

York Rite Newsletter

December 2021

To be removed from this mailing list, send a reply with "Remove" in the subject line.

Be yourself. The world will adjust.

Upcoming Events

Don't forget to make your Reservations

December 2—Mark Master Degree at Terre Haute Chapter #12, 7p. Contact [Mark Kester](#).

December 4—York Rite Christmas Party at Sahara Grotto, 12p. All Companions & SKs welcome. Contact [Sean Jones](#).

December 4—Grand Commandery Christmas Party at Crawfordsville Commander, 12p. Contact [Ed Fodrea](#).

December 11—Grand Commandery Inspection at Ft. Wayne with Huntington. Donuts at 9a. Contact [Jan Henline](#).

December 17— Order of the Temple at Crawfordsville Commandery #25. Dinner at 6p Contact [Joe Sparks](#).

December 21—3rd Annual Christmas Observance at Grant County Commandery #21, 6:30p Contact [George Ingles](#).

December 27—Feast of St. John Celebration at Prather Lodge #717. Contact [Tony Widgery](#).

January 15—Grand Commandery Winter Meeting and Newby-Avery Banquet. Contact [Ed Fodrea](#).

A special thank you to Carson Smith for providing up to date information for the upcoming events.

Happy Birthday

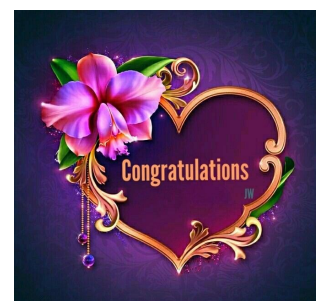


Lady Mickey Borchert, wife of Donald L. Borchert
Lady Sally Brindle, wife of Nathan C. Brindle
Lady Brittany Cottrell, wife of Clint R. Cottrell
Lady Karen Deeter, wife of Jerry O. Deeter
Lady Rhonda Harper, widow of Thomas W. Harper
Lady Carol Iles, wife of James Iles, II
Lady Janel King, wife of Charles King
Lady Beverly La Hurreau, widow of Henry E. La Hurreau
Lady Jill Laudeman, wife of G. Donald Laudeman III
Lady Monica Peterson, wife of Tony S. Peterson
Lady Chere Phillips, wife of W. Kris Phillips
Lady Patricia Robbins, wife of Michael F. Robbins
Lady Tracy Sparks, wife of Joe Sparks
Lady Marna Stahlka, wife of Clay Stahlka
Companion and Sir Knight Steven J. Barton
Companion and Sir Knight George Brutchen
Companion and Sir Knight Barry Clouser
Companion and Sir Knight Clint R. Cottrell
Companion and Sir Knight Jerry O. Deeter
Companion and Sir Knight Paul Daugherty
Companion and Sir Knight Brian Scott Du Bois
Companion and Sir Knight Christopher J. Gamblin
Companion and Sir Knight Rowland C. Gorman

Companion and Sir Knight Joseph K. Hedges
Companion and Sir Knight Matthew T. Hobbs
Companion and Sir Knight Tyson Howenstine
Companion and Sir Knight James A. Iles, II
Companion and Sir Knight Joseph C. Korschot
Companion and Sir Knight Keith D. Lender
Companion and Sir Knight Michael A. Mang
Companion and Sir Knight Gary A. Nicholson
Companion and Sir Knight James D. Pinnick
Companion and Sir Knight Thomas R. Retherford
Companion and Sir Knight De Wayne Richmond
Companion and Sir Knight Dennis H. Rigsby
Companion and Sir Knight Donnie A. Robinette
Companion and Sir Knight Kenneth Roy, Jr.
Companion and Sir Knight Joseph L. Scanland
Companion and Sir Knight Ronald D. Simpson
Companion and Sir Knight Ronald L. Tungett

Happy Anniversary

Larry & Suanna Brown
Dale & Nancy Foreman
David & Vickie Gundrum
Dale & Nancy Foreman
Virgil & Janice Humphrey
John & Marcia La Bounty
Gary & Sally Nicholson
Terry & Wanda Kehrer
Duane & Georgia Vaught



Holy and Loving God,

We praise you in your greatness. We glorify and honor you with our lives. We ask your Christmas blessings on us as we strive to do the work you have given us to do each day. Bless us to bring hope in unexpected ways to the people we serve and meet. Bless us with faith to shine light in the hearts of those we encounter. Bless us with a joy so infectious it exudes from us and blesses others with Your presence. Bless us with peace to encourage and strengthen your children. Help us



to remember our salvation comes at this time through You, our Father, by the Son and in the Holy Spirit. AMEN

Christine Fodrea

50 Years



Congratulations to Jerry Womack, PM, H. Duane Theurer, PM and Jim Gordon for receiving their 50-year Award of Good and November 3.

