

GRAND COMMANDERY
OF
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF MARYLAND



Proceedings

May 15, 2023

Semi-Annual Grand Conclave

Cockeysville, Maryland



**Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland
Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of Maryland
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar in Maryland
Council of Anointed High Priests of Maryland**



**Call Letter for Semi-Annual Meetings,
and
Special Grand Assembly for the Thrice Illustrious Master Degree
Annual Council of Anointed High Priests**

Companions & Sir Knights

By order of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, ME Comp. Robert W. Chase, Most Illustrious Grand Master, MI Comp. Randolph S. Disney, Right Eminent Grand Commander, SK John H. Austin, and Most Excellent President Randolph S. Disney official notice is hereby given for:

**The Semi-Annual Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland,
The Semi-Annual Grand Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of Maryland, and
The Semi-Annual Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar.
The Annual Meeting Council of Anointed High Priests of Maryland**

The Grand Chapter will meet in Grand Convocation **Thursday, May 6, 2023, at 10:00 am.** to conduct all business proper to the Semi-Annual Grand Convocation. Agenda to include Finance & Budget, Election of 2024 Officers, and all other Officer and Committee Reports as necessary.

The dress is Tuxedo with Red Jacket, Apron & Jewels for Officers, Coat & Tie otherwise. Please wear your Chapter Apron.

Location: Oriental Room, Freemason Hall, Bonnie Blink, Cockeysville, MD

The Grand Council will meet in Grand Assembly on **Saturday, May 13, 2023, at 10:00 am.** to conduct all business proper to the Semi-Annual Grand Assembly. Agenda to include Finance & Budget, Election of 2024 Officers, and all other Officer and Committee Reports as necessary.

The dress is Tuxedo, Apron & Jewels for Officers, Coat & Tie otherwise. Please wear your Council Apron.

Location: Oriental Room, Freemason Hall, Bonnie Blink, Cockeysville, MD.

The Grand Commandery will meet in Grand Conclave **Monday, May 15, 2023, at 7:30 pm.** to conduct all business proper to the Semi-Annual Grand Conclave. Agenda to include Finance & Budget, Election of 2024 Officers, and all other Officer and Committee Reports as necessary. The dress is Full Templar Uniform, Chapeau & Sword.

Location: Gothic Room, Freemason Hall, Bonnie Blink, Cockeysville, MD

Fraternally & Respectfully,

ME Comp William C. Eppig
Grand Secretary
Grand Chapter of Maryland

RIC. Vernon H. Huebschman
Grand Recorder
Grand Council of Maryland

SK Vernon H. Huebschman
Grand Recorder
Grand Commandery of KT in MD

The Annual Meeting Council of Anointed High Priests of Maryland
April 29, 2023
Freemason Hall, Bonnie Blink
Cockeysville, Maryland

9:00 am - GRAND CHAPTER LAW SCHOOL for qualified MEHP's-Elect is **ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED** for the CAHP Degree. Assemble in the Main Lobby of Freemason Hall.

9:00 am – 10:00 am - Oriental Room - COUNCIL OF ANOINTED HIGH PRIESTS Set up and Rehearsal (Officers Only)

10:00 am - Oriental Room - COUNCIL OF ANOINTED HIGH PRIESTS will hold its annual meeting and confer its Degree upon qualified candidates. This meeting is restricted to PHP's and current MEHP's and qualified MEHP's-Elect. The Application Form is on the Grand Secretary's page of the Grand Chapter of Maryland (YORKRITEMARYLAND.ORG). No Fee is Required. The dress is Tux for Candidates and Officers. No Aprons or jewels are required; traditionally, Masonic jewels and pins are not worn at this meeting. *Chapters having candidates are especially encouraged to attend for the benefit of the candidates.*

The Grand Council for conferral of TIM Degree May 13, 2023, Freemason Hall, Bonnie Blink Cockeysville, Maryland.

8:00 am - Law School

9:00 am - TIM Degree

Fraternally & Respectfully,

ME Comp William C.
Eppig Grand Secretary
Grand Chapter of
Maryland

RI Comp Vernon H.
Huebschman
Grand Recorder
Grand Council of Maryland

Ex Comp Vernon
Huebschman
Excellent Secretary
Council of Anointed High
Priests
of Maryland

SK Vernon
Huebschman
Grand Recorder
Grand Commandery
of KT in MD

Ex Comp Dennis Ewing
Grand Lecturer

MIPGM Randall L.
Watson
Grand Lecturer

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Maryland

Semi-Annual Grand Conclave ,

Cockeysville Maryland

May 15, 2023

7:30 p.m.

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| 1. Opening: Reconvene | SK John H. Austin, REGC |
| 2. Welcome | SK John H. Austin, REGC |
| 3. Credentials: Initial Report * | SK David Andrukitis, Grand Sentinel |
| 4. Reception of REPGC's | SK John H. Austin, REGC |
| 5. Introduction of dignitaries | SK John H. Austin, REGC |
| 6. Proceedings | SK Vernon H. Huebschman, Grand Recorder |
| 7. Grand Commander's Address | SK John H. Austin, REGC |
| 8. Grand Recorder's Report | SK Vernon H. Huebschman, Grand Recorder |
| 9. Grand Treasurer's Report | SK Randall L. Watson, Grand Treasurer |
| 10. Grand Prelates Report | SK Charles Beckhardt, Grand Prelate |
| 11. Religious Observance | SK Charles Beckhardt, Grand Prelate |
| 12. Holy Land Pilgrimage | SK Charles Beckhardt, Grand Prelate |
| 13. Finance & Accounts Committee | SK Bradley Andrukitis, VEDGC |
| 14. KT Eye Foundation | SK Gary Kennedy Grand Captain General |
| 15. KT Education Foundation | SK Arthur Hebbeler, REPGC |
| 16. Youth Relations | SK Scott Lapp, Junior Grand Warden |
| 17. Appendant & Concordant | SK Randall L. Watson, Grand Treasurer |
| 18. Civic & Patriotic Committee | SK Gary Kennedy |
| 19. Correspondence Committee | SK Vernon H. Huebschman, Grand Recorder |
| 20. Grand Inspector General's Report | SK John H. Austin, REGC |
| 21. Membership Committee | SK Bradley Andrukitis, VEDGC |
| 22. KT Instruction/ Ritual Committee | SK Frederick A. Spicer, REPGC |
| 23. KT Handbook | SK Bradley Andrukitis. VEDGC |
| 24. Knight Training Committee | SK Charles Warns II, REPGC |
| 25. Quartermaster's Report | SK John P. Mitchell, Grand Generalissimo |
| 26. Jurisprudence Committee | SK John A. Rafine, REPGC |
| 27. Constitution Committee | SK Richard P. Naegele, REPGC |
| 28. Doings of Grand Officers | SK Spyridon G. Treklas, REPGC |
| 29. Grievance Committee | SK Kenneth S. Wyvill Jr., REPGC |
| 30. Masonic Relations Committee | SK Richard P. Naegele, REPGC |
| 31. 2023 Sessions Committee | SK Bradley Andrukitis, VEDGC |
| 32. 2024 Time & Place Committee | SK John H. Austin, REGC |
| 33. GWMNM 2023 Celebration | SK John H. Austin, REGC |
| 34. Awards & Recognition | SK Arthur G. Hebbeler, REPGC |
| 35. Credentials: Final Report | SK David Andrukitis, Grand Sentinel |
| 36. Unfinished Business | SK John Austin, REGC |
| 37. New Business | SK John Austin, REGC |
| 38. Election of Officers | SK John Austin, REGC |
| 39. Installation of Officers | |
| 40. Comments | |
| 41. Calling Off | SK John Austin, REGC |

The REGC may alter is agenda as he sees fit, and may receive reports to be printed in the Proceedings as he may direct.

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar 2022 -2023 Officers

Right Eminent Grand Commander:	John H. Austin,KCT
Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander:	Bradley Andrukitis
Eminent Grand Generalissimo:	Gary Kennedy, KCT, KTCH
Eminent Grand Captain General:	Scott Lapp
Eminent Grand Senior Warden:	Michael Youse (Abs)
Eminent Grand Junior Warden:	Samuel Lane (Abs)
Eminent Grand Prelate:	Charles A. Beckhardt
Grand Treasurer:	Randall L. Watson KCT
Grand Recorder:	Vernon H. Huebschman
Grand Recorder Emeritus	Kris D. Brown, KTCH
Eminent Grand Standard Bearer:	Scott W. Wilson
Eminent Grand Sword Bearer:	Michael R. Raab
Grand Warder:	George J. Christoff
Grand Sentinel:	David Andrukitis
Grand Inspector General :	Randolph Disney

Adjutant : Keith Warner, (Abs)

Adjutant: William Hare, Jr

Adjutant : Gary Kendal (Abs)

Adjutant : Kevin Drabczyk (Abs)

Grand Commandery Committees 2023:

S–Finance and Audit–

Bradley Andrukitis, Gary Kennedy, Scott Lapp

S–Appendant and Concordant–

Randy Watson, Robert Lumbert, Vernon Huebschman

Civic and Patriotic–

Gary Kennedy, Keith Warner, Scott Wilson, Gerry Kendle

S–Correspondence–

Vernon Huebschman, Kevin Drabczyk, Bill Hare

S–Credentials–

David Andrukitis, George Christoff, Bill Hare,

S–Doings of Grand Officers–

Spyridon Treklas, Vernon Huebschman, Mike Youse

S–Education Foundation–

Art Hebbeler, Thomas Heimiller, Arthur Tawes, Mike Robbins, Terry Royce, Chris (Doc) Jensen, ex Officio members- John Austin, Bradley Andrukitis, Vernon Huebschman (sec./treas.)

