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## Grand Commandery Knights Templar Of Indiana

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Greetings Sir Knights and Ladies,

*“We should not judge people by their peak of excellence; but by the distance they have traveled from the point where they started.”— Henry Ward Beecher*

### **October Birthdays:**

Kurt A. Begue, KCT, Aide to GC, Webmaster, 4, 10/3  
Lady Cindy Lewis, wife of Charles J. Lewis, 14, 10/3  
James L. Dove, KCT, PGC, 10/5  
Larry G. Huffman, 63, 10/7  
Lady Marty Welling, wife of James E. Welling, 13, 10/8  
Lady Claire Williams, wife of Larry Williams, GCG, 10/8  
Lady Whiz Roberts, wife of Wally W. Roberts, KTCH, GPE, 10/9  
Lady Gaylynn Dykman, wife of Carl Dykman, DBC 1, 10/9  
James L. Davis, Rec. 45, 10/10  
Lady Janie Isaac, wife of Basil Isaac, GS, 10/10  
Matthew E. Lowe, KTCH, 16, 10/10  
Damon G. Moore, 12, 10/12  
Lady Mary Anderson, wife of Michael C. Anderson, DBC 2, 45, 10/13  
Walter E. Metcalf, 41, 10/13  
Lady Emily Robinette, Lady of Donnie A. Robinette, GStdB, 10/14  
Lady Cindy Miller, wife of Jerald L. Miller, 62, 10/15  
Lady Willa Fay Roberts, wife of Bobby J. Roberts, KCT, PGC, 10/18  
Glenn A. Moulton, Rec. 63, 10/20  
Lady Barbara Reicher, widow of Robert C. Reicher, 30, 10/21  
Lady Sally Noel, Lady of DeWayne Richmond, Aide to GC, 10/21  
Franklin C. Boner, KCT, PGC, PDC, 10/22  
William H. Ostenberg, IV, 28, 10/22  
Charles L. Combi, 28, 10/24  
Lady Tisha Trice, wife of Matthew E. Trice, 10/26

Michael D. Gillard, 61, 10/28  
Lady Kate Brinkmeyer, wife of Tim Brinkmeyer, 1, 10/28  
Lady Debra Moulton, wife of Glenn A. Moulton, Rec. 63, 10/29  
Lady Kathy McClelland, wife of John McClelland, 20, 10/29  
John V. Stevens, KCT, PGC, 10/30  
Lady Gloria Spurgeon, wife of C. Keith Spurgeon, Rec. 15, 10/30  
Lady Mary Jane Evens, wife of Marty Evens, REGK, 11, 10/31

### **October Anniversaries:**

Chuck & Paula Wood, Jr., 10/1/12  
Charles & Cindy Lewis, 10/2  
Adam & Clorissa Jackson, 10/6  
David & Cathy Chaffee, 10/9  
Harley & Charlotte Eggers, 10/10  
Marvin & Darlene Ramsay, 10/11  
Jerry & Karen Deeter, 10/13  
Kurt & Lynnette Begue, 10/13  
Matthew & Tisha Trice, 10/13  
Steve & Rebecca Arlington, 10/19  
Tim & Kate Brinkmeyer, 10/19  
Dennis & Pamela Rigsby, 10/20  
Patrick & Barbara Baird, 10/21  
Eldred & Sharis Glass, 10/22

*“It isn't what you have or who you are or where you are or what you are doing that makes you happy or unhappy. It is what you think about it.”— Dale Carnegie*

#### ***Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Indiana Collectable Medallion***



This medallion, designed by John Bridegroom and issued by the Grand Commandery of Indiana, is a fundraiser for the 2018 Triennial to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana during the year that our own Duane Vaught will be the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. Your purchase and support is very important. Please consider buying multiple quantities to receive shipping discount and to give away to your friends. Ask any Officer or go to <http://www.indianaknightstemplar.com/> to order one, priced at \$10.00 each.

*“Be generous. Give to those you love; give to those who love you, give to the fortunate, give to the unfortunate - yes, give especially to those you don't want to give. You will receive abundance for your giving. The more you give, the more you will have.”— W. Clement Stone*

## **Sickness & Distress:**

**Janet Kaminsky:** Janet underwent a double epidural shot in the lower back to relieve her back pain. It seemed to help for about a week but she is now having more pain. They are going to give her one more shot this week in hopes that will help. If not, then she either has to live with the pain or have back surgery.

**Update 6/23:** Janet is trying a TENS unit to help relieve her pain. No luck.

**Update 7/12:** Janet fell out of bed this morning and was delirious. My daughters and I took her to the hospital where the primary diagnosis was dehydration and a bowel infection and she was admitted. She spent a week being filled with antibiotics and after many tests they concluded it was a virus in her intestines and that they were swollen. She was transferred to St. Mary's in Hobart for rehabilitation. She spent a week there and is now home. She can hardly walk and faces 6 weeks of out-patient physical therapy. She currently needs 24-hour care. My daughters have been a blessing helping with the cleaning, clothes washing and grocery shopping. Larry V

**Update 8/29:** Janet is in out-patient physical therapy and is slowly improving. She is still using a walker but has visions of going back to the cane. She needs to build up her strength. Her mental state is also improving as she sees some progress. Thanks for all the cards and prayers!

**Terry L. Kehrer, GSW:** Wanda called me last night and told me that Terry had fallen of a ladder and split is head open. Terry had twelve (12) stitches put in to close it up. Terry also broke his scapula and at this time they have not heard from the doctor as to the treatment for that broken bone. Terry is in Floyd County Hospital and they have requested to have no visitors at this time. I will try to keep everyone up to date on his condition. Mike Ritter.

**Update: 8/5** SK Terry Kehrer is home. He can't do much with his right arm yet. That is all the info I have at this time. IHSV, Don.

