



Greetings Sir Knights!

Many of our Commanderies have suspended work during the summer months and hopefully all those Sir Knights whose Commanderies are “dark” are enjoying some leisure time and getting recharged for the work which will begin this fall.

The York Rite has always been my first love in Freemasonry. I was fortunate to have some wonderful mentors who started me up the lines, gave me good and wholesome instruction and have made lasting impressions. I hope I have lived up to their high expectations of me. As a constant reminder of their faith in me, I carry the Past Commander Jewel of Kenneth A. Laplant on my left breast pocket and I carry the sword with the name Morris G. Tucker, Past Grand Commander etched on the blade. My wish is that every existing Sir Knight submit a petition for a candidate, become a mentor to that new Sir Knight and help stop the downward trend in our membership. You may not realize how great a gift you have just given, but I’m sure he will be forever thankful for your actions.

In our next issue we will welcome a new Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America. I was fortunate enough to be selected as the Coordinator for Vermont, appointed by our Most Eminent Grand Master, Duane Lee Vaught, and enjoyed serving him these past three (3) years. All Sir Knights are invited to the Northeast Department meeting to be held in Albany on September 8th to greet our new M.E. Grand Master. Mark your calendars and plan to attend. Registration materials are on the Grand Encampment website.

Pictures of the Annual Conclave:



Sir Knight Willis “Bill” Morse listens intently to the proceedings at the Annual Conclave in Killington



The Escort awaits your pleasure! Members of the g Guard at the Annual Conclave this past June.

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