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Sir Knights and Ladies,

I bring you greetings and salutations as we embark on a brand-new Templar year. It is time to look ahead to our upcoming Grand Conclave in October. It may seem like a long time in the future, but it will be here before you know it.

This years Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Ohio will be held on October 5th, 6th, and 7th, 2023. Events on Thursday, Oct 5th will include Registration, Grand Commandery Officers Meeting, Ladies Tea (Invitation Only), Divine Service and Grand Commanders Banquet (Ticket Only). Friday, Oct 6th will feature the 181st Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, Sir Knights and Ladies luncheon, Drill Captains and Judges meeting and the KCT Dinner (Invitation Only). On Saturday, the Drill Competition and Ritual competitions will be held along with Grand Officer photos. Saturday evening will finish with the Installation of Officers and Awards Banquet (Ticket Only). This is NOT an all-inclusive schedule, and a full schedule of events will be provided prior to the Grand Conclave. General information for the conclave is as follows:

181st Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Ohio

October 5th, 6th, and 7th, 2023

Crowne Plaza Columbus North, 6500 Doubletree Avenue, Columbus, OH 43229

The discounted room rate is \$115.00 plus tax. To make room reservations, please call (614) 885-1885 and select option #2. In order to receive the discounted rate, use the three letter Group Code **KOT**. This room rate is good for October 5,6 and 7. The email link for reservations is: Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Ohio Place your mouse over the link, push and hold "Ctrl" and click your mouse to open the link. Enter the arrival date to populate the rate.

One aspect of this years Grand Conclave reservations that differs from previous years is an incentive for making your reservations early. Anyone who makes their hotel reservation by July 15th will receive **free breakfast for up to two occupants for each room night.** Breakfast will consist of the breakfast buffet served in the hotel restaurant. I would encourage you to please make your reservations early and take full advantage of this unique offer. Please don't delay and miss this opportunity.

Cutoff Date for room reservations is **Thursday**, **September 21**, **2023**. Any reservations received after the cutoff date will be charged at the prevailing room rate plus tax and are subject to availability.

The deadline for meal reservations will be **Friday**, **September 15**, **2023**. Please make your meal selections on the Meal Selection Form accompanying this notice.

I am honored to serve the Grand Commandey of Ohio and Lady Diana and I have enjoyed representing you in our travels this year. We look forward to seeing all of you at the Grand Conclave in October. Have a safe and enjoyable summer. "Soar Aloft"

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