

# PRELIMINARY PROCEEDINGS

of the

One Hundred Sixty-First  
Annual Conclave

of the

Grand Commandery of Knights  
Templar of the State of Missouri

held

June 10, 2022

Capitol Plaza Hotel  
Jefferson City, Missouri



# Grand Commandery of Missouri

## 161st Annual Conclave Schedule

(subject to modification as necessary)

<b>Time</b>	<b>Friday, June 10, 2022</b>		
6:30 am	KYCH Breakfast Meeting - Members Only (Lincoln) Others - Breakfast On Your Own		Report of the Grand Treasurer Report of the Grand Recorder Routine Business & Additional Reports (as needed)
7:00	Registration - Commandery only - until 10:30 am (Atrium)	10:30	Election of 2022-2023 Grand Commandery Officers Report of the Election Committee Acceptance of the Grand Commandery Officers-Elect Report of the Grand Commander-Elect with Appointments Report of the Committee on Time and Place Address of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment or Representative
8:30 am	Opening Ceremonies of 161st 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 the 2021-2022 Grand Commandery Officers Roll Call of the Grand Representatives Reception of the Regional Grand Commanders Reception of the Past Grand Commanders of Missouri Reception of the Out of State Grand Commandery Officers Reception of the Heads of Missouri York Rite Bodies Reception of the National Body Representatives Reception of the Grand Encampment Officers Reception of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment or Representative & brief remarks Reception of the Grand Lodge Officers Reception of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri or representative & brief remarks Summary Address of the Grand Commander Necrology: Part of the Grand Commander's Address Dismissal of the Ladies and Non-Member Guests	11:45 12:00 pm	Address of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge or Representative Grand Commandery Called from Labor until 3:00 pm Lunch Hosted by Tall Cedars of Lebanon - Reception for Distinguished Brother Joseph S. Russell, Supreme Tall Cedar, Supreme Forest Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America - Open to All(Lincoln) 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 2022-2023 Grand Commandery Officers - Open to Ladies and Guests (Capitol/Truman)
		4:30	161st Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri Called from Labor Pictures
9:30	Formal Reconvening of 161st Annual Conclave of Missouri Preliminary Report of the Credentials Committee Report of the Committee on Address of the Grand Commander Report of the Jurisprudence Committee Report of the Finance and Accounts Committee	6:00 7:00	Grand Officer Reception - Open to All - Cash Bar (Atrium) Grand York Rite Awards Banquet - Cash Bar - Open to All (Jefferson/Missouri)

**Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Missouri  
2021-2022**

**Elected and Appointed Officers**

Harry L. Tripp, Jr. - Grand Commander  
 Michael C. Rohman. - Deputy Grand Commander  
 Kevin B. Sample - Grand Generalissimo  
 Bobbie E. White - Grand Captain General  
 Ronald L. Skiles - Grand Senior Warden  
 Terry D. Coppoteilli - Grand Junior Warden  
 Donald L. Trabue, PGC - Grand Treasurer  
 Roger D. Fler, PGC - Grand Recorder  
 Russell S. Hanson, PGC - Grand Recorder Emeritus  
 Kyle W. West - Grand Prelate  
 Matthew L. Quesenberry - Grand Standard Bearer  
 Glenn B. Parker - Grand Sword Bearer  
 Thomas E. Christine - Grand Warder  
 Michael R. Stevens - Grand Sentinel  
 Steven C. Monrotus - Aide-De-Camp  
 William J.B. Mathis, Jr. - Inner Guard  
 Dennis E. Fetter - Inner Guard  
 David L. Raymer - Inner Guard  
 Michael S. Smith - Inner Guard  
 Russell S. Hanson, PGC - Grand Historian  
 Daniel R. Quesenberry, PGC - Grand Chorister  
 Steven C. Monrotus - Grand Organist  
 Larry F. Walters - Grand Photographer  
 William R. Brantley - Assistant Grand Photographer

Donald E. Gilkerson - Assistant Grand Photographer  
 Russell S. Hanson, PGC - KTEF Representative  
 Russell S. Hanson, PGC - Editor for MO, Knight Templar Magazine  
 Debbie L. Hanson - Executive Assistant to the Grand Recorder

**Regional Grand Commanders**

**Region 1: 5, 22, 72**

Ashley W. Young - Regional Grand Commander

**Region 2: 4, 42**

Richard L. Slater - Regional Grand Commander

**Region 3: 3, 6, 10, 17, 35**

F. Bradley Fowler - Regional Grand Commander

Joseph S. Russell - Regional Grand Commander

**Region 4: 12, 29, 59**

W. Stuart English - Regional Grand Commander

**Region 5: 8, 16**

W. Larry Wilson - Regional Grand Commander

**Region 6: 55, 56, 67**

Kyle W. West - Regional Grand Commander

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

Royce P. Wahl, Jr. - Regional Grand Commander

William M. Westmoreland - Regional Grand Commander

**Regional Officers**

Kevin B. Sample - Region 1

Bobbie E. White - Region 2

Ronald L. Skiles - Region 3

Terry D. Coppoteilli - Region 4

Matthew L. Quesenberry - Region 5

Glenn B. Parker - Region 6

Thomas E. Christine - Region 7

**Standing Committees**

Address of the Grand Commander	
Charles E. Cooper, PGC, Chairman	
Roger D. Fleer, PGC	Clark A. McLemore, PGC
Credentials	
Phillip W. Engel, Chairman	
Robert L. Schmidt	Terry R. Struse
Finance and Accounts	
Kevin B. Sample, Chairman	Michael C. Rohman
Terry D. Coppoteilli	Roger D. Fleer, PGC
Donald L. Trabue, PGC	Russell S. Hanson, PGC
Hospitaler	
Michael C. Rohman, Chairman	Kevin B. Sample
Bobbie E. White	Ronald L. Skiles
Returns of Commanderies	
Michael C. Rohman, Chairman	Kevin B. Sample
Bobbie E. White	Roger D. Fleer, PGC
Russell S. Hanson, PGC	
Templar Jurisprudence	
Todd A. Schulze, Chairman	
William G. Snyder	Kevin B. Sample
John C. Caraker	Russell S. Hanson, PGC
Time and Place	
Michael C. Rohman, Chairman	Kevin B. Sample
Roger D. Fleer, PGC	Russell S. Hanson, PGC
Triennial	
Thomas C. Yunick, PGC, Chairman	
Richard L. Mansfield, PGC	
Clark A. McLemore, PGC	Michael C. Rohman

**Special Committees**

Annual Conclave	
Michael C. Rohman, Chairman	Kevin B. Sample
Roger D. Fleer, PGC	Russell S. Hanson, PGC

**Special Committees (continued)**

Audit	
Kevin B. Sample, Chairman	Michael C. Rohman
Terry D. Coppoteilli	Roger D. Fleer, PGC
Donald L. Trabue, PGC	Russell S. Hanson, PGC
Bright Knight	
Michael C. Rohman, Chairman	Russell S. Hanson, PGC
Dennis A. Abernathy	William M. Westmoreland
Drill Competition	
Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman	
Kevin B. Sample	
Drill Competition Judges	
Roger D. Fleer, PGC, Judge 1	
Bobbie E. White, Judge 2	
Harold F. Coots, PGC, Judge 3	
Terry D. Coppoteilli, Judge 4	
Joseph S. Russell, Judge 5	
Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Admin and Scoring	
Kevin B. Sample, Admin and Scoring	
Educational Foundation	
Todd A. Schulze (2025), Chairman	
David C. Witte (2022)	
Thomas C. Yunick, PGC (2023)	
Clifton W. Wofford (2024)	
Matthew L. Quesenberry (2026)	
Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Secretary, non-voting	
Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Treasurer, non-voting	
Electronic Communications	
Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman	
Kevin B. Sample	Donald MacCormick
Roger D. Fleer, PGC	

**Special Committees (continued)**

## Endowed Membership

Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Chairman

Harold F Coots, PGC

Roger D. Fleer, PGC

## Forms and Publications

Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman

Kevin B. Sample

Donald MacCormick

Roger D. Fleer, PGC

## Holy Land Pilgrimage

Roy L. Gilkey, Chairman

Dale R. Roller

Kyle W. West

## Honor Commandery Award

Michael C. Rohman, Chairman

Kevin B. Sample

Bobbie E. White

## Investments

Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Chairman

Harold F Coots, PGC

Michael C. Rohman

## Membership

Gregory J. Walker, Chairman

Corey B. Huntsucker, Sub-Chairman Recruitment

Ronald L. Skiles, Sub-Chairman Retention

Terry D. Coppotelli, Sub-Chairman Restoration

Danny P. Dubree, Sub-Chairman Masonic/Public Relations

## Ritual and Drill

Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman

Kevin B. Sample

Terry D. Coppoteilli

## Missouri Past Commanders Association

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

## Conclave Program Book

Russell S. Hanson, PGC

**Living Past Grand Commanders**

Donald L. Trabue (1994-1995)

E. Allen Kohler, Honorary (1995)

Lionel J. Goede (1999-2000)

Rocky E. Weaver (2000-2001)

Thomas C. Yunick (2003-2004)

Kevin B. Sample, Honorary (2006)

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)

Roger D. Fleer (2018-2019)

Clark A. McLemore (2019-2020)

Charles E. Cooper (2020-2021)

Dennis A. Abernathy, Honorary (2021)

