



BRIGHT SPOT



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Great Start !

On April 19th Ivanhoe Commandery No. 24 installed it's Officer Corps for the ensuing Chivalric Year. S.K. Shawn Noble and his outstanding corps of officers will be leading us forward in the new Templar Year and he has a full agenda to be accomplished. For the past few years Ivanhoe has been rebuilding, receiving more new members and working hard to get back to the 'good old days'. We have no doubt that there will be continued success in this term as we are looking forward to more Knightings and more activities.

The Installation festivities began with an especially delicious Ivanhoe buffet at 6:00 pm. Our Officer Corps was then installed in due form by Right Eminent Past Department Commander Lauren R. Handeland as Installing Grand Commander, Eminent Grand Generalissimo LeRoy Kifer as Installing Marshal, Eminent Grand Prelate Emeritus Blair Dixon as Installing Prelate, and Past Commander Homer Armagost as Installing Warder. Thank you to those Sir Knights for a great Installation!

There were many family members and guests in attendance, making this a very special evening for all our new Officers.

Congratulations to Past Commander Mike Clinnin for a very successful year! The Officers look forward to working with our new Commander and pledge to do our very best to complete his agenda and make 2017-2018 the best year yet, for Ivanhoe. All we need is your support. Come out and join us! Come to Ivanhoe and enjoy good food, great companionship and outstanding Templary!



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Prelate's Apartment

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 18:1-8

Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. There he met a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, who had recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla because Claudius had ordered all Jews to leave Rome. He went to visit them and, because he practiced the same trade, stayed with them and worked, for they were tent makers by trade. Every Sabbath, he entered into discussions in the synagogue, attempting to convince both Jews and Greeks.

When Silas and Timothy came down from Macedonia, Paul began to occupy himself totally with preaching the word, testifying to the Jews that the Christ was Jesus. When they opposed him and reviled him, he shook out his garments and said to them, "Your blood will be on your heads!" I am clear of responsibility. From now on I will go to the Gentiles." So he left there and went to a house belonging to a man named Titus Justus, a worshiper of God; his house was next to a synagogue. Crispus, the synagogue official, came to believe in the Lord along with his entire household, and many of the Corinthians who heard believed and were baptized. **The word of the Lord.**

The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done wondrous deeds;

His right hand has won victory for Him, His holy arm.

*The Lord has made His salvation known; in the sight of
the nations He has revealed His justice.*

He has remembered His kindness and His faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.

Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; break into song; sing praise.

A reading from the Holy Gospel, according to John. 16:16-20

Jesus said to His disciples; "*A little while and you will no longer see me, and again a little while later you will see me.*" So some of His disciples said to one another, "*What does this mean that He is saying to us, "A little while and you will not see Me, and again a little while and you will see Me, and "Because I am going to the Father"?*" So they said, "*What is this little while of which He speaks? We do not know what He means.*" Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so He said to them, "*Are you discussing with one another what I said, A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me? Amen, amen I say to you, you will weep and mourn, while the world rejoices; you will grieve, but your grief will become joy.*"

The Gospel of the Lord

In the Holy Gospel the first *little while* is the period of the arrest, death, and burial of Jesus, the second *little while* is the time He is in the tomb. The words in the Gospel *You will see Me* has been interpreted to mean (1) the disciples would literally see Jesus after the Resurrection, or (2) the disciples would spiritually see Jesus after the Ascension because of the work of the Holy Spirit. Verse 22 of the Gospel of John seems to support the literal sight after the Resurrection. We also bear witness to Jesus Christ. For since God became man, and we are united with Him in baptism, we experience His Incarnation in our lives. The empirical of Christology for us is that, as the Son of God became man, we in turn may partake of God.

Rev. S.K. Roger

Commander's Corner

Greetings Sir Knights, Companions, Brothers, and Ladies,

The New Commandery Officers of Ivanhoe Commandery #24 has been Installed and a New Templar Year has begun! I want to take this time to Thank all the Sir Knights and their Ladies for taking on all the New Roles in the Officer Chairs and Committees for the next year.

I know how hard our Sir Knights work for our Blue Lodges, Chapters, Councils, Commandery's, and many other Appendant Bodies that continue to make our Masonic Family operate. Your time is valuable and I cannot express to you enough of how much it is appreciated.

Our Ivanhoe Calendar will be published in this Edition of the Bright Spot. The goal I have set is to be as balanced for time as we can. There is a lot that happens within a Masonic Year and I pray we have it setup so we can all be successful.

There will be a few different things this year, one is the focus on our Family. First, our Ascension Day Observance will be during our Monthly Commandery Dinner Meeting on Wednesday - May 17 at 6 pm. Dinner is still only \$5, Wives and Children are invited, but you must get Reservations into our Recorder Mick Olson as soon as possible!



