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Send me your birthday and anniversary so you can be included in the newsletter.

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Holy Father, Blessed Redeemer, Wonderful Spirit, We stand in awe of you. We stand in awe of your perfect plan. We are awed by Your Son, by our Savior, by the one you sent to be among us. In this season we too ponder the birth of the Prince of Peace. We hide in our hearts the things we know of His grace and mercy. We wonder at the guide and counselor You have given us. Like shepherds we come to see the reason angels sing, we come to see the reason Wise men traverse the countries to bring gifts. We bring our gifts to you and worship you. We adore You Almighty Father. AMEN.

By Christine Fodrea

HERBERT and LORETTA ROACH

Roach 70th Wedding Anniversary

Navy Machinist's Mate 2nd Class Herbert G. Roach and Miss Loretta M. Jones were married on November 26, 1950 in Minden, Nevada. They had met in a roller-skating rink in Vallejo, California where MM2 Roach was stationed with the United States Navy. The first 18 years of their life together took them all over the world with Herb's service to the country. During that time, they were blessed with three children, Michael D. (Susie) Roach of Odon, Robert Dale (Mona) Roach of Bloomfield and Debra Ann (Tim) Gunnoe of Navarre, Florida. They also fostered Loretta's niece, Donna.

The family returned to Herb's hometown of Vincennes, Indiana in 1966 while he completed his last tour of duty. Upon his retirement from the USN, both Herb and Loretta went to work at Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane where they both retired after many years of service. They moved to the Odon/Epsom area in 1974 and in 1977 they moved to their current residence on the Raglesville Lake.

They have been blessed with six grandchildren, one of which is deceased. There are also 12 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

Herb is Past Master of Vincennes Masonic Lodge #1 and Moore Lodge #303 of Odon, Past Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Indiana and Past Patron of Vincennes Chapter #291 and Odon Chapter #341 Order of the Eastern Star. Loretta is Past Matron of both Vincennes Chapter #291 and Odon Chapter #341 Order of the Eastern Star and served as District Deputy in 1994 and a Grand Officer of Indiana in 1996. They are members of the Loogootee Christian Church.

The family will be celebrating this milestone with a private celebration on Thanksgiving Day. Congratulatory cards can be sent to them at 11995 East CR 975 N, Odon, IN 47562



70th Anniversary

Herbert and Loretta Roach celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on November 26th.



GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

OF INDIANA



Bulletin No. 6 Fodrea

November 15, 2020

Pandemic Reminder

Having reopened our ability to have face to face conclaves and gatherings again, the COVID pandemic surges threatening to close us. In order to prevent this, and to ensure we are acting on behalf of the health of our fraters, we must be sure as Knights Templar in Indiana to be diligent.

First, we must be knowledgeable about the level of COVID spread around us. We must know if our county is "red" or "orange". These are the counties with the highest numbers of transmission and are our greatest concern. Please be sure to check coronavirus.in.gov for your county's status.

Next, we must be aware of state and local government mandates regarding the size of meetings and gatherings. Although the governor may issue guidelines allowing 50, each specific County Health Department may decide to lessen the number to 25. Please be aware of the guidelines in your county.

Finally, we all must do our part by ensuring 6 feet between each other in a room or gathering, each of us must discipline ourselves wear a mask, and perform frequent hand hygiene. Again, discipline and diligence will help us complete these very important tasks.

As a reminder, hybrid conclaves would be a good way to ensure those with higher risk medical issues and concerns are able to join us safely. If you need assistance with setting up a hybrid conclave, please contact your Battalion Commander.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence during these uncertain times.

This Bulletin shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 15th day of November, A.D. 2020, A.O. 902

Attested

Edward E. Fodrea, KCT, Grand Commander

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Lawrence J. Williams KCT, PGC, GR



Right Eminent Grand Commander, Ed Jodrea and his lady, Christine Invite you to join them on the 2021 EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE BUS TRIP







Prices:

Single: \$1415 Couple: \$1625

Complete the form and mail to Monica Peterson, 16065 E. 126th Street, Fishers, IN 46037.

All payments must be made in the form of a check made payable to *Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana*. Reservations and \$150 deposit are due by 12/1/20. If you plan to go to the White House, full payment must be received no later than 12/5/20. If you are not going to the White House, full payment is due no later than 2/1/21. Please contact Monica with any questions at MoniPaints4u@yahoo.com.

