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"No matter how chaotic it is, wildflowers will still spring up in the middle of nowhere."- Sheryl Crow.

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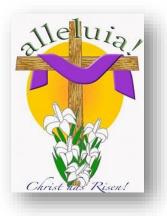
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#### Let us celebrate with you!

Send me your birthday and anniversary so you can be included in the newsletter. <u>monipaints4u@yahoo.com</u> **Great and loving God**, as we see our world being renewed more and more each day, renew our lives. Lift us up in redemption and restoration into a greater relationship with You. Help us to see You in the fragrance of spring and in the generous acts of people around us. We give You our hearts and lives. As You delight in us, we delight in You. We pray this in glory and adoration. AMEN .By Christine Fodrea





**Order of the Temple** 

On Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, Grant County conferred the Order of the Temple.

In the front row are those Sir Knights who have been told they are important. George Ingles, KCT, PGC, Steven Bates, EC, Larry Brown, KCT, PGC, PDC, Ronald Simpson, KCT, PGC, and Randall Ellington, REGCG

In the second row are the real important new Sir Knights, from left to right from Apollo No. 19, Rodney McGillvary, Grant County No. 21: Tom Davis, Eldo Prickett, Roy Marr, Robert MacDonald, Xen Prickett, and Ryan Kline.

Behind those are the supporting cast or the workers and visitors.

Source: George Ingles

## Grand Session 2021

Grand Session will be held Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Horizon Convention Center in Muncie.

Click on these links to make <u>hotel reservations</u>, print the <u>mail in form</u> for meal reservations, or <u>pay online</u> <u>for meal reservations</u>.

#### **Grand Council Agenda**

**Thursday, April 22, 2021 Council** 1:00 – 4:00 PM - Grand Council Officers meeting

#### Friday, April 23, 2021 Council

06:00 – 09:00 AM – Breakfast 07:00 – 10:30 AM – Registration 07:00 – 08:00 AM – Distinguished Guest 08:30 – 12:00 PM – Grand Council Session 12:30 – 01:30 PM – Grand Council Lunch 01:30 – 03:00 PM – Thrice Illustrious Master's Degree 03:00 – 04:00 PM – Grand Council Installation 04:00 – 05:30 PM – Grand Council Pictures 06:00 – 07:00 PM – Grand Council Social Hour 07:00 – 09:00 PM – Grand Council Banquet



Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Indiana



#### Grand Commandery Agenda

Friday, April 23, 2021 Commandery 2:00 PM – Jurisprudence

#### Saturday, April 24, 2021 Commandery

- 06:30 8:00 AM Registration
- 07:00 08:00 AM Breakfast
- 07:00-08:00 AM-Ritual Competition
- 08:00 12:00 PM Grand Commandery Session
- 12:00 01:00 PM Grand Commandery Lunch
- 01:00 02:30 PM Past Commander's Degree
- 03:30 04:30 PM Grand Commandery Installation
- 04:30-05:30 PM-Divine Service
- 05:00 06:00 PM York Rite Social Hour
- 06:00-09:30 PM York Rite Banquet



## Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund

To the Eminent Commander, Officers and Sir Knights,

The Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee needs your help. With your support of \$100, you could help offset our cost enabling us to increase our revenue for the Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund. Your Grand Commandery has been working diligently to provide solutions to increase income for this worthy endeavor but needs your help.

Please consider sending your support check to the Grand Treasurer of the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Indiana

Robert J. Frazer, PCG – Grand Treasurer 3208 N. W. "C" St., Richmond, IN 47374

Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Fraternally, Dan Patterson, Grand Prelate Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Indiana





**Greenfield York Rite** 

On Saturday, March 27, friends and family of Greenfield York Rite assembled 455 take and bake pizzas. Pictures from Larry Gray's Face

# SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH DEMOLAY

Congratulations to all who competed in Saturday's State Ritual Competition and to Speedway Chapter for winning the Chapter Sweepstakes.

The Results of the Individual Competitions are as follows: 1st Preceptor: 1st - Griffin, 2nd - Owen, 3rd - Thomas 2nd Preceptor: 1st - Devon, 2nd - Dante, 3rd - Evan 3rd preceptor: 1st - Ryan, 2nd - Sam, 3rd - Tom 4th preceptor: 1st - Griffin, 2nd - Owen, 3rd - Ryan 5th preceptor: 1st - Calvin, 2nd - Mason, 3rd - Sam 6th preceptor: 1st - Jacob, 2nd - Bryce, 3rd - Ean 7th preceptor: 1st - Bryce, 2nd - Gage, 3rd - Ean Ceremony of Light: 1st - Bryce, 2nd - Griffin DeMolay Degree Obligation: 1st - Bryce Flower Talk: 1st - Jacob, 2nd - Bryce, 3rd - Ryan Geoffrey de Charney: 1st - Griffin, 2nd - Jacob, 3rd - Joey Initiatory Degree Obligation: 1st - Louis, 2nd - Noah Magnificent 3: 1st - Aaron, 2nd - Owen, 3rd - Evan Magnificent 7: 1st - Bryce, 2nd - Griffin, 3rd - Ean Orator: 1st - Griffin, 2nd - Evan, 3rd - Dante