**Update: 8/9:** Brothers, Companions and Sir Knights, Greetings again. Well I am finally recovering from my fall and sort of able to use my arm, so though that I would give a status. On Sunday evening July 20th my son Brian was helping me locate a wire above my ceiling on my back porch to install a couple of outdoor fans. He was in the attic above the porch and I was on a 10 foot step ladder about half the way up it. My head and chest was above the ceiling and as I twisted to see the wire which he had located - the ladder went sideways and I went down about 10 feet and hit the concrete floor. My arms were below the ceiling and thus, I could not grab on to anything. Down I went. No give, no bounce. I was knocked out and my head bled a lot. Wanda and Brian called 911. I did not come to until the EMTs pulled into the hospital. I took 12 stitches on the back of my scalp and 2 in my arm. I fractured my right scapular or shoulder. No surgery was done. Found out later that I had broken the number seven rib on my back lower right side. Again no surgery was done. I spent 3 days in the Floyd Memorial hospital. Then went to rehab at Autumn Woods in New Albany. Finally I asked to be released to recover and do therapy at home. I went home on Saturday August 2nd. I still cannot lay on my right or left side. Have trouble getting out of bed, ---the twisting motion. But that is now getting better. I'm going to try to make Church tomorrow, and hopefully Council meeting Monday evening. Can't drive yet, but Doctor sat I can whenever I feel that I can. Hope to go in our pool this coming week, temps to be in the 90's. I got the stitches removed Thursday and things seem to be healing pretty well. Go to see the Doctor again in 4 weeks. Still moving slowly, not moving my right arm too much. Could not draw sword or salute at this time, but it is getting better. Thanks for all your prayers, cards, calls and thoughts. Hope all else is well, also, I hear that Terry Smith is recovering and doing well after his by past surgery this last week. Thanks to Jim Adamson, who sent out the report on him. Terry Kehrer, PC, KYCH, Grand Senior Warden, Indiana, Commander Battalion 5

**Janie Isaac:** I just talked to SK Basil Isaac today and he told me that his wife Janie fell down two days ago and broke her left hip. She was taken to the Hospital and was then transferred to St. Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis where she had a total hip replacement. Please keep both Basil and Janie in your prayers. I will try to keep you all updated. Sincerely, Michael D. Ritter, GC

**Update:** Janie is now home resting.

**Jim Dove, KCT, PGC:** Hello Larry, I'm doing fine right now. Breathing pretty well, had nose surgery, getting lower probe in two weeks and see heart doctor for update on aneurism next month to determine date of surgery. It's not if I will have surgery it is when! But I feel good.

**Donald L. Borchert, GPE:** Well after 8 hours in the ER they finally admitted Don to a room. The pain on the hip side was so bad this morning he could barely walk. Had to call an ambulance to take him to Community Hosp. Going to try and control his pain and have a orthopedic doctor look at hip. Please keep him in your prayers. And on my way home I stopped at urgent care and got told I have another kidney stone. Ain't life GRAND! Oh well got to make some lemonade.....

**Update 8/29:** Don is home resting.

**Update 8/30:** Don went back into the hospital with severe hip pain.

**Update 9/1:** Don was released and is now home.

**Update 9/11:** Here is where we are now. Saw Dr. Paprosky from Rush yesterday. He confirms hip has moved; will have to be replaced. Not sure why? Will do blood work in 10 days to see if there is infection. If not he is recommending another Doctor to do surgery. He can't do it till Dec. 3rd or Jan. 27th. TOO LONG. We see Dr. Levine on the 30th; surgery tentatively Oct. 9th at Rush in Chicago. If there is infection, it's a whole new ball game! We won't go into that till we know. By the way the fused ankle is doing well.

**Update 9/30:** Don update: Surgery Oct.16th to take out this hip and put in a spacer. Then 8 weeks with the spacer; 6weeks on anti-biotic, 2 off. If everything looks good, new hip goes in then; which would be 2 weeks before Christmas. Got to get lots of protein in him! Mickey.

**Peter Zivanovich, KCT, PGC:** I received a call from Pete telling me that he had a heart attack and was in a rehabilitation center in Boynton Beach. He is doing better and expects to go home on Labor Day. Please keep Pete in your prayers.

**Terry Smith, PMIGM:** I met with my surgeon today and he cut me loose to go back to work. I can't lift over 40 lbs. but all is clear now and he says I'm doing really well. Thank you all for the prayers and cards. They really made my day. Terry

**Jim Crawford:** I have been released to home therapy now that my femur has knitted back together. It has been a LONG seven weeks. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the brothers who visited or contacted me thru this period. Your thoughts and actions have been greatly appreciated by me! I am heading home to Alabama tomorrow, but looking forward to Lodge on October the 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Keith Stiner: 9/8:** , I have been having migraine headaches for years where 1/2 my body goes numb and sometimes can't see - all black, sometimes I just see part of what I'm looking at, then after numbness goes away a very bad headache. I put a call in to my doctor. I'm fairly certain that I'm having Mini Strokes (TIAs). Waiting for the nurse to check with him and call back.

**Update 9/15:** Well, kind of good news, my MRI came back normal! No sign of strokes. I still don't know what's going on but at least I know what it isn't.

**Kris Kimmel:** Well, my wounds are as healed as they are going to get. I've been released to experiment with different pressure offloading tactics, provided that I'm only putting pressure on the wounded area for a maximum of three hours before totally offloading the weight for one hour. Tomorrow, we are going to try three hours up, a recline for an hour to offload the weight, then back up for a few hours before going back to bed. It's all about capillary refill. I'm never going to be able to sit up as long as I once did, so we are going to try to experiment and find out what my body can handle so we can find the "new normal" and get on with life. Thanks for all the prayers and well wishes.

