



NEWS for November 2025
SK Richard L. Roblee, REGC
Web Site: www.yorkritewa.org/gckt/
SK Bryan D. Bechler, REPGC, IKT, COH, KCT, MSA
Editor: bry.kat@frontier.com

Greetings Sir Knights!

Welcome to another month. I always find it amazing how fast time can pass. November is often a month when many Commanderies are planning for the New Year. Some are planning for the New Year since they have had their elections and have their installations. Others are making plans for the Christmas Observance.

Our Christmas Observance is the one special event which our code requires us to have each year. It is a time where we can meet and celebrate the birth of our savior and celebrate our Order. Each Commandry needs to set aside time and gather to celebrate this event. Some choose to gather with their families and friends and share a meal, while others choose to celebrate after their December meeting. Some Commandries gather together to celebrate. However you choose to do it, it's important to make sure your membership knows about it and can participate. I look forward to hearing what your Commandry did for their

Christmas Observance.

I had a great meeting with our Sir Knights at Hesperus Commandery in October. They held elections and have a new incoming Commander. My other two visits were postponed. I attended the Northwest York Rite Conference in Spokane. It was, as always, informative. They will continue to be at the Ruby River Hotel for the next two years at least. All York Rite Masons are welcome to attend this event. I encourage each Sir Knight to try to attend these sessions.

I will be making my official visit to Washington Commandery #1 in December. I am looking forward to meeting with our Sir Knights in Walla Walla.

Lastly, enjoy your Thanksgiving. It is a time to remember and as it says in its name give Thanks. Thanks for our friends and family, thanks for the country we live in and thanks for our great order of Knights Templar.

In his holy name,

**SK Richard Roblee, REGC
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar in Washington**