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Do you require a wheelchair	accessible bus? Yes / No (circle one)
Do you prefer a King bed or I	Double beds? (circle one)
Are you rooming with some	ana? Wha?

Tuesday, March 30

3:30 p.m. or after—Meet and greet at the Holiday Inn Express, Indianapolis-Southeast (included) 6:00 p.m.—Pizza Party at the hotel (included)

Wednesday, March 31

6:00 a.m. breakfast is available at the hotel, but time is limited (included)

6:45 a.m. Board the bus.

7:00 a.m. Bus departs.

11:30 a.m. Stop for lunch in St. Clairsville, Ohio (not included)

3:30 p.m. Visit Flight 93 National Memorial

5:00 p.m. Bus departs. We will stop for dinner on the way to the hotel (not included).

8:15 p.m. Arrive at the hotel in Carlisle, PA

Thursday, April 1

6:30 a.m. breakfast is available at the hotel (included)

7:00 a.m. Board the bus.

7:15 a.m. Bus departs.

9:00 a.m. Visit Valley Forge National Park.

11:00 a.m. Bus departs. We will stop for lunch on the way to the next stop (not included)

3:30 p.m. Visit the NRA Firearms Museum

5:30 p.m. Bus departs.

6:30 p.m. Visit Medieval Times (dinner included)

9:00 p.m. Bus departs.

10:00 p.m. Arrive at hotel in Alexandria, VA.

Friday, April 2

The Hospitality Room will have a light continental breakfast available (included)

9:30 a.m. Bus departs.

10:00 a.m. Visit the White House. An alternate location will be available for those not going to the White House.

The rest of the day is free for you to enjoy the sites of Washington DC. The bus will make multiple prescheduled trips downtown to take people to and from the hotel as they wish.

Saturday, April 3

The Hospitality Room will have a light continental breakfast available (included).

8:45 a.m. Bus Departs for Arlington Cemetery. Arlington is celebrating their 100th Anniversary. 12:30 p.m. Bus Departs for the hotel.

The rest of the day is free for you to enjoy the sites of Washington DC or Arlington VA. The bus will make pre-scheduled trips downtown to take people to and from the hotel with the last trip scheduled for 4:30p 6:00 p.m. Grand Encampment Banquet (included).

Sunday, April 4

5:30 a.m. Breakfast at the hotel (included)

6:30 a.m. Bus departs for the George Washington Masonic Memorial. Services start at 8a. Bus departs at 9a 10:00 a.m. Bus departs for home. We will stop for lunch and dinner along the way (not included)

Times and tours subject to change.

SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH GROUPS DEMOLAY



York Rite DeMolay

On November 17th, DeMolay extended their congratulations to Brother Gavin who joined York Rite Chapter in Columbus. On hand to participated and witness the degrees were the SMC, SSC, SJC, SST and State Marshal. Speedway and Steel City Chapters also participated. Congratulations to everyone on a successful evening.

Source: Indiana DeMolay Facebook Page

Leo G. White DeMolay

Congratulations to AJ who joined Leo G. White Chapter in November in Anderson. The SMC, SST, SJD and Speedway chapter assisted with the degrees.

Source: Indiana DeMolay Facebook Page



Supporting Our youth Job's Daughters



Bethel 34 had fun painting pottery!

Source: Indiana Job's Daughter's Facebook Page

Indiana JDI

Indiana JDI had a private skate party and lots of fun!

Indiana Job's Daughters Facebook Page



Supporting Our Youth Rainbow Girls



District 2 and 3 of Indiana Rainbow Girls have 4 new sisters.

Source: Indiana IORG Facebook Page

What's Happening in Other Masonic Bodies...

Supporting and celebrating the accomplishments of others



St. Bernard de Clairvaux Council

Steve Kroman was installed as the Sovereign Master of the St. Bernard de Clairvaux Council No. 256 AMD. The Installing Master was Chris Gamblin, Grand Superintendent for Indiana AMD. Installing Marshal was Duane Vaught, Grand Director of Ceremonies AMD. Installing Chaplain was PSM Carl Culmann, PGM. Outgoing SM, Ed Board, was Installing Secretary. A Past Sovereign Master's Degree will be given by Carl Culmann on Wednesday, January 27th.

