

Old Dominion Commandery No. 11

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Sir Knights,

Well, Sir Knights, we are finally in the "Dog Days of Summer". It has been particularly hot, sticky, and miserable of late. I hope you all have stayed as cool as possible.

I hear a report that I missed a very good Alexandria-Washington #22 Table Lodge. I also hear that Old Dominion #11 was well represented with Sir Knights in full uniform to escort the lodge to Christ Church and back to Gadsby's Tavern. Good job Sir Knights! Maybe one year I can actually attend.

Again, for the July Conclave we were a little sparse on attendance due to work commitments and illnesses. Your presence was missed in the fellowship that we enjoyed in the bonds of brotherly love over some good pizza. We hope to see you again soon in our Asylum. However, we had a very good Official Visit from Sir Knight F. J. Pepper, our DDGC. The ceremony was completed adequately. Sir Knight F. J. expounded on the programs outlined by the Grand Commander.

Now, that we have the Official Visit out of the way, Sir Knight F. J. Pepper will be conducting the Inspection at our Stated Conclave in August on the 23rd. There will be a practice before the meeting at 6PM. If you're an officer and know you cannot make the practice, please look over your part and floor work in your ritual at home. If you don't have a copy call an officer and we'll get you a copy of your part.

Sir Knights, the annual Holy Land Pilgrimage Campaign is drawing to a close. Several Commanders in the past have done special mailings to the fraters soliciting funds for the Campaign. I think this is a good idea and will be mailing out letters after I put these Orders in the mail. The Pilgrimage fund is one of our major charities as Knights Templar and I enjoin on you to prayerfully consider a contribution to this great and important undertaking of the Grand Encampment.

On September 2, 2006 we will have our Official Visit of the Grand Commander to District #3. It will be held in the George Washington National Masonic Memorial with a reception starting at 6:00PM. Dinner will be served at 6:30PM. Entertainment for the ladies will start at 7:30PM while the Sir Knights are in a Conclave in the North Lodge room. Tickets will be \$12 per person. Please call an officer if you'd like to attend and I hope to see a lot of Sir Knights there.

Enjoy the warm summer months and be safe out there, Sir Knights

To God and his Dominion,

Sir Knight Jason

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Frank R. Dunaway Jr.*
Lorance D. Lisle, PC
Mark Arbeen, PC

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Granville C. Canard, Jr.	1993
Lorance D. Lisle	1994
Frank R. Dunaway Jr.*	1995
George D. Seghers	1996
Mark W. Underwood, GCG	1997
F. J. Pepper	1998
Pablo A. Rocha	1999
Matthew T. Szramoski*	2000
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Douglas J. Snow	2002
David C. Morris	2003
John Shroeder, Jr.	2004
Mark F. Arbeen	2005

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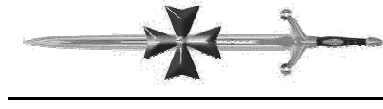
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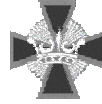
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EVERYTHING WE DO IS FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD

ARE YOUR DUES OVERDUE?

Please check your dues card. If it does not read "December 31, 2006," then it is out of date. You can upgrade your card by sending in your dues (\$45.00) to our Recorder. Or, better yet, come out to the next Stated Conclave and pay in person, then stay for the fellowship.



MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Membership Committee- EVERY Sir Knight is a member of THIS Committee!
Don't replace yourself, CLONE YOURSELF.

"EVERY CHRISTIAN MASON SHOULD BE A KNIGHT TEMPLAR"

TENTATIVE UPCOMING EVENTS

August 4, 2006 – Stated Conclave –Arlington Commandery # 29 –Arlington Centennial-Glebe Lodge at 7:30PM.

August 23, 2006 – Stated Conclave – DDGC Inspection – Annual Inspection of the Commandery by the DDGC. Dinner before meeting at 6:30PM. Opening at 7:30PM.

August 24, 2006 – Stated Conclave – Piedmont # 26 –Manasseh Lodge at 7:30PM

September 2, 2006 – Called Conclave – REGC Official Visit – Receiving Sir Knight James A. Fields, REGC, for his official visit of chivalric district #3. Dinner at 6:30PM. Entertainment for the ladies and Called Conclave at 7:30PM

September 27, 2006 – Stated Conclave – Knight Templar Eye Fund – Sir Knight John Wigglesworth, REPGC, discussing the most important fund of the Grand Encampment

**Spotlight on the York Rite
Allied Masonic Degrees**

The Allied Masonic Degrees are an invitational organization, and requires membership in the Royal Arch as well as the Symbolic Lodge. Membership is limited to 27 members per council. The Allied Masonic Degrees are detached degrees some of which, many years ago, were conferred under Craft warrants and formed part of the then loosely governed Freemasonry of the period. In addition to perpetuating these degrees, there is still another and equally important purpose. It is to bring together, in small groups, Freemasons who are interested in the advancement of all Masonry, preparing themselves to better serve the Craft through the medium of study and research. By limiting the membership in a Council and securing membership only by invitation, the result is a congenial group able to enjoy full fellowship when meeting together. Wherever there is an active Council of Allied Masonic Degrees, it exerts an influence for the betterment of Freemasonry in all the Masonic Bodies.

There is no intention on the part of the Allied Masonic Degrees to detract from any organized and established body of Masonry. On the contrary, you will find our members active, beyond the average, in all local Masonic bodies. The real purpose is to stimulate interest in Masonry in general and bring together in small groups those who are interested in the study of Masonic subjects. Thus they are better enabled to serve the Craft.