**Ill. Brother Bill Gloye:** Brothers all: Bill has given me his permission to pass along the following information regarding his health, and it saddens me to report the following: For the past month or so, Bill has experienced light headedness. He saw doctor who treated him for vertigo. That didn't work, and in the interim, he lacked energy, and has lost some weight. At our September luncheon, he helped me at the registration table, wasn't feeling well, and left before lunch. He went to a doctor yesterday, and after a brief conversation, the doctor sent him to Community North. Last evening they ran some tests (MRI / Cat scans, blood work-up, etc). His son phoned me while I was at Chorus on Monday evening to say that Bill had brain cancer. Today, doctors confirmed that he has cancer (stage 4) in his brain, kidneys, liver, lymph nodes and colon. They speculate that it may have started in his colon and spread elsewhere. Bill is in Community North room 2262, and his phone number is 621-0096. On Wednesday, Bill is scheduled for a colonoscopy at 3P. They want to find out what type of cancer he has so they can determine treatment possibilities. Please keep our Brother (and his Phyllis) in your prayers. He will need all of them and more in the coming days. John W. Duncan, Secretary

**Update 9/27:** Brother Bill Gloye was discharged from the hospital on Wednesday, September 24. He starts his first radiation treatment on Monday, September 29, but he is not in the hospital, he is at home. Thanks, Randy Spaulding

**Prayer Request:** We are asking everyone to say a prayer for "Dark Horse" 3rd Battalion 5th Marines and their families. They are fighting it out in Afghanistan & they have lost 12 marines in 4 days. Nothing has been in the media about these guys because no one seems to care. They are: Justin Allen, 23; Brett Linley, 29; Matthew Weikert, 29; Justus Bartett, 27; Dave Santos, 21; Chase Stanley, 21; Jesse Reed, 26; Matthew Johnson, 21; Zachary Fisher, 24; Brandon King, 23; Christopher Goeke, 23 and Sheldon Tate, 27. All are Marines that gave their lives for YOU this week. Dan Pushee.

*“Each of us has lived through some devastation, some loneliness, some weather superstorm or spiritual superstorm. When we look at each other we must say, I understand. I understand how you feel because I have been there myself. We must support each other because each of us is more alike than we are unlike.”— Maya Angelou*

*“One of the things I learned the hard way was that it doesn't pay to get discouraged. Keeping busy and making optimism a way of life can restore your faith in yourself.”— Lucille Ball*

## **Indiana Deaths:**

## **Red Book Directory Changes:**

**John Gray, KCT, PMIGM:** new e-mail: [jsinewave@att.net](mailto:jsinewave@att.net)

## **Important Dates:**

*“The motive behind criticism often determines its validity. Those who care criticize where necessary. Those who envy criticize the moment they think that they have found a weak spot.”— Criss Jami*

## **Wed. October 1, 2014.**

**Indy AASR: 7:00 PM.** Start your evening with dinner in the Double Eagle Cafe from 5:30 - 7:00 PM then join the officers and other members for the Monthly Stated Meeting. Following the business session we will have a short program entitled, "911 - What is your Emergency?". Complete your night with refreshments in Washington's Retreat after the meeting.

**Sat. October 4, 2014.**

York Rite One Day Class, Prather York Rite Bodies, Calvin W. Prather Lodge No. 717, 7502 E 56th St., Indianapolis, IN 46226-1309. 07:00 AM (ET) Registration; Council Degrees: 08:00 AM Select Master Degree; 08:45 AM Royal Master Degree; Chapter Degrees: 09:45 AM Mark Master Degree; 11:00 AM Past Master Degree; 11:30 AM Most Excellent Master Degree; 11:45 AM Lunch. Chapter Degrees: 1:15 PM; Royal Arch Degree; Commandery Orders: 3:00 PM Order of Red Cross; 4:15 PM Order of Malta; 5:30 PM Order of the Temple. Contact: Brian Lewis at (317) 445-2843 or [blewis717@gmail.com](mailto:blewis717@gmail.com)

**Sat. October 4, 2014.**

Ish Sodi Table Council at Sahara Grotto, 7620 Madison Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46227; 5:15 PM Registration and Social, 6:00 PM Dinner, 7:00 PM Table Council; Contact: Terry Smith, PMIGM, at (812) 366-3361 or [tlcs47122@yahoo.com](mailto:tlcs47122@yahoo.com) – See Attached Flyer.

**Sat. October 11, 2014.**

Reception of the Grand Commander at Columbus Commandery No. 14 will be held on Saturday, October 11, with lunch at 12:00 prepared by the Columbus Assembly Social Order of Beauceant. There will be a free will offering to cover the cost of the meal. Please make reservations to Wilford Lutes, Recorder, by October 5. Ladies are invited to the meal and the open part of the reception. [wlutes@Peoplepc.com](mailto:wlutes@Peoplepc.com)

**Sat. October 11, 2014.**

**DISCOVER FREEMASONRY EXPO 2014**

**Eastland Mall**, 800 N Green River Road, Evansville, IN 47715

10:00 AM to 4PM CST

**Harley Davidson Store**, 335 S 00 EW (Business 31), Kokomo IN 46902

10:00 AM to 4PM EST

**Glenbrook Mall**, 4201 Coldwater Road, Fort Wayne IN 46805

10:00 AM to 4PM EST

**Tues. October 14, 2014.**

Middletown Chapter No. 143, 959 N Beachwood Ave, Middletown, IN 47356  
6:00 PM Dinner, 7:00 PM Most Excellent Master Degree; Contact: Jerry McRoberts at (765) 810-5610 or [jmcroberts46186@gmail.com](mailto:jmcroberts46186@gmail.com)

**Fri. October 17, 2014.**

**Indy AASR: 6:00 PM.** Like Gaming? This is an excellent opportunity to gather with your fellow members and their families for a night out. For more information, please call the office. 317-262-3100, 800-489-3579.

