

PRELIMINARY PROCEEDINGS

of the

One Hundred Fifty-Eighth
Annual Conclave

of the

Grand Commandery of Knights
Templar of the State of Missouri

held

June 7, 2019

Capitol Plaza Hotel
Jefferson City, Missouri



Grand Commandery of Missouri

158th Grand Conclave Schedule

(subject to modification as necessary)

Time Friday, June 7, 2019

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| 6:30 am | KYCH Breakfast Meeting - Members Only (Lincoln) Others - Breakfast On Your Own |
| 7:00 | Registration - Commandery only - until 10:30 am (Atrium) |
| 8:30 | Opening Ceremonies of 158th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri and Reception of Distinguished Guests - Open to Ladies and Guests (Capitol/Truman) Roll Call of 2018-2019 Grand Commandery Officers Recognition of Grand Representatives Reception of Regional Grand Commanders Reception Past Grand Commanders of Missouri Reception of Out of State Grand Commandery Officers Reception of Heads of Missouri York Rite Bodies Reception of National Body Representatives Reception of Grand Encampment Officers Reception of Grand Master of the Grand Encampment or Representative & brief remarks Reception of Grand Lodge Officers Reception of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri & brief remarks Summary Address of the Grand Commander Necrology: Part of the Grand Commander's Address Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests |
| 9:30 | Formal Reconvening of 158th Annual Conclave of Missouri Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee Report of Committee on Address of Grand Commander Report of Jurisprudence Committee Report of Finance Committee Report of Grand Treasurer |

Time

Friday, June 9, 2018 (continued)

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| | Report of Grand Recorder Routine Business & Additional Reports (as needed) |
| 10:30 | Election of 2019-2020 Grand Commandery Officers Report of Election Committee Acceptance of Grand Commandery Officers Elect Report of the Grand Commander Elect w/Appointments Report of Committee on Time and Place Address of Grand Master of Grand Encampment or Representative Address of Grand Master of Grand Lodge or Representative |
| 11:45 | Grand Commandery Called from Labor until 3:00 pm |
| 12:00 pm | Lunch Sponsored by Tall Cedars of Lebanon - Open to All (Carnegie) Others - Lunch on your own Knights Templar Education Foundation Committee Meeting - Committee Members Only (Joplin) |
| 1:30 | Past Commander's Association (Missouri) |
| 3:00 | Grand Commandery Resumes Labor and concludes remaining business, if any (Capitol/Truman) All Grand Commandery Awards will be given at the Grand York Rite Awards Banquet tonight |
| 3:30 | Installation of 2019-2020 Grand Commandery Officers - Open to Ladies and Guests (Capitol/Truman) |
| 4:30 | 158th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri Called from Labor Pictures |
| 6:00 | Grand Officer Reception - Meet and Greet - Open to All (Atrium) |
| 6:30 | Open Seating for Banquet - Grand Officers Line Up (outside Jefferson/Missouri) |
| 6:45 | Introduction of Grand York Rite Officers |
| 7:00 | Grand York Rite Awards Banquet - Cash Bar - Open to All (Jefferson/Missouri) |

Time Saturday, June 8, 2019

7:00 am Formation of Drill Committee and Drill Judges
(Capital/Truman)
Drill Team Waiting Room (Missouri)
Drill Team Practice Room (Jefferson - priority according to who drills first)

7:30 Deadline for First Drill Team to Submit Entry

7:45 Drill Competition Event Opening by the Grand Commander
All Drill Teams available at are requested to assemble inside the Drill Room for the Grand Commander's welcoming remarks. At the conclusion the Drill Teams will be excused and the first Class C Team will be instructed to form up for inspection.
Pledge & Prayer
Welcoming Remarks
Final instructions

8:00 Grand Commandery of Missouri Asylum Drill Competition - Open to All(Capitol/Truman)

12:30 pm Missouri Lodge of Research Lunch & Lecture - Open to All (Lincoln)

3:00 pm Drill Committee Meeting - Members only (Joplin)
Grand Preceptory of Yeomen of York Meeting - Members Only (Carnegie)

5:30 Open Seating (Jefferson)

6:00 Family Fun Night Dinner/Entertainment - Open to All (Jefferson)
Drawing for Raffle Winners
Drill Competition Awards Presentation

Time Sunday, June 9, 2019

8:00 am Religious Service - Open to All (Truman)

| Commandery | Class C | Class B | Class A | Drill Time |
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| <u>Kansas City 10</u> | X | | | 8:15 |
| <u>DeMolay 3</u> | X | | | 8:30 |
| <u>Rolla 59</u> | | X | | 8:45 |
| <u>Prince of Peace 29</u> | | X | | 9:00 |
| <u>St. Graal 12</u> | | X | | 9:15 |
| 15 minute break | | | | 9:30 |
| <u>Liberty 6</u> | | X | | 9:45 |
| <u>Ely 22</u> | | X | | 10:00 |
| <u>Ascension 39</u> | | X | | 10:15 |
| <u>Ivanhoe 8</u> | | X | | 10:30 |
| 15 minute break | | | | 10:45 |
| <u>Ascalon 16</u> | | | X | 11:00 |
| <u>Palestine 17</u> | | | X | 11:30 |

**Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Missouri
2018-2019**

Elected and Appointed Officers

Roger D. Fleer - Grand Commander
Clark A. McLemore - Deputy Grand Commander
Charles E. Cooper - Grand Generalissimo
Harry L. Tripp, Jr. - Grand Captain General
Dennis A. Abernathy - Grand Senior Warden
Michael C. Rohman - Grand Junior Warden
Chris M. Jessen - Grand Prelate
Donald L. Trabue, PGC - Grand Treasurer
Russell S. Hanson, PGC - Grand Recorder
Kevin B. Sample - Grand Standard Bearer
Bobbie E White - Grand Sword Bearer
Harold F. Coots, PGC - Acting Grand Warder
Terry D. Coppotelli - Aide-De-Camp
Ronald E. Wood, Jr., HPGC - Grand Historian
Charles G. Coy - Grand Sentinel
Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr. - Grand Drill Instructor/Lecturer
Daniel R. Quesenberry, PGC - Grand Chorister
Steven C. Monrotus - Grand Organist
Larry F. Walters - Grand Photographer
William R. Brantley - Assistant to Grand Photographer
Donald E. Gilkerson - Assistant to Grand Photographer
Russell S. Hanson, PGC - KTEF Representative
Russell S. Hanson, PGC - Editor for MO, Knight Templar Magazine

Regional Grand Commanders

Region 1: 5, 7, 22, 72

William J. King - Regional Grand Commander
David D. Powell - Regional Grand Commander

Region 2: 4, 24, 42

Daryl L. Price - Regional Grand Commander

Region 3: 3, 6, 10, 17, 35, 68, 70

F. Brad Fowler - Regional Grand Commander
Richard A. Riepe - Regional Grand Commander
Gentry E. Slone - Regional Grand Commander

Region 4: 12, 29, 59

Ronald L. Skiles - Regional Grand Commander
Donald H. Vandegriffe - Regional Grand Commander

Region 5: 8, 16

Dennis E. Fetter - Regional Grand Commander

Region 6: 55, 56, 67

Gray D. Kitchen - Regional Grand Commander

Region 7: 15, 20, 27, 31, 33, 39, 43, 48, 57, 66

Paul L. Daniels - Regional Grand Commander
Royce P. Wahl, Jr - Regional Grand Commander
Bob L. Detherow - Regional Grand Commander

Regional Officers

Charles E. Cooper - Region 1
Harry L. Tripp, Jr. - Region 2
Dennis A. Abernathy - Region 3
Michael C. Rohman - Region 4
Kevin B. Sample - Region 5
Bobbie E White - Region 6
Harold F. Coots, PGC - Region 7

Standing Committees

Address of the Grand Commander

Harold F. Coots, PGC, Chairman

Daniel R. Quesenberry, PGC James L. Woodfin, Jr., PGC

Credentials

Phillip W. Engel, Chairman

Robert L. Schmidt Terry R. Struse

Finance and Accounts

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

Dennis A. Abernathy, Vice-Chairman

Clark A. McLemore Aaron E. Rose

Donald L. Trabue, PGC Russell S. Hanson, PGC

Hospitaler

Harry L. Tripp, Jr., Chairman

Charles E. Cooper, Vice-Chairman

Clark A. McLemore Michael C. Rohman

Returns of Commanderies

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

Charles E. Cooper Michael C. Rohman

Russell S. Hanson, PGC

Templar Jurisprudence

Glenn E. Means, Chairman

Todd A. Schulze John C. Caraker

William G. Snyder

Robert W. Schlichter, PGC (resigned)

Time and Place

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

Dan G Daniels Wayne B. Fryer

Triennial

Thomas C. Yunick, PGC, Chairman

Daniel R. Quesenberry, PGC Michael C. Rohman

Special Committees

Annual Conclave

Clark A. McLemore, Chairman

Charles E. Cooper, Vice-Chairman

Harry L. Tripp, Jr. Russell S. Hanson, PGC

Debbie L. Hanson, non-voting Kevin B. Sample

Audit

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

Dennis A. Abernathy, Vice-Chairman

Clark A. McLemore Aaron E. Rose

Donald L. Trabue, PGC Russell S. Hanson, PGC

Drill Competition

Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman

Kevin B. Sample Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.

Drill Competition Judges

Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr., Judge 1

Bobbie E. White, Judge 2

Harold F. Coots, Judge 3

Bob L. Detherow, Judge 4

Ronnie E. Green, PGC, Judge 5

Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Admin and Scoring

Kevin B. Sample, Admin and Scoring

Easter Sunrise Service, Kansas City

Aaron E. Rose, Chairman

Frederick A. Troxel, Jr., PGC, Vice-Chairman

Educational Foundation

David C. Witte (2022), Chairman

Clifton W. Wofford (2019), Vice-Chairman

Todd A. Schulze (2020)

Matthew L. Quesenberry (2021)

Thomas C. Yunick, PGC (2023)

Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Secretary, non-voting

Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Treasurer, non-voting

Special Committees (continued)

Educational Foundation Oversight

Clark A. McLemore, Chairman

Charles E. Cooper, Vice-Chairman

Harry L. Tripp, Jr. Roger D. Fleer

Robert W. Schlichter, PGC (resigned)

Electronic Communications

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Vice-Chairman

Donald MacCormick F. Brad Fowler

Aaron M. Shoemaker

Emerging Leaders

Harry L. Tripp, Jr., Chairman

Dennis A. Abernathy, Vice-Chairman

Bobbie E. White Michael C. Rohman

Terry D. Coppotelli

Endowment Fund

Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Chairman

Thomas C. Yunick, PGC, Vice-Chairman

Harold F Coots, PGC

Forms and Publications

Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman

Donald MacCormick Kevin B. Sample

F. Brad Fowler

Fraternal Activities

Michael C. Rohman, Chairman

Bobbie E. White, Vice-Chairman

David D. Phillips Terry D. Coppotelli

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Roy L. Gilkey, Chairman

Ronald E. Wood, Jr., HPGC

Special Committees (continued)

Honor Commandery Award

Clark A. McLemore, Chairman

Charles E. Cooper, Vice-Chairman

Harry L. Tripp, Jr. Dennis A. Abernathy

Investments

Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Chairman

Harold F Coots, PGC, Vice-Chairman

Michael C. Rohman

Ritual and Drill

Ronnie E. Green, Chairman

Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.

Charles E. Cooper

Kevin B. Sample

Russell S. Hanson, PGC

Uniforms and Jewels

Clark A. McLemore, Chairman

Charles E. Cooper

Russell S. Hanson, PGC

Youth Organizations

Adam M. Iwanow, Chairman

William J. Sherman, Vice-Chairman

Dorleta Lodholtz, IORG, non-voting

Judy Seitz, IOJD, non-voting

Missouri Past Commanders Association

Frederick A. Troxel, Jr., PGC, Secretary/Treasurer

Living Past Grand Commanders

Jerry F. Ward (1990-1991)
 Donald L. Trabue (1994-1995)
 E. Allen Kohler, Honorary (1995)
 Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Honorary (1996)
 Harold J. Richardson (1997-1998)
 Lionel J. Goede (1999-2000)
 Rocky E. Weaver (2000-2001)
 Thomas C. Yunick (2003-2004)
 James E. Snaveley (2005-2006)
 Kevin B. Sample, Honorary (2006)
 Marvin W. Frost (2006-2007)
 Frederick A. Troxel, Jr. (2007-2008)
 J. Joseph Hayes (2008-2009)
 Ronnie E. Green (2009-2010)
 Russell S. Hanson (2010-2011)
 Daniel R. Quesenberry (2011-2012)
 Richard L. Mansfield (2012-2013)
 James L. Woodfin, Jr (2013-2014)
 Harold F. Coots (2014-2015)
 Robert W. Schlichter (2016-2017)
 K Trent Moreland (2017-2018)

Grand Commandery Representatives

Jurisdiction To Missouri

United States of America

Alabama.....Frank R. von Geyso
 AlaskaLoren D. Lloyd
 ArizonaJerry F. Ward
 Arkansas.....Terry R. Struse
 CaliforniaRussell S. Hanson
 Colorado.....Dennis L. Hammack
 ConnecticutRalph S. Cantrell, Jr.
 DelawareVacant
 District of ColumbiaCarlin L. Smittle
 FloridaHarold F. Coots
 Georgia.....Brian J. Densmore
 HawaiiK. Trent Moreland
 IdahoLarry D. Wyatt
 IllinoisHarry L. Tripp, Jr.
 IndianaJames E. Snaveley
 Iowa.....Andrew J. Dawson
 KansasBob L. Detherow
 KentuckyMichael C. Rohman
 LouisianaHarold J. Richardson
 MaineVacant
 MarylandJames L. Woodfin, Jr.
 Massachusetts/Rhode IslandDennis E. Fetter
 Michigan.....Marion W. Dey
 Minnesota.....Thomas C. Yunick
 Mississippi.....Marvin W. Frost
 MontanaFrederick A. Troxel, Jr.
 NebraskaCharles E. Cooper
 Nevada.....Jeffrey A. Keevil
 New HampshireJ. Joseph Hayes
 New Jersey.....Aaron M. Shoemaker

Grand Commandery RepresentativesJurisdictionTo Missouri**United States of America**

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| New Mexico | Daniel C. Hatley |
| New York | Joseph P. Krill |
| North Carolina | Ronnie E. Green |
| North Dakota | Rocky E. Weaver |
| Ohio | William J. Sherman |
| Oklahoma | Lionel J. Goede |
| Oregon | Vacant |
| Pennsylvania | Vacant |
| South Carolina | Ronald E. Wood, Jr. |
| South Dakota | Roger D. Fleeer |
| Tennessee | Kevin B. Sample |
| Texas | Vacant |
| Utah | Vacant |
| Vermont | Thomas E. Christine |
| Virginia | Donald L. Trabue |
| Washington | Vacant |
| West Virginia | Robert W. Schlichter |
| Wisconsin | Richard L. Mansfield |
| Wyoming | Mark S. Schroer |

Other Jurisdictions

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| Austria | New |
| Brasil | New |
| Croatia | Aaron E. Rose |
| Italy | Curtis M. Rickman |
| Panama | Jeffrey W. Krusen |
| Philippines | Charles W. Carlstrom |
| Portugal | William J. Bowser |
| Romania | Vacant |
| Togo | Joseph S. Russell |

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND COMMANDER
2018-2019**

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

First, I wish to thank all of the Sir Knights for allowing me to serve the past year as your Grand Commander. Second, I wish to thank my wife, Patti, for her support over the years and especially this past year.

