

# MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND SUPPLEMENT



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## Grand Commander's Message, March, 2011

The Inspection season is really heating up, with more than half our Commanderies having their Inspections in March and April. I urge everyone to get out and support his Commandery by attending his own Inspection, and if possible that of your neighboring Commanderies. It is a great way to renew old friendships and make new ones, and you may even learn something new along the way.



We are now entering into the last three months of our Annual Eye Foundation Campaign. If you have yet to make a donation, please give it some serious consideration and make a donation to our Grand Generalissimo, Sir Knight Vincent Faraci. Last year we had a banner year, let's try to do even better this year.

Sir Knight Richard MacInnis is selling a York Rite coin (pictured below) for \$10.00. The proceeds will go towards the fund raising effort for the MORI Database System. If you are interested in purchasing this handsome coin please contact: Richard S. MacInnis, 60 Farview Drive, Danville, NH 03819, [rmacinnis@comcast.net](mailto:rmacinnis@comcast.net).

Once again we will be mounting a trip to Washington for Easter, leaving on April 21<sup>st</sup> and returning on the 24<sup>th</sup>. We need 40 people to make the trip, so please make your reservations now. Registration forms are available at the Inspections and on our website.

Courteously and fraternally yours,  
Ted Bitomski



## NEARBY INSPECTIONS

Saturday March 12, 2011 Sutton #16 and Cape Cod #54 in New Bedford at 4:00 p.m.  
Wednesday March 16, 2011, Boston #2 in Boston at 6:00 p.m.  
Thursday March 17, 2011, Newburyport #3 and Winslow Lewis #18 in Salem  
Tuesday March 22, 2011, Worcester County #5 and Springfield #6 in Worcester at 6:00 p.m.  
Thursday March 24, 2011, Jerusalem #19, in Fitchburg at 6:00 p.m.  
Monday, March 28, 2011, Beauseant-Palestine #10 in Malden at 6:00 p.m.  
Monday April 4, 2011, St. John's #1 in Cranston at 6:00 p.m.  
Friday April 8, 2011, Holy Sepulchre #8 and Narragansett #27 in Pawtucket at 6:00 p.m.  
Monday April 11, 2011, Trinity-Natick #32 in Natick at 6:00 p.m.

## Semi-Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery

Friday, April 1, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

At Eureka Temple

81 Sprague Street, Portsmouth, Rhode Island 02871

Followed by the R.I. Grand York Rite Banquet at the Atlantic Beach Club, Middletown, RI

Details and reservation forms available on our website

<http://www.knightstemplar.org/gckt/mari/>

## The 2011 Grand Commandery Ball

FRIDAY JUNE 10, 2011

Presented by the Presiding Councils' Club at the Milford Doubletree Hotel

Information is on the Website <http://www.knightstemplar.org/gckt/mari/>

## YORK RITE ONE DAY CLASSES

Chapter Degrees, Saturday April 9, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Council Degrees, Saturday April 16, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

Commandery Orders, Saturday May 7, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

All One Day Classes at the Boston Masonic Building !

Details on the websites!

## GRAND PRELATE'S MESSAGE — S.K. Herb Simpson

### ASH WEDNESDAY & LENT

This is the season that re-awakens us Christians and causes us to wonder - Who is God? Where is God? Why is God so quiet? Does God answer prayers? Who is God? He is the God and creator of all people and all things.

He is the God of love and the Father of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Where is God? The spirit of God is everywhere in the universe - He is wherever you need Him.

Why is God so quiet? God speaks to us through all our senses of human nature. We need only to learn to listen to God with our whole body, all five of our human senses.

Does God answer prayers? If we pray to God through Jesus and then listen with our whole body, we will know for sure that our God of love does indeed answers our prayers.

Know that God is ever-present in your heart! Go to church and learn more about our God.

## Knights Templar Eye Foundation — Voluntary Campaign, 2011

Sir Knights, as of January 31, 2011 donations total \$6,329.00 with 75% coming from 9 Commanderies and/or their members. The remainder has been received from the Grand Commandery Wives Association or non-members. We have only 3 and a half months left in this campaign. Let's dig deep!

Courteously yours,

Vin Faraci

Grand Generalissimo — Campaign Chairman