**Sat. October 18, 2014.**

Angola Yeomen of York at Loyal Order of Moose Hall, 108 N Martha St, Angola, IN 46703; 10:00 AM (ET) Angola Yeomen of York, 12:00 PM Lunch. Contact: Vernon Barnhart at (571) 974-9854 or (571) 626-2215 or [vbarnhart@yahoo.com](mailto:vbarnhart@yahoo.com).

**Sat. October 18, 2014.**

Commandery Inspection for Angola Commandery No. 45 and Apollo Commandery No. 19 at the Angola Masonic Temple, 35 S Public Square, Angola, IN 46703. 12:30 PM Registration, 1:15 PM Order of the Temple, 3:45 PM Open Reception, 4:45 PM Banquet. Contact: Mike Anderson at (260) 665-9376 or [candacraig2@re-comm.net](mailto:candacraig2@re-comm.net).



- Sat. October 18, 2014.** Grand Master's Pilgrimage and Wild West Train Ride from Connersville to Metamora from 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM EDT; Where: Warren Lodge No. 15, 779 S. State Rd 121, Connersville, IN 47331 Contact: Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana at 317-634-7904 x202 or [wanda@ingrandlodge.org](mailto:wanda@ingrandlodge.org) See attached flyer for details.
- Tues. October 21, 2014.** Order of Malta at Raper Commandery No. 1, Indiana Freemasons' Hall 525 N. Illinois St. Floor 7, Indianapolis, IN 46204; Contact: Nathan Brindle at (317) 872-3241 or (317) 902-5617 or [nathan@brindle.com](mailto:nathan@brindle.com)
- Sat. October 25, 2014.** **DISCOVER FREEMASONRY EXPO 2014**  
**University Park Mall**, 6501 Grape Road, Mishawaka, IN 46545  
 10:00 AM to 4PM EST  
**Harley Davidson Store**, 2968 US 421, Michigan City IN 46360  
 10:00 AM to 4PM EST  
**Castleton Square Mall**, 6020 E 82nd Street, Indianapolis IN 46250  
 10:00 AM to 4PM EST  
**Greenwood Park Mall**, 1251 S US 31, Greenwood, IN 46142  
 10:00 AM to 4PM EST
- Sat. October 25, 2014.** Order of Malta will be held at Fort Wayne Commandery No. 4, Fort Wayne Masonic Temple, 216 E Washington Blvd, Fort Wayne, IN 46802-3122. Contact: William Pond at (260) 602-5167 or [wwpond@gmail.com](mailto:wwpond@gmail.com)
- Sun. October 26, 2014.** **Indy AASR: 3:00PM.** Dress up in your favorite costume and come to the Cathedral for an afternoon of entertainment, games and refreshments. There will be a costume contest for ALL age groups!
- Tues. October 28, 2014.** Commandery Reception at Noblesville Commandery No. 61, Noblesville Masonic Temple, 295 S 9th St, Noblesville, IN 46060-2729 Contact: Jeff Jordan at (317) 650-1233 or [jeffj@jordanvideosolutions.com](mailto:jeffj@jordanvideosolutions.com)
- Wed. November 5, 2014.** Indy AASR: Stated Meeting and Program.
- Fri. November 7, 2014.** Reception for Right Eminent Grand Commander Michael D. Ritter at his home Commandery Anderson Commandery No. 32, Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 77, 3921 W. Nichol Ave, Anderson, IN 46011-2901. This will include a 12-man opening. Contact: Max Maupin at (765) 649-1753 or (765) 749-4625 or [maup@sbcglobal.net](mailto:maup@sbcglobal.net)
- Sat. November 15, 2014.** St. Basil Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine Annual Meeting at Holiday Inn City Centre, Lafayette, IN. Lunch at noon, Meeting at 1:00 PM (ET). Black Tux w/sash and jewel.
- Fri/Sat Nov. 14-15, 2014.** Scottish Rite Valley of Indianapolis Fall Convocation  
**Friday November 14, 2014:**  
 6:30 PM Candidates and Spouses Reception  
 7:15 PM Orientation and Information  
 8:00 PM 04° Master Traveler  
**Saturday, November 15, 2014:**

7:30 AM Annual Prayer Breakfast  
 9:00 AM 14° Grand Elect Mason  
 10:30 AM 15° Knight of the East  
 12:00 PM Lunch  
 1:00 PM 18° Knight of the Rose Croix  
 2:30 PM 20° Master ad Vitam  
 3:30 PM 32° Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret  
 5:30 PM Banquet for Members and Spouses  
 Additional degrees to be announced  
 Scottish Rite Cathedral, 650 N Meridian St, Indianapolis, IN 46204  
 Contact: Carson Smith at (317) 319-3712 or [carson.c.smith@gmail.com](mailto:carson.c.smith@gmail.com)

**Sat. November 22, 2014.** Reception for Grand Commander at Raper Commandery No. 1, Indiana Freemasons' Hall, 525 N Illinois St, Floor 7, Indianapolis, IN 46204-1209. Contact: Nathan Brindle at (317) 872-3241 or (317) 902-5617 or [nathan@brindle.com](mailto:nathan@brindle.com).