New Haven Lodge
Facebook

Award of Gold

On November 3, Brother Steve Smith received his 50-



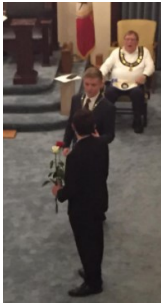
Year Award of Gold. Congratulations!

New Palestine #404
Facebook

DeMolay

On November 2, Speedway DeMolay PMC, Owen, gave a presentation to Noblesville Lodge #57, then Senior Councilor, Ryan, presented the Flower Talk.

Source: Speedway DeMolay



Job's Daughters



On November 2, Kendle from Indiana Jobs Daughters Bethel #22 gave a presentation to Monroe Lodge #22.

Blooming, Indiana
Job's Daughters Bethel #22 Facebook

DeMolay

Congratulations to Roran who received his Initiatory Degree on November 3.

Congratulations also to Tommy who received his Representative DeMolay pin and certificate for earning the highest self achieving award a DeMolay may earn.

Speedway DeMolay Facebook



50-Year Pin

On November 3, WB Steve Smith reached his 50-years of Gold.

New Palestine #404 Facebook



Veteran's Day

On November 11, Sir Knights Jack Wallace, Gary Nicholson, and Randy Ellington, attended the Veterans' Day Program at Hendricks Elementary School and Presented the Flag of the United States.

*Randal P Ellington
Facebook*



Job's Daughters

On November 10, the Indiana Job's Daughters Bethel #44 from Crown Point had a great Official Visit.

Indiana Job's Daughters Facebook



Scottish Rite

Congratulations to the brothers in the Valley of Indianapolis who received their 33rd Degrees.

Scottish Rite Valley of Evansville Facebook



50 Year Pin

Congratulations to Larry Rhinehart on receiving your 50-year pin on November 11.

Union Village Lodge No.545 Free and Accepted Masons Facebook



Grand Commandery Inspection

On November 13, Kokomo Commandery #36 and Anderson Commandery #32 held their Inspection and Order of the Temple for two new Sir Knights. A wonderful luncheon was prepared and served by the Ladies of the Social Order of the Beauceant Assembly #90 where the Sir Knights raised \$180 for the Holy Land Pilgrimage fund during the Table Conclave.

*Randal
P Elling-
ton
Face-
book*



Website Links

Click on the picture



Scottish Rite

Scottish Rite Valley of Evansville honors their Veterans at their meeting on November 2.

Scottish Rite Valley of Evansville Facebook



Halloween Treats

Members of Milltown Lodge handed out treats to kids on Halloween.

Milltown Lodge #661 Facebook



Colts Game

2021 Indiana Freemasons Colts Game Flag Presentation

Dirk Rader Facebook



Prather York Rite

Congratulation to the Sir Knights of Prather Command-ery #62 on the 100% participation of donations to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. On November 1, several Sir Knights were pre-sented with Indiana Templar Academy Certificates.

Prather York Rite Facebook



DeMolay

Speedway DeMolay supported Leo G. White DeMolay with the initiation of four new DeMolay members on Saturday, November 6 at Mont Moriah Lodge in Anderson

Speedway DeMolay Facebook



OES and Job's

Past Job's Daughters at District 8 OES Reception in Terra Haute on No- vember 13.

Indiana Job's Daughters Face- book



Greenwood Lodge 514

On November 4, Greenwood Lodge 514 had a very special evening. Brother David Stover II received his well earned Rookie Award. Brother Mike Ford and his Lady, Katie, were presented a plaque for their service to the Greenwood Lodge. Brother Jeff King was elected to serve as the Worshipful Master for 2022.

Greenwood Lodge 514 Facebook



DeMolay

Speedway DeMolay head their Chevalier Investiture on November 6.

Speedway DeMolay Facebook



DeMolay

West Newton DeMolay's Chevaliers met to break bread together for our annual observance.