Eye Foundation–

Gary Kennedy, Fred Rossmark, Sam Lane,

Grievance–

Kenneth Wyvill, John Rafine, Randy Disney,

Holy Land Pilgrimage–

Charles Beckhardt, Arthur Hebbeler, Dean Burt

Committees 2022 (continued)

Jurisprudence–

John Rafine, Randy Watson, Kenneth Wyvill

Masonic Relations-

Richard Naegele, Randy Watson, Robert Lumbert, Terry Royce

Membership–

Bradley Andrukitis, Mike Youse, Sam Lane

KT Instruction/Ritual–

Randolph Disney GIG, Dennis Ewing, Scott Wilson,

Sessions–

Bradley Andrukitis, Bill Hare, Randy Watson

Time and Place–

John Austin**, Andrew Martinez**, William C. Hare**

**Or their appointees

Knight Training–

Charles Warns, George Christoff, John Mitchell, Scott Wilson, Scott Lapp, Gerry Kendle, Kevin Drabczyk

Unfinished Business–

Brad Andrukitis, Vernon Huebschman, Charles Warns,

Youth Relations–

Scott Lapp, Roal Davis, Carl Michel, Richard Naegele

Religious Observance–

Charles Beckhardt, Arthur Hebbeler, Gary Kennedy, Ray Denmark,

Committees 2023 (continued)

Quartermaster/Wardrobe-

John Mitchell, Spyros Treklas, Keith Warner, Fred Rossmark

GWMNM 2023 celebration-

John Austin, Kenneth Wyvill ,Gerry Kendle, James (Ron) Hedges, Kevin Drabczyk

Awards and Recognition-

Art Hebbeler, Randy Watson, Vernon Huebschman, Kevin Drabczyk, Brad Andrukitis, Bill Hare

KT Handbook-

Bradley Andrukitis, John Mitchell, Gary Kennedy, David Andrukitis, Bryan Remley, Vernon Huebschman

Grand Commander's Advisory Council-

Kenneth Wyvill, Fred Spicer, Randy Disney, Richard Naegele, Charles Warns, Arthur Hebbeler, Spyros Treklas, Brad Andrukitis, Richard Feeser, Clifton Friel, Terry Royce, Samuel Lane, Dennis Brekhus, Michael Youse

Events and Hospitality-

Brad Andrukitis, John Mitchell, Gary Kennedy, Terry Royce, Gerry Kendle, Kevin Drabczyk, John Thomas, George Christoff, Bill Hare, Keith Warner

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1 OPENING

SK John H. Austin

The Grand Prelate, SK Charles Beckhardt offered an Opening Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Grand Commander. Grand Commander Austin then declared the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of Maryland reconvened in Semi-annual Conclave.

2 WELCOME

SK John H. Austin

SK Austin offered his greetings to all present on a very pleasant spring morning.

3. CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

SK David Andrukitis,

Preliminary Report: Forty-Three (43) Sir Knights in attendance. Thirty-one (31) Voting Members present. Nine (9) Commanderies are represented at the Opening.

Roll of Officers and Voting members was called by the Grand Recorder based on the MMS as of May 14, 2023. Some Commanderies had not yet updated their officers after recent Installations of Officers. Additions were made after the roll.

Please see the appendix for the listing of all attendees.

4 Reception of Right Eminent Grand Commanders SK John H. Austin

The REPGC's present were:

- Clifton R. Friel, KCT
- John A. Rafine, KCT
- Charles Warns, KCT

SK Cliff Friel KCT, REPGC responded for those present and thanked the REGC for the courtesies and hospitality shown them. SK Friel offered the continuing support of the REPGC's and wished the REGC and productive and successful Grand Conclave.

5. Reception of Dignitaries

SK John H. Austin

The REGC introduced and greeted the following Sir Knights

- ❖ M.E. Comp. G Andrew Martinez, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of MD.
- ❖ M.I. Comp. William C. Hare, Most Illustrious Grand Master of MD.
- ❖ R.W. Bro. Randall L. Watson, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of MD.

At this time, with the assistance of SK Bradley Thomas, Eminent Commander of Monumental Commandery No. 3, the Grand Commandery of Maryland bestowed the following.”

All the titles, honors, and privileges of Prelate Emeritus upon

SK Robert Edward Young, KTCH

SK Young regaled the Conclave with his recollection of fifty years of service.

6. Proceedings

SK Vernon H. Huebschman

REGC,

As the Proceedings of the 2022 Annual Grand Conclave, and the Special Grand Conclave of February 4, 2023, have been posted to the Grand Commandery website, and are there available for review, I move that they be accepted as posted, subject to further comments for content or typographical errors. Seconded by SK Watson and passed unanimously.

7..Grand Commander's Address

SK John H. Austin, REGC

SK Bradley Andrukitis accepted the sword of authority as SK Austin began his Address.



Right Eminent Past Grand Commanders, Grand Line officers, Dais officers of Constituent Commanderies, Sir Knights All.

Thank you each for your attendance and attention at this mid-term meeting to catch all up on the recent past and prepare the path for the future.

I again wish to thank you all for the support and respect that has been offered to me and the Grand Line officers as we continue to visit the Commanderies to inform and assist and attend Masonic and public events to promote the Knights Templar of Maryland.

My report today will recount the stated goals of the KT of Maryland and give progress status of our Commanderies and programs.

Overall health- The Commanderies of Maryland remain in a state of flux with some thriving and others faltering. We cannot fail to notice that during the covid era, life changed. We continue to feel the effects- Masonry had to be put on hold for a while for many folks, The

Commanderies of America were put on standby and were among the last to re-emerge. We continue to see low attendance and several of our commanderies are rebuilding.

I am very pleased with the cross visiting and assistance by our Fraters that has been taking place and encourage all to do likewise. It is what we need to do to rebuild. Changes will take place, with some Commanderies doing better more rapidly, and others flagging until we can successfully reinvigorate them. Along those lines the Degrees and Orders of the York Rite have been conferred lately in several places with teams made up of several participating YR groups. As example the Order of the Temple will be conferred 3 times in the month of June using Sir Knights from several Commanderies to make this possible.

In this era of diminishing membership, and until we right the ship in all Masonic organizations, fewer people means that those dedicated members wind up taking on more and more jobs, in order to keep those organizations viable. I salute those of you who are taking on this added responsibility and will do all I can to encourage growth and assistance to all these fine Masonic organizations.

Progress and diminished attendance mean change and here is an example: Two fine historic Commanderies facing a diminished area of influence and personnel have come together. Recent votes to unite have been taken, and very soon, Beauseant No. 8 and Carroll No. 11 will be one. I believe it will be established as Carroll Beauseant Commandery No. 8. I wish to congratulate Eminent Commanders Bob Candler and Mike Rabb (stand) and their knights on an excellent effort to cross visit, meet and discuss the relationship and develop a plan for two Commanderies to unite and become one viable unit of dedicated knights. The wonderful attention of Right Eminent Past Grand Commander Richard Naegele has made this smooth and seamless.

KTEF- Last year we made the historic leap as one of the few Commanderies in the world to become 100 percent engaged as Life Sponsors of the Knights Templar Eye foundation. Grand Generalissimo and Chairman of the KTEF, SK Gary Kennedy, and SK Eminent Commander Bob Candler made this possible with the help of Jacques DeMolay Commandery No. 4 and Beauseant Commandery No. 8. Many thanks to them for this accomplishment. This means however, that we need to sustain that status in perpetuity. Each commandery, must keep its eye on the prize and assure that each NEW knight is enrolled in the Life Sponsor program. We continue to exhort the membership of the value of this financial

participation and suggest methods of continuing the dedicated effort of support to this valuable asset to the sight of others around the world.

KT Education Foundation- While the past year has had ups and downs in the finances of the US Banking system, our accounts as you will soon see are continuing to prosper. This is important as our Scholarship program continues to reward deserving young people and Sir Knights as they further their education. We have been making a concerted effort to raise the awareness of the Knights Templar Education Foundation among Masonic members. Last year we had a great number of applications, and we were able to award handsome scholarships to a number of deserving students. This year, we have not had the same effort and it shows, the applications are down significantly. There is time, however, to recoup. In two weeks, on June 30 we have a deadline for applications to be submitted to our Chairman REPGC Art Hebbeler. Please, please- tomorrow, get the word out, to all of your members to have their loved ones that are in ready for college or seeking to obtain further education, or certification for a current job. As long as the applications are in our hands by the 30th of June, the remaining documentation asked for in the application can be sent along at a later date.

Religious observances- I am beyond happy with the increased awareness of, and participation in, public ceremonies of our Christian religion continues to prosper and be made a part of Knights Templar service. My gratitude to our Eminent Grand Prelate Charles Beckhardt, grows with every month he has served. He continues to educate and inform the Commanderies of the importance of our public and private need of Salvation and how to go about it in Christian and Templar fellowship. Thank you Sir Knight Charles. One final opportunity for your participation is on hand on May 22 when Antioch Commandery in Cumberland will hold an Ascension day service in Cumberland.

Holy Land Pilgrimage- This year the members of Chesapeake Commandery No. 10, at the urging of REPGC Clifton Friel and the workmanlike efforts of SK Vernon Huebschman encouraged and sent a wonderful minister from the Denton area on the journey of a lifetime through the Holy Land Pilgrimage Program. Congrats to Reverend Robyn Brown and the Sir Knights of Chesapeake No. 10.

Youth programs- My wife Kandi and I have attended Rainbow Girls and DeMolay events this year and we have been very impressed with the work done by these young people and the dedicated Masons and their wives that support and encourage them. Knights Templar have had a long history of financial support and a program to assist them with membership through a yearly outing for relaxation and camaraderie.

The past several years Grand Captain General SK Scott Lapp and his wife Marcie have headed this program and he has delivered a report which you will hear or read with this year's upcoming program. Thank you, SK Scott, and please pass along our best wishes to Companion of the Temple Marcie.

KT Handbook/ Knight training- I had hoped to have this effort well on its way, however we got a slow start, and I can now report some limited progress as the Handbook Committee has only had a couple of meetings to get the ball rolling. We will continue and I hope to have a modern and up to date booklet prepared to go to printing in fall or winter.

New Knight Training is again going to take place under the leadership of REPGC Charles Warns and his team of Sir Knights. The first of these will take place next month here in the Gothic Room on Saturday June 17th. Notification and application for attendance has been sent out. I encourage all new Sir knights and those of you that have never seen the program, or wish for a refresher, to attend. There is no fee and lunch will be served. Thank you, SK Past Grand Commander Chuck, for putting this together.

