

NEVADA

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GRAND COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

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Sir Knights of Nevada,

Finally, it's fall! Here in the desert, it doesn't quite feel that way yet, but I'm hopeful that the cooler weather will be here before the end of the month. Football and hockey are in full swing, and the young ghosts and goblins are getting ready for trick or treating on Halloween. October also brings us some York Rite events such as our Colorado River Fall Festival and the Southwest Regional Department Conference. I am hoping to see many of you at these events.

Last month we held the **Nevada York Rite Workshop** at the Tonopah Masonic Temple. It was well attended with about 22 participants, which included representatives from all of Nevada's York Rite bodies. Discussions yielded some good ideas regarding how we will move forward this coming year.

Items of Interest

- I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the **Colorado River Fall Festival** in Laughlin, NV. It will be held at the Riverside Hotel and Casino on October 19 through 21. The festival is outstanding, and the degree work performed by ritualists from multiple jurisdictions is excellent. Registration paperwork can be found on the website at <http://crff.org>.
- The **Southwest Regional Department Conference** will be held at the Orleans Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas from October 31 to November 1, 2025. Registration information can be found at www.GGCRAMI.org/regionalconferences. The elected officers of Grand Commandery are required to attend and all others are encouraged to

attend. This is our opportunity to receive guidance from the national York Rite Bodies as well as get together with other jurisdictions within the department.

I would like to remind everyone of our commitment to support the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. *And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. (Hebrews 13:16 NIV).*

In the Faith,

Richard Willson
Grand Commander