NECROLOGY

{Provided by Sir Knight Chris M. Jessen, Eminent Grand Prelate.}

DISPENSATIONS

For the 2018- 2019 term, dispensations were granted to the following Commanderies for the reasons given.

- Excalibar Commandery No. 5: authorized to relocate one conclave - reason was the conferral of Mark and Past Master Chapter degrees.
- Emmanuel Commandery No. 7: authorized conclave cancellation - reason was weather and icy road conditions.
- St Graal Commandery No. 12: authorized conclave cancellation - reason was weather and icy road conditions; authorized conclave time change - Reason was conferral of Chapter degrees.
- O'Sullivan Commandery No. 15: authorized conclave cancellations - reason was weather and icy road conditions
- Ascalon Commandery No. 16: authorized location change for 2018-2019 term to DeMolay room at St Louis Scottish Rite Cathedral - reason was that listed conclave site was sold by Temple Association; authorized location and date change for Festive board - reason was to foster greater York Rite unity in Region 5; authorized location change to Ivanhoe site for Christmas Observance - reason was to accommodate family attendance; authorized location change for officer installation - reason was to accommodate meal service and family attendance.
- Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24: authorized conclave cancellation - reason was weather and icy road conditions; authorized them to meet with Bethany Commandery No. 42 - reason was to permit the transaction of business.

- Lebanon Commandery No. 33: authorized conclave cancellation - reason was weather and icy road conditions.
- Oriental Commandery No. 35: authorized conclave cancellation - reason was weather and icy road conditions.
- Bethany Commandery No. 42: authorized two conclave cancellations - reason was weather and icy road conditions; authorized them to meet with Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24 - reason was to permit the transaction of business.
- St Elmo Commandery No. 43: authorized change of conclave date - reason was to permit Bolivar York Rite bodies to attend funeral visitation for Brother, Companion, and Sir Knight James Whitman.
- DeSoto Commandery No. 56: authorized location change of conclave meeting site - reason was that listed location was unsuitable due to environmental and structural problems.

DECISIONS

There were 3 decisions handed down during this term.

1. This decision was instituted to address issues with the Knight Templar Education Foundation for Missouri. With respect to General Order No. 2 from a prior administration; while the intent was to rectify errors and omissions occurring in the past, as written the Order produced unintended consequences limiting the Educational Foundation in their duties and responsibilities to correct said errors. This in part was addressed at the 2018 Annual Conclave by appointment of an Educational Foundation Oversight committee with specific direction to work with the Educational Foundation committee for correction of said errors. General Order No. 2 was rescinded.
2. This decision addressed the vacancy in the advancing Grand Commandery officer line by the resignation of Sir Knight Dennis L Hammack, Eminent Grand Senior Warden. With the consultation and wisdom of the Past Grand Commanders, I advanced the current successive line and appointed Sir Knight Harold F. Coots, PGC, to fill the station of Grand Warder.
3. This decision is applicable to the Grand Commandery budget. There was a line item and budgeted amount of monies for proceedings publication. With the advent of electronic documentation and filing, the need for

published, bound proceedings has passed. This decision only removes the budgeted monies from the Grand Commandery finance system. In no manner, shape, or form is the requirement for filed proceedings removed. All monies and accrued interest are and or were transferred to the endowed fund for Holy Land Pilgrimage. This amounted to a transfer of \$3,030.54 plus any residual interest to the Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund.

VISITATIONS AND MEETINGS

June

- 09.....Installation of Grand Officers, 158th Grand Commandery term.
 12.....Installation for DeSoto Commandery #56, Farmington, 76th annual installation conducted by Ascalon Commandery No. 16 officers.
 13.....Conferral at Mt Nebo Chapter No. 148 with MEC Miles, VEC's Palacios and Dodd, 4 Candidates.
 18.....Visit to Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29, Jefferson City.
 21-24.....Int'l Order of Job's Daughters Grand Bethel, Jefferson City, Jessica Hoffman received the Grand Commandery Youth Award.
 29 June-01 July Int'l Order of Rainbow for Girls, Grand Assembly, Springfield, Elizabeth Wood received Youth award
 30.....York Rite Monument inspection, Branson with MEC Miles and Lady Tina.

July

- 08.....Webex for MGYR Super committee meeting.
 09-11.....Attended the United Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Missouri, PHA, Annual Conclave in St. Louis.
 14.....Installation for Union Lodge No. 593, Union, open installation, Commandery provided Color Guard and Honor Escort.
 16.....Visit to Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29, Jefferson City.
 21.....Investiture of Knight York Cross of Honor, Jefferson City.
 22.....Webex for MGYR Super committee meeting.
 28.....Installation for Columbia Lodge No. 534, Pacific, open installation, Commandery provided Color Guard.

August

- 04.....Funeral service for Sir Knight Arnold D. Haddock, Robertsville, member of Ascalon Commandery No. 16.

August (cont)

- 11.....Installation for Hope Lodge No. 251, Washington, open installation Commandery provided Color Guard and Honor Escort.
- 12.....Webex for MGYR Super committee meeting.
- 17-22Attended the 67th Triennial meeting go the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America held in Indianapolis, IN.
- 26.....Webex for Grand Recorder Finance Review meeting and Webex for MGYR Super committee meeting.

September

- 06.....Installation for Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8, St. Louis, installation conducted by Ascalon Commandery No. 16.
- 08.....Region 7 York Rite Conference, Bolivar.
- 09.....Webex for MGYR Super committee meeting.
- 15.....Installation for Naphtali Lodge No. 25 at Rose Hill Temple, open installation, Commandery provided Color Guard, Mt Nebo Chapter No. 148 presented "That Fervency and Zeal."
- 16.....Webex for Grand Recorder Finance Review meeting.
- 17.....Visit to Rolla Commandery No. 59, Rolla.
- 20-22Attended the South Central Department Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- 23-25Attended the Grand Lodge of Missouri Annual Communication, Columbia.
- 29.....Reception and meal for MEC Jerry L. Miles, Shelbina.

October

- 03.....Visit to Cape Girardeau Commandery No. 55, Cape Girardeau.
- 04.....Visit to Excalibar Commandery No. 5, Hannibal at Shelbina, conferral of RAM degrees.
- 06.....Region 2 York Rite Conference, St. Joseph.
- 08.....Visit to St. Graal Commandery No. 12, Columbia.
- 11.....Visit to Ely Commandery No. 22, Kirksville.
- 13.....Region 6 York Rite Conference, Cape Girardeau.
- 14.....Webex for MGYR Super committee meeting.
- 15.....Visit to Poplar Bluff Commandery No. 67, Poplar Bluff.
- 20.....Region 7 Regional Conferral of Orders, Springfield.

October (cont)

- 21.....Webex for Grand Recorder Finance Review meeting.
- 22.....Visit to St John's Commandery No. 20, Springfield.
- 27.....Region 5 York Rite Conference, Webster Groves, followed by reception and meal for the Grand Commander.

November

- 01.....Visit to and festive board with Palestine Commandery No. 17, Independence.
- 03.....Legion of Honor Investiture, Installation of DeMolay State officers, St. Louis Scottish Rite Cathedral.
- 06.....Visit to Ascension Commandery No. 39, Joplin.
- 11.....Webex for MGYR Super committee meeting.
- 15.....Visit to Mountain Grove Commandery No. 66, Mountain Grove.
- 18.....Webex for Grand Recorder Finance Review meeting.
- 19.....Joint visit to Kansas City Commandery No. 10, Oriental Commandery No. 35, and Westport Commandery No. 68, Kansas City.
- 25.....Webex for MGYR Super committee meeting.

December

- 01.....Region 3 York Rite Conference, Kansas City, followed by reception for MIC Aaron M. Shoemaker.
- 05.....Webex for Grand York Rite meeting.
- 06.....Visit to Constantine Commandery No. 27, Greenfield.
- 07.....Region 4 Table Commandery and Christmas Observance held by St. Graal Commandery No. 12, Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29, and Rolla Commandery No. 59, Jefferson City.
- 12.....Region 5 Festive Board held by Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8 and Ascalon Commandery No. 16, St. Louis.
- 16.....Webex for Grand Recorder Finance Review meeting.
- 17.....Visit to and festive board with Kansas City Commandery No. 10, Kansas City (recovery of the PGC jewel of Julius L. Johnson 1962-1963).
- 18.....Cancelled visit to Lebanon Commandery No. 33 due to weather.
- 19.....Cancelled visit to St Elmo Commandery No. 43 due to weather.
- 19.....Region 5 Christmas Observance with Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8 and Ascalon Commandery No. 16, St. Louis.

January

- 02.....Visit to Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 4, St. Joseph.
- 03.....Visit to Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8, St. Louis.
- 08.....Visit to DeSoto Commandery No. 56, Farmington.
- 12.....Webex for Grand Recorder Finance Review meeting.
- 14.....Cancelled visit to O'Sullivan Commandery No. 15 due to weather.
- 15.....Cancelled visit to Bethany Commandery No. 42 due to weather.
- 16.....Cancelled visit to St. Elmo Commandery No. 43 due to funeral for James Whitman.
- 17.....Cancelled visit to Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24 due to weather.
- 20.....Installation for Ely Commandery No. 22, Kirksville.
- 21.....Visit to Rolla Commandery No. 59, Rolla.
- 23.....Reschedule visit to St Elmo Commandery No. 43, Bolivar.
- 26.....Installation for Malta Commandery No. 72, Shelby.
- 28.....Installation for DeMolay Commandery No. 3, Lexington.
- 29.....York Rite Council Club of Greater St. Louis annual business meeting, Fenton

February

- 01.....Cancelled visit to Oriental Commandery No. 35 due to weather.
- 04.....Visit to and festive board with Liberty Commandery No. 6, Liberty, 50-year Service Award for Sir Knight Jerry F. Ward PGC, 1990-1991.
- 05.....Visit to West Plains Commandery No. 48, West Plains.
- 07.....Knights Templar Funeral service for Sir Knight Kevin E. Weaver, Grand Prelate Emeritus, St. Louis.
- 08.....Pall Bearer for Christian service for Sir Knight Kevin E. Weaver, St. Louis.
- 16.....Region1 Regional Conferral of Orders, Kirksville.
- 17.....Webex for Grand Recorder Finance Review meeting.
- 28 Feb-03 Mar ..Attended the Grand York Rite of Louisiana Grand Sessions, Alexandria, LA.

March

- 05.....Rescheduled visit to Emmanuel Commandery No. 7, Macon.
- 09.....Missouri Grand Lodge Grand Master Commandery Conferral hosted by Palestine Commandery No. 17, Independence.

March (cont)

- 16.....Grand Commander's Breakfast hosted by Ascalon Commandery No. 16, Webster Groves.
- 17.....Webex for Grand Recorder Finance Review meeting.
- 18.....Visit to and conferral of the Order of the Temple at Neosho Commandery No. 57, Neosho.
- 21.....Grand Commandery and Grand Chapter visit to Robert Burns Lodge No. 496 for presentation of York Rite information; representatives of West Plains Commandery No. 48 and Mountain Grove Commandery No. 66 were present, Gainesville.
- 23.....Region 1 and Region 4 York Rite Conference, Jefferson City.

April

- 04.....Visit to Excalibar Commandery No. 5, Hannibal.
- 06.....Grand Officers meeting, Finance, Audit, and Budget committee meeting, cadre recommendations, reconvening practice.
- 10-14Attended the Grand Commandery of Texas Annual Conclave, San Angelo, TX.
- 16.....Joint visit to Bethany Commandery No. 42 and Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24, Bethany.
- 17.....Installation for Ascalon Commandery No. 16, St. Louis.
- 19-21Attended the 7th Annual Mid-America Easter Service hosted by the Grand Commandery of Kansas and the Grand Commandery of Missouri, Kansas City.
- 25-27Attended the Oklahoma Grand York Rite Grand Sessions, Oklahoma City, OK.