Public Ceremonies/Masonic ceremonies- raising the visibility of the Knights Templar is being accomplished regularly by the participation of Sir knights in Public ceremonies such as open Lodge installation flag presentations, Parades, public religious ceremonies such as the Christmas Observances, Easter Sunrise service and ceremonial participation in the attendance at Other Masonic events. I want to thank those officers of Commanderies that participated in Lodge Flag

presentations, The Baltimore Mayor's Parade, unprecedented Christmas observances, forming the Cross of Honor at this year's Easter sunrise service, attendance at the ceremony for the status of Grand Recorder Emeritus for SK Kris Brown and participation in the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Completion and dedication of the George Washington Masonic National memorial in Alexandria Virginia just to name a few. The latter event we have had on our radar for 5 years and the Grand Commandery, first under the leadership of REPGC Warns, and then myself have contributed financially to the recent renovations and the ceremony of re-dedication which took place at the memorial in March. The count of attending Masons from around the world varies but an estimated 3500 to 5000 Masons marched in the Parade before the ceremony or attended the outdoor ceremony. I want to thank all of those Sir Knights that were able to attend. I must comment that one of our Sir Knights- Richard Thurfield in cooperation with the Scottish Rite House of the Temple made the public access of the GWMNM event and the Easter Sunrise event available by live streaming on the internet. Thank you Sir Knight Richard. (Show plaque)

The next opportunity looms and will be at the Memorial day Parade later this month where the Knights Templar of Maryland are invited to join me and the Grand Line of Knights Templar as we join the Knights of Carroll Commandery and unfurl, for the first time in public, the brand new Grand Templar Banner designed and purchased by Eminent Grand Generalissimo Gary Kennedy (stand and show off banner). Thank you SK Gary- Come and join us in this March on May 29th in Westminster. Notification of upcoming celebrations of the 150th anniversaries of both Palestine Commandery No. 7 and Antioch Commandery No. 6 will be here in the next few months.

Stay tuned for further information which will be posted under the events section of the website.

In my role as your Grand Commander, I have had ceremonial opportunities before the Grand Lodge of Maryland, Youth Groups, Eastern Star, Knight Masons, AMD, Knights preceptors, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, Past Masters Association, York Rite College, Chapter and Council, Grand Encampment, The Grand Conclaves of Delaware, District of Columbia, The Bicentennial of Grand Commandery of Virginia 2 weeks ago, and later this week at the Grand Commandery of West Virginia.

A new opportunity has surfaced at Boumi Shrine with the Shrine developing a program to educate their members on other Masonic organizations such as the York Rite and Scottish Rite in what is called the Arch Ceremony. Eminent Commander Bob Candler was instrumental in having members of the Knights Templar and other York Rite bodies assist with this unique program. Sir Knight Randy Disney and I were participants in the inaugural ceremony, and It continues to be an ongoing program that we support and will continue to participate in.

Passing of another great Templar- Just this past Saturday we were saddened but honored to be invited to Door To Virtue lodge to celebrate the life of the aforementioned REPGC Randolph Disney with a Knight Templar Memorial service, followed by ceremonies by Chapter and Council leadership and overseen by his brother Worshipful Master Jeff Disney who presided over a Masonic service with Chaplain, Sir Knight Gordon Davids. Randy was a unique individual. He never passed up an opportunity to guide and assist others. He was an incredible ritualist that practiced his craft whenever he got the opportunity. As a Past Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Council, a dais officer in Grand Chapter, Past Grand Commander, Past Governor of the York Rite College and Grand Lecturer of both Chapter and Council, he had many opportunities. Let us pay homage with a moment of silence to honor our hero, now passed. Sir knights please rise, Uncover. And add your silent prayers.

REPGC Randy was our Grand Inspector General and had just begun to travel with me and present his plan to reinvigorate the Ritual of the Knights Templar in the State of Maryland. As of this date we are not yet ready to outline how that vision will play out with a new GIG, but I would urge all Commanderies to shine up their Knights for review and I will begin Grand Visitations with the Grand Line in Late June to continue into the fall.

This concludes my report and I move that it be entered upon the record.

Seconded by SK Charles Warns II and passed unanimously.

8 Report of the Grand Recorder

SK Vernon H. Huebschman

Right Eminent Grand Commander,

1. IRS 990n Reports. Most Maryland Commanderies fiscal year is the calendar year. The IRS 990n report can be filed anytime after January 1 of each year. There is no reason to delay. The report takes about fifteen minutes if you have the information prepared before you go online from the York Rite Website link. Once your report is filed you must return in about a week to verify that the report is approved or rejected. Most commonly, the reports are accepted.
2. Annual Reports and Assessments: This year the Grand Secretary sent out a billing statement to each of the Commandery Recorders. As of this writing, all the Commanderies have paid their annual assessments. The assessments are based upon the Annual Report as calculated by the Grand Encampment's Membership Management System.
3. Ordering Rituals: Commanderies needing Ritual Books can order them through the Grand Recorder. There will be an inventory of spiral bound books typically, though there is a small supply of the hard bound version, which can be mailed out in quantities as ordered until the existing supply is exhausted. After that, the hard bound books will be ordered in lots of ten and will be dropped shipped from the Grand Encampment Officers in Texas directly to the Recorder.
4. Web Site: SK Dan Brewer is working on posting the Proceedings from 2022 and the Constitution of Grand Constitution. Please take the time to explore the site and its growing list of assets.
5. Grand Encampment MMS: Congratulations to the Commandery Recorders in maintaining their memberships in time for the December 31, 2022, deadline for the Annual Reports. Also, for posting in the election and installation of their respective line of officers. Please post information concerning the conferral of the Orders within 48 hours of each such occasion. This makes life easier for the Recorder in the long run. The MMS is an impressive and accessible fountain of information which can lead to wisdom. Please don't hesitate to explore the MMS...you can't hurt it. Some data inputs cannot be reversed locally but even incorrect or trail inputs can be undone by the Grand Encampment. SK John Elkinton in Texas has been an invaluable assistance and guide in learning the ropes of this system.
6. School for Secretaries, Recorders, and Treasurers: Many thanks to SK Bill Eppig and SK John Rafine for conducting the 2023 School. I was unable to attend due to a family illness. With the significant turnover of secretaries and recorders, it was felt that there was a need for another round of this school for basic administrative skills. If any Recorder has specific questions or suggestions, I will try to respond with what I have learned in my tenure as a local Recorder, and what I have learned from SK Kris Brown and the staff at the Grand Encampment Office.
7. 2024 Dues Billing: Please use the coming summer months to prepare for your 2024 Dues Billing. Try to mail out in September. It is not necessary to have the dues cards in hand to begin receiving dues. The cards come out of Texas directly. The local Recorders should be applying a seal to each card. I recommend using a miniature wet seal for this purpose rather than a full size embossing seal.
8. If your Commandery or York Rite center would like to explore using credit cards for the payment of dues bills, please contact me later. You will need to vote to utilize this modern technology, so you may need want to delay your dues billing to announce the new process. You can also use credit cards for the reception of Petition payments and for special events.
9. Those Commanderies which have Knighted new members since this time last year should make every effort to have the new members make a \$30 donation to the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, or the Commandery should take such steps as necessary to maintain its 100% status of Lifetime Memberships.

Grand Commander, thank you for the opportunity to serve the Grand Commandery, you and your Line. I appreciate your patience with my inexperience and your support for my efforts.

Respectfully,

SK Vernon H. Huebschman, Grand Recorder

I move this report be accepted and spread upon the Proceedings of this Grand Conclave; seconded by SK Randall L. Watson and passed unanimously.

9 Report of the Grand Treasurer

SK Randall L. Watson

This Report covers the period from November 1, 2022, to May 10, 2023, regarding the 2023 income and expenses. Income thus far totals \$10,965.00; expenses total \$9,623.63.

Asset & Liabilities Cash Statement:

- The balance in the operating account with Morgan Stanley as of September 30, 2022 was \$304,707.45; as of April 30, 2023 it is \$311,775.38; an increase of about \$7k (2.3%).
- The balance in the Endowment Fund with Morgan Stanley as of September 30, 2022 was \$724,036.63; as of April 30, 2023 it is \$832,964.60; an increase of about \$109k (15.0%).
- The balance in the Educational Foundation with Morgan Stanley as of September 30, 2022 was \$605,753.53; as of April 30, 2022 it is \$674,740.77; an increase of about \$69k (11.4%).

The above values reflect the wide market swings, where the first Quarter of this year has recovered the losses incurred in the beginning of 2022. The attached chart shows the changes for the full year from April 2022 to April 2023. The Endowment Fund had no spending and increased by 3.0%. The Educational Foundation is almost the same balance, so the increase in value almost exactly offset the \$20k in spending. The Operating Account decrease of \$34k reflects the drawdown of about \$33k shown in Income Category M in the operating expenses chart. (Most of the 2023 Assessment checks were deposited after April 30th.)

The Budget and Finance Committees met virtually on April 11, 2023.

2022/2023 Budget:

Each year we are allowed to transfer 90% of the earnings of the Endowment Account into the Operating Account. It's calculated from April 1st through March 31st. For the 2021-2022 year, this comes to \$24,877.02 (90% of \$27,641.13). This transfer has not yet been completed and was not included as income in the preparation of the 2022/2023 Budget, since the Operating Account has sufficient reserves to fund the Budget while leaving these funds in the Endowment Account. I will introduce a motion to authorize leaving these funds in the Endowment Account, just as we did last year, until such future time as they are needed. The cumulative balance of transfers deferred from the years ending March 2017 through March 2023 is \$122,399.29.

Period Ending March 31st	Income	Transfer Amount (90% Income)	# New SKs	\$25 New Knight Contribution Offset	Available Deferred Transfer Balance
2017		\$20,809.56	48	\$1,200.00	\$19,609.56
2018	\$20,925.08	\$18,832.57	40	\$1,000.00	\$37,442.13
2019	\$23,413.46	\$21,072.11	45	\$1,125.00	\$57,389.24
2020	\$24,214.46	\$21,793.01	35	\$875.00	\$78,307.25
2021	\$21,933.36	\$19,740.02	8	\$200.00	\$97,847.27
2022	\$22,207.93	\$19,987.14	51	\$1,275.00	\$97,019.39
2023	\$27,641.13	\$24,877.02	13	\$325.00	\$122,399.29

Respectfully submitted,

Randall L. Watson, KCT, Grand Treasurer

I move this report be accepted and spread upon the Proceeding of this Grand Conclave, Seconded by SK John Rafine and passed unanimously.