**Grand Commandery Representatives**

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>To Missouri</u>
<b>United States of America</b>	
Alabama.....	Frank R. von Geyso
Alaska .....	Loren D. Lloyd
Arizona .....	Vacant
Arkansas.....	Terry R. Struse
California .....	Russell S. Hanson
Colorado.....	Dennis L. Hammack
Connecticut .....	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.
Delaware .....	Vacant
District of Columbia .....	Carlin L. Smittle
Florida.....	Harold F. Coots
Georgia.....	Vacant
Hawaii .....	K. Trent Moreland
Idaho .....	Larry D. Wyatt
Illinois .....	Harry L. Tripp, Jr.
Indiana .....	Vacant
Iowa.....	Vacant
Kansas .....	Bob L. Detherow
Kentucky .....	Michael C. Rohman
Louisiana.....	Robert W. Schlichter
Maine .....	Vacant
Maryland .....	James L. Woodfin, Jr.
Massachusetts/Rhode Island .....	Dennis E. Fetter
Michigan.....	Marion W. Dey
Minnesota.....	Thomas C. Yunick
Mississippi.....	Vacant
Montana .....	Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.
Nebraska .....	Charles E. Cooper
Nevada.....	Jeffrey A. Keevil
New Hampshire .....	J. Joseph Hayes
New Jersey .....	Vacant

**Grand Commandery Representatives**

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>To Missouri</u>
<b>United States of America</b>	
New Mexico .....	Vacant
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.....	Vacant
South Dakota.....	Roger D. Fleer
Tennessee.....	Kevin B. Sample
Texas.....	Aaron M. Shoemaker
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
<b>Other Jurisdictions</b>	
Austria.....	Vacant
Brasil .....	Vacant
Croatia .....	Aaron E. Rose
Italy.....	Curtis M. Rickman
Mexico.....	Vacant
Panama .....	Vacant
Philippines .....	Vacant
Portugal.....	Vacant
Romania .....	Vacant
Togo.....	Joseph S. Russell

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND COMMANDER 2021-2022

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

Sir Knights,

I thank all of the Sir Knights who have allowed me to serve this year as your Grand Commander. It has truly been the honor of my lifetime to serve in this capacity and I will never forget the kindness and consideration that you have shown me during this personally challenging year. I particularly thank my wife, Lady Christine, for all of her love and support during this adventure. I also thank Sir Knight Roger D. Fleer, Sir Knight Russell S. Hanson, and Lady Debbie Hanson for all of their help, aid, and assistance. I also thank Sir Knight Steven Monrotus for his support. I also thank Sir Knight Michael C. Rohman, our Deputy Grand Commander, for his help during my hospitalization.

On March 18, 2022, I had a significant discharge of my defibrillator which rendered me unconscious. I was rushed by ambulance to Mercy Hospital. I am so thankful for the three nurses who performed CPR and saved my life. If not for their terrific efforts, I would not be here to give you this report. I thank my nurses and the Lord above for the grace of being alive.

### NECROLOGY

During the 2021-2022 reporting year, 90 Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Missouri laid down their swords to join the Supreme Master in Heaven. Included in that number were two Past Grand Commanders, a Four-Star Past Grand Prelate, and a Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment.

Sir Knight Jerry Francis Ward, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, started in the Grand Commandery Line in 1984. He served as Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri for the 1990 - 1991 Templar year. Sir Knight Ward passed away on November 7, 2021.

Sir Knight James Everett Snavelly, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, started in the Grand Commandery Line in 1998. He served the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri as Grand Commander for the 2005 to 2006 Templar year. Sir Knight Snavelly passed away on February 10, 2022.

Sir Knight Lewis Clifford Odneal, Eminent Past Grand Prelate, served the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri in that office most recently for the 2003 - 2004 Templar year. Sir Knight Odneal had a long and

distinctive career serving multiple churches. Sir Knight Odneal passed away on March 20, 2022.

Sir Knight William Jackson Jones, GCT, Most Eminent Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, passed away on January 31, 2022. He served as the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State of Illinois in 1984. He was appointed a Department Commander of the East Central Department for the 1985 - 1988 Triennial year. He was elected Grand Captain General in 1991, Grand Generalissimo in 1994, and Deputy Grand Master in 1997. He served as the Grand Master for the 2000 - 2002 Triennial year.

Let us pay our respect to our departed Sir Knights. Our memorial service will be led by Sir Knight Kyle W. West, Eminent Grand Prelate.

[A Necrology Report appears at the end of the Preliminary Proceedings.]

### GENERAL ORDERS

For the 2021-2022 term, I issued three General Orders.

- **General Order No.1**, effective June 14, 2021, was a continuation of the Grand Commandery Membership Committee.
- **General Order No. 2**, effective June 14, 2021, was a replacement for Sir Knight Charles E. Cooper's General Order Number 4. It continued the re-opening of our Commanderies and focused on Phase Two openings including conferral of the Orders.
- **General Order No. 3**, effective January 1, 2022, rescinded my General Order 2 providing unrestricted operation of our Commanderies.

### DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

For the 2021-2022 term, the following dispensations were granted.

- **St. John's Commandery No. 20**, June 18, 2021, to permit the Commandery to confer all three Commandery Orders during a festival.
- **Ascalon Commandery No.16**, July 29, 2021, to permit the Commandery to continue to meet in the DeMolay Room in the Scottish Rite Cathedral as their temporary meeting location.
- **Ely Commandery No. 22**, August 5, 2021, to permit the Commandery to confer all three Commandery Orders during a festival.
- **St. John's Commandery No. 20**, August 9, 2021, to permit the Commandery to temporarily relocate its regularly stated meeting place.

- **St. John's Commandery No. 20**, November 19, 2021, to permit the Commandery to hold a special election for the purpose of filling the vacancy of Commandery Recorder.
- **DeSoto Commandery No. 56**, November 19, 2021, to permit the Commandery to move to a new permanent meeting location.
- **Ascalon Commandery No. 16**, November 24, 2021, to permit the Commandery to temporarily relocate their first December meeting place to meet jointly with Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8 and change its first December meeting date to the December meeting date of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8. In addition, to permit the Commandery to temporarily relocate their second December meeting place to the St. Charles Masonic Lodge and to change its second December meeting date to December 8th.

### DISPENSATIONS REJECTED

For the 2021-2022 term, there were no rejected requests for special dispensations.

### BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

For the 2021-2022 term, the following amendments were approved.

- **Cape Girardeau Commandery No. 55**, January 20, 2022, Article 1 Conclaves - Section 1 The stated conclave of Cape Girardeau No 55 will be held at 7:00 P.M. on the First Tuesday of each calendar month except July and August.
- **Oriental Commandery No. 35**, March 12, 2022, amended, revised, and reformatted by-laws.
- **Ascension Commandery No. 39**, March 14, 2022, amended, revised, and reformatted by-laws.

### DECISIONS

For the 2021-2022 term, the following decision was made.

**Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24** did not strictly comply with the requirements of the Grand Commandery Laws and Regulations concerning the consolidation of one Commandery under the Charter of another Commandery. I healed the improper actions taken by Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24 in seeking consolidation under the Charter of Hugh De Payens Commandery No. 4.

### CHARTERS

For the 2021-2022 term, the following Charters were surrendered due to consolidation.

- I approved of the consolidation of Westport Commandery No. 68 under the charter of Palestine Commandery No. 17 with an effective date of July 16, 2021.
- I approved of the consolidation of Emmanuel Commandery No. 7 under the charter of Malta Commandery No. 72 with an effective date of December 15, 2021.
- I approved of the consolidation of Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24 under the Charter of Hugh De Payens Commandery No. 4 with an effective date of December 15, 2021.

### TIME CAPSULE

Unfortunately, due to my medical condition, I was not able to visit the time capsule monument in Branson, Missouri.

### REGIONAL CONCLAVES

Unfortunately, due to my medical condition, I was not able to attend any of the Regional Conclaves that were held around the State.

### GRAND OFFICERS MEETINGS

In an effort to keep the Grand Commandery Grand Line Officers and the Regional Grand Commanders informed about issues within the Grand Commandery, Grand Officer/RGC virtual WebEx meetings were held during 2021 in July, August, September, October, November, and December; and during 2022 in January, February, March, April, and May.

### VISITATIONS AND MEETINGS

Unfortunately, due to my medical condition, I was not able to travel around the State as much as I had hoped. However, I did make a few trips. On June 25, 2021, I was able to attend the State-Wide annual meeting of the Job's Daughters. On June 27, 2021, I was able to attend the State-Wide annual meeting of Rainbow Girls International. On July 21, 2021, I was able to attend the regular meeting of Rolla Commandery No. 59 in order to install their new Officers. On October 12, 2021, I was able to make an official visit to my home Commandery,



DeSoto Commandery No. 56. On May 29, 2022, I was able to attend the State-Wide annual meeting of DeMolay.

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### RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend the continuation of monthly meetings of the Grand Commandery Grand Line Officers and Regional Grand Commanders to allow discussions of important matters that occur during the Templar year.

### CONCLUSION

In closing, I want to thank all of the Sir Knights for the respect that they have shown to me and the office of Grand Commander. That is not to say that I did not encounter what I consider un-Masonic conduct directed at me personally. Based on those encounters, there were many actions that I wanted to take, but I didn't because I am the bigger man.

May God bless you and keep you safe.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Harry L. Tripp, Jr., Grand Commander

### REPORT OF ADDRESS OF THE GRAND COMMANDER COMMITTEE

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

Sir Knights,

The Address of the Grand Commander was received by this committee and we found it to be in full and proper form and in order.

All Decisions, dispensations and general orders have been reviewed and referred to the Committee on Templar Jurisprudence for their review.

This Committee feels that Sir Knight Harry L. Tripp, Jr., has fulfilled his duties and provided commendable leadership for the Grand Commandery of Missouri and we would like to congratulate the Grand Commander on successfully completing his term.

We recommend and move for the Grand Commander's Address, as printed, to be approved by the members of the Grand Commandery.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Charles E. Cooper, PGC, Chairman

SK Clark A. McLemore, PGC

SK Roger D. Fleer, PGC

### 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, and the by-laws changes approved for 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 during this past year.

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.