The above is the list of my travel itinerary from 09 June 2018 through 30 April 2019. The travel itinerary for the remainder of this term, 01 May 2019 through 07 June 2019, will be forwarded to the appropriate committees for review and included in the final proceedings. As was stated at the beginning of the 2019-2019 term, it was my intent to visit all constituent Commanderies in this jurisdiction. This is a sizable undertaking owing to how our Commanderies have set their conclave calendar dates. I attempted to attend as many social, religious, and other special events planned throughout the year as was within my power so to do.

With the assistance of my Aide-de-Camp, Sentinel, and other Sir Knights, we were privileged to install the officers of six Commanderies across the State. We were able to provide support to four Symbolic Lodges for their installation. In addition to the Grand Commandery schedule, I continued to attend as many Symbolic Lodge, Chapter, and Council gatherings as I was able to fit into the year's agenda. My hat is off to the Past Commanders and advancing Grand Commandery officers who were or will still be gainfully employed during their tenure of command. To be accountable for an organization such as we are, requires tremendous time, energy, and financial commitment. Leadership is in part about delegation of responsibility, but it is more about service to those who placed you into office. As the lesson taught early in our Masonic careers, to preside (rule/command) one must first learn the value of and the need to obey. To this end, when my tenure of command is finished, I am hopeful that the actions initiated and the direction I have provided has been beneficial to all levels of this Grand body. I look forward to being of service to this Grand Commandery and my successors to this office.

STAFFING

Over the course of this term, I received and reluctantly accepted three resignations.

1. In June, Sir Knight Dennis L. Hammack, Eminent Grand Senior Warden, tendered his resignation from the Grand Commandery. We spoke at length regarding his position and concerns. Dennis is a gentleman of determination, strong moral bearing, and courage. His reasoning was sound and his argument well thought out and measured. It was with regret that I accepted his resignation. Dennis continues to serve the Grand Commandery, and the York Rite in general, albeit in a different capacity. We wish him well in the coming years and look forward to working with him in the conferrals. To fill the vacancy created by Sir Knight Hammack's resignation, I advanced the successive line and asked Sir Knight Harold F. Coots, PGC, to serve as the Acting Grand Warder for the remainder of the term. Thank you Harold for your willingness to fill this station.
2. I received notice from Sir Knight John W. Siscal, III requesting to be relieved from the Grand Commandery Educational Foundation committee. This resignation was also accepted. I thank John for his years of dedication to the craft and his leadership as one of our Past

Grand High Priests. John's educational background, his executive skill set, and his wealth of knowledge will be missed. Thank you John for all you have done. I appointed Sir Knight Matthew L. Quesenberry to complete the balance of John's term.

3. Sir Knight Robert W. Schlichter, PGC, was appointed to two specific activities: as a member of the Templar Jurisprudence committee on which he has served for many years and as a member of the Educational Foundation Oversight committee tasked with the review of the issues surrounding the operational procedures of the Educational Foundation committee. In mid-term, due to outside influences, Bob felt he could not serve effectively on either committee. Due to the number of committee members assigned, I elected not to fill this vacancy. Thank you Bob for your friendship, counsel, and wisdom imparted over the years.

STATE OF MISSOURI TEMPLARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

I would be remiss if observations and recommendations were not included.

Operations

As I traveled both in and out of State, the one item impressed upon me is the application of local customs, local flavor if you will, particularly with regard to how business is conducted.

From my out of State travels, I observed, with interest, some operations we may wish to adapt or adopt for Missouri. As we are faced with changes and challenges these coming years, there are efficiencies other Grand jurisdictions have that may be of interest and useful for our mission. It is my recommendation that the MGYR Super committee of Grand York Rite dais officers continue and that this committee include members who are familiar with other Grand jurisdictional processes and procedures.

As to my in State travels, I am thankful and appreciative of the kindnesses, amenities, and hospitality accorded to me and my Lady. In many instances, I learned as much about a Commandery by partaking of a meal, listening to the topics of discussion among the Sir Knights at the table, and by the conversations prior to and after a conclave. Over the course of the year, I had the opportunity to assist or instruct within the conclave setting on several occasions.

To our Regional officers, our Regional Grand Commanders; gentlemen as you make your visitations be mindful of the opportunity to listen, to instruct as required, to assist the local bodies in your charge. You do not need to be "the

expert,” but you need to be conversant on subjects broached and know where to get the assistance those Sir Knights of the Commandery require.

Membership Concerns

The Grand Encampment is providing an emphasis as well as input regarding personnel numbers. The Grand Encampment has presented a metric regarding loss accountability and suggestions to address this issue. As with all directives, efficacy is directly related to the people assigned for implementation. To the gentlemen assigned to work on this issue, realize the importance of your responsibility to and for our organization. Know that there is no one size fits all fix. We did not get into this situation overnight and the resolution will not come overnight.

As to my cause regarding membership, this year every Commandery has or should have received a booklet containing interactive skits for Symbolic Lodge presentation. The direction given was requested that this interaction be done by the Royal Arch Chapter in the community rather than as a Commandery-specific activity. I am pleased to report that several Commanderies in our Regions are proceeding. We have a distinct edge in that we know precisely where our target audience is located. Every member of our Commanderies began their carrier as a Master Mason first then advanced through the Chapter and the Council. It isn't important were credit falls, the important thing is starting these Master Masons on the York Rite path.

In my travels this year, I came to realize one factor unaccounted for in this endeavor. In the rural areas many of the Lodges are experiencing similar problems with younger member recruiting. There is no doubt that these are obstacles our local Commanderies face. Some of those obstacles perhaps may not be remedied. There is no one absolute answer, but to sit in ashes wearing sackcloth bemoaning glories past is not a viable solution.

One resolution could be a planned publicity activity partnered with the Lodge. While there are parameters regarding public activity by Knights Templar, these may be addressed and agreed to by your Grand Commander. If folks do not know we exist, who and what we represent, and how the path to Templary is through the local Lodge, then we certainly will not be successful.

Reporting and Returns

I thank Sir Knight Russell S. Hanson, PGC, for his promptness, accuracy, and dedication as our Grand Recorder these past years. Russell along with Lady Debbie and Sir Knight Kevin B. Sample, Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter

and Grand Recorder of the Grand Council, have gotten our Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery moving in a positive direction with regard to records. This being said the Grand Recorder's office is but one part of the records system. I am not certain how to address the issue of incomplete or improperly filed annual returns except to recommend that if you, your recorder, or treasurer need assistance, then please request help prior to the annual return deadline. There are items in your annual returns that are beyond the Grand Recorder's control and echelons beyond our reality. Where the Grand Recorder's office may be of assistance is in the realm of training in how to use the MMS program. However, your Grand Recorder's office does not inherently know what assistance is needed.

Ritualistic Work

As our membership is reduced there are fonts of knowledge lost. This point was brought painfully into focus with the untimely passing of Sir Knight Kevin E. Weaver, Grand Prelate Emeritus, in February. We all know that guy who is the go to guy. Many times they are some of our most accomplished performers of our ritual. There are formats available to plan for primary, secondary, and understudy roles in our conferrals. A common refrain heard after Kevin's passing was, "I could never do this part like Kevin." While this is true, before the go to guy, there was someone else performing that part. Learn a role and make it a part of your being. Bring to and leave behind a part of yourself in that cast role. MAKE IT YOURS.

Over the past few years, your Grand Commandery has worked to make our Asylum drill available to every Commandery through hand salutes, broken uniforms, etc. If your Commandery is having difficulty with the process of learning to drill, again it is a question of asking for assistance. Sir Knight Ralph S. Cantrell has assembled an excellent training aid that is concise, easily read, and readily usable. I am hopeful that the committee on Ritual and Drill will recognize the value of this training aid.

Finance

Your Grand Commandery officers, both past and present, have been exemplary stewards of your assets. The per capita increase passed by this body around 2006 has been ample these many years. Technological advances, changes to our operating and business model, gifts and bequests have permitted us to hold the line on increases thus far. But as with all things, costs have risen and many of the old ways to hold the budget are on longer available. This applies not only to

your Grand Commandery, but our constituents Commanderies as well. It would be well worth the time to conduct a serious budget review if your Commandery does not already do so.

York Rite Masonry has value in how we think, act, and carry ourselves. That value, gentlemen, can not be adequately expressed in dollars and cents. As I visited out of State, some other jurisdictions use the aid of professional asset management groups. While this proves many times to provide greater rates of return on assets, there can be negative influences as well. I would recommend the Investment committee, Grand Treasurer, and Finance and Accounts committee look into the possibility of engaging a professional manager to assist with portfolio development. I would also suggest that they be accountable to conduct the manager interview and determine the amount of asset allocation for management.

CONCLUSION

In closing, I have learned much over the years in this journey and this would not have been possible without help from you. The debt I owe for the guidance, companionship, and wisdom can not be fully repaid. Although several gentlemen and Ladies were specifically mentioned, this was an incredible team effort and I sincerely thank one and all for the opportunity to serve as your Grand Commander.

Fraternally submitted,
SK Roger D. Fleer, Grand Commander

FOLLOW UP REPORT OF ADDRESS OF THE 2018 GRAND COMMANDER COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

Last year the 2018 Grand Commander's Annual Report was not approved by this committee. As recommended by last year's committee, the membership of the Grand Commandery voted to refer the Grand Commander Annual Report back to this committee for further review.

This committee still does not recommend approval. However, for the purpose of presenting the 2018 Grand Commander's Annual Report to the members of the Grand Commandery for their approval or disapproval, we move for the members to either vote "yes" for approval or "no" for disapproval.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Harold F. Coots, PGC, Chairman
SK Ronnie E. Green, PGC

James L. Woodfin, Jr., PGC

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REPORT OF ADDRESS OF THE GRAND COMMANDER COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The 2019 Grand Commanders Address Review committee has read the report of the current Grand Commander, SK Roger D. Fleer. It appears the Grand Commander has been very busy during this past year and has provided excellent leadership to the Grand Commandery of Missouri. We move his address be accepted by the membership and the vote be taken by a standing ovation and thunderous applause.

Fraternally submitted,
SK Harold F. Coots, PGC, Chairman
SK Daniel R. Quesenberry, PGC

James L. Woodfin, Jr., PGC

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REPORT OF TEMPLAR JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Templar Jurisprudence committee has reviewed the Orders issued, Dispensations granted, the By-Laws changes approved for the constituent Commanderies, and all other relevant matters pertaining to the business of the Craft acted upon by the Grand Commander. In our opinion the Grand Commander has complied with the Statutory duties, responsibilities, and inherent powers of his office. Our Grand Commander is to be commended for his specific interest and attention to the Craft.

The committee thanks the Grand Commander for the honor and privilege of being selected to serve this Grand Commandery during his year. His recommendations will be referred to the appropriate committees for review and we express the hope for his continued successes in the years ahead.

We, with regret, accepted the resignation from the Templar Jurisprudence committee of Past Grand Commander Robert W. Schlichter in February, 2019.

Our congratulations to Sir Knight Roger D. Fleer, Right Eminent Grand Commander, for a successful year. In our estimation you have performed your duties and responsibilities remarkably well.

I move the adoption of this first part of the Report.

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In the proposed legislation that follows, deletions appear in ~~strike through~~, additions appear underlined.

Item No. 1

PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE **LAWS AND REGULATIONS** OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE VI – Chartered Commanderies, Section 84, Quorum. A quorum of a commandery, for the purpose of conducting business, consists of nine Sir Knights, five of whom are members entitled to vote therein, including an officer authorized to convene the same. A quorum for the opening of a commandery for the conferral of the Orders of Knighthood consists of nine members entitled to vote therein, including an officer authorized to convene the same.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: At the LVXII Triennial, held in August, 2018, the Grand Encampment amended the CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, "QUORUM", Section 66, to enable a commandery to open with less than nine members, but greater than four plus a number of "visitors" that together equal a minimum of nine Sir Knights. Immediately after the Triennial, a Decision was requested from the Grand Master regarding the effect of this amendment on the Ritual requirement for nine member Sir Knights of a commandery in order to confer the Orders on a candidate. The amendment was placed "on hold" status pending a Decision by the Grand Master. On April 1, 2019 the Grand Master issued Decision No. 1, Quorum, to the effect that the amendment affects only the opening for the conducting of business, not for opening to confer the Orders of Knighthood. The Decision was received with too short a time to include a proposal, from a Sir Knight, to amend our Laws and Regulations in the Preliminary Packet to commanderies (45 days advance notice) as required by Article III, Committees, Section 36. Duties of Standing Committees, C. The Committee on Templar Jurisprudence.

Therefore, this proposal is being submitted by the Templar Jurisprudence committee in accordance with Article XVIII, Changes of Laws and Regulations, Section 215, Grand Encampment Laws which provides that "Any law or regulation ... found at any time to be in conflict with the Constitution or Statutes of the Grand Encampment, shall be amended to conform, and the necessary amendment may be presented and adopted at any annual conclave of this Grand Commandery without previous notice."

Fraternally Submitted:

Templar Jurisprudence Committee

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Item No. 2

PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE **LAWS AND REGULATIONS** OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE II - The Grand Officers, Section 30. Grand Treasurer.