Source: Stephen Kroman's Facebook Page



Beech Grove Lodge #694

Beech Grove Lodge had the honor of presenting Brother LeLand Call with his 50-year award. His wife pinned it on. Congratulations!

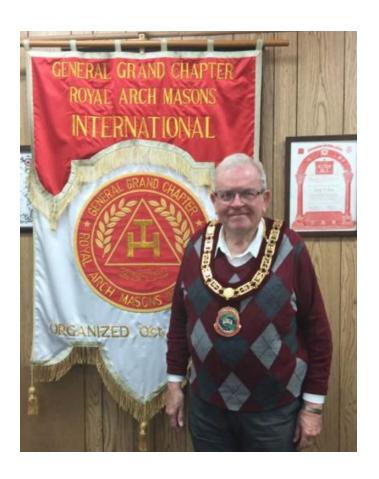
Source: Beech Grove Lodge #694, F&AM Facebook page

General Grand Chapter

On November 21st, General Grand Chapter held their Triennial Grand Session in a virtual meeting with General Grand High Priest, James H. Hodge presiding. Larry Gray was installed for his fifth 3-year term as the Secretary of General Grand Chapter.

On November 24th, Larry Gray was able to present now Past General Grand High Priest, James H. Hodge, with his new collar and jewel.

Source: Larry Gray's Facebook page



Linton Masonic Lodge #560

On November 5th, Brother Fred Chamberlain was presented with his Award of Gold. This cultivated a 50-year career of Freemasonry which planted a seed that has grown into a journey that Fred's grandson has now embarked upon.

Men like Fred are the foundation of our fraternity. Join us in congratulating Fred on his 50-year Award of Gold.

God bless Brother Fred Chamberlain for laying the foundation of Freemasonry for our generation today.

Source: Linton Masonic Lodge #560 Facebook page



Columbus York Rite 50 Year Awards

On November 11th, Columbus Commandery held their Stated Conclave. They opened and placed it at ease, then invited the public into the lodge room. 50 Year Membership Awards were presented.

Right Excellent Grand King, James Fairchild, and Most Illustrious Grand Master, Terry Turner, presented awards to Companions Wilford "Bud" Lutes and F. David Nickerson.

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Edward Fodrea, then presented Sir Knight Lutes with his 50-year award. Sir Knight Nickerson has 47 years in the Commandery and is looking forward to three years from now.

Front row in the black coat is Companion and Sir Knight Nickerson. In the blue coat is Companion and Sir Knight Lutes.

A number of Grand Officers from the Grand Chapter, Council and Commandery were also in attendance.

Source: George Ingles



Noblesville Chapter #120 One Day Class

Eight Companions received the Royal Arch Degree after lunch at Noblesville on Saturday, November 7, 2020. Seven received the MM, PM, & MEM before lunch.

Grant County' newest Chapter member, Charles "Chuck" Clampitt, is seated in the front row fourth from the left. He's the one in a mask. Also, from Grant County are: back row right to left, the fourth Companion, he's a red golf shirt, is Tom Vanosdol, 2nd Vail, fifth is Steve Dooley, King, sixth Bob Kendall, High Priest, seventh Steve Bates, 3rd Vail and, not pictured, photographer George Ingles, Secretary.

There were at least five Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter there, plus PGHP Jeff Jordan, coordinator for the day. PGHP David Wood did his usual great work as the Principal Sojourner. Grand Council, Deputy Illustrious Grand Master Sean Jones was also in attendance.

Source: George Ingles, Secretary Grant County York Rite



FESTIVAL OF TREES

Sponsor a Tree

Buy a Ticket

Vote on Your Favorite

Take a Photo

Enjoy a Treat & Cocoa

Sit in a Winter Wonderland

November 28th through December 19th, 2020

The Masonic Comeratone is planning a first ever fundraiser event where we will fill the Grand Hall, Ballroom, and Parlors with Christmas trees all decorated by local businesses and organizations. Community members can purchase a ticket and enjoy the event in a safe social distancing atmosphere. Ticket holders will vote on their favorite sponsored decorated area. Enjoy a treat and a hot cocoa in our Winter Wonderland. Tickets are available online.

Contact Kim Clark at themasoniccornerstone@gmail.com or 765-366-2880 Visit https://www.themasoniccornerstone.com/event-details/festival-of-trees



Knights Templar Eye Foundation

Some ways your donations are being used...

