

Louisiana Supplement

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In Memoriam

Thomas P. Dickson

July 14, 1932 – August 15, 2018

Louisiana Grand Commander 2010

Jerusalem Commandery, UD Instituted



Jerusalem Commandery, UD was instituted on August 24, 2018. This is the first new commandery instituted in Louisiana since C A Everett Commandery No. 29 was chartered in 1981. This is truly an exciting time for the growth of Knights Templar!

Shreveport Festival August 25, 2018



A number of York Rite Masons joined our Louisiana York Rite Bodies in the Shreveport Festival of August 25, 2018. Welcome, Sir Knights!!

GETTING WELL

Thibodeaux wasn't feeling particularly well, so he paid a visit to Doctor Boudreaux. After the examination, Doc Boudreaux gave Thibodeaux three bottles of pills with the following instructions. "Thib, take a blue pill with a big glass of water when you get up in the morning. Take a red pill with a big glass of water at lunch time, and then take a green pill with a big glass of water just before you go to bed at night." Thibodeaux exclaims, "Good grief, Doc, can you tell me what's wrong with me?" Old Doc Boudreaux tells him, "Mais, yeh. You're not drinking enough water."

Our Grand Master, MW Martin Reinschmidt, traveled to San Antonio a few weeks for the South Central York Rite Conference, and while there sat down with ME Jeffrey Nelson, the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA. The two had a wonderful conversation about the recent issues between our Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment and, shortly afterward the Grand Encampment issued a statement, which read in pertinent part as follows:

Whether as the result of incomplete information or misinformation, the situation in which we find ourselves today is truly unfortunate. We agree that, in hindsight, the matter in question could have been better handled by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America. In light of all the positive things you articulated that you would like to accomplish for the Masons of Louisiana and the progress we would like to achieve for the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar we pray that you will rescind the edict derecognizing the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

Thereafter, MW Reinschmidt did just that: he rescinded Edict 2018-2 and we now enjoy full fraternal relations with the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA.

I think we owe both MW Bro. Reinschmidt and ME Grand Master Nelson a huge debt of gratitude for their actions in solving this unfortunate incident. Sometimes we do not need Doctor Boudreaux for healing; we only need men of courage and Masonic virtue. On behalf of the Grand Commandery of Louisiana, thank you, Most Worshipful and Most Eminent sirs, for being those men.

J. Keith Gates, Grand Commander of Louisiana

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“Every Christian Mason should be a Knight Templar”*