Second, we will be having our Annual Ivanhoe Summer Family Picnic. We are waiting to cement a date due to the high involvement of our Sir Knights this year and still exploring a few different possible options. You should see it listed in the next Bright Spot which I apologize for.

Third as we come back to Light in September at our Monthly Commandery Dinner Meeting we will be hosting a Family Friendly Dinner and Movie Night. I am looking for good suggestions for a Movie most likely in the PG Comedy Section. Please send your suggestions to me, because who does not like to laugh with their Family?

Fourth we will still hold our Traditional Christmas Service/Observance in the beginning of December. However, there is a Surprise for Sunday – December 17. Since our 2017-2018 Budget was approved we will be seeing the Miracle on 34th Street Musical at the Fireside Theatre in Fort Atkinson.

We will Arrive 10:30 am, Dine on the Sunday Matinee Brunch - All You Can Eat Buffet at 11:15 am, with the Show starting promptly at 1:15 pm. The cost will be \$50 per Sir Knight and per Lady as well as \$40 per Child. There is only 40 Tickets so get your Paid Reservations into our Recorder Mick Olson Fast.

We have reserved 3rd and 4th Row at the Fireside Theatre. The Final Count is due November 1st. If we sell out of the first 40 Tickets I cannot guarantee further seats. I am very excited for this opportunity to get us all in the Christmas Spirit and spend well deserved time together with our loved ones!

Fifth we are looking to bring back the Southeast Quadrant Easter Observance in 2018 hosted by Ivanhoe Commandery #24. This event has seemed to fall by the wayside in all of Commandery and is of vital importance to our Organization. Our hope is to rejuvenate it next year and see a larger turnout.

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Drill Floor

Sir Knights,

S.K. Noble had decided that I should continue as Drill Committee Chair for the year, so I am sorry, but you will have to deal with me again. This drill season is coming to a close but we still have work to do. Our next Drill Date will be **MAY 7th, 3-5pm at SMHS**. I know this is a busy weekend and that there are many other things going on that day. This is the only date that worked within the majority of the schedules. Please let me know if you are unable to attend.

We will look at calendars that day to determine the June date for a practice. Remember that the Drill Exhibition will be at Tripoli Shrine center on June 11th. There will be a divine service, the drill exhibition and then a morning buffet. Please make sure to register for the Conclave and the brunch. Information can be found on the Grand Commandery website.

This summer we will not be meeting regularly, but we are planning to hold a School of the Knight event at some point. This will be an extended period of basic drill, floor work, and sword manual for Sir Knights old and young. What a better way to teach our newly knighted companions the basics and keep them engaged in Commandery. Details TBD.

Starting in September we will be hitting the drill floor with a renewed passion. We will only have a short eleven months to prepare for the Triennial. S.K. LeRoy is going to make a trip to Indiana to see their Drill Competition and to scope out the floor that we will use in August. So he will be prepared – Will You Be?

We still welcome new members to the team. It is not too late. We have commitments from many of you, but we are still short to put a “C” team back on the floor. Who knows, maybe all of you will step up and we can get a “B” team on the floor. I more than anyone know that the Masonic family is a vast black hole of time; there are not enough hours in the day, days in the week, or weeks in the month. We all have to make choices and one of the “Bright Spots” in making those choices is that of being part of the Drill Team. This is a brotherhood like no other that lives all of those principles that we have learned. Don’t believe me then come try it.

See you all on the drill floor!

S.K. Brad

Thank you!

See you all on the drill floor!

Unto His Name be all the Glory,



Drill Team Schedule 2017

(ALL DATES, TIMES, LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK YOUR BRIGHT SPOT, THE WEBSITE, YOUR E-MAIL, OR ATTEND STATED MEETINGS TO GET UPDATES.)

Sunday, May 7th
Sunday, June 11th

3-5 pm SMHS
Drill Team Exhibition - Grand Convocation
Tripoli Shrine Center – Details TBA

Knight School



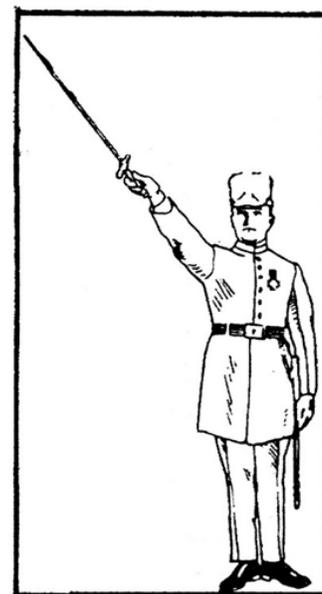
Preparatory

“Draw, SWORDS.”

