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Right Eminent Grand Commander

2024-2025

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183rd Conclave
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Ohio

Crown Plaza Columbus North
October 9 and 10, 2025
Right Eminent Grand Commander
Dale A. Exline, KCT

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THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF OHIO
October 2024

The 182nd Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Ohio was held on October 10, 11 and 12, 2024 at the Crowne Plaza Columbus North.

Sir Knight Richard L. Ganion, our Right Eminent Grand Commander, presided. He and our Grand Officers entered between lines formed by Sir Knights from the several Divisions.

All sixty-three Constituent Commanderies of this Grand Commandery were represented. All of the Grand Officers were present. All of our living Past Grand Commanders were present except Sir Knights Richard L. Weaver, David M. Snyder, Richard M. Holcombe, S. Thomas Ramsay, Richard J. Brady, Thomas H. Gault and Terry L. Wymer.

Attendance was reported as follows: Grand Officers 28; Past Grand Commanders 10; Commanders 44; Generalissimos 19; Captains General 21; Past Commanders 87 and 2 Proxies, giving us 211 voting delegates. We also had 13 non-voting members of Ohio Commanderies and 18 out of state guests.

We had many Distinguished guests from Ohio and out of state, plus the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, SK Jeffrey A. Bolstad, our own Past Grand Master from Ohio, SK William H. Koon II, and our East Central Department Commander, SK Jay P. Kennedy. All of the distinguished guests were afforded the proper Templar honors, including our Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, SK Paul A. Weglage.

The Grand Recorder reported that the Annual Returns for the year ending May 31, 2024 showed 63 Commanderies. He also reported that during the year we had the following gains and losses:

Membership as of June 1, 2023		5707
	This year	Last year
Knightings	209	211
Admitted on demit	81	55
Reinstated	23	28
Total Additions	313	294
Deaths	214	262
Withdrawals	105	60
Suspensions - NPD	42	46
Suspensions - N/A	97	88
Corrections	2	2
Total Losses	460	458
Membership as of May 31, 2024		5560
Net Loss	147	164

The trophy for the most knightings went to the North Central Division with 38 knightings.

Updated digital copies of our Statutes are available by requesting them from the Grand Recorder.

The Finance Committee presented a budget for the 2024-2025 Templar Year showing income and expenses of \$132,273.00.

During the weekend the College of Honors presented the following awards:

Knight Templar Cross of Honor

Richard J. Amlung, a Past Commander of Cuyahoga Falls No. 83

Richard E. Eakin, a Past Commander of Findlay Commandery No. 49

Knight Commander of the Temple

Matthew G. Gloor, a Past Commander of Defiance Commandery No. 30

Joshua J. Grove, a Past Commander of Akron Commandery No. 25

Larry H. Haines, a Past Commander of Canton Commandery No. 38

William G. Windnagel, a Past Commander of Fremont No. 56

Knight Grand Cross of the Temple

Alfred T. Johnson, a Past Commander of Raper Commandery No. 19

Companion of the Temple

Four were approved and will be presented at Division functions.

The Divine Service was held on Friday afternoon. The offering was \$1000.00 and will go to the Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund. By the time things settle in the Middle East we may be able to send SEVERAL ministers.

During this past year we were blessed to not lose any of our Past Grand Commanders, although we are saddened that several are no longer able to be with us.

The Installation of Officers and Awards Banquet were held on Saturday, October 12, 2024. Our Past East Central Department Commander SK Gerald G. Pugh had the privilege of installing SK Dale A. Exline as our new Right Eminent Grand Commander, along with our corps of Grand Officers. SK R. Thomas Starr served as the Installing Marshal, SK Franklin C. Boner served as Installing Recorder and Sir Knight Dennis M Evans served as Installing Chaplain. SK Martin R. Trent presented our retiring REGC his Past Grand Commander's jewel which had been previously worn by Past Grand Commanders Martin R. Trent and George W. Davidson.

We were pleased to again have our Drill Competition and also our Ritual Competition.

Ritual Competition Results

5th Libation

Stephen E. Roth	Findlay No. 49	1 st
Chris F. Schick	Mansfield No. 21	2 nd
Carl C. Keller	Reed No. 6	3 rd

Ode to the Skull

Thomas A. Gartner	St. Luke's No. 34	1 st
H. Mac Hared	Hanselmann No. 16	2 nd
Timothy D. Ohm	Mount Vernon No. 1	3 rd

Flag Lecture

Richard A. Roe	Marietta No. 50	1 st
Thomas A. Gartner	St. Luke's No. 34	2 nd
Ronald C. Nischwitz	Sidney No. 46	3 rd

Junior Warden's address

Richard A. Roe	Marietta No. 50	1 st
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Chris F. Schick	Mansfield No. 21	2 nd
Ronald L. Ensell	Columbian No. 52	3 rd
Prelate's Address		
Clifford J. Askey	Cuyahoga Falls No. 83	1 st
James M. Carlson	Raper No. 19	2 nd
Andrew McConnell	Reed No. 6	3 rd

Drill Results	Captain	Team	Captain
C-15 Field			
1 st - West Central Division	Stewart	857	36
D-7 Field			
1 st – Marietta 50	Miller	918	36
2 nd – Palestine 33	Stewart	913	8
3 rd – Findlay 49	Eakin	904	36
4 th – Eagle 29	Johnson	884	28
5 th – Sidney 46	Stiltner	857	73
6 th – Warren 39	Goddard	847	73
7 th – Canton 38	Haines	813	128
C-6 Asylum			
1 st – Valley 80	Fair	906	57
D-6 Asylum			
1 st – Defiance 30	Cripps	973	24
2 nd – Medina 84	Gregory	964	26
3 rd – Bryan 74	Miller	963	20
4 th – East Central Div.	French	947	44
5 th – Columbus 69	Adams	890	95
Ned E. Dull Drill Captain's Award			
Zac Stewart	Palestine 33		
Joseph J Fair	Valley 80		
Steve Miller	Bryan 74		
Bruce Basil Drill Captain's Award			
Dave Miller	Marietta 50		
Tim Adams	Columbus 69		

This coming year the Drill Competition and Ritual Competition will be held on July 26, 2025 at the Dayton Masonic Center.

The 183rd Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Ohio will be held at the Crowne Plaza Columbus North, Worthington Ohio, on October 9 and 10, 2025.

Fraternally submitted,
Al Johnson, Grand Recorder

2024-2025 GRAND COMMANDER'S REPORT

To all Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of the state of Ohio:

Sir Knights, all, I wish to share with each of you what Your Grand Commander has accomplished this year. First and foremost, it has been an honor and a pleasure serving as Your Commander for the 183rd Commandery year. I am sure that it is impossible for me to thank everyone in person that has contributed to a very successful year. To offset that here is a big "THANK YOU" to everyone that made this a successful year. General Orders and supplements 1 through 16 along with the supplemental instruction. No additional General Orders were required this year.

It was indeed an honor and a pleasure to appoint the following officers:

Eminent Grand Prelate – SK Michael Hines

Eminent Associate Grand Recorder – SK Robert C. Hagar, KCT, PREGC

Eminent Associate Grand Treasurer – SK R. Thomas Starr, KCT, PREGC

Eminent Associate Grand Prelate – SK Dennis M. Evans

Eminent Grand Sentinel – SK Robin P. Leonard

Eminent Grand Warder – SK Michael A. Ash

Eminent Grand Sword Bearer – SK Larry E. Byer, KCT

Eminent Grand Standard Bearer – SK Lloyd W. Eichenlaub, KCT

Eminent Grand musician – SK George E. Moore

Grand Aide – SK Mark S. Mooney

Grand Aide - SK Stephen E. Roth, KCT

Division Commanders:

NW – SK William Windnagel

WC - SK John P. Pience, KCT

SW – SK Timothy O. Ralston, KCT

SE – SK Larry E. Byer, KCT

EC – SK Randy A. Williams', KCT

NC – SK David P. Dauterman

NE – SK Joshua J. Grove, KCT

Deputy Division Commanders:

NW – SK Matthew G. Gloor

WC – SK Kyle J. Binkley

SW – SK David S. Howe

SE – SK John M. Goins

EC – SK Benjamin Okwumabua

NC – SK Terry A. Hoover

NE – SK Walter C. Johnston

On February 6, 2025, I accepted the resignation of SK Jobie Dotson due to work related reasons and appointed SK Terry A. Hoover as the DDC for the NC Division.

I cannot express in words how the appointed officers have excelled in their jobs this year. Your leadership and guidance have made my position as Grand Commander a master success.

Dispensations:

The following dispensations were requested and granted:

November 07, 2024 - Jerusalem #25 – to hold a Special Conclave at King Hiram Lodge #88 at 128 East Dayton Street, West Alexandria, Ohio.

November 07, 2024 - Chillicothe #8 – to hold their stated Conclave on December 17, 2024, instead of December 24, 2024

December 26, 2024 - Massillon #4 – to temporarily change their meeting night to the first Tuesday of the month beginning January 2025 for trial period of 5 months.

February 12, 2025 - Angola Preceptory #2, - authorizing any member of Ohio Grand Commandery to attend, participate in and/or witness the Order of the Angola Preceptory #2 on March 01, 2025

June 2, 2025 - Eagle #29- is granted permission to portray the Order of the Temple in an outdoor setting at the residence of EC Nelson at 15935 Rapids Road, Burton, Ohio on August 23, 2025

June 09, 2025 - Allenby # 73 requested to move their stated Conclave from the second Friday to the Second Wednesday at 7:30 PM beginning June 18, 2025

June 12, 2025 - Allenby #73- to hold a special Conclave on June 18, 2025 at 7:30 PM

September 7, 2025 - Lancaster #2 – granted permission to hold a special Conclave at Mingo Masonic Lodge 171, Logan, Ohio until the Bylaws can be changed and the Asylum Dedication at Mingo Lodge 171. Effective September 07, 2025

September 12, 2025 - Eagle #29 - change of date for conferring of Order of the Temple out of doors from August 23, 2025 to September 29, 2025

September 14, 2025 - Coeur de Lion #64 – to temporarily hold their stated Conclave at Euclid Masonic Temple until repairs are completed on the HVAC system.

By-Law changes

November 24, 2024 – Cuyahoga Falls #83, changes to their dues structure and reinstatement procedures, - Approved November 24, 2024

June 09, 2025 – Allenby #73 change the stated meeting location to Summit Masonic Temple 9545 Shepherd Road, Twinsburg, Ohio and changed the dues structure – Approved June 09, 2025

May 12, 2025 – Eu-tah #66 made several changes to their By-Laws. Changed dues amount, Eye Foundation for new Knights. – Approved May 12, 2025.

June 09, 2025 – Massillon #4 changed their By-Laws to meet on the first Tuesday of each month. – Approved June 09, 2025.

