

# *Wisconsin Forward*

Grand Commandary of Wisconsin

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October is upon us, and the colors of Fall swiftly arrive. Please take a few minutes to be thankful for our blessings and wish someone a good day.

It is that time of year to plan for several holidays, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. It is time to celebrate the birth of our blessed redeemer. Please reach out to your

Grand Commandery Officers with the time and date of your Christmas observance. We hope to meet with and celebrate with you.

Also, please enjoy time with your families when you can. Each holiday has its own meaning, and that meaning is different to many people. One of the common threads of our beliefs is that we get together with loved Ones, Family, and Friends. We can renew our relationships as we visit and if you haven't seen a Brother, Companion, or Sir Knight around, reach out to them to see how they are doing. You can send an email, text, pick up the phone and call, or even send a card. Just reach out to your missing brothers to say "Hi".

Now that our Chapter Festival in Baraboo, Council Festival in Milwaukee, and Wisconsin No. 1 completed the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross and the Order of Malta, it is time to Knight our new Knights of Malta. With that, again, please reach out to your Grand Officers, I am sure we would like to help out and also be there for you. I do have an "Ask" for you though. Please follow the link to the Grand Encampment website for a PDF of a New Sir Knight Packet. It is a 44-page book for your new Sir Knights. The first few pages should be filled out for your new Sir Knight, so they know where and when to meet. The book goes on to highlight events, uniform details, sword manual, our philanthropies, Orders, and a brief history of our order. This is an excellent guide to help a new Sir Knight become more comfortable with our Order.

<https://knightstemplar.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/KT-New-Member-Packet-P1-National.pdf>

I look forward to hearing from you soon

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