

## MARYLAND SUPPLEMENT



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Sir Knights,

I want to thank everyone who turned out for the Semi Annual Conclave, and will report in more detail on what transpired, in the July supplement.

It gives me great pleasure to announce a Degree Cycle is starting up for Hagerstown and Cumberland. This has been in a long time in coming. The work is being done during regular meetings and has the potential of being a large class - 10 from Hagerstown, 2 from Frederick and 11 from Cumberland. Please come out and support the Chapter and Council in their work. Their success after all leads to our success. The dates for the Degrees are listed below. The Commandery Orders will be conferred at the Valley Forge event in August.

<b>Wednesday, June 3, 7:30 pm Hagerstown</b>	<b>Past Master Degree</b>
<b>Wednesday, July 1, 7:30 pm Hagerstown</b>	<b>Most Excellent Master Degree</b>
<b>Wednesday, July 15, 7:30 pm Hagerstown</b>	<b>Royal Arch Degree</b>
<b>Tuesday, August, 4, 7:30 pm Cumberland</b>	<b>Royal &amp; Select Master Degrees</b>

On Saturday September 26 there will be another special event that comes around only once in 3 to 5 years. **The Super Excellent**

**Master Degree** will be conferred at the Scottish Rite Temple in Baltimore. It requires a very large cast and is something special to be part of or just witness. Let S.K. Richard Naegele know if you are willing to take a small or non-speaking part.

Here are some other dates you may wish to mark on your calendars.

<b>June 19-27</b>	<b>York Rite Cruise</b>
<b>July 20</b>	<b>Hershey Youth Trip</b>
<b>Aug 16-19</b>	<b>Tri Annual in Roanoke Virginia</b>
<b>Aug 29</b>	<b>Tri State Orders @ Valley Forge, PA</b>
<b>Sept 11-13</b>	<b>North East/Mid-Atlantic Conference Linthicum</b>
<b>Oct 9</b>	<b>York Rite Bull &amp; Oyster roast</b>
<b>Oct 23-25</b>	<b>Maryland Grand Sessions in Aberdeen</b>

You may also check the most up to date schedule by going to the Maryland York Rite webpage <http://www.yorkrite.com/md/> and click on the calendar.

The Tri-State Orders at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania will be August 28-29. You may check-in on Friday evening and the Orders will be conferred on Saturday. Maryland starts the day off with the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross. This is an especially enjoyable event, come out and be a part of it. This year ladies are also invited to come along. While the SKs are enjoying the Orders, they may enjoy an informal tour of Valley Forge or take a relaxing walk around the grounds. Meals will be available at the Freedom Foundation for the SKs and their Ladies.

Please don't forget the less fortunate. Remember our basic tenant of Brotherly Love and offer a helping hand. Above all remember all those who serve in our Armed Forces around the world. They have sacrificed so much for our safety. With much unrest and hostility in the world, I encourage you to say an extra prayer for them and their families wherever they are.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

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