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**GENERAL ORDER NO. 1**

*To all Commanderies within the jurisdiction of, and holding Allegiance too,  
 The Grand Commandery of New Hampshire.*

May 28, 2009  
 Greetings: To ALL

**GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**

The following Officers of the Grand Commandery are duly installed for the Templar Year of 2009-2010:

Robert D. Steel	Right Eminent Grand Commander
Harold M. Chase, Jr.	Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander
Dwight V. Meader	Eminent Grand Generalissimo
John S. Geas	Eminent Grand Captain General
David R. Walters	Eminent Grand Treasurer
Robert I. Sutherland, Jr.	Eminent Deputy Grand Treasurer
Dennis A. Sheridan	Eminent Grand Recorder
R. Bradley Alderfer	Eminent Grand Senior Warden
Donald M. Miller	Eminent Grand Junior Warden
Thomas A. Ladd	Eminent Grand Prelate
Michael E. Deavilla	Eminent Grand Standard Bearer
Robert M. Porter	Eminent Grand Sword Bearer
John B. Clark	Eminent Grand Warder
Andrew Jackson	Eminent Grand Sentinel
Robert H. Cook	Eminent Grand Organist
William F. Curtis	Eminent Grand Inspector General
Joseph Marion	Aide to Grand Inspector General
Albert McNally	Aide to the Grand Commander

The prior members of the various Committees are hereby relieved of their duties and responsibilities assigned to them. I thank each and every one for their dedicated service to our Grand Commandery and Templary in general. The Committees membership will consist of the following Sir Knights until such time as the Grand Commander properly relieves them of their duties.

**STANDING COMMITTEES:**

*Jurisprudence:*

**Richard F. Cole**, Thomas X. Tsirimokos, Robert H. Cook

*Finance & Budget:*

**R. Bradley Alderfer**, Harold M. Chase, Jr. Dwight V. Meader, John S. Geas, Robert M. Porter

*Educational Foundation:*

**Ronald H. Keyser**, (2010), Harold M. Chase, Jr. (2011), William F. Curtis, (2012), Robert D. Steel, (2013), Mark Kilmister (2014).

Recorder: Dennis A. Sheridan.

*Tactics:*

**William F. Curtis**, Charles J. Kennedy, Roderick D. Morrison, Jr.

*Doings of Grand Officers:*

**Charles J. Kennedy**, Herbert H. Hutchinson, Richard F. Cole.



*Membership:*

**R. Bradley Alderfer**, David S. Collins, Robert M. Porter.

*Public Relations, Publications & Publicity:*

**Dennis A. Sheridan**, David S. Collins.

Advisor: Robert D. Steel

*Patriotic Activities:*

**John S. Geas**, Harold M. Chase, Jr. Donald M. Miller, Michael E. Deavilla.

*Triennial:*

**Harold M. Chase**, Jr. Dwight V. Meader, John S. Geas, R. Bradley Alderfer.

*Eye Foundation:*

**Dwight V. Meader**, Each Commandery will submit the name of their Generalissimo or other ELECTED Dais Officer to the Grand Generalissimo through the Grand Recorder; he will enter those names in the Grand Commandery Records as members.

*Unfinished Business:*

**Dennis A. Sheridan**, Richard F. Cole, Jr. Charles J. Kennedy

*Grievances:*

**Charles J. Kennedy**, Richard F. Cole, Jr. Herbert H. Hutchinson.

*Commanderies & Returns:*

**David R. Walters**, Dennis A. Sheridan, R. Bradley Alderfer.

*Credentials:*

**Ronald H. Keyser**, Edward Brown, Albert McNally

*Grand Regulations & By-Laws:*

**Dwight V. Meader**, R. Bradley Alderfer, Robert M. Porter.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

*DeMolay*

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*Boy Scouts:*

**Richard F. Cole, Jr.** Fred Welch

C. Jarvis Lewis, James S. Geas.

*York Rite Council:*

**Robert D. Steel**, Harold M. Chase, Jr. Dennis A. Sheridan.

*Religious Activities:*

**Thomas X. Tsirimokos**, Thomas A. Ladd, Prelates of all Commanderies.

*Summer Picnic:*

**Harold M. Chase**, Jr. Dwight V. Meader, John S. Geas and ALL Officers from SW to Sentinel.

*Wellness & Health:*

**Herbert H. Hutchinson**, William J. Morrison, Roderick D. Morrison, Jr.

*Committees:*

1. **The Grand Commander is an Ex Officio Member of each committee and will be given a schedule of meetings or receive advance notice when possible.**  
He may appoint a NH Grand Commandery Dais Officer to represent him in the same capacity.
2. Every Committee will keep minutes of each meeting. All minutes are to be signed by the Committee Chair or, if absent, the presiding committee member.
3. Minutes will be **included** in the ANNUAL REPORT.
4. A TOTAL Package will be submitted by the Chairman a MINIMUM of TWO (2) WEEKS PRIOR to the Annual BUSINESS Conclave too the Grand Commander and Grand Recorder. If work was accomplished in conjunction with another committee or committees, each committee will receive a copy of applicable areas of work for their individual Committee report from the Committee agreed upon by them in conference.
5. Co-Operation between committees is essential.
6. In the event it becomes necessary to change the report before the Annual Convocation, a supplement shall be submitted and forwarded as in Committee directive #4.

**ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED!**

By Order of:

*Robert D. Steel*

SK Robert D. Steel, REGC, KT, NH

Attest,

*Dennis A. Sheridan*

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## GENERAL ORDER #2

May 28, 2009

Greetings to All Officers of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, NH

1. Attendance:
  - a. Each Officer is required to attend the Annual Inspection that he is assigned.
  - b. Attendance at other Inspections is greatly encouraged.
  - c. Attendance at our Annual Convocations is a must.
  - d. In the event you are not able to fulfill your obligation to attend to your assigned duty, notice of regret must be given in writing and if possible, PRIOR to the event. Upon certain occasions, if it is possible to arrange for another to cover for you, DO SO and advise all concerned in your letter.
  - e. An advanced phone call to the Senior Reporting Officer will aid your efforts.
2. Reports:
  - a. A full written report by each Grand Officer, regardless of rank, shall be submitted a MINIMUM of TWO (2) WEEKS PRIOR to the Annual BUSINESS Conclave too the Grand Commander and Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.
  - b. The report shall contain items that reflect the personal activity of the Officer concerned during the past Templar Year: Your time begins when you are either Elected or Appointed to your office continuing up to and including the Annual Conclave.
  - c. It is recognized that there is a period of time between the Business and Annual Conclaves that you have as yet to reach. Report the events as an EXPECTED function or functions you will attend. See prior reports for a guide.

### **ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!**

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**GENERAL ORDER #3**

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Greetings to All Sir Knights,

Regalia:

1. Full Templar uniform is required, including sword, gloves (white or buff) and Chapeau (also).
  - a. Summer Uniform is authorized from June 1<sup>st</sup> through September 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Mantle and Cap are NOT considered a summer uniform. They are authorized for use by Officers, and when used with uniformity, by Guards/Escorts also as in Statutes of GEUSA; Chap. XX, Section 255; conferral of; Red Cross, Knight of Malta and Order of the Temple. Otherwise in accordance with Section 41 of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, USA Constitution, 2003 Edition, Section 41 of POWERS AND DUTIES, PARAGRAPH (i) and Sub. Para. A. Templar Mantle: 1;2;3;4;5: B. Templar Cap: 1;2;3: C. Commandery Badge: D. Sword & Scabbard: E. Sword & Sling.
  - c. Those others attending but not participating in an Annual Inspection, Drill, or Formation. Observers or other non-participants are also permitted to wear them.
  - d. Honors & Awards: Those Sir Knights eligible to wear the Knight York Cross of Honor (KYCH) Medallion (The Medallion is NOT authorized for wear in a Knight Templar uniform.) may wear the BAR that is now available for purchase. If worn, it shall be worn one (1) inch above the left breast pocket, nearest to the left shoulder, in an even row with no separation when worn with the Veterans Bar, or centered when not. The Blue square shall be closest to the center of the chest. In the event that a Sir Knight is wearing the LONG COAT, the THIRD BUTTON DOWN shall be the leveling point.
  - e. Jewels shall be worn on LEFT breast. They may be suspended from a holder/device or pinned to the Coat using the top slit of the pocket as a guide in the following order with the senior jewel closest to center of breast: Jewel of Office, meritorious jewel, badge of Commandery, Malta and Red Cross. The jewels of office, if appropriate and Malta are mandatory.
4. Other Devices: Name plates and other jewels such as a Commemorative are to be worn centered on the RIGHT breast, in line with the jewels on the left breast. If more than one row is required, the nameplate will be on top and centered. Jewels shall appear in accordance with the seniority of the issuing Jurisdiction beginning with Grand Encampment. Authorized Medallions that are pinned on will be placed one inch below and centered beneath the nameplate or other devices worn on Right side.
5. Jewels of the Grand Commander and Past Grand Commanders shall be worn as described in Chapter XXI, Section 258 of the Statutes.
6. Honorary Officers shall conform to the Statutes of Chapter XV; Retention of Rank; Section 237 (a); Paragraphs (c), (e) (1) (2) (3).
7. Constituent Commanderies and Membership:
  - a. Eminent Commanders will instruct their respective membership of the directives concerning UNIFORM use as proscribed in the DIRECTIVE FOR OFFICERS.
  - b. It is the responsibility of the Eminent Commander to insure that the Treasurer and Recorder have maintained their respective records in an up to date and clear fashion. This action will enable an Officer with authority to inspect said records at any period during the Templar Year.
  - c. Such records will be required to be presented at the SCHEDULED ANNUAL INSPECTION, even if it is a joint function, along with the other records normally provided, such as Charter and by-laws.

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