Attachments:

Asset & Liabilities Cash Statement as of April 30, 2023

2021/2022 and 2022/2023 Approved Budgets & Year-to-Date Expenses

2023/2024 Proposed Budget

Asset & Liabilities Cash Statement as of April 30, 2023

Assets

General Operating Account #633-xxxx34

	% of holding	At cost	Market Value 4/30/23	Unrealized Gain (Loss)	Market Value 4/30/22	Change
Cash & MMFs	6.16%		\$19,203.21		\$8,181.33	\$11,021.88
Common & Preferred Stocks	79.53%	\$128,909.65	\$247,945.85	\$119,036.21	\$291,196.55	(\$43,250.70)
Exchange-Traded & Closed End Fd	8.81%	\$22,292.34	\$27,478.50	\$5,186.16	\$28,907.10	(\$1,428.60)
Corporate Fixed Income	0.00%					\$0.00
Mutual Funds	5.50%	\$12,751.82	\$17,147.82	\$4,395.86	\$17,426.70	(\$278.88)
Subtotal General Operating Account	100.00%	\$163,953.81	\$311,775.38	\$128,618.23	\$345,711.68	(\$33,936.30)
						-9.82%

Endowment Fund Account #633-xxxx10

	% of holding	At cost	Market Value 4/30/23	Unrealized Gain (Loss)	Market Value 4/30/22	Change
Cash & MMFs	0.48%		\$3,992.46		\$1,389.48	\$2,602.98
Common & Preferred Stocks	77.55%	\$370,671.00	\$645,934.13	\$275,263.14	\$640,759.90	\$5,174.23
Exchange-Traded & Closed End Fd	5.65%	\$32,969.32	\$47,036.00	\$14,066.68	\$49,408.00	(\$2,372.00)
Corporate Fixed Income	6.91%	\$58,419.74	\$57,540.84	(\$1,406.84)	\$39,209.11	\$18,331.73
Mutual Funds	9.42%	\$69,053.70	\$78,461.17	\$9,407.47	\$77,621.54	\$839.63
Subtotal Endowment Fund Account	100.00%	\$531,113.76	\$832,964.60	\$297,330.45	\$808,388.03	\$24,576.57
						3.04%
Net Worth as of April 30, 2023			\$1,144,739.98		\$1,154,099.71	(\$9,359.73)
						-0.81%

2021/2022 Budget & Expenses

2022/2023 Approved Budget & Year-to-Date Expenses

Income:	G.L.	Amended 2022 Budget	Actual 2022 5/10/2023	Approved 2023 Budget	Year to Date 5/10/2023	Balance
Annual Per Capita (\$5 MD)	A-1	\$ 4,750.00		\$ 4,625.00		(\$4,625.00)
Annual Per Capita (\$9 GE)	A-2	\$ 8,550.00		\$ 8,325.00		(\$8,325.00)
Uncoded Per Capita	A		\$ 15,529.00		\$ 10,935.00	\$10,935.00
Knight Templar Eye Fdn (\$1 ea)	B-1	\$ 400.00		\$ 200.00		(\$200.00)
KTEF - Sponsor	B-2	\$ -		\$ -		
Knight Templar Eye Foundation - Misc	B-3	\$ -	\$ 170.00	\$ -		
Holy Land Pilgrimage Donations	C	\$ 4,000.00		\$ 4,000.00		(\$4,000.00)
Reimbursable Items	D	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,559.45	\$ 2,000.00		(\$2,000.00)
Initiation Fees (\$50 ea)	E	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 2,000.00		(\$2,000.00)
Interest/Dividends (Endowment)	F	\$ -		\$ -		
Miscellaneous	G	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 30.00	(\$470.00)
Relief - Little Sisters of the Poor	H	\$ -	\$ 1,495.00	\$ -		
Youth Groups (Hershey Trip)	J	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,080.00			
Annual Conclave	N	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 10,304.19	\$ 6,500.00		(\$6,500.00)
Transfer from operating fund (if needed)	M	\$ 43,800.00	\$ 33,592.23	\$ 37,975.00	\$ -	(\$37,975.00)
Total Income		\$ 76,000.00	\$ 67,629.87	\$ 66,125.00	\$ 10,965.00	(\$55,160.00)
Expenses:						
Grand Encampment Per Capita	1	\$ 8,550.00	\$ 8,842.00	\$ 8,325.00	\$ -	\$8,325.00
Knight Templar Eye Foundation	2	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$200.00
Treasurer Honorarium	3	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Recorder Honorarium	4	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Office Expense	8	\$ 850.00	\$ 155.93	\$ 850.00	\$ -	\$850.00
Annual Conclave Expense	9	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 15,266.73	\$ 10,500.00	\$ -	\$10,500.00
Annual Session Hospitality	9A	\$ 500.00	\$ 932.32	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$1,500.00
Equipment Repair	10	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$100.00
Holy Land Pilgrimage	12	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$4,000.00
Grand Line Travel	13	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,378.22	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$4,000.00
PGC Jewel	14	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
GIG Expense	15	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 895.11	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$1,500.00
Triennial Expense	16	\$ 800.00	\$ 924.88		\$ -	

PGC Travel	18		\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,408.86	\$591.14
Mid-Atlantic Conference	19	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,529.10	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$2,500.00
Youth Program	20	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$1,200.00
Youth Groups - Prospect Trip	20A	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 5,464.50	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$3,000.00
Crusader Program	22	\$ 1,100.00	\$ -	\$ 1,100.00	\$ -	\$1,100.00
Reimbursable Items	23	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,402.49	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 906.40	\$1,093.60
Miscellaneous	24	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,150.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,941.45	\$2,058.55
Awards/Incentives	25	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 822.17	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$5,000.00
Bond/Insurance	26	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,104.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$2,000.00
Web Site	27	\$ -	\$ 31.16	\$ 350.00	\$ 366.92	(\$16.92)
Relief Fund	29					
Semi-Annual Expenses	30	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 581.36	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$1,000.00
GC Meetings	31	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 149.90	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$1,000.00
Total Expenses		\$ 76,000.00	\$ 67,629.87	\$ 66,125.00	\$ 9,623.63	\$56,501.37
		\$ 67,200.00	Originally			

2022/2023 Budget & Proposed 2023/2024 Budget

Income:	G.L.	Approved 2023 Budget	Proposed 2024 Budget
Annual Per Capita (\$5 MD)	A-1	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 4,500.00
Annual Per Capita (\$9 GE)	A-2	\$ 8,325.00	\$ 8,100.00
Knight Templar Eye Foundation (\$1 ea)	B-1	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Knight Templar Eye Foundation - Sponsor	B-2	\$ -	\$ -
Knight Templar Eye Foundation - Misc	B-3	\$ -	\$ -
Holy Land Pilgrimage Donations	C	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Reimbursable Items	D	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Initiation Fees (\$50 ea)	E	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Interest/Dividends (Endowment)	F	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	G	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Relief (Little Sisters of the Poor)	H	\$ -	\$ -
Youth Groups (Prospect Trip)	J	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Annual Conclave	N	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
Transfer from operating fund (if needed)	M	\$ 37,975.00	\$ 54,535.00
Total Income		\$ 66,125.00	\$ 83,635.00

Expenses:

Grand Encampment Per Capita	1	\$ 8,325.00	\$ 8,100.00
Knight Templar Eye Foundation	2	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Treasurer Honorarium	3	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Recorder Honorarium	4	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Office Expense	8	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00
Annual Conclave Expense	9	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00
Annual Session Hospitality	9A	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Equipment Repair	10	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Holy Land Pilgrimage	12	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Grand Line Travel	13	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
REGC		<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>	
VEDGC		<u>\$ 500.00</u>	

EGG \$ 250.00

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PGC Jewel	14	\$ -	\$ 500.00
GIG Expense	15	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Triennial Expense	16		\$ 10,000.00
PGC Travel	18	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Mid-Atlantic Conference	19	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Youth Program	20	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
Youth Groups - Prospect Trip	20A	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 5,500.00
Crusader Program	22	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 6,100.00
Reimbursable Items	23	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Miscellaneous	24	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Awards/Incentives	25	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Bond/Insurance	26	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,100.00
Web Site	27	\$ 350.00	\$ 185.00
Semi-Annual Expenses	30	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
GC Meetings	31	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Total Expenses		\$ 66,125.00	\$ 83,635.00

10 REPORT of the GRAND PRELATE

SK Charles A. Beckhardt

REGC Austin:

This has been a very busy and challenging six months for the Grand Prelate. With your blessing and support I have taken the liberty to expand the role of the Grand Prelate. This expansion will be identified in my reports.

Attached for your review and information are three reports to be a part of our semi Annual Conclave.

- 1- Report of Religious Services
- 2- Other Activities
- 3- Report on the Holy Land Pilgrimage.

This past year, it has been my mission, when asked, to assist each Commandery with their religious observance programs. I believe I have done this by providing general guidelines for each of our four observances.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Have visited with Carroll #17, Monumental Crusade #3, and Maryland #1, Commanderies.

Marched in the parade in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone at the George Washington Masonic Memorial, in Alexandria, Virginia.

Attended the presentation of honoring SK Kris Brown with the title of Grand Recorder Emeritus for Maryland.

When asked, offered prayers for dinners, memorials, and Conclaves.

Blessings and Peace,

SK Charles A. Beckhardt, Grand Prelate

I move this report be accepted and spread upon the Proceeding of this Grand Conclave, seconded by SK Robert Candler, and Passed unanimously.

11 Report on Religious Observance

SK Charles A. Beckhardt

CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE

Developed, prepared, and E-mailed general guidelines for the conducting of Christmas Observance Service to all Eminent Commanders.

