

**Robert Loflin**

**R: E: Grand Commander**  
323 N. Colorado St.  
Port Lavaca, Texas 77979  
Cell: (361) 652 6180  
Email: [rmloflin@gmail.com](mailto:rmloflin@gmail.com)



**Jeff S. Bennett**

**Texas Page Editor**  
3208 Hyde Park CT  
Arlington, TX 76015  
Cell: (817) 372-3399  
Email  
[jeffbturbine@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffbturbine@yahoo.com)

## 2014-2015 Texas Supplement

### To the Sir Knights of Texas, Greetings.

The month of October brings trials and tribulations to the Templars.

You will recall that on **Friday, October 13, 1307, King Philip of France ordered the arrest of the Poor Fellow-Soldiers of Christ and of the Temple of Solomon, known as the Knights Templar.**

This arrest stemmed from Philip's plan to seize the Templar's wealth and erase his indebtedness to the Order. On that Friday, **Templar Grand Master Jacques de Molay** and other French Templars were simultaneously arrested. While the arrests started in France they soon spread throughout Europe. The Templars were charged with numerous heretical offences. Many of the accused confessed to these charges under torture. Over the next seven years, the Templars were subjected to numerous trials including the **dissolution of the Order in 1312.** Finally in **1314, Grand Master DeMolay** and other ranking members of the Order were burned at the stake as relapsed heretics.

As Modern Templars, October typically begins our annual inspection cycle. **Article 107 governs our inspections and the inspecting officer shall review the Commandery's work in asylum ceremonies and proficiency in our Ritual.** While standing **inspection** may seem like **torture** to those involved in the process, it is not intended to be. It should be seen as an **opportunity** to keep our **Commanderies strong** by allowing us to demonstrate our proficiency in our asylum ceremonies and Ritual. **Try to focus on the fellowship and camaraderie** that is generated by working together to make your Commandery a success.

***The Grand Officers are posting their inspection dates on the Grand Commandery website calendar.***  
***+ So check the calendar for area inspections+***

10/14

## Take Care of Your Health

The members of our fraternity are aging and again and again we are faced with the **loss of Sir Knights and more importantly friends.**

We have all been touched in one way or another by **cancer, diabetes, dementia** and a host of other age related health concerns. Symantha and I both lost parents to cancer. My step dad is struggling with dementia and my aunt and uncle both are affected by Alzheimer's.

**We wanted to take this opportunity to encourage each of you to take care of yourselves and the most important step with all health concerns is early identification and treatment.**

There are numerous avenues available.

**1) Talk to your doctor      2) look up Organizations like :**

**American Cancer Society, [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org) ,**  
**American Diabetes Association, [www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org),**  
**Alzheimer's Association, [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) on the internet.**

As always we look forward to visiting and hearing from you as we travel across the state.

*Sincerely and Fraternally,*

*Robert Loflin*

*Grand Commander 2014-2015*

### **Upcoming Events from the Texas York Rite Calendar**

What: **165th Annual Grand Convocation**

*Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas*

Where: **Waco, TX**

When: **October 19-21, 2014**

What: **107th Annual Grand Assembly**

*Grand Council of Royal and Selects Masters of Texas*

Where: **Waco, TX**

When: **October 19-21, 2014**

Remember to notify **Michael Blair**, Our Webmaster at  
[mblair1@gmail.com](mailto:mblair1@gmail.com) with any updates to the York Rite Calendar

Texas Supplement

19