West Newton DeMolay Facebook



DeMolay

Speedway DeMolay's newest Chevalier, Devon, was at his Chevalier Observance since his Investiture.

Speedway DeMolay Facebook



Cornerstone's 2nd Annual Festival of Trees

Come enjoy an evening of uniquely decorated trees sponsored by organizations from Montgomery County and surrounding areas.



Nov 27, 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM

The Masonic Cornerstone Event Center, 221 S Washington St, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, USA

RSVP

DeMolay

Congratulations to Brother Calvin who was installed as Master Councilor of Steel City Chapter on November 13.

Speedway DeMolay Facebook



Veteran's Day

Grand Commandery Officers were present at Compass Park Veteran's Day program.

Stephen Kroman Facebook



Grand Commandery Reception

Bedford Commandery #42 hosted the Battalion 7 Inspection and Reception of Right Eminent Grand Commander Ed Fodrea on Saturday, November 6th. Six new members from Bedford, New Albany, Columbus and Blooming were knighted. Grand Commander Ed Fodrea, Past Grand Commander Terry Kehrer, and Deputy Grand Commander Tom Jonson, who also served as Junior Warden on this day, all received honorary memberships from Bedford Commandery #42.



Mike Robbins Facebook



Share with Us

Does your Lodge, Star, Chapter, Council or Commandery, etc. have an upcoming event that we can put on the calendar? Are having a fish fry or chili cookoff that you'd like to advertise? Did you just have a degree and you took pictures? Did someone in your lodge just get an Award of Gold? Let us celebrate with you! Send your pictures, upcoming events, birthdays, etc. to [Monica](#).



Winchester Masonic Lodge

Winchester Masonic Lodge wanted to thank everyone who came out to support their 2nd Annual Veteran's Day Chili Cook-off.

Winchester Masonic



Cornerstone Ceremony

On November 13, the Grand Master along with his Officer performed a Cornerstone Ceremony at North Salem Elementary School.

Stephen Kroman Facebook



Christmas Message from the Grand Prelate

The Spirit of Giving

Christmas Greetings Sir Knights,
Once again the air is filled with Christmas spirit and with it comes the giving and receiving of holiday gifts and acts of kindness. **I have learned that the great joy of Christmas is not only the wonder of nativity, but the opportunity to practice generosity.** After all, what other act is closer to the heart of God than the act of giving?

I think the greatest gift we should reflect upon is the gift from our heavenly Father. It is written in the book of John 3:16 ***“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life”.***

Christmas can be a difficult time for some families such as a single parent with only one income. Can you imagine the sorrow a parent might feel, hearing their child ask Santa for a special toy or gift knowing they just don’t have the financial support to afford such a gift. There are many organizations you can donate to that sponsor families at Christmas time. Even most churches have families that are struggling that we can offer support to. There is no better feeling than that of seeing a smile on the face of a young child. By giving through your church the reward of the gift is credited to God who justly deserves the credit for all things and not to those who gave the gift.

The true spirit of giving is **doing for others with no expectation of gain.** This may be a gift you bought, one you made, or the gift of time or volunteering to help others. Giving means different things to different people and that's how it should be. Giving can simply be love or kindness. Kindness should be the natural way of life, not the exception. Kindness cost nothing, but it’s the most precious gift you can give someone. It has been said that the happiest people are not those getting more, but those who are giving more. It is written in 2 Corinthians 9:6-8, ***remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.***

Here is a personal act of kindness that I would like to share with you. My brother-in-law served in the United States Marine Corps during the Desert Storm conflict in the early 1990’s. He was stationed near Iraq and was a Crew Chief on a C130 aircraft. During Christmas each of the soldiers received random letters from civilians back home offering the soldiers a Christmas greeting. After reading the letter my brother-in-law opened, he put the letter in his pocket for safe keeping. When we returned to the United States several months later he thought it would be a nice gesture to stop by this person’s house. He wanted to thank them personally for the uplifting letter he received while being so far from home. He put on his full military uniform and headed to the return address on the envelope. After he arrived, he went up and knocked on the door and a kind lady answered the door. As he held the letter in his hand, he explained who he was and the reason for him stopping by. He told the lady he wanted to personally thank whoever had written and sent the random letter he had received. The lady called to her daughter who came to the door. She was a beautiful young lady to his surprise. To make a long story short, my brother-in-law married that beautiful young woman and they have been happily married now for over 25 years. It is truly amazing how one kind gesture can change your life forever. How God brought two people together from so far away, God certainly works in mysterious ways.

