Event Center

Marine on Saint Croix, MN

September 12-14th, 2025

contact MNmasonicretreat@gmail.com for more information



The Masonic Camp

Moccasin Valley Camp

Erhard, MN

September 12-14th, 2025

contact MasonicCamp@gmail.com

STATED MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 1
 № 18 Duluth Commandery
 @ Masonic Center of Duluth

Monday, April 21
 № 24 Nazarene Commandery
 @ North Star Lodge No. 23

Thursday, April 3
 № 14 Palestine Commandery
 @ Cornerstone Lodge No. 99
 (by dispensation)

Monday, April 21
 № 5 Home Commandery
 @ Rochester Lodge No. 21

Tuesday, April 8
 № 1 Damascus Commandery
 @ St. Paul Masonic Center

Monday, April 28
 № 2 Zion Commandery
 @ Minneapolis Scottish Rite

Wednesday, April 16
 № 9 Cyrene Commandery
 @ Star in the East Lodge No. 33

Monday, April 28
 № 8 Faribault Commandery
 @ Corinthian Lodge No. 67

Thursday, April 17
 № 31 Ivanhoe Commandery
 @ Nicollet Lodge No. 54

Tuesday, May 6
 № 18 Duluth Commandery
 @ Masonic Center of Duluth



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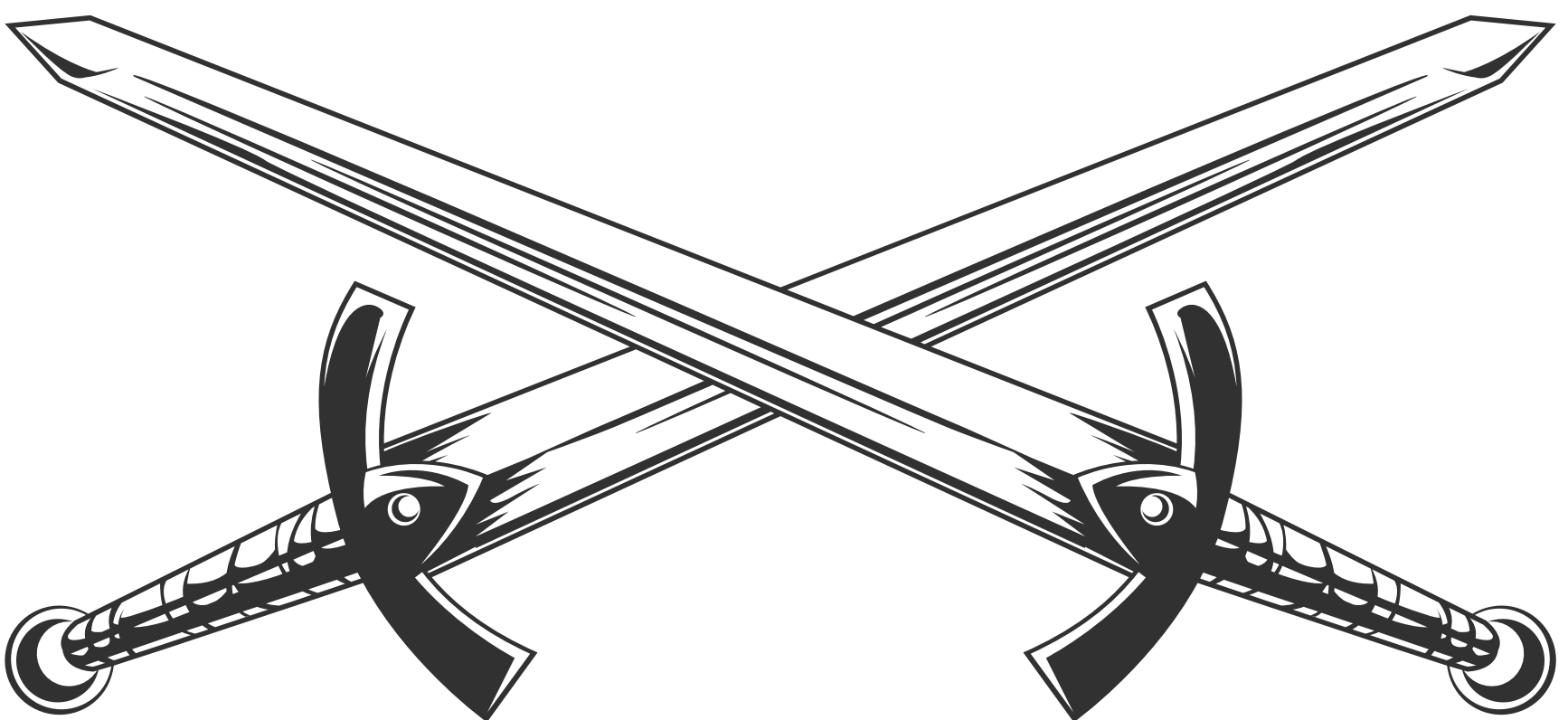
KNIGHT CARRIWITCHET



Knight: Squire, do you know why the hollow bunny is the holiest Easter candy?

Squire: Because it's wrapped in gold, Sir?

Knight: No—because it teaches us: even when something's empty, it can still bring fulfillment.



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FORMS, PETITIONS, & NOMINATIONS



The Knight Crusader of the Cross is an exclusive "chair degree" bestowed upon current or past Eminent Commanders, growing in prestige since its origin in Florida in 1969. Conferred at Grand Commandery meetings, this solemn rite unfolds in an Asylum, where candidates form a cross, receive refreshment, and are dubbed into the order. With symbolic lectures on Masonic Templarism and the Jerusalem Cross, it deepens the Commander's understanding of their sacred duty, preserving the mystique and legacy of Templar Knighthood.

Knight Crusaders of the Cross Petition



Nominations for the Knight Commander of the Temple (KCT) honor are open to any current KCT holder and must be submitted by February 1st each year. The deputy of each Grand Commandery prioritizes nominations based on service to the Order, fraternity, and community. Selected recipients are awarded a neck jewel, lapel pin, and certificate. The investiture ceremony takes place at a suitable event, and nominees are vetted by the College of Honors.

Knight Commander of the Temple Nomination



The Companion of the Temple (CT) award, offered by the Grand Encampment, recognizes individuals for exceptional service to the Order, fraternity, and community, regardless of their Mason or Knight Templar status. A \$100 application fee applies, and the nominee must not request the honor for themselves. The jewel is presented during an annual public ceremony.

Knight Commander of the Temple Nomination

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