Our congratulations to Sir Knight Harry L. Tripp, Jr., Right Eminent Grand Commander, for a successful year. In our estimation, you have performed your duties and responsibilities in an exemplary manner.

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.**

For the purposes of conducting a Commandery conclave meeting, including conferring one or more of the Orders, a quorum of a Commandery conclave meeting shall consist of nine or more members of the Commandery entitled to vote therein, including an Officer authorized to open the same. For the purposes of conducting a Commandery business meeting, when less than nine members of the Commandery entitled to vote are present, a quorum of a Commandery

business meeting shall consist of five to eight members of the Commandery entitled to vote therein, including an Officer authorized to open the same. If a Commandery is opened with less than nine members of the Commandery entitled to vote present, then the Short-Form Opening in the current Grand Encampment Ritual shall be used. (Amended 6/7/19, ???/??/??)

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:**

The current Section 84 reads, "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." This section is based on Section 66 in the Grand Encampment Constitution (CSD).

The 2011 CSD Section 66 reads, "A quorum of a Commandery consists of nine members entitled to vote therein, including an Officer authorized to open the same." Our original Section 84 was based on this Grand Encampment section.

During the 2018 Grand Encampment Triennial, Section 66 was amended to read, "A quorum of a Commandery consists of nine members entitled to vote therein, including an Officer authorized to open the same. A Grand Commandery may by law provide for a lesser number for quorum purposes; provided that such number shall not be less than five." The 2019 amendment of our Section 84 was an attempt to update the section to the new allowance for opening with less than nine members, but it was not fully successful.

During the 2021 Grand Encampment Triennial Conclave, Section 66 was amended to read, "A quorum of a Commandery consists of nine members entitled to vote therein, including an Officer authorized to open the same. A Grand Commandery may by law provide for a lesser number for quorum purposes; provided that such number shall not be less than five. If a Commandery is permitted to be opened with less than nine members and there are not nine or more Sir Knights present, the Short-Form Opening in the 2019 Ritual shall be used." It is clear from this wording, that the Grand Encampment was allowing Grand Commanderies to amend their Laws and Regulations to provide a way for their Constituent Commanderies to open a Commandery with less than nine members.

Your Templar Jurisprudence Committee has studied the issue concerning a quorum. We have concluded that the Constituent Commanderies of the Grand Commandery of Missouri should be allowed to open their Commanderies for

either a Conclave meeting requiring nine or more Sir Knights or a business meeting requiring five to eight Sir Knights.

Fraternally Submitted:

Templar Jurisprudence Committee

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

Fraternally submitted,

SK Todd A. Schulze, Chairman

SK Kevin B. Sample

SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC

SK William G. Snyder

SK John C. Carmaker

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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 financial review WebEx meetings held by the Grand Commandery Officers during the fiscal year. The Grand Recorder's office provided instruction on how the General Fund financial records on the Grand York Rite DropBox cloud storage system were kept. The committee is satisfied that the Grand Recorder's office and the Grand Treasurer are doing an exceptional job handling the monies and maintaining the financial records of the Grand Commandery.

The committee reviewed the investment strategy of the Grand Treasurer. While some improvements have been implemented, the committee recommends that the Grand Treasurer continue to make aggressive investments.

With the assistance of the Grand Recorder's office and the Grand Treasurer, the committee prepared a proposed budget for the ensuing year. The committee met with the Grand Line Officers and secured their approval of the proposed budget. The committee is pleased to report that the proposed budget shows a surplus due to the \$10.00 increase from 2020 as well as a slight reduction in expenses over last year's budget.

The committee continued to review the projections of future membership numbers as well as projections of future income levels and future expenses. Those projections show our per capita paying membership continuing to decline, resulting in a decline in income. With the current economic situation that we are

all experiencing today, it is projected that some of our expenses will increase in the future. If the projections of decreased income and increased cost are realized, then we will need to make some serious decisions about both per capita increases and cost reductions.

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 2022 - 2023 year.

**INCOME**

Per Capita, Membership.....	\$ 39,002.60
Per Capita, Endowed Membership.....	1,000.00
Knighting Fees .....	800.00
Investments .....	3,000.00
Miscellaneous.....	250.00
<b>Total Income .....</b>	<b>\$ 44,052.60</b>

**EXPENSES**

Grand Commander Expenses .....	\$ 3,000.00
Knight Templar Magazine Editor Honorarium .....	100.00
Grand Treasurer Expenses.....	1,000.00
Grand Recorder Salary .....	3,000.00
Clerical Assistant Salary .....	6,000.00
Employment Taxes .....	850.00
Bonding Insurance .....	100.00
Audit Committee .....	100.00
Drill Committee .....	1,300.00
Office Expenses.....	3,500.00
Printing Services.....	600.00
Office Rent.....	1,800.00
Storage Rent.....	360.00
Grand Encampment Per Capita .....	13,600.00
Annual Conclave.....	2,500.00
Grand Officer Expenses.....	600.00
Past Grand Commander Regalia.....	750.00
Triennial Fund .....	230.00

Youth Organizations.....	1,200.00
Emerging Leaders Fund .....	92.00
Web Master .....	250.00
Miscellaneous.....	250.00
<b>Total Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$ 41,182.00</b>

**Balance .....** **\$ 2,870.60**

I move the adoption and approval of the proposed budget for the 2022 - 2023 year.

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

Fraternally submitted,

SK Kevin B. Sample, Chairman	SK Michael C. Rohman
SK Terry D. Coppoteilli	Roger D. Fleer, PGC
SK Donald L. Trabue, PGC	SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC

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**REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER**

Preliminary Report  
June 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022

*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. Investments in common stock or equal securities in nationally known corporations traded on the New York Stock Exchange are being utilized. (American Balanced Fund and American Income Fund).

**GENERAL FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

<b>As Sent 05-31-2021</b>	<b>As Reported 03-31-2022</b>
Interest Checking Act. #59336, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.05%	
\$ 555.24	\$ 113.94
Interest Checking Act. #74544, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.05%	
\$ 920.75	\$ 1,058.66
Interest Checking Act. #74325, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.05%	
\$ 480.07	\$ 480.25

**GENERAL FUND (continued)**

<b>As Sent 05-31-2021</b>	<b>As Reported 03-31-2022</b>
Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
0.15%	0.05%
\$ 60,569.65	\$ 43,317.05
Business Investment Act. #30000211, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	
0.35%	0.05%
\$ 23,798.07	\$ 23,848.15
CD #1246185, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	
0.90%	0.10%
Matures 08-23-2021	Matures 08-23-2022
\$ 55,276.00	\$ 55,465.63
CD, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
#146019	#147497
0.90%	0.50%
Matures 09-03-2021	Matures 09-02-2022
\$ 26,300.52	\$ 26,445.37
American Balanced Fund (thru Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City), Market Value	
\$ 12,219.68	\$ 13,415.69
American-Income Fund (thru Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City), Market Value	
<u>\$ 11,793.61</u>	<u>\$ 13,393.92</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	
<b>\$ 191,913.59</b>	<b>\$ 177,538.66</b>

**GENERAL FUND (SPECIAL ACCOUNT)**

**Statement of Assets**

(Temporarily Restricted Base = \$89,106.04)

<b>As Sent 05-31-2021</b>	<b>As Reported 03-31-2022</b>
Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
0.15%	0.05%
\$ 1,160.48	\$ 1,160.48
CD #147791, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City, 0.50%, Matures 01-17-2023	
\$ 49,282.39	\$ 49,282.39
CD #483478, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City, 0.60%	
Matures 02-22-2022	Matures 02-22-2023
\$ 48,907.70	\$ 48,907.70
American Balanced Fund (thru Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City), Market Value	
\$ 12,105.97	\$ 12,311.26
American-Income Fund (thru Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City), Market Value	
<u>\$ 12,105.97</u>	<u>\$ 12,105.97</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	
<b>\$ 123,562.51</b>	<b>\$ 123,767.80</b>

**ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

<b>As Sent 05-31-2021</b>	<b>As Reported 03-31-2022</b>
Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
0.15%	0.05%
\$ 4,804.31	\$ 5,804.31
CD #1277160, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	
0.90%	0.10%
Matures 07-29-2021	Matures 07-29-2022
\$ 45,308.06	\$ 45,474.69
CD#1246200, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	
0.90%	0.10%
Matures 08-23-2021	Matures 08-23-2022
\$ 25,780.42	\$ 25,911.71
CD #483486, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City	
1.60%	0.60%
Matures 02-22-2022	Matures 02-23-2023
\$ 36,041.54	\$ 36,258.28
American Balanced Fund (thru Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City), Market Value	
\$ 11,338.85	\$ 11,895.75
American-Income Fund (thru Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City), Market Value	
<u>\$ 10,991.52</u>	<u>\$ 11,627.36</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	
<b>\$ 134,264.70</b>	<b>\$ 136,972.10</b>

**CHARITY ENDOWMENT FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

(Temporarily Restricted Base = \$9,000.00)

<b>As Sent 05-31-2021</b>	<b>As Reported 03-31-2022</b>
Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
0.10%	0.05%
\$ 356.65	\$ 399.05
CD, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
#146561	#147850
0.70%	0.50%
Matures 01-04-2022	Matures 02-03-2023
<u>\$ 12,567.35</u>	<u>\$ 12,641.05</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	
<b>\$ 12,924.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,040.10</b>

**MISSOURI KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

(Restricted Base = \$76,842.27 | Voluntary Campaign - 10/1 thru 4/30)

**As Sent 05-31-2021** **As Reported 03-31-2022**

Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
0.15%	0.05%
\$ 7,924.06	\$ 10,310.73
CD #528978, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City	
[Allen N. Smith Estate, \$12,584.72 Base]	
0.90%	0.60%
Matures 07-23-2021	Matures 07-23-2022
\$ 12,641.91	\$ 12,641.91
CD #499498, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City	
[Unknown Estate, \$31,637.97 Base]	
0.60%	0.60%
Matures 03-15-2022	Matures 03-15-2023
\$ 31,637.97	\$ 31,828.26
CD #516244, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City	
[Eugene E. Darr Estate, \$32,619.58 Base]	
0.60%	0.60%
Matures 03-26-2022	Matures 03-26-2023
\$ 32,619.58	\$ 32,619.58