Paragraph A. The Grand Treasurer shall receive from the Grand Recorder all funds and securities of the Grand Commandery and deposit same in the name of the Grand Commandery in some bank or trust company, to be approved by the Grand Commander and Chairman of the Committee on Finance. He shall attend the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, and when required, meet the Grand Officers and Committees with his books and all necessary documents relating to his office, make a full report at the Annual Conclave; pay all warrants and at the commencement of his term of office, each year, execute and file with the Grand Commander, his official bond with some reliable company, as surety thereon, in the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00); to be renewed as to the amount of the surety, when required by the Grand Commander or Grand Commandery; the cost of said bond to be paid by the Grand Commandery. Such bond to be conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office, account for all money or property of the Grand Commandery that may come into his hands; produce on demand of the Grand Commandery or Grand Commander or his successor in office the same, together with all books, papers, vouchers, securities, jewels, etc., belonging to the Grand Commandery. He shall take duplicate receipts for same, one of which shall be delivered to the Grand Recorder.

All securities and bonds in which the funds of this Grand Commandery may be invested shall be deposited in a safety deposit vault selected by the Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder, access to which can be had by the Grand Treasurer, or in case of his death or incapacity, by the Grand Recorder, in the presence of another person to be designated by the Grand Commander.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: Due to the fact that the securities and bonds in which the funds of the Grand Commandery are invested are maintained electronically through modern electronic banking methods, there is no need for the Grand Treasurer to maintain a safety deposit box. The issue was decided several years ago. However, the requirement was never removed from the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery.

Fraternally Submitted:

SK Donald L. Trabue, PC -Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29
SK Russell S. Hanson, PC - St. Graal Commandery No. 12

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Item No. 3

PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE **LAWS AND REGULATIONS** OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE IV - Revenue and Compensation, Section 40. Revenue of the Grand Commandery, Paragraph D. Each Chartered Commandery shall pay the sum of ~~thirteen~~ nineteen dollars and fifty cents (~~\$13.50~~ 19.50) plus Grand Encampment per capita, for each name borne on its books on December 31st of each year, who has received the Order of the Temple. (Amended 5/19/78, 5/15/81, 5/18/84, 4/28/89, 5/7/03, 5/18/07, 6/7/19)

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: It is important to note that the primary reasons for the per capita increases of the past were both declining membership and rising operating costs. The Grand Recorder and the Finance and Accounts Committee are both very sensitive to the need to keep operating costs in check whenever possible, without decreasing services. However, the Grand Commandery is much less capable of controlling the most significant reason for which we need to increase per capita at this time – declining membership. On average, over the last seven years, the Grand Commandery of Missouri has lost about 150 members each year. The Finance and Accounts Committee has

carefully weighed all of the factors involved in determining a per capita increase for the Grand Commandery.

Fraternally Submitted:

SK Kevin B. Sample, PC - Poplar Bluff Commandery No. 67
SK Clark A. McLemore, PC - Constantine Commandery No. 27
SK Dennis A. Abernathy, PC - Oriental Commandery No. 35
SK Aaron E. Rose, PC - Palestine Commandery No. 17
SK Donald L. Trabue, PC - Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29
SK Russell S. Hanson, PC - St. Graal Commandery No.12

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Item No. 4

PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE **LAWS AND REGULATIONS** OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE XVI - Uniform, Section 210. Jewel of the Past Grand

Commander. The Jewel of a Past Grand Commander shall consist of an eight-pointed blazing star, upon which rests the Templar Cross surrounded by a laurel wreath (see figure 1). The star shall be in rays and slightly convex, 950 fineness of silver and two and three-fourths between 2.5 inches and 3 inches in diameter. The Templar Cross shall be ~~one and one-sixteenth~~ between 1.04 and 1.06 inches wide, of 14-karat gold-plated metal, enameled in purple (as close to 2602c in color as possible) and outlined in gold-plated metal, with an amethyst-colored stone in the center. The wreath shall be of green gold-plated metal. Above the Cross on the upper point of the Star shall be a ribbon or scroll of gold-plated metal bearing the word "MISSOURI" in black enamel.

~~On the back of the Star shall be engraved the name of the Past Grand Commander, date of service, and the name of the Grand Commandery.~~



Figure 1 - Past Grand Commander Jewel Design

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The original Past Grand Commander jewel manufactured by the former Green Company and upon which the current specifications were based is essentially no longer available at a reasonable price. Sir Knight John Bridegroom of The Master Craft company was asked to design a new Past Grand Commander Jewel. Sir Knight Bridegroom's design is a very close replica of the vintage Green Company jewel. The specifications for the Past Grand Commander Jewel needed to be updated so the Grand Commandery is no longer dependent, solely on the work of the Green Company. Finally, the Past Grand Commander receiving the Past Grand Commander jewel should determine whether or not he wants his jewel engraved and, if he does want engraving, what that engraving should say.

Fraternally Submitted:

SK Charles E. Cooper, PC - Ely Commandery No. 22

SK Russell S. Hanson, PC - St. Graal Commandery No. 12

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I move the adoption and approval of the entire report of the committee.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Glenn E. Means, Chairman

SK Todd A. Schulze

SK John C. Caraker

SK William G. Snyder

SK Robert W. Schlichter, PGC (resigned)

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REPORT OF FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Finance and Accounts committee participated in the multiple financial review WebEx meetings held by the Grand Recorder during the fiscal year. The Grand Recorder provided instruction on how the General Fund financial records on the Grand York Rite DropBox cloud storage system were kept. The committee was given full view-only access to all 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 General Fund financial records. Each month we reviewed the previous months financial records. The committee is satisfied that the Grand Recorder and the Grand Treasurer are doing an exceptional job handling the monies and maintaining the financial records of the Grand Commandery.

The committee reviewed and discussed the investment strategy of the Grand Treasurer and suggested that he could be a bit more aggressive in making investments. The Grand Treasurer expressed his belief that the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery limited his options. After a thorough evaluation of the Laws and Regulations for investment limitations, it was determined by the Grand Commandery officers that the Grand Treasurer's options for investment were indeed not limited. Although not codified, the committee recommended that future investment strategies be made along the guidelines established and approved by the Grand Chapter and Grand Council.

With the assistance of the Grand Recorder and the Grand Treasurer, the committee prepared a proposed budget for the ensuring year. The committee met with the Grand Line Officers and secured their approval of the proposed budget.

Additionally, discussions were held with the Grand Commandery officers regarding the special Grand Commandery Proceeding Fund (GCPF). The Grand Commander authorized the close out this fund primarily due to changes in technology over the years and that the proceedings were to be published electronically. It was resolved to transfer the assets from the GCPF to the Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund. The amount transferred was determined to be the total amount of assets listed in that fund by the Grand Treasurer from the last annual report (\$3,034.50) plus any additional accrual since the published report.

With the assistance of the Grand Recorder and the Grand Treasurer, the committee prepared a proposed budget for the ensuring year. The committee met with the Grand Line Officers and secured their approval of the proposed budget.

In preparing the proposed budget, the committee evaluated the procedure for predicting membership income and determined that the procedure needed to be revised. It is our opinion that previous Finance committees had exercised creative conditions in determining the next year's income which was determined by this committee to be less than adequate, either by use of unrealistic membership expectations, or otherwise. The committee recognized that not all of the membership contribute equally to the membership income budget item. The Per-Capita, Membership income budget item for this 2019-2020 report is based on the 2018 total membership less the 2018 total number of remissions, the 2018 total number of endowed members, and a predicted membership loss (based on average loss in previous years). Several of the Expense budget items

were similarly adjusted using the known and predicted losses. The committee believes that this new procedure provides a more realistic estimate of the Income and Expenses for the budget.

In addition, the committee took a very serious look at the financial future of the Grand Commandery. Based on budget projections for the next seven years, even with the approved Grand Treasurer's revised investment strategy, it was determined that a per capita increase was needed. The committee prepared a financial summary report in together with and with the approval of the Grand Commandery Line Officers. The summary report was distributed in November 2018 to all Commandery Recorders and Regional Grand Commanders. The conclusion of the report was that the committee would propose a \$6.00 per capita increase. However, the proposed budget for the ensuing year does not include the proposed per capita increase as it is not expected to go into effect until January 1, 2020, and will be collected in the 2020 returns in March of 2021. The budget is subject to change if the proper requesting procedures are followed and with the approval of the Finance and Accounts committee.

I move the adoption of this section of the report.

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The following is the proposed budget for the 2019 - 2020 year.

INCOME

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| Per Capita, Membership..... | \$ 31,860.00 |
| Per Capita, Endowed Membership..... | 1,200.00 |
| Knighting Fees | 800.00 |
| Investments | 3,500.00 |
| Miscellaneous..... | 250.00 |
| Total Income | \$ 37,610.00 |

EXPENSES

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| Grand Commander Expenses | \$ 3,000.00 |
| Knight Templar Magazine Editor Honorarium | 100.00 |
| Grand Treasurer Expenses..... | 1,000.00 |
| Grand Recorder Salary | 4,000.00 |
| Clerical Assistant Salary | 6,000.00 |
| Employment Taxes | 850.00 |
| Bonding Insurance | 100.00 |
| Audit Committee | 250.00 |

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| Drill Committee | 1,300.00 |
| Office Expenses | 3,500.00 |
| Printing Services..... | 500.00 |
| Office Rent..... | 1,800.00 |
| Storage Rent..... | 360.00 |
| Grand Encampment Per Capita | 18,000.00 |
| Annual Conclave | 2,500.00 |
| Grand Officer Expenses | 1,000.00 |
| Past Grand Commander Regalia..... | 750.00 |
| Triennial Fund | 338.00 |
| Youth Organizations..... | 1,200.00 |
| Emerging Leaders Fund | 135.00 |
| Web Master | 250.00 |
| Miscellaneous..... | 250.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$ 47,138.50 |
| Balance | \$ (9,573.00) |

I move the adoption and approval of the proposed budget for the 2019 - 2020 year.

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I move the adoption and approval of the entire report of the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

Fraternally submitted,

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| SK Kevin B. Sample, Chairman | SK Dennis A. Abernathy, Vice-Chairman |
| SK Clark A. McLemore | SK Aaron E. Rose |
| SK Donald L. Trabue, PGC | SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC |

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REPORT OF AUDIT COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Audit committee participated in the financial review WebEx meetings held by the Grand Recorder during the fiscal year. The Grand Recorder provided instruction on how the General Fund financial records on the Grand York Rite DropBox cloud storage system were kept. The committee was given full view-

only access to all 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 General Fund financial records. Each month we reviewed the previous months financial records.

The Audit committee believes that it has thoroughly reviewed the records of the Grand Recorder and found no discrepancies or mishandling of any of funds appropriated to him. All monies were received and properly deposited or dispensed in accordance with the Grand Commandery Laws and Regulations. We commend the Grand Recorder for an excellent records management system and his superb attention to the details of handling the financial records of the Grand Commandery.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

SK Dennis A. Abernathy, Vice-Chairman

SK Clark A. McLemore

SK Aaron E. Rose

SK Donald L. Trabue, PGC

SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC

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REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

Preliminary Report

June 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

All funds are invested in banking institutions in Jefferson City. All accounts are interest bearing, with no service charges, and with amounts being maintained at less than \$250,000 in any one banking institution.

I present herewith my report of the receipts, disbursements, and the financial condition of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri for the fiscal year, June 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019.

GENERAL FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2018 **\$ 184,526.39**

Receipts:

Grand Recorder, etc. \$ 40,234.72

Interest Earned 1,581.28

Total Receipts: \$ 41,816.00

Disbursements (Jefferson Act.):

#xxxxxx9336 \$ 24,615.68

#xxxxxx4544 17,690.62

GENERAL FUND (continued)

#xxxxxx3996 2,096.36

Total Disbursements: \$ 44,402.66

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: \$ (2,586.66)

Balance, March 31, 2018 **\$ 181,939.73**

Statement of Assets

Interest Checking Act. #xxxxxx9336, \$ 1,106.99

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.05% 1,136.76

Interest Checking Act. #xxxxxx4544, 479.54

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.05% 45,940.75

Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996, 23,631.02

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% 25,300.21

Business Inv. Act. #xxxxxx0211, 53,609.73

Premier Bank - Jefferson City, 0.80% 30,734.73

CD #xxxxxx0928, 25,300.21

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 1.60%, 53,609.73

Matures 07-03-2019 30,734.73

CD #xxxxxx6185, 53,609.73

Providence Bank - Jefferson City, 1.60%, 30,734.73

Matures 10-07-2019 30,734.73

CD #xxxxxx3924, 30,734.73

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%, 30,734.73

Matures 04-06-2020 30,734.73

Total Assets, March 31, 2019 **\$ 181,939.73**

GENERAL FUND (SPECIAL ACCOUNT)

Total Assets, June 1, 2018 **\$ 113,419.45**

Receipts:

Interest Earned \$ 1,445.90

Total Receipts: \$ 1,445.90

Disbursements: \$ -0-

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: \$ 1,445.90

Balance, March 31, 2018 **\$ 114,865.35**

Statement of Assets

Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996, \$ 160.48

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30%

GENERAL FUND (SPECIAL ACCOUNT) (continued)

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| CD #xxxxxx1296, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 2.00%, Matures 10-11-2019 | 66,755.58 | |
| CD #xxxxxx3478, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%, Matures 11-22-2019 | 46,779.95 | |
| Total Assets, March 31, 2019 | \$ 114,865.35 | |

ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2018 **\$ 116,880.64**

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| Receipts: | | |
| Memberships (16) | \$ 8,000.00 | |
| Interest Earned | 1,542.03 | |
| Total Receipts: | \$ 9,542.03 | |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Distribution to Commanderies | \$ 137.64 | |
| Distribution to Grand Commandery | 1,117.08 | |
| Total Disbursements | \$ 1,254.72 | |
| Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: | \$ 8,287.31 | |
| Balance, March 31, 2019 | \$ 125,167.95 | |

