

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar
of the
State of West Virginia

Office of:

Charles R. Krafft

May 20, 2023

Right Eminent Grand Commander

GENERAL ORDER NO. 1

To the Grand Commandery Officers and Sir Knights
of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of West Virginia

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INSPECTION REPORT REVIEW

Bobby Stotridge EGW (26)
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Grand Officers do not inspect their own Commander's they must trade with another Officer

INSPECTION DIRECTIVES

Inspection dates will be the responsibility of the Commander together with the Inspecting Officer and the Deputy Inspector in each Division. All inspections should be scheduled by June 15, 2023 if possible. No two inspections will be held on the same day. All inspections should be completed before December 15, 2023. Combined inspections will be permitted with each Commandery having at least two participating knights, but no two combined inspections will be scheduled on the same day. If three Commandery's put on the Order of the Temple as a combined inspection, **the Inspecting Officer Must** inspect the other two Commandery's Minutes and audit reports. **Joint inspections Must Not mix Divisions**, example Wheeling (1) and Palestine (2). I want to see the officers of the Commanderys within the Division doing the ritual. All openings will be done in **FULL FORM**.

This information will be sent by the Grand Commander to the State Editor for publication in the Knights Templar Magazine. Include the starting time, work planned and if a dinner or lunch is planned.

It is the duty of the Deputy Inspector General to see each Commandery within the Division is properly prepared for inspection by holding at least one School of Instruction at each Commandery prior to inspection. The Deputy Inspector's responsibility is to see that each School is held to assist the Commandery to obtain the required proficiency in both tactics and ritual.

There will be **NO INSPECTIONS on September 23rd, 2023** as the Mid Atlantic Department Conference is held on this weekend.

I will attend as many inspections as I can and will be received as part of the Inspecting Officer' staff. The inspecting officer will be received as if he were the Grand Commander, even when the Grand Commander is present.

GRAND OFFICERS MEETINGS

Dates and locations will be at an inspection when established

Aug 5, 2023	Weston	Chairman Stephen L. Wolfe EGSW
Nov 4, 2023	Wheeling	Chairman Tyler M. Perry EGCG
Feb 4, 2024	Keyser	Chairman Charles F. Wimer EGG
May 17, 2024	Sutton	Chairman James E. Winzenreid VEDGC

INSPECTION DATES

DIVISION No.1

SK Tyler M. Perry EGCG

WHEELING No. 1

Joint Inspection Division No. 1 on Nov. 4, 2023

MANNINGTON No. 31

DIVISION No. 2

SK Stephen L. Wolfe EGSW

PALESTINE No 2

Joint Inspection Division No. 2 on June 24, 2023

POTOMAC No. 5

at Charlestown

DAMASCUS No 23

DIVISION No 3

SK Greg Amlin EGJW

ST. JOHN'S No. 8

Joint Inspection of #8, #13, 21 Sept 30, 2023

CLARKSBURG No 13

Pilgrim No. 21

DIVISION No 4

SK Harold Campbell EGStdBr

Calvary No 3

Stand alone inspection Oct 28, 2023

Will be inspected by Bobby Stotridge

DIVISION No. 5

SK Kenneth Messer EGSwdBr

Crusade No. 6

Joint Insp Sept 9, 2023

DeMolay No. 11

Morgantown No. 18

DIVISION No. 6

SK Bobby Stotridge EGW

Huntington No. 9

Will be inspected by JB Campbell

Logan No. 26

Kanawha No. 4

Division 7

SK Bradley Lewis EGS

Greenbrier No. 15

Bluefield No. 19

Mt. Hope No. 22

July 15, 2023 starts at 1000 AM

DISPENSATIONS

Dispensations are hereby granted to each Sir Knight of this Jurisdiction during the Templar year to appear in full Templar uniform for the following purposes:

For participating with the Grand Commandery or their own Commandery in street parades which will promote Templary.

At all meetings of any group or organization within the State for the purpose of providing information about or receiving donations for the Eye Foundation, Educational Foundation or Holy Land Pilgrimage.

While attending meetings of DeMolay Chapters within the State for the purpose of showing their support to these fine young men who are part of the future of Templary.

For special observances such as Christmas, Easter, Ascension Day and Flag Day.

NEXT ANNUAL CONCLAVE

The 150th Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of West Virginia will be held in Flatwoods, West Virginia on May 16, 17, and 18th, 2024.

The Grand Commandery will reconvene at 9:00 A.M. on Friday, May 17, 2024 with the introduction of Dignitaries, Grand Officers and Guests.

A more complete agenda for the Grand Conclave will be forth coming in the next few months.

I hereby order that this General Order be read at the first stated conclave of every constituent Commandery following its receipt, and further, **that every Recorder notify those Committeemen from his Commandery of their appointments.** All Sir Knights shall govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my hand and seal of the Grand Commandery of Knights templar of the State of West Virginia this 20th day of May A.D. 2023, A.O. 904

F. Paul Baker

Grand Recorder

Charles R. Krafft(Sam)

Grand Commander