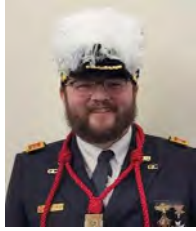


NEW HAMPSHIRE KNIGHT TEMPLAR NEWS



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Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall.
F. Scott Fitzgerald

Sir Knights,

The above sentiment seems apt, as our Commanderies prepare to resume their Chivalric labors after the Summer hiatus. The first significant event of interest is the Northeastern York Rite Conference which will take place Friday and Saturday, September 8 and 9, in Albany, New York. The General Grand Chapter and General Grand Council sessions are Friday. Our own Sir Knight Paul C. Smith, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander and Right Illustrious Deputy General Grand Master, will host the General Grand Council session. At the recently concluded Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Council, Sir Knight Smith received the Columbian Award for his exemplary service to Cryptic Masonry in the Northeast Region. The Grand Encampment session is Saturday concurrent with the York Rite Leadership Program sessions.

While conference attendance is required of our Grand Dais officers, any Companion or Sir Knight is welcome and encouraged to attend. The sessions are informative and the fellowship with our Companions, Fraters, and Ladies always enjoyable. The Northeastern Department is renowned for camaraderie among its members. For your convenience, here is a link to the Conference flyer: <http://ne.yorkrite.org>. The deadline to register is Sunday, September 3, next.

Information on the York Rite Leadership Program may be found at [York Rite Leadership Program – Leadership Education Opportunities for the Masonic Family](#). The Program is open to members of all our affiliated organizations, including the Order of the Eastern Star, the Social Order of the Beauseant, the Order of DeMolay and the Order of the Rainbow. Participants in the Program have been highly complimentary.

The last weekend in July your editor traveled to Providence, Rhode Island to attend the General Assembly of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America, to receive, together with Sir Knights Daniel A. Hotchkiss, Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Robert M. Porter, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, the Order of the Purple Cross. Other Members of the Order present from New Hampshire were Sir Knights Paul M. Leary and David S. Collins, Right Eminent Past Grand Commanders and Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, and Dennis A. Sheridan, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander. At the conclusion of the General Assembly, your editor was installed as Grand Governor for New Hampshire, succeeding Sir Knight and Brother Leary. To be counted among such great men and Masons

is at once an honor and deeply humbling, Compared to their distinguished accomplishments my poor labors seem wholly wanting. What an incentive is this to greater diligence in the service of my Brethren, Companions, and Fraters.



New O.P.C. holders, S.K. David W. Schuler, S.K. Daniel R. Hotchkiss, M.W.Grand.Master, your editor, and S.K. Robert M. Porter, R.E. Past Grand Commander. S.K. Schuler is a R.E. Past Grand Commander of Vermont and a good friend of New Hampshire.



“The Men from New Hampshire,” S.K. Dennis A. Sheridan, R.E.P.G.C., S.K. Robert M. Porter, R.E.P.G.C., your editor, S.K. Daniel A. Hotchkiss, M.W.G.M., S.K. Paul M. Leary, M.W.P.G.M., and S.K. David S. Collins,

M.W.P.G.M., Most Excellent Grand High Priest and Most Illustrious Grand Master.

Saturday, August 12, last many of our Companions and Sir Knights marched in the Shrine Parade in Concord, as part of Shrine Northeast Field Days. The following Saturday, August 19, they joined the Brethren of Charity Lodge No. 18, marching in the Town of Jaffrey's 250th Anniversary Parade. Such events bring favorable attention to our wonderful Masonic and Chivalric Orders.



Participating in the festivities for Northeast Shrine Field Days were Sir Knights John E. Glover, John E. Lobdell, M.W.P.G.M., Damoel R. Hotchkiss, M.W.G.M., David S. Collins, M.W.P.G.M., M.E. Grand High Priest, and M.I. Grand Master, and Peter J. Noddin, Eminent Grand Captain General



Sir Knight Kaleb R. Brown, Right Eminent Grand Commander (third from left) and other Sir Knights joined members of Charity Lodge No. 18

to celebrate Jaffrey's 250th Anniversary. Sir Knight Earl W. Cole, Jr., R.E.P.G.C., is fourth from left.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander ordered the following schedule for Commandery Inspections:

Saturday, February 3, 2024, Portsmouth, Illustrious Order of the Red Cross, De Witt Clinton Commandery No. 2 and Palestine Commandery No. 11;

Saturday, March 9, 2024, Lancaster, Order of Malta, Mount Horeb Commandery No. 3 and North Star-Saint Gerard Commandery No. 4; and

Saturday, March 16, 2024, Manchester, Order of the Temple, Trinity Commandery No. 1 and Saint George Commandery No. 8.

Each Inspection will begin at 1:00 p.m. and be preceded by lunch at Noon. Additional details concerning the above and other events may be found in GENERAL ORDER NO. 2 and on the New Hampshire York Rite website.

Courteously,



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York Rite Calendar -- <https://nhyorkrite.org/calendars>