The Results of the Team Competitions are as follows:

RD Award Ceremony: 1st - John Chapman Chapter, 2nd - Speedway Chapter, 3rd - Yorkrite Chapter Preceptor Trio: 1st - Speedway Chapter (Vermuelen trio), 2nd - Speedway Chapter (Hackney trio), 3rd -Speedway Chapter (Alderman trio) Preceptor Corps: 1st - Speedway Chapter Majority Service: 1st - Speedway Chapter Initiatroy Degree: 1st - Speedway Chapter DeMolay Degree 4th Section: 1st - Yorkrite Chapter, 2nd - Speedway Chapter (Alderman), 3rd - Speedway Chapter (Andrews) DeMolay Degree 1st & 3rd Section: 1st - Speedway Chapter Cross of Honor: 1st - Steel City Chapter, 2nd - Speedway Chapter Chapter Proficiency: 1st - Speedway Chapter









# **Knights Templar Eye Foundation**

Some ways your donations are being used...



# Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Awards Endowment

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. is proud to announce that they have established an endowment at Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC) called -"Knights Templar Eye Foundation Directorship in Pediatric Vision Research." The Foundation has made a \$2 million contribution which is being matched dollar for dollar by VUMC honoring Dr. John S. Penn who will be the inaugural holder of a Directorship supported by this endowment.

Dr. Penn started his personal development in research by applying for a grant to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation in 1986, which was awarded for two years to investigate Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP), an eye disorder that occurs mostly in babies who weigh less than three pounds or are born before thirty-one weeks of pregnancy. It is one of the most common causes of vision loss in children. Dr. Penn developed an animal model of the ROP condition so its pathogenesis could be investigated. His discoveries led to continued funding of his ROP and related research program for over thirty consecutive years from the National Institute of Health (NIH). His work in ROP over the years has altered the way premature infants are cared for and the way ROP is treated.

Dr. Penn is currently associate dean for faculty affairs and vice chair and professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences. He is an internationally recognized investigator and research leader in vision science. Vanderbilt is a widely recognized home to experts in retinopathy of prematurity, retinoblastoma, pediatric glaucoma, orthoptics training, and the growing field of studying eye development in utero, and other areas of pediatric vision research. Dr. Penn has influenced and shaped the careers of young investigators in Vision Research and is a scientific leader and mentor at the Vanderbilt Eye Institute.

This foundation has been honored to have Dr. Penn on our Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) as a member starting in 2000 and becoming the chair in 2012. The Committee of ten physicians scientists and investigators from around the country are experts in their individual fields and are chartered annually with the responsibility of reviewing all grant applications submitted to the Foundation and making recommendations on which

applications the Foundation's officers should approve.

We are very proud of Dr. Penn's accomplishments and are honored to know that he received his career start from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Grant Program and has been a major player in the Foundations Grant Program for the past twenty years.



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## **Important Dates**

Subject to Change

April 23-24<sup>th</sup> Grand Session at Horizon Convention Center in Muncie

## This Month in History...

- 1513 Explorer Juan Ponce DeLeon claims Florida for Spain.
- 1778 Oliver Pollack invents the dollar sign. \$\$
- 1828 Noah Webster produced the first American Dictionary.
- 1860 The Pony Express begins delivering the mail.
- 1865 President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated.
- 1877 The first Easter Egg Roll was held on the lawn of the White House.
- 1879 Milk is sold in glass bottles for the first time.
- 1896 The first modern Olympic games open in Athens, Greece.
- 1912 The RMS Titanic sinks.
- 1930 Twinkies hit the market. The first Twinkies were banana-filled.
- 1950 Bob Hope first appears on television.
- 1956 Elvis Presley's first hit record, "Heartbreak Hotel" reaches #1 on the charts
- 1962 Walter Cronkite begins as anchor of the CBS evening news.
- 1968 The "Planet of the Apes" premieres at theaters across America.
- 1969 The first human eye transplant is performed.

1970 - Paul McCartney officially announces that the Beatles have split up.

1973 – The World Trade tower opens in New York. At 110 stories, it is the tallest building in the world at that time.

1976 – Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak founded Apple computer from the garage of Steve Job's parent's home in Cupertino, CA.

2004 – Google introduces Gmail.

Source: http://holidayinsights.com/history/history04.htm



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.





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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? Send me your pictures and stories! <u>MoniPaints4u@yahoo.com</u>



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