Finally brothers, may we all continue to support humanity with acts of love and kindness. Always ready and willing to reach out to others less fortunate and ever thankful for the abundant blessings which we receive from Gods goodness each and every day.

Merry Christmas
Dan Patterson GP



Bloomington Job’s Daughters



On November 18, Blooming Job’s Daughters invited their families to join them for their Thanksgiving meal.

Bloomington, Indiana
Job’s Daughters Bethel
#22

West Newton DeMolay

On November 18, members of West Newton DeMolay had the opportunity to visit the stables temporarily housing the Budweiser Clydesdales.

West Newton DeMolay Facebook



Social Order of the Beauceant

On November 19, members of the Social Order of the Beauceant #90 were honored to provide dinner for the Sir Knights of Crawfordville Commandery #25.



Social Order of the Beauceant (SOOB) #90 Facebook

Library and Museum Dedication

The Grand Lodge Officers, led by PGM Carl Culmann, dedicated the new Bartholomew County Masonic Library and Museum on Saturday, November 20.

Stephen Kroman Facebook



Job's Daughters

Brownsburg Bethel #107 and Southport Bethel #32 had their Official Visit on November 13th. They had Five new Majority Members!



Indiana Job's Daughters Facebook

H.E. Lackey Commandery #67

On November 24, H.E. Lackey Commandery #67 knighted five new members. This was the first time that they had held and order to bring in their own members in several years. They are growing!

Picture provided by Randy Darling



Battalion VI Reception

On November 22, Battalion VI held their Reception at Baldwin Commandery.

Carson Smith email



Carmel Rededication

The Grand Master and his officers performed a 150th Rededication Ceremony at Carmel Lodge No 421 on November 13.

Steve Kroman Facebook



**COME JOIN US IN THE OASIS FOR
TAILGATING
AND WATCH THE INDIANAPOLIS COLTS
GAME**

FREE HOTDOGS & CHIPS

\$2.00 DOMESTIC DRAFT BEER

TAILGATE SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

vs TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS *

DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM

GAME STARTS AT 1:00 PM

DECEMBER 5, 2021

vs HOUSTON TEXANS

DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM - GAME STARTS AT 1:00 PM

DECEMBER 12, 2021

NO GAME!!!! BYE WEEK

DECEMBER 19, 2021

vs NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS*

DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM - GAME STARTS AT 1:00 PM

DECEMBER 25, 2021

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

JANUARY 2, 2022

vs LAS VEGAS RAIDERS*

DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM - GAME STARTS AT 1:00 PM

JANUARY 9, 2022

vs JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM - GAME STARTS AT 1:00 PM



*HOME GAMES



3rd Annual Christmas Observance Program

Grant County Commandery No. 21

Knights Templar of Indiana



Tuesday December 21, 2021

6:30 P. M. Social

7:00 P. M. Program

Gas City Lodge No. 645

701 Eastmont Dr.

Gas City, Indiana

Sir Knights in uniform less sword and chapeaux

Friends and family welcome.

If you can't attend, join us 21/12/21 at 7:00pm
<https://www.facebook.com/INGrandCommandery/>



East Central York Rite Conference

Greetings Companions & Sir Knights:

We look forward to seeing you at the 2022 East Central Regional/Department Conference to be held at the Grand Wayne Convention Center, Ft. Wayne, Indiana on March 13th.

The headquarters hotel is the Hilton Ft. Wayne at the Grand Wayne Convention Center, 1020 S. Calhoun St., Ft. Wayne, IN 46802. Rooms are available at a special group price of \$119 per night plus tax. Booking deadline is Feb 16th; however, rooms will go fast and the block may be sold out well before that date, so don't delay in getting your reservations. You may book your lodging by calling the hotel direct at (260) 420-1100 and mentioning Group Code **GEK**. You may also book on-line at the following link:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/fwafhhf-gek-9099ebe4-b50d-4212-bdfd-274e20266281/>

Parking is available for \$15.00 per day and there will be an outstanding hospitality room for your comfort and enjoyment. The hotel does not provide shuttle service. For visitors outside the Region/Department who may be traveling by air, the Fort Wayne International Airport is located about 7 miles from the headquarters hotel.

