



# Wyoming Supplement

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## *From the Apartment of the Grand Commander:*

GREETINGS, SIR KNIGHTS,

The year is closing fast and I still have miles to go. My visitation schedule got extended a little for this month so I am going to remain busy. Preparations are being made for our Grand session in September and by now, all of your monthly reports should be in for the preprinting of the proceedings. I know the Grand Recorders were ahead of the game as of last month and give them "Great Kudos" (words of praise) for their hard work and you for your prompt reports.

A couple of events that are scheduled for this month are: Grand Session of the Order of Eastern Star, to be held 08-12 August at the Ramkota in Casper and of course there is Grand Lodge to be held 12-14 August at the Cam-Plex in Gillette. I plan to attend both along with the Triennial. While I am thinking of the plans to be made, I hope you all are considering attending the Northwest York Rite Conference in Boise Idaho in October. During my visits I also alluded to the "Emerging Leadership" program. This is not just for the new kids on the block but for others that might want to strengthen their leadership capabilities as well as the knowledge of our craft. I feel these all are ideals time to show our presence and our support for the other bodies of Masonry and our gentle craft.

I also anticipate a good showing from our Wyoming Commanderies at the Triennial. The Triennial is being held in Indianapolis this year from 19-21 August. At last count we will have five (5) votes from the Grand Commandery plus our Past Grand Commanders. There are a few items of business that will be on the floor as resolutions, and one of our own is running for office.

I am pleased to report that the commanderies of Wyoming are supporting the growth of the Blue Lodges. I hear nothing but good things

when I hear we are doing one of the three degrees in the Blue Lodges which means we will have the potential for growth in the coming years. As I indicated in previous messages "BRAVO ZULU" which is a Navy term for "WELL DONE". You all through this year are amazing and your work has been displayed in many different ways. "You've Earned It" and it shows.

I am in hopes that most of you are making arrangements to attend our Grand Session to be held **September 13-16** at the **Ramkota in Casper**. The information should already be posted on our web site with some general information concerning prices and programs that will be offered. I anticipate Right Eminent Grand Captain General (hopefully soon to be Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo) and our newly appointed Northwest Department Commander SK Ben Williams to be in attendance. I know we will have at least two other states represented. A good attendance from the Wyoming Delegates would demonstrate the Wyoming Commitment to our gentle craft.

This may be my last supplement so I would like to extend to you all my deep/profound thanks for your hard work. I truly think that we have turned the tide by our visibility, communications, Blue Lodge support and increased numbers. I feel I have succeeded in some areas and failed in others but I know it has been a good year for Wyoming Templary. We have improved in our tactics, displayed our presence in the community and have grown through three festivals this year. The three commanderies on probation are working hard to improve their numbers and to maintain Grand Encampment guidelines. Their efforts will help us grow in the future. I intend to remain active in your service long after I step down. I hope I have not let you down. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your Grand Commander.

Yours in Faith

SK HARRY L. FURREY

Right Eminent Grand Commander

## *From the Scriptorium:*

This will likely be the last supplement that I edit. After serving in this capacity for nine years, I feel it is time to hand it off to a new editor with a fresh outlook and ideas about presenting the Grand Commander's message to you on these pages. I want to thank the past nine Grand Commanders who retained me in this calling, and to you who submitted pictures and items for this supplement, and I wish my successor all the best as he takes on this responsibility. TCH