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**FROM THE APARTMENT OF THE GRAND
COMMANDER**

Sir Knights, Ladies and Guests,

It is hard to believe that this is the fourth (4th) article, so one third of my year as your Grand Commander has passed. I thought that when I began this journey in the Grand Line that eight years was a long time, but believe me when you are having fun time certainly flies. We have made three visits so far and they have been great. It is good to visit and talk with the Sir Knights and Ladies. In August we will visit District No. 4 on August 5, 2017 in Front Royal and District No. 7 on August 19, 2017 in Christiansburg.

It is time to submit names to the Holy Land Pilgrimage committee. It is my hope that every Commandery in the state will submit the name of a deserving minister for the committee to consider. Let's give them many to choose from.

On August 12, 2017, the Southwest Knights Templar School will be held at Clinch Valley Commandery No. 20 beginning at 8:00 a.m. The Grand Instructor General Sir Knight William T Hargrove, REPGC will be conducting the school.

On August 26, 2017, a Southwest Leadership Course will be held at Clinch Valley Commandery No. 20 beginning at 8:30 a.m. The Leadership Course is expected to last for approximately five to six hours. This will be a great opportunity for Sir Knights who were unable to attend the course at the Grand Conclave. Please give serious consideration to promoting and attending this leadership course and help us to improve the future of Templary in Virginia.

The following information concerning the rescheduling the Drill Competition is from Sir Knight William Reinhold, REPGC:

Inclement weather prevented us from having the Drill Competition during the Stated Conclave of the Grand Commandery on Saturday morning, 06 May 2017. With concurrence of Sir Knight Roy B. Henderson Jr., Right Eminent Grand Commander, the Charlottesville 2017 Virginia Class E Drill Competition has been rescheduled for Saturday afternoon, 28 October 2017 at 1:00 PM (1300 hrs.); at the Virginia Army National Guard Armory, 165 Peregory Lane, Charlottesville, VA 22902. Templar Dress Uniform is required. The competition will end when the last team completes their drill (approximately 3:00 PM). A changing room will be available in the armory.

This will be an excellent opportunity for new teams to gain experience. The team having the highest score will take possession of the Fitz Allen Brown Memorial Drill Trophy. The Virginia Class E Team consists of a Captain, four Marching Knights, plus one optional Supernumerary. Team members do not have to belong to the same Commandery, but must individually hold membership in a Virginia Commandery.

All team members that Stand Inspection and Perform the Drill Routine will earn and receive a Charlottesville 2017 Drill Bar and, if needed, a Virginia Header Bar. The experience and comradery is well worth the effort required. Teams must register with the Drill Team Committee Chairman, Sir Knight William F. "Bill" Reinhold, REPGC, not later than 30 September 2017. He will also aid all Drill Teams. His contact information is:

freinhold@alumni.virginia.edu and cell phone 434-953-8644

The same drill routine as published on the Grand Commandery website will be used. The weather will dictate the venue: indoor space is 50 feet by 75 feet or the outdoor space 70 feet by 125 feet.

Thank you for all your support and let's continue to work together to make Knights Templar shine in Virginia. Remember

"LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE"

In His Service,

RB

Roy B. Henderson, Jr.
Grand Commander 2017-2018