At the preparatory command “Draw”, grasp the scabbard with the left hand, near its mouth, incline the hilt a little forward, seize the gripe with right hand, and draw the blade until the right forearm is horizontal, back of the hand against the breast.

At the Command of execution “SWORDS”, (1) Draw the sword quickly, raising the arm to its full length, at the angle of about 45 degrees, the sword in a straight line with the arm, edge down extending in the same direction as the right foot

(2) Bring the sword to the position of carry, in one motion, without throwing the right hand to the front, or the point of the sword to the rear.



Draw (1)

S.K. Brian

Commander's Corner (Cont'd)

As you can see our Practices and Orders will start this Fall. Yet please continue to look at your parts as much as you can for when the Fall hits we are ready to impress for our newest Sir Knights who will join the Best Commandery in the State of Wisconsin!

The last Focus we have for the next year is to get ready to defend our World Championship Title in Indiana with our World Famous Drill Team. The Full C and D Team Drills are posted online at the Grand Encampment or I can get them to you if you need it. Remember our Local Competitive Drill will be at Tripoli on Sunday - June 11 and we only have one or two practices left to get ready!

After our Competition this year, we will be practicing once a month and the increasing it based on what is needed. We are still looking for more Members of our Drill Team and can use you. We can only offer a Rough Habit and Course Diet to get you up to speed, but trust me when I say it will all be worth it!

I personally want to thank you all again and hope that together we can still be the Commandery that some people may say everyone loves to hate. That means you are doing something right and hopefully we will continue to light a fire for everyone within our Masonic Family!

Courteously Yours,

E.C. Shawn



2017 Grand Conclave

The 2017 Grand Conclave will be held on Saturday, June 10th, 2017, 1:00 pm at the Lake Masonic Center, 1235 E. Howard Avenue, Milwaukee. Divine Services and Drill Exhibition will take place on Sunday, June 11th, 8:30 am at the Tripoli Shrine Center, 3000 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee.

Rooms are available at the Hilton Garden Inn Milwaukee Airport, 5890 S. Howell Avenue, Milwaukee. Make your own reservations with the hotel at 414-481-8280.

Meal reservations can be made using the meal reservation form. All forms and further information will be available soon on the Wisconsin Grand Commandery website at www.knightstemplar.org/gckt/wi/. We hope to see you at Grand Conclave!

That's a Wrap

On April 12th the Officer Corps conferred the Order of the Temple upon Knight Brad Harry Krause, the final knighting of our 2017 class. Though we were once again a bit short handed, we were very pleased to have extra assistance with Escorts and Triangle Guards. S.K. Gabe Winzenreid came from Burlington to help, S.K. Lauren Handeland dusted off his sword, and our new Sir Knights Bob Reinke and Brain Bertram jumped into the deep end head first and did an awesome job with not much more practice than experiencing their own Order just weeks ago. We also had a few Sir Knights doing double duty to cover a few spots, but the night came off without a hitch. Everyone stepped up and did an awesome job! Great work Sir Knights!! Sir Knight Brad was duly impressed with the work and we hope to see him in our conclaves and at our special events.

This was the last Order for our Officers before assuming their new parts for the upcoming Templar Year. We'll take the summer off to start getting the words down and will begin practices in earnest in the fall. Don't wait! Hit the ritual books now so you are ready. Summer goes bye terribly fast and those who wait to hit the books usually get caught out and struggle to get ready in time. We don't anticipate a large class of new knights next year, but that doesn't mean we won't be busy.

For now, we welcome S.K. Brad and all the Sir Knights of our 2017 class. It is great to see some getting involved already, helping with the ritual work and taking on officer duties. As with all of Masonry, we need your help, and appreciate your involvement. Thank you for making Ivanhoe your Templar home.



///// CAUTION! Knights at Work! /////

Check the calendar for upcoming practices. April 8th is our Easter Observance with April 19th being Installation of Officers.

West Allis Chapter No. 84, RAM conferred the Past Master Degree on April 24th upon Brothers Andy Oran and Jeff Bryden. The Most Excellent Master Degree will be conferred on May 22nd and the Royal Arch Mason Degree on Wednesday, June 14th at 6:30 pm.

Kilbourn Council No. 9, R.S.M. will confer the Royal Master Degree on July 26th and the Select Master Degree on August 23rd. Both degrees are expected to start at about 7:30 following a short business assembly.

Ivanhoe Commandery No. 24 will again be assisting Wisconsin Commandery No. 1 in conferring the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross and Order of Malta in full form on Saturday, October 7th. Practices will again be held on the first and third Tuesdays in July and August at McKinley Lodge, with the exception of July 4th. More information will be forthcoming. If you don't yet have a part, contact Mick who will be happy to set you up!



Dinner Reminder

Don't forget, we will enjoy a light dinner at 6:00 pm, preceding our Stated Conclaves. Stated Conclaves will begin at 7:00 pm. Don't miss this opportunity for conversation, fellowship and some wonderful home cooking!