Probations

It is with much regret that I had to place these Commanderies on probation for failing to knight a single knight within a 12-month period as of June 01, 2025

Massillon #4

Cyrene #10

Norwalk # 18

St John's #20

Warren #39

Wooster # 48

Pilgrim #55
Fremont #56
Elyria # 60
Eu-tah #66 (2 years)
Willis #82
Medina #84

Attendance at Masonic Functions

1. Grand Commanders Reception, Jackson, Ohio - October 26, 2024
2. Order of the Eastern Star, Lucasville #495, Installation, Lucasville, Ohio – 9/29/24
3. Red Cross of Constantine, Athens, Ohio - October 31, 2024
4. Priory #18 Annual Meeting Dayton Masonic Complex, Dayton, Ohio 11/2/24
5. CTA Meeting Southeastern Division, Athens, Ohio - November 3, 2024
6. Lucasville Masonic Lodge, Flag Lecture - November 7, 2024
7. Reception for GHP Kenneth Foy, Tiffin, Ohio – November 9, 2024
8. Order of the Eastern Star Lucasville #495, Lucasville, Ohio - October 2, 2024
9. Reception for MIM James Sutherin and Pryor Al Bacon, Waldo, Ohio – 11/16/24
10. Chapter #70, Council #71. Jackson #53 regular meeting – November 19, 2024
11. Chapter Inspection, all four degrees, Portsmouth, Ohio – November 23, 2024
12. Lodge meeting Trowel 132, Jackson, Ohio – December 5, 2024
13. Council Inspection, Middleport, Ohio – December 7, 2024
14. Jackson #53 Inspection, Jackson, Ohio – December 14, 2024
15. Chapter #70, Council #71, Jackson #53 Christmas Observance, Jackson, Ohio – 12/17/24
16. Athens #15, Christmas Observance, Athens, Ohio – December 18, 2024
17. PGC Burch Zehner, Honor Guard, Kettering, Ohio - January 16, 2025
18. Middletown #71, Inspecting Officer – January 18, 2025
19. Trowel #132, Annual Inspection – January 24, 2025
20. Marietta #50, Visitation – January 25, 2025
21. DeMolay #9, Visitation – February 1, 2025
22. Salem #42, Visitation – February 8, 2025
23. Hanselmann #16, Visitation – February 15, 2025
24. Chapter #70, Council #71, and Jackson #53 regular meeting – February 18, 2025
25. Willis # 82, Visitation -February 22, 2025
26. Massillon #04, Visitation – March 1, 2025
27. East Central Department Conference, 44 Ohio Knights attended, Fort Wayne, IN – 3/8/25
28. Order of the Eastern Star, Lucasville #495 – March 11, 2025
29. Chillicothe #8, Visitation – March 15, 2025
30. Chapter #70, Council #71, Jackson #53, regular meeting – March 18, 2025
31. Findlay #49, Inspecting Officer Thank you, NW Division, for your gifts! – 3/22/25
32. Dorothy Snyder's viewing, Wadsworth, Ohio -March 28, 2025
33. Marion #36, Visitation – March 29, 2025
34. Trowel #132, stated meeting – April 3, 2025
35. Order of the Eastern Star, Lucasville #495, Lucasville, Ohio – April 8, 2025
36. Columbia # 52, Inspecting Officer. Thank you, NE Division, for the gifts – 4/12/25
37. Chapter 70, Council #71, Jackson #53, stated meeting – April 15, 2025

- 38 Washington D.C. Easter trip. Lay wreath at George & Martha Washington's tomb, 18 Knights in uniform. Sunrise service at George Washington Masonic Memorial-April 17 to 20, 2025
- 39 Indiana Grand Conclave – April 25 to 27. 2025
- 40 Trowel #132 stated meeting – May 1, 2025
- 41 Northeast Division Military Ball – May 3, 2025
- 42 East Central Division Military Ball – May 10, 2025
- 43 Order of the Eastern Star, Lucasville #495, Lucasville, Ohio – May 13, 2025
- 44 York Rite Festival, Athens, Ohio, Council Degrees, Commandry Orders. I knighted 26 new Knights – May 17, 2025
- 45 Chapter #70, Council #71, Jackson #53 – regular meeting – May 20, 2025
- 46 Pennsylvania Grand Commandery, Pittsburg, PA – May 30, 2025
- 47 CTA Picnic & Annual meeting of SE Division – June 1, 2025
- 48 Susie Martin viewing, Portsmouth, Ohio – June 5, 2025
- 49 Scottish Rite Ohio Council of Deliberation, Akron, OH –June 7, 2025
- 50 Chapter #70, Council #71, Jackson #53, regular meeting – installation of Officers – June 17, 2025
- 51 Job's Daughters Grand Session, Westlake, OH – June 20, 2025
- 52 Calvary # 13, Installing Officer, Portsmouth, OH – June 23, 2025
- 53 Ohio Grand Assembly of Rainbow Girls, Gambier, Kenyon College – June 27, 2025
- 54 Jackson County KYCH Club, Jackson, OH – June 27, 2025
- 55 Drill Captains meeting and Grand Officers meeting, Marysville, OH – June 28, 2025
- 56 Honor Guard & Funeral for PGM Michael Himes, Cincinnati, OH – June 29, 2025
- 57 Order of the Eastern Star, Lucasville #495, Lucasville, OH – July 12, 2025
- 58 Grand Commandery of Michigan – Bay City, MI – July 15 to 17, 2025
- 59 Illinois Grand Commandery, Springfield, IL – July 18 & 19, 2025
- 60 Grand Commandery Prince Hall Affiliation – Westlake, Ohio– July 20, 2025
- 61 Order of the Eastern Star, Lucasville #495, Lucasville, Ohio – September 9, 2025
- 61 Grand Commandery of Kentucky, Lexington, KY – Sept. 15, 2025
- 62 Order of the Eastern Star, Reception for Grand Sentinel, Lucasville, Ohio – 9/1*/25
- 63 Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Sharonville, Ohio – September 26 & 27, 2025
- 64 American Union Chapter 16, Saint Thomas of Acon Assembly, Marietta, Ohio – 9/20/25
- 65 Red Cross of Constantine All Order Day, Dayton Masonic Temple – October 4, 2025
- 66 Grand Council, Crown Plaza North, Columbus, OH – Oct 5 & 6, 2025
- 67 Grand Chapter, Crown Plaza North, Columbus, OH – Oct 7 & 8, 2025
- 68 Grand Commandery Conclave, Crown Plaza North, Columbus, OH – Oct 9 & 10,20025

Special Note:

I was not able to attend DeMolay Grand Assembly or Ohio's Drill Competition and Ritual Competition due to Lady Judy being hospitalized.

Drill & Ritual Competition

I tried something different this year for drill and ritual competition. I moved the competitions from the Saturday of Grand Conclave to Saturday, June 28, 2025, held at the Dayton Masonic Complex. The change seems to be well received. Please see the report of Drill and the

report of Ritual for results. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this happen. I was unable to attend due to sickness of Lady Judy.

Funerals and Memorial Services

As Grand Commander I attended as many as I could with Lady Judy. I had the privilege of serving as Honor Guard for PGC Burch Zehner and PGM Michael Himes. These two Fraters will be greatly missed.

Asylum Consecrations and Dedications

Again, this year there were none scheduled.

Grand Commander Reception

The Southeastern Division conducted a reception on October 26, 2024, at The Parks Edge in Jackson, Ohio. An awesome meal was provided and frozen custard with fixing for dessert. Sunday morning an excellent breakfast was prepared in the shelter house adjacent to the Parks Edge Complex. Lady Judy and I appreciated the excellent turn out.

Grand Encampment Easter Weekend

Ohio's participation in the Easter sunrise service on the steps of the George Washington Memorial was another excellent turnout along with Sir Knights from across the country.

Sir Knights from Ohio gathered at Mount Vernon to lay a wreath at the tomb of George and Martha Washington. We had an impressive showing of Sir Knights in Uniform at the presentation. About 80 to 85 spectators observed the wreath laying. Thank you to the Sir Knights that made the DC trip

Sunday 16 of us attended the Easter Service at the National Cathedral in Washington DC

Inspection Season

Lady Judy and I visited 8 inspections throughout the state and inspected 3 Commanderies. I wish to say "Thank You" to all the Commanderies and Sir Knights for all the courtesies extended to me and my Lady Judy this year.

Membership

Sir Knights, I want to thank you for making this a successful year for membership. Our numbers were down from 2024-2025 year. The festivals added to our numbers. If the 12 Commanderies I had to put on probation for not knighting any Sir Knights would have knighted just one each, we would have comparable numbers to last year. Remember, membership is a responsibility of all of us.

Conclusion

My theme this year was "Christ Gives Us Direction". As I have said all year, without Christ directing us, we would be totally lost in this life. As with all Commanders, I had some programs I wanted to see to completion. Some happened; some did not.

One of my goals for the year was to move drill and ritual competition off of the back of Grand Conclave week. Having drill tied to Grand Conclave reduced the hotels we could use to just a very few. By moving drill to another date this opens more convention centers to hold Grand Commandery Conclaves

I want to thank Past Grand Commander Dennis Hughes for appointing me as Deputy Division Commander of the 4th Division. I wish Denny were still here to see where his appointment made it to. Thank You, Denny, I love you.

As Grand Commander I have attended several inspections and witnessed a lot of ritual work. In my travels I have observed the ritualistic works are good, but we are lacking in the floor movement, especially in the Full Form Opening. I cannot stress enough how practice will help this. We should always strive for perfection. Perfection is unattainable but in reaching for perfection, you will become excellent.

I would like to see the York Rite Bodies appoint a person to be the spokesperson for all three York Rite Bodies. This person would be a go between for communication between the Grand Bodies and the Grand Lodge of Ohio and the Scottish Rite. We could use a chairman for all of our reservations instead of each body making their own arrangements. Just an idea to ponder on and think about.

I definitely want to thank all the elected and appointed Grand Officers. Your help and understanding have made this year a great success, To the appointed Grand Officers, you have gone above and beyond your duties. Whatever I needed, you were there to render whatever assistance was needed to make Commandery number one.

To my aides, SK Stephen Roth and SK Mark Mooney, I thank you for all you have done to help me this year. From getting me to my feet at installation to providing me with support whenever I needed it.

Most of all I want to thank my Lady Judy. We have been married for 51 years but together for 54 years. You have been by my side and supported me through this journey, wherever our travels took us. From a trip to Springfield, Illinois, back home, to get up the next morning at 3:30 and travel to Westlake on our anniversary. I know God is watching over you, from the health scare we had this year to giving you the patience to put up with me these past 51 years, I know it has not been easy. Once again, Lady Judy, I love you and thank God for bringing us together.

I wish to thank all the Sir Knights of Ohio for allowing me the honor of wearing the red cord and representing you as YOUR Grand Commander of Ohio. I hope you will continue to support all the Grand Officers in the future and continue to support your local Commandery.

Always remember "Christ Gives Us Direction" through every step of our lives.

Respectfully submitted,
SK Dale A. Exline, KCT, GC

Necrology Report

No report submitted

Topical Reference

The Committee on Topical Reference has reviewed the Report of the Right Eminent Grand Commander and makes the following recommendations:

That the portions of the Grand Commander's Report concerning dispensations be referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations;

That the portions of the Grand Commander's Report concerning General Orders and Supplemental Instructions be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Statutes;

That the portions of the Grand Commander's Report concerning deceased Sir Knights from this and other Grand Jurisdictions be referred to the Committee on Obituaries;

That the reports submitted by the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder be referred to the Committee on Finance;

That all reports concerning proposed legislation be referred to the Committee on Templar Jurisprudence;

That all other actions detailed by the Grand Commander in his report be approved.

R. Thomas Starr, KCT, PGC

Report of the Audit Committee for the Grand Recorder

No report submitted

Report of the Audit Committee for the Grand Treasurer

The audit of the records of the Grand Treasurer was conducted in person on June 28, 2025. All financial and organizational records of the Grand Treasurer were found to be in order. SK Williams is diligent in his record keeping and all records match with the bank statements. His attention to detail is commendable and greatly appreciated. The financial records of the Grand Commandery of Ohio are in outstanding condition.

Ronald L. Ensell, VEDGC

Timothy O. Ralston, GSW

Report of the Committee on Inspection Reports

No report submitted

Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business

No report submitted

182nd Grand Commandery Finance Report

Grand Conclave 2024 – Richard L Ganion, REPGC

These sessions are becoming very expensive; room and food costs are going through the roof lately.

In my travels, and conversing with my counterparts, a common thread was the exorbitant expenses of comps, both room and meals. There needs to be a serious conversation on ways to reduce these – it is ‘nice’ to pay for guests, but that courtesy comes at a significant cost.

I am hopeful, now that we are disconnecting the drill competition from the Grand Commandery session, that a number of these comps will be eliminated/reduced in the future.

\$9,031.28	meal comps
\$6,649.92	room comps (48)
\$15,681.20	total comps
\$2,605.84	Ladies misc (entertainment, gifts, hospitality, tea)
\$4,154.38	Other misc
\$18,287.04	total

\$1,287.04 paid from other sources (There were several other expenses paid by funds raised by CTA throughout the year that are not reflected.)