**Fri. February 20, 2015.** Isley York Rite College No. 129; Sugar Creek Lodge No 279, 4810 N 450 W, Fairland, IN 46126; Called Assembly at 7:30 PM (ET). Contact: David Willoughby at home: (317) 837-1098, e-mail: [dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com](mailto:dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com)

**Sat. March 21, 2015.** Isley York Rite College No 129; Sugar Creek Lodge No 279, 4810 N 450 W, Fairland, IN; 1 PM (ET) Knight of York; Contact: David Willoughby at (317) 837-1098 or e-mail: [dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com](mailto:dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com)

**Sat. April 18, 2015.** **Masonic Education Notice:** Westchester Masonic Temple, 10210 Canterbury Street, Westchester, Illinois

- Author, Speaker, Pennsylvanian Certified Masonic Scholar **Shawn Gorley!!!**
- Assistant Grand Historian of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia and Howard University Alumni **James Morgan III**
- Speaker and Masonic Scholar **Dr. E. Oscar Alleyne**, Grand Lodge of New York
- Chairman of the Commission on Bogus Masonic Practices for the Phylaxis Society, the Premier Prince Hall Academic Research Society, Brother **Antoine Lilly**
- Author and Masonic Speaker **Todd Creason**
- Speaker and host of the Whence You Came podcast **Robert Johnson**
- Keynote Speaker **Russ Schlosser**, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Knights Templar for the State of Illinois

Members of the Roundtable Discussion Group found at [themasonicroundtable.com](http://themasonicroundtable.com) will be on hand as well!!!!

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Clear your schedules for April 18, 2015!!!! The 2nd Annual Masonic Education Symposium is here!!! This is a Master Mason only event.  
Charles M. Harper Sr., [charpersr@yahoo.com](mailto:charpersr@yahoo.com)

**2nd Annual Masonic Education Symposium**  
**Pleiades Lodge No. 478 A.F.&A.M.**

					
Shawn Godes	James Morgan III	Robert Johnson	Oscar Allyn	Antoine Lilly	Todd Cresson
Pennsylvania	District of Columbia	Illinois	New York	North Carolina	Illinois

April 18, 2015  
Westchester Masonic Temple  
10210 Canterbury Avenue  
Westchester, Illinois  
Tickets go on sale September 1, 2014  
This event will sell out!!!!

 **Keynote Speaker**  
**Russell Schlosser**  
Illinois

**Sat. September 12, 2015.**      Date for the Masonic Home Festival.

**Sat. October 10, 2015.**      Grand Master's York Rite Festival in Evansville



## **Around the Encampment:**

**Lawrence N. Jolma, Jr., PM, PGHP, MIPGM, REPGC in DC:** Our esteemed and beloved Frater, Sir Knight and Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, Lawrence N. Jolma, Jr., - Lonnie – will be cremated today at 4:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time. All Sir Knights of this Grand Jurisdiction are requested to pause, and think of him at that hour and time, reflecting on your personal relationship with him. Lonnie had affiliated with a Masonic Lodge in Seaside, OR. The Lodge will join Cathie as she spreads Lonnie's ashes in the sea and perform the Masonic rite. Gerald W. Peeters, REPGC, Recorder

## **Knights Templar Eye Foundation Voluntary Campaign**

***George A. Ingles, Jr., PGC Voluntary Campaign Chairman***

It is time to begin the 47<sup>th</sup> Voluntary Campaign for this Templar year. While the Eye Foundation remains a very valuable asset for the Sir Knights of Indiana, it has changed the main focus. It is not used for patient surgery but is very strong in research to save the eye sight of many. The recent magazine pages 16 & 17 addresses the many good aspects of the Eye Foundation.

The "Home" web page <http://www.knightstemplar.org/ktef/> will give you access to many information packets and history of the Eye Foundation plus different suggested projects to make dollars for the Eye Foundation. I tend to take the easy way and reach into my pocket. If you are like me, ask the Commander to set a basket, bowl or some object out or pass the chapeaux at each meeting and ask each Sir Knight to give the cost of an ice tea from McDonald's, \$1.00 for the Eye Foundation. If you only get the minimum number of Sir Knights per Conclave, that's almost an Associate Patron Life Sponsor for the Commander as a gift for his year serving as Commander, or a gift to the new Commander at his installation. Keep it up and at the end of the year, make the most senior member/s or most junior member/s Life Sponsors. Indiana as 100% Life Sponsors would be a real feat. The form is available at: [/http://www.knightstemplar.org/ktef/info/44.pdf](http://www.knightstemplar.org/ktef/info/44.pdf)

Attached you will find a KTEF Tie and Case order form. You may wish hint to your wife to order it for you for Christmas. May your fall season be successful and enjoy working and giving to the KTEF.

***"Look at a day when you are supremely satisfied at the end. It's not a day when you lounge around doing nothing; it's a day you've had everything to do and you've done it."— Margaret Thatcher***

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The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. is pleased and honored to make this exclusive offer.

This unique and limited offer features a black leather zippered tie case crafted from 100% genuine leather and is debossed with the Knights Templar Eye Foundation logo, holding up to six ties. Especially for this offer, we have also included a unique 100% silk tie with the Knights Templar Eye Foundation logo.

Both items are available for a one time donation of \$100.00 or more mailed to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.



Fraternally,

David D. Goodwin

President

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Congratulations to Donnie Robinette for a successful Masonic Home Festival:**

It's 8:20pm and just got home from the IMH Festival. Another one is in the books and I hope that everyone had a great time. Lots of effort, patience, sweat, tears, and blood (especially after I cut myself today on a sharp pole) were shed from a number of people involved. To all of you that played a role - large or small - thank you. I've been a dedicated 'employee' of the Indiana Masonic Home since April 1994, just six months after I joined the Order of DeMolay. I use 'employee' in quotation marks because although I'm fortunate enough to have a career through a time-honored organization, I'm also 110% dedicated to the Fraternity Family of Freemasonry. The mission of IMH upholds the values my mom and grandmother taught me growing up, and I am thankful for the opportunity to give my time and energy to such a worthwhile cause. That said, today makes me feel like the Fraternity is a place I belong. Earlier this week, I posted on Facebook that I wasn't feeling well; simply, fighting allergies and sinus issues can wear a person down. Repeatedly since Friday night, during the IMH Golf Outing yesterday, and all the way until the parade at the festival I had brothers and fraternal family members come up to me asking what they could do to help since I wasn't feeling 100%. This outpouring of fraternal family was simply amazing. I thank you all.