Statement of Assets

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| Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% | \$ 10,905.87 | |
| CD #xxxxxx7160, Providence Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%, Matures 09-29-2019 | 32,929.31 | |
| CD#xxxxxx6200, Providence Bank - Jefferson City, 1.60% Matures 10-07-2019 | 25,058.77 | |
| CD #xxxxxx3486, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%, Matures 11-22-2019 | 56,274.00 | |
| Total Assets, March 31, 2019 | \$ 125,167.95 | |

CHARITY ENDOWMENT FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2018 **\$ 9,886.83**

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| Receipts: | |
| Misc. Contributions | \$ 170.00 |
| Interest Earned | 78.42 |

CHARITY ENDOWMENT FUND (continued)

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|--|---------------------|
| Total Receipts: | \$ 248.42 |
| Disbursements: | \$ -0- |
| Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: | \$ 248.42 |
| Balance, March 31, 2019 | \$ 10,135.25 |

Statement of Assets

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|--|---------------------|
| Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% | \$ 9.51 |
| CD #xxxxxx3751, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%, Matures 11-05-2019 | 10,125.74 |
| Total Assets, March 31, 2019 | \$ 10,135.25 |

MISSOURI KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2018 **\$ 78,400.55**

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|--|---------------------|
| Receipts: | |
| Misc. Contributions | \$ 1,632.65 |
| Interest Earned | 1,205.13 |
| Total Receipts: | \$ 2,837.78 |
| Disbursements: | \$ -0- |
| Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: | \$ 2,837.78 |
| Balance, March 31, 2019 | \$ 81,238.33 |

Statement of Assets

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|---|---------------------|
| Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% | \$ 3,688.10 |
| CD #xxxxxx8978, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City, 1.55%, Matures 10-23-2019 | 12,829.33 |
| CD #xxxxxx9498, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%, Matures 12-26-2019 | 31,637.97 |
| CD #xxxxxx6244, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City, 1.90%, Matures 06-26-2018 | 33,082.93 |
| Total Assets, March 31, 2019 | \$ 81,238.33 |

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE ENDOWMENT FUND**Total Assets, June 1, 2018** **\$ 73,725.68**

Receipts:

Misc. Contributions \$ 2,299.95

Interest Earned 819.89

Total Receipts: \$ 3,119.84

Disbursements:

Interest Earned

Transfer to Holy Land

Pilgrimage Operating Fund \$ 819.89

Total Disbursements \$ 819.89

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: \$ 2,299.95**Balance, March 31, 2019** **\$ 76,025.63****Statement of Assets**

Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996,

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% \$ 3,557.64

CD #xxxxxx7130,

Providence Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%,
Matures 08-08-2019 17,118.55

CD #xxxxxx1297,

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 2.00%,
Matures 10-11-2019 12,630.84

CD #xxxxxx3750,

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%
Matures 11-05-2019 27,025.27

CD #xxxxxx5033,

Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City, 2.85%,
Matures 04-22-2020 15,693.33**Total Assets, March 31, 2019** **\$ 76,025.63****HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE OPERATING FUND****Total Assets, June 1, 2018** **\$ 4,246.52**

Receipts:

Interest Earned \$ 9.49

Interest from Holy Land

Pilgrimage Endowment Fund 819.89

Total Receipts: \$ 829.38

Disbursements: \$ 3,400.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: \$ (2,570.62)**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE OPERATING FUND (continued)****Balance, March 31, 2019** **\$ 1,675.90****Statement of Assets**

Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996,

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% \$ 640.87

Business Investment Act. #xxxxxx0211,

Premier Bank - Jefferson City, 0.80% 688.31

CD #xxxxxx7130,

Providence Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%,
Matures 08-08-2019 108.46

CD #xxxxxx1297,

Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 2.00%,
Matures 10-11-2019 126.71

CD #xxxxxx5033,

Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City, 2.85%,
Matures 04-22-2020 111.55**Total Assets, March 31, 2019** **\$ 1,675.90****TRIENNIAL ENDOWMENT FUND****Total Assets, June 1, 2018** **\$ 21,149.29**

Receipts:

Interest Earned \$ 369.60

Total Receipts: \$ 369.60

Disbursements:

Interest Earned

Transfer to Triennial Fund \$ 369.60

Total Disbursements \$ 369.60

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: \$ -0-**Balance, March 31, 2019** **\$ 21,149.29****Statement of Assets**

CD #xxxxxx6540,

Providence Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%,
Matures 09-20-2019 21,149.29**Total Assets, March 31, 2019** **\$ 21,149.29****TRIENNIAL FUND****Total Assets, June 1, 2018** **\$ 1,800.93**

Receipts:

Appropriation From General Fund \$ 487.50

Interest from Triennial Endowment Fund 369.60

TRIENNIAL FUND (continued)

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|--|------------------|
| Interest Earned | 7.08 |
| Total Receipts: | \$ 864.18 |
| Disbursements: | \$ 2,121.76 |
| Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: | \$ (1,257.58) |
| Balance, March 31, 2019 | \$ 543.35 |

Statement of Assets

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|--|-------------|
| Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996, | |
| Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% | \$ (655.01) |
| Business Inv. Act. #xxxxxx0211, | |
| Premier Bank - Jefferson City, 0.80% | 1,068.30 |
| CD #xxxxxx6540, | |
| Providence Bank - Jefferson City, 2.50%, Matures 09-20-2019 | 130.06 |

Total Assets, March 31, 2019 **\$ 543.35**

SUPPLY FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2018 **\$ 10,653.72**

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|--|---------------------|
| Receipts: | |
| Inventory Sales | \$ 903.56 |
| Interest Earned | 22.87 |
| Total Receipts: | \$ 926.43 |
| Disbursements: | \$ 540.31 |
| Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: | \$ 386.12 |
| Balance, March 31, 2019 | \$ 11,039.84 |

Statement of Assets

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|--|---------------------|
| Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996, | |
| Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% | \$ 11,039.84 |
| Total Assets, March 31, 2019 | \$ 11,039.84 |

LEADERSHIP FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2018 **\$ 966.13**

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Receipts: | |
| Grand Recorder, etc. | \$ 165.60 |
| Interest Earned | 0.38 |
| Total Receipts: | \$ 165.98 |
| Disbursements: | \$ -0- |
| Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: | \$ 165.98 |
| Balance, March 31, 2019 | \$ 1,132.11 |

LEADERSHIP FUND (continued)**Statement of Assets**

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|--|--------------------|
| Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996, | |
| Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% | \$ 1,132.11 |
| Total Assets, March 31, 2019 | \$ 1,132.11 |

PROCEEDINGS FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2018 **\$ 500.10**

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|--|---------------|
| Receipts: | |
| Interest Earned | \$ 0.20 |
| Total Receipts: | \$ 0.20 |
| Disbursements: | \$ 500.30 |
| Excess of Receipts over Disbursements: | \$ (500.10) |
| Balance, March 31, 2019 | \$ -0- |

Statement of Assets

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|--|---------------|
| Money Mkt. Act. #xxxxxx3996, | |
| Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.30% | \$ -0- |
| Total Assets, March 31, 2019 | \$ -0- |

Total Assets, All Funds, March 31, 2019 **\$ 624,912.73**

Fraternally submitted,

SK Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Grand Treasurer

I move the adoption of the preliminary report of the Grand Treasurer.

PASSED FAILED TABLED WITHDRAWN

REPORT OF GRAND RECORDER

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

As my eighth year as your Grand Recorder draws to a close, I believe that Debbie and I have finally smoothed out the workload of the job. The division of labor between Sir Knight Kevin B. Sample, Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter and Grand Recorder of the Grand Council, continues to move the operation of the office forward. Debbie, Kevin, and I are continuing to resolve legacy issues as well as to cope with the constant flow of information into the Grand York Rite Office.

This past year we have begun to realize the full impact of our efforts to modernize the operation of the office. Debbie has been instrumental in dealing with the day to day operations of the office. The MGYR web site continues to be maintained under the care of SK Donald MacCormick, MGYR Web Master. Bringing the Grand York Rite of Missouri into the 21st Century continues to be a constant theme.

One of the major milestones in the Grand Recorder's operations was the production of the 2018 Official Proceedings of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. The publication was distributed electronically through the MGYR web site. While the document is not complete, as additional information becomes available and corrections are made, the electronic document will be updated.

The Grand Commandery has completed its third year using the annual reporting system. The 2018 annual reports and Per Capita Bill were based on the Missouri membership data in MMS, information from the Grand Commandery records, and information from the Commanderies.

A new facet for the 2018 Annual Returns from the Commanderies was the impact of the legislation passed at last year's Annual Conclave. ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 119 Annual Audit of Commanderies imposed a requirement that the Commanderies perform an annual financial audit. ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 117 Annual Reports and Per Capita Payment imposed requirements for submitting a complete Annual Return as well as stating the consequences of not submitting a complete Annual Return in a timely fashion.

The overall response this year was 84%. Mountain Grove Commandery 66 and East Gate Commandery 70 failed to submit a 2018 Annual Return. Excalibar Commandery No. 5 submitted an incomplete 2018 Annual Return – they failed to pay their entire per capita bill and did not remedy the failure prior to the 30-day limit in Section 117. Emmanuel Commandery No. 7 submitted an incomplete 2018 Annual Return – they failed to provide a copy of their latest IRS 990/990N and they did not remedy the failure prior to the 30-day limit in Section 117. West Plains Commandery No. 48 submitted an incomplete 2018 Annual Return – they failed to provide a copy of their latest IRS 990/990N and they did not remedy the failure prior to the 30-day limit in Section 117. Per Section 117, these five Commanderies forfeited all rights and privileges to representation and voting at this Annual Conclave. The unpaid per capita for Mountain Grove and East Gate will be added to their 2019 per capita bills. The unpaid per capita balance for Excalibar will be added to its 2019 per capita bill. The Grand Commandery is

currently \$2,418.80 short of collecting the \$39,941.14 owed to it by the Commanderies.

Two years ago, Sir Knight Robert W. Schlichter, then Right Eminent Grand Commander, issued General Order No. 1 requiring all Missouri Commanderies to log into the Masonic Membership Solutions (MMS) data management system at least once each month. Last year, ARTICLE XXIII, Masonic Membership Solutions (MMS) was added to the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. New Section 236 Commandery Recorder Responsibilities, paragraph D, specified that "Recorders and IT Representatives shall log into MMS no less than monthly to maintain access credentials and to make any approved membership changes." Since notification of the new Article and its underlying Sections was not sent to the Commandery Recorders and IT Representatives until September 2018, the Commanderies were given until the end of December 2018 to come into compliance with the new requirements. Based on user login statistics from MMS for January 2019 through April 2019, the following Commanderies were in violation of Section 236: No Logins – Excalibar Commandery No. 5, Emmanuel Commandery No. 7, O'Sullivan Commandery No. 15, Bethany Commandery No. 42, West Plains Commandery No. 48, Mountain Grove Commandery No. 66, East Gate Commandery No. 70, and Malta Commandery No. 72 – Did Not Login Every Month – DeMolay Commandery No. 3, Hugh De Payens Commandery No. 4, Kansas City Commandery No. 10, Ascalon Commandery No. 16, Oriental Commandery No. 35, Ascension Commandery No. 39, DeSoto Commandery No. 56, Neosho Commandery No. 57, Rolla Commandery No. 59, Poplar Bluff Commandery No. 67, and Westport Commandery No. 68. A total of 13 Commanderies were in compliance with Section 236 during the evaluation period.

In conclusion, Debbie and I thank everyone for their continued support. While Debbie cannot do everything that Kevin and I can do, she has truly become the Executive Assistant. We are all committed to and are striving for improved operations in the ensuing year.

Fraternally submitted,

Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Grand Recorder
Debbie Hanson, Executive Assistant, MGYR Office

I move the adoption of the report of the Grand Recorder.

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REPORT OF TIME & PLACE COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

Your Committee on Time and Place reports that the One-Hundred-Fifty-Ninth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri will be held on Friday, June 12, 2020, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, Missouri. The Drill Competition will be held on Saturday, June 13, 2020.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Kevin B Sample, Chairman
SK Dan G Daniels

SK Wayne B. Fryer

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

No scholarships or grants will be given this year because of a lack of income from the Foundation's investments.

Finance

Below is a summary of our finances for the past four years.

| | Dec 2015 | Dec 2016 | Dec 2017 | Dec 2018 |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Savings and temporary cash investments | \$ 342,940.97 | \$ 343,737.45 | \$ 100,119.28 | \$ 55,158.70 |
| Certificates of Deposit | | | \$ 337,335.81 | \$ 383,164.38 |
| Investments-publicly traded securities | \$ 103,719.98 | \$ 112,352.20 | \$ 127,703.28 | \$ 121,841.97 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 446,660.95 | \$ 456,089.65 | \$ 565,158.37 | \$ 560,165.12 |
| Accounts Payable and accrued expenses | | | | |
| Grants Payable | \$ 1,000.00 | | | |

| | Dec 2015 | Dec 2016 | Dec 2017 | Dec 2018 |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Other liabilities (including Federal Income Tax, payables to related third parties and other liabilities not included on lines above) | \$ 646.36 | \$ 192.89 | \$ 2,825.79 | \$ 2,800.83 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | \$ 1,646.36 | \$ 192.89 | \$ 2,825.79 | \$ 2,800.83 |
| Unrestricted net assets | \$ 445,014.59 | \$ 455,896.76 | \$ 562,332.58 | \$ 557,364.29 |
| Total Net Assets or Fund Balances | \$ 445,014.59 | \$ 455,896.76 | \$ 562,332.58 | \$ 562,332.58 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS/FUND BALANCES | \$ 446,660.95 | \$ 456,089.65 | \$ 565,158.37 | \$ 565,158.37 |
| Investment Income | \$ 3,350.46 | \$ 3,857.87 | \$ 4,278.50 | \$ (302.74) |
| Donations | | | \$ 90,000.00 | |
| Sale of assets | | | \$ 3,000.00 | |
| Total revenue | \$ 3,350.46 | \$ 3,857.87 | \$ 97,278.50 | \$ (302.74) |
| Rate of Return | 0.75% | 0.86% | 0.94% | (0.05%) |
| Total expenses | \$ 4,289.44 | \$ 4,366.34 | \$ 6,043.25 | \$ 2,969.53 |
| Revenue less expenses | \$ (938.98) | \$ (508.47) | \$ 91,235.25 | \$ (3,272.27) |
| Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year | \$ 446,915.70 | \$ 445,014.59 | \$ 456,089.65 | \$ 565,158.37 |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments | \$ (962.13) | \$ 11,390.64 | \$ 17,833.47 | \$ (4,521.81) |

| | Dec 2015 | Dec 2016 | Dec 2017 | Dec 2018 |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| TOTAL | \$ 445,014.59 | \$ 455,896.76 | \$ 565,158.37 | \$ 557,364.29 |

Activity

June 9, 2018

No scholarships/grants were given.