Richard Ganion, KCT, PGC

Grand Treasurer's Report

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT
INVESTMENTS

12-Aug-25

	7/31/24	7/31/25	Value Change
MEMBERSHIP & MEMORIAL	186,347.86	212,109.26	25,761.40
LIFE MEMBERSHIP	98,431.04	108,230.10	9,799.06
GENERAL FUND	240,071.12	274,209.26	34,138.14
INCOME & DIVIDEND	927,106.16	1,108,709.20	181,603.04
PERMANENT	3,525,390.62	3,740,027.07	214,636.45
EDUCATIONAL FUND - GRAND ENCAMPMENT	361,184.35	378,256.27	17,071.92
TOTAL INVESTABLE FUNDS	5,338,531.15	5,821,541.16	483,010.01
GENERAL CHECKING	177,108.47	180,289.10	
EDUCATIONAL CHECKING	2,644.06	3,414.06	
ST. GEORGE CHECKING	17,766.38	18,666.71	
HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE CHECKING	6,117.51	13,484.43	
TOTAL TRANSACTIONAL ACCOUNTS	203,636.42	215,854.30	
TOTAL FUNDS	5,542,167.57	6,037,395.46	
INVESTMENT FUNDS INCREASE		9.05%	483,010.01

Randy A. Williams Eminent Grand Treasurer

Investment earnings did well during the past 12 months. A 9.05% increase is strong given the difficult 1st quarter, we had this year.

Note we distributed \$22,000 in scholarships and the Scholarship fund still increased \$17,000.

We have paid out Life Memberships of \$4,397 but still had an increase of \$10,800 in that fund.

The Membership & Memorial Account (Our Endowed Membership Fund) added 12 new Sir Knights at \$1,200/ Sir Knight

We also distributed \$5,030 to our Commanderies. Adjusting for the above additions and deletions, we still had a positive value increase in excess of \$16,000.

The Grand Commandery of Ohio is on very solid footing at this time.

Randy A Williams, KCT, GT

Grand Recorder's Report

It is once again time for me to report on the activities of the Grand Recorder for the past year. Four years ago, because of covid, you received digital copies of the Pre-printed Report, but the Grand Officers believe we should provide hard copies of the reports and have done so since then.

Five years ago, we informed you that we had accomplished a long-desired goal by digitizing ALL of our Grand Proceedings and had them available on the following website - **<http://gwm.lunaimaging.com/luna/servlet>**. We also made them available on a flash drive that individuals and/or Commanderies could purchase for \$15.00. For those that purchased a flash drive, each year you can obtain the current year's Proceedings from the Grand Commandery website and add it to your flash drive or you can get it from the website mentioned above. We still have a few of the flash drives available at a cost of \$15.00/each. Digitizing and maintaining the above website was, and continues to be a project of the George Washington Masonic Memorial.

I am indebted to our Recorders for they are the mainstay in our Commanderies. The other officers come and go, generally serving only one or two years but that faithful Recorder serves MULTIPLE years. Please be sure to thank your Recorder for all he does. I especially appreciate those Recorders who respond quickly to emails, phone calls, other communications and get reports in promptly.

Because I have felt the strong support of not only the Grand Commandery Officers and Past Grand Commanders but also of the Sir Knights throughout this Grand Commandery, I have continued to serve in this capacity. And because of that strong support I continue to enjoy serving.

We especially thank the widows of our Past Grand Commanders for they served right along with their husbands and gave willingly of their time and talents. Please thank them when you have a chance. Their notes are always appreciated. We wish they could attend more of our functions but we also understand their reasons, mostly health and distance keep them away.

We are blessed by the long and faithful service of our dedicated Past Grand Commanders. They not only served through the officer line of this Great Grand Commandery but continue to serve in many ways. We are always pleased when they can join us and are saddened when age and health make that impossible. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

MMS – This is the Grand Encampment database and it is wonderful and very user friendly, but only if you use it on a regular basis. The more you use it the more you will like it. When you as a Recorder have questions I encourage you to call me and we will both get onto the system while we talk on the phone – this to me, is the very best way to learn the “ins and outs” of the system. If a Recorder has trouble getting onto the system he should call John Elkinton in the Grand Encampment office (713-349-8700) – he usually answers all questions the same day and generally within the hour. One thing that you must remember – when entering information into MMS, the date it is entered is what is important, rather than the date the event occurred. The Grand Commandery of Ohio uses the dates of June 1 – May 31 as the Commandery year. If you wait until June 3 to enter information it goes on the NEXT year's business.

I continue to use e-mail almost exclusively to communicate with the Recorders and the Commanderies. I will always respond to your e-mails, even if it is a simple “thanks”. If you do not get a response within a day or two, that means I did not get it. I have two primary e-mails: jam@main-net.com and grandrecorder@ohioknightstemplar.com. I have two phones. My home

phone is 937-465-3202 and my cell is 937-508-8922. If I don't answer, please leave a message and I will get back with you. My home phone continues to be the most reliable.

During Grand Commandery I have an office at the hotel and encourage you to stop by to visit, to see what is available to buy and to go through the MANY items available for a donation to the Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund. During Grand Commandery the office is staffed by Bob and Del Hager, our Associate Grand Recorder and his wife, and my wife and me – we enjoy visiting with you when you stop in and there are always extra chairs for you to take a break. With our change of schedule this year I do not have a handle on when the office will be open but we will be there as much as we can.

I have a packet for each Recorder at Grand Commandery in my office – please stop by to get it and if the Recorder of your Commandery is not at Grand Commandery, please see that a member of your Commandery picks it up for him. It will contain 50, 60 and 65-year pins, cards and certificates for your Sir Knights that are eligible for these awards. With it will be two copies of the new Roster – one for the Recorder and one for the Commander. I urge you to get these veterans pins presented as soon as possible if they live reasonably close. It is preferred that they be presented at a Commandery Conclave but if not possible, it is hoped that it can be presented personally in the Sir Knight's home. If they live out of state, please mail them out promptly. Our Grand Officers are only too happy to be involved with these presentations if you make them aware of the dates.

We no longer mail out to every Grand Officer and every Commandery hard copies of the Grand Proceedings. They are available in the Grand Recorder's Office at Grand Commandery but it is YOUR responsibility to stop in and pick one up, if you want a hard copy. As you know they are now available on line as explained at the beginning of this report.

Supplies – I try to keep a stock of the supplies you may need and will normally ship them out within a day or two. I will also usually e-mail you the invoice as soon as I know the postage. I also have a large supply of items in my office here at the hotel.

Rosters – Each Commandery has one for the Commander and another for the Recorder. Additional copies are available for \$3.00 each if you see me, but if I have to mail them they will be \$5.00.

Office – during the year it is in our home. I encourage you to call any time between 6:30 AM and 10:00 PM.

PAYROLL – Each Commandery that is present at Grand Commandery is entitled to mileage and per diem and the checks will be handed out by me and Bob Hager on Friday afternoon, AFTER the close of Grand Commandery. The highest-ranking officer of the Commandery must get a payroll card from the Registration Committee which will be exchanged for the check. Proxies have nothing to do with the mileage and per diem check. Proxies are only for voting.

Mail – I have generally had excellent service from USPS but sometimes they are SLOW. Please try not to send anything to me that requires a signature – if I am not home it requires me to drive quite a distance and get to the post office within a two-hour window. I think many of you could save your Commandery a great deal of money by mailing first-class rather than some of the more expensive methods that the Post Office is only too willing to sell you. The Postal Service like everyone else is short-handed and the mail may take a few extra days. I have also found that the extra you pay generally does NOT make a difference.

CITATION CORDS – When a Sir Knight is eligible for a new cord the Recorder must fill out a request (available on line or from me) and send it to me by mail or preferably electronically, and I will send the cord to the Recorder. Even if you as the Recorder have a cord to present to

him, the Recorder should send me an Application so that we can keep a record of who has what cord. These cords do not usually show much wear and can be reused many times. The CITATION CORD program is entirely separate from the Grand Encampment Membership Program – for that program the individual has to STILL be a member of Commandery.

ELECTION RETURNS and ANNUAL RETURNS – These are two entirely different forms. In both cases, please be sure to use the CURRENT form, not one you dig out from previous years. The ELECTION RETURN is a very simple fillable pdf form that should only take a few minutes to complete and should be sent to me electronically. It tells me who is elected to the various offices in your Commandery and the information is used to complete the Grand Commander's Roster. It should be completed immediately after election – do not wait until installation. You should also send a copy of it to your DC and DDC.

The ANNUAL RETURN is a report of the PREVIOUS year's activity for your Commandery. It has NOTHING to do with your Annual Election and can be filled out immediately after May 31 as that is the cutoff date for all activity for the year. The officers listed on page 3 are LAST YEAR's officers. This form is a fillable pdf and all calculations are done for you. All the information on this form can be verified by looking at MMS, because unless you have entered it in MMS by May 31, it cannot be included on your Annual Return. I prefer that you send the ANNUAL RETURN to me digitally. I will then look it over and either tell you I agree with all of your figures or will make the needed corrections – then you can send me your check.

OUR OHIO STATUTES are available from me electronically, only. We do not have printed copies as there are changes almost every year. I can email you the most current version any time you request it. If you want to print it, that is fine but it will take several pages. The most current is dated October 2022. If we pass any legislation at this session the Statutes will be updated and available within the month.

RITUALS – Our Rituals are all in plain English – no code, and are available in either spiral bound or hard bound. The spiral bound are \$10.00 each and the hard bound are \$11.00 each.

TACTICS - These were updated in 2016 and are available in printed form or digitally – inserts only are \$5.00, with binders they are \$10.00. Any tactics that show a date prior to 2016 should have been destroyed long ago.

COMMANDERY YEARS – we use many different years which can be quite confusing.

Grand Encampment –

Member wise – Jan. 1 – Dec. 31

Fiscally they use triennial to triennial

Grand Commandery –

Membership payments to Grand Encampment – Jan. 1 – Dec. 31

Our membership year – June 1 – May 31

Fiscal year – Sept. 1 – Aug. 31

Constituent Commanderies –

Membership – June 1 – May 31

Election – May or June, depending on your By-Laws

Fiscal year – June 1 – May 31, but some close their books on April 31

Educational Foundation – Jan.1 – Dec. 31

St. George is a constituent Commandery, books are closed on May 31

Holy Land Pilgrimage – Sept. 1 – Aug. 31

Our Grand Commandery has very wisely appointed an Associate Grand Recorder. I am pleased that our Past Grand Commander Bob Hager continues to serve in that capacity. Bob and

his lovely wife Del have become dear friends and that friendship has only deepened as we have worked together serving our Grand Commandery.

My wife Marion is not the Grand Recorder and I did not take on this responsibility expecting her to be – she does answer the phone, take messages and answer some questions and this year you will again see her smiling face and hear her friendly greeting in my office at Grand Commandery. I am very appreciative of how she supports me as I serve our Grand Commandery and all of my other Masonic activities. She does enjoy the associations and friendships that we have developed with the Grand Commandery Officers and Past Grand Commanders and their wives. Thanks again for allowing me to help steer this vessel on its course through time for another year.