**Total Assets**  
**\$ 84,823.52** **\$ 87,400.48**

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE ENDOWMENT FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

**As Sent 05-31-2021** **As Reported 03-31-2022**

Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
0.15%	0.05%
\$ 130.66	\$ 3,778.76
CD, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	
#1267130	#94364
1.05%	0.10%
Matures 06-13-2021	Matures 08-31-2022
\$ 18,735.78	\$ 18,735.78
Total CD value = \$ 18,885.31	Total CD value = \$ 19,006.10
CD, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
#146434	#147792
0.70%	0.50%
Matures 12-17-2021	Matures 01-17-2023
\$ 12,871.46	\$ 12,871.46
Total CD value = \$ 12,894.11	Total CD value = \$ 12,968.99

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE ENDOWMENT FUND (continued)**

CD, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
#146560	#147849
0.70%	0.50%
Matures 01-04-2022	Matures 02-03-2023
\$ 33,123.43	\$ 33,123.43
Total CD value = \$ 33,809.34	Total CD value = \$ 34,007.63
CD #475033, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City	
0.70%	0.60%
Matures 01-22-2022	Matures 01-22-2023
\$ 16,020.49	\$ 16,020.49
Total CD value = \$ 16,117.29	Total CD value = \$ 16,230.41

**Total Assets**  
**\$ 80,881.82** **\$ 84,529.92**

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE OPERATING FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

**As Sent 05-31-2021** **As Reported 03-31-2022**

Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
0.15%	0.05%
\$ 3,004.09	\$ 3,072.09
Business Investment Act. #30000211, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	
0.35%	0.05%
\$ 693.03	\$ 694.64
CD, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	
#1267130	#94364
1.05%	0.10%
Matures 06-13-2021	Matures 08-31-2022
\$ 149.53	\$ 270.32
CD, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
#146434	#147792
0.70%	0.50%
Matures 12-17-2021	Matures 01-17-2023
\$ 22.65	\$ 97.53
CD, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	
#146560	#147849
0.70%	0.50%
Matures 01-04-2022	Matures 02-03-2023
\$ 685.91	\$ 884.20
CD #475033, Hawthorn Bank - Jefferson City	
0.70%	0.60%
Matures 01-22-2022	Matures 01-23-2023
\$ 96.80	\$ 209.92

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE OPERATING FUND (continued)**

**Total Assets**

**\$ 4,652.01** **\$ 5,228.70**

**TRIENNIAL ENDOWMENT FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

**As Sent 05-31-2021** **As Reported 03-31-2022**

CD #1276540, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	0.10%
0.90%	0.10%
Matures 07-22-2021	Matures 07-22-2022
\$ 21,149.29	\$ 22,096.24
<u>Total CD value = \$ 21,966.52</u>	<u>Total CD value = \$ 22,096.24</u>

**Total Assets**

**\$ 21,149.29** **\$ 22,096.24**

**TRIENNIAL FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

**As Sent 05-31-2021** **As Reported 03-31-2022**

Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	0.05%
0.15%	0.05%
\$ 683.15	\$ 1,220.65
Business Investment Act. #30000211, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	0.05%
0.35%	0.05%
\$ 72.44	\$ 72.44
CD #1276540, Providence Bank - Jefferson City	0.10%
2.00%	0.10%
Matures 07-22-2021	Matures 07-22-2022
<u>\$ 817.23</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>

**Total Assets**

**\$ 1,572.82** **\$ 1,293.09**

**SUPPLY FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

**As Sent 05-31-2021** **As Reported 03-31-2022**

Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	0.05%
0.15%	0.05%
<u>\$ 10,329.84</u>	<u>\$ 10,668.55</u>

**Total Assets**

**\$ 10,329.84** **\$ 10,668.55**

**LEADERSHIP FUND**

**Statement of Assets**

**As Sent 05-31-2021** **As Reported 03-31-2022**

Money Mkt. Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank - Jefferson City	0.05%
0.15%	0.05%
<u>\$ 1,411.66</u>	<u>\$ 1,504.56</u>

**Total Assets**

**\$ 1,411.66** **\$ 1,504.56**

**Total Assets, All Funds, As Sent 05-31-2021:**

**\$ 667,485.76**

**Total Assets, All Funds, As Reported 03-31-2022:**

**\$ 664,040.20**

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

Fraternally submitted,

SK Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Grand Treasurer

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**REPORT OF GRAND RECORDER**

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

Sir Knights,

The Grand Commandery Grand Recorder's Office has completed its first year with Sir Knight Roger D. Fleer as the Grand Recorder and Sir Knight Russell S. Hanson, Grand Recorder Emeritus, as his assistant. Roger and I are slowly but surely dividing up the work along the lines of what we do best. Roger does most of the traveling and some of the writing. I do most of the writing and report creation. Roger and I met several times during this last year to discuss business issues. We call each other often and are in constant email contact. We believe that we are working well together to get the job done.

Debbie continues to be a tremendous asset. She answers the Grand York Rite Office phone and watches the Grand York Rite Office email. She is also our Editorial compass. Debbie reviews all of our correspondence to make sure that the words we use are the right ones and correctly spelled; and that our sentences are complete and make sense.

The Grand York Office is undergoing another change this year as Sir Knight Kevin B. Sample steps down as the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter and Grand Recorder of the Grand Council. However, he is not going away. He will continue working on the Grand York Rite business team. And, he will be joined by Sir Knight Donald MacCormick as the new Grand Secretary and Grand Recorder. The division of labor between the Grand Chapter Grand Secretary’s Office, the Grand Council Grand Recorder’s Office, and the Grand Commandery Grand Recorder’s Office will continue to move the operation of the Grand York Rite Office forward. Together we will continue 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 continued to realize the full impact of our efforts to modernize the operation of the Grand York Rite Office. Debbie continues to be instrumental in dealing with the day to day operations of the office. The MGYR web site continues to be maintained under the care of Sir Knight Donald MacCormick, MGYR Web Master. Bringing the Grand York Rite of Missouri into the 21st Century continues to be our constant theme.

One question that comes up in association with the Grand York Rite Office concerns Debbie. Debbie plans to stay on as the Executive Assistant for a couple of years. It is her intent to transition the Grand York Rite Office to a new Executive Assistant after the 2025 Grand Session.

The Grand Commandery has completed its sixth year using the current annual reporting system. The 2021 Annual Reports and Per Capita Bills were based on the Missouri membership data in MMS, information from the Grand Commandery records, and information from the Commanderies.

The 2021 Annual Returns are more completely reviewed and analyzed in the Report from the Committee on Returns of Commanderies and your attention is directed to that report in the preliminary proceedings.

Overall, the response this year was excellent. Every Missouri Commandery filed a 2021 Annual Return and paid their 2021 Per Capita Bill. Several Commanderies filed late.

The Grand Commandery of Missouri saw no overall growth in membership during calendar year 2021. Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29 receives an honorable mention for having no net loss reported. The following Commanderies reported positive growth during 2021. In conformity with Standing Resolution No. 10 of the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Missouri, we acknowledge their accomplishment with the Grand Commandery Growth Award.

<u>Commandery &amp; No.</u>	<u>Starting</u>	<u>Finishing</u>	<u>Percent Increase</u>
Lebanon 33 .....	59 .....	61.....	3%
Rolla 59 .....	71 .....	73.....	3%
Cape Girardeau 55 .....	55 .....	57.....	4%
Hugh De Payens 4 .....	163 .....	178.....	9%
Neosho 57.....	39 .....	43.....	10%
Kansas City 10.....	37 .....	41.....	11%
Excalibar 5 .....	8.....	9.....	13%
Malta 72.....	38 .....	48.....	26%
Palestine 17.....	76 .....	102.....	34%

It is sad to report that the Grand Commandery of Missouri lost three Commanderies during calendar year 2021 due to consolidations. Effective July 16, 2021, Westport Commandery No. 68 (Kansas City, Missouri) consolidated under the Charter of Palestine Commandery No. 17 (Independence, Missouri). Effective December 15, 2021, Emmanuel Commandery No. 7 (Macon, Missouri) consolidated under the Charter of Malta Commandery No. 72 (Shelbina, Missouri). Effective December 15, 2021, Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24 (Trenton, Missouri) consolidated under the Charter of Hugh De Payens Commandery No. 4. The Grand Commandery of Missouri now consists of twenty-six Constituent Commanderies.

Three years ago, ARTICLE XXIII, Masonic Membership Solutions (MMS) was added to the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. 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.” Based on user login statistics from MMS for June 2021 through April 2022, the following Commanderies were in violation of Section 236.

<u>Commandery &amp; No.</u>	<u>Number of Months Missed</u>
DeMolay 3.....	2
Hugh De Payens 4 .....	1
Excalibar 5 .....	3
O’Sullivan 15 .....	4
Ascalon 16 .....	3
Palestine 17.....	2

Ely 22 .....2  
 Prince of Peace 29 .....5

**Commandery & No.**                      **Number of Months Missed**

Bethany 42.....1  
 Cape Girardeau 55 .....4  
 Neosho 57.....3  
 Rolla 59 .....1  
 Poplar Bluff 67 .....7  
 Malta 72.....4

Twelve Commanderies were in full compliance with Section 236 during the period from June 2021 through April 2022: Liberty 6, Ivanhoe 8, Kansas City 10, St, Graal 12, St. John’s 20, Constantine 27, Jasper 32, Lebanon 33, Oriental 35, Ascension 39, St. Elmo 43, and DeSoto 56.

