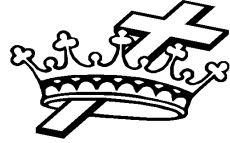


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Sir Knights, Your Assistance, PLEASE

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Have you ever picked up this magazine, turned to these center pages, and wondered why *your* Commandery is not mentioned here? The reason is that I have not heard from *you*, or anyone else at your Commandery. Each month, I try to make these articles reflect the occurrences of Knight Templary in Arkansas. Most of the time, I have some information to share with you that I feel is of interest to all Arkansas Sir Knights. However, this month (and last, if you really want to get to it) I have not had any specific information about what is happening in the Commanderies of Arkansas. Now, I realize that by the time you read this, there will have been two regional conferrals of the Commandery Orders, and you may rest assured that there will be reports of these in the September issue. This does illustrate one of the constraints that I work under; that articles have to be sent to the publisher a month prior to publication. That is why I ask for information about upcoming events.

Bottom line: Officers and Sir Knights, I need your help. Please mail, e-mail, or call with news about what you are doing in your Commandery.
THANK YOU!

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Ask yourself this question, am I practicing the three R's of Life (Respect for Ourselves, Respect for Others, and Responsibility for my actions) or just giving it lip service?

Sir Knights support your Commandery by attending and being a part of the beautiful degree work that so brilliantly reflects the character of a Sir Knight.

GOD Bless each and every one of you, GOD Bless this Fraternity and GOD Bless America!!!

Robert L. Jackson, PC
Grand Captain General

**R. E. Grand Commander
Bobby Bennett**



Greetings, Sir Knights:

Again this year, our Grand Commander is asking his officer line to write these articles, in turn. This month's article is from our Grand Capt. General ESK Robert Jackson. *Editor*

Fundamentals of Everyday Life

Our Fraternity teaches Respect for GOD, country, family and respect for ourselves. As a Mason and Sir Knight, we must firmly believe in the existence of one true GOD and the immortality of the soul. Masonry teaches us to respect the religious and political views of others without allowing our own particular opinions to interfere with true Brotherly Love and Friendship. It is the duty of each Sir Knight to seek out the great lessons of Life from the ritual. The ritualistic ceremonies beautifully portray lessons that reflect growth in awareness from youth and manhood to the maturity of age. To make one wiser and better and happier is the aim Freemasonry seeks, as well as promoting social virtues and the general welfare of society. When a Sir Knight is able to recite the lectures and ritual with the understanding of those lessons, then it becomes a way of life.

Once we have endeavored to conquer Respect for Ourselves, then we should have "Respect for Others". In today's society we tend to overlook each other as each person has a place in this world. A

Sir Knight has learned how to make friends and to keep them and above all how to keep friends with himself. How to forgive others and to live with thanksgiving. We today need to be teachers of our youth. Teach them how to earn Respect, have Respect for Others and be Responsible for their actions as a citizen. We should be mentoring our Youth with hope that they will be our replacement in the future for this Fraternity to go on forever. We as Sir Knights need to have renewal of our obligation to GOD, family, mankind and the Fraternity. With that we must be an upright Sir Knight, who is accountable for actions to GOD, his family, his community, his country and to himself. Our Fraternity is dependent upon the millions of good moral Sir Knights.

Responsibility for your actions is dependent upon you Sir Knights. How much visibility within your community does your Commandery have? What effects do you or your Commandery have in your community? Do we as Sir Knights, in all walks of life revere GOD, have respect for our Brethren and are dedicated to Freedom and Liberty? Do we practice Charity and Brotherly Love? Are we builders of society, if so what are we building?

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