Al Johnson, KCT, Grand Recorder

Membership Changes by Division June 1, 2024 - May 31, 2025

Div	No.	Commandery	2023	Knlg	Adm	Rel	Addl	Dece	Dem	NPD	Non-	S/	Loss	2024	G/L
NW	7	Toledo	86	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	3	84	-2
	9	DeMolay	101	2	0	0	2	4	3	6	0	0	13	90	-11
	14	Shawnee	46	2	0	0	2	3	0	0	2	0	5	43	-3
	18	Norwalk	30	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	29	-1
	23	Erie	62	2	0	0	2	4	2	0	0	0	6	58	-4
	30	Defiance	47	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	49	2
	49	Findlay	110	1	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	6	105	-5
	54	Ivanhoe	44	1	0	1	2	3	0	0	1	0	4	42	-2
	56	Fremont	46	0	1	0	1	0	9	0	1	0	10	37	-9
	59	St. Omer	83	1	0	1	2	6	0	1	3	0	10	75	-8
	66	Eu Tah	34	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	1	0	7	27	-7
	74	Bryan	58	3	0	2	5	1	0	1	0	0	2	61	3
			747	16	2	4	22	35	16	8	10	0	69	700	-47

wc	6	Reed	174	4	2	0	6	6	2	0	0	0	8	172	-2
	19	Raper	86	3	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	88	2
	33	Palestine	127	5	0	0	5	9	0	0	1	0	10	122	-5
	46	Sidney	102	4	1	2	7	0	0	0	0	1	1	108	6
	61	Bellefonta	63	1	1	4	6	2	1	0	9	0	12	57	-6
	75	Jerusalem	51	0	0	1	1	2	42	1	7	0	52	0	-51
	80	Valley	84	1	3	0	4	4	0	0	7	0	11	77	-7
	81	Nathaniel	98	1	1	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	4	96	-2
	82	Willis	77	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	74	-3
			862	19	8	7	34	31	45	1	24	1	102	794	-68

SW	3 Cincinnati	154	9	0	3	12	5	1	1	0	0	7	159	5
	13 Calvary	136	7	9	1	17	3	0	0	16	0	19	134	-2
	16 Hanselma	180	1	1	0	2	8	1	0	26	0	35	147	-33
	22 Miami	148	3	2	0	5	3	0	0	11	0	14	139	-9
	31 Highland	121	1	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	6	116	-5
	71 Middletow	140	1	36	0	37	6	5	0	0	0	11	166	26
		879	22	48	4	74	31	7	1	53	0	92	861	-18
SE	2 Lancaster	103	6	0	0	6	20	0	0	19	0	39	70	-33
	8 Chillicothe	155	5	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	1	159	4
	15 Athens	113	9	0	1	10	1	0	0	0	0	1	122	9
	24 Ohio Valle	101	3	0	0	3	3	0	0	1	0	4	100	-1
	50 Marietta	166	5	1	0	6	15	0	0	4	0	19	153	-13
	53 Jackson	54	8	0	0	8	1	0	0	0	0	1	61	7
	78 Logan	0				0						0	0	0
		692	36	1	1	38	41	0	0	24	0	65	665	-27
EC	1 Mt. Verno	190	1	1	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	5	187	-3
	10 Cyrene	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	42	-8
	11 Steubenvi	51	3	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	4	50	-1
	26 Hope	72	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	3	0	3	71	-1
	34 St. Luke's	72	1	0	1	2	4	0	0	2	0	6	68	-4
	36 Marion	91	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	3	90	-1
	47 Cambridge	59	1	0	1	2	3	0	0	2	0	5	56	-3
	63 Coshocor	68	3	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	-1	0	71	3
	69 Columbus	151	2	0	0	2	6	0	0	3	0	9	144	-7
		804	14	1	3	18	25	0	0	19	-1	43	779	-25
NC	4 Massillon	49	0	1	2	3	2	3	0	2	0	7	45	-4
	5 Clinton	42	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	42	0
	12 Oriental	48	1	0	1	2	1	0	3	0	0	4	46	-2
	21 Mansfield	67	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	67	0
	38 Canton	181	1	1	0	2	5	1	0	12	1	19	164	-17
	40 Forest Cit	75	2	2	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	78	3
	48 Wooster	73	0	1	0	1	5	2	4	0	0	11	63	-10
	60 Elyria	50	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	50	0
	64 Coeur de	42	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	3	40	-2
	70 Holy Grail	55	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	3	0	4	53	-2
	84 Medina	100	0	1	0	1	5	1	0	13	0	19	82	-18
		782	9	7	3	19	25	7	7	30	2	71	730	-52

NE	20 St. Johns	114	0	1	1	2	8	1	1	7	0	17	99	-15
	25 Akron	48	4	0	0	4	0	3	0	0	0	3	49	1
	29 Eagle	69	1	0	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	5	65	-4
	39 Warren	138	0	1	0	1	5	0	0	4	0	9	130	-8
	42 Salem	44	2	0	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	46	2
	52 Columbian	53	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	5	0	5	50	-3
	55 Pilgrim	67	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	3	0	3	66	-1
	73 Allenby	37	1	2	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	39	2
	83 Cuyahoga	82	6	1	0	7	3	0	0	3	0	6	83	1
		652	15	6	4	25	19	5	2	24	0	50	627	-25
	76 St. George	142	0	2	3	5	7	9	2	0	0	18	129	-13
TOTALS		5560	131	75	29	235	214	89	21	184	2	510	5285	-275

St. George Commandery No. 76

Beginning Balance – June 1, 2024 **\$20,339.38**

Income

Dues 880.00
Life Fees 800.00
Ironton's money 3021.00
Endowed Payment 50.00
Mileage & per diem 91.50

Total Income \$4842.50

Expenses

Per Capita 2873.00
KTEF – Life Sponsor 60.00
Transfer to Calvary 880.00
Postage 146.00
New checks 30.17

Total Expenses \$3989.17

Ending Balance – May 31, 2025 **\$21,192.71**

Knights Templar Educational Foundation

Checking Account

Beginning Balance – January 1, 2024 **\$21394.06**

Income

Total Income **\$0.00**

Expenses

Scholarships 18000.00

Grand Encampment 750.00

Grand Commandery 1600.00 (2 years)

Total Expenses **\$20350.00**

Ending Balance – December 31, 2024 **\$1044.06**

Merrill

Beginning Balance – January 1, 2024 \$332924.76

Dividends & Interest 18339.11

Capital Gains & Losses 14140.88

Fees (80.00)

Ending Balance – December 31, 2024 **\$365,324.75**

Holy Land Pilgrimage

A few years ago, we moved the Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund out of the Grand Commandery Account and set up a separate account. The Holy Land Pilgrimage is a 501 (c) (3) organization and by separating it from the Grand Commandery, contributions can be tax-deductible

Checking Account

Beginning Balance – September 1, 2024 **\$6117.51**

Income

Divine Service 1000.00

Donations 6496.92

Total Income **\$7496.92**

Expenses

Total Expenses **\$0.00**

Ending Balance – August 31, 2025 **\$13,614.43**

Profit and Loss

GRAND COMMANDERY OF OHIO

September 1, 2024-August 31, 2025

Distribution account	Total
Income	
Capital Gains & Losses	375,660.98
Dividends & Interest	80,274.11
Endowed Membership purchase	14,400.00
KTEF - Passthrough	30.00
Miscellaneous Income	5,879.50
Per Capita - Ohio	111,920.00
Sales	4,307.13
Total for Income	\$592,471.72
Cost of Goods Sold	0.00
Gross Profit	\$592,471.72
Expenses	
Bank Fee	0.00
Conclave	17,000.00
Drill Expenses	2,445.20
Mileage & per diem	0.00
Constituent Commanderies	4,496.50
Grand Officers	1,644.00
Past Grand Commanders	1,320.50

Total for Mileage & per diem	\$7,461.00
Photographer	480.40
Printing	0.00
Preprinted Reports	328.58
Proceedings	983.25
Total for Printing	\$1,311.83
Roster	1,550.44
Stenographer	1,312.50
Total for Conclave	\$31,561.37
Contributions	0.00
DeMolay	1,250.00
Jobs Daughters	625.00
Ohio Masonic Home	2,500.00
Rainbow	625.00
Total for Contributions	\$5,000.00
Grand Commandery Expenses	0.00
Endowed Member payout	5,250.00
Grand Officers Expenses	592.07
GC Stipend	5,000.00
GOs Stipend	7,000.00
Other GO Expenses	1,877.98
Total for Grand Officers Expenses	\$14,470.05
Group Insurance	11,644.00
TOTAL	4,200.00

KCT & CoT	1,200.00
Life Sponsor Passthrough	30.00
Membership Awards	650.00
OLD Life Member payout	4,397.00
Total for Grand Commandery Expenses	\$37,641.05
Grand Encampment	0.00
Per Capita	48,813.00
Total for Grand Encampment	\$48,813.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	275.00
Office	0.00
Computer Supplies	1,790.95
Office Supplies	68.77
Postage	434.62
Rent & Expenses	12,000.00
Telephone	600.00
Total for Office	\$14,894.34
Supplies for Resale	2,922.68
Total for Expenses	\$141,107.44
Net Operating Income	\$451,364.28
Other Income	0.00
Other Expenses	0.00
Net Other Income	\$0.00
Net Income	\$451,364.28

Balance Sheet GRAND COMMANDERY OF OHIO
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As of August 31, 2025	
Distribution account	Total
Assets	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Park Checking	0.00
Endowed Membership	100.00
General Checking	157,691.12
Life Sponsor Pool	7,267.12
Old Life Membership	0.00
Total for Park Checking	\$165,058.24
Total for Bank Accounts	\$165,058.24
Accounts Receivable	0.00
Other Current Assets	
Stifel Nicholas	0.00
Cash Management	1,108,709.20
Endowed & Memorial	212,109.26
General Fund	274,209.26
Old Life Membership	108,230.10
Permanent Fund	3,740,027.07
Total for Stifel Nicholas	\$5,443,284.89
Total for Other Current Assets	\$5,443,284.89
Total for Current Assets	\$5,608,343.13

Exline's Service Awards

We started giving a 70-Year Plaque during Tom Gault's year and have been giving the same plaques since that time. I have ordered them. We leave these for the Grand Commander to present or if out of state I can mail. We have two to present this year.

76-year	75-year Award given by Ganion
2	Joseph Michael Weishaupt – died 3/7/2025
75-Year	70-year Plaque given by Hager
66	Clay Pearce Hepler – died 2/22/2025
74-Year	70-year Plaque given by Starr
38	Donald Stuart Judisch
72-Year	70-year Plaque given by Olson
20	Nicholas Yurchyk
71-year	70-year Plaques given by Ganion
6	Joseph Robert Smith
6	Thomas Henderson Whitton

Those listed above are still living.

70-Year	Plaques to be given by Exline
2	Neil Raymond Scholl – 80 Snoke Hill Rd NE, Lancaster OH 43130-9315
39	Calvin Charles Ray – died 10/10/2024

Pins, cards and certificates were given to Recorder at Grand Commandery.

65-Year

1	Albert Eugene Argenbright	2	James Raymond Fricker
2	David Burl Moyer	5	Richard Wyman Morain
20	Guy Frank Damore	39	John David Leek
54	Charles Frank Stephenson	59	Stuart Wynn Stearns
63	Nelson Lewis Hall	83	John Alvord Thompson

60-Year

1	Ivan Lester Mc Clary	1	Jerry Lee Snowden
5	Royal Copeland Hall	6	Robert James Davis
8	John Rains Overman, Jr.	19	Charles Vernon Anderson
21	Galen Dean Crawford	22	Jackson Craig Hedges
22	Thomas R. Walker	23	Donald Robert Leafgreen
31	Thomas H. Hughes	33	William Martin Berry
33	Edward Anthony Tossey	39	John Siman
40	Gary John Brookins	46	Roy Lawrence Bitzow
50	Harold Lee Hadley	59	Richard Dale Farthing
63	Charles Christopher Mitchell	64	Donald Parmelee
66	Henry Wallace Honaker, Jr.	71	John D. Carey
71	Emery Arnell Williams	73	Claude Wendell Ball, Jr.
74	Hanson Curly Lilly	74	Gene Lee Stauffer
75	Scott Edward Worley	81	Larry Ray Ellsberry
83	Arthur Eugene Wallach		

50-Year

1	Donald Lee Wright		
2	Lynn Edward Griffith	Frank Robinson Smith	
4	Thomas Eugene Anderson	John Clark Meldrum	Donald E Scott
5	Charles L Beatty	Douglas O Brenneman	
8	Roger Allen Bost	Daniel Edward Coates	David William Fouch
	Jean Ward Justus	Robert Lowell La Gard	
9	Wallace J Knapp		
11	Harry Clayton Kellermier		
12	Robert Alan Esarey		
14	Howard E Heilman	Philibert R Poulin	
15	James E Mc Comas		
19	Kenneth Bailey	Lee H Collins	
20	Raymond Hamilton McCune	Glenn Harry Presley	
21	Larry B Penix		
22	Charles Robert Dimmitt	Hughie Roosevelt Smith	
25	Robert Holaday Parker		
30	William A Coffman		
31	William L Arledge	Thomas L Black	
33	Kenneth Bailey	Terry W Simonton	
34	Jerry L Baumgartner	Larry L Morgan	
36	John W Scharer		
38	Larry K Hagan		
39	Curtis A Miller	James John Mulligan	Thomas Purnell
	Robert K Rhinehart		
40	Robert Alan Esarey	Jay A Flack	
46	Gary L Lucous		
48	Ralph E Shaffer	Michael J Woodward	
49	James Richard Disher		
50	Michael Stanley Spence		
52	Charles Ralph Mc Elroy		
55	Timothy Scott Weigle		
59	James Ronald Hill	Ralph Carl Mattes	Jesse Ottney
61	David Lee Vassar		
63	Charles L Beatty	David B Woodmansee	David C Miller
69	Robert W Parsons	Stephen M Smith	
71	Robert Lee Daniels		
73	Robert Alan Esarey		
74	Gary R Lee		
76	Homer L Buchanan	Earl Mason Saunders	David M Snyder
81	Jay Clifton Pugh		
82	Robert S Collier	William Francis Higgins	
84	Daryl C Higgins	David M Snyder	

Proposed Legislation

ESTABLISHMENT OF OHIO KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CHARITY FUND

We hereby establish the Ohio Knight Templar Charity Fund. This fund will be established with \$522,000.00 transferred from the Grand Commandery Cash Management Fund. The earnings in this account can be used for charitable causes for Ohio Knights Templar, their wives, their widows, their children, individual Commanderies, the Ohio Masonic Communities, or other items to be considered by the Grand Commandery Relief Committee. The Relief Committee shall be established with 5 Sir Knights, originally appointed for terms of 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 years. Each new appointment thereafter shall be for a 5-year term. No Knight may serve more than 2 consecutive terms. The Long-Range Planning Committee shall recommend Sir Knights, who will be appointed by the Grand Commander. No more than 1 elected Grand Commandery Officer shall be appointed. There shall be one additional appointee from the ranks of appointed Grand Commandery officers. Another appointee shall be from the ranks of Division Commander or Deputy Division Commander. 2 additional Sir Knights shall come from the remaining Ohio Sir Knights who have been elected to serve their Commandery as a dais officer.