Based on the information I received, almost every Commandery participated this year. This was a wonderful achievement, as it has been a number of years since we had this much participation.

I conducted the Christmas Service at Jacques DeMolay #4, and the three Baltimore County Commanderies, Maryland #1, Monumental Crusade #3 and Beauseant #8.

I also attended Carroll Commandery #17 Christmas Observance and the York Rite Bodies annual Christmas Service held at the Maryland Masonic Homes.

HOLY WEEK OBSERVANCE

Developed, prepared, and E-mailed general guidelines for the conducting of the religious services for Holy Week to all Eminent Commanders.

I prepared and conducted the Good Friday services for the three Baltimore County Commanderies Maryland #1, Monumental Crusade #3 and Beauseant #8. Carroll #17 joined us for this service. Chesapeake #10 advised they had a Good Friday Service too.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Developed, prepared, and e-mailed the general guidelines for the participation in the Easter Sunrise Service to all Eminent Commanders.

The Monumental Crusade Commandery #3 provided bus transportation from the Grand Lodge in Cockeysville to the George Washington Masonic Memorial in Arlington Virginia for the annual sunrise service. There were approximately 20-25 Templars from Maryland plus approximately 10 guests attending this service, including me.

A few Commanderies advised they will attend the sunrise services at their place of worship with their families.

ASCENSION SERVICE

Developed, prepared, and e-mailed the general guidelines for the conducting of the Ascension Service and to all Eminent Commanders.

Conducted the Ascension Service for Jacques DeMolay on May 4th.

12 HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

SK Charles A. Beckhardt

Right Eminent Grand Commander,

As of this date, I have not received any information from the Grand Encampment on next year's dates.

Respectfully submitted,

SK Charles A. Beckhardt, Grand Prelate

I move this report be accepted and spread upon the Proceeding of this Grand Conclave, seconded by SK Kris Brown, and passed unanimously.

REGC and Distinguished SK's,

This committee is pleased to provide the requested information as we continue our efforts to keep our Sir Knights informed of our current financial standing.

The Finance Committee met via Zoom on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 7 PM.

The following SK's were present:

- ⌘ John H. Austin, REGC
- ⌘ Bradley D. Andrukitis, VEDGC
- ⌘ Gary Kennedy, EGG
- ⌘ Scott Lapp, EGCG
- ⌘ Randall L. Watson, EGT
- ⌘ Vernon H. Huebschman, EGR

A recap of our current account balances in our Morgan Stanley accounts was given by EGT Randall L. Watson. We also reviewed a current spreadsheet of our budget to ascertain our current standing as to our proposed and actual budgets year-to-date.

I would like to thank all the members of this committee for their assistance. Special thanks to EGT Randy Watson for his guidance and recommendations whenever called upon by this committee.

I am pleased to serve as the chairman of this committee. I look forward to continued service assisting you, the Grand Commandery of Maryland, and our fellow Sir Knights.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bradley D. Andrukitis, VEDGC
Chairman, Finance and Audit Committee
Grand Commandery of Maryland

14 KNIGHT TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

SK Gary Kennedy

LS/P/AP/GC/GM - Percentage Report

Report As of 05/15/2023 Maryland - Knights Templar

	Active Members	Life Sponsor		Active Members	Life Sponsor	
York Rite	912	902	98.9%	912	912	100.0%
Knights Templar	912	902	98.9%	912	912	100.0%
Maryland	912	902	98.9%	912	912	100.0%
1 - Maryland	74	68	91.9%	74	74	100.0%
3 - Monumental Crusade	237	236	99.6%	237	237	100.0%
4 - Jacques DeMolay	109	109	100.0%	109	109	100.0%
6 - Antioch	80	80	100.0%	80	80	100.0%
7 - Palestine	94	94	100.0%	94	94	100.0%
8 - Beauseant	31	31	100.0%	31	31	100.0%
10 - Chesapeake	101	101	100.0%	101	101	100.0%
11 - Thomas J. Shryock	49	49	100.0%	49	49	100.0%
13 - Montgomery	47	45	95.7%	47	47	100.0%
16 - York	33	32	97.0%	33	33	100.0%
17 - Carroll	57	57	100.0%	57	57	100.0%

Contributions Only - used for awards

	Count	Cumulative Total	Rank	Active Members as of: 5/15/2023	Active Member Per Capita Average	Rank
Maryland	145	\$15,728.25		912	\$17.25	
Grand Commandery	4	\$1,897.00			\$15.17	
Antioch No. 6	3	\$85.00	11	80	\$1.06	11
Beauseant No. 8	11	\$850.00	6	31	\$27.42	2
Carroll No. 17	14	\$1,165.00	5	57	\$20.44	3
Chesapeake No. 10	21	\$1,380.00	3	101	\$13.66	5
Jacques DeMolay No. 4	20	\$5,595.00	1	109	\$51.33	1
Maryland No. 1	15	\$796.25	7	74	\$10.76	7
Montgomery No. 13	3	\$310.00	9	47	\$6.60	8
Monumental Crusade No. 3	25	\$1,170.00	4	237	\$4.94	9
Palestine No. 7	18	\$1,820.00	2	94	\$19.36	4
Thomas J. Shryock No. 11	8	\$575.00	8	49	\$11.73	6
York No. 16	3	\$85.00	10	33	\$2.58	10

15 KNIGHT TEMPLAR EDUCATION FOUNDATION

SK Arthur G. Hebbeler, REPGC

Right Eminent Grand Commander,

On behalf of the Knight Templar Educational Foundation-Maryland Division, I am pleased to report that the 2021-2022 Scholarship Program was an unqualified success. We awarded \$17,000 in scholarships to six well-qualified scholars. There were 15 applications submitted.

Because of some changes in the Foundation committee, there were a few glitches with materials being sent to the wrong person. However, we successfully completed the reviews, and gave a fair amount of grace to every applicant as to the information received so that no one was penalized for late or missing data. For 2023, there will be a new application and application process. This information should be available by early January 2023.

2022 Recipients are:

Ashby Remley	\$ 4,000.00
Madison McKay	\$ 3,500.00
Asia Wrights	\$ 3,000.00
Natalie Kinnear	\$ 2,250.00
Jazmin Rivera	\$ 2,250.00
Ella Reinders	\$ 2,250.00

Your Committee encourages all Sir Knights to consider making a donation to help us grow the Educational Foundation fund for the Maryland Division. We are one of the larger funds in the Grand Encampment and have elected to continue to manage our funds locally, rather than returning them to the Grand Encampment for management with the funds of smaller Grand Commandery accounts. We have not had a formal campaign for the Educational Foundation for many years. Perhaps it is time for us to consider doing so as a way to raise awareness of our program.

The Grand Treasurer's report includes information on the current status of the Educational Foundation. Also, the Grand Encampment approves of the manner in which we have structured our Foundation board for the Maryland Division and does not require any changes to be approved by the Grand Encampment.

The Committee thanks the Grand Commander for the opportunity to serve the Grand Commandery in this worthwhile program.

Courteously,

Arthur F. Hebbeler III, KGC

Members:

Thomas Heimiller, PGC, KCT

Arthur Tawse, PC

Mike Robbins, PC

Terry Royce

Chris (Doc) Jensen, PC

ex Officio members: John Austin, GC, KCT, Bradley Andrukitis, DGC, Kris Brown (sec./treas.), GR, KCT

16 YOUTH RELATIONS

SK Scott Lapp, SK Carl Michel

Right Eminent Grand Commander and Sir Knights:

We thank you and the Maryland Masonic Family for your continued support. Our members are very appreciative of the financial support and the requests to assist with dinners, make presentations to the members and invitations to join in fun activities.

At the time of this writing Maryland Rainbow has completed their yearly sessions and a new Youth leader has been installed. The room was packed and the energy was fantastic. We recommend everyone to attend the Installation next year. The Maryland Rainbow website at the bottom of this report will provide you with contact information for their organization.

DelMar Job's Daughters will be holding their yearly sessions Mother's Day weekend in Ocean City. They will celebrate the accomplishments of their year and the new Adult Leaders will be installed. The ladies of DelMar Job's Daughters are working hard to increase membership. Congratulations to Mom Beth Griffin, Grand Guardian and Dad Kenneth Bright, Associate Grand Guardian on a fantastic term.

Maryland DeMolay continues to work on membership, activities and communication. They recently held a Membership Training Class presented by DeMolay International at the Boumi Shrine Center. The training broke the old standard rules for membership and opened a new way of thinking concerning possible members and advisors. With the new approach, the Chapters are formulating the plans to bring in new members and put on fun and informative events. Their Annual meeting will be in July at Salisbury University. Paperwork should be out to the lodges requesting small donations to help them cover costs associated with specific items. These items are listed with full amounts needed but any donation, no matter the size will do to assist them. We look forward to seeing the Jurisdiction going for three years in a row of positive growth.

We continue to see their activities on the rise and participation continues to build. Work continues to rebuild the membership numbers and strength those groups who took the largest hit during the shutdown for the pandemic. The excitement and fun these members are having is addictive! All groups are looking for Advisors, men and women, who are willing to assist them to mentor their members and help them with their growth into adults. If you want to experience much gratification in your life, step into the role of a mentor for these organizations.

We continue to encourage all members of our great Fraternity to schedule time to go to a youth function or meeting to see them in action. Your attendance at their functions means a great deal to these young people. They are encouraged to work harder and do better when they see the support, in person, from the members of our Grand Lodge. Should you be connected to any relatives, friends or neighbors who have young ladies and men who may be interested in seeing what we have to offer, please reach out the youth groups through the website links below for further information on their requirements for membership.

We thank you for the opportunity to serve you and the Grand Lodge of Maryland in this most important function. Each of these organizations represents a substantial investment in the future of Masonry and we sincerely appreciate your support of our activities. . Please visit each website <https://www.mddemolay.org> ,<http://www.gomarylandrainbow.org/> , and <https://delmarjdi.org/>

SK Carl Michel
Right Eminent Grand Commander,

The youth and our Sir Knights have been hard at work this winter and Spring. The Maryland Rainbow Girls have just installed their new Youth leader and several of our Sir Knights were ambassadors to their event.

