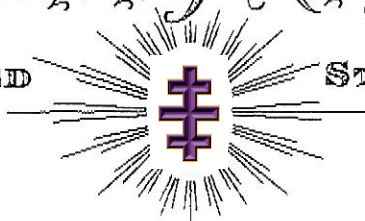


# Grand Encampment of Knights Templar

OF THE UNITED



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RIGHT EMINENT DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

December 26, 2011

TO: GRAND COMMANDERS AND OFFICERS  
OF THE EAST CENTRAL DEPARTMENT  
GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR USA

Dear Sirs,

Please find enclosed the information for the East Central Department Conference of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA. To be held March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012, at the Radisson Star Plaza Hotel, 800 East 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Merrillville, IN 46410 (219-769-6311) Reservations must be made by February 24, 2012. The special rate is \$95.00 per night and you must mention the York Rite Department Conference to get the discount rate.

Please keep in mind it is the responsibility of the Grand Commander, V.E. Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Captain General, and the Grand Recorder to be in attendance at the Conference. Please make sure all of your Officers are in attendance or have been excused with reason, by the Grand Master. The Officers of the Grand Encampment have spent several hours putting together a program designed to keep your Grand Commandery in line with the expectations of the Grand Encampment. I'm confident you will find it not only informative but also enjoyable. A joint opening with the General Grand Chapter and General Grand Council is scheduled at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday March 10, 2012.

Each Grand Commander will be called on to give a brief account of what is happening in his Grand Commandery.

Registration will start Friday March 11, 2012 at 3:00 P.M. and remain open until 8:00 P.M. It will reopen at 7:00 A.M. on Saturday and be closed at 10:00 A.M.

A joint Hospitality room will be open both Friday evening and Saturday night after the banquet for your enjoyment.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

*Robert K. Cronk*

Robert K. Cronk, KCT  
Department Commander, East Central Department



**Department York Rite Conference/ East Central Regional  
Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin  
Merrillville, Indiana 46410 March 10, 2012**

Dear Sir Knights and Companions,

On behalf of: SK William H. Koon II, ME Grand Master, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA, and SK Robert K. Cronk, East Central Department Commander of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the USA; MEC Edmund D. Harrison, General Grand High Priest, and REC Bruce W. Rhinehart, Deputy General Grand High Priest, East Central Region, General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International; MPC George C. Sellers, General Grand Master, and RPC Charles D. Woods, JR, Deputy General Grand Master, East Central Region, General Grand Council Royal and Select Masons;

**I would like to invite you and your lady to this years' Regional meeting to be held at the Radisson Star Plaza Hotel, 800 East 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Merrillville, IN 46410. I have set aside a block of rooms and made plans for your stay, but you must make your own reservations by contacting the hotel directly at (219-769-6311) and mention the York Rite Department Conference to receive the special rate of \$95.00 plus tax per evening. Rooms must be confirmed no later than February 24, 2012.**

The registration fee, along with meal reservations, (and preferences) must be completed and returned to me, no later than **February 24, 2012**. The men's/ladies lunch will be at the hotel. There are ample shopping opportunities and other activities for the ladies in the immediate area.

A joint hospitality room will be available both Friday and Saturday evening for your enjoyment. If you have any questions, or need further information, please contact me.

Fraternally,

SK Robert K. Cronk  
REDC, East Central Department  
P.O. Box 37  
Rock City, IL 61070-0037  
Phone 815-865-5775

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## Department Conference Agenda 2011-2012

08:00 AM	Welcome	RE Department Commander and ME Grand Master
08:15 AM	Roll Call	ME Grand Master
08:30 AM	Protocol	RE Deputy Grand Master
09:30 AM	Break	
09:45 AM	Templar Law	ME Grand Master
10:15 AM	KT Eye Foundation	SK Michael Johnson, REDC, 44 <sup>th</sup> Annual Voluntary Campaign Chairman
10:45 AM	KTEF New Office - Research	RE Deputy Grand Master
11:00 AM	Grand Recorder's Office York Rite Information System	RE Grand Recorder
12:00 PM	Lunch	
01:00 PM	Rectified Scottish Rite (RER)	ME Grand Master
01:30 PM	Grand Commander Reports	
02:30 PM	Regaining 501-C10 Status after loss	RE Grand Generalissimo
03:00 PM	Break	
03:15 PM	Long Range Plan, Vision Transition to the 66 <sup>th</sup> Triennium	ME Grand Master RE Deputy Grand Master
04:00 PM	Wrap up & Close	RE Department Commander and ME Grand Master

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08:00 AM – 05:00 PM      High Potential Leadership Project      SK John L. Palmer, Editor  
Knights Templar Magazine

## EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL /DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Please make room reservations directly with the hotel, mentioning the York Rite department conference  
**Radisson Star Plaze Hotel**  
 800 East 81ST Avenue  
 Merrillville, IN 46410

(219) 769-6311

	Tickets		Cost	Total
Registration	(Men only)	_____	\$ 10.00	_____
Men's/ Ladies Lunch    March 10	NOON	_____	\$ 20.00	_____
 Banquet	 6:00 PM			
Grilled Chicken/ balsamic glaze		_____	\$ 26.00	_____
Roast Pork Loin with pan gravy		_____	\$ 26.00	_____
<b>Grand Total</b>				_____

Make check payable to:  
**EAST CENTRAL REGION**

Please return this form with payment by February 24, 2012 to:  
 Robert K. Cronk, PO Box 37 Rock City, IL 61070-0037

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lady: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

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