No contributions shall be made from this fund to support existing Grand Commandery of Ohio or Grand Encampment charities such as the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, the Holy Land Pilgrimage, or the Knight Templar Educational Fund.

The initial corpus is NOT to be diminished. In the event market declines shall cause the corpus to fall below \$522,000.00, there shall be no distributions until the market gains allow the initial corpus to be restored.

Randy A. Williams, KCT, GT PC St. Luke's # 34	Robert C. Hager, KCT, PGC PC Coeur de Lion # 64	R. Thomas Starr, KCT, PGC PC Athens # 15
Gerald G. Pugh, KCT, PDG PC Marietta # 50	Thomas D. Branscomb PC Mt. Vernon # 1	David L. Williams Generalissimo, Marietta # 50

CLARIFICATION OF ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP

Section 1108C: OHIO KNIGHT TEMPLAR MEMBERSHIP AND MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Item (2)(b)

Currently reads:

The total purchase price for the Endowed Membership shall be Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00). This shall be paid to the Endowed Commandery. As long as the member holding the Endowed Membership is living and in good standing in the Endowed Commandery, such Commandery shall pay all Grand Commandery Per Capita dues, fees, and contributions. (Hughes Decision Number 3 increased amount to \$2,000.00) (Gault Decision Number 1 reduced the amount to \$1,200.00: effective 10-12-2014).

The proposal shall read:

The total purchase price for the Endowed Membership shall be One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) This shall be paid to the Endowed Commandery. As long as the member holding the Endowed Membership is living and in good standing in the Endowed Commandery, such Commandery shall pay all Grand Commandery Per Capita dues, fees, and contributions.

Randy A. Williams, KCT, GT
PC St. Luke's # 34

Grievance Committee Report

No report submitted

Charters and Dispensation Committee Report

Your committee for Charters and Dispensations respectfully reports that there were no applications or petitions for Charters presented, or matters pertaining to the same, submitted to this committee during this past year. Therefore, there is no report.

Ronald L. Vicars, KCT, PGC - Chairman

York Rite Unity Committee Report

No report submitted

Report of the Committee on Uniforms

No report submitted

Report of the Committee on Ritual and Tactics

No report submitted

Publicity and Public Relations Committee Report

There was no action required or completed this year. All Sir Knights and each Commandery are encouraged to participate in public events such as posting colors and parades whenever possible. They should attend Lodge and Chapter meetings in their areas to promote Templary to those members present at the meetings.

Timothy O. Ralston, GSW

Website Committee Report

The Grand Commandery of Ohio website is maintained regularly with news, form revisions, and other necessary updates requested by the Right Eminent Grand Commander, the Grand Recorder, and the Associate Grand Recorder.

All required forms for Commandery Recorders and Grand Commandery officers are updated annually or as needed.

Questions regarding forms or issues accessing them should be directed to the Grand Recorder.

Requests from a constituent Commandery to submit an item to be included on the website should follow the chain of command set forth by the Grand Commander.

Errors or disabled links may be reported to the webmaster, whose contact information is found in the Grand Commandery roster.

R. Thomas Starr, KCT, PGC - Webmaster

Long Range Planning Committee

No report submitted

Report of The Knights Templar Educational Foundation – Ohio Division

The Knights Templar Educational Foundation – Ohio Division, received 44 complete scholarship applications from students requesting assistance for the 2025-26 academic year. All complete applications were reviewed by the Educational Foundation committee for scholastic achievement, extra-curricular involvement, and church and Masonic Youth Group participation.

Once again this year, we awarded twenty \$1000.00 scholarships.

The recipients, in alphabetical order, are:

Grace Lynn Boone – Blanchester, Ohio	Brooke Carter – Columbus, Ohio
Keifer Clark – Xenia, Ohio	Katelyn Heinselman – Niles, Ohio
Tori Johnston – Willoughby, Ohio	Madison Kita – Wickliffe, Ohio
Coleman Leach – Logan, Ohio	Stephanie Lesnick – Brook Park, OH
Emma Lowe – Caldwell, Ohio	Samantha Magrini – Boardman, Ohio
Leanna Nugent – Bay Village, Ohio	Jakob Pelfrey – Lebanon, Ohio
Ryan Reed – Bay Village, Ohio	Logan Shope – Chillicothe, Ohio
Haley Spangler – Berea, Ohio	Connor Thompson – Austintown, OH
Lucy Trout – North Baltimore, Ohio	Samuel Watkins – Leavittsburg, Ohio
Benjamin Woodruff – Cincinnati, Ohio	Emily Woodruff – Cincinnati, Ohio

The quality of the applications makes this a competitive process; all were certainly worthy of strong consideration.

The application for next year's scholarship cycle will be available on the Grand Commandery website in December; the deadline to submit the completed application is March 31, 2026. The committee appreciates all those who promote and support the Educational Foundation by encouraging college-age students to apply.

Robert C. Hager, KCTY, PGC (2028)
Larry H. Haines, KCT, GCG (2026)

R. Thomas Starr, KCT, PGC, Chairman (2027)
Randy A. Williams, KCTY, GT (2025)
Alfred T. Johnson, KCT, HPGC, Sec/Treas.

Ohio Grand Commandery 2024-2025 Membership Report

June 1, 2024 – May 31, 2025

Submitted by – Dave Kern, Membership Committee Chairman

Summary & Conclusions

- 1) Except for the SE & SW Divisions, this was a down year across the state.
- 2) This year the G.C. had a **net loss of 273 members**.
- 3) This term's **net loss was 4.91%** of the last term's membership total.
- 4) 132 new SKs represents a **38% decrease** from last year's total of 209.
- 5) The G.C. averaged 2.15 new SKs per Commandery.
- 6) The fact remains that **YR Festivals and All-Order Days are essential for success**.
- 7) Reinstatements must be prioritized...only 5 Commanderys had 2 or more.
- 8) Commandery promotional presentations in RAM Chapters is a strategic necessity.
- 9) Perhaps the G.C. could provide financial support for All Order Days expenses.
- 10) There remains no substitute for one-on-one recruitment!**
- 11) The trend continues toward fewer Commanderys and smaller, or fewer Divisions.
- 12) The two smallest Divisions generated the largest number of new SKs in the G.C.

10 Year Review of Membership Performance

<u>Year</u>	<u>Grand Lodge New MMs</u>	<u>G.C. New SKs</u>
2025	560(Est.)	131
2024	655	209
2023	775	211
2022	1605*	300
2021	1508*	11**
2020	657	75**
2019	1766*	168
2018	681	174
2017	2176*	187
2016	860	204

Note: GL year ends July 31st. *Grandmaster's Class **G.C. Covid Shutdown

Ohio Grand Commandery Membership – By Division

June 1, 2024 – May 31, 2025

<u>Divisions</u>	<u>Knightings</u>	<u>Reinstatements</u>	<u># of Comm.</u>	<u>Avg. Knightings/Comm</u>
Southeastern	36	1	6	6.00
Southwestern	22	4	6	3.67
West Central	19	6	8	2.38
Northeastern	15	2	9	1.67
East Central	12	3	8	1.50
Northwestern	19	6	14	1.36
North Central	9	6	10	.90
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Totals	131	27	61	(G.C. Average) 2.15

*St George #76-3ea. & Jerusalem#75-1ea.

Notes & Comments:

- 1) YR Festivals or All Order Days were **not held in the following Divisions:** NC, EC & NE.
- 2) The 131 new SKs represents a **38% decrease** over the previous year's total.
- 3) St. George #76 is not included in the 61 operating Commanderys...Jerusalem #75 is closed.

Dave Kern
2024-2025 Membership Chairman

Report from the Editor of the Ohio Supplement, Grand Encampment's Knight Templar Magazine

Thanks to Sir Knight Dale Exline, Right Eminent Grand Commander. 2024-2025 for asking me to continue as the Ohio Supplement editor for Knight Templar Magazine, now the online KT news. It is fun to hear and share about the adventures of our Grand Commandery leadership throughout each year. It has been especially an honor and a pleasure to serve the Grand Commandery of Ohio in this capacity for this past year as SK Exline is also from the great Southeastern Division where I have watched his dedicated work on behalf of Templary for many years.

Remember that you can find the link to the Ohio supplement from the Grand Commandery homepage at <https://ohioknightstemplar.com/> A link to all state supplements may be found in each issue of Knight Templar Magazine. If your commandery has an electronic newsletter be sure to add a link to the Ohio News supplement. There often is extra space for news in addition to the Grand Commander's message, so, please submit local news and photographs for inclusion in the supplement to the grand commander or to me. Best wishes for the upcoming Templar year.

Your Editor, S. Jefferson Slattery

The Public, Civic and Patriotic Activities Report

No report submitted

Report on Uniform Audits

In accordance with the General Orders, every Commandery in the Grand Commandery of Ohio is required to complete a Uniform Audit Report for their Commandery. The audit was to be completed and submitted to the Deputy Division Commander by July 1, 2025, for review by him and the Division Commander. Once their reviews were complete and corrections made, they were required to be submitted to either the Grand Captain General (1-39) or the Grand Senior Warden (40-84) by August 1, 2025. Unfortunately, as of August 1, 2025, less than 50% of the Commanderies had been submitted. There are still several Commanderies, as of the writing of this partial report on August 30, 2025, which still do not have UAR's submitted.

The main issue with the UAR's received is that required signatures were missing. Many times, there were signed forms but those were not the ones submitted. Math errors were limited when the auto-fill function on the form is used.

The General Orders further require the Grand Captain General and Grand Senior Warden are responsible for reviewing the UARs, uploading archive copies to the designated electronic storage site and reporting to the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander on any Commanderies that have assets less than \$1,000.00 OR had total assets decrease during the year by more than 5%. After a review of the UAR's submitted to date none of the Commanderies reviewed had assets less than \$1,000.00 and only two Commandries had decreases of more than 5%. A full accounting will be submitted to the Grand Commander and the Deputy Grand Commander when all reports have been received.

Larry H. Haines, GCG
Timothy O. Ralston, GSW

Report of the Triennial Committee

The 70th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar will be held in Los Angeles, CA on August 10-18 2027.

William H. Koon II, PGC, GCT

Ohio Masonic Home Report

The following report was prepared for Grand Lodge by Brother Scott Buchanan, Chief Executive Officer of the Ohio Masonic Communities. It is being used here with his permission.

“This report is submitted on behalf of the leadership of The Ohio Masonic Communities to the Brethren at the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. Each year brings new challenges, but the organization is well-positioned to rise to them and continue fulfilling the mission – living our Masonic Values by serving as a trusted partner to help our communities thrive. As The Ohio Masonic Communities approaches its 131st year, the organization continues to honor its’ history while positioning itself for the future. With a clear vision and purpose, the organization is focused on three key priorities: achieving financial stewardship, becoming an organization of choice, and inspiring excellence as an employer of choice. This past year’s efforts have centered on these three goals. Below is a summary of the past year’s accomplishments and a glimpse into future plans for the organization.

