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SK John Yeager	Eminent Grand Junior Warden
SK Geoffrey S. Joosten	Eminent Grand Prelate
SK Alexander Jordan	Eminent Grand Standard Bearer
SK James Paneck	Eminent Grand Sword Bearer
SK Jeffrey Harden	Eminent Grand Warder
SK Phillip Woodland	Eminent Grand Sentinel
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 Thrice Illustrious Grand Sentinel

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<b>SK Jeffrey Harden</b>	<b>Recorder</b>
<b>SK Jeffrey Steik</b>	<b>Prelate</b>
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<b>RPC Rabi K. Peifer</b>	<b>Deputy General Grand Master—NW Region</b>
<b>VPC Richard Roblee</b>	<b>Ambassador to Washington</b>

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<b>SK David Studley</b>	<b>Right Eminent Grand Captain General</b>
<b>SK Bobby B. Simmons</b>	<b>Right Eminent Grand Treasurer</b>
<b>SK Lawrence E. Tucker</b>	<b>Right Eminent Grand Recorder</b>
<b>SK Terry L. Plemons</b>	<b>Right Eminent Grand Prelate</b>
<b>SK Jeremy Vaughn</b>	<b>Right Eminent Northwest Department Commander</b>

# Grand High Priest's Message



## Greetings Companions:

Spring is almost here, and the weather is getting warmer. I hope you are all getting out and supporting your Lodges, Chapters, Councils, Commanderies and other Masonic bodies.

I have very much enjoyed visiting the Chapters, and I have had the opportunity to install the officers in several chapters. I have just one Official Visit left, scheduled for March. I have enjoyed the fellowship with my Companions.

I am pleased that several Chapters are in the process of scheduling degree conferrals. That is wonderful. If you need assistance there are companions in other chapters that are willing to help. Just reach out to them. Together we can work on growing the Royal Arch Chapters. Also, please stay active in the Blue Lodges. That is the source of our members. Speak with your blue lodge brothers about the advantages of further light offered by the York Rite.

Once again, I must emphasize that Chapters must keep in communication with all members, informing them of upcoming activities, and remember that not all members are electronically connected.

Also, I again remind you to have education as part of your meetings in order to make the meetings informative. This will help you encourage attendance and participation.

Our Grand Convocation is just two months away and I hope you are planning to attend and participate. It will be in Wenatchee, and I hope there will be a nice turnout for the sessions.

More next month. Best wishes to all and stay safe.

MEC Alan T. Spreen  
Grand High Priest  
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Washington

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# Illustrious Grand Master's Message



Companions All,

Greetings from your Grand Council team!

I want to thank the elected and appointed members of Grand Council for their dedication and hard work as Royal and Select Masters and for their efforts on behalf of the Fraternity.

And all of us, Companions, are uniquely qualified to be those productive members that the Fraternity needs to be successful and growing organization. I would say Companions that we are perfectly positioned to be the source of growth, education, historical context, and motivation for a successful Fraternity. We should well remember that it was the Fraternal Documents of formation in York that predated the formation of the Grand Lodge of England by some 800 years.

Yes, Companions we are called to leaders within our Great Fraternity. So, it is that time once again. We are fast approaching Grand Sessions to be held May 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> in Wenatchee. The registration form is available online and the link is available in the email sent out with the Focus.

As such, it is time for us to begin the process of reporting and organizing for the upcoming event. For those of you who are part of the Elected line or a Chair for a Committee, the deadline to submit your reports will be April 1<sup>st</sup>. Our deadline is set to issue the pre-printed report in PDF form by April 15<sup>th</sup>. So please set that timeline on your calendar and make sure that your Reports are submitted by the 1<sup>st</sup> of April.

Let's put the push on for May. We still have two full months to put on Degree's, bring in new York Rite members, put together an educational program for your Council. Please also take advantage of the Mark Master for "free" program for members of your local Blue Lodges. This is a fantastic way to introduce members to the York Rite Degrees and our Orders. There is also a "New Mark Master Packet" available that is absolutely fantastic that goes along with the program. It includes a Jewish Half Shekel, and a lapel pin.

Also, take advantage of the educational materials on the Cryptic side. This includes the *Cryptic Masonry Education Course by Robert G. Davis*. This is a great briefing on the Cryptic Rite. It's available on Amazon for \$25.00 (also available is the Capitular Masonry Educational Course). In addition, the *New Cryptic Mason Packet*, available through the General Grand Council. These are all first-class materials!

Fraternally,

MIC Scot Sageser  
Most Illustrious Grand Master  
Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Washington

## GRAND COUNCIL

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## **Grand Commander's Message**



**Sir Knights—**

**On Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, I had the opportunity to attend Columbia Commandery No. 26 in St. Helens, OR, for a special conclave where a total of 19 Companions participated in the Order of the Red Cross, the Order of Malta and the Order of the Temple. Of those, a total of 10 were from Washington, including six from Cowlitz Commandery No. 29 and four from Malta Commandery No. 18. A number of Sir Knights from both Malta and Cowlitz Commanderies assisted in the presentations. I'd like to thank everyone from Washington who participated in this. I was impressed by the support of current and past Grand Commandery officers from Oregon, Washington and Alaska who came out to not only support these new Sir Knights but to assist in the Orders.**



**Something I've heard during the year is that members aren't coming out like they did prior to the Covid pandemic. After a long period of time of not being able to participate there are many people who are into the "new norm". While once very active, they are good with doing other things. This isn't unique in this jurisdiction. So how do we go about doing a redirect? While electronic communications in this day and age are a great way of getting a lot of information out to a lot of people instantaneously, on the local level it may not work as not everyone checks their email on a regular basis (or may not even have email). One of the groups I belong to in British Columbia has four individuals who are required to contact every single member prior to their stated**

meeting. Each commandery could designate the senior and junior wardens to call each member (dividing up the membership roster) a few days before each stated meeting as a reminder and let them know what's going on. They can then report at the meeting why someone may not be in attendance.

Every commandery has access to a wide variety of information from the Grand Encampment website. Providing an educational program for the members can help to keep people engaged. There are a number of videos on the Knight Templar Eye Foundation available on YouTube. Invite your District Instructor to a meeting and have them assist with sword work, ritual and tactics, or whatever the Eminent Commander feels their commandery might be in need of.

We are fast approaching the goal of 100% life sponsorship in the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. RE Jeremy Vaughn, Northwest Department Commander, has said Washington is above the 90% mark. His hope is that the Northwest Region will reach 100% (meaning each state will be at the 100% mark) prior to the Grand Encampment Triennial in August. Washington WILL hit that mark!

There is still time to recognize those members who have gone above and beyond over the years with the Meritorious Service Medal. All of the information is available on the Grand Encampment website.

Thank you for all you do for your commanderies and for the Grand Commandery. I look forward to seeing you all at our Grand Sessions in May.

Sincerely and fraternally,

SK Bryan D. Bechler, REGC  
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Washington

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**Children's Heart Foundation** Inc.

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## **Greetings Companions from your Royal Arch Masons Children's Heart Foundation**

**Companions,**

I have to admit if there is a reason our editor has thinning hair it is probably my fault. The poor guy is constantly reminding me it is time to get my article in. Not much to report here. We had our Trustee meeting in February and I want to thank the members who showed up on Superbowl Sunday. We are getting a lot accomplished, some of which includes new merchandise, reorganizing trustee handbooks, and creating a guide or script of sorts for contacting support groups, clinics or doctors in the future.

Time is coming up quickly for our sessions and with that being said we need to be sure to have a commitment from our Trustees to continue or bring new trustees on. If you are interested, please let us know. We would love to have you. Please keep in mind our secretary has asked to step down at our next meeting which will be held as soon after Sessions as possible per the by-laws.