Calendar of Events

Please print and save this calendar. It will be a handy reference for the Chivalric Year.

May 3	Stated Conclave. (Short Form Opening), Philanthropic Meeting 5:30 pm.
May 17	Special Conclave: Catered Dinner with Ascension Day Observance.
Jun 7	Stated Conclave at 7 pm (Short Form)
Jun 21	No Conclave.
Jul 15?	Ivanhoe Family Picnic at Noon, Details TBA.
Sep 6	Stated Conclave.
Sep 20	Special Conclave: Catered Dinner 6 pm with Movie at 7 pm.
Oct 4	Stated Conclave.
Oct 7	Illustrious Order of the Red Cross and Order of Malta with Wisconsin No. 1.
Oct 11	Practice: Full Form Opening (Dessert to Follow)
Oct 18	Special Conclave: Pizza, OT Practice
Nov 1	Stated Conclave.
Nov 8	Practice: Order of the Temple (Dessert to Follow)
Nov 15	Special Conclave: Catered Dinner, OT Practice.
Dec 3	Christmas Observance, 4 pm with Catered Dinner at 5 pm
Dec 6	Stated Conclave. (Full Form Opening)
Dec 17	Miracle on 34th Street at the Fireside Theatre.
Dec 20	No Conclave.

2018

Jan 3	Stated Conclave. (Full Form Opening)
Jan 10	Practice: Receptions (Dessert to Follow)
Jan 17	Special Conclave: Pizza, Order of the Temple.
Jan 31	Special Conclave: BBQ Sandwiches, Order of the Temple.
Feb 3	Inspection at 9:00 am.
Feb 7	Stated Conclave. (Full Form)
Feb 21	Special Conclave: Catered Dinner, Order of the Temple.
Mar 7	Stated Conclave.
Mar 24	Easter Observance at 4 pm, Dinner at 5 pm.
Apr 4	Stated Conclave: Elections. (Full Form Opening)
Apr 18	Special Conclave: Catered Dinner/Installation.





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VERY BEST TO ATTEND PRACTICES AND ADHERE TO THE NECESSARY
DISCIPLINE AND TRAINING.**

**QUALIFYING CANDIDATES MUST BE OR BECOME MEMBERS OF IVANHOE
COMMANDERY NO. 24 OF MILWAUKEE, WI AND POSSESS OR BE WILLING TO
OBTAIN UNIFORM ITEMS AS REQUIRED.**

To Join...

Contact any member of the Ivanhoe Commandery Drill Team
Or email Drill Team Chairman S.K. Brad Bingheim at: bbingheim6@gmail.com
or call him at: (414) 672-9354

IVANHOE CALENDAR

May

- 1 West Allis No. 84, RAM, 7:00 pm
Stated Convocation.
- 3 Ivanhoe Stated Conclave, 7:00 pm
Elections/Full Form Opening.
- 6 Grand Chapter Convocation, 8:00 am
Lake Masonic Center. Noon banquet.
- 7 Drill Practice, SMHS, 3:00 pm
- 13 WI & IL RAM Festival
Lake Masonic Center 8:00 am.
- 17 Ivanhoe Special Conclave, 6:00 pm
Dinner and Ascension Observance.
- 22 West Allis No. 84, RAM, 7:00 pm
MEM Degree.
- 24 Kilbourn No. 9, RSM, 7:00 pm
Stated Assembly.

June

- 6 West Allis No. 84, RAM, 7:00 pm
Stated Convocation.
- 7 Ivanhoe Stated Conclave, 7:00 pm
Elections/Full Form Opening.
- 10 Grand Commandery Conclave, 1:00 pm
Lake Masonic Center.
- 11 Grand Conclave Divine Service & Drill
Exhibition, Tripoli Shrine, 9:00 am.
- 14 West Allis No. 84, RAM, 6:30 pm
RAM Degree.
- 21 Ivanhoe Special Conclave, **DARK**
No meeting. Enjoy Summer!
- 26 West Allis No. 84, RAM, 7:00 pm
Special Convocation.
- 28 Kilbourn No. 9, RSM, 7:00 pm
Stated Assembly.

Reservations for our Commandery dinners are to be made with S.K. Mick Olson, mick290@att.net
or 414-397-3076, prior to the Saturday before the Wednesday dinner and meeting.

2017-201 Officer Corps



Commander.....	Shawn P. Noble, G.W., P.C.
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Captain General.....	Daniel D. Gorecki
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Junior Warden.....	William A. Reid
Prelate.....	Leroy D. Kifer, K.C.T., G.G.
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Sword Bearer.....	Conrad W. Zvara
Warder.....	Jon A. Falk
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