Mushy stuff aside, if you came to the Indiana Masonic Home Festival today I hope you had a great time! Everyone seemed to be in great spirits, weather was perfect, the band was awesome, all the food vendors ran out of food and went home happy, and most the craft vendors sold through their wares. The Masonic Youth Groups raised good dollars for their various charities as well.

Plan now for the next year's festival, to be held (tentatively) on **SATURDAY, September 12th, 2015!**

***“Men make history and not the other way around. In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better.”— Harry S. Truman***

### **Order of the Purple Cross**

The following Companions/Sir Knights will receive the Order of the Purple Cross in Louisville, KY:

Indiana No. 55: Max E. Maupin

Banks of the Wabash No. 72: Matthew E. Lowe

Northwest Indiana No. 73: Lawrence J. Williams

Evansville No. 121: Chawn E. Caniff and Scott DuBois

Marvin L. Isley No. 129: David C. Willoughby

Sagamore Valley No. 133: Dennis H. Rigsby

Corydon No. 207: Dick T. Rose and Terry L. Smith

***“Nothing in the world is worth having or worth doing unless it means effort, pain, difficulty... I have never in my life envied a human being who led an easy life. I have envied a great many people who led difficult lives and led them well.”— Theodore Roosevelt***



# Companion Adept of the Temple Program

How much do you know about the York Rite? The York Rite Companion Adept of the Temple program is an exciting by-mail self-study program through the Degrees and Orders of the York Rite of Freemasonry administered by the Sovereign York Rite College of North America. This program is offered to any Knight Templar by enrollment through the Sovereign College office.

The program offers a series of exams focused on the ritualistic, philosophical, and esoteric teachings of the York Rite. The exams include a combination of multiple-choice, true-false, and essay questions pertaining to information presented in the Degrees and Orders of the Rite and/or in the resource materials which are recommended for purchase with the program.

There are five exams included in the curriculum, named as follows:

**Exam I:** The Degrees of the Capitular Rite

- Mark Master
- Past Master

**Exam II:** The Degrees of the Capitular Rite

- Most Excellent Master
- Royal Arch
- The WORDS in Masonry

**Exam III:** The Degrees of the Cryptic Rite

- The Council Degrees
- Royal Master Degree
- Select Master Degree
- The Secret Vault Tradition

**Exam IV:** The Orders of Chivalry

- The Commandery Orders
- Order of the Red Cross
- Order of Malta
- Order of the Temple

**Exam V:** The York Rite Traditions and Freemasonry

- History of the York Rite
- Royal Arch Tradition
- Second Temple/Secret Vault Tradition
- Knighthood Tradition

These exams are based upon the online resource material and the rituals of the General Grand Chapter, General Grand Council and Grand Encampment of the U.S.A.

Increase or test your knowledge of the York Rite while you read the classic texts of Albert Mackey, Jackson Chase, Jeremy Cross, and George Conner. You will want to have access to your local Chapter, Council and Commandery rituals as you peruse the answers to the exams presented in the Companion Adept of the Temple program. The five quizzes are open book and you can advance at your own pace. This is an ideal course for individual study, and will sharpen your writing skills as you address in your own words the essay



questions presented in the quizzes. Upon completion, you will receive a personalized certificate naming you as a Companion Adept of the Temple of the York Rite of Freemasonry! Enroll today!

### **ONLINE RESOURCE MATERIAL (PDF)**

#### **CAPITULAR MASONRY:**

“The Book of the Chapter” by Albert Mackey

<http://books.google.com/books?id=JH9JAAAAIAAJ>

“Freemasons Book of the Royal Arch” by Bernard E. Jones

[http://www.phoenixmasonry.org/freemasons\\_book\\_of\\_the\\_royal\\_arch.htm](http://www.phoenixmasonry.org/freemasons_book_of_the_royal_arch.htm)

#### **CRYPTIC MASONRY:**

“Cryptic Masonry” by Albert Mackey

<http://books.google.com/books?id=nkw4AAAAMAAJ>

“The Text Book of Cryptic Masonry” by Jackson Chase

<http://books.google.com/books?id=2v5JAAAAIAAJ>

#### **CHIVALRIC MASONRY:**

<http://books.google.com/books?id=KK4Uz4sBHZcC>

“The Templars’ Chart or Hieroglyphic Monitor” by Jeremy Cross

<http://books.google.com/books?id=dUYuAAAAIAAJ>

“Shibboleth: A Templar Monitor” by George Cooper Connor

<http://www.sacred-texts.com/mas/shib/index.htm>

#### **COMPREHENSIVE MONITORS:**

“The Freemason’s Monitor” by Thomas Webb (Contains Lodge, Chapter, Commandery, and Scottish Rite)

<http://books.google.com/books?id=Bi8iAAAAIAAJ>

“The True Masonic Chart or Hieroglyphic Monitor” by Jeremy Cross (Contains Lodge, Chapter & Council)

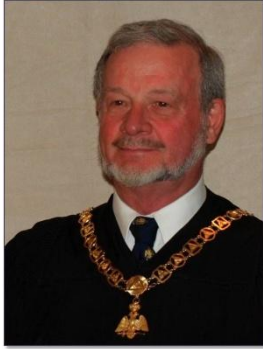
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For more information, or to request an enrollment form, contact: York Rite Sovereign College  
500 Temple Ave., Detroit, MI 48201 at (313) 833-1385 or [yrsc\\_na@yahoo.com](mailto:yrsc_na@yahoo.com)

*“To let friendship die away by negligence and silence is certainly not wise. It is voluntarily to throw away one of the greatest comforts of this weary pilgrimage.”— Samuel Johnson*



## Active Retiring After 22 Years of Service for Indiana



Ill. Robert G. Elrod, 33° will be retiring at the August 2015 Annual Session in Indianapolis, Indiana, after having served our Supreme Council faithfully for 22 years as an Active for Indiana as well as Past Commander-In-Chief of our Indiana Council of Deliberation. An Indiana council of Deliberation Medal of Honor recipient, Ill. Brother Elrod's presence and legacy will surely be missed. On behalf of the Supreme Council, Indiana Council of Deliberation, and our Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, we extend a very hearty and sincere thank you to Bob and Beverly for their many years of service

and dedication.