**Grand Encampment Special Conclave**

During the months following the 2021 Triennial Conclave in Minneapolis there was a certain level of disruption in the senior ranks of the Grand Encampment. This created a situation within the Subordinate Grand Commanderies and Commanderies beholden to the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. In a nutshell, our then Grand Master removed from office the Deputy Grand Master, advanced the line of Grand Officers, and appointed a Sir Knight to the office of Grand Captain General for the remainder of the triennium. As a result of disagreement with the Grand Master’s actions there was a movement created and titled Call 2 Conclave to call for a Special Conclave of the Grand Encampment.

Initially, Sir Knight Michael Johnson, Grand Master, attempted to declare that the gathering for a Special Conclave of the Grand Encampment was illegal and attempted to dismiss the Sir Knights present. However, that attempt was not sustained when the question was put to the Templar Jurisprudence Committee. The voting delegates present chose Sir Knight David Goodwin, Past Grand Master (2012-2015), to act as the presiding officer for the Special Conclave. Sir Knight Goodwin called the meeting to order and the stated business agenda was handled.

As a result of the actions taken during the Special Conclave, the following changes occurred in the Grand Encampment.

1. Sir Knight Johnson’s Grand Master Decisions 1 through 4 were rescinded out right.

2. Sir Knight Johnson’s Grand Master Decisions 5 and 6 were upheld.
3. Sir Knight Johnson’s Notice No. 1 was rescinded.
4. Sir Knight David Kussman was reinstated to the office of Deputy Grand Master.
5. Sir Knight Johnson was subsequently removed from office as Grand Master. There were 298 voting delegates present and 219 voted to remove him from office.

The removal of the sitting Grand Master, by Grand Encampment statute, immediately caused the following changes in the Grand Encampment line of Grand Officers.

1. Sir Knight David Kussman assumed the station of Grand Master.
2. Sir Knight Jeffrey Bolstad assumed the station of Deputy Grand Master (a station to which Sir Knight Johnson had appointed him).
3. Sir Knight Jack Harper assumed the station of Grand Generalissimo (a station to which Sir Knight Johnson had appointed him).
4. The station of Grand Captain General was held by Sir Knight James McGee (a Past Department Commander). However, he declined the honor in favor of legitimately running for the station in 2024. As an alternative, Sir Knight David Studley accepted appointment to the station of Grand Captain General for just the current triennium.

Sir Knight Kussman indicated that the appointments made by Sir Knight Johnson would remain intact for the current triennium. Our new Grand Master asked for patience, respect, and reconciliation to be extended to all our Sir Knights in the fraternity regardless of their position on the issues covered.

Unfortunately, due to Sir Knight Harry Tripp’s health concerns, our Grand Commander was not able to attend the Special Conclave. However, your Grand Commandery was well represented. Our Missouri delegates to the Special Conclave were Sir Knight Michael Rohman, Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Knight Kevin Sample, Grand Generalissimo; Sir Knight Bobbie White, Grand Captain General; and Sir Knight Roger Fleer, Grand Recorder (PGC); as well as Past Grand Commanders Sir Knight Thomas Yunick, Sir Knight Ronnie Green, Sir Knight Richard Mansfield, Sir Knight Harold Coots, Sir Knight Clark McLemore, and Sir Knight Charles Cooper.

**Grand Recorder’s Personal Notes**

I would like to begin this addendum with my most sincere thanks to the Grand York Rite Office. Both Russell and Debbie have opened their home to me. They



have shared a vast wealth of knowledge and information during this time. In doing so I have been provided with 10 years of first-hand experience and information, some arcane, but all valuable and necessary. We met monthly in Fayette 5 or 6 times to set up computers, go through tutorials on Dropbox, review records and documents, and in general become better educated on the duties and responsibilities for this office.

Russell scheduled the Webex meetings for the Grand Commandery and has served as both moderator and host. He and I have placed the calls necessary to our Grand Commander to receive direction and dictation that enabled the Grand Commandery to function. In part some of the Webex meetings in which I participated were conducted remotely from Farmington with the Grand Commander.

As to other meetings which I attended: all combined Regional conclaves, the South Central Department Conference, and the Grand Encampment Special Conclave in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

I thank the membership for the confidence reposed in me and I look forward to the opportunity to continue to serve this Grand Commandery.

In conclusion, we all thank everyone for their continued support. We are all committed to and are striving for improved operations in the ensuing year.

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

Fraternally submitted,

SK Roger D. Fler, PGC, Grand Recorder

SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Grand Recorder Emeritus

Lady Debbie Hanson, Executive Assistant, MGYR Office

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### **REPORT OF HOSPITALER COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

I bring you greetings on behalf of the Hospitaler Committee. It is my pleasure to report the activities of the Missouri Commanderies during the 2021 - 2022 Templar year - the year of the global Omicron pandemic.

The following seven Commanderies reported Christmas Observance Activities:

- St. Graal Commandery No. 12 hosted a Holiday Table Commandery and read the Grand Commandery/Grand Encampment Christmas Messages;

- Kansas City Commandery No. 10, observed Christmas on December 5, 2021, at 1st Church of Peculiar;
- Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8 Observed Christmas with a dinner on December 2, 2021;
- Ascalon Commandery No. 16 observed Christmas with a dinner on December 2, 2021;
- Oriental Commandery No. 35 observed Christmas on December 19, 2021, at the 1st Church of Peculiar;
- Cape Girardeau Commandery No. 55, observed Christmas on December 7, 2021, by hosting a Christmas Dinner - in addition Christmas services were observed on December 24, 2021, at LaCroix Church; and
- St Elmo Commandery No. 43 observed Christmas on December 24, 2021.

The following four Commanderies reported Easter Observance Activity:

- St. Graal Commandery No. 12 celebrated Easter by discussing the meaning of Easter on April 11, 2022;
- Kansas City Commandery No. 10, observed Easter at St. Andrews Episcopal Church on April 17, 2022;
- Ely Commandery No. 22 observed Easter at the Masonic Temple on April 17, 2022; and
- Ascalon Commandery No. 16 observed Easter on April 6, 2022, at the Region 5 Regional Conclave.

The Bright Knight Program implemented in 2021 has met its intended purpose and continues to bring Sir Knights together. The Bright Knight program will be continued for another year. Attendees have been presented with a wide variety of topics ranging from Templar history and the politics of ancient Rome to the nuances of translation for words found in the scripture. The Bright Knight Program WebEx format has allowed Sir Knights from the far corners of the State of Missouri to come together and meet from the safety of their homes during this global pandemic.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Michael C. Rohman, Chairman

SK Bobbie E. White

SK Kevin B. Sample

SK Ronald L. Skiles

### **REPORT OF RETURNS OF COMMANDERIES COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

The committee has reviewed the 2021 Annual Returns from the Missouri Commanderies and have prepared the following observations. The committee is very pleased to report that all twenty-six Missouri Commanderies submitted a 2021 Annual Return (100%).

**Commanderies That Failed To File A 2019 Annual Return**

As stated in the opening paragraph, no Missouri Commandery failed to file a 2021 Annual Return.

**Commanderies That Filed A 2019 Annual Return**

Considering the manner of preparation of the 2021 Annual Returns, sixteen (62%) were handwritten with varying degrees of legibility and ten were typed (38%). Sixteen of the 2021 Annual Returns were received on or before the March 1st deadline (62%) and ten were received after the March 1st deadline (38%). The Commanderies that filed late were Ivanhoe 8, Kansas City 10, Ascalon 16, Prince of Peace 29, Jasper 31, Lebanon 33, Oriental 35, Bethany 42, St. Elmo 43, Rolla 59, and Poplar Bluff 67.

All twenty-six Missouri Commanderies paid 100% of their respective per capita payments. A total of \$45,592.60 in per capita was collected. The committee is pleased to note that all Missouri Commanderies that filed late properly followed the instructions from the Grand Recorder concerning the late fee which will be added to the respective Commandery 2022 per capita bill.

**Issues With The 2019 Annual Returns**

The Grand Recorder’s letters of November 19, 2021, December 2, 2021, December 15, 2021, and January 19, 2022; clearly stated (several times) that a complete 2021 Annual Return was a check for the 2021 per capita payment, the completed information form, the completed financial report form, the completed annual examination committee report form, and a copy of the latest IRS Form 990 or a copy of the acceptance of the electronic submission of an IRS Form 990N (e-Postcard).

There were no issues to report concerning the 2021 Annual Returns. All twenty-six Missouri Commanderies submitted a check for the 2021 per capita payment, a completed information form, a completed financial report form, and a completed annual examination committee report form. That is 100% compliance and every single one of our Missouri Commanderies deserve our congratulations.

**IRS 990/990-N (e-postcard) Compliance**

Of our twenty-six Missouri Commanderies, eighteen (69%) provided proper evidence of filing an IRS Form 990 or IRS Form 990N (e-Postcard).

However, four (15%) did not provide proper evidence of filing an IRS Form 990 or IRS Form 990N (e-Postcard). The Missouri Commanderies were DeMolay 3, Hugh De Payens 4, Jasper 31, and Poplar Bluff 67. It was evident that these Commanderies had filed with the IRS, but the proof of acceptance was not provided with their 2021 Annual Return. These Commanderies need to pay better attention to the instructions for completing the Commandery Annual Returns. One Missouri Commandery (4%) provided a letter explaining the actions that they had taken to recover their IRS status. However, technically, though understandably, Bethany 42 did not provide the required evidence of filing an IRS Form 990 or IRS Form 990N (e-Postcard). The committee hopes that Bethany 42 will be successful in recovering their IRS status and wishes them the best of luck with their endeavors.

However, three Missouri Commanderies (12%) failed to provide any evidence whatsoever that they had filed either an IRS Form 990 or IRS Form 990N (e-Postcard). The three Missouri Commanderies were Excalibar 5, Kansas City 10, and Malta 72.