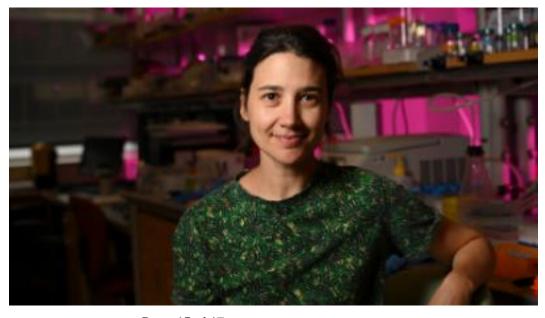


Dr. Susana da Silva Awarded \$69,859 Knights Templar Eye Foundation Grant for Embryonic Fovea Development and Foveal Hypoplasia Research

Dr. Susana da Silva from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine was awarded a grant for \$69,859 for research entitled: Function and dysfunction of PAX6(+5a) in embryonic fovea development and foveal hypoplasia.

Our ability to see colors and perform high acuity visual tasks such as reading critically depends on the fovea which is a highly specialized area of our retina. Abnormal foveal development results in a condition named foveal hypoplasia that is characterized by deficits in visual acuity manifested from infancy to early childhood and comorbid association with several human genetic disorders. The pathogenic mechanisms underlying this condition remain however completely unknown. Foveal hypoplasia is commonly associated with Aniridia, which is a disorder caused by mutations in PAX6, a paired-domain transcription factor essential for eye morphogenesis. Interestingly, a specific PAX6 missense mutation (R128C) has been identified in an 8-year old boy with isolated foveal hypoplasia (IFH) suggesting that PAX6 might be critically involved in fovea development and IFH pathogenesis.

Using newly developed methods for embryological in vivo gene manipulations and the chick retina as a model system Dr. da Silva will test the role of PAX6(+5a) in fovea development and address how the R128C mutation identified in pediatric patients with IFH affects its function leading to foveal hypoplasia. This work will advance the understanding of the fundamental molecular mechanisms underlying fovea formation and contribute to the development of newer therapies for treating congenital foveal hypoplasia conditions.



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Important Dates

Subject to Change

December 5th Grand Commandery Christmas Party

January 16th Newby-Avery Banquet

February 20th ITA

This Month in History...

- 0 Jesus Christ is born in a little town in Bethlehem.
- 1620 The Pilgrims landed at Plymouth, Massachusetts.
- 1773 The Boston Tea Party was the beginning of the American fight for independence.
- 1782 Martin Van Buren was born in New York. He later became the first President of the United States to have been born as a citizen of the United States and not a British subject.
- 1791 The Bill of Rights is enacted, amending the US Constitution.
- 1843 Charles Dickens publishes "A Christmas Carol".
- 1865 James Mason invents the coffee percolator.
- 1869 William F. Semple patented chewing gum.
- 1877 Thomas Edison exhibited the phonograph.
- 1887 Sherlock Holmes appeared for the first time in print in "A Study in Scarlett".
- 1903 The Wright Brothers made their first airplane flight at Kitty Hawk, SC.
- 1928 The clip-on tie is created.
- 1933 The 21st Amendment repeals Prohibition.
- 1939 "Gone with the Wind" premiered in Atlanta, Georgia.
- 1941 Pearl Harbor was bombed and marked the US entry into WWII
- 1955 Rosa Parks is arrested for refusing to give up her seat in the front section of the bus.
- 1964 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. received the Nobel Peace Prize.
- 1980 John Lennon was assassinated in New York City.
- 1982 Barney B. Clark receives the world's first artificial heart transplant.

Source: www.holidayinsights.com



Check out Indiana Grand Commandery's website at IndianaKnightsTemplar.com

Grand Commander, Ed Fodrea, has a coin available. The coin is \$20, and all proceeds go to support the **Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund**. If you are interested in a coin, contact any Grand Commandery Officer.





Indiana Grand Commandery is on Facebook too!
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What is your Commandery Doing?

Community Service? Public Event? Reception? Rededication?
Pancake Breakfast? Chili Dinner? Social Hour? Bowling?
New Sir Knights? One Day Class? 50 Year Award? Parades?
Important Dates to add to the Calendar?
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