Your trustees are excitedly waiting to hear from you. If you know of a family in need please go to the [RAMCHF.ORG](http://RAMCHF.ORG) web site.

**VEC Jay White, President**

**(509) 851-2355**

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### **2023-2024 Officers**

<b>Bobby Baxter</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</b>
<b>Ricardo Barrientes</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</b>
<b>Kyle Evenstad</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Jimmy Norton</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>

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## **Treasurer's Report**

### **Ending balances as of 1/31/24**

**Checking:           \$36,524.92**  
**Savings:            \$19,199.19**  
**Investments:       \$3,326,594.27**

### **Bill's as of 1/31/24**

**All are approved budgeted items**

**\$4676.93 IRS, PUD & Comcast**

**Thank you to the companions that continue to contribute to the foundation to make a difference in the lives of children in need.**

**Please remember it's never too early or too late to make a donation to YOUR Heart Foundation.**

**Your contributions will make a difference in the lives of Children. Please consider making a donation today.**

**VEC Jimmy Norton**

**Treasurer**

**(206) 679-6582**

**Email: jnortjr@gmail.com or RAMCHF@comcast.net**

## **Royal Arch Research Assistance (RARA)**

**R.A.R.A. - Royal Arch Research Assistance is a Philanthropy of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International, was established by action of the General Grand Chapter in 1975.**

**The purpose of the Philanthropy is to assist in providing funds for Research in areas where there is great need, and which are less than adequately funded from other sources. They have and are directing their main thrust of support to Research in the area of Auditory Perception, which adversely affects untold thousands of children, especially boys.**

**The study of central auditory function is an intriguing endeavor. A central auditory processing disorder impacts the academic, work, and social behavior of the child and adult. The condition causes them to scramble written, or oral, instructions and thus not understand what is wanted or desired of them even thou they have normal intelligence, normal vision and normal hearing.**

**This program is identifying the problems (causes) and the cures for this malady. Over the years exciting results have occurred for many children with specialized use of acoustic earplugs and earmuffs, strategic classroom seating arrangements, FM wireless microphone systems and even electronic manipulation of speech signals used to enhance the intelligibility of speech.**

**Much has been learned and accomplished, however, much still needs to be done. The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons is pleased to still contribute to the financial support of this worthy endeavor.**

**Donations can be sent to:**

**Royal Arch Research Assistance  
c/o J. William Riggs  
P.O. Box 1040  
Bardstown, KY 40004-1040**

**Additional information can be found on the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International website at:**

**<https://www.ggcrami.org/>**

## **Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation (CMMRF)**

The Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation is the national Philanthropy of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International.

### **Our Incorporation—March 6, 1986**

The Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation, (CMMRF), was incorporated in the state of Oklahoma, driven by Most Puissant General Grand Master Ben Mandlebaum, of the General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons International.

### **Endowed Chair Established at IU—February 1996**

The CMMRF Board of Trustees agreed to fund a Chair at the Indiana University Medical Center at the cost of \$1 million. The Foundation agrees to contribute \$200,000/year for five years to endow the chair. As an incentive, the university offered to guarantee a 5% income on the endowment plus matching it with a 5% payout from the endowment.

### **Dr. Keith L. March, Inaugural Chair—1999**

Early in 1999, Keith L. March, M.D., PhD., was named the first holder of the newly endowed CMMRF Chair.

### **IU Endowed Chair Funded—1999**

The final \$200,000 payment was made in December 2000 to fund the Chair at Indiana University.

### **CMMRF Lab Rebranding Strategy—December 2000**

The laboratory sponsored by CMMRF was rebranded as the Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine (ICVBM). This new program and the creation of an endowed chair drew more than \$2,000,000 in additional funding for the program from non-Masonic sources.  
2001-2002 \$300,000

### **Donation 2007**

In 2007, a non-Masonic benefactor challenged CMMRF to match his \$50,000 donation to the Indiana Center of Vascular Biology and Medicine. By meeting his challenge, CMMRF contributed \$300,000 to ICVBM in 2007.

### **2007 Single Donation Makes Big Progress**

In 2008, a Cryptic Mason donated \$20,000 which CMMRF matched and enabled Cryptic Masons to give \$240,000 to ICVBM for research in 2008. Today, upon request, CMMRF will match \$5,000 donations, up to \$25,000.

### **ICVBM selected to join CCTR—2008**

The IU center was tapped to join the Cardiovascular Cell Therapy Research Network (CCTR), funded by the National Institutes of Health.

## Founding Exec. Secretary Retires—April 2012

Marion K. Crum, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council, Cryptic Masons of Indiana, retires from service as the first CMMRF Executive Secretary after serving almost 27 years.

## CMMRF Donations Exceed \$3M—October 2012

After providing \$200,000 in support to the Indiana University ICVBM in 2013, CMMRF had an aggregated commitment of more than \$3,000,000.

## Dr. Michael Murphy, Chair—2013

Dr. Michael P. Murphy selected as the next holder of the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation Chair.

July 17, 2018

"CMMRF supports the Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine, (ICVBM), located at the Indiana University School of Medicine and the Richard Roudebush Veteran's Administration Medical Center located at Indianapolis, IN.

Because blood vessels are important in maintaining the health or repairing almost all tissues, practically all diseases turn out to have a vascular component connected to their origin or remediation. Diabetes, stroke, poor circulation, wound healing, and many other diseases share the common denominator of blood vessels. Centering our contributions to an organization that addresses so many different health concerns, both nationally and internationally, allows our supporters to share in the medical advancements, regardless of geography. Through the basic and clinical research, conducted by ICVBM and supported by CMMRF, advancements are being made to discover cures for many of today's health problems, prevent major diseases, and finally to save lives. We have the opportunity to improve the human condition for those most dear to us and ourselves. We invite you to become a part of this team and join our partnership in discovery. Let's do something great together!" *(copied from the CMMRF official web page and used with the permission of the CMMRF)*

To All Cryptic Masons Where So Ever Dispersed over the Face of the Earth:

*In remembrance of the chartering of Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation, The CMMRF Board of Trustees declared Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as CMMRF DAY, calling on all Cryptic Masons to donate five dollars (\$5.00), to their home Council as tribute to this philanthropy and its great works.*

Companions, the 2019 CMMRF Goal was \$250,000.00; we reached \$268,000.00. The 2020 goal was \$300,000.00; we reached \$334,000.00. 2021 CMMRF Goal is \$500,000.00. Let's see if we can continue the trend and beat this goal by an even bigger percentage. The total currently raised across all jurisdictions as of 12 February is \$22,722.77. The Grand Council of Washington is responsible for only \$55.00 of that total, \$50.00 from W.F. Meier Council #22 and \$5.00 from Seattle Council #6. We need to get to work!!

Additionally, the CMMRF has received a \$50,000 Challenge Gift to raise a matching \$50,000 by April 1. You can contribute to this match as well as CMMRF Day. Just be sure to mark your

checks/donations for CMMRF Day. And, if you contribute electronically, please remember to include your Council name and number and the Grand Council of Washington, so that you, your Council, and the Grand Council gets the appropriate credit for the donation.

Do not forget the tax and charitable opportunities of directing a portion of your RMD's, (Required Minimum Distributions), to CMMRF, and please consider remembering CMMRF in your estate planning documents.

Council Recorders are to accumulate all donations and send one check, on behalf of the Council to:

CMMRF  
P.O. Box 210  
Brownsburg, IN 46111-0210 by May 15, 2021.

Thanks for all you do for our great philanthropy!

