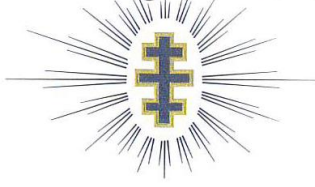


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31 July 2022

Sir Knights,

Enclosed herewith, you will find the information for the North Central Department Conference of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar to be held on Saturday October 22, 2022, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Preferred attire for this conference is coat and tie (**not** Knight Templar Uniform). You will note that there has been a dramatic change this year. The business sessions will spread over two days. General Grand Chapter will meet October 21st – Friday 8 AM – Noon. General Grand Council will meet Friday 1 PM – 5 PM. Grand Encampment will meet October 22nd – Saturday – 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM. There will no longer be an overlap or conflict that forces Companions and Sir Knights to “split” their time.

I wish to draw special attention to the Nails Breakfast scheduled for 7 AM on Saturday. For those of you who have not joined this group, I ask you to do so. It is a light-hearted moment of merriment and gaiety enjoyed by all which generates revenue for RARA, CMMRF AND KTEF. Members are fined \$1.00 for indiscretions and transgressions. For example, Did you travel more 200 miles to get here? (or less than 200 miles?) Do you have white hair? (or no hair?) Did you gamble on a football game this season? (or any athletic event?) Are you wearing a necktie? It is whatever the president decides is not appropriate Masonic conduct on the morning that we meet. As I said, it is designed to raise funds for the YR Charities.

Pursuant to Section 114 (b) of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment, each Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Captain General and Grand Recorder are required to attend the conference. I call upon each Grand Commander in the NC Department to impress upon these Officers that this is a “command performance”. If one of the aforesaid Officers is unable to attend, he must request excusal from the Grand Master of Grand Encampment.

This conference is open to all Sir Knights. I urge the NC Department Commanders to encourage the Sir Knights in your state to participate in the “Emerging Leaders Program”. This program is conducted by Lane Pierce (972 809 6680 or YRL@yorkriteleadership.org). It is at the same time and place, but is enrolled in separately from the conference. Contact SK Pierce for more details.

Those of you who have heard me speak since the Special Conclave Session in Fort Wayne, Indiana on 3-12-22, are aware that I have pointed out that the NC Department Conference will our first opportunity to see and hear our new Grand Master. I urge you to press all Sir Knights in your state to attend. Let’s see and hear what he has in store for the Order!

Each Grand Commander will be called upon during the conference to give a brief account of the activities occurring and planned within your Grand Commandery. Give some serious thought to this before you arrive in Sioux Falls.

Fraternally and Respectfully,

David M. Dryer

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2022 NORTH CENTRAL YORK RITE CONFERENCE



Invitation and Hotel Reservation - October 20-22, 2022

The 2022 North Central York Rite Conference will be in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Meetings, lodging and meals will all be at the Best Western PLUS Ramkota Hotel Sioux Falls South Dakota. The hotel can be reached from Exit 81 on I-29, take ramp right for Maple Street / Russell Street toward Arena and Convention Center, keep straight onto W Maple St and arrive at hotel.

Attire for the conference is a sports coat and tie. This is an educational event and not a business event.

Ladies are invited to attend the KTEF presentation on Saturday at 1:00pm

You are encouraged to bring potential or developing leaders to participate in the Emerging Leaders program jointly sponsored by General Grand Chapter, General Grand Council and Grand Encampment. Participants receive the leadership workshop, materials and ideas at no cost beyond travel, lodging, meals and registration fees. To register, please email YRL@YorkRiteLeadership.org. Website: <https://www.knightstemplar.org/leadership/>

Reservations must be made with the Ramkota Hotel by calling: 605-336-0650. When making room reservations to get rate of \$102.99 let them know you are with the 2022 North Central Regional Conference General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International. Hotel reservations must be made no later than September 22, 2022.

Mail registration and check for Conference & Meals before October 1, 2022. The name and address is on the registration form.

No meals will be sold during the North Central Conference

2022 North Central Conference Meal Choices

Friday Joint Men's & Ladie's Luncheon Buffet

Cold Sandwich Buffet

Assorted Ham, Beef, Turkey Slices and Salami American, Swiss and Provolone Cheeses Assorted Breads, Buns, etc. Assorted Sandwich Condiments, Tossed Salad with Assorted Dressings and Toppings Two Assorted Deli Salads, Fresh Garden Vegetable Tray with Dip Potato Chips Coffee and Ice Tea

Friday Evening Banquet Buffet

Sliced Pork Loin, Baked Chicken Quarters, Garden Salad with assorted dressings, Vegetable Platter with Dip, Mashed Potatoes, Au Gratin Potatoes, Corn, rolls and butter. Apple Pie for dessert. Coffee and Ice Tea

Saturday NAILS Breakfast Buffet

Will be in Frankie's Sports Bar and is commentary for hotel guests

Saturday Joint Men's & Ladies' LUNCHEON Buffet

Deluxe Burger Buffet

Hamburgers, Assorted Deli Salads, Assorted cheeses, lettuce, tomato, condiments, potato chips

Gluten Free/Vegetarian options available upon request

North Central Regional York Rite Conference

Agenda Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Thursday, October 20, 2022

3:30 - 5:00 PM Registration East Lobby

4:00 - 6:00 PM Hospitality Room Kota Room

Dinner On your own

Friday, October 21, 2022

7:00 AM – 12:00 PM Registration East Lobby

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM General Grand Chapter Session Amphitheater Room I

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch Washington Room

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM General Grand Council Session Amphitheater Room I

5:30 PM Social Hour Washington Room

6:30 PM Dinner Washington Room

Saturday, October 22, 2022

7:00 - 9:00 AM Registration East Lobby

7:00 – 8:00 AM Nails Breakfast Frankie's Sports Bar

8:00 AM Emerging Leaders 101 Conference Room #2
Emerging Leaders 201 Conference Room #3
Emerging Leaders 401 Crystal Room

8:30 AM – 4:00 PM Grand Encampment Session Amphitheater Room I

12:00 – 1:00 PM Lunch Washington Room

4:00 PM – Have a safe trip home.

2022 NORTH CENTRAL YORK RITE CONFERENCE

Registration and Meals – October 20-22, 2022

Name _____

E-Mail _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Representing:

Chapter Jurisdiction _____

Council Jurisdiction _____

Commandery Jurisdiction _____

Title/Office _____

Is your Lady attending? Yes No Lady's Name _____

| | <u>PRICE</u> | <u>Qty</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| Registration Fee (Men Only) | \$35.00 | X | \$ _____ |
| <u>Meal Choices</u> | | | |
| Friday Luncheon – Cold Sandwich Buffet | \$21.00 | X | \$ _____ |
| Friday Banquet Buffet – Pork Loin and Baked Chicken | \$42.00 | X | \$ _____ |
| Saturday NAILS Breakfast Buffet (number of people needed) | Complimentary for Hotel guests | X | _____ |
| Saturday Luncheon Buffet – Deluxe Burger | \$22.00 | X | \$ _____ |
| | Total | | \$ _____ |

Dietary Restrictions _____

Please provide Hotel Reservation Confirmation number on this form

(Needed for our records): (_____)

Mail Registration and check *no later than* **October 1, 2022**

**Make Check payable to: Grand York Rite - and send to:
Dennis Newman, 317 Castle Pine Dr. Papillion, NE 68133-3345 You will
receive an email when your registration form has been received.
Questions: email dnewman216@gmail.com or phone – 402-490-1381**