**Financial Health Evaluation**

Overall, Missouri’s Commanderies are in good financial shape.

<u>KT No.</u>	<u>2020 ENDING</u>	<u>2021 ENDING</u>	<u>REAL &amp; INVEST</u>
3.....	\$3,462.49.....	\$2,883.58.....	\$0.00
4.....	\$7,399.08.....	\$19,685.27.....	\$1,798,420.42
5.....	\$967.08.....	\$402.48.....	\$0.00
6.....	\$8,377.15.....	\$5,525.05.....	\$0.00
8.....	\$38,148.06.....	\$41,596.74.....	\$0.00
10.....	\$1,380.40.....	\$1,386.21.....	\$0.00
12.....	\$623.67.....	\$907.19.....	\$0.00
15.....	\$1,178.55.....	\$2,451.32.....	\$0.00
16.....	\$351,352.00.....	\$427,874.00.....	\$1,245,600.00
17.....	\$1,596.71.....	\$9,801.90.....	\$10,846.30
20.....	\$9,962.62.....	\$14,151.96.....	100,300.54
22.....	\$4,142.19.....	\$3,747.01.....	19,294.31
27.....	\$0.00.....	\$2,645.20.....	\$0.00
29.....	\$3,479.56.....	\$2,714.84.....	\$23,883.40
31.....	\$4,995.27.....	\$4,566.76.....	\$0.00

<u>KT No.</u>	<u>2020 ENDING</u>	<u>2021 ENDING</u>	<u>REAL &amp; INVEST</u>
33.....	\$3,269.45.....	\$4,285.87.....	\$0.00
35.....	\$446.37 .....	\$2,469.33.....	\$0.00
39.....	\$420.00 .....	\$689.00 .....	\$15,614.99
42.....	\$0.00 .....	\$744.00 .....	\$0.00
43.....	\$5,784.81.....	\$7,146.63.....	\$36,983.61
55.....	\$5,651.24.....	\$3,974.27.....	\$19,275.81
56.....	\$2,908.03.....	\$3,178.33.....	\$0.00
57.....	\$916.13 .....	\$1,496.23.....	\$0.00
59.....	\$13,652.91.....	\$14,844.42.....	\$0.00
67.....	\$1,558.52.....	\$1,442.34.....	\$0.00
72.....	\$929.23 .....	\$909.73 .....	\$0.00

The majority of Missouri’s Commanderies (73%) provided a value for their paraphernalia. The balance of Commanderies (27%) reported that the value of their paraphernalia was zero (they entered zero, they just entered a “N/A”, or they left the question blank) 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. Four Commanderies valued their paraphernalia at below \$1,000 which the committee believes is below replacement value. The rest of the Commanderies valued their paraphernalia at \$1,000 or more which is much more reasonable.

All of Missouri’s Commanderies provided information about their annual dues. The annual dues information provided was found, for all but one Commandery, to be consistent 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.” The minimum Commandery member dues is \$48.60 (\$10.00 local dues + \$29.50 Grand Commandery per capita + \$0.10 Leadership fee + \$9.00 Grand Encampment per capita). The member dues that a Commandery charges could be higher if the local dues are more than \$10.00. As mentioned above, the dues for one Commandery, DeSoto 56 which reported \$43.18, is below the minimum Commandery member dues.

The committee understands that the annual dues data provided by the Commanderies may be inaccurate because the person completing the form did not pay attention to the instruction immediately below that question (Local dues plus Grand Commandery per capita plus any fees and/or assessments). However,

the committee recommends that all Commanderies review the dues structure outlined in their Commandery by-laws to determine if it needs to be updated. The majority of Missouri’s Commanderies (73%) reported that their Recorder and Treasurer were not bonded. Seven Commanderies (27%) reported that their Recorder and Treasurer were bonded.

The majority of Missouri’s Commanderies (96%) reported that they had more than one person on the signature card for the Commandery’s bank account. One Commandery (4%) reported that they only had one name on the signature card for the Commandery’s bank account which the committee feels is a very dangerous situation.

The majority of Missouri’s Commanderies (96%) reported that they had an embossing or imprinting Commandery seal. One Commandery (4%) left the question blank. The committee is not certain if the Commandery is indicating that they do not know if they have a seal or they accidentally neglected to answer the question.

**Commanderies That Have Forfeited All Rights And Privileges**

The committee finds that no Missouri Commandery has forfeited the rights and privileges to representation and voting at the 2022 Annual Conclave in spite of many issues with IRS reporting failures. The committee does recommend that the eight Missouri Commanderies mentioned by name in the section on IRS 990/990-N (e-postcard) Compliance take the actions necessary to come into compliance with the Grand Commandery Laws and Regulations.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Michael C. Rohman, Chairman  
 SK Bobbie E. White  
 SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC

SK Kevin B. Sample  
 SK Roger D. Fleer, PGC

**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-Sixty-Second Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri will be held on Friday, June 9, 2023, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, Missouri. The Drill Competition will be held on Saturday, June 10, 2023.

Faternally submitted,

SK Michael C. Rohman, Chairman

SK Roger D. Fleeer, PGC

SK Kevin B Sample

SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC

## REPORT OF TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE

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

Sir Knights,

The Knight Templar Triennial Conclave is one of the premier Masonic events in the world and is attended by Sir Knight's from Subordinate Grand Commanderies and Subordinate Commanderies throughout the free world, including Mexico, South America, Africa, several European nations, and Romania.

The Missouri voting members at the Triennial Conclave are Missouri's Grand Commandery Dias Officers and living Past Grand Commanders.

In accordance with ARTICLE III Committees, Section 36, Paragraph G, the Triennial Committee consists of two Past Grand Commanders and a Grand Commandery Dias Officer, eligible in due course to attend the next Triennial Conclave as a representative of the Grand Commandery of Missouri and who were appointed at the Annual Conclave following the last Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and who shall serve for three years. The committee shall have charge of hotel reservations, entertainment and arrangements for the Grand Commander at the Grand Encampment and who shall submit an itemized report of receipts and expenditures.

The 68th Triennial Conclave was held on August 15, 16, and 17, 2021, at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Minneapolis, Minnesota, with 310 voting Sir Knights in attendance. Sir Knight Michael B. Johnson was elected by a unanimous vote to the position of Most Eminent Grand Master. The remaining Grand Line Officers were advanced and Sir Knight Jack M. Harper, II, was elected as Right Eminent Grand Captain General. In a somewhat unusual situation, Sir Knight Harper was the only candidate seeking the position of Grand Captain General and was elected by a unanimous vote.

The 68th Triennial Conclave was attended by seven Missouri Sir Knights eligible to vote. Sir Knight Harry L. Tripp, Jr., Right Eminent Grand Commander, was excused for medical reasons. Sir Knight Stanton T. Brown, II, represented by proxy our Grand Generalissimo, Sir Knight Kevin B. Sample. Sir Knight William G. Snyder represented by proxy our Grand Captain General, Sir Knight Bobbie E. White. In addition, attending were: Sir Knight Michael C. Rohman, Deputy Grand

Commander, and Past Grand Commanders, Sir Knight Charles E. Cooper, Sir Knight Roger D. Fleeer, Sir Knight Richard L. Mansfield, and Sir Knight Thomas C. Yunick.

The Missouri Triennial fund reflected a balance of \$2,025.34. It was used to cover the cost of the traditional Missouri State Dinner with the remainder divided among the attending, voting Missouri Sir Knight's. The registration fee of \$275.00 was required from each Sir Knight to attend. The registration fee did not include travel, hotel cost, or other personal expenses. A Grand Commandery Dias Officer is required attendance at every Triennial Conclave and the Grand Commander is expected to be in attendance unless excused by the Grand Master. The fund was used in its entirety, and copies of receipts for all monies have been submitted to Sir Knight Tripp and Sir Knight Fleeer (Grand Recorder). They are available through the office of the Grand Recorder.

On January 15, 2022, A "Call to Conclave" was issued for a Special Conclave to be held on March 12, 2022, at 1:00 pm at the Hilton Fort Wayne in Fort Wayne, Indiana. A "Call to Conclave" must be requested by a minimum of nine Subordinate Grand Commanderies/Commanderies. The justification for the "Call to Conclave" was that several Subordinate Grand Commanderies/Commanderies had issues with Grand Master Johnson's removal of the unanimously elected Deputy Grand Master and of the reversal of several jurisdictional decisions made by a majority vote at the 68th Triennial Conclave.

This "Call to Conclave" is historic, in that only one other "Call to Conclave" has been issued in the history of the Grand Encampment. The 2022 Special Conclave was attended by two hundred ninety voting Sir Knights from the United States, Mexico, and other Subordinate jurisdictions.

Grand Master Johnson opened the Special Conclave and dismissed the Sir Knights. A point of order was called from the floor and the membership assumed control and opened the Special Conclave for business. In due course, the membership voted by secret ballot to remove Grand Master Johnson from office, reinstate Sir Knight Kussman as Deputy Grand Master, voted Sir Knight Kussman into office as Grand Master, and installed Sir Knight Harper as Grand Generalissimo. Sir Knight Kussman appointed Sir Knight, David W. Studley to fill the position of Right Eminent Grand Captain General for the current Triennium only. Additionally, the membership voted to revoke the majority of Grand Master Johnson's decisions returning them to their status at the closing of the 68th Triennial Conclave.