Separate lunches are planned for the men and ladies. Elvis will entertain the ladies following their luncheon. A fine informal dinner is also planned with a social hour starting at 5:30pm. Dress for the dinner is coat and tie. **Please use the attached form to make your meal reservations no later than February 28th.** A mandatory registration fee of \$20 is also applicable to each Companion or Sir Knight attending the conference.

The cost of hotel meals continues to go up and we have priced the meals to break even. The prices have not been bumped to cover any comps. The reduced lodging rates and other hotel concessions are dependent upon meeting a food and beverage minimum, so please support and attend the meals.

YORK RITE LEADERSHIP TRAINING: Please note that if you are attending the Leadership Training at this conference, you must make sure that the program administrator has you enrolled to attend. You are responsible for paying the conference registration fee the same as all other conference attendees. The registration fee helps to offset the cost of the training rooms and other conference costs. More information on the leadership training is available at the following link: <https://www.knightstemplar.org/dc.html>.

If you have any questions, please contact the Accommodations Chairman, Martin Trent, at (937) 543-3016 or standrews619@yahoo.com.

Be sure to make your lodging and meal reservations early and we look forward to seeing you in March!

Fraternally and courteously,

James King

James King
Regional Deputy General GHP

Michael Smith

Michael Smith
Regional Deputy General GM

Martin Trent

Martin Trent
Department Commander



**East Central
York Rite
Conference**

March 13, 2022
Hilton Ft. Wayne at the
Grand Wayne Convention Center
Ft. Wayne, Indiana

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____
(First - Middle Initial - Last Name)

LADY/GUEST: _____
(First - Middle Initial - Last Name)

ADDRESS: _____
(Street Address)

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone (____)____-____

Cell Phone (____)____-____

eMail: _____

MY CURRENT OFFICES/TITLES:

Commandery _____

Council _____

Chapter _____

I will be attending: (Check all that apply.)

☐

Knight Templar Program

☐

General Grand Council

☐

General Grand Chapter

☐

YR Leadership Training

Please Print

So we can spell your name right.

Registration Fee Required for all Companions & Knights Attending: \$20.00 _____ \$_____

Ladies' Noon Luncheon and Entertainment:

Meal Choice #1 - Smoked Turkey Sandwich \$29.00 _____ \$_____

Meal Chice #2 - Philly Wrap \$30.00 _____ \$_____

Men's Noon Luncheon:

Meal Choice #1 - Smoked Turkey Sandwich \$29.00 _____ \$_____

Meal Chice #2 - Philly Wrap \$30.00 _____ \$_____

Saturday Dinner (Social/Cash Bar 5:30pm; Dinner 6:30pm):

Meal Choice #1 - Coulotte Steak with Red Wine Reduction \$47.00 _____ \$_____

Meal Chice #2 - Chargrilled Salmon with Citrus Marinade \$47.00 _____ \$_____

Grand Total (Don't forget to include the \$20.00 Registration): \$_____

MEAL RESERVATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 28, 2022

REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL PAYMENT IS RECEIVED.

Completed forms may be mailed or sent electronically to Martin Trent at the address shown below. If sending electronically, follow with payment ASAP.

Make check payable to "Martin Trent."

You may also pay via PayPal to standrews619@yahoo.com

Martin R. Trent
4267 S. Xenia Dr.
Enon, OH 45323

937-543-3016
standrews619@yahoo.com

Right Eminent Grand Commander,
Ed Fodrea and his lady, Christine
Invite you to join them on the
**2022 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 12/1/21. If you plan to go to the White House, full payment must be received no later than 12/5/21. If you are not going to the White House, full payment is due no later than 2/1/22. Please contact Monica with any questions at MoniPaints4u@yahoo.com.

Names: _____

Address: _____

His cell phone #: _____ Her cell phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Do you require a wheelchair accessible bus? Yes / No

Do you prefer a King bed or Double beds?

Are you rooming with someone? Who? _____

Tuesday, April 12

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, April 13

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 14

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 15

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 plan in the event that we are not able to tour the White House.

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

Saturday, April 16

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

9:45 a.m. Bus Departs for Arlington Cemetery for 11:30 Wreath Ceremony.

1:30 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 17

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.