

IOWA SUPPLEMENT

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Sir Knights of Iowa,

Thank You for electing me to serve as your Grand Commander for the 2009-2010 Templar year. It is a great honor and privilege. As I embark on this new journey I ask for the assistance of each Sir Knight. Together we can do great things and prosper. Your Grand Officers stand ready to serve you and your Commandery. Please share your activities and ideas with us.

There are four major points for this Templar year. They are: MEMBERSHIP, Ritual, Philanthropy, and FUN. Membership is vital to every organization, but especially ours. The Grand Commandery Membership Committee is active and functioning. They are here to help our local York Rite Bodies, utilize them. The Board of Instruction oversees the Ritual and Tactics. They hold schools throughout the state and are ready to help in a local Commandery for instruction and inspections. The Knights Templar Eye Foundation is our Philanthropy. Through our generosity the gift of sight is given to those who cannot see and research is ongoing to cure eye diseases. Finally, in the activities of our Commandery we need to have fun. There are serious ceremonies and observances, and they are important, but so is enjoying ourselves. Involve our ladies and families and have fun.

The Grand Commandery of Iowa has been blessed by generations of outstanding leaders. One of those is our now Junior Past Grand Commander Sir Knight David M. Dryer. Congratulations Sir Knight Dryer for a good year and moving the Grand Commandery forward and onward toward "our days of glory". I wish him well in the future. Thank you to my father, Sir Knight Billy Joe Hildreth, PGC for installing me and supporting me through my life. To the Past Grand Commanders of Iowa, thank you for your support, ideas, and friendship.

May the Blessing of God and the eternal hope and love of our Savior be with you now and throughout this Templar Year.

Fraternally,
Bryce B. Hildreth
Grand Commander

**P.S. follow the Grand Commander and Grand Officers on the web:
Commander's Comments at: www.gchildreth.blogspot.com**

Calendar of Events

June:

- 14 Spirit Lake – Cornerstone Laying Ceremony at the Dickinson County Court House
- 19 Red Oak – Cornerstone Laying Ceremony for new Wilson Performing Arts Center
- 18 Corydon – Cornerstone Laying Ceremony at new Law Enforcement Center

August:

- 6-8 Bettendorf – Annual Assembly and Convocation of Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Iowa and Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Iowa
- 23 Tiffin – Cornerstone Laying Ceremony for the new Clear Creek Amana High School
- 12 Des Moines – Reception for the Grand Commander, Knights Templar of Iowa