

UTAH SUPPLEMENT

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Brian J. Hastings
Grand Commander

Greetings Sir Knights and Ladies,

I would like to take an opportunity to introduce myself to all of you, as your newly installed R.E. Grand Commander. I am eager to make this next year a great one for Templary in Utah, I have some ideas that I will share with all of you as we go through the year. I would like to bring everyone's attention to the fact that we have entered into the 100th anniversary of the Grand Commandery in Utah. To celebrate this event, the V.E. Deputy Grand Commander Charles Sipes and I are going to be selling commemorative coins that have already been made and are ready for purchase. The proceeds from the coin will go to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, to assist in this noble charity. I want to open the channels of communication with all of the Sir Knights and Ladies in the state, If anyone has thoughts, concerns, or just questions, you can contact me directly at home (435)656-4652 or by emailing me at bj_cahastings@sisna.com .

May Christ be with you,

SK Brian J. Hastings
R.E. Grand Commander

Notes from the Grand York Rite Sessions:

Grand Sessions were held on May 7th to 9th at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Salt Lake City. An excellent weekend was had by all culminating in the installation of our new Grand Officers, who are:

R.E. Grand Commander.....Brian J. Hastings
V.E. Deputy Grand Commander.....Charles Sipes
E. Grand Generalissimo.....Harry B. Cohn
E. Grand Captain General.....John Mccurdy
E. Grand Senior Warden.....Dean Rein
E. Grand Junior Warden.....Marion Mac McWilliams
E. Grand Recorder.....Owen Orton
E. Grand Treasurer.....William Westbrook
E. Grand Prelate.....Terry Lee
E. Grand Standard Bearer.....Stephen Escobedo
E. Grand Sword Bearer.....Jason Mitchell
E. Grand Warder.....Jim Robertson
E. Grand Sentinel.....John Liley

From the Prelate:

In 1776 Patrick Henry wrote, 'It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religion, but on the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For that reason alone, people of other faiths have been afforded freedom of worship here.'

What more appropriate words could be given to us as a remembrance of our Independence as a country this month? It is my prayer we may all remember the Christian principles that influenced the men that helped shaped our great nation. I look forward to meeting all of you Sir Knights as I travel with the Grand Commander throughout the state during this new Templar year.

Terry Lee
Grand Prelate

Editors Note: Your Utah Supplement is actively seeking information on your Commanderies activities you wish published for your fellow Sir Knights to see. I will cheerfully accept photos, as long as you cheerfully accept any resizing I may have to do to them to be placed on the pages. If sending information on Upcoming events, please remember that information I receive in June will be published in the August issue, July in September and so forth so we can get your events information out in a timely manner.

Fraternally, in Christ,

Steven Wilkinson
Editor