



Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota



To all the Commanderies within the Jurisdiction of and holding allegiance to the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota, Grand Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota

From: SK Brian K. Dimatteo, KTCH, KCT

RE: General Orders for the Templar Year 2019 - 2020

General Order 1 *

These General Orders shall be published during the first Stated Conclave immediately following the 2019 Grand Conclave of Knights Templar of Minnesota. General Orders signified by * shall be read in full, and copies attached to the Minutes book of each Constituent Commandery.

General Order 2 *

The following Grand Officers are hereby declared installed in their several stations and duties:

SK Brian K. Dimatteo, KTCH (2) – Right Eminent Grand Commander	SK Terrance L Rybarczyk (2) – Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander	SK Joseph Anderson (2)– Eminent Grand Generalissimo
SK Sean Gardiner (1)– Eminent Grand Captain General	SK David Seitz (1) – Eminent Grand Treasurer	SK Thomas Hendrickson, KCT (23)– Eminent Grand Recorder
SK David Dumonceaux (14)– Eminent Grand Senior Warden	SK Alan MacKenzie, KTCH, KCT (18) – Eminent Grand Junior Warden	SK Marvin W. Schendel, KCT (2) – Eminent Grand Standard Bearer
SK K Moss (1)– Eminent Grand Sword Bearer	SK Richard Remme (2) - Eminent Grand Warder	SK Clinton Christiansen (8)– Eminent Grand Sentinel
SK W. David Emery (2)– Eminent Grand Prelate		SK Conrad Jackson (1) – Grand Sergeant of the Guard
SK William Hubbard - Eminent Grand Musician	SK Andretta (1), Wood (2), Giacherio (8), Evans (14), Bodle (18) – Grand Guard(s)	

General Order 3

The following Committee appointments are announced. All Committee Chairmen are required to submit quarterly reports to the Deputy Grand Commander by August 31, November 30, February 28 and a final report by April 30 for use in the pre-prints for the 2020 Grand Conclave:

KT Educational Foundation – SK Douglas Pamp, PGC, KCT as Chairman	KT Eye Foundation - SK Terrance L Rybarczyk as Chairman	Grand Supplement - SK Thomas Hendrickson, KCT as Chairman
Holy Land Pilgrimage - SK Richard Kaufman, PGC as Chairman	Finance - SK Terrance L Rybarczyk as Chairman	Investments - SK R. Sean Gardiner as Chairman

York Rite Membership - SK David Seitz as Chairman

Necrology - SK W. David Emery as Chairman

Youth Organizations - SK Alan MacKenzie, KTCH, KCT as Chairman

Annual Conclave - SK Joseph Anderson, KTCH as Chairman

Appeals and Grievances - SK Jim Luchsinger, KCT, PGC as Chairman

Board of Instruction – SK Terrance L Rybarczyk as Chairman

Awards - SK Alan Mackenzie, KTCH, KCT as Chairman

Patriotic and Civic Activities - SK David Dumonceaux, as Chairman

Annual Returns - SK Thomas Hendrickson, KCT, as Chairman

Grand Honor Guard - SK Jerry Zierdt, KCT as Chairman

Division and Reference - SK Alan MacKenzie, KTCH, KCT as Chairman

Jurisprudence - SK John Helcl as Chairman

Triennial - SK Thomas Hendrickson, KCT as Chairman

Benevolence Fund - SK Joseph A. Anderson, KTCH, KCT as Chairman

KT Tactics Manual Revision - SK Keith Martinson as Chairman

Charters and Dispensations - SK Joseph Anderson, KTCH, KCT as Chairman

General Order 4 *

The following District Officers and Inspecting Officers are hereby appointed for the Templar Year 2019 – 2020:

District 1

District Officer: SK Kaye Moss

Inspecting Officer: SK Jerry Zierdt, KCT

District 3

District Officer: SK Joseph J. Anderson

Inspecting Officer: SK Richard Remme

District 5

District Officer: SK David Dumonceaux

Inspecting Officer: SK Alan MacKenzie, KTCH, KCT

District 2

District Officer: SK Sean Gardiner

Inspecting Officer: SK Clinton Christiansen

District 4

District Officer: SK Alan MacKenzie, KTCH, KCT

Inspecting Officer: SK Kaye Moss

Inspecting Officer at Large: SK Jerry Zierdt, KCT

General Order 5 *

Each Constituent Commandery shall hold elections and install officers in accordance with the Constitution, Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota, Section 79.

General Order 6 *

Each Constituent Commandery shall forward the name and contact information of one Sir Knight who shall be named that Commandery's Membership Chair, who shall work with the Grand Commandery Membership Committee. This shall be forwarded to the Grand Recorder no later than September 15, 2019.

General Order 7 *

Each Constituent Commandery shall forward the name and contact information of one Sir Knight who shall be named that Commandery's Ritual Supervisor, who shall work with the Grand Board of Instruction to supervise in his Commandery the Floor Work, Asylum Ceremonies and Tactics and Drill Tactics. This shall be forwarded to the Grand Recorder no later than September 15, 2019.

General Order 8

It is a requirement of office for the Commander, Generalissimo, Captain General and Recorder of each Constituent Commandery to attend the Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota. Said officers shall attend, or send their proxies in compliance with the Constitution, Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota, Sections 4 and 6.

General Order 9

In order to present an impressive image, the Grand Honor Guard is hereby granted dispensation to wear uniforms in accordance with the standard uniforms that have been submitted to the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota during the Templar year 2019 - 2020.

General Order 10

The function of the Grand Honor Guard, being critical to the public face of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota, The Grand Honor Guard shall be considered a Committee of the Grand Commandery, it's commanding officer shall function as the Chairman of the Committee. The function of the Grand Honor Guard is a) To represent the Grand Commandery at official and public flag presentations or Masonic events when requested b) To visit constituent Commanderies and assist with drill instruction, inspections and presentation of orders c) 3. To provide casket guard and/or casket escort services as requested and d) To provide escort for visiting Grand officers and special guests as required. The Chairman shall file a report with the Deputy Grand Commander by August 31, November 30, February 28 and a final report by April 30 for use in the pre-prints for the 2020 Grand Conclave.

General Order 11

As the Tactics Manual that is published on the Grand Commandery website is out of date and confusing, and will need significant updates, a specific Committee shall be formed to revise and submit revised manual for approval. The Chairman shall file a report with the Deputy Grand Commander by August 31, November 30, February 28 and a final report by April 30 for use in the pre-prints for the 2020 Grand Conclave.

General Order 12 *

As each Constituent Commandery is highly encouraged to hold an Annual Inspection, the Grand Commandery supports this activity. In order to provide the ability for each Constituent Commandery, it's officers and members to review the proficiency of the Grand Officers, Honor Guard, and Guards, this Grand Commandery shall be inspected in a public venue prior to the 2020 Grand Conclave. Inspecting Officers shall be drawn from sitting Commanders of Constituent Commanders, and a report provided at the Grand Conclave, making note of the proficiency of its officers.

General Order 13 *

The leaders of the York Rite , having dedicated themselves to the service of not only Templary, but to the York Rite in general, have been awarded the Knights of the York Cross of Honor (KYCH), the distinctive jewel of which is not to be worn in uniform. However, in recognition of their service to the Craft, members of KYCH shall be allowed to wear the KYCH Bar the uniform next to the Veteran's Service Bar on both the Summer and Class A Uniforms.

By my hand and sealed, this 11th day of July, 2019 A.D



SK Brian K. Dimatteo, KTCH, KCT

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota