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### ***Greetings to the Sir Knights of Texas:***

As I begin writing this supplement in late August, we have been to Alexandria, VA for the 65<sup>th</sup> Grand Encampment Triennial Conclave and have completed our Mid-Year Grand Officers meeting in Addison, TX.

At the Grand Encampment Field Drill competition, the Texas drill teams won six of the nine places in the competition. Melrose No. 109 won the Class A drill with 798 points. In Class C competition, Dallas No. 6 had 912 points, Amarillo No. 48 had 886 points, and Ruthven No. 2 had 884 points. Amarillo No. 48 with 949 points won the Class D competition and McKinney No.34 with 926 points won second place. Texas was well represented in Virginia.

Sir Knight Michael H. Shively, PGC, proposed an amendment to allow the KYCH recognition bar to be worn on the Templar uniform. After some discussion and recognizing that several Grand Commanderies already allowed the KTCH recognition bar, and no opposition given by the Jurisprudence Committee, each individual Grand Commandery may include the bar to be a part of their Uniform Regulations.

I have therefore issued a Grand Commander's decision to allow the KYCH Recognition Bar to be worn on the left breast of the uniform coat ½" above the medals in the center of the display line. This bar may also be worn on the fatigue uniform or centered above the metal Ribbon Bar on the summer uniform shirt. The white color on the bar shall be located toward the center of the garment. The bar may also be worn in conjunction with the Knight Templar Veteran's Metal.

### **Texas Masonic Family Day**

Don't forget to put October 20<sup>th</sup> on your calendars. The TMRC is hosting Family Day again. A Masonic BBQ cook-off competition, hundreds of art and craft vendors, live music, a car and motor cycle show are planned for your enjoyment.

## **DeMolay and Rainbow**

**Get involved - Support the Youth**

### **Festivals**

Ft. Worth York Rite Festival – September 21-22 at the Masonic Temple. Friday at 6:00pm. Saturday at 8:00am

McKinney York Rite Festival – September 22 and 29 at Saint John's Lodge No. 51, 215 ½ N. Kentucky St., McKinney. Registration at 7:00 AM and Degrees to begin at 8:00 AM both days.

Zerubbabel Chapter & Council is having a Festival on Sept. 29. Registration is at 8:00 AM with degrees starting at 9:00 AM in Roger's Prairie Lodge, 540 Heath & 3<sup>rd</sup>, Normangee, Texas 77871.

We have an opportunity to charter a new commandery in the near future. On October 13<sup>th</sup>, Brenham Commandery No. 15 will host a Festival to confer the Commandery Orders on a class in North Zulch, near Normangee. These eager candidates after being Knighted, will petition to form a new Commandery. The Festival will be held in the North Zulch Elementary School Gymnasium. Everyone is welcome to participate in this festival, so you might let me know if you can help and what part you may want to fill.

Please remember our Permanent Endowment and Penny-a-Day Programs. Contact R: E: Paul E. Wunsche for information on the Permanent Endowment Fund and R: E: Doc Dixon on the Penny-a-Day Program.

***H. David Moore,  
Right Eminent Grand Commander***

### **Food for Thought:**

*Why is it that students in our public schools are not allowed to read the Bible and pray, but convicts in our state and federal prisons are encouraged to read the Bible and attend worship services?*