June 9, 2017

1. Minutes of previous meeting - Discussion of Item 4 - Discussed reissuing the check for Blaine Moreland - Discussed cancelling the check Blaine did not receive - Don will check on the check to Isabella Gieringer - Discussed tracking mailing - Approved
2. Treasurer's Report - Don recommended that we have enough money for renewals.
3. Reviewed re-applications - Blaine Moreland and Andrew Bosley - Committee voted to renew
4. Reviewed new applications - Benjamin R. Holt - It was moved by Clifton and seconded by Todd to approve for support - Passed.

June 10, 2016

1. Minutes of previous meeting - Approved
2. Treasurer's Report - Don recommended that we have enough money for renewals.
3. Reviewed re-applications - Blaine Moreland and Andrew Bosley - Committee voted to renew.
4. Reviewed new applications - Isabella Gieringer, Jordon Gudde, and Claire Wolber - It was moved by Todd and seconded by Clifton to approve Isabella Gieringer for support - Passed.
5. Discussed seed money from the Grand Encampment - David Goodwin said that he would look at the 1930-1935 records and email us the results.
6. Discussed giving our KT Education Foundation money to the Grand Encampment for money management.

May 15, 2015

1. Minutes of previous meeting - Approved
2. Treasurer's Report - Don recommended that we have enough money for renewals.

3. Reviewed re-applications - Blaine Moreland and Andrew Bosley - Committee voted to renew.
4. Reviewed new applications - Patricia Neiswander - It was moved by Todd and seconded by Rick to approve Patricia Neiswander for support - Passed.

Fraternally submitted,

SK David C. Witte, Chairman

SK Todd A. Schulze

SK Thomas C. Yunick, PGC

SK Clifton W. Wofford, Vice-Chairman

SK Matthew L. Quesenberry

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Educational Foundation Oversight committee was created by Sir Knight Roger D. Fleeer, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Knights Templar of the State of Missouri, to review the processes of the Missouri Grand Commandery's Educational Foundation. The original Educational Foundation Oversight committee was composed of following Sir Knights: Clark A. McLemore, Chairman, Charles E. Cooper, Vice Chairman, Harry L. Tripp, Jr., Robert W. Schlichter, PGC, and Roger D. Fleeer. However, during the 2018 – 2019 year, Sir Knight Robert W. Schlichter resigned from the committee.

As part of the initial research, the committee Chairman received copies of the Educational Foundation minutes from preceding years and those documents were distributed to the committee members by SK Fleeer.

SK David Witte, Chairman of the Educational Foundation committee, provided four years of financial reports to this committee. The financial reports showed a declining rate of return on the funds in the Educational Foundation accounts. SK Witte expressed the opinion that the Educational Foundation had been restricted in the past with respect to the investment strategy that had been used. He also expressed the opinion that the funds should be professionally managed in order to obtain a higher return and allow the Educational Foundation to distribute more scholarships.

The Educational Foundation Oversight committee agrees that the funds under control of the Educational Foundation should be professionally managed. The committee recommends that some, if not all, of the Educational Foundation

funds be transferred to the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar Educational Foundation to be managed. Currently the Grand Encampment charges one half percent management fee to the Grand Commandery for management of our Educational Foundation funds whether the Grand Encampment manages the funds or not. The committee also recommends that any Grand Commandery Educational Foundation funds not transferred to the Grand Encampment should be professionally managed to obtain a better return on the investments. If the funds are professionally managed, then the Educational Foundation could focus on distributing the scholarships in a timely fashion to the deserving students.

Faternally submitted,

SK Clark A. McLemore, Chairman

SK Charles E. Cooper, Vice-Chairman

SK Harry L. Tripp, Jr.

SK Roger D. Fleer

SK Robert W. Schlichter, PGC (resigned)

REPORT OF RETURNS OF COMMANDERIES COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The committee has reviewed the 2018 Annual Returns from the Missouri Commanderies and have prepared the following observations.

The committee found that 30 of the 32 Commanderies submitted a 2018 Annual Return (94%).

Mountain Grove Commandery No. 66 and East Gate Commandery No. 70 failed to submit 2018 Annual Returns. Both of these Commanderies are in violation of ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 117, Annual Reports and Per Capita Payment which states in part "... Any Commandery that does not submit a complete annual return to the Grand Recorder's office not later than thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery shall forfeit all rights and privileges to representation and voting at the Annual Conclave." and Section 119, Annual Audit of Commanders which states "Each commandery under the jurisdiction of this Grand Commandery shall on or before the 1st day of March of each year make, on standard forms furnished by the Grand Recorder, a financial report and an audit of the books, finances and property of the commandery and transmit by mail a copy of same to the Grand Recorder."

Further, Mountain Grove Commandery No. 66 was not represented at the 2018 Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery by its Commander/proxy, Generalissimo/proxy, and/or Captain General/proxy; and is in violation of

ARTICLE VII, Officers Section 135, Duties of Commander, Paragraph A, which states in part that "... A Commandery that is not represented at an Annual Conclave by at least one of the above officers, or his proxy, shall be placed on probation until the next Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, if it fails to have representation at the second Annual Conclave, its Charter may be arrested. By the fact that Mountain Grove Commandery No. 66 has failed to submit a 2018 Annual Return in a timely fashion it has forfeited all rights and privileges to representation at the 2019 Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery. It is the committee's recommendation that Mountain Grove Commandery No. 66 be investigated and corrective actions taken.

Of the 30 Commanderies that submitted 2018 Annual Returns, 22 were handwritten (73%) and 8 were typed (27%). Of the 30 Commanderies that submitted 2018 Annual Returns, 27 were found to be complete (90%), though not all without issues, and 3 were found to be incomplete (10%).

Of the 27 Commandery 2018 Annual Returns that were judged complete, 2 had audit issues and 5 had IRS 990/990-N issues.

Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24 and DeSoto Commandery No. 56 submitted Audit reports that stated that no audit had been performed. These two Commanderies are in violation of ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 119, Annual Audit of Commanderies. It is the committee's recommendation that these two Commanderies be investigated.

Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No 24, Jasper Commandery No. 31, Ascension Commandery No. 39, Poplar Bluff Commandery No. 67, and Westport Commandery No. 68 all provided evidence that they had submitted a 990-N (e-Postcard) to the IRS, but failed to provide evidence that the filing was accepted by the IRS. The committee strongly suggests that these Commanderies correct this failure next year.

Ascalon Commandery No. 16, Bethany Commandery No. 42, Neosho Commandery No. 57, and Malta Commandery No. 72 failed to submit evidence of an accepted IRS 990/990-N filing. However, each of these Commanderies explained their efforts to resolve their tax status issue. The committee suggests that the status of their individual efforts be closely monitored.

The 2018 Annual Return submitted by Excalibar Commandery No. 5 was determined to be incomplete because they did not pay their entire 2018 per capita bill and they failed to submit evidence of an accepted IRS 990/990-N filing. However, they did explain that they were working with a CPA to resolve

their tax status issue. Regardless, the Commandery is in violation of ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 117, Annual Reports and Per Capita Payment. Because the Commandery submitted an incomplete 2018 Annual Return and failed to correct the 2018 Annual Return by the deadline stipulated in ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 117, Annual Reports and Per Capita Payment, they have forfeited all rights and privileges to representation and voting at the 2019 Annual Conclave. The Commandery was not represented at the 2018 Annual Conclave and, therefore, is in violation of ARTICLE VII, Officers Section 135, Duties of Commander, Paragraph A. It is the committee's recommendation that Excalibar Commandery No. 5 be investigated and corrective actions taken.

The 2018 Annual Return submitted by Emmanuel Commandery No 7 was determined to be incomplete because they failed to provide evidence of IRS 990/990-N filing. The Commandery is in violation of ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 117, Annual Reports and Per Capita Payment. Because the Commandery submitted an incomplete 2018 Annual Return and failed to correct the 2018 Annual Return by the deadline stipulated in ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 117, Annual Reports and Per Capita Payment, they have forfeited all rights and privileges to representation and voting at the 2019 Annual Conclave. In addition, the Commandery included an Audit report that stated that no audit had been performed and, therefore, are in violation of ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 119, Annual Audit of Commanderies. It is the committee's recommendation that this Commandery be investigated.

The 2018 Annual Return submitted by West Plains Commandery No. 48 was determined to be incomplete it did not include evidence of IRS 990/990-N filing. The Commandery is in violation of ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 117, Annual Reports and Per Capita Payment. Because the Commandery submitted an incomplete 2018 Annual Return and failed to correct the 2018 Annual Return by the deadline stipulated in ARTICLE VI, Chartered Commanderies, Section 117, Annual Reports and Per Capita Payment, they have forfeited all rights and privileges to representation and voting at the 2019 Annual Conclave. It is the committee's recommendation that this Commandery be investigated.

The committee also evaluated the Financial report forms submitted as part of the 2018 Annual Returns and found 28 of the 32 Commanderies in compliance with ARTICLE XI, Dues, Section 170. Amount, How Determined which states "The

annual dues of members of a commandery shall not be less than ten dollars (\$10.00) plus Grand Commandery per capita and fees." Mountain Grove Commandery No. 66 and East Gate Commandery No. 70 failed to submit a 2018 Annual Return, so their compliance cannot be determined. Oriental Commandery No. 35 failed to provide their dues information on the Financial report form, so their compliance cannot be determined. Hugh De Payens Commandery No. 4 reported their dues as \$30.00 (minimum Commandery dues are \$22.50 plus \$10.00 which equals \$32.50) which is in violation of Section 170. It is the strong suggestion to all Commanderies that they re-evaluate their dues structure and, if necessary, amend their by-laws to come into compliance with the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery.

Overall, the majority of Missouri's Commanderies are in good financial shape. One Commandery reported that it had no money in the bank at the end of the reporting year and one Commandery reported that it had a very low amount of money in the bank at the end of the reporting year. One Commandery reported indebtedness in excess of bank funds.

A number of Missouri's Commanderies reported that the value of their paraphernalia was zero (or they just entered a "?") indicating one of the following possible cases: they have no paraphernalia, their paraphernalia is unusable and worthless, or their paraphernalia is usable but they failed to attempt to place a value on it. Several Commanderies valued their paraphernalia at below \$500 which the committee believes is below replacement value. Several Commanderies valued their paraphernalia at \$3,000 and more which is much more reasonable.

The following Commanderies have forfeited all rights and privileges to representation and voting at the 2019 Annual Conclave:

Excalibar Commandery No. 5
Emmanuel Commandery No 7
West Plains Commandery No. 48
Mountain Grove Commandery No. 66
East Gate Commandery No. 70

Fraternally submitted,

SK Kevin B. Sample, Chairman
SK Michael C. Rohman

SK Charles E. Cooper
SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC

REPORT OF UNIFORM AND JEWELS COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Uniform and Jewels committee completed two projects this year.

The first project was the development of a new Past Grand Commander jewel.

The PGC jewel described in the Laws and Regulations was based on a design by the Green Company many years ago. However, the original Green Company technically no longer exists and the current Green Company is no longer capable of making the PGC jewel. In addition, the current design costs several thousands of dollars to make. The committee contacted SK John Bridegroom, PGC of Indiana and owner of The Masters Craft manufacturing company, to design a new PGC jewel similar to the current jewel. SK Bridegroom did an excellent job of producing a jewel that was very similar. The committee recommended the purchase of 25 jewels and the Grand Officers concurred with the recommendation. However, the original order of jewels had to be returned for correction of manufacturing issues, but we have been promised that the jewels will be of excellent quality. As of the writing of this report the corrected jewels had not been received.

The second project was the development of a new Missouri Commandery Malta jewel. The previous supplier of Malta jewels used by the Grand Commandery can no longer supply us with Malta jewels. Again, the committee contacted with SK Bridegroom for a Malta jewel design. After months of evaluating different design options, the committee and the Grand Officers decided on a very distinctive design. The committee recommended the purchase of 300 jewels and the Grand Officers concurred. As of the writing of this report the order had not been received.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Clark A. McLemore, Chairman

SK Charles E. Cooper

SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC

REPORT OF HOSPITALER COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Hospitaler committee provided Sir Knight Russell S. Hanson, Grand Recorder and Editor of the Missouri Supplement, with the committee's Christmas message

for publication in the Missouri Supplement and distribution to the Missouri Commanderies. The Christmas message was published in the December 2018 issue of the Knight Templar magazine. Only 4 of our 32 Commanderies informed the committee about how they observed Christmas. Hugh De Payens Commandery No. 5, held a Christmas Memorial Service on Wednesday, December 5th and had 23 Sir Knights in attendance. St. Graal Commandery No. 12, Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29, and Rolla Commandery No. 59 held a Region 4 Table Commandery and Christmas Observance on Friday, December 7th and collected donations for the Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund.