The Job's Daughters are preparing for their sessions in Ocean City and several Sir Knights are involved there as well.

The Maryland DeMolay have been active with recent training sessions to reinvigorate their membership goals. They are also preparing for their event in July and Maryland DeMolay Executive Officer, Sir Knight Carl Michel, will be putting out word shortly on that subject. Let us support them where we can. Thank you to Carl Michel as well for his support with this committee.

I had the opportunity to meet and talk with the leadership of the Virginia DeMolay at their recent Bicentennial celebration in Williamsburg, and they are very active as well. We could learn a lot from each other by sharing thoughts and ideas on both sides of the border. They managed entertaining the Sit Knights in attendance quite well.

Lastly, we plan to extend a flyer this week on details for the annual Grand Commandery / Youth outing for 2023. The core information of that event is this:

- * It will be at Adventure Park USA near Frederick.
- * It will be individual transportation, with no bus scheduled to be involved.

- * It will be a four hour window for full use of the park and includes lunch for one single cost per person.
- * prospective attendants will still be able to go at no cost to the youth groups.
- * It will take place on June 24th, 2023 (Saturday).
- * It will be limited to 100 participants, including chaperones for each of the groups.
- * more (and better) details to come this week.

It is important to know that the Chapters and Councils are still considering their level of support, but the Commandery feels this is a worthwhile effort and will invest their energies to continue this tradition regardless. However, with a lower support from those groups, we are taking steps to try to reduce the total event cost to the Commandery. With a smaller venue and no bus transportation, it will keep us significantly below the expenditure of past years.

If anyone of our Sir Knights has the time and inclination to help out with our youth events, please contact me or one of our Youth organizers. It will be a tremendous help to those groups and an enriching experience for the Sir Knight as well. Please get involved with our youth as they are the future of Masonry in Maryland.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott G. Lapp, EGCG

I moved the above reports be accepted and spread upon the Proceedings of this Grand Conclave, Seconded by SK Vernon Huebschman, and passed unanimously.

17 APPENDANT & COORDINATE BODIES SK Randall L. Watson

REGC,

The report of this committee will be given at the Annual Grand Conclave in October.

Respectfully submitted,

SK Randall L. Watson

REGC,

The attached is the invoice for the Grand Commandery Parade Banner for your information. The Banner is now placed in the back of this room for the SK's to see.

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19. CORRESPONDENCE COMMITTEE

SK Vernon H. Huebschman

- Correspondence Report

Right Eminent Grand Command,

Since the 2022 Grand Conclave, there have been very few items of Correspondence:

- Grand Lodge of MD: Announcement of the Passing of Bro. John Young, MWPGM
- York Commandery No.16, Passing of SK Petersen, REPGC (DC)
- Grand Lodge of MD: Announcement of the Passing of SK William Gyr, Grand Treasurer Emeritus.
- Grand Encampment: Announcement of Easter Sunrise Services
- Grand Encampment: Announcement of Mid-Atlantic Department Conference.

There have been a great number of email announcements and directive which, the above, have bee forwarded on by email to the Commanders and Recorders of each of the Maryland Commanderies, together with all the Officers and Past Grand Commanders of the jurisdiction.

Yours in His Service,

SK Vernon Huebschman
Correspondence Committee

I move this report be accepted and spread upon the Proceedings of this Grand Conclave, seconded by SK Kris Brown, and passed unanimously.

20 Grand Inspector General's Report

SK John H. Austin

Sir Knights,

With the passing of SK Randy Disney, I have asked SK Richard P. Naegele, KCT to again assume the duties of the GIG for the balance of this term. He has accepted. For now, we will proceed with the plan as laid down by SK Disney.

21 MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

SK Bradley Andrukitis

Right Eminent Grand Commander Austin,

This committee is pleased to provide the requested information as we continue our efforts to increase our membership of Knights Templar in Maryland. The membership committee has continued to be active since our Annual Conclave. As the Grand Commandery Officers have traveled with the REGC around the state we have had the opportunity to hear from the membership chairman from most of our commanderies as to their membership status.

As we strive to increase our membership it is important to have an accurate picture of where we currently stand. Our Eminent Grand Recorder SK Vernon Huebschman has played a key role assisting with this committee and the MMS.

As of October 22, 2022, we had 921 Sir Knights on the membership roster.

As of May 8, 2023, we have 913.

We had (13) Sir Knights who have passed away.

We had (1) who was Knighted, (9) who affiliated, (3) who demitted, (1) who was suspended, (4) who were reinstated, a net loss of (8).

We have one Commandery that is having difficulty with attendance. This Commandery has been assisted by Sir Knights from another Commandery and during the last few months they have continued a merger of the two, and if all goes well, will benefit both. We are encouraged by this development.

Public awareness and a public presence in our local communities is imperative to our membership. As Knights Templar we have a responsibility to assist those in need, now more than ever.

Some of the activities that constituent commanderies engaged in community involvement and awareness included presenting charitable contributions to various organizations throughout their area to assist with healthcare, homelessness, food assistance, and youth groups.

In December, The Grand Commandery participated in the Baltimore Mayor's Parade at this wonderful opportunity to be seen wearing our uniforms in a public setting. We even had several Sir Knights on horseback. One Commandery has an appointed York Rite representative who presents a York Rite Membership Package to all newly raised Master Masons in their area.

Other programs, which might increase our presence, we hope to implement or continue in the future include:

- 1) Presenting newly knighted SKs with their swords at Blue Lodge meetings or open events.
- 2) Assistance with the purchase of uniforms that might alleviate some of the financial burden to SK's.
- 3) One Commandery will be laying wreaths at a local cemetery.
- 4) In December, Commanderies around the state held the annual Christmas Observances which are open events where family and friends can attend.

Membership will continue to be the number one priority for the Grand Commandery of Maryland. The emphasis will be on the recruitment of new, motivated members, retention of existing members, and the reinstatement of those Sir Knights which we have lost to a demit or suspension.

The membership guidelines have been distributed to all Eminent Commanders and Membership Chairman of each Commandery. We continue to collaborate closely with the to increase our Membership. The Membership Chairmen must make sure that they or whomever is designated to update the Masonic Membership Solutions (MMS) does this on a regular basis as changes in your membership occur. We constantly use this information and need it to stay accurate.

I am pleased to serve as the chairman of this committee. I look forward to continued service assisting you, the Grand Commandery of Maryland, and our fellow Sir Knights.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bradley D. Andrukitis, VEDGC
Chairman, Membership Committee
Grand Commandery of Maryland

I move this report be accepted and spread upon the Proceedings of this Grand Conclave, Seconded by SK Randy Watson and passed unanimously.

22 Knight Templar Instruction

See Item 24

23 KNIGHT TEMPLAR HANDBOOK

SK Bradley Andrukitis

REGC and Distinguished SK's,

This committee is pleased to provide the requested information as we continue our efforts to assemble and produce a Knights Templar Handbook for all Sir Knights in Maryland.

The committee has met several times in the past few months as it continues its efforts to produce a comprehensive collection of information that will give our Sir Knights a valuable resource on many aspects of Templary in Maryland. Some of the items contained in the handbook will be Tactics, Sword Drills, Opening and Closing a Conclave, Information for New Knights, and well as a section on Uniforms.

In order to provide the best manual possible, the REGC has many SK's working to compile and assemble the necessary information for the handbook.

The necessary funds have been allocated by the Finance Committee in the 2024 Budget so that this may be completed during that time period.

I am pleased to serve as the chairman of this committee. I look forward to continued service assisting you, the Grand Commandery of Maryland, and our fellow Sir Knights.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bradley D. Andrukitis, VEDGC
Chairman, KT Handbook Committee
Grand Commandery of Maryland

I move this report be accepted and spread upon the Proceeding of this Grand Conclave, seconded by SK Scott Lapp, and passed unanimously.

From: REPGC Charles E. Warns II

To: All Maryland Eminent Commanders and Recorders Ref: Knights Training 2023

Sir Knights,

Right Eminent Grand Commander Austin has ordered a training class for Sir Knights (particularly those recently Knighted) to be held prior to the summer.

We have scheduled and are preparing for such a class on Saturday June 17th at 9am in the Gothic room of the Grand Lodge of Maryland.

Attached is the registration form to be filled out for each Sir Knight attending. As stated on the form, it should be e-mailed to me to the address on the form by June 10th. If not e-mailed by June 10th, please call me to register at the number that is also shown on the form. There is no cost to your Commandery or the Sir Knight for this class. However, there will be a \$5.00 charge if we must provide the student with a ritual book (\$5 is 1/2 the cost of the book).

If the Sir Knight attending has a uniform, he should wear it. If not he should wear a white shirt and black pants and bring his Malta Cross. Sir Knights will need a sword for the class. If the Sir Knight(s) you are sending doesn't have a sword, please lend him one. We will have several swords available but probably not enough for everyone.

Coffee and donuts will be served from 8:15am to 8:50 am and the class will begin promptly at 9:00am. Lunch will be served at about 11:45am. Topics to be discussed in the class to include but not limited to:

History of Templary Uniform Protocol Sword drill
Sword Drill 10 Man Opening Officers Jewels

Officers Positions and Responsibilities in the Asylum

Signing in and out of the Asylum

Templary Protocols and Vocabulary

Ritual Book Review

Explanation of the 3 Orders

Review of the Eye Foundation, Holy Land Pilgrimage, and the Education Foundation

Please do your best to send Knights to this class, especially new Knights. It has been generally agreed that with all the different rituals, variety of uniforms, protocol in the Asylum, and many other elements of Templary, that new knights find all this overwhelming if not intimidating. We want all Knights to feel comfortable participating in our organization. This training goes a long way to accomplish that goal and should help with getting them to conclaves.

The above is the cover letter sent the constituent Commanderies in Maryland.

I move this exhibit be accepted and speed upon the minutes of the Proceed of this Grand Conclave, seconded by SK Scott Lapp and pass unanimously.