Over the past year, The Ohio Masonic Communities has embraced change—rising to meet new challenges and evolving needs across each campus. As we look ahead to 2026, we are well-positioned to continue delivering the exceptional care that defines us and to meet future needs with concern, compassion, and an unwavering commitment to our residents.

Browning Masonic Community

Last fall, Browning Masonic Community fulfilled a lifelong dream for resident Shirley. Many years ago, Shirley and her late husband created a bucket list that included items such as visiting all 50 states. At 93, the last item on that bucket list was to take a hot air balloon ride.

When the Browning Masonic Community team learned about her dream, they were determined to make it happen. Surrounded by her family, including her son who surprised her by flying in for the occasion, Shirley soared through the sky, completing her bucket list in a truly unforgettable way.

As the evening came to a close, Shirley was brought to tears reminiscing on how beautiful the experience was – and she wasn't alone, there wasn't a dry eye around. Just a few weeks later, Shirley passed away on what would have been her and her husband's 72nd wedding anniversary. It was an honor to not only know and care for Shirley, but to make her dream a reality.

Springfield Masonic Community

Springfield Masonic Community's strong reputation has been honored with multiple nominations and awards over the past year. Last year, the campus received the Best Assisted Living award in the annual Best of Springfield Competition and has been nominated for four Best of Springfield Awards this year.

Springfield Masonic Community also received the Clark State Diversity Champion Award. The 2025 Clark State Diversity Champion Award recognized leadership in diversity, honoring an individual or organization who has implemented innovative strategies that promote the development of skills to meet the needs of a multicultural society. Springfield Masonic Community and Clark State College worked collaboratively to create an onsite training program for Certified Nursing Assistants with an embedded ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) element. The program helps immigrants learn English while they are training to become a nursing assistant.

Looking ahead to the future needs of the community, exciting plans are underway to reposition the Springfield campus. This expansion will introduce beautifully designed spaces that reflect the exceptional care and commitment the campus is known for. The project will break ground this fall.

Western Reserve Masonic Community

Expansion and renovations have been the focus of Western Reserve Masonic Community for the past two years. With the first parts of the expansion and renovation complete, including the new state-of-the-art healthcare center and luxury independent living apartments and community spaces, focus shifted to the assisted living neighborhood. Its outdated design didn't match the rest of the campus, and the oversized dining room wasn't the most practical use of space for residents.

While the renovations in the assisted living neighborhood were wrapping up, the Pathways Memory Support Neighborhood also received updates. New paint, flooring, lighting, artwork, and furniture have transformed the entire neighborhood. It's created a more relaxing and functional neighborhood environment for the residents that call it home.

At the beginning of 2025, the second half of the healthcare center opened, marking the end of this multi-year project. Although the project is now complete, it marks only the beginning of

Western Reserve Masonic Community's strong reputation in the community for helping residents thrive.

Award Winning Care

At The Ohio Masonic Communities, quality is a core value that guides every aspect of our work. We are committed to delivering excellence in all that we do. As part of our strategic vision, we aim to be recognized as an organization of choice—where our name is synonymous with exceptional care. We want individuals to choose our campuses with confidence, knowing they will receive the highest level of care and services.

One of the ways we ensure we're always providing the best quality possible is feedback from our residents and their families. We partner with Activated Insights to measure the quality of every aspect of our organization—from the care we provide to the meals we serve and the buildings we maintain. Each month, Activated Insights randomly selects residents and family members from every level of care at each campus to participate in a survey. The survey reports provide our team with valuable insights into our strengths and identify areas for improvement.

We're honored to have been awarded the Activated Insights 2025 Customer Experience Award for assisted living and memory care at Browning Masonic Community; independent living, assisted living, and skilled nursing at Springfield Masonic Community; and independent living, assisted living, memory care, and skilled nursing at Western Reserve Masonic Community. These awards recognize us for being in the top 15% of providers nationwide.

The Ohio Masonic Communities Foundation

The Ohio Masonic Communities Foundation continues to raise awareness of and support for The Ohio Masonic Communities through fundraising efforts with special emphasis on support for Masons and their wives and widows. In 2025, the annual Golf Classic raised over \$125,000 in support of memory care across all three campuses—funding that helps The Ohio Masonic Communities provide exceptional care and continue its mission to be both an organization and employer of choice. Earlier this summer, the Grand Lodge of Ohio, Eastern Star of Ohio, and The Ohio Masonic Communities Foundation hosted an inspiring afternoon of purpose and connection at the Second Annual Wine, Women, and Shoes event. Thanks to the leadership of Zoe Carter, First Lady of Ohio; Marla Barber, Grand Worthy Matron; and Dan Shirk, Volunteer and Special Events Coordinator, the event raised over \$4,000 in support of the foundation's vital work. In an effort to recognize and thank donors for their generosity, The Ohio Masonic Communities Foundation held donor dinners across the state. Hosted at each of our campuses, the dinners were a chance to celebrate the good works made possible by our donors.

The Ohio Masonic Communities Resource Center

Through The Ohio Masonic Communities Resource Center, another program funded through The Ohio Masonic Communities Foundation, financial support is provided to Ohio Masons and their wives and widows, making it possible for them to thrive as they age. In the last year, beyond providing financial assistance when needed, The Ohio Masonic Communities Resource Center has supported Ohio Masons and their wives and widows through a variety of initiatives. These include building ramps to improve home accessibility, providing lawn care and general home maintenance, offering emotional and social support through home visits and phone calls, delivering bereavement support after the loss of a loved one, and supplying school essentials for youth, among other impactful services.

Last year, 2,013 total clients were assisted across the State of Ohio through The Ohio Masonic Communities Resource Center. Thanks to the dedication of our Masonic volunteers, The

Ohio Masonic Communities Resource Center continues to expand its services and reach more individuals each year.

Across all three of our campuses, residents are not just living—they're thriving. With growing communities and vibrant daily engagement, each day brings new moments of connection, joy, and purpose to those live and work on our campuses. As we look to the future, The Ohio Masonic Communities will continue to be guided by our mission to meet the evolving needs of the Brethren and the communities we proudly serve."

The Grand Commandery Trustees to the Ohio Masonic Communities want to thank the Grand Commander for the opportunity to work with the leadership of the Communities in supporting the important work undertaken there.

J. Keith Green, Trustee
Robert C. Hager, Trustee
Gerald G. Pugh, Trustee

Ritual Competition Committee Report

The 2025 Ritual Competition was held on Saturday, July 26, 2025, at the Dayton Masonic Center. It was held in conjunction with the State-wide Drill Competition.

This year, there were six ritual sections to compete in:

The Flag Lecture
Ode to the Skull
Junior Warden's Address
Prelate's Address
Explanatory Lecture
Order of Malta Explanatory Lecture (Banner)

There was a total of 10 Sir Knights registered with a total of fifteen ritual sections being delivered. The winner for each section is noted in the enclosed sheet. The awards will be presented at the 183rd Grand Conclave. Overall, the ritualistic work was done well. I want to thank all the Sir Knights for participating and hope that in the future, that more Sir Knights will take part.

I would also like to extend thanks to SK David Howe, SK Jason Throckmorton, and SK Jesse Pertee for serving as judges for this year's Ritual Competition.

Last Name	First Name	Commandery	No.	Part	Weighted Score		
					Accuracy	Delivery	Total
Roth	Timothy	Findlay	49	Explanatory Lecture	525	446	972
Bair	Roger	Mt. Vernon	1	Explanatory Lecture	439	439	879
Schick	Chris	Mansfield	21	Flag Lecture	548	446	994
Ellis	Jeff	Calvary	13	Flag Lecture	543	445	988
Thackrey	Charles	Middletown	71	Flag Lecture	537	445	981
Schick	Chris	Mansfield	21	Junior Warden's Address	541	438	979
Williams	David	Marietta	50	Junior Warden's Address	522	441	963
Bair	Roger	Mt. Vernon	1	Ode to the Skull	547	447	995
Hoover	Terry	Wooster	48	Ode to the Skull	546	448	994
Hensley	Scott	Cincinnati	3	Ode to the Skull	546	446	992
Ellis	Jeff	Calvary	13	Ode to the Skull	546	444	989
Schick	Chris	Mansfield	21	Ode to the Skull	545	444	989
Thackrey	Charles	Middletown	71	Ode to the Skull	546	440	986
Carlson	James	Raper	19	Prelate's Address	544	448	992
Hager	Robert	Coeur de Lion	64	Prelate's Address	518	437	956

Lloyd W Eichenlaub, GSStB

Easter Sunrise Committee Report

No report submitted

Report of Competitive Drill Committee

On Saturday, August 17, 2024, at the Dayton Masonic Center, Dayton, OH. 15 drill teams consisting of 1 Class C, 7 Class D, 4 Class E, 1 Class C Asylum and 2 Class D Asylum Drill teams participated in Ohio Competitive Drill. The Competitive Drills were held on two floors at the Dayton Masonic Center. There were over seven hours of drill competitions from 8:00AM Saturday morning until 3:00PM Saturday afternoon. 130 Sir Knights participated in this drill competition of which 29 were drilling for the first time in Competitive Drills.

At 3:30PM Saturday the Pass-in-Review began with each team assembled to march past the reviewing stand composed of the Deputy Grand Commander and the Grand Commandery Officers. Sir Knight Ron Ensell, Deputy Grand Commander asked Sir Knight Gerald G. Pugh, Chairman for Competitive Drill and Regulations to announce the winners, which were as follows:

DRILL COMPETITION OVERALL TEAM SCORES

CLASS	TEAM	NO.	CAPTAIN	JUDGES							D- DUK	TEAM SCORE	CAPTAIN SCORE	TEAM RANK
1 2 3 4 5 6 7														
"C-15"														
	Western Div		Zach Stewart	1	3	12	6	X	X	1 9	53	947	12	1
"D-7"														
	Palestine	33	Zach Stewart	0	2	12	5	X	X	1 3	42	958	12	1
	Findlay	49	Rick Eakin	3	0	20	8	X	X	1 2	43	957	20	2
	Marietta	50	Dave Miller		2	20	7	X	X	5	44	956	20	3
	Warren	39	Rich Goddard	4	3	16	3 1	X	X	2 1	75	925	16	4
	Canton	38	Larry Haines	1	3	44	2 5	X	X	8	81	919	44	5
	Eagle	29	Tom Johnson		3	40	5 0	X	X	1 0	103	897	40	6
	Middletown	71	Mike Stephenson			76	2 1	X	X	1 1	108	892	76	7
"E-5"														

	Marietta	50	Dave Miller			40	13	X	X	7	60	940	40	1
	Findlay	49	Tim Roth	2	0	52	12	X	X	4	70	930	52	2
	Sidney	46	John Stiltner	1	1	40	26	X	X	7	75	925	41	3
	Palestine	33	Clint Buffington	0	1	108	9	X	X	0	128	872	108	4

"C-Asylum"

	Valley	80	Joe Fair	3	8	4	20			17	52	948	5	1
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"D-Asylum"

	Bryan	74	Steve Miller	4	7	4	4		1	6	26	974	5	1
	Columbus	69	Tim Adams	1	7	32	3	0	1	6	80	920	32	2

All teams received a plaque noting their participation in this competition.

The Committee wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the judges consisting of
 Sir Knights: Franklin C Boner Randy A Williams Jerry Pugh Larry A Rentz
 Dennis L Wilhelm Ronald L Vicars Bruce Shinabery
 Gary D Shoemaker Ronald E Shaw Rick Memmer Timothy O Ralston
 N Lee Peterson Larry E Byer D Nelson Logan
 John M Goins Mark Mooney

We also wish to thank the auditors, the clerks, and others who helped with the competition:

Tom Starr Traci Starr Pat Vicars Chief Auditor – Cheryl Pugh

The Committee wishes to express its most sincere appreciation to the Sir Knights who worked behind the scenes for all their splendid effort and cooperation. We particularly congratulate the 130 Sir Knights comprising our drill teams who put in countless hours of practice preparing for this competition. We are confident that they will continue to serve Templary with their leadership and participation at all levels of Masonry.

