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Sir Knights, it is May, and you know what that means! It's time for our annual sessions and time for you get to get rid of me and my ramblings. But not before I ramble one last time. As you know, my year was focused on Fraternalism and as I traveled our jurisdiction, I have seen some great examples of this, and some traditions that haven't been forgotten. Our Landmarks are important not just because that is the way we have always done it but for what they can teach us. It is always the simple things that seem to trip us up and cause the most problems.

Sometimes things are as simple as communication, this article for instance. You decide as the reader whether it is sarcastic, informative, friendly or in jest. The truth of the matter is it is written with Brotherly Love and Respect. To me it seems the biggest problem we deal with is communication. It can also be one of the simplest problems we have to solve, if we just slow down, listen to what is being said and know there is always a solution. We are obligated to look after one another, to make amends where we can (Not where we want to).

My year is over, and my hope is that if nothing else I may have brought some positivity to you in my visitations or through my messages, because to just do no harm wouldn't be good enough. Although as Grand Commander this is my good-bye. I plan to be as active as possible in the Commandry in the future. I am Proud to be a Templar and Honored beyond words that you picked me to serve as your Grand Commander. I hope I have served you well and am sure that the Sir Knights in the line

progressing behind me will by far succeed my progress. Remember Sir Knights, stay positive keep your spirits up. It isn't always easy but it is always worth it. Don't forget we are looking for people to form a statewide drill team. Please contact John Vivian and let him know you are interested.

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

Sincerely and fraternally,

SK Barron J. White, REGC Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Washington