The committee also provided Sir Knight Hanson with the committee's Easter message for publication in the Missouri Supplement and distribution to the Missouri Commanderies. The Easter message was published in the February 2019 issue of the Knight Templar magazine. Only 2 of our 32 Commanderies informed the committee about how they observed Easter. Ely Commandery No. 22 held an Easter Service on Easter Sunday, April 21st. They had 65 Sir Knights in attendance and collected donations for the Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund. O'Sullivan Commandery No. 15 held an Easter Observance during their regularly stated conclave on Monday, April 8th.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Harry L. Tripp, Jr., Chairman

SK Clark A. McLemore

SK Charles E. Cooper, Vice-Chairman

SK Michael C. Rohman

REPORT OF TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Triennial committee is pleased to report that the Grand Commandery of the State of Missouri was represented at the 67th Knights Templar Triennial Conclave by Grand Commander Roger Fleer, two Past Grand Commanders (Richard Mansfield and Thomas Yunick), and three current line officers (Clark McLemore, Charles Cooper, and Harry Tripp). Additionally, Missouri was represented by Ladies Patti Fleer, Ginger McLemore, and Christopher Yunick.

The Conclave was held at the Marriot downtown in Indianapolis, Indiana August 18 through 22, 2018. The hotel was spacious and comfortable. The hotel staff were gracious, friendly and ever-ready to assist.

The business sessions and election were historical in that voting was done electronically. That method of voting was well received by the membership and

resulted in considerable time saved in determining the outcome of membership business decisions as well as the election of the 2018 - 2021 Grand Officers.

The 68th triennium elected line officers are: Sir Knight Jeffrey N. Nelson, Most Eminent Grand Master, from Bismarck, North Dakota; Sir Knight Michael B. Jackson, Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master, from Crowheart, Wyoming; Sir Knight David J. Kussman, Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo, from Anaheim, California; and the new kid on the block Sir Knight Jeffrey A. Bolstad, Right Eminent Grand Captain General, from Lewistown, Montana.

The Missouri State dinner was held at St. Elmo Steak House and was attended by all of the Missouri Sir Knights and Ladies present at the Triennial.

The sum of \$2,131.77 was available to be utilized to offset the expenses of the Grand Commander, line officers, and Past Grand Commanders in attendance. A total of \$2,121.76 was dispensed. As tradition, the food portion of the State dinner expense was paid in full. The remaining money was divided between the attendees with the exception of Grand Commander Fleer who gave a verbal order that his share be divided between the other attending Sir Knights. Expenses listed as occurred, were paid by Chariman Yunick via personal check and credit card.

A detailed receipt for the expenses of \$2,121.76 was provided to the Missouri Grand Commandery. Grand Commandery Check No. 1930 for the sum of \$2,121.76 was received by PGC Yunick.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Thomas C. Yunick, PGC, Chairman

SK Daniel R. Quesenberry, PGC

SK Michael C. Rohman

REPORT OF EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE COMMITTEE Kansas City

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

This years MidAmerica Easter Sunrise Service was a success for no other reason than we as Knight Templars were able to come together to celebrate and honor the death and RESURRECTION of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

We were honored to have with us this year Most Worshipful Brother R. Tim Thomas, Grand Master of the State of Missouri, Right Worshipful Brother Stanton T. Brown, II, Deputy Grand Master of the State of Missouri, Ms. Kimberly Burnett, Supreme Worthy President, Social Order of the Beauceant, Sir Knight David J.

Kussman, RE Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar U.S.A., Sir Knight Jeffrey A. Bolstad, RE Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar U.S.A., Sir Knight & Dr. Paul Erickson, RE Associate Prelate of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar U.S.A., Sir Knight Jack M. Harper, RE Department Commander, South Central Department, Sir Knight Daniel R. Sherry, RE Department Commander, North Central Department, Sir Knight T. Mike Fegan, RE Past Department Commander, South Central, Sir Knight Robert Cronk, RE Past Department Commander, North Central Department, Sir Knight Roger Fleer, RE Grand Commander of the State of Missouri, Sir Knight Mark Keagle, RE Grand Commander of the State of Illinois, Sir Knight LeRoy Kifer, RE Grand Commander of the State of Wisconsin, Sir Knight Douglas E. Pamp, RE Grand Commander of the State of Minnesota, Sir Knight John T. Staton, RE Grand Commander of the State of Kansas, Sir Knight Jeffrey Coleman, RE Grand Commander of the State of Nebraska, Sir Knight Mark McGee, RE Grand Commander of the State of Oklahoma, six additional Grand Commandery Officers from foreign jurisdictions, approximately one hundred fifty Sir Knights, wives, family, Masonic Youth, and community.

The Saturday night social and dinner was attended by sixty-two guest. The hors d'oeuvres, meal, and beverages were delicious and plentiful. The company exceptional and a good time was had by all. After introductions Most Worshipful Brother Tim Thomas, Grand Master of Missouri shared his diagnosis, fight, and victory over cancer with the aid of family, friends, prayer warriors, and the grace of God. It was truly touching and inspirational.

Sunday morning was beautiful weather, even with a strong wind out of the southeast, the service was exceptional. The Jobs Daughters and DeMolay lead the procession of Knights Templar onto the East Observation Deck followed by the Grand Encampment office with our own Sir Knight Adam James, Generalissimo of Kansas City Commandery number 10 acting as the Grand Encampment's Standard Bearer. The Grand Encampment was followed by the Grand Commanderies of Indiana, Texas, Illinois, California, Wisconsin, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, Kansas, Nebraska, Montana, and Oklahoma.

Upon Sir Knights taking their respective stations the DeMolay presented the American Flag for the Pledge of Allegiance and then posted the American and Christian flags. The Jobs Daughters performed the Bible ceremony to open the service and Sir Knight & Doctor, Paul Erickson conducted the service along with reading performed by the following Grand Encampment and Grand Commandery officers: Right Eminent Sir Knights David Kussman, Jeffrey Bolstad, Jack M.

Harper, Daniel Sherry, Roger Fleer, Matt McGee, John T. Staton. Right Eminent Sir Knight Daniel Quesenberry, Grand Chorister of the State of Missouri led the worship music. Of course the event would not have been complete with the Social Order of the Beauceants commandeering chapeaus in order to collect a donation of \$311.00 (suggested donation of \$1.00 per Sir Knight) for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation.

It was very nice to share the mid-morning with thirty-two Sir Knights and their wives over a great brunch at Benton's overlooking the beautiful Kansas City Skyline.

The Committee would like to thank all the Sir Knights, their wives and family, Jobs Daughters, DeMolay, and all those who help make this years Easter Sunrise Service something special.

The Committee Chair would like to thank all the members of the Committee for their hard work, especially Sir Knight Donald McCormick for heading up external communication, Sir Knight Larry Walters for the amazing photography, and Lady Debbie Fegan, Past Supreme Worthy President of the Social Order of the Beauceant for adding an extra touch of class.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Aaron E. Rose, Chairman
SK Frederick A. Troxel, Jr., PGC, Vice-Chairman

REPORT OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Grand York Rite web site continues to be well maintained by our Web Master, SK Donald MacCormick. The Grand Recorder and the Grand York Rite Office continues to use email as the primary method of communication with the Grand Officers of the Grand Commandery and the Officers and members of the constituent Commanderies.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Kevin B. Sample, Chairman
SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Vice-Chairman
SK Donald MacCormick SK F. Brad Fowler SK Aron M. Shoemaker

REPORT OF EMERGING LEADERS COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Emerging Leaders committee wants to remind Commanders, Regional Grand Commanders, and Regional Officers to continue to identify Sir Knights who would benefit from the Emerging Leaders Training program which is offered by the Grand Encampment. Names, address, and contact information should be submitted to the Chairman of the committee no later than August 1st each year.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Harry L. Tripp, Jr., Chairman SK Dennis A. Abernathy, Vice-Chairman
SK Bobbie E. White SK Michael C. Rohman
SK Terry D. Coppotelli

REPORT OF ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Grand Commandery Endowed Membership Fund has a total membership of 243 with a total endowed value of \$122,660.52. It had a 2018 distribution value of \$1,372.52 to the Commanderies and Grand Commandery.

However the distribution was very meager. The earnings must be a minimum of almost 2%, in order to pay the Grand Encampment per capita. Therefore, the only distribution to Commanderies was for those with deceased members.

However, on the bright side, Commanderies received a distribution for their deceased endowed members and paid no per capita to the Grand Commandery for their living endowed members.

Investments have been in a combination of interest bearing money market accounts and Certificates of Deposit. Current interest rates have limited these monies from being invested in long-term certificates.

Grand Commandery investments have been made with the understanding that all investments must be in obligations of the United States, or in securities or accounts fully insured or guaranteed by the United States or an agency of the United States. A detailed review of the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri has revealed that such is not required. Therefore, with the concurrence of the Grand Commander and the Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Accounts, future investments will

be transitioned toward the same requirements as apply to the Grand Chapter and Grand Council. Such investment strategy should enhance the amounts that may be realized for the annual distribution to the Grand Commandery and individual Commanderies.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Chairman
SK Thomas C. Yunick, PGC, Vice-Chairman
SK Harold F. Coots, PGC

REPORT OF FORMS & PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The forms and publications of the Grand Commandery continue to be posted on the Grand York Rite web site for easy access by the Grand Commandery and constituent Commanderies.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman
SK Donald MacCormick
SK F. Brad Fowler

SK Kevin B. Sample

REPORT OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Fraternal Activities committee regrets to inform the Grand Commandery that it has nothing to report at this time.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Michael C. Rohman, Chairman
SK David D Phillips

SK Bobbie E. White, Vice-Chairman
SK Terry D. Coppotelli

REPORT OF HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

Due to the passing of Sir Knight Kevin Weaver who was the chairman of the Holy Land Pilgrimage committee, I was promoted to chairman. Sir Knight Weaver and I had discussed a candidate for the Holy Land Pilgrimage. I approved the petition of the candidate and I believe that Sir Knight Weaver submitted it on to the

Grand Commander. I did not hear if the candidate was ultimately approved or if a pastor was sent to the Holy Land from Missouri this year.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Roy L. Gilkey, Chairman

SK Ronald E. Wood Jr., HPGC

REPORT OF HONOR COMMANDERY AWARD COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Honor Commandery Award committee received application forms from the following Commanderies:

Liberty Commandery No. 6 - SK Thomas Swearngin, Commander

Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8 - SK Glenn Barry Parker, Commander

Kansas City Commandery No. 10 - SK Brian Kelley Mercer, Commander

St Graal Commandery No. 12 - SK Kevin B. Sample, Commander

Ascalon Commandery No. 16 - SK Darren A. Beck, Commander

Palestine Commandery No. 17 - SK Richard Allen Riepe, Commander

Ely Commandery No. 22 - SK Nikolaus A. Schroff, Commander

Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29 – SK Stuart English, Commander

Lebanon Commandery No. 33 – SK George David Adams, Commander

The Commanderies were found to have meet the requirements. Their forms were found to be in correct order and submitted in a timely fashion.

On behalf of the committee, I wish to express our appreciation to the above Commanderies for their attention to detail and their participation in the Honor Award program.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Clark A. McLemore, Chairman
SK Harry L. Tripp, Jr.

SK Charles E. Cooper, Vice-Chairman
SK Dennis A. Abernathy

REPORT OF INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

All Grand Commandery Funds are currently invested in banking institutions in Missouri. All accounts are interest bearing, with no service charges, and with

amounts being maintained at less than \$250,000.00 in any one banking institution.

Investments have been in a combination of interest bearing money market accounts and Certificates of Deposit. Current interest rates have limited these monies from being invested in long-term certificates.

Grand Commandery investments have been made with the understanding that all investments must be in obligations of the United States, or in securities or accounts fully insured or guaranteed by the United States or an agency of the United States. A detailed review of the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri has revealed that such is not required. Therefore, with the concurrence of the Grand Commander and the Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Accounts, future investments are being transitioned toward the same requirements as apply to the Grand Chapter and Grand Council. Such investment strategy should enhance the overall return on investments.

Also, in concurrence with the Finance and Accounts Committee, it has been agreed that future earnings from the General Fund (Special Account) will be automatically transferred to the General Fund. Hopefully, this strategy will reduce future needs for per capita increases.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Chairman SK Harold F. Coots, PGC, Vice-Chairman
SK Michael C. Rohman

REPORT OF RITUAL AND DRILL COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Ritual and Drill committee regrets to inform the Grand Commandery that it has nothing to report at this time.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Ronnie E. Green, PGC, Chairman
SK Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.
SK Kevin B. Sample

SK Charles E. Cooper
SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC

REPORT OF YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS COMMITTEE

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

The Youth Organizations committee regrets to inform the Grand Commandery that it has nothing to report at this time.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Adam M. Iwanow, Chairman SK William J. Sherman, Vice Chairman

REPORT OF THE 2019 ANNUAL CONCLAVE OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF ARKANSAS

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

It was my pleasure to represent Sir Knight Roger D. Fleer, Right Eminent Grand Commander Knights Templar of the State of Missouri at the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Arkansas on Saturday, March 9, 2019.

I was greeted and received under an Arch of Steel by my good friend and Sir Knight William Paul Wilson, Right Eminent Grand Commander of Arkansas. Sir Knight Wilson extended his greetings to the Right Eminent Grand Commander of Missouri and wished him well in his upcoming Grand Session.