Gerald G. Pugh, PGC, PDC

Knight Templar HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE Ohio Committee Report – 2025

No report submitted

Ohio Commandery DeMolay Cooperation Committee 2025

No report submitted

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD REPORT

No report submitted

Knights Templar Eye Foundation Report on the 57th Voluntary Campaign

The 57th Voluntary Campaign is in the books, and once again the Sir Knights and Ohio's constituent commanderies contributed generously and greatly to its success.

Ohio ranked sixth throughout Grand Encampment in dollars contributed during this campaign, which ended April 30th, 2025. Sir Knights and commanderies contributed \$77,296.50 as part of the \$1,877,594.49 given from all jurisdictions toward research for the prevention of blindness. Ohio is ranked second overall with a total of \$583,046.50 in contributions plus trust plus wills.

There are twenty-five (25) Commanderies receiving certificates for achieving \$5.00 - \$9.00 per member:

Landcaster Commandery No. 2, Massillon Commandery No. 4, Steubenville Commandery No. 11, Oriental Commandery No. 12, Hanselmann Commandery No.16, Raper Commandery No.19, St. Johns Commandery No.20, Mansfield Commandery No. 21, Erie Commandery No. 23, Ohio Valley Commandery No.24, Hope Commandery No. 26, St. Lukes Commandery No.34, Marion Commandery No.36, Salem Commandery No.42, Marietta Commandery No.50, Jackson Commandery No.53, Pilgrim Commandery No.55, Fremont Commandery No.56, St Omer Commandery No.59, Elyria Commandery No. 60, Coshocton Commandery No. 63, Coeur de Lion Commandery No.64, Holy Grail Commandery No. 70, Valley Commandery No. 80, Nathanisl Greene No.8.

There are twenty-four (24) Commanderies receiving seals for achieving \$10.00 or more per member:

Mt. Vernon Commandery No.1, Cincinnati Commandery No. 3, Reed Commandery No. 6, DeMolay Commandery No. , Calvary Commandery No. 13, Shawnee Commandery No.14, Miami Commandery No.22, Akron Commandery No.25, Eagle Commandery No. 29, Defiance Commandery No. 30, Palestine Commandery No. 33, Canton Commandery No. 38, Warren Commandery No. 39, Forest City Commandery No 40, Sidney Commandery No. 46, Wooster Commandery No.48, Findlay Commandery No.49, Columbian Commandery No. 52, Ivanhoe Commandery No. 54, Columbus Commandery No. 69, Allenby Commandery No.73, Willis Commandery No. 82 Cuyahoga Falls Commandery No.83, Medina Commandery No.84.

An individual Sir Knight may become a Life Sponsor by contributing \$30.00 and may join The Grand Master's Club by giving \$1,000.00 or reach this level by joining The Grand Commander's Club (\$100.00 per year for 10 years).

Persons or organizations may contribute at the following levels: Associate Patron - \$50.00; Patron - \$100.00; Golden Chalice - \$10,000.00; Grand Master's Sword of Merit- \$25,000.00.

Jobie W. Dotson PDDC.

Chairman for Ohio, 57th Voluntary Campaign

Time and Place Committee Report

184th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Ohio will be held at the Doubletree Columbus, Worthington, Ohio on October 9, 2026.

Northwestern Division

December brought Christmas observances. All Commanderies participated in at least one Christmas observance, either as an individual Commandery or in conjunction with others. Inspection season is always a busy one in this Division. We were fortunate to have had good traveling weather and none of the inspections had to be rescheduled. Each Commandery had its own day to be inspected with no “doubling up”, as we have had to do in the past. Most discrepancies which arose came on the Administrative side of the inspection report and dealt with lack of quorum issues. All discrepancies were resolved by the end of May. All Commanderies participated in Easter Observances and Ascension Services, either individually or in conjunction with other Commanderies. Several members of the Division traveled to Washington DC to participate in the Easter Sunrise Service there. Most Commanderies participated in many Civic and Patriotic events, Flag presentations were performed numerous times. At the end of the year, three Commanderies were found to have not Knighted a candidate during the year. Those Commanderies were placed on probation until such time as they could successfully Knight a new member.

May and June brought successful elections in all 14 Commanderies, however there were several that had vacancies in some Junior Officer positions.

Matthew G. Gloor, DDC

West Central Division

During the 182nd Grand Conclave of Knights Templar of Ohio the West Central Division was honored to see Sir Knight Richard L. Ganion, KCT complete his year as the Grand Commander of Ohio and witness the installation of Sir Knight Dale A. Exline, KCT as the Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Ohio. The Sir Knights and Ladies of the West Central Division thank Sir Knights Ganion, Pience, Richardson, Lindsey and Haugen for their service to the Division and the Grand Commandery of Ohio.

Prior to the 182nd Grand Conclave many Sir Knights traveled to Salt Lake City Utah for Grand Encampment and the sole purpose of representing Ohio in the Grand Encampment Drill Competition. SK Zachary Stewart led a combined WC/NW Division in the B-21 Drill and Palestine #33 in the D-7 Drill. The WC/NW Division team took 3rd place and Palestine #33 took 1st place in their respective competitions. Congratulations and thank you to the Sir Knights who participated, and the WC Division would like to give a special thank you to Sir Knight Zachary Stewart for his leadership and time committed to ensure Drill Competition is still thriving in Ohio.

On July 26th the Grand Commandery of Ohio held its first Drill Competition outside of our Annual Grand Conclave. Fifteen teams were represented at the Dayton Masonic Center. Five of the fifteen teams were representing the WC Division and were as follows: The WC Division, led by SK Zachary Stewart, performed the C-15 Drill (1st Place); Valley #80, led by SK Joe Fair, performed the C-Asylum Drill (1st Place); Palestine #33, led by SK Zach Stewart, D-7 Drill (1st Place); Palestine #33, led by SK Clint Buffington, E-5 Drill (4th Place); and Sidney #46, led by SK John Stiltner (3rd Place). The WC Division is greatly appreciative of the Sir Knights who participated and continue to represent the WC Division in Drill Competition.

The fall meetings of the West Central Division CTA were held on September 9th, 2024, at Bellefontaine No. 61 and October 3rd, 2024, at Willis No. 82 where the CTA practiced the Full Form Opening and held discussions on the particular movements of each Officer and at the October meeting the discussion revolved around the planning and execution needed for the 182nd Grand Conclave. Each meeting was well attended, and every Sir Knight learned something new from the programs held. On November 22nd, 2024, the CTA meeting was held in West Alexandria, OH with Jerusalem #75 hosting. The second half of the Full Form Opening. On December 15th, 2024, the West Central Division held their annual Christmas Celebration, which is always well attended, in the Pavilion at the Ohio Masonic Home in Springfield. The April 4th, 2025, meeting in Sidney No. 46 was held with the Ladies in attendance for their valued input into the happenings of the upcoming 2025-2026 Templar year. At the Spring CTA meeting an educational presentation was also held to inform Sir Knights of the different forms (ie, Annual Return, Election Report, Uniform Audit Report) due each year to Grand Commandery and to remind all that it is the Commandery's responsibility together to make sure these forms are completed on time. Again, on June 22nd, 2025, the CTA met at the Ohio Masonic Home. The newly elected CTA Officers were installed by SK Richard Ganion, KCT, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander.

The West Central CTA participated in forming the lines for several Grand bodies to include the Grand Lodge of Ohio, Ohio Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star, the Right Eminent Grand Commander's Reception of the Grand Commandery of Ohio, Scottish Rite Council of Deliberation, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio, Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Ohio and two Grand Master Receptions.

Inspection season in the Division began in January and ended in April. Seven of the Eight Commanderies had successful Inspections, and each Inspection was well attended. Unfortunately, the WC Division lost Jerusalem #75 who merged with Middletown #71 in the SW Division. Although we lost some Sir Knights, whom are still active within the WC Division, of which we are eternally grateful and it shows that the Camaraderie of Sir Knights in Ohio is strong. Sir Knights Ganion, Pience, Carlson and I along with their Ladies attended the East Central Department meeting in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The Commanderies of the West Central Division participated in or held Easter Services throughout the Division, including one in conjunction with Ivanhoe No. 54 and Shawnee No. 14 in the Northwest Division. The West Central Division was well represented at the Grand Encampment's Easter Sunrise Service in Arlington, Virginia. The Commanderies in the Division also participated in posting colors, posting Honor Guards and forming lines on many occasions throughout the year.

The West Central Division did a great job in knighting 19 new Sir Knights over this past year with 7 reinstatements. The West Central Division participated in a York Rite Week in Dayton which started on March 3rd and ended with the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross and the Order of Malta being held on March 7th, 2025 at Reed Commandery No. 6. I want to express my appreciation to all the Sir Knights and Ladies of the West Central Division for making my time as Deputy Division Commander as smooth as possible. It has been an honor to serve, and I look forward to assisting the Division in all future endeavors.

Kyle J. Binkley, DDC

Southwestern Division

The Sir Knights and Ladies of the Southwestern Division wish Sir Knight Dale Exline KCT and Lady Judy all the best and congratulate them on completing a successful Chivalric year. During the 182nd Grand Conclave of Knights Templar of Ohio, the Southwestern Division was

honored to see Sir Knight Timothy Ralston KCT elected as the Eminent Grand Senior Warden. We offer our thanks and appreciation to Sir Knight Ralston and Lady Sandy for their service to the Division and Grand Commandery of Ohio and look forward to assisting them with their service to our Division and the Grand Commandery of Ohio.

The Southwestern Division held four CTA meetings this year which were well attended. Education programs were conducted during the meetings in November, and January. The March CTA meeting was a social evening with everyone enjoying great fellowship and fun. The CTA voted to approve several changes to their bylaws this past year. Members voted to approve reducing the number of meetings from five to four. This change allows a host additional time for practice sessions leading up to their Commandery inspection. The other change was to allow the CTA president to select the date of the annual meeting based on availability of the venue.

The Southwestern CTA officers sponsored several special events throughout the year including a Thanksgiving meal, Christmas party, Easter sunrise service, a Euchre night, and a Military Ball with proceeds from the events going to the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. During the month of August two schools of instruction were held to review the Full Form Opening and Ohio Tactics with the incoming 2025-2026 officers.

The 2024-2025 Divisional Inspection season began in January and ended in February. All six Commanderies had successful Inspections and attendance of both Sir Knights and Ladies was excellent. The Southwestern Division was honored to have our Right Eminent Grand Commander Dale Exline KCT and his Lady Judy visit the Division at the inspections for Middletown #71 and Hanselmann #16 Commanderies. It was a great joy to have them with us those days.

The Southwestern Division hosted an All Order Day event on May 17, 2025 with the class honoree SK David Slusher KTCH, Grand Prelate Emeritus, knighting 6 new Sir Knights. Collaborative York Rite Festivals for the 4th District Royal Arch Masons, and the 3rd Arch Royal & Select Masons were held on separate dates with Sir Knights from the SW Division participating in the events.

The membership report for the Southwestern division includes adding 22 new Sir Knights over this past year, 4 reinstatements, and losing 17 Sir Knights to death. Sir Knight Ralston KCT and I offer our thanks and appreciation to all who helped to make this a successful year for the knightings within the Southwestern Division and our condolences to those who lost family members this past year.

Sir Knights from the Southwestern Division joined in posting colors and assisted in forming lines during receptions for the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand High Priest, and Illustrious Grand Master, and posted honor guards throughout the year.

The Southwestern Division's website was updated and improved this past year thanks to the efforts of Sir Knight Edward Galt. Additionally, a newsletter encompassing activities of the Southwest Ohio York Rite Bodies was published and distributed on a quarterly basis that included articles from each of the York Rite Grand Representatives from the Southwestern Division. These efforts have helped to strengthen the fraternal bonds between the Commanderies and other York Rite bodies in Southwestern Ohio.

The year concluded with our annual CTA meeting and picnic in June. The Division elected new officers for the year and presented a number of awards. The Division awarded Sir Knight Mac Harned as Sir Knight of the Year and Lady Glenda Harned as Lady of the Year. SK Frank Spears was awarded the most enthusiastic Sir Knight. Congratulations to all the Sir Knights and Ladies who were recognized for their contributions to the Southwestern Division and to the newly installed officers for the Southwestern Division CTA.