Grand Council of Washington CMMRF Committee



## **Knights Templar Eye Foundation (KTEF)**

**The mission of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation is “To Improve Vision Through Research, Education, and Supporting Access to Care”.**

**The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, incorporated in 1956, is a charity sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. The Foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees comprised of the six elected officers of the Grand Encampment, all Past Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment, and six trustees-at-large elected from and by the membership for a term of nine years. It is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and contributions made to the Foundation are deductible by donors.**

**The original mission of the Foundation was “to provide assistance to those who face loss of sight due to the need for surgical treatment without regard to race, color, creed, age, sex or national origin provided they are unable to pay or receive adequate assistance from current government agencies or similar sources and to provide funds for research in curing diseases of the eye”.**

**On December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., by direction of the board, shifted the Foundation’s focus and adopted a new mission statement “to improve vision through research, education, and supporting access to care.” The Foundation now only participates in direct patient care through the Seniors Eye Care Program in partnership with EyeCare America and the Foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. With this change, the Foundation is benefitting untold millions in generations to come through grants that support research and education. Our research dollars have helped develop new nonsurgical, treatments for strabismus (crossed eyes) and ophthalmologists have told us that our efforts in funding pediatric ophthalmology research have been the primary reason that there are fewer and fewer surgeries for strabismus. The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., annually announces its call for research grant applications. The Foundation invites eligible investigators to submit applications for pediatric ophthalmology research grants for the award period which normally runs from July 1 to June 30. From the applications received, the Scientific Advisory Committee recommends to the Trustees which requests should be funded.**

**Since its inception, the foundation has expended over \$156M on research, patient care, and education. Research grants totaling in excess of \$28M have been awarded to researchers working in the fields of pediatric ophthalmology and ophthalmic genetics.**

### **Ways to Donate**

**Special award programs for contributions include:**

**\*Life Sponsor - Available to Sir Knights (members of a Commandery) who donate \$30.**

**\*Associate Patron - Available to any person or organization that makes a donation of \$50.**

**\*Patron - Available to any person or organization that makes a donation of \$100.**

**\*Payments for Life Sponsor, Patron, and/or Associate Patron will exempt your Grand Commandery from further assessment to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.**

**\*\*The Grand Master's Club - One Thousand Dollars enrolls you as a concerned individual in**



the humanitarian work of the Foundation. The Grand Master's Club is available to all individuals, whether Templars or others, but not to organizations. Your membership in the Grand Master's Club entitles you to a lapel pin, an engraved wall plaque and the Crusaders Cross issued for the first 5 Grand Master Clubs. (As of 2/1/2015 once 25 Grand Master's Clubs are reached, a Sword of Merit will be awarded.)

**\*\*The Grand Commander's Club -** You can enroll in the Grand Commander's Club by sending in your first installment of \$100.00 or more. At the time of your enrollment, you will receive a lapel pin and wallet card (signifying your membership). In addition, members of the Grand Commander's Club pledge to make annual contributions of \$100.00 or more for nine more years until the total of \$1,000.00 is reached. Once contributions total \$1,000.00, the individual is enrolled in the Grand Master's Club.

**\*\*The Grand Master's Club and Grand Commander's Club** are available to all individual Templars or others, but not to organizations.

**Memorial Donations -** These donations are of any amount in memory of a deceased person. A form is provided on the donor envelope.

**Honorary Gifts -** These donations are given in honor of a living person in recognition of service or friendship.

**Wills and Bequests -** Anyone who believes in the service provided by the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. may leave a bequest to the Foundation in their will.

**Sight Crusader -** Anyone who designates the KTEF in their will and provides suitable notification to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. will be listed in the Gold Book and designated a Sight Crusader.

**The Permanent Donor Fund -** This unique fund gives perpetual recognition to any person or organization that becomes a recipient of the Golden Chalice or Sword of Merit. Recognition is given by presentation of the Golden Chalice or Sword of Merit and the name and amount contributed appear in the Annual Report on a continuing basis. Additional donations by the individual or organization in the amount of \$1,000 or more will be acknowledged in future annual reports. The donor may be an organization, foundation, corporation, or individual.

Donations can be sent to:

**Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.  
3201 Cross Timbers Rd., Bldg. 4, Ste. 300  
Flower Mound, TX 75028**

# MMS

So as most of our Washington Secretaries and Recorders are about done with their “Annual Report hand-wringing” for another year, I am thinking that a good number of them would welcome a world where they didn’t have to type in the officers names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses together with technical data relative to past heads-of-bodies, suspended and demitted members, affiliations, deaths and Degree information that could have been updated as the year went along within the MMS system. More and more Secretaries and Recorders have discovered the ease of working within the MMS system as they spend more time getting used to entering new petitioners and simply updating their information as they progress through the fraternity. Every day the heads of our Grand York Rite bodies have an opportunity to review the daily activity within the MMS and thereby acquire more helpful information as to where to direct their help and support. Deputies, Masters of the Arches, and Deputy Instructors are encouraged to become familiar with the MMS system so they can better assist new Secretaries/Recorders and point out how specific elements of the system can aid them in carrying out their duties to the units. Every Washington York Rite member has 24/7 access to their own information that is on file on the MMS platform.

When we first got started with the system, many discovered that the information they thought they had in their local systems turned out to be in error. Degree dates weren’t lining up, spellings were sometimes off a bit, and some who had recently stepped in to these important positions were unable to find a current and/or complete roster. Sometimes, if you are like me, when you get a few more years under your belt, you might tend to forget not only dates, but even that you had availed yourself of some of the bonus degrees and fraternal benefits that others continue to enjoy.

If you would like to do a simple check on what the MMS system has on file for you, there are a few hoops you need to jump through. First, you need a computer or an online device capable of running the Chrome browser. Second, you need one of your MMS membership numbers. Each York Rite body has a different number for you, but any one of them will allow you access to all your personal information. (Hint: Everyone who has a WA Knight Templar membership card has their number in the white section located on the edge of the card). The next thing you need is this internet link:

<https://www.masonic-web.com/mms/memberbio/default.aspx>. If you see something amiss, or if information is missing, please let your Secretary/Recorder know so that he can edit your information on your behalf.

As time goes on, look for more information and ideas that will be posted here about how the MMS system can be implemented to make our experience a great one. Secretaries/Recorders - you might want to start dreaming of the day when you can do an annual report with a few simple button-pushes. If you run in to a challenge with this MMS business and need some assistance, that is why I am here. I am always willing to work with you toward a positive resolution.

Fraternally,

MIC Michael Holland, Past Illustrious Grand Master  
Technology Committee Chairman  
Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Washington

**March 2024**

# **YORK RITE LIFE MEMBERSHIP MEMORIAL FOUNDATION**

## **York Rite Life Membership Foundation**

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9519 36<sup>th</sup> St. NW  
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**Grand Chapter:**

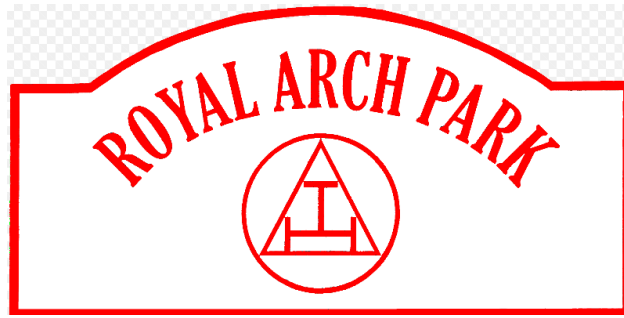
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**Anthony Schwab  
Don Moore  
David Grindle, Treasurer**

**Grand Commandery:**

**James Nero  
David Aponte  
John Vivian, Vice President**



**Greetings from Royal Arch Park!**

**The park had a successful season for 2023. We hosted several camps for the youth, several corporate picnics, graduation parties and several family reunions, as well as community groups and the Haunted Forest.**

**It is still going to be busy in the park as we move through winter with regular maintenance and clean-up.**

**Don't forget! We have released a website that will allow for increased visibility and advertising. Please take a peek at [www.royalarchpark.org](http://www.royalarchpark.org)**

**A big thank you to all who volunteered to help make the 2023 season successful.**

**The park has several events booked for 2024. If you are in need of a rental, please let us know. Our rental season has started early this year with reservations made for at least one event every month in 2024.**

**Companion Jeff Long  
Royal Arch Park Board President**



# Upcoming Events

Official Visits/Upcoming Events—March 2024/April 2024

## Grand High Priest

**March 19<sup>th</sup>:** Angeles Chapter No. 38, Port Gamble

## Illustrious Grand Master

**March 9<sup>th</sup>:** Adoniram Council No. 17, Seattle

**March 13<sup>th</sup>:** Bellingham Council No. 16, Sedro Woolley

**March 18<sup>th</sup>:** Tacoma Council No. 1, Tacoma

**March 19<sup>th</sup>:** Cresent Council No. 18, Port Gamble

**March 28<sup>th</sup>:** Spokane Council No. 4, Spokane

## Grand Commander

**March 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>:** Grand York Rite of Alaska—Anchorage

**April 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>:** Grand York Rite of Oregon—North Bend

**April 16<sup>th</sup>:** Juan de Fuca No. 17, Port Gamble

**April 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>:** Grand York Rite of Idaho—Burley

**York Rite WA, LLC**  
**Officers for 2023—2024**

<b>President</b>	<b>David Sandretto</b>
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<b>Member</b>	<b>Richard Roblee</b>
<b>Member</b>	<b>John Burrage</b>
<b>Member</b>	<b>Michael Palko Dean</b>

This is the time of the year when trees and plants shed their leaves. This is also the time to start collecting the Dues, Per Capita, and Fees.

For all Chapters: In as much as there was no legislation passed at the last Royal Arch Sessions, the per capita remains constant.

Per Capita:

General Grand Chapter \$3.00

Grand Chapter \$19.00

RAMCHF \$1.00

**Total for Grand Chapter: \$23.00**

This amount is reduced if the companion has a RAMCHF or General Grand Chapter life membership.

For all Councils:

Sec. 7.054 Const. For each member borne on the rolls of a Chartered Council, **Eleven Dollars** (\$11.00) annual per capita tax, excepting indigent and Fifty (50) year members (Effective January 1, 2011). Changed by Adopted Amended Resolution 2010-36

This Section has been modified by Resolution 2015-005 at the 2019 Grand Council.

Sec. 7.054 Const. For each member borne on the rolls of a Chartered Council, Ten Dollars (\$10.00) annual per capita tax, excepting indigent and Fifty (50) year members (Effective May 17, 2015).

Sec. 7.055 Const. For each Chartered Council upon the rolls of this Grand Council, the sum of **Three Dollars** (\$3.00) will be submitted with the annual returns to the Grand Recorder. This money is for the sole purpose of funding the annual reception of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington. Upon request this fund will be available to the reception committee upon approval of the Grand Master and shall not require the approval of the Finance Committee.

(This section was approved in 2015 as Resolution 2014-01 and passed in 2019 as Resolution 2014-01.)

This is a total of \$13.00 Per Capita for Grand Council.

The General Grand Council Per Capita is \$2.50.

**Total for Grand Council Per Capita is \$15.50.**

For all Commanderies:

The Grand Commandery Per Capita is \$10.00.

The Grand Encampment Per Capita is \$9.00.

**Total for Grand Commandery is \$19.00.**

**From the FOCUS editor:**

## **Companions and Sir Knights—**

**In this issue you will see that most of the presiding officer and secretary/recorder's names have been changed to red. When you have elected your new officers, please send me the name of the presiding officer and secretary/recorder ONLY. I do not need any of the other elected and/or appointed officers.**

**The information should include: Name, email address and phone number. Also, please ensure the information such as meeting location, time, etc., is correct. I will get the information updated once it's received.**

**If you belong to: Red Cross of Constantine, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, or any of the other bodies listed, please contact me with your officer listing, meeting times and location, etc., so they may be included in the FOCUS.**

**MEC Bryan D. Bechler, FOCUS Editor  
bry.kat@frontier.com; (360) 691-2861**



# **YORK RITE REGISTRY**

## **CHAPTERS of ROYAL ARCH MASONS**

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District #8	VEC Michael Duncan	(509) 438-9651	duncanmr50@charter.net
District #9	VEC Fred Mark	(509) 499-8932	fsmark3@outlook.com

### **District #1:**

#### **Anacortes Chapter No. 59**

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at Anacortes Lodge, 1019 8<sup>th</sup> St., Anacortes, WA, except July, August and December. Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest:	EC Marion Windell	(360) 678-6893	windma@isomedia.com
Secretary:	EC James Gaskill	(360) 672-1999	jimgaskill155@gmail.com
Secretary (Pro-tem):	MEC Louis E. Bartrand	(360) 929-3927	lbartrand@comcast.net

### **Research Chapter No. 68—Consolidated with Anacortes Chapter No. 59 as of February 25, 2024**

### **District #2:**

#### **Snohomish County Chapter No. 15**

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of February, April, June, September and November at Edmonds Lodge, 515 Dayton St., Edmonds, WA. Potluck at 6:30PM; stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest:	EC William Meyring	(425) 408-0808	brm2621@hotmail.com
Secretary:	EC Roger Barnstead	(425) 776-5952	roger.a.barnstead@gmail.com

#### **Fellowship Chapter No. 61**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at Ashlar Masonic Temple, 10035 ½ Main St., Bothell, WA, except for July and August. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. Dinner at 6:30PM.

High Priest:	EC Dan Echo	(562) 472-6567	daniel.c.echo@gmail.com
Secretary:	VEC Jimmy Norton	(206) 542-3413	jnortonjr@comcast.net

## **District #3:**

### **Oriental Chapter No. 19**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of January, March, May, September and November at Green Lake Masonic Hall, 307 NE Maple Leaf Pl., Seattle, WA at 10:30AM. If in conflict with Grand Chapter meeting, the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Saturday in May. Lunch follows all meetings at a nearby restaurant.

High Priest:	EC John Hannaman	(425) 351-0566	johnhannaman@comcast.net
Secretary:	EC Geoffrey Joosten	(206) 707-3296	geoffreyjoosten@comcast.net

### **Issaquah Chapter No. 39**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at St. Andrews Masonic Center, 505 Williams Ave. S, Renton, WA except for July and August. Potluck at 6:30PM; stated convocation at 7:30PM. Every September is the annual visitation of Falls City Chapter No. 54.

High Priest:	MEC Donald Beck	(425) 745-6830	djbeck1@comcast.net
Secretary:	MEC Jerry Whitney	(206) 241-7510	jrwitnee@comcast.net

### **Falls City Chapter No. 54**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of June and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of February, March, April, July, August, September, October, and November at 4 PM at 4304-337th Place SE, Fall City, WA. Dark in January, May, December. The September convocation is optionally at 7:30PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday and is held JOINTLY with Issaquah #39 at 505 S. Williams Ave., Renton, WA.

High Priest:	EC Gerry O'Brien	(425) 457-1330	gerry.obrien@gmail.com
Secretary:	C Nick Michaud	(206) 459-0155	Nickalan@comcast.net

## **District #4:**

### **Robert B. Palmer Chapter No. 46**

Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at the Auburn Masonic Temple, 10 Auburn Way S, Auburn, WA, except July, August and December. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest:	EC John Caverly	(253) 302-7144	caverlyj@gmail.com
Secretary:	EC Loren Franz	(253) 569-3060	Lonnie.Franz@gmail.com
Asst. Secretary:	VEC Mike Palko-Dean	(253) 217-8192	dadmike@comcast.net

### **Triple Tau Chapter No. 66**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month at the Des Moines Masonic Temple, 2208 S 223<sup>rd</sup> St., Des Moines, WA. Dark in July & August. Potluck dinner at 6:30 PM; stated meeting at 7:30 PM. If May meeting conflicts with Grand Chapter, it may be held at the discretion of the Chapter High Priest within 10 days of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of May.

