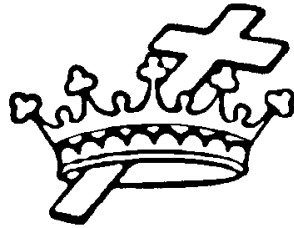


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Sir Knights,

This August will be filled with events. On August 11, 2018 we will be having our Mid Year York Rite Conference at the Salem Scottish Rite Center, 4090 Commercial St SE, Salem, OR 97302 starting shortly after 8:00 AM. Not only will a number of topics of interest to York Rite Masons be discussed but this is your opportunity to speak with the leadership of the State York Rite Bodies. This is an opportunity not to be missed.

This will not only be a session to learn more about what is happening with York Rite Masonry, but it is an opportunity to participate. Following the meeting there will be Royal Arch Degree for those needing it. Also for those who have been an Excellent High Priest there is a possibility of Hodson Council conferring the Past High Priest degree.

This year is also the Triennial meeting of the 67th Grand Encampment of Knights Templar in Indianapolis, Indiana. I will be travelling with other Past Grand Commanders in mid August to vote on proposed legislation that could have a very beneficial effect on some of our Commanderies. If passed it will only require seven members from a local Commandery plus two others to be able to open in full form. This will be great news for those who lack only one or two to open.

Remember that this is also the month of the Malheur Cave Degree August 24 to 26. This is a Blue Lodge event but it is also an opportunity to support the Blue Lodge as the foundation of York

Rite Masonry. Come gather in fellowship and if you get a chance to speak about the Chapter, Council, and Commandery so much the better. Just remember to carry a petition in your pocket so you can play in that fish once the hook is set. This has been one of the best memories that I have had of Masonry and I look forward to it each year.

August also brings the officers of those Commanderies that have gone dark over the summer months back into contact with each other. I would ask that if you have a person that is in need of Orders that you reach out to your District Supervisor for assistance so that we do not cause folks to wait too long. You also have option of asking your local Sovereign York Rite College for assistance. There is no real reason to hold up on conferring of the Orders.

Enjoy the time you have in the sun with your family and friends, but do not forget the Sir Knights in this time of warm weather. If you know someone who might be shut in or may not have been heard from in a while, reach out to them. Remember Matthew 25:35-36

*For I was an hungered and ye gave me meat. I was thirsty and ye gave me drink. I was a stranger and you took me in.*

*Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison and ye came to me.*

Be Good to all.

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