As instructed by Sir Knight Fleer, I passed on his regrets at being unable to attend this meeting of the "Southern Conference" of Missouri and extended an invitation from him and the Sir Knights of Arkansas to attend the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Missouri in June.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Robert W. Schlichter, PGC
Personal Representative of SK Roger D. Fleer, Grand Commander

MISSOURI GRAND YORK RITE NECROLOGY 2018-2019

To the Grand Commandery of Knight Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights,

Listed below is a roster of the Companions and Sir Knights reported between May 19, 2018 and May 18, 2019 in MMS as having passed away. This list is by no means comprehensive, but it is presented as a memorial to our departed Brethren, Companions, and Sir Knights.

| Member Name | Departed | Affiliations |
|-------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Aaron, Thomas John | 12-08-2018 | CH32, CO39, KT59 |
| Anderson, Dallas L. | 11-19-2016 | CH12, KT17 |
| Astel Sr., Arthur B. | 12-13-2018 | CH146 |
| Atkins, John Douglas | 12-03-2014 | CH32, CO39, KT59 |
| Barnert, Edgar B. | 05-29-2017 | CH10, CO42 |
| Barnes, Fred Darrell | 03-14-2019 | CH129, CO43, KT56 |
| Bauer, Donald | | CH148 |
| Bay, Edward R. | 10-30-2018 | CH148 |
| Beal, William F. | 04-07-2019 | CH78 |
| Beard, William T. | 04-27-2006 | KT3 |
| Beasley, Donald Keith | 09-28-2018 | CH43 |
| Bennett, Earl Larry | 12-18-2012 | CH10 |
| Bennett, Gary L. | 10-23-2018 | CH10, CO24, KT3 |
| Boydston, Marion Howard | 08-20-2018 | CH14, CO9, KT4 |
| Braun, Ryan J. | | CH148 |
| Brock, Robert L. | 04-28-2013 | CH52, CO46, KT57 |
| Bruns, Cordell J. | 10-24-2018 | CH148 |
| Buck Sr., Clifford J. | | CH148 |
| Buck Sr., Melvin A. | 11-22-2012 | CH148 |
| Bugg, James B. | 05-29-2018 | CH15, CO25, KT20 |
| Carter, Kenneth R. | 09-08-2015 | CH32, CO39 |
| Chapin, Loren L. | 10-15-2018 | CH14, CO9, KT4 |
| Christy, Dean Millard | 06-08-2018 | CH17 |
| Chumbler, Gene J. | 06-10-2018 | CH78, CO48, KT16 |
| Clark, Fred L. | 03-30-2019 | CH52, CO46, KT57 |
| Clark, Paul Arthur | 09-18-2016 | CO42 |
| Clement, Robert L. | 03-08-2014 | CH91 |

| Member Name | Departed | Affiliations |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Cobb, Eldon L. | 02-15-2019 | CH15, CO25, KT20 |
| Copeland, Jesse C. | 12-13-2011 | CO42 |
| Cowan, Robert Arthur | 04-20-2007 | CO42 |
| Cox, Francis H. | 02-28-2011 | CH136, KT70 |
| Creason, Walter Ray | 01-09-2009 | KT3 |
| Creech, Dee B. | 12-03-2012 | CH99 |
| Crews, Neil R. | 10-31-2018 | CH10, CO49, KT3 |
| Cripps, Lawrence Milton | 03-30-2019 | CH56, CO41, KT15 |
| Crow, Gerald Barclay | 08-29-2018 | CH53, CO44, KT22 |
| Culver, Floyd Eugene | 12-13-2009 | CO42 |
| Cundiff, William Vincil | 07-28-2011 | CH53, CO44, KT22 |
| Day, Harold L. | 07-10-2011 | CH43 |
| Dean, Larry Max | 12-12-2017 | CH66, CO37, KT24 |
| Delcour, Howard J. | 09-24-2018 | CH32, CO39, KT59 |
| Dixon, William Clark | 09-23-2010 | KT70 |
| Duncan, Roy L. | 05-09-2019 | CH32, CO39, KT59 |
| Dunn, Steven M. | 03-29-2017 | CH15, CO25, KT20 |
| Dye, Kyle L. | 05-31-2018 | CH15, CO25, KT20 |
| Elliott, Jonathon C. | 03-01-2019 | CH146, CO48 |
| Engle Jr., Hugh Curtright | 07-22-2018 | CH99, KT72 |
| Farthing, John R. | 05-18-2015 | CH15, CO25, KT20 |
| Feaster, Roger L. | 03-24-2011 | KT4 |
| Ferris, James Carr | 08-07-2013 | CH34, CO32, KT29 |
| Flanagan, Timothy John | 04-17-2018 | CO25 |
| Fleischmann, August Charles | 02-14-2010 | CH10 |
| Ford, Edward Ray | 10-29-2018 | CH53, CO44, KT22 |
| Garrison, William W. | 01-19-2013 | CH43, CO38 |
| Green, Chriss L. | 12-01-2018 | CH12, CO49, KT17 |
| Haddock Jr., Arnold Dennis | 07-29-2018 | CH148, CO48, KT16 |
| Hager, Joseph Leslie | 04-02-2012 | CH1 |
| Handlin, Ralph B. | | CH61, CO41, KT31 |
| Harle Sr., Frederick M. | 04-20-2019 | CH12, CO49, KT17 |
| Harper, Robert W. | 06-30-2018 | CH75, CO20, KT55 |
| Harris, Lloyd Sanford | 09-08-2013 | CH64, CO25, KT33 |
| Hartoebben, Ronald H. | 12-30-2018 | CH146, CO48, KT16 |
| Haynes, Virgil L. | 01-21-2019 | CH14, KT4 |

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|----------------------------|------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Heathman, Dawson H. | 05-10-2018 | KT3 | Mansfield, Harvey L. | 01-17-2011 | KT17 |
| Hedrick, Ray Lee | 03-10-2019 | CH78, CO1 | Marshall, Robert | 10-30-2013 | CO42 |
| Herington, Wayne M. | 11-10-2011 | CH66, CO37 | Martin, Lloyd L. | 05-30-2018 | CH10, KT3 |
| Hess, Jerry N. | 06-01-2017 | CH12, CO49, KT17 | Matters, Edward Richard | 04-06-2012 | CH52, CO46 |
| Hickey, Ronald M. | 03-08-2019 | CH129, CO43, KT56 | McCauley, Richard R. | | CH64, CO56, KT33 |
| Higman, Charles D. | 11-01-2014 | CH15, CO25, KT20 | McFarland, Dan M. | 12-24-2018 | CH1, CO1, KT16 |
| Hildreth, Melvin H. | 07-02-2015 | CH52, CO46, KT57 | McGuire, Donald Edward | 06-27-2018 | CH129, CO43, KT56 |
| Hinkle, James D. | 12-01-2016 | CH12, CO49, KT17 | McIntyre, Bernard A. | 03-25-2018 | CH32, CO39, KT59 |
| Hoffmann, Joseph William | 09-09-2018 | CH78, CO48, KT16 | McKee, Jennings E. | 06-30-2011 | CH34, CO32, KT29 |
| Hogan, H. Thomas | | CH148 | McMichael, Albert Lee | 11-17-2014 | CH1 |
| Holmes, Richard John | 05-27-2018 | CH25, CO40, KT8 | Merry, Robert E. | 05-04-2019 | CH78, CO48, KT16 |
| Holt, Nelson | 06-20-2018 | CH15, CO25, KT20 | Muehlrath, Kenneth | 11-01-2018 | CH78 |
| Hoss, James R. | | CH32, CO39, KT59 | Mueller, Edwin H. | 06-14-2005 | CH34, CO32, KT29 |
| Houge, Larry R. | 08-25-2018 | CH15, CO25, KT20 | Murry, Thomas D. | 01-12-2011 | KT3 |
| Howard, Charles W. | 11-04-2018 | CH14, CO9, KT4 | Neighbors, William James | | CH146, CO48, KT59 |
| Humphrey, Henry Keith | 01-12-2019 | CH53, CO44, KT22 | Nixon, Harold Erwin | 01-10-2009 | CH12 |
| Hunter, Clarence W. | 01-01-2017 | CH78 | Noel, Jim S. | 06-08-2016 | CH102, CO24, KT35 |
| Hunziker, Melvin L. | 04-10-2017 | CH34, CO32, KT29 | Owens, Robert Lee | 09-15-2017 | CH102, CO24, KT35 |
| Jenkins, Robert Dean | 11-25-2018 | CH284, CO38, KT68 | Owings, Dr. Richard Bainbridge | 05-15-2018 | CH66, CO37, KT24 |
| Ketcherside, Jerry D. | | CH148 | Pehlman, Joseph E. | 08-19-2018 | CH114, CO27, KT67 |
| Kime, Doyle C. | 06-20-2008 | CH66, CO37 | Perry, John L. | 02-10-2006 | CH66 |
| Kirch, Joseph J. | | CO45 | Perry, Leslie Lee | 01-23-2017 | CH15, CO25, KT20 |
| Knight, Homer Roy | 04-19-2011 | KT33 | Phillips, Harold W. | 10-17-2010 | CH34 |
| Koch, Charles F. | 05-12-2019 | CH10, KT3 | Pinson, Warren Alfred | 12-03-2015 | CH43 |
| Kropf, Jack M. | 10-16-2012 | CH43 | Poteet Jr., William T. | 02-01-2010 | CH102, KT35 |
| Kueffer, Cletus E. | 04-02-2018 | CH34 | Price, John Max | 08-15-2017 | CH110, CO25 |
| Kuhn, James P. | 11-04-2018 | CH12, CO49, KT17 | Price Jr., Charles N. | 09-03-2018 | KT59 |
| Lawrence, Gregory A. | 10-03-2018 | CH53, CO44, KT22 | Purdy, Duane C. | 02-21-2018 | CH102, CO24, KT35 |
| Lewis, Elmer E. | 12-03-2018 | CH15, KT20 | Pyle, Leland Charles | 10-04-2018 | CH5, CO25, KT43 |
| Loomis M.D., Dr. Gordon R. | 01-27-2019 | KT20 | Rainey, Glendell Norman | 02-25-2018 | CH99, CO47, KT72 |
| Lowe, Forrest G. | 03-19-2017 | KT70 | Reams Jr., Charles W. | 12-20-2017 | CH78, KT16 |
| Lubker, Wallace T. | 04-30-2011 | CH1 | Reeves, George R. | 05-24-2012 | CH56, CO41, KT31 |
| Lucas Jr., Rafe | 11-29-2018 | CH66, CO37, KT24 | Rethemeyer, Gene A. | 01-19-2019 | CH14, CO9, KT4 |
| MacCabee, Jack | | CH78, CO48 | Riddle, James Doyle | 09-20-2018 | CH56, CO41, KT15 |
| Malone, Charles P. | 10-09-2018 | CH17 | Roberts, Gerald Joe | 07-12-2018 | CH43 |
| Manley, Ralph K. | 05-06-2019 | CH15, CO25, KT20 | Rockhold, Thomas Lee | 04-01-2012 | CH10 |

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|-------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Sanford, Donald Eugene | 07-05-2018 | CH99, CO59, KT72 |
| Schell, Rollin J. | 08-23-2018 | CH10 |
| Schneider, Vern H. | 03-13-2019 | CH1, CO1, KT8 |
| Scott, Jeffry J. | 06-17-2016 | KT20 |
| Sexson, Farrell Dean | 10-03-2018 | CH43 |
| Sheppard Jr., Homer T. | 08-03-2013 | CH32, CO39 |
| Short, Harold | 07-10-2016 | KT31 |
| Skaggs, William Ancel | 08-27-2018 | CH78 |
| Smith Jr., Uriah S. | 08-01-2008 | CH136, KT70 |
| Soutiea Jr., Wilfred G. | 08-15-2018 | CH146, CO48, KT16 |
| Spickler, John W. | 11-24-2018 | CH1, CO1 |
| Spurgeon, William L. | 06-01-2018 | CH146, CO48, KT16 |
| Squires, Sam G. | 10-15-2015 | KT20 |
| Stock, Hans Henry | | CH148, CO48, KT16 |
| Taylor, Bob Gail | 06-28-2018 | CH34 |
| Taylor, Daniel L.W. | 11-19-2018 | CO40 |
| Taylor, Rex Allen | 08-01-2017 | CH12, CO49, KT17 |
| Thomas, Bill K. | 02-02-2014 | CH43 |
| Thomas, D. David | 08-19-2011 | CH10 |
| Thurman, William L. | 06-01-2017 | CH12, KT17 |
| Tracy, Ceborn L. | 05-01-2018 | CH15, CO25, KT20 |
| Ulmer Jr., H. Ray | 06-24-2014 | CH66, CO37 |
| Unruh, Leroy Dale | 03-16-2019 | CH129, CO43, KT56 |
| Vaughn, William H. | 04-22-2018 | CH14, CO9, KT4 |
| Walker, Thomas E. | 07-12-2009 | CH1 |

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|-------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Watson, David H. | 11-12-2014 | CH1 |
| Weaver, Rev. Kevin Earl | 02-06-2019 | CH148, CO48, KT16 |
| Welch, Garold | 02-18-2016 | KT66 |
| Whitaker, Robert Toombs | 10-05-2018 | CH3, CO50, KT6 |
| White, Chas | 01-13-2017 | CH99, KT72 |
| White, Harvey H. | 08-13-2018 | CH114, CO27, KT67 |
| Whiteley, John Charles | 01-20-2013 | CH1 |
| Whitman, James Henry | 01-10-2019 | CH5, CO25, KT43 |
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