High Priest:	EC Dale Collier	(206) 472-6567	Collierconstruction1@gmail.com
Secretary:	VEC John Burrage	(206) 947-9887	jsburrage@aol.com

## **District #5:**

### **Tacoma Chapter No. 4**

Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in February, April, June, August, October and December at 817 S. Vassault St., Tacoma, WA. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM.

High Priest:	EC John Yeager	(253) 324-3701	yeagerjohn@hotmail.com
Secretary:	EC James Nero	(253) 227-1178	jnero28@hotmail.com

### **Olympus Chapter No. 27**

Meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 6:00PM at the Bremerton Masonic Temple, 878 5<sup>th</sup> St., Bremerton, WA, except July and August.

High Priest:	EC Edward Harris	(360) 620-0458	mastermason260@gmail.com
Secretary:	MEC Scot Sageser	(360) 228-9929	bremertonyorkrite1307@gmail.com

### **Angeles Chapter No. 38**

Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of March, June and September at the Port Gamble Lodge No. 5, 5 N. Rainier Ave., Port Gamble, WA. Meetings are in conjunction with Crescent Council No. 18 and Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17. Hosted dinners before Official Visits at 6:30PM. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. No meeting in July, August and December.

High Priest:	EC Tim Hamm	(360) 689-7135	None
Secretary:	EC Kirk Roes (PT)	(360) 809-3632	Theroses@wavecable.com

## **District #6:**

### **Centralia Chapter No. 44**

Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of February, April, June, October and December at the Centralia Masonic Temple, 218 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA. Stated meeting at 7:30PM. Refreshments served after the meeting.

High Priest:	EC Shane Inman	(360) 941-0861	slinman87@gmail.com
Secretary:	VEC John H. Vivian	(360) 280-0154	jbarv1@hotmail.com

### **Cowlitz Chapter No. 70**

Meets on the second Wednesday of January, April and October at the Woodland-Kalama Masonic Center, 143 Davidson Ave., Woodland, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest:	VEC Mark D. Sanders	(360) 687-5281	Mark.D.Sanders@gmail.com
Secretary:	EC David A Rice	(513) 607-4586	mrd4808@gmail.com

## **District #7:**

### **Ellensburg Chapter No. 11**

Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple, 111 ½ W. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Ellensburg, WA, except July, August, and Federal Holidays. Stated meeting at 7:00PM. Meetings are combined with Ellensburg Commandery.

High Priest:	EC Shawn Clerf	(971) 361-2129	clerfs1869@gmail.com
Secretary:	MEC Patrick Stanton	(509) 859-2067	highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com

## **Pasco Chapter No. 33**

Meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday in January, April, July and October at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer Dr., Richland, WA. On all other months it opens informally in association with Zadok Council #23 and Pasco Commandery #21. Dark in November and December. Stated meeting at 7:30PM. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

High Priest:	EC Bret A. Tremble	(509) 554-9971	marinedoctremble@gmail.com
Secretary:	EC Charles Davis	(509) 943-5843	Cr_eddavis@frontier.com

## **District #8:**

### **Walla Walla Chapter No. 1**

Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, but formally opens only the months of January, April and October at the Walla Walla Masonic Center, 607 E. Main St., Walla Walla, WA, except June, July and August. Stated meeting is at 7:30PM.

High Priest:	EC Sean Scanlon	(541) 303-3821	sscanlon68@gmail.com
Secretary:	VEC Phillip Woodland	(509) 529-3781	woodlandforest@charter.net

### **Evergreen Chapter No. 10**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at the Nitosa Lodge No. 204, 102 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Asotin, WA, except June, July, August and December. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

High Priest:	MEC John W. Zeller	(208) 413-0375	jwzidaho@yahoo.com
Secretary:	VEC Steven Kazda	(509) 566-4020	skazda@pomeroy-wa.com

## **District #9:**

### **Spokane Chapter No. 2**

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays except November and December at the Spokane Masonic Center, 506 W. 2nd Ave., Spokane, WA. Stated meeting begins at 6:00pm.

High Priest:	EC Jeff Pratt	(509) 222-8458	jeff.pratt1953@gmail.com
Secretary:	VEC Fred Mark	(509) 499-8932	Fsmark3@outlook.com

### **Wenatchee Chapter No. 22**

Meets the Second Saturday of March, April, May, June, September, October and November at the Wenatchee Masonic Center, 811 N. Chelan, Wenatchee, WA, except July and August. Stated meetings begin at 1:30PM. If the second Saturday is a holiday, the meeting will take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday.

High Priest:	EC Wes Beare	(509) 670-2558	No Email
Secretary:	EC Steven Verebi	(509) 429-1330	sverebijr@msn.com

## **Okanogan Valley Chapter No. 41—Charter Arrested by Grand High Priest**

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Trinity Episcopal Church (annex), 604 Central Ave., Oroville, WA, except January, February, July and August. Stated meetings begin at 7:30PM. If the May Convocation conflicts with Grand Chapter, it shall be held on the fourth Monday.

High Priest:	VEC Rick Kelly	(509) 476-2856	gto@gdicom.net
Secretary:	C Brad Wood	(509) 486-0973	gwbw211@hotmail.com

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### **Arch No. 1:**

#### **Naval Council No. 11**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at the Bremerton Masonic Temple, 878 5<sup>th</sup> St., Bremerton, WA, except July and August. Stated meetings begin at 7:00PM.

<b>Illustrious Master:</b>	<b>VIC Jeff Haun-Steik</b>	<b>(847) 609-7175</b>	<b>haun-steik@msn.com</b>
<b>Recorder:</b>	<b>MIC Scot P. Sageser</b>	<b>(360) 228-9929</b>	<b>bremertonyorkrite1307@gmail.com</b>

#### **Crescent Council No. 18**

Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Port Gable Lodge No. 5, 5 N. Rainier Ave., Port Gamble, WA. Stated meetings January through November beginning at 7:30PM. Meets in conjunction with Angeles Chapter No. 38 and Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17. Hosted dinners before Official Visits at 6:30PM, and stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. No meeting in July, August and December.

<b>Illustrious Master:</b>	<b>IC Kirk Rose</b>	<b>(360) 809-3532</b>	<b>theroses@wavecable.com</b>
<b>Recorder:</b>	<b>IC</b>		

### **Arch No. 2:**

#### **Everett Council No. 8**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at the Arlington Masonic Lodge, 405 N. Olympic Ave., Arlington, WA, in February, May, August and November. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. No dinner before the meeting.

<b>Illustrious Master:</b>	<b>RPC Bryan D. Bechler</b>	<b>(360) 691-2861</b>	<b>bry.kat@frontier.com</b>
<b>Recorder:</b>	<b>RPC Anthony C. Schwab</b>	<b>(425) 334-6696</b>	<b>a.c.schwab@comcast.net</b>

#### **Bellingham Council No. 16**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month except for July and August at the Burlington-United Masonic Lodge, 106 Warner St., Sedro Woolley, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting at 7:30PM.

