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Greetings Sir Knights,

As summer stretches into longer and warmer days and gardens hit full production, it makes me reflect. I reflect on all the work and effort it took to get the garden put in. From starting seeds

indoors, to protecting everything from the last frosts of the spring. Templary is no different you need to put the work in early on, to reap the benefits.

The wonderful thing about being a Knight Templar is we can start sowing the seed at any time, we do not have to wait for spring. I suggest starting with a small, simple seed. The seed of participation by making a personal commitment, to make it to the next commandery meeting, to take on a new part, to help that Sir Knight that just cannot get his uniform in order, or by helping that Sir Knight that is uncomfortable driving at night but would still like to be part of this wonderful organization. Make one small personal commitment and do something. Then share it with your Commandery Brothers and challenge them to do the same. Watch what happens! ! !

It is truly amazing how one small act can make such a big and lasting positive impact.

So right here and now, I challenge EVERYONE that takes the time to read this.... Plant a seed, make one simple action, and see the impact it makes. And when you see me throughout this inspection season, please come tell me about what you did. I look forward to hearing about all the little actions that happen throughout the entire state.

May god bless and keep you and your family safe.

Through Knighthood- your servant,

Michael Roering,

Grand Commander

Grand Commandery Knights Templar Wisconsin



Greetings Sir Knights!

My name is James Hunt, but please call me Jim. I am originally from Kansas City, Kansas. I relocated to Wisconsin back in 2013 due to work and currently reside in Hartford, WI. I was raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason back in April 2001, in Shawnee Lodge #54 in Shawnee, Kansas and was Knighted four and half years later in October of 2005.

It is truly a pleasure, and honestly, quite humbling to be asked to serve this year as the Grand Sentinel for the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar in Wisconsin.

Over the last several years I have been trying to get out to all the annual Inspections for the Commanderies throughout the state and it has truly been a pleasure getting to meet many of you but for those that I have not had the pleasure, I felt it was only appropriate to introduce myself.

I am currently the Worshipful Master of Hartford lodge #120. The King of West Allis Chapter #84, Illustrious Principal Conductor of the Work of Kilbourne Council #9, and Captain General of Ivanhoe #24 Commandery, and the Warder of Wisconsin #1 Commandery. I guess the first thing that stands out is that I like to keep myself busy.

My employment with Harley Davidson is what brought me to Wisconsin, but I think it is the fellowship I have found in Masonry, which will keep me here for a long time. I am married to the love of my life, Anita. We have three wonderful children and two amazing grandchildren. Life often brings challenges and many that know me, know my family, have had its share but again the fellowship I have experienced here within Commandery has truly helped us endure them and I owe many Sir Knights my gratitude for being there for us. That is why I am happy to serve, I want to be there for others as they were there for me.

With that, as our Grand Commander S.K. Michael Roering mentioned, to keep up the reputation and high standards that Wisconsin Commandery has set, it is time to get back to basics. I look forward to getting out to all the Commanderies throughout the state and helping as needed, whether that is with drill, tactics, ritual, or protocol. Simply, offering my help as needed or requested.

Any questions, please feel free to reach out to me via email at Jhunt1047@gmail.com or by phone at 913-951-7917.

Let me leave you with one of my favorite Proverbs, *"All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty."* Proverbs 14: 23.

It is time for us to get to work!

Fraternally,

S.K. Jim Hunt

Grand Sentinel