Lastly, I want to express my appreciation to all the Sir Knights and Ladies of the Southwestern Division for making this a very successful year. The enthusiasm of the Sir Knights and especially the Ladies have made this year outstanding. In addition to serving as the Deputy Division Commander, Lady Erin and I also served as the President and First Lady for the Southwestern Division CTA. Lady Erin and I want to especially thank the CTA officers and Ladies for their devotion and hard work during this year that helped to make the 2024-2025 a success for Commandery and the York Rite bodies of Southwestern Ohio.

David S. Howe, DDC

Southeastern Division

The Southeastern Division is very proud of our Sir Knights that were elected and appointed and installed. SK Dale A. Exline, KCT elected and installed as the Right Eminent Grand Commander of Ohio, SK Michael L. Hines appointed and installed Eminent Grand Prelate, SK Lloyd W. Eichenlaub, KCT elected and installed as Eminent Grand Standard Bearer. SK Larry E. Byer, KCT appointed and installed as Eminent Grand Sword Bearer, SK Micheal Ash appointed and installed as Eminent Grand Warder, SK Robin P Leonard Eminent Grand Sentinel, SK Mark S. Mooney appointed and installed as Grand Aide and SK Dennis Evans appointed and installed as Associate Grand Prelate. Congratulations to these Sir Knights.

At the 182nd Grand Commandery Conclave, our division was represented by Marietta Commandery #50 drill team where we placed 1st in the C7 drill and our Drill Captain David Miller was awarded 1st time drill captain.

We attended the reception and school of instruction in Jackson Ohio where all enjoyed the weekend and celebrated our REGC Dale A. Exline and Lady Judy with delicious food and fellowship.

The southeastern division finished out the month of November with our fund raiser of making peanut brittle, and a CTA Thanksgiving dinner and meeting enjoyed by several Sir Knights and Ladies.

December brought us our first Commandery inspection at Jackson #53 when we had a good turnout of Sir Knights and Ladies. We also enjoyed and attended several Christmas observances. After the holidays, brought the rest of our division inspections and with good weather, we had a good attendance average of 30 sir knights and 10 ladies per inspection.

Southeastern Division had an excellent showing at the East Central Department meeting.

The Southeastern division had 5 Sir Knights and 5 Ladies traveling to Washington DC for wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of George and Martha Washington at Mount Vernon. On a funny note, we ubered to Mount Vernon and on the ride back to Alexandria the 6 of us had to get in a Nissan Rogue. We are really glad the 6 of us are a close-knit group as we were extremely close on that ride! We finished our weekend at the sunrise Easter observance at the George Washington Masonic Memorial and it was a beautiful morning for the outdoor service. There was a good showing of Sir Knights marching up Shooters Hill.

Summer brought drill practice with fellowship and breakfast enjoyed by members of the drill team after practice. June brought our CTA family picnic held again at the Pomeroy Gun Club where we enjoyed fellowship and delicious BBQ chicken and beef BBQ with all the fixings and of course the ice cream sundae bar. We had a great turnout of over 40 sir knights, ladies and children in attendance, games of cornhole, yard jarts, (yes, the original yard jarts with aluminum

spike tips) axe and knife throwing. The Ladies in attendance were given a flower in appreciation by the sir knights. We also presented perfect attendance awards to several sir knights and ladies that attended all inspections. The Commandery travel awards were presented: Ohio Valley 24 1st place, Chillicothe 8 2nd place, and Lancaster 2 3rd place. Congratulations to these Sir Knights and Commanderies.

We attended the drill captains meeting and Grand officers meeting in Marysville. Our drill competition was held in Dayton in July, Marietta Commandery 50 brought home 3rd place in C7 and 1st place in E 5. We are very proud of our drill team. Congratulations to SK David Miller for receiving the Ned Dull award.

Our division was given the honor to witness and celebrate the union of marriage of our own R Thomas Starr and Lady Traci Starr. It was a beautiful ceremony of love. Many wishes of love and happiness to the happy couple.

I would again like to thank the REGC Dale A. Exline for my appointment and to the Southeastern division for their support shown to myself and Lady Lisa over the year serving as your Eminent Grand Sword Bearer and Division Commander of the Southeastern division.

Larry E. Byer, KCT, DC

East Central Division

The East Central Division remains steady in membership, maintaining a strong core of committed Sir Knights despite modest fluctuations. Efforts to encourage participation and strengthen engagement showed positive results, driven by shared collaboration across our Commanderies.

Each Commandery contributed meaningfully to the life of the Division through events, observances, fellowship, and charitable endeavors. These included Christmas and Easter observances, fellowship gatherings, community programs, and initiatives that strengthened the bonds of brotherhood and enriched family life.

Annual Inspections were conducted across the Division with encouraging results. Commanderies demonstrated commendable proficiency in their work, with steady improvement in both ritual and leadership. While areas for growth remain, the spirit of cooperation and dedication to excellence was evident throughout.

Activities and Achievements

Educational Programs

The East Central CTA sponsored quarterly educational events and training sessions across the Division, providing opportunities for growth, leadership development, and fellowship.

Ritualistic & Drill Proficiency

Sir Knights of the East Central Division actively participated in the Ohio Grand Commandery Drill and Ritual Competition in Dayton, with noteworthy results:

- 1st Place (Prelate's Address): Sir Knight Jamie Carlson (Columbus Commandery No. 69)
- 1st Place (Ode to the Skull): Sir Knight Roger Bair (Mt. Vernon Commandery No. 1)
- 2nd Place (D-6 Asylum): Columbus Commandery, with special recognition to Sir Knight Floyd Wymer (St. Luke's Commandery No. 34) for his historic 50th participation in the state Drill competition. The Division also supported Masonic bodies by posting colors, forming lines, and assisting in Templar funeral services.

Charitable Work

- Knights Templar Eye Foundation: 100%-member lifetime participation maintained.
- Sock Donation Program: Contributions provided for the underprivileged in local communities.

Goals and Recommendations

Divisional Goals (2025–2026)

- Membership: Encourage each Commandery to Knight three new Sir Knights and secure two restorations.
- Education: Increase attendance at EC CTA educational programs.
- Charitable Outreach: Expand opportunities for community-focused programs that enhance visibility and impact.

Challenges and Opportunities

- Declining membership in reporting year.
- Difficulty engaging and retaining younger members.
- Increased collaboration between Commanderies.
- Recruitment at local Masonic events to raise awareness of Templary.
- Greater community presence to encourage conversations about membership.

Conclusion

I extend sincere appreciation to the Eminent Commanders, officers, and Sir Knights of the East Central Division for their faithful service. Their work reflects the true spirit of Templary and ensures that our division remains steadfast in its mission in Christ. With confidence and continued diligence, I am assured that our Commanderies will grow ever stronger in unity and purpose.

Benjamin Okwumabua, DDC

Additional comments by the Division Commander

The year was difficult, yet positive for the Commanderies in our division. We were far behind our new knighting goal for this year. Only 14 Royal Arch Masons became Knights Templar. One Commandery had no knighting. However, there are examples where the future looks much brighter. Steubenville has had 2 positive membership years. They have also implemented the “Peculiar Stone” in their area and have presented this in several lodges as educational programs. This coordination with the Royal Arch Chapter will continue to produce dividends. The Columbus area held a one-day Royal Arch degree day. Although we had no immediate gain in Knights Templar, they have a new group of prospects from the new Royal Arch Masons. Mt. Vernon # 1 and Columbus # 69 hosted a wonderful Christmas observance at York Golf Club. Attendance by Sir Knights, ladies, and families was wonderful celebrating the birth of our Savior. In the division we had all successful inspections for the Commandery and the Commander. Our Military Ball was very successful in May, and we look forward to May 9, 2026, when we celebrate our 50th year of this Ball. We had a fine summer picnic with our families and installed new CTA officers. The next year looks bright for membership and activities.

Randy Williams, Division Commander

North Central Division

The 24/25 Templar year has come to a close and we again had a fun year. With conclaves in the asylums, knightings across the division, continued training and learning at our CTA events,

drill team performance and a kindled spirit of the knights. All Commanderies were able to take part in Christmas and Easter observances as well as participating at the division's church services.

Many of our Sir Knights and family members were able to attend the Easter services in Alexandria; they were held outside this year and was a very moving service. Also, all Commanderies took part in color postings and helped to form lines at multiple events including the 20th and 22nd District Reception for the Grand Master, the 16th District Royal Arch Ball for the Grand High Priest and at the Scottish Rite Dyslexia Learning Center Night for the Valley of Cleveland.

The division also is continuing our program to enhance attendance at our division events and inspections. Part of the program looks at the attendance of our silver belted Knights, gold belted Knights as well as the ladies. We congratulate and applaud our Commandery of the Year, Forest City Commandery; Knight of the Year, SK Jonathan Hupp of Holy Grail Commandery and Lady of the Year, Lady Lianne Vargo. The previous Chivalric year was Forest City Commandery; SK Christian Schick of Mansfield Commandery and Lady of the Year, Lady Kathy Wiley.

The division was deeply saddened in March of this year by the passing of Lady Dorothy Snyder. Her ardent support of the youth programs, Eastern Star and Commandery at all levels was so appreciated. Her presentations about the Holy Land pilgrimages were always a delight, insightful and she gave you the story as if you were alongside for the trip. In her memory, contributions to the Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund were requested.

We also thank SK Jobie Dotson of Forest City Commandery. He has been a solid supporter of his home Commandery and the division, first the Seventh and then North Central. Because of work restrictions, he had to take a break from some of his Commandery duties. We have welcomed SK Terry Hoover of Wooster Commandery as the new Deputy Division Commander.

Many of our Commanderies had new Sir Knights for our inspections. Our division also brought in new Sir Knights and took parts in the York Rite Festival in Findlay. Our Commanderies have continued to drill, but the turnout of Knights was a challenge. However, we were excited to have Canton drill as D7 in Dayton with Mansfield and Coeur de Lion helping. A new corps of CTA officers were elected and installed and have begun work for the new year and are excited to help educate and inform in their sessions. The CTA is also excited to welcome and support Elyria Commandery into the division.

We also supported our youth groups by assisting DeMolay and Rainbow Girls in the division as well as helping them at state events. The division has seen growth in all three youth groups with new assemblies and chapters starting in our Division.

As the future unfolds, we plan to continue moving forward with membership growth, more light for the Sir Knights, fun times together and support the eye foundation, Holy Land pilgrimage and the scholarship program.

David Dauterman, DDC

Northeastern Division

The Northeastern division has once again shown that our greatest strength is not just with our Sir Knights, but with the support our Sir Knights give to the commanderies throughout the division.

This year has seen the division come together to support each other throughout the year. During our inspection season we averaged more than 45 Sir Knights at every inspection, more than 17 Ladies and more than 60 total at each of our banquets. And although we had 15 knightings within the division, we still could not surpass the all-devouring scythe of time, which claimed 19 Sir Knights this year. Unfortunately, the loss of membership due to our fraters leaving the fraternity was also quite devastating as we lost over 25 to suspension for non-affiliation, which equals the total of new members – knightings, affiliations, and reinstatements – for the whole division.

The division continues to be a strong presence within our communities in the division. We participated in multiple Christmas and Easter Observances, including the first livestream of the Living Last Supper and the Easter Sunrise Service in Alexandria. Our Living Last Supper raised over \$800 for the Holy Land Pilgrimage. We also hosted a division wide Ascension Day Observance with over 30 Sir Knights and Ladies in attendance. We also participated in several parades, the forming of lines and the presentation of colors at many Grand Body Sessions, including the Supreme Grotto session which saw our very own SK David Korb conclude his term as Supreme Monarch. We were also again honored to present the colors at a Lake Erie Monster's hockey match.

This year again saw a very special Military Ball. The military ball in the Northeastern Division has become a celebration of our successful year, being held the first weekend of May each year. This year we were honored to have all four Grand Dias officers of the Grand Commandery in attendance. An exceptional time was had by all.

On behalf of the Division and the Division Leadership, we would like to thank all of our commanderies Officers and Sir Knights for all their support and hard work. We are exceptionally proud of the leadership of SK Ronald L. Ensell, KCT, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commandery and offer our continued support in all his endeavors.

Joshua J. Grove, DDC