Quartermaster 2023 Semi-Annual report

REGC,

The Quartermaster committee is in the process of restocking as well as enlarging the Uniform accessory inventory as previously discussed. Below please find a list of the things that are currently in progress for the Quartermaster Department:

1. Uniform Name Tags: At your direction the Quartermaster has been providing regulation ¾" x 3" gold tone name badges to many sir knights. In the coming weeks we will be sending out additional notification to all the Commanderies that the Grand Commandery will be providing regulation name badges to all sir knights who need them.
2. The Grand Commandery, thru the Quartermaster Department, currently has two programs now in place to help offset the cost to our Sir Knights to acquire a proper regulation Knights Templar Uniform. They are the Sword Program and the Uniform Accessory Assistance Program as detailed below.

Grand Commandery of Maryland Uniform Assistance Programs - 2023

In order to help minimize the cost of outfitting a Sir Knight in a proper uniform according to the Uniform Regulations, the Grand Commandery of Maryland is offering the following Assistance Programs:

Option #1: Sword Program

If a Sir Knight acquires a complete uniform and hat (either a chapeau or a dress cap) that meets the current Uniform Regulations without Grand Commandery subsidies, then the Grand Commandery of Maryland will give that Sir Knight a sword at no charge.

Option #2: Uniform Accessory Assistance Program

If a Sir Knight acquires a plain proper regulation uniform coat and hat (either a chapeau or a dress cap) then the Grand Commandery of Maryland will sell the uniform accessories that the Sir Knight needs to trim out his uniform and hat at half price. These accessories currently include sleeve braid, sleeve crosses, collar pins (MD and #), Cap crosses, Chapeau rosettes, Swords, Sword slings, Gloves and Past Commander shoulder boards as currently inventoried by the Grand Commandery Quartermaster.

While the Grand Commandery cannot do anything to offset the cost of the uniform coat or hat to the Sir Knight, it can however, with this program, help offset the cost of the accessories. Please note that it is still the Sir Knight's responsibility and at his expense, to have the uniform accessories properly installed on his uniform.

This program is also available to existing Sir Knights who need to upgrade their current uniform. For example, when a Sir Knight becomes a Commander or Past Commander he needs to replace his Silver Sir Knight accessories with Gold Commander/Past Commander accessories.

To take advantage of the above programs the Sir Knight must go thru his Commandery Recorder, or the Uniform contact person appointed by his Commander. Either of those two will then place the order with the Grand Commandery Quartermaster. The items will then be shipped out or delivered accordingly and the Quartermaster will invoice the Sir Knight's Commandery for the cost of these uniform accessories along with any shipping costs. It will then be the

responsibility of that Commandery to collect those funds from its Sir Knight. Only the Commandery Recorder or Uniform contact person may place orders with the Quartermaster.

While it is not required, it is highly recommended that each Commandery, according to its own financial means, further subsidize these items by covering some of the cost of these items. It is up to each Commandery whether they want to collect the entire cost, part of the cost or none of the cost from its Sir Knight. The whole purpose of the above programs is to help reduce the out of pocket expense to our Sir Knights for a complete and proper uniform.

A list of the items that are currently available from the Quartermaster will be posted to the Quartermaster's Page on the Grand Commandery's website.

3. Hopefully by the end of May we plan to have the Quartermaster's Page on the Grand Commandery Website up and running. Some of the information that will be posted on that page will be the Uniform Regulations in simplified layman's terms, Pictures, and descriptions of what constitutes a regulation uniform in Maryland, the Grand Commandery Uniform assistance Programs, and Items that are available for purchase from the Quartermaster by the Commanderies for their Sir Knight's uniforms.

S&F,

John Mitchell,

Quartermaster, Grand Commandery of Maryland

This report was received and spread upon the Proceedings by order of the REGC.

27 CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

SK Richard P. Naegele

No report submitted for this Grand Conclave.

28 DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS

SK Spyridon G. Treklas, REPGC

No report submitted for this Grand Conclave.

29 GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

SK Kenneth S. Wyvill, REPGC

No report submitted for this Grand Conclave.

30. MASONIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

SK Richard P. Naegele, REPGC

No report submitted for this Grand Conclave

REGC and Distinguished SK's,

This committee is pleased to provide the requested information as we continue our efforts to provide the best Sessions experience for our Sir Knights, Ladies, and Distinguished Guests. Our goal is to make sure all attendees have a pleasurable stay while at the same time attending to the important business at hand.

In collaboration with our other York Rite Grand Bodies, we are pleased to welcome our Sir Knights, Companions, Youth Groups, Ladies, and our Distinguished Guests from other jurisdictions.

We are pleased to report that registration for our 2022 Sessions had increased significantly from 2021 across the board.

We had 117 registered guests. This included 65 Sir Knights and Companions and 52 Ladies/Guests. Most of the reservations were made online and paid via credit card which seems to simplify the process.

The breakdown of registrations for the various events was:

67 for the Friday Dinner – 2021 was dinner on your own.

56 for the Men's Luncheon – 45 the previous year.

39 for the Ladies Program – 24 the previous year.

109 for the Saturday Banquet – 69 the previous year.

REGC Austin added the Friday Dinner to the 2022 schedule. This was previously dinner on your own. That gave all our guests an opportunity to spend more time together, they did not have to leave the hotel to find dinner elsewhere, and some of the awards were also be presented at the dinner as well as at the banquet which made that portion of the program more time efficient at the banquet.

Lady Kandi Austin and her committee did an outstanding job planning, organizing, preparing, and executing the 2022 Ladies Program. Our Ladies are an integral part of our organization as they always are there to support us, whether it is behind the scenes or at these events and we are so grateful to them for that. The Grand Commandery has funded the Session's Ladies Program in the past and will continue our support for this worthwhile portion of Sessions Weekend. We are working to have the other York Rite Grand Bodies to join us in supporting the Ladies Program next year. Registration for the program is up almost 40% this year.

Carroll Assembly, of the Social Order of the Beauceant, assisted in the check-in process as well as seeing that the hospitality suite was properly furnished, and that our guests were well provided for. It is important to us that they were included in our Sessions, and we are thankful for their support in our endeavor.

I would like to thank all the members of this committee, as well as all who were involved to make the 2022 Sessions possible. Your outstanding efforts are greatly appreciated. We look forward to next year and always welcome any suggestions or ideas to make this event a wonderful experience that you look forward to attending.

I am pleased to serve as the chairman of this committee. I look forward to continued service assisting you, the Grand Commandery of Maryland, and our fellow Sir Knights.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bradley D. Andrukitis, VEDGC
 Chairman, Sessions Committee
 Grand Commandery of Maryland

I move this report be accepted and spread upon the Proceedings of this Grand Conclave, seconded by SK Scott Lapp, and passed unanimously.

32 TIME & PLACE 2024

SK John H. Austin

Sir Knights,

The initial of the committee was to return to the same venue we will be using in Frederick for a second year in 2024. The hotel has informed us that they will not be in position to make an offer that will include food services.

This is due to a change in ownership. Similarly, the hotels used in Ocean City have also changed ownership and are also not providing inhouse catering services, so any meals would have to be catered from outside. This situation does not help with the offsets for space usage like meeting rooms and hospitality suites.

At this time, we will only make a recommendation that the dates of the Sessions be voted upon to keep our meeting in unison with the dates already selected by the Grand Chapter and Grand Council. The committee members from all three Grand Bodies will continue to see out a venue which will accept both rooms and banquet services. We will also check with the Grand Lodge of Maryland to see if the weekend will be available.

I move this report be accepted and spread upon the Proceedings of this Grand Conclave, seconded by SK Warns and passed unanimously.

33...GWMNM

No Report

34 Awards and Recognition

SK Arthur Hebbeler

REGC,

The committee report will be submitted at the Annual Grand Assembly in October.

Knights Templar			Members: 34
Maryland			Members: 34
1 - Maryland			Members: 2
<u>Mills, Marlin</u>	1501107	PO Box 2 Churchville, MD 21028- 0002	Affiliated
10/11/2016	Knight Commander of the Temple		{ 5 - Crusade}, Maryland

<u>Spicer, Frederick Ashley</u>	1327463	8989 Queen Maria Ct Columbia, MD 21045-2408	Knighthood
10/11/2016	Knight Commander of the Temple		1 - Maryland, Maryland
5/27/2006	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		1 - Maryland, Maryland
3 - Monumental Crusade			Members: 13
<u>Coker, James Bradford</u>	1503329	5109 Durham Rd W Columbia, MD 21044-1416	Affiliated
10/24/2011	Knight Commander of the Temple		{ 5 - Crusade}, Maryland
<u>Foreman Jr., Edward Addison</u>	1503344	40 Lyndale Ave Baltimore, MD 21236- 4322	Affiliated
1/1/2004	Knight Commander of the Temple		{ 5 - Crusade}, Maryland
<u>Hebbeler III, Rev. Arthur F.</u>	1503353	9934 Frederick Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042- 3645	Affiliated
10/9/2017	Knight Commander of the Temple		3 - Monumental Crusade, Maryland
10/1/2018	Knight Grand Cross of the Temple		3 - Monumental Crusade, Maryland
<u>Heimiller, Thomas Griffin</u>	1503354	12702 Lee Ben Rd Kingsville, MD 21087-1128	Affiliated
10/11/2016	Knight Commander of the Temple		{ 5 - Crusade}, Maryland
<u>Mills, Marlin L</u>	1489004	PO Box 2 Churchville, MD 21028- 0002	Affiliated
10/11/2016	Knight Commander of the Temple		{ 5 - Crusade}, Maryland