## New Active Member for Indiana



The Indiana Council of Deliberation is very pleased to announce that Ill. Gregory N. Jordan, 33° from the Valley of Indianapolis will be installed as an Active Member of the Supreme Council for the state of Indiana. We are confident that Ill. Brother Jordan will make a fine addition to the Indiana Council of Deliberation team.

## 33rd Nominees for Indiana

On August 21-23, 2014, the Active and Emeritus members met in Executive Session to conduct the business of the Supreme Council. Nominations to receive the 33° were voted upon at the Executive Session. We are very pleased to announce the following members that have been nominated and elected to receive the 33° in Indianapolis, Indiana:

**Evansville:** Mark D. Browning, MD, Robert E. Houchin, Donald W. Shoaff, Ernest Colbert (2013).

**Fort Wayne:** Carey B. Carter, William L. Doctor, MSA, John J. Glover, David J. Roose, Stephen J. Kaluza (2013).

**South Bend:** Thomas R. Hamilton, Mitchell A. Hulva, Eric S. Pittman, Frank P. Trapane II, Brian T. Bertram (2013).

**Indianapolis:** Ronald M. Elliott, James A. Hanson, Sr., MSA, Gregory L. Kitzmiller, Jerry B. Maple, Jon B. B. Porter, Randolph L. Seipel, MSA, Curtis E. Shirley, Richard D. Sobel, Michael J. Smith, J. Robert Wortman, Brian C. Lewis (2013), Paul C. St. Pierre (2013).

**Terre Haute:** Jeffery S. Allen, Robert L. Cummins, Jack J. Hineman, Timothy T. Long, David L. Jenkins (2013).

Our congratulations go out to each of these Brothers and we look forward to being with you in Indianapolis in August 2015! Sincerely & Fraternally, *Indiana Council of Deliberation*

*“The mark of a great man is one who knows when to set aside the important things in order to accomplish the vital ones.”— Brandon Sanderson*

Greencastle York Rite  
Annual Charity Banquet  
In support of  
**RARA, CMMRF, Holy Land Pilgrimage**

October 3, 2014

Greencastle Masonic Temple  
118 E Washington St., Greencastle, IN  
Reception at 6:30

Dinner at 7:00

Cost: \$25.00 per Person

Dress: Tux, or Jacket and Tie for the Gentlemen

Corresponding dress for the Ladies

Contact W. Kris Phillips for reservations

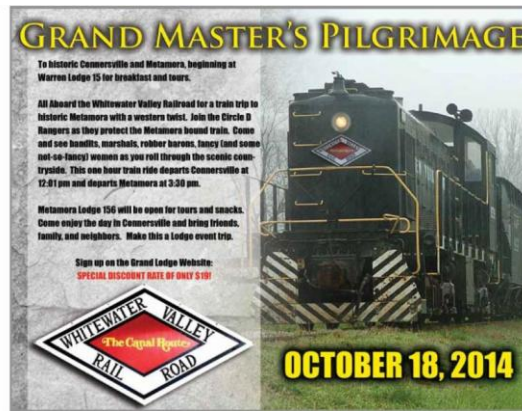
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Greencastle, IN 46135



## Grand Master's Pilgrimage and Wild West Train Ride from Connersville to Metamora

Please join the Grand Master on his pilgrimage to Connersville Indiana and Warren Lodge No. 15 located on the Historic grounds called Elmhurst for breakfast and tours. Then board the Whitewater Rail Road for a Wild West trip back in time to Metamora Indiana. Metamora Lodge No. 156 will be open for refreshments while you tour historic Metamora.

Regardless of how you choose to travel, train, car, motorcycle, bicycle, this will be a memorable and beautiful day filled with beautiful countryside scenery, history and adventure.

Breakfast will be served from 7:30 am to 10:30 am. Eggs, bacon sausage, biscuits and gravy along with coffee and juice will be available for \$7.50. Please let Alan Arnold, Sec., know how many will be coming for breakfast. It will be first come first serve. RSVP to Alan Arnold, Sec. at 765-825-5365

Overland Limited - Wild West Train

**All ABOARD** the train with a western twist. Join the Circle D Rangers as they protect the Metamora bound train. Come and see Bandits, Marshals, Robber Barons, Fancy and some Not So Fancy Women as you roll through the scenic countryside. Trains depart Connersville at 12:01 PM.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Between 10:00am and 11:45 am you must exchange your eticket/receipt for a train ticket at the Whitewater train station. You will not be able to board without a proper train ticket. No refunds on unused tickets

**Schedule of Events:** Saturday October 18, 2014

- 7:30 am to 10:30 am - Breakfast Served, Warren Lodge No. 15
- 8:00 am - Tour of Warren Lodge No. 15 and Elmhurst Estate
- 9:00 am - Tour of Warren Lodge No. 15 and Elmhurst Estate
- 10:00 am - Tour of Warren Lodge No. 15 and Elmhurst Estate
- 10:00 am to 11:45 am - Train Ticket Exchange. Connersville White Water Train Station

**You must exchange your etickets/reciept for a train ticket to board the train.**

- 12:01 pm - Train departs Connersville for Metamora
- 12:00 Noon to 5:00 pm - Metamora Lodge No. 156 open for tours and refreshments
- 3:30 pm - Train departs Metamora for Connersville
- 5:00 pm - Train arrive in Connersville

**When:** Saturday October 18, 2014 from 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM EDT

**Where:** Warren Lodge No. 15, 779 S. State Rd 121, Connersville, IN 47331 **Contact:** Grand Lodge of Indiana F. & A. M., Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana 317-634-7904 x202 [wanda@ingrandlodge.org](mailto:wanda@ingrandlodge.org)



# Ish Sodi Table Council



The Grand Council of Indiana invite you to attend the  
Table Council of  
Ish Sodi Council 1855 U.D.