The Special Conclave was attended by ten Missouri Sir Knights traveling at their personal expense. Attending were: Sir Knight Michael C. Rohman, Sir Knight Kevin B. Sample, Sir Knight Bobbie E. White, Sir Knight Harold F. Coots, Sir Knight Roger D. Flear, Sir Knight Clark A. McLemore, Sir Knight Richard L. Mansfield, Sir Knight Ronnie E. Green, Sir Knight Charles E. Cooper, and Sir Knight Thomas C. Yunick. Due to health issues, Sir Knight Harry L. Tripp, Jr., Grand Commander, was not able to attend the Special Conclave.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Thomas C. Yunick, PGC, Chairman

SK Richard L. Mansfield, PGC

SK Michael C. Rohman

SK Clark A. McLemore, PGC

### **REPORT OF AUDIT COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

The Audit committee participated in the Grand Officer/RGC WebEx meetings held during the 2021-2022 reporting year. A financial review of the records of the Grand Recorder's office was an item on the agenda of several of the meetings.

The committee received instruction as to how the General Fund financial records on the Grand York Rite DropBox cloud storage system were maintained. This process allows for review of the transactions of the Grand Recorder's office rather than trying to reconstruct them a year later.

The committee believes that it has thoroughly reviewed the records of the Grand Recorder's office and found no discrepancies or mishandling of any of funds appropriated to the Grand Recorder's office. All monies were received and properly deposited or dispensed in accordance with the Grand Commandery Laws and Regulations.

We commend the Grand Recorder's office for an excellent records management system and his superb attention to the details of handling the financial records of the Grand Commandery.

There was not enough time for the whole committee to do a detailed review of the Grand Treasurer's records, however a cursory review of the records and bank statements found no discrepancies or mishandling of any funds appropriated to him. All monies from the Grand Recorder's office were properly recorded and accounted for and all expenditures are accurately reported and accounted for. The committee recommends a more detailed financial review with the Grand

Treasurer be conducted in the near future to clearly establish the financial health of the Grand Commandery.

We commend the Grand Treasurer for an excellent records management system and his superb attention to the details of handling the financial assets and investments of the Grand Commandery.

We are aware that the Grand Treasurer experienced a series of severe computer failures this year. We also understand that the Grand Treasurer's financial filing system was critically impacted by his computer issues. The committee recommends that the Grand Treasurer keep and maintain all Grand Commandery financial records in a cloud storage system such as DropBox with shared access by the Grand Recorder's office and the Finance Committee to insure against potential computer/file loss or corruption.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

SK Terry D. Coppoteilli

SK Donald L. Trabue, PGC

SK Michael C. Rohman

SK Roger D. Flear, PGC

SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC

### **REPORT OF DRILL COMPETITION COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

The Grand Commandery Drill Competition Committee is pleased to report that the Constituent Commanderies will resume participation in the Drill Competition Event tomorrow morning. Here is the final list of Commanderies that have registered.

- Palestine Commandery No. 17 – Class A
- Liberty Commandery No. 6 – Class B
- St. Graal Commandery No. 12 – Class B
- Ascalon Commandery No. 16 – Class B
- Ely Commandery No. 22 – Class B
- Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29 – Class B
- Ascension Commandery No. 39 – Class B
- Rolla Commandery No. 59 – Class B

Here are the names of the Drill Judges.

- Judge 1 – SK Roger D. Flear, PGC
- Judge 2 – SK Bobbie E. White
- Judge 3 – SK Harold F. Coots, PGC

- Judge 4 – SK Terry D. Coppotelli
- Judge 5 – SK Joseph S. Russell

We are all very excited to see the return of the Drill Competition Event this year. We wish each and every Drill Team good luck.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman SK Kevin B Sample

**REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

I wish to thank the committee for being retained as Chairman of the Education Foundation Committee of this Grand Commandery. I shall continue to fulfill the duties of my office to the best of my abilities during my tenure.

**Activity**

**June 11, 2021**

With the receding of the global pandemic, a meeting of the Education Foundation committee was conducted in person at the Grand Sessions in Jefferson City, MO., on June 11, 2021. The Foundation approved a scholarship for Richard J. Ables and James P. Nieswonder. The minutes of the June 11, 2021 meeting are as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm.

1. Minutes of the 2020 annual meeting held via WebEx were presented by SK Russell Hanson. Without objection, the minutes were approved as presented.
2. SK Don Trabue presented the financial report for the Knights Templar Educational Foundation. The committee discussed the investment plan.

<u>Acct. Type</u>	<u>Bank</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Checking	Jefferson	0.02%	\$1,440.33	
Checking	Jefferson	0.05%	\$25.94	GYR
Checking	Jefferson	0.05%	\$5.68	GYR
Money Market	Jefferson	0.15%	\$384,731.28	
Bus. Invest	Providence	0.20%	\$107,090.23	
Securities	American-Income		\$106,547.42	GrCH Jeff Bank
Securities	American-Income		\$90,404.67	Jeff Bank
Securities	American-Balanced		\$56,464.06	GrCH Jeff Bank
Securities	American-Balanced		\$90,404.67	Jeff Bank
Securities	American-Bond		\$10,076.05	Jeff Bank

<u>Acct. Type</u>	<u>Bank</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Comment</u>
CD	Jefferson	0.90%	\$107,947.12	\$51,860.50 TCI
CD	Providence	0.60%	\$85,981.27	\$516.87 TCI
CD	Hawthorn	0.70%	\$145,084.34	\$868.36 TCI
CD	Providence	0.90%	\$188,881.03	\$858.98 TCI
CD	Hawthorn	0.90%	\$103,354.90	\$466.78 TCI
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$1,478,438.99</b>	

TCI = Total Compounded Interest

Temp. Cash Investments	\$493,293.46
CDs	\$631,248.66
Mutual Funds, etc.	\$353,896.87
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,478,438.99</b>
Providence Bank	\$381,952.53
Hawthorn Bank	\$248,439.24
Jefferson Bank	\$494,118.73
Jefferson Bank (GYR)	\$31.62
American-Income	\$196,952.09
American-Balanced	\$146,868.73
American-Bond	\$10,076.05
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,478,438.99</b>

3. It was announced that the Knights Templar Educational Foundation had \$10,000.00 for scholarships for the upcoming year.
4. The committee evaluated and considered the student applications of Tim Hill, Richard J. Ables, and James P. Nieswonder. Both Richard J. Ables and James P. Nieswonder each were awarded a \$5,000.00 scholarship for the upcoming year. Tim Hill's application was rejected, as it was determined to be incomplete.
5. A motion made and passed to retain SK Todd Schulze as Chairman of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation Committee for another term.
6. SK Russell Hanson was re-selected Secretary for another term.
7. SK Don Trabue was re-selected Treasurer for another term.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:54 pm.

Fraternally submitted,

Todd A. Schulze (2025), Chairman  
 Thomas C. Yunick, PGC (2023)  
 Matthew L. Quesenberry (2026)

David C. Witte (2022)  
 Clifton W. Wofford (2024)

**REPORT OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

*To the Grand Commandery of Knights 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's Office and the Grand York Rite Office continue 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 Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman      SK Roger D. Fleer, PGC  
SK Donald MacCormick                      SK Kevin B. Sample

**REPORT OF ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

Our investment strategy has been modified to allow up to 50% of the funds to be invested in common stock or equal securities in nationally known corporations traded on the New York Stock Exchange (such as American Balanced Fund and American Income Fund) similar to that as allowed by the Grand Chapter and Grand Council. The process of transitioning to this new investment strategy will continue as monetary conditions warrant.

Hopefully, the above-mentioned investment strategy will enhance the amounts that may be realized for the annual distribution to the Grand Commandery and the individual Commanderies.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Chairman      SK Roger D. Fleer, PGC  
SK Harold F. Coots, PGC

**REPORT OF FORMS & PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE**

*To the Grand Commandery of Knights 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 Roger D. Fleer, PGC  
SK Donald MacCormick                      SK Kevin B. Sample

**REPORT OF HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

The Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee received no applications or recommendations to be considered this year. We thank our Grand Commander for the honor of serving on this committee this year.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Roy L. Gilkey, Chairman                      SK Dale R. Roller  
SK Kyle W. West

**REPORT OF HONOR COMMANDERY AWARD COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

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

- Kansas City 10 - SK Christian Dale Moore, Commander
- Ivanhoe 8 - SK Jacob William Thompson, Commander
- Ascalon 16 - SK James R. Fiete, Commander
- St. John's 20 - SK Bryan Michael Wimmer, Commander
- Ely 22 - SK Ashley William Young, Commander
- Oriental 35 - SK Daniel Robert Symes, Commander
- St. Elmo 43 - SK Randy Wayne Presley, Commander

These Commanderies submitted their applications in good form and in a timely manner. All seven of the Commanderies were found to have met the requirements.

On behalf of the committee, I wish to express our appreciation to these seven Commanderies for their participation in the Honor Award program.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Michael C. Rohman, Chairman              SK Kevin B. Sample  
SK Bobbie E. White

**REPORT OF INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

All Grand Commandery Funds are currently invested in and/or through banking institutions in Jefferson City. All bank 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 in common stock or equal securities are in nationally known corporations traded on the New York Stock Exchange (American Balanced Fund and American Income Fund) and are being maintained at less than 50% of the total value of the Grand Commandery Funds.

Interest bearing 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.

The strategy of investing in common stock or equal securities, as above noted, has been occurring over the past year and will continue to transition as monetary conditions warrant. Also, in concurrence with the Finance Committee, it has been agreed that future earnings from the General Fund (Special Account) will be automatically transferred to the General Fund. Hopefully, these strategies 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 MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

With the new Triennium, came a new Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. And with that, came new directives for membership for each Grand Commandery.

No forms or data collection was necessary this year given the new directives.

The Grand Master laid out the direction for the Grand Line of Officers from each Grand Commandery regarding membership and the Grand Line Officers of the Grand Commandery of Missouri have met and are working on those directions.

Essentially, the duties for the Membership Committee as outlined in the last triennium are no longer required.

