

District of Columbia Supplement

Sir Knight James W. Mitchell

Right Eminent Grand Commander

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Sir Knights,

We were blessed to participate in the 88th East Coast "Easter Services" held on April 1st, 2018 at the George Washington National Memorial, Alexandria, VA. In attendance were Sir Knights from Maine to Florida which included: SK Jeffery N. Nelson REDGC, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, SK & Reverend Arthur F. Hebbeler III, REPGC, Maryland; SK Ronald E. Jones, REGC, West Virginia, SK Roy A. Henderson, REGC, Virginia, SK James W. Golladay, RE Department CMDR, Mid-Atlantic, SK Paul Newhall, REPDC, Mid-Atlantic. Our Color Guard consisted of SK Mills, EC, SK Jack Johnson, GE, SK Diggs, PEC, and SK Matthews, VEDGC. My appreciation is extended SK Craig Lasher, REPGC, and his committee for arranging this Easter Service. Our KT of DC included SK Mark Wright, PEC, SK Teko Foley, REPGC, SK Marcel Desroches Jr., REPGC, SK Gerald Peeters, REPGC, and myself. My thanks are extended to all Sir Knights who participated in this Easter Service. Please remember as SKs we need to take part in the Knights Templar Easter Service and Ascension Day observances.

My congratulations are extended to our new eminent commanders and their supporting Sir Knights for the years 2018-2019. SKs Palmer, Sr., Mills and Matyjek your annual program plans should be completed and forwarded to our Grand Recorder.

I encourage all SKs to attend all scheduled/special conclaves. As a volunteer, of your own free will you joined the Knights Templar and your attendance and participation should be justified because of the fellowship, KT education, and reverence to God.

You are encouraged as SKs to identify what you expect from and contribute to your Commandery. We have ten (10) conclaves and two (2) specials to foster competency in openings/closings, order conferrals, social/special events, charity participation (KTEF) and provide KT education and leadership training. Our committee assignments will soon be completed. Please use these committees to identify and provide

resolution to your concerns.

Seven Blunders of Our Masonic World;
"Ritual without Meaning, Fellowship without Frivolity, Quantity without Quality, Education without Philosophy, Charity without Connection, Frugality without Discretion, and Leadership without Competence". We are now aware of these BLUNDERS, what can we do to begin correcting our Masonic Endeavors.

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Yours in All Knightly Courtesy,

James W. Mitchell

Grand Commander 2018-2019
Grand Commandery, Knights Templar
of the District of Columbia

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DC GRAND COMMANDERY CONCLAVE SCHEDULE

Washington Commandery, No. 1: Singleton Lodge
Second Wednesday of each month.

Columbia Commandery, No. 2: Naval Lodge
Fourth Wednesday of odd-numbered months.

Potomac Commandery, No. 3: Georgetown Masonic Hall
1st Thursday of each third month.

Marvin Fowler Commandery No. 4: Takoma Hiram
Fourth Saturdays of February, April, September and October.

Elected Officers of the Grand Commandery are expected to attend each independent Conclave; all Sir Knights are strongly encouraged the attending of each other's Conclaves thereby furthering Templar education and support. Send any queries to gcktdc@gmail.com