<u>Naegele, Richard Philip</u>	1503387	4210 Overton Ave Baltimore, MD 21236-4010	Affiliated
4/21/2004	Knight Commander of the Temple		{ 5 - Crusade}, Maryland
<u>Rodriguez, Alex Adonai</u>	1503404	132 Patton Way Elkton, MD 21921-5174	Affiliated
10/18/2018	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		{ 5 - Crusade}, Maryland
<u>Treklas, Spyridon George</u>	1327713	100 S Clinton St Baltimore, MD 21224-2340	Knighthood
9/24/2019	Knight Commander of the Temple		3 - Monumental Crusade, Maryland
<u>Vourvoulas, Kostas</u>	1327721	3 Urbanwood Ct Essex, MD 21221-4800	Knighthood
10/11/2016	Knight Commander of the Temple		3 - Monumental Crusade, Maryland
<u>Warns II, Charles Edward</u>	1503431	6 Elphin Ct Unit 101 Lutherville Timonium, MD 21093-7740	Affiliated
9/24/2019	Knight Commander of the Temple		3 - Monumental Crusade, Maryland
<u>Watson, Randall Lyle</u>	1503432	7114 Dogwood Rd Windsor Mill, MD 21244-1801	Affiliated
10/9/2020	Knight Commander of the Temple		3 - Monumental Crusade, Maryland
<u>Westermeyer Sr., Richard Harry</u>	1327729	11630 Glen Arm Rd Apt L16 Glen Arm, MD 21057-9428	Knighthood

10/24/2008	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		3 - Monumental Crusade, Maryland
<u>Young, Robert E.</u>	1327740	1603 Twin Maple Ave Towson, MD 21204-1956	Knighted
9/24/2019	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		3 - Monumental Crusade, Maryland
4 - Jacques DeMolay			Members: 3
<u>Brekhus, Dennis Alton</u>	1327750	2512 Pearson Dr Frederick, MD 21702-3397	Knighted
5/11/2005	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		4 - Jacques DeMolay, Maryland
<u>Kennedy, Gary Jerome</u>	1469180	10522 Edwardian Ln New Market, MD 21774-6229	Knighted
10/5/2022	Knight Commander of the Temple		4 - Jacques DeMolay, Maryland
9/15/2021	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		4 - Jacques DeMolay, Maryland
<u>Rafine, John Andrew</u>	1327816	1332 Gold Ct Eldersburg, MD 21784-6177	Affiliated
10/11/2016	Knight Commander of the Temple		4 - Jacques DeMolay, Maryland
6 - Antioch			Members: 1
<u>Robertson, Kenneth Andrew</u>	1328122	1400 E Oldtown Rd Cumberland, MD 21502-4024	Knighted
10/11/2012	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		6 - Antioch, Maryland
7 - Palestine			Members: 3
<u>Linder, Leland Patrick</u>	1328223	6052 Wadsworth Blvd Arvada, CO 80003-5426	Knighted

10/20/2011	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		7 - Palestine, Maryland
<u>Trowbridge, Jimmie Eugene</u>	1328280	384 Eagle Ln Corvallis, MT 59828-9423	Knighthood
5/25/2011	Knight Commander of the Temple		7 - Palestine, Maryland
6/2/2005	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		7 - Palestine, Maryland
<u>Wyvill Jr., Kenneth Stuart</u>	1328289	16401 Grasty Ln Orange, VA 22960-3615	Knighthood
8/19/2015	Knight Commander of the Temple		7 - Palestine, Maryland
8 - Beauseant			Members: 1
<u>Eppler, Richard Andrew</u>	1328328	400 Cedar Ln Cheshire, CT 06410-2222	Knighthood
4/4/2009	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		8 - Beauseant, Maryland
10 - Chesapeake			Members: 2
<u>Friel, Clifton Reese</u>	1328601	26629 Shore Hwy Denton, MD 21629-2760	Knighthood
5/31/2009	Knight Commander of the Temple		10 - Chesapeake, Maryland
<u>Racz, Eugene Daniel</u>	1328661	16755 Melville Rd Henderson, MD 21640-1670	Knighthood
10/24/2008	Knight Commander of the Temple		10 - Chesapeake, Maryland
5/12/1992	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		10 - Chesapeake, Maryland
11 - Thomas J. Shryock			Members: 2
<u>Feeser, Richard Gary</u>	1447668	11311 Marina Dr Apt 49 Berlin, MD 21811-9220	Knighthood
10/11/2012	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		11 - Thomas J. Shryock, Maryland

<u>Williams Jr., Franklin Harris</u>	1491424	13799 Wilson Hill Rd Georgetown, DE 19947-3640	Knighthood
10/12/2022	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		11 - Thomas J. Shryock, Maryland
13 - Montgomery			Members: 4
<u>Austin, John Harmon</u>	1472552	2429 Park Mills Rd Adamstown, MD 21710-9110	Affiliated
9/15/2021	Knight Commander of the Temple		13 - Montgomery, Maryland
<u>Brown, Kris Darrell</u>	1328796	3415 Greencastle Road 3415 Greencastle Rd Apt 202 B Burtonsville, MD 20866-1715	Knighthood
10/9/2017	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		13 - Montgomery, Maryland
<u>Buffington, Adam Lee</u>	1516837	19749 Green Village Dr Montgomery Village, MD 20886	Affiliated
4/1/2019	Knight of Siloam		3 - Charlottesville, Virginia
<u>Vitarelli, Robert E.</u>	1328880	4815 Flanders Ave Kensington, MD 20895-1227	Knighthood
4/21/2004	Knight Commander of the Temple		13 - Montgomery, Maryland
16 - York			Members: 1
<u>Malwitz, Robert Bruce</u>	1328997	PO Box 303 Muse, PA 15350-0303	Affiliated
7/8/2014	Knight Commander of the Temple		18 - El Paso, Texas
17 - Carroll			Members: 2

<u>Disney, Jeffery Lee</u>	1469704	2332 Carrollton Rd Westminster, MD 21157- 6604	Reinstated
9/14/2016	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		17 - Carroll, Maryland
<u>Robbins, John Michael</u>	1329128	4138 Rinehart Rd Westminster, MD 21158- 2318	Knighthood
10/11/2013	Knight Templar Cross of Honor		17 - Carroll, Maryland

35 CREDENTIALS

SK David Andrukitis

REGC,

The report of Credentials is unchanged from the beginning of this Conclave.

36 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SK John Austin

REGC inquired after the progress of the proposed merger of Beauseant Commandery No. 8 and Carroll Commandery No. 13. The report given by SK Robert Candler was that their agreement in principle to the merger, but the details are not yet finalized to permit a vote in each Commandery to confirm the action.

37 NEW BUSINESS

SK John Austin

Motion by SK Randall Watson to accept the proposed Budget submitted in Item 9 and reviewed in Item 13, seconded by SK Bradley Andrukitis, and passed unanimously.

Motion by SK Bradley Andrukitis to set the dates for the 2024 Grand York Rite Sessions as October 25 & 26, 2024, seconded by SK Vernon Huebschman, and passed unanimously.

Motion by SK Randall Watson that the grand presiding officers of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and the Grand Committee be formed into a committee, and that the authority to act upon an agreeable proposal for the venue of the 2024 be conferred upon this committee should a such a proposal be submitted prior to the Annual York Rite Sessions, seconded by SK Warns and passed unanimously.

38 ELECTION of OFFICERS

SK Charles Warns II

Nominations are now open for the 2023-2024:

Right Eminent Grand Commander:

SK Bradley Andrukitis

Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander

SK Scott Lapp

Eminent Grand Generalissimo

SK George Christoff

Eminent Grand Captain General

SK Dennis Ewing

Eminent Grand Treasurer

SK Randall L. Watson KCT

Eminent Grand Recorder

SK Vernon H. Huebschman

All of the above nominations be made and seconded and without opposition were declared to be elected by SK Warns as the presiding officer. Each officer accepted the nominations and elections.

Voluntary Remarks

SK Robert Candler stated that the Grand Commandery should act to find a way to restore the amount supplied by SK Gary Kennedy to cover those SK who had not been enrolled as Lifetime Sponsor in the KTEF. The REGC assured all that that was something he would work on.

The REGC reported that SK Arthur G. Hebbeler GKCT has amended his search for nomination to the Grand Encampment Line to the officer of Deputy Grand Master. The REGC urged our united support of SK Hebbeler.

The REGC thanked all present for their time and attention to the service of the Grand Commandery of Maryland and wished all safe travels home.

There being no further business to come before this Semi-Annual Grand Conclave , the REGC called for a prayer from the Grand Prelate, and then Called Off this Grand Conclave.

Respectfully submitted,

SK Vernon H. Huebschman
Grand Recorder

APPENDIX

Roll of those attending:

Commandery	Title	Name
Maryland No.1	Commander	Frederick T, Rossmark
Monumental – Crusade No.3	Commander	J. Bradley Thomas
Jacques DeMolay No. 4	Commander	Michael W. Shrank
Beauseant No. No. 8	Commander	Robert C. Candler
Chesapeake No. 10	Commander	John H. Myers Jr.
Montgomery No. 13	Commander	Carl R. Swanson
York No. 16	Commander	John Morris III
Carroll No. 17	Commander	Michael Raab
Maryland No. 1	Generalissimo	Marcelino Baal
Palestine No. 7	Generalissimo	S. Dirk Wiker
Carroll No.	Generalissimo	James. R. Hedges
Maryland No. 1	Captain General	Darryl Smith
Monumental – Crusade No. 3	Captain General	Christian Miele
Palestine No. 17	Captain General	Rafael A. Rodriguez
Chesapeake No. 10	Captain General	Frederick L Smith
Shryock No. 11	Captain General	David F. Long
Maryland No. 1	Grand Captain General Past Commander	Scott Lapp Danny Dickerson
Monumental – Crusade No. 3	Past Grand Commander Grand Treasurer Past Commander Past Commander Past Commander Recorder Senior Warden	Charles E. Warns II KCT Randall L. Watson KCT George J. Christoff William C. Hare Robert E. Young KTCH Norman Henthorn NV John Faustos NV
Jacques DeMolay No. 4	Past Grand Commander Grand Generalissimo	John A. Rafine KCT Gary Kennedy KCT, KTCH
Palestine No. No. 7	Deputy Grand Commander Past Commander	Bradley D. Andrukitis David L. Andrukitis
Beauseant No. 8	Grand Prelate Recorder	Charles Beckhardt NV Leslie G. Hodgson...NV
Chesapeake No. 10	Past Grand Commander Grand Recorder	Clifton R. Friel KCT Vernon H. Huebschman
Montgomery No. 13	Grand Commander Grand Recorder Emeritus	John H. Austin KCT Kris D. Brown KTCH
Carroll No. 17	Senior Warden	Michael Pennington NV