<b>Illustrious Master:</b>	<b>VIC Marion Windel (PT)</b>	<b>(360) 678-6893</b>	<b>winda@isomedia.com</b>
<b>Recorder:</b>	<b>IC Douglas Jerome</b>	<b>(360) 672-0459</b>	<b>jammerguy1@gmail.com</b>

## **Arch No. 3:**

### **Adoniram Council No. 17**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of March, May, September and November at the Green Lake Masonic Hall, 307 NE Maple Leaf Place, Seattle, WA. Meeting starts at 2:00PM. Lunch before at a local restaurant, usually Rosita's. First Saturday in May if conflict with Grand Sessions. Installation in January.

Illustrious Master:	IC David Flood	(206) 306-5525	floodtax@gmail.com
Recorder:	IC Jeffrey T. Harden	(206) 274-5271	nicostratus@gmail.com

### **Walter F. Meier Council No. 22**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in January, March, September and November; 1<sup>st</sup> Friday in May at the Ashlar Masonic Temple, 10035 ½ Main St., Bothell, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. Potluck dinner (main course provided) begins at 6:30PM.

Illustrious Master:	IC William Meyring	(425) 408-0808	brm2621@hotmail.com
Recorder:	IC	()	

## **Arch No. 4:**

### **Tacoma Council No. 1**

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of January, March, May, July, September, and November at 5405 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA. Stated meetings begin at 7:30PM. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM.

Illustrious Master:	IC James Nero	(253) 227-1178	jnero28@hotmail.com
Recorder:	IC John Yeager	(253) 324-3701	yeagerjohn@hotmail.com

### **Seattle Council No 6**

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month except for July, August and December at the St. Andrews Masonic Center, 505 S. Williams Ave., Renton, WA. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM.

Illustrious Master:	IC Jaime Speicher	(425) 518-8845	jaimespeicher@qamsllc.com
Recorder:	VIC Jerry Whitney	(206) 241-7510	jrwitnee@comcast.net

### **King Solomon Council No. 27**

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month except for May and July which meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at King Solomon Masonic Temple, 10 Auburn Way S, Auburn, WA. November meeting is installation only; no December meeting. Stated meeting at 10:00AM. Breakfast at 9:00AM.

Illustrious Master:	IC Ron Walker	(253) 314-3361	ResQ9999@gmail.com
Recorder:	IC Loren Franz	(253) 569-3060	Lonnie.Franz@gmail.com
Asst. Recorder:	RIC Mike Palko-Dean	(253) 217-8192	dadmike@comcast.net

## **Arch No. 5:**

### **Alpha Council No. 20**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of January, March, May, September and November at the Centralia Masonic Temple, 218 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA. Stated meeting at 7:30PM. Dinner at Country Cousin Restaurant, 1054 Harrison Ave., Centralia, WA, at 6:00PM.

Illustrious Master:	IC Bartly Webster	(435) 619-3267	bartlyroewebster@gmail.com
Recorder:	IC John H. Vivian	(360) 280-0154	jbarv1@hotmail.com

### **Vancouver Council No. 10**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of February, May, and November at the Woodland-Kalama Masonic Center, 143 Davidson St., Woodland, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting at 7:30PM.

Illustrious Master:	IC Marvin Colburn, Jr.	(360) 608-4015	navyidc1980@gmail.com
Recorder:	IC Richard Hallett	(360) 274-8149	stocktonhallett@gmail.com

## **Arch No. 6:**

### **Ellensburg Council No. 26**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple, 111 ½ W. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Ellensburg, WA, except July, August and Federal holidays.

Illustrious Master:	IC Nick Henderson	(509) 674-4199	nickhenderson7557@gmail.com
Recorder:	C Patrick Stanton	(509) 674-1335	highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com

## **Arch No. 7:**

### **Zabud Council No. 7**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, but formally opens only the months of February, May and November at the Walla Walla Masonic Center, 607 E. Main St., Walla Walla, WA, except June, July and August. Stated meetings at 7:30PM.

Illustrious Master:	IC Sean Scanlon	(541) 303-3821	sscanlon68@gmail.com
Recorder:	VIC Phillip Woodland	(509) 529-3781	woodlandforest@charter.net

### **Zadok Council No. 23**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of February, May, and August at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer Dr., Richland, WA. Stated meetings at 7:30PM. On all other months it opens informally in association with Pasco Chapter No. 33 and Pasco Commandery No. 21. Dark in November and December. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

Illustrious Master:	MIC Richard Roblee	(509) 578-1398	roblee6@charter.net
Recorder:	IC Charles Davis	(509) 943-5843	cr_eddavis@frontier.com

## **Arch No. 8:**

### **Spokane Council No. 4**

Meets the 4th Thursday except November and December at the Spokane Masonic Center, 506 W. 2nd Ave., Spokane, WA. Stated meetings begin at 7:00pm.

Illustrious Master:  
Recorder:

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VIC Fred S. Mark

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# **Commanderies of Knights Templar**

## **District Instructors**

District No. 1	SK Robert Morrison	(530) 624-1686	bpmorrison@sbcglobal.net
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District No. 4	SK Michael Pursey, REPGC	(360) 692-2421	deebo_99@yahoo.com
District No. 5	SK Kyle Evenstad	(360) 685-3405	kevenstad@gmail.com
District No. 6	SK Patrick Stanton	(509) 859-2067	highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com
District No. 7	SK Fred Mark	(509) 499-8932	fsmark3@outlook.com
District No. 8	SK David Sandretto	(509) 380-4152	dsandretto@hotmail.com

### **District No. 1**

#### **Cowlitz Commandery No. 29**

Meets the second Wednesday of March, June, September, and December at the Woodland-Kalama Masonic Center, 143 Davidson Ave., Woodland, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander:	SK Marvin Colburn	(360) 608-4015	navyidc1980@gmail.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK David A. Rice	(513) 607-4586	mrd4808@gmail.com

### **District No. 2**

#### **Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 5405 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM.

Eminent Commander:	SK James Nero	(253) 227-1178	jnero28@hotmail.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK John W. Yeager	(253) 324-3701	yeagerjohn@outlook.com

#### **De Molai Commandery No. 6**

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at the Centralia Masonic Lodge, 218 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA, except July and August. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander:	SK Bartley Webster	(435) 619-3267	bartleyroewebster@gmail.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK John Vivian	(360) 280-0154	jbarv@hotmail.com

## **District No. 3**

### **Seattle Commandery No. 2**

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at the Seattle Scottish Rite Center, 1207 N. 152<sup>nd</sup> St., Shoreline, WA, except for June, July, August and December. Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander:	SK Daniel Echo	(562) 472-6567	daniel.c.echo@gmail.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK Ian Hyde	(206) 356-5420	ockerseattle@hotmail.com

### **Rainier Commandery No. 28**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at St. Andrews Masonic Center, 505 Williams Ave. S, Renton, WA, except for July, August, November and December. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander:	SK Dale Collier	(206) 818-5574	colliersconstruction1@gmail.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK Geoffrey Joosten	(206) 707-3256	geoffreyjoosten@comcast.net

## **District No. 4**

### **Juan De Fuca Commandery No. 17**

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of April, May and October at Franklin Lodge No. 5, 5 N. Rainier Ave., Port Gamble, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. Meets in conjunction with Angeles Chapter No. 38 and Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17. Hosted dinners before Official Visits at 6:30PM, followed by stated meeting at 7:30PM. No meeting in July, August and December.

Eminent Commander:	SK Clint Beyer	(360) 374-9476	clintbeyer@olynet.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK		

### **Malta Commandery No. 18**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at the Bremerton Masonic Temple, 878 5<sup>th</sup> St., Bremerton, WA, except for July and August. Stated meeting begins at 8:00PM.