It was a pleasure and honor to serve the Grand Commandery of Missouri in this capacity while it was needed and it was an honor to work with the members of the Committee as well as SK Russell Hanson.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Gregory J. Walker, Chairman  
SK Corey B. Huntsucker, Sub-Chairman Recruitment  
SK Ronald L. Skiles, Sub-Chairman Retention  
SK Terry D. Coppotelli, Sub-Chairman Restoration  
SK Danny P. Dubree, Sub-Chairman Masonic/Public Relations

**REPORT OF RITUAL AND DRILL COMMITTEE**

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

Sir Knights,

The Ritual and Drill committee was not approached with issues of ritual or drill during the 2021-2022 Grand Commandery term and has nothing to report at this time.

Fraternally submitted,

SK Russell S. Hanson, PGC, Chairman      SK Kevin B. Sample  
SK Terry D. Coppoteilli

**MISSOURI GRAND YORK RITE NECROLOGY  
2021-2022**

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

Sir Knights,

Listed below is a roster of the Companions and Sir Knights reported between May 7, 2021 and May 7, 2022 in MMS as having passed away. This list is as comprehensive as we can provide and is presented as a memorial to our departed Brethren, Companions, and Sir Knights.

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Departed</u>	<u>Affiliations</u>
Austin, Bruce R.	12-29-2021	CH75, CO20, KT55
Badstebner, Norman F.	12-14-2020	CH78, CO[48], KT16
Barrett, Ronald Lee	01-12-2022	CH3, CO50, KT6
Best Sr., Kenneth Dale	01-20-2022	CH43, CO49, KT17
Bittner III, Frank O.	10-05-2021	CH1, CONA, KT8
Bradley, Wilbur H.	06-14-2021	CH64, CO56, KT33
Brandon Jr., Carl Conrad	10-06-2021	CH52, CO46, KTNA
Brenner, Glen Allen	01-19-2020	CH10, CO42, KT3
Brim, George E.	08-12-2021	CH102, CO24, KT35
Bischof, Vernon Albert	09-20-2016	CH??, CO??, KT16
Brown, Cecil Gail	04-30-2021	CH99, CO59, KT72
Brown, Steve E.	12-28-2021	CH??, CO45, KTNA



Member Name	Departed	Affiliations	Member Name	Departed	Affiliations
Campbell, Galeon Paul	12-03-2021	CH32, CO39, KT59	Koerber, Kenneth Richard	11-16-2021	CH78, CO48, KT16
Carlstrom, Charles Watson	01-09-2022	CH114, CO27, KT67	Kruse, Jack R.	02-27-2022	CH14, CO9, KT4
Cohrs Jr., William Henry	06-26-2021	CH10, CONA, KTNA	Lawrence, Kevin Anthony	12-31-2021	CH102, CO24, KT35
Coleman, Thomas Lester	10-29-2021	CH102, CO24, KT35	Malone, Sidney	12-28-2021	CH??, CO45, KTNA
Crawford, Charles Walter	11-04-2021	CH17, CO34, KTNA	Marts, Charles Dicki	04-22-2021	CH53, CO44, KT22
Davidson, Kenneth N.	02-20-2021	CH17, CO34, KT12	Matthews, Jack N.	01-17-2021	CH75, CO20, KTNA
Delvalle, Robert Keith	08-22-2021	CH17, CONA, KTNA	Maunce, William E.	01-01-2021	CH1, CO[1], KTNA
Doss Jr., Frank J.	07-15-2021	CH25, CO40, KT16	McClaran Jr., Ray Eugene	09-18-2021	CH12, CO49, KT17
Faircloth, Cletus	09-05-2021	CH129, CO43, KT56	McCullom, Bufford Marlin	12-28-2021	CH3, CO50, KT6
Faith, James A.	09-29-2021	CH56, CO??, KT[15]	McGinley, Phillip L.	05-19-2021	CH3, CO50, KT6
Famuliner Jr., Thomas Howard	08-18-2020	CH[43], CO(38), KT(68)	McHugh, Larry O.	01-25-2022	CH25, CONA, KTNA
Farmer, Truman Noel	03-02-2022	CH38, CONA, KT27	McLemore III, Christopher Columbus	06-04-2021	CH38&61, CO41&58, KT27&31
Frieze, Joe Bryant	01-07-2021	CH5, CO25, KT43	Miller, Joe D.	10-25-2020	CH64, CO56, KT33
Gray, William M.	09-21-2021	CH[43], CO49, KT3	Morrill, Robert Layne	01-30-2021	CH15, CONA, KT20
Giammanco, Gerard J.	02-17-2022	CH78, CO[48], KT[16]	Morris, Charles Alonzo	08-31-2021	CH53, CO44, KT22
Gingrich, Wesley Edwin	06-23-2021	CH17, CONA, KT12	Odneal, Lewis Clifford	03-20-2022	CH17, CO34, KT12
Gloyd, Everette Leonidas	01-01-2022	CH15, CO25, KT20	Piles, Edgar Doyle	10-23-2021	CH78, CO48, KT16
Guinn, William Harry	06-01-2021	CH91, CO30, KT39	Price, Daryl L.	11-11-2021	CH14, CO9, KT4
Gunn, Clement G.	11-07-2021	CH99, CO47&59, KT72	Pruitt, Thomas Lewis	06-14-2021	CH114, CO27, KTNA
Haberichter, Jean Phillips	04-19-2021	CH14, CO9, KT4	Purvis, William E.	02-14-2022	CH14, CONA, KT4
Hambrick, Kenneth Alonzo	06-18-2020	CH129, CO43, KT56	Ragan, Norman Everett	05-09-2021	CH32, CO39, KT59
Hammett Jr., A. R.	02-21-2021	CH??, CO??, KT(24)	Ramsey, Dustin Dale	08-12-2021	CH114, CO27, KT67
Harris, Walter Elwayne	03-30-2022	CH5, CO25, KT43	Reed, Jimmy Nicholas	08-20-2021	CH102, CO24, KT35
Haynes, Arland E.	12-20-2008	CH(66), CO9, KT4	Reinhard, James R.	11-11-2021	CH99, CONA, KT72
Hickman, Harold E.	05-13-2019	CH1, CONA, KT8	Rhoades, Sammie Joe	06-18-2021	CH102, CO24, KT35
Holder, Jimmie R.	06-23-2021	CH102, CO??, KT35	Riley, Clayton	03-04-2022	CH3, CO50, KT6
Howell, Thomas Eugene	10-21-2021	CH129, CO43, KT56	Ritchie, George M.	05-18-2021	CH61, CO41, KT31
Hughes, Rolla Benton	12-09-1983	CH129, CONA, KTNA	Rodgers, William E.	05-23-2020	CH(284), CONA, KTNA
Hurt, Rodney Wayne	03-27-2021	CH43, CO[49], KT[17]	Roloff, Bobby Gene	09-15-2021	CH75, CO20, KT55
Isaac, Kenneth W.	12-28-2021	CH??, CO45, KTNA	Saunders, Wilfred	12-28-2021	CH??, CO45, KTNA
Iselin, Charles Albert	09-28-2021	CH1, CO48, KT16	Sayles, William Eugene	09-09-2021	CH28, CO45, KT10
Jewett, John Gilman	10-19-2021	CH17, CO34, KT12	Scholl Sr., Otis G.	04-20-2022	CH14, CO9, KT4
Keith, Gilbert	08-05-2018	CH??, CO??, KT(24)	Schultz, Jubal Wiiston	10-13-2021	CH1, CONA, KTNA
Ker, Houston Corbin	09-04-2021	CH15, CO25, KTNA	Schulze, Larry W.	04-20-2022	CH78, CO1&48, KT8&16
King, Larry L.	01-01-2021	CH12, CO49, KT17	Singer Jr., Michael P.	07-13-2021	CH[146], CO[1], KT16
Knowles, Charles Howard	02-18-2020	CH34&93, CO32, KT12			

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Smittle, Chester L.	03-08-2022	CH38, CO25, KT20
Snavelly, James Everett	02-10-2022	CH129, CO43, KT56
Snedigar, Louis Eldon	02-28-2015	CH(66), CONA, KTNA
Sprenkle, Richard Edward	04-28-2022	CH38, CO58, KT27
Staggs, John William	11-07-2021	CH99, CO[47], KT72
Stanley, Edward L.	11-19-2021	CH102, CONA, KT35
Staton, Roy Barclay	12-13-2021	CH10, CO42, KT3
Stewart, Robert E.	01-12-2022	CH1, CO[1], KT8
Stiles, Gerald Lee	11-28-2019	CH61, CO41, KT[31]
Strickland, Donald K.	12-27-2021	CH64, CO[25], KT33
Sutton, Ray Sandy	09-04-2020	CH15, CO25, KT20
Thompson, Samuel Frank	06-02-2021	CH53, CO44, KT22
Trimble, Rodney L.	08-05-2021	CH91, CO30, KT39
True, Harlan Jerome	06-26-2021	CH53, CO44, KT22
Wampler, Francis L.	05-23-2021	CH14, CO9, KT4

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Ward, Jerry Francis	11-07-2021	CH3, CO50, KT6
White D.D., Dr. Thomas W.	08-15-2021	CH14, CO9, KT4
Whitlow, Donald Ray	01-01-2019	CH78, CO[48], KTNA
Wilfley Jr., Frank Pindall	05-10-2021	CH93, CO34, KT12
Wommack, Clarence McLee	07-18-2021	CH15, CO25, KT20
Wommack, Jerroll Ray	07-18-2021	CH(110), CO25, KT20
Wood Jr., Ronald Everett	05-25-2021	CH14, CO9, KT3&4
Woodard, Donald C.	05-15-2020	CH(66), CO(37), KT(24)
Woods, Ronald E.	12-28-2021	CH??, CO45, KTNA
Wright, John Wayne	10-27-2021	CH(22), CONA, KT(7)
Young, Kwai Lum	07-01-2020	CH14&64, CO50, KT33

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