





## STATE NEWS - June 2024

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Greetings, Sir Knights

A couple of reminders of upcoming deadlines that you need to be aware of:

Any proposed legislation must be submitted 90 days before Grand Sessions. That means that those proposals must be in to the office by mid-June as our Grand Sessions will be held September 16, 17 and 18 this year.

June is the time for York Rite elections in Kentucky; if you're asked to take an office, or just are willing to throw out your name to fill an office, please, don't just "take an office". Anybody can do that. We can bring in people off the street and give them a book and let them read. Learn the part you're "filling." It is important, for the organization, and for yourself. There is not sense of accomplishment, no personal pride, in going to a meeting month after month and reading the ritual. Most offices don't require a lot of memory work for the openings, and, if everyone knows their part, you can open Chapter or Council in about 10 minutes, full form. No, we aren't all ritualists, but almost anybody can learn one of the veils, how to arrange the altar, how to sword salute. There are people who will come and assist your membership in learning how to do some of these things. So yes, "take an office," and then do your best to learn the part and fulfill the obligation of office that you took.

Sir Knight Recorders, make sure that you get your information entered into the membership databases, KYRIS and MMS. I have to hunt for members/officers on a regular basis and when looking at MMS, I frequently see someone in office from 10 years ago or so. Even if that Sir Knight still holds that office, it's good to know that. Please go into MMS and input your Commandery information, even if many of the officers are the same. Chapter/Council guys, please get your officers into KYRIS as soon as possible. We'll be getting the Recap Reports ready for release in KYRIS after July 10. That's the deadline for getting your information current. Please help us out and get all your membership changes input.

Companions, as usual, if the Grand York Rite office can be of any assistance, call me. My goal is to make the office function for the best of the craft and to help every Companion who requests our assistance.

Until next time, God Bless You All,

Fraternally,

Randall Partin, Grand Secretary/Recorder



June 8, 2024 – Grand Commandery of Kentucky Golf Scramble, Benefitting the Knights Templar Eye Foundation at Wild Turkey Trace Golf Course in Lawrenceburg Kentucky. Pictured above are several competitors with the Grand Commandery officers.



May 27, 2024 – Somerset Commandery Inspection. Front center, Ricky Grubb, Division Commander, Division 8; center left W. Michael Yount, REGC; center right, Randy Singleton, Commander.

## Somerset York Rite Festival

August 10, 2024

Somerset Lodge 105 N. Main Street Somerset, KY

Contact Jeremy Puckett (606) 219-1738

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Everyone welcome and courtesy work will be done.