Eminent Commander:	SK Jason Reeder	(816) 668-7145	jason.d.reeder@gmail.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK Scot Sageser	(360) 228-9929	bremertonyorkrite1307@gmail.com

## **District No. 5**

### **Hesperus Commandery No. 8**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at the Burlington United Masonic Center, 106 Warner St., Sedro Wooley, WA except for July and September (September meeting is held the last Monday of August due to Labor Day). Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander:	SK Craig Bruner	(360) 319-7163	craigwbruner@hotmail.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK Thom Baughn	(360) 676-0419	tbaughn1@comcast.net

## **Palestine Commandery No. 11**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of March, June, September and December at the Arlington Masonic Lodge, 405 N. Olympic Ave., Arlington, WA. No dinner before the meeting. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Anthony C. Schwab (425) 334-6696 a.c.schwab@comcast.net  
Eminent Recorder:

## **District No. 6**

### **Temple Commandery No. 5**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple, 111 ½ W 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Ellensburg, WA, except July, August and Federal holidays. Stated meetings begin at 8:00PM (meeting will be at 7:30PM when OV is scheduled).

Eminent Commander: SK Mikhail Munden (509) 607-9364 mikinic2@yahoo.com  
Eminent Recorder: SK Patrick Stanton (509) 859-2067 highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com

## **District No. 7**

### **Cataract Commandery No. 3**

Meets 4th Thursday except November and December at the Spokane Masonic Center, 506 W. 2nd Ave., Spokane, WA. Stated meetings begin at 8:00pm.

Eminent Commander: SK Jon Lind (509) 936-9536 jlind118@gmail.com  
Eminent Recorder: SK Fred Mark (509) 499-8932 Fsmark3@outlook.com

## **District No. 8**

### **Washington Commandery No. 1**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of March, September and December at the Walla Walla Masonic Center, 607 E. Main St., Walla Walla, WA, except July and August. The June meeting will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday. Stated meetings begin at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Anton M Lodmell (509) 525-6415 None  
Eminent Recorder: SK Steven L. Kazda (509) 629-9103 skazda@pomeroy-wa.com

### **Pasco Commandery No. 21**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of March, June, and September at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer St., Richland, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. On all other months it opens informally in association with Zadok Council No. 23 and Pasco Chapter No. 33. Dark in November and December. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

Eminent Commander: SK Earl W. Fordham (509) 628-7628 earl.fordham@gmail.com  
Eminent Recorder: SK Charles Davis (509) 943-5843 cr\_eddavis@frontier.com

# York Rite Bodies in Washington



## York Rite College

REDB Joseph W. MacIntyre    Grand Governor  
VEDB Alvin W. Jorgensen    Deputy Grand Governor—Westside  
VEDB Michael Holland    Deputy Grand Governor—Eastside

## York Rite College Grand Governor's Message

No input

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# **York Rite Colleges**

## **Kamiakin York Rite College No. 28**

Governor:	PCK David Sandretto	(509) 380-4152	<a href="mailto:dsandretto@gmail.com">dsandretto@gmail.com</a>
Secretary:	ECK Earl Fordham	(509) 628-7628	<a href="mailto:earl.fordham@gmail.com">earl.fordham@gmail.com</a>

Kamiakin College meets in Spokane the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in November and in Richland the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in May. The November meeting will commence at 10:00AM.

## **Rainier York Rite College No. 54**

Governor:	PCK Richard Kovak	(206) 612-1875	<a href="mailto:silverjet87@yahoo.com">silverjet87@yahoo.com</a>
Secretary:	PCK Ian C. Hyde	(206) 356-5420	<a href="mailto:ockerseattle@hotmail.com">ockerseattle@hotmail.com</a>

Rainier College meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in November, February, and April. For November, the College will meet at 10:00AM at Camanio Lodge No. 19 in Stanwood.

## **Tahoma York Rite College No. 197**

Governor:	PCK David Aponte	(253) 592-4401	<a href="mailto:regc2011@live.com">regc2011@live.com</a>
Secretary:	ECK Joseph McAlister	(253) 241-0358	<a href="mailto:airborne51@me.com">airborne51@me.com</a>

Tahoma College meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of February, April and October. Contact the Secretary for time and place



## **Evergreen Priory No. 41 KYCH**



### **Knights of the York Cross of Honour**

Michael Holland	Eminent Prior
Paul Reckamp	Deputy Prior
David Aponte	Warder
Ivan "Merle" Iverson	Registrar
Lawrence Byrd	Prelate
Alan T. Spreen	Orator
Joseph McAlister	Herald Sentinel
VE Bryan D. Bechler, PP	Personal Representative District No. 24

**Annual meeting of Evergreen Priory No. 41 will take place on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM. The meeting will be held at Myrtle Lodge No. 108, 57 W. Sunset Way, Issaquah, WA.**

### **Convent General Knights of the York Cross of Honour**

ME Gary D. Miller	Most Eminent Grand Master-General
RE James C. McGee	Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master-General
RE Leland L. Burlison	Right Eminent Grand Warder of the Temple
RE Reese L. Harrison, Jr.	Right Eminent Grand Treasurer-General
RE D. Allen Surratt	Right Eminent Grand Registrar-General
RE H. Bart Henderson	Right Eminent Grand Seneschal
RE Charles A. McCollom	Right Eminent Grand Marshal
E Christopher A. Larsen II	Right Eminent Grand Sentinel
E Craig L. Flagtwet	Eminent Grand Prelate
E Rick N. McCampbell	Eminent Grand Organist

# United Grand Imperial Council of the Red Cross of Constantine



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Jeffrey A. Steik	Prelate
Patrick S. Stanton	Prefect
John S. Burrage	Standard Bearer
Joseph W. MacIntyre, PS	Herald
Ian C. Hyde, PS	Sentinel
Richard M. Kovak, PS	Orator

**March 15-16: 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Northwest Divisional Assembly, Tri-Cities**

**May 18<sup>th</sup>: Spring Assembly at 1:00PM (Tuxedo): Myrtle Lodge No. 108, 57 W. Sunset Way, Issaquah**

**June 6-8: 152<sup>nd</sup> UGIC Annual Assembly, East Syracuse, New York**

## **St. Olav Conclave**

Puissant Sovereign:  
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David O. Anderson	Junior General
Bryan D. Bechler, PS	Treasurer
Bryan D. Bechler, PS	Recorder
Joseph McAlister	Prelate
John H. Vivian	Orator
Theodore E. Shanks	Prefect
Bartly R. Webster	Standard Bearer
Ryan W. Kelly	Herald
James C. Norton	Sentinel

## **St. Raphael Conclave**

Puissant Sovereign: KC Sean Scanlon  
Secretary: KC Merle Iversen



## **Pacific Council No. 30 Allied Masonic Degrees**



VB Joseph McAlister	Sovereign Master
Wilfred Reyes	Senior Warden
James M. Scardelis	Junior Warden
VB David A. Aponte	Secretary/Treasurer
Anthony J. Annable	Senior Deacon
Michael Palko-Dean	Junior Deacon
VB Michael Smitson	Chaplain
	Tyler

## **Desert Council No. 46 Allied Masonic Degrees**

VB Philip Woodland	Sovereign Master
Mark Querio	Senior Warden
Jim Endslo	Junior Warden
Merle I. Iversen	Secretary
Bobby Baxter	Senior Deacon
Gene Endslo	Junior Deacon
Sean Malone	Chaplain
Michael Holland	Tyler

## **Chinook Council No. 77 Allied Masonic Degrees**

VB Thomas Lamb	Sovereign Master
Bro. Ian Hyde	Senior Warden
	Junior Warden
VB Richard M. Kovak	Secretary/Treasurer
Bro. Richard Brzustowitz	Senior Deacon
Bro. David Flood	Junior Deacon
VB E. Jeffrey Craig	Chaplain
	Tyler