In support of the Cryptic Masons Medical Research  
Foundation

**Saturday, October 4th, 2014**

**Social Hour:** 5:15PM *Silent Auction to run through Dinner*

**Dinner:** 6:00PM

**Table Council:** 7:00PM

**Attire/Dress:** Black Tie or Dark Suit

*Grand and Past Grand Officer invited to wear their collars*

**Location:** Sahara Grotto Home

7620 Madison Avenue

Indianapolis, IN 46227

**Food By:** Social Order of the Beauceant, Indianapolis Assembly #90

**Cost:** \$50 per Couple

\$30 per Single

**Please make your reservation checks payable to Ish Sodi Council  
#1855; your contribution check to C.M.M.R.F.**

Reservations must be postmarked on or before Wednesday September 24, 2014

Tickets will be held at the door. A maximum of 120 tickets will be sold.

**And Mail to:** Ish Sodi Council #1855 U.D.

c/o Terry Smith PMIGM

4240 E. Whiskey Run Road, NE

Georgetown, IN 47122

Any further question contact Christopher Wright at [cwrightarch9@yahoo.com](mailto:cwrightarch9@yahoo.com)



## 2015 BUS TRIP ITINERARY

**TUESDAY – MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>** LaQuinta – Indy

### **WEDNESDAY – APRIL 1<sup>st</sup>**

6:00 A.M. Bus Arrives at the Indianapolis LaQuinta. We will load the snacks, drinks, etc. for the trip  
6:00 A.M. – 6:30 A.M. Passengers eat breakfast at the LaQuinta  
6:30 A.M. Load luggage  
6:45 A.M. – 7:00 A.M. Depart LaQuinta  
Approx. 9:30 A.M. Potty stop (ten minutes)  
12:00 P.M. Lunch in Summersville, WV  
1:00 P.M. Leave lunch and visit Kirkwood Winery in Summersville  
4:00 P.M. Depart the Winery  
6:00 P.M. Potty stop (fifteen minutes)  
7:00 P.M. Check into the Sleep Inn hotel in Staunton, VA  
9:00 P.M. Dinner on own at nearby restaurant.

### **THURSDAY – APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>**

6:00 A.M. – 7:45 A.M. Breakfast at the Motel  
7:45 – 8:00 A.M. Reload the luggage onto the bus  
8:00 A.M. Depart Hopewell, VA for Williamsburg, VA to visit historic Colonial Williamsburg. We will be on our own to tour the town at our own speed.  
Lunch on our own.  
4:30 P.M. All meet for dinner at a Williamsburg restaurant (TBA)

6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. Tour Williamsburg Masonic Lodge

7:15 P.M. Return to bus to leave for Arlington Hilton, Arlington, VA  
9:45 P.M. Check into Hilton

### **FRIDAY – APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Breakfast on own  
9:15 A.M. Depart for House of the Temple, in Washington D.C. ( home of the Scottish Rite)  
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Tour the House of the Temple  
12:00 P.M. – Depart for lunch on our own in the Adams Morgan District of DC (a colorful, diverse neighborhood of stores and restaurants)  
1:45 P.M. The bus will pick us up and take us either to tour the Eastern Star building, or back to the hotel for an afternoon off to rest or explore the area and shopping opportunities  
5:30 P.M. We will meet in the Hospitality Room for pizza that will arrive at 6:00 P.M.

7:30 P.M. Those that wish may board the bus to take a ride into D.C. to take some sunset and night photos of some of America's most well known landmarks  
9:30 – 10:00 P.M. Return to hotel

### **SATURDAY – APRIL 4<sup>th</sup>**

Breakfast on own  
8:00 A.M. Leave for Arlington Cemetery  
8:30 A.M. Board the tram for the beginning of our tour of Arlington Cemetery

9:15 A.M. approx. the tram will leave us at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier for our Wreath Laying at 10:15 A.M.  
10:30 A.M. (after the Wreath Lying) we continue on the tram for the drive through Arlington.

11:45 A.M. Board bus for our tour of the George Washington Masonic Memorial in Arlington, VA (Snacks on board the bus)

12:30 P.M. Our tour begins. After our tour we will return to hotel. Lunch on own or left over pizza & salad in the Hospitality Room

That evening is our Banquet with the Grand Encampment in the Hotel at 6:00 P.M.



**SUNDAY – APRIL 5th**

6:00 A.M. – 7:00 A.M. Breakfast with the Grand Encampment in Hotel  
7:30 A.M. leave for the George Washington Masonic Memorial for our Easter Service  
8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M. The Commandery March and Easter Service  
9:00 A.M. approx. – return to Hotel for quick change and loading of bus  
10:00 A.M. depart for Indianapolis  
Stops every couple hours for potty breaks, lunch and dinner  
10:00 P.M. arrive at the LaQuinta, Indy

**All times and tours are subject to change depending on tour availability. Unavailable tours will be replaced with a pleasant alternative!**



**Cost of Easter Sunrise Service Trip**

**Single \$925 Couple \$1275  
Family of 3/4(in one room)  
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