



SK Michael Whiting, REGC
Knight Templar of Michigan
“Recognize and Honor”



Greetings Sir Knights and Ladies:

Inspection season is in full swing and I hope that your Inspection went well. If your Commandery hasn't had their Inspection yet, I encourage you to take advantage of other Inspections within your Battalion to see or even participate in their Inspection. Some smaller Commanderies can always use help and it gives you a chance to participate in our beautiful Order of the Temple and to sharpen your ritualistic skills.

The Grand High Priest Richard G. Hitch, the Most Illustrious Grand Master Gary Paquet and I would like to invite you to the **Grand Joint York Rite Reception to be held, October 22, 2017 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Lansing.**

One of the pleasures of any Grand Commander is to grant the **Grand Commander's Service Award** to a Sir Knight of each Commandery. It would be my honor to do this when you send in an application. Each Commandery has someone who is deserving of this honor, so I charge you to nominate that Knight who goes above and beyond the call of duty for your Commandery.

Remember that your Commandery should be making plans for Hospitaler Sunday, the first of your four required Religious Observances, if you haven't done so already.

In Unity,
Michael Whiting
Grand Commander



Don't be the reason recognition is missed! Commandery Dias Officers need to consider their SK's, regarding **Grand Commandery Awards**. Many Knights are eligible for awards like the Knight Templar Cross of Honor, Knight Commander of the Temple, Meritorious Service or the Grand Commanders service award just to name a few. It's you working with your recorders that get your knights what they deserve. **Recognize the effort, Restore the Honor and Refresh the Zeal.**

Michigan Battalion Information and Activities

Assignments– Grand officer representatives for 2017-18: **Eastern-SK** ;Mike Whiting REGC, **Southeastern-SK** Shawn Bashore VEDGC, **Southwestern**– SK Darel Winslow EGG, **Western-SK** John Porritt, EGCG, **Central**– SK David Bartell Sr., EGSW, **Northern-SK** Melvin Easterday, EGJW

Battalion Activities

Central– Hospitaler Sunday October 22, 10PM Howell masonic temple, ladies welcome

Save the Dates

Plan ahead to attend as many events as you can

2017-2018 Inspection schedule Sept to Nov

- Sept.14-17, 2017 Bark River tour Traverse City 41 & Cheboygan #50 on the 14th Lake Superior #30 on the 15th and Escanaba #47 on the 16th Contact J. Porritt EGCG
- SEPT. 23, 2017, Romeo #6 contact SK A. Chamberlin {migr2009@spbglobal.net
- SEPT. 23, 2017 Bad Axe #52 contact SK Snider {ronls@outlook.com}
- SEPT. 23, 2017 Ypsilanti #54 contact SK G. Leach {leachgna@prodigy.net}
- SEPT. 30, 2017 Sunrise #34 contact SK A. Laatz {alaatz@charter.net}
- OCT. 07, 2017 Caledonia #60 Contact SK Hoisington {gchoisington@gmail.com}
- OCT. 09, 2017 Genesee Valley #15 contact B. Dover {wj Dover@charter.net}
- OCT. 21, 2017 Adrian #4 contact SK C. Rule PEGC {cort.mi@ogdentel.net}
- OCT. 21, 2017 Durand #21 contact SK E. Schatz {fentonlodge109@comcast.net}
- OCT. 21, 2017 Port Huron #7 contact SK T. Smith {twsmith222@yahoo.com}
- OCT. 21, 2017 St. Bernard #16 Contact SK. T. Reid {Boss53@yahoo.com}
- October 22– Grand Joint York Rite Reception Crown Plaza Hotel Lansing**
- OCT. 23, 2017 Howell #28 Contact SK. L. Winn PEGC {TKMaster4@aol.com}
- OCT. 25, 2017 Marshall #17 Contact SK Barnhart PEGC {vbarnhart@yahoo.com}
- OCT. 28, 2017 Muskegon #22, Contact SK Stewart {Mallets4hire@yahoo.com}
- Nov, 4, 2017 Pontiac #2 Contact SK. R. Colpus {rcolpus@yahoo.com}
- Nov. 8 2017, Jackson #9 contact SK. C. Rule PEGC {cort.mi@ogdentel.net}
- Nov 11, 2017 DeMolai #5 Contact SK E. Hoisington {gchoisington@gmail.com}
- Nov 11, 2017 Bay City #26 Contact SK J. Berry {jcberry1@Charter.net}
- Nov 11, 2017 Ann Arbor #13, SK. A. Davidge {adavidge@umich.edu}
- Nov 11, 2017 Lansing #25 Contact SK S. McGuigan {omcggl@frontier.com}
- Nov 18, 2017 Mt. Clemens #51 Contact SK G. Newman {gnewman1@yahoo.com}
- Nov. 18 2017 Northville #39 Contact SK Brian Coward {platb1964@yahoo.com}