

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Iowa

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Kyle J. Peterson, REGC
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Call to Conclave

To All Past Grand Commander's, current Grand Officers, Committee Members, Officers and Sir Knights of All Constituent Commanderies within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa

By virtue of the power and authority in me vested as Grand Commander of Iowa, I hereby declare that One Hundred Fifty-Fourth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa, shall be held May 31st to June 2, 2018 at the Quality Inn & Suites, 2601 East 13th, Ames, Iowa.

It is the duty of the Commander of each Constituent Commandery to see that his Commandery is represented in person or by proxy, and to assist in the transactions of business to be conducted. The Commander, Generalissimo, and Captain General of each Constituent Commandery, are **required** to attend, but