From the Editor

S pring restores light to the world. In many early calendars, spring signaled the new year – heralded by the vernal equinox. For thousands of years, some of the oldest monuments to civilization show, humankind has marveled at the stars and counted the seasons they bring. So it is that King Solomon reminds us, "to everything there is a season."

And now a season of this magazine is ending. But don't worry, the *Knight Templar* isn't going anywhere – like the world around us, it's just changing, growing, emerging new leaves.

If everything goes according to schedule, June will mark the final monthly issue of the *Knight Templar*. The next issue thereafter will be a full-sized magazine (8.5" x 11") published in September. Quarterly publications will then fill out the cycle. We feel this is the right move for the magazine and for our Order. We hope you agree.

We're not naïve. We know it's going to be a challenge. Change is always difficult. But know that we're going to work hard to make the transition as seamless as possible. Just bear with us. Know that we're doing our best to bring you the very best magazine we can. There'll inevitably be hiccups. And nothing is permanent: we can always reassess. Revert back. Change. Move forward. Evolve. Experimentation is necessary to adapt to change. We recognize the *Knight Templar* is not just a magazine. It's our voice, our message, our brand. In some respects, it's what binds us together as Templars. Our commonality in which to share Templar culture. Thus, we will strive to bring you relevant content – across all bodies of our Masonic family. If it is of interest to Templars, then it should be applicable for these pages (as long as it doesn't conflict with our editorial policies, of course).

That means you might see current events, general interest, human interest, and other pieces along with the usual historical emphasis that has predominated our content for many years. No doubt, the history of Templary is highly relevant – but so too is the future. *We must also look forward*.

On that note, we have set out a survey asking you, our readers, what you would like to see in the *Knight Templar*. Please visit knightstemplar.org and click on the "Magazine Survey" link. Your feedback will be invaluable. Please take ten minutes to share your thoughts with us. We'll be closing the survey May 1. Thanks for participating.



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