# The Commemorative Order of St. Thomas of Acon



## Tahoma Chapel No. 3

Joseph McAlister	Worthy Master
David A. Aponte	Eminent Prior
Lawrence M. Byrd	Marshal
Anthony Annable	Deputy Marshal
John Yeager	Treasurer
Scot Sageser	Secretary
Anthony Annable	Almoner
Michael R. Pursey	1 <sup>st</sup> Working Knight
Michael D. Holland	2 <sup>nd</sup> Working Knight
Michael A. Smitson	3 <sup>rd</sup> Working Knight
Alan T. Spreen	4 <sup>th</sup> Working Knight
Dale Imbleau	Herald
James Nero	Doorkeeper
	Cellarer
	Cellarer
Joseph Einertson	Sentry

## Cascade Chapel No. 20

Steven L. Dazey	Worthy Master
Lawrence Lance	Eminent Prior
	Marshal
	Deputy Marshal
Richard M. Kovak	Treasurer
Geoffrey Joosten	Secretary
	Almoner
	1 <sup>st</sup> Working Knight
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Working Knight
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Working Knight
	4 <sup>th</sup> Working Knight
	Herald
	Doorkeeper
	Cellarer
	Cellarer
	Sentry

# Clontarf Council No. 69 Knight Masons



Anthony Annable	Excellent Chief
Joseph Einertson	Senior Knight
Geoffrey Joosten	Junior Knight
Rabi Peifer, KCZ	Scribe
Barron "Jay" White	Treasurer
David L. Sandretto	Senior Warden
James Nero	Junior Warden
John Ridenour	Director of Ceremonies
Patrick S. Stanton	Priest
Joseph McAlister	Steward
Jeffrey Steik	Sentinel
Ryan Winter	Tyler

The spring stated meeting will take place on Saturday, March 23, 2024 at the Pyramid Masonic Center, 1700 S. 340th Pl., Federal Way. Lunch at 12:00PM, meeting at 1:00PM. RSVP (no later than 18 March 2024) for lunch at:

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/RabiPeifer/LunchSaturdayMarch232024PyramidMasonicCenter>

The fall stated meeting will take place on Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Cle Elum Masonic Center, 305 E. 1<sup>st</sup> St., Cle Elum, WA. Lunch at 12:00PM, meeting at 1:00PM.



## Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests



### **Immaculate Tabernacle No. XXXIX**

Jerry E. Whitney	Preceptor
Alan T. Sreen	Deputy Preceptor
John Hannaman	Seventh Pillar
Richard Kovak	Sixth Pillar
Ronald Graham	Fifth Pillar
Ricardo Barrientes	Fourth Pillar
Richard Roblee	Third Pillar
David Sandretto	Second Pillar
John Burrage	First Pillar
Geoffrey Joosten	Inner Guard
David Aponte	Outer Guard
Patrick Stanton	Registrar

**The Masonic Order of Athelstan  
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Provincial Grand Court of  
the United States of America  
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## **Salish Court No. 96**

WB Joseph L. McAlister	Worshipful Master
Johnny Willis	Eminent Prior
Paul A. Gehrman	Senior Warden
Geoffrey S. Joosten	Junior Warden
WB Steven L. Dazey, PM	Treasurer
RWB David A. Grindle, PM	Secretary
WB Bryan D. Bechler, PM	Asst. Secretary
Michael Palko-Dean	Marshal
David A. Aponte	Deputy Marshal
Rabi K. Peifer	Almoner
Matt P. Benavidez	Senior Deacon
Connor W. Massey	Junior Deacon
Barry E. Newell	Captain of Guard
WB Anthony C. Schwab, PM	Burgh
Monte K. Anderson	Burgh
Scot P. Sageser	Burgh
Alvin W. Jorgenson	Burgh
Laurence W. Lance	Burgh
Alexander J. Jordan	Burgh
WB E. Jeffrey Craig, PM	Guard
WB Jason C. Varner	Immediate Past Master

Please find attached the Summons for the next meeting of Salish Court No 96 at the Benton City Lodge in Benton City, Washington, on March 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be a Turkey Shepard's Pie served at the Lodge at 5:30 PM for a donation. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM. We should have several brothers to Instruct. We also have two proposals to vote on. We need nine Brothers present to hold a meeting. We also will be discussing the date of our next meeting.

RW Bro. Bryce Brent Hildreth, MStJ, KSM	Provincial Grand Master
VW Bro. Orville Armstrong, PSGW, KSM	Deputy Provincial Grand Master
RW Bro. Gene Hatfield, PGSD	Assistant Provincial Grand Master
RW Bro. Blain H. Simmons	Assistant Provincial Grand Master
W & Em. Bro. Ballard Smith, PSGW	Provincial Eminent Grand Prior
W Bro. Stanton T. Brown II, PGSD, KSM	Provincial Senior Grand Warden
VW Bro. James E. Winzenreid, PGSwdB, KSM	Provincial Junior Grand Warden
W Bro. Donald L. McAndrews, PGJW, KSM	Provincial Grand Marshal
VW Bro. Russell E. Bridges, PGSwdB, KSM	Provincial Grand Treasurer
W Bro. J. David Cashion	Provincial Grand Secretary
W Bro. Frank L. Blades, Sr.	Provincial Grand Almoner
W Bro. Joseph W. MacIntyre, PGCoG	Provincial Deputy Grand Marshall
W Bro. Casey Lee Hood, PSGW	Provincial Senior Grand Deacon
W Bro. Lawrence E. Tucker, PSGD	Provincial Senior Grand Deacon
Bro. Steven C. Monrotus, KSM	Provincial Grand Organist
W Bro. Aaron White, MStJ	Provincial Grand Sword Bearer
W Bro. Teko Foley, PSGW	Burgh

## Washington Masonic Services (formerly Washington Masonic Charities)



As the new year starts, we're excited to look ahead to what's in store for the work we do at Washington Masonic Services (WAMS). As always, we're striving to expand the impact we have for Masons, your families, and your communities statewide.

Washington State's history is deeply connected with Freemasonry, a fact explored in depth through the Masonic Library & Museum. This program sheds light on how Masons like the state's first governor and the founder of the University of Washington shaped Washington's governance and communities. Masons continue today to play a significant role in various local and state entities.

This year, we're embarking on a remodel of the facility to better tell the rich story of Washington's Masonic Heritage from pioneer days to the present. We're pursuing public and private funding to offset the cost of the remodel. It's important to note that funds to support this project won't come from Grand Lodge membership fees. We look forward to sharing progress on this exciting effort.

January is when our scholarship season kicks into high gear. Our scholarships include tracks targeting children and grandchildren of Masons, the Masonic Youth groups, and funds we've received for scholarships for students from families who've immigrated to the US. Last year, we gave 36 scholarships totaling \$85,000, and we're on track to expand this year with an award for students attending vocational or trade schools. Applications are due March 31st. Information on our scholarships as well as those available through participating Blue Lodges and other Masonic entities, including the Scottish Rite Scholarship Foundation, is available at [www.masonscare.org](http://www.masonscare.org).

In October 2023, we started a Lodge Match program, designed to double the impact of donations that Blue Lodges make to their communities. Up to \$1,500 in Lodge Match per proposal is available for efforts supporting either pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade Education or Community needs, such as providing food, shelter, or clothing. Both the Education and Community pools started with \$25,000 available in matching funds. We've finished the first quarter of the inaugural Lodge Match effort and have received 12 proposals. So far, \$3,630 has been approved for Education efforts, and \$6,750 for Community programs, meaning Blue Lodges have invested a combined total of \$20,761.18 in your communities through Lodge Match to date. Proposals will be reviewed on a first come, first served basis given available funds. For more information, contact Deputy Director Aaron Simon at [aaron@masonscare.org](mailto:aaron@masonscare.org).

We're looking forward to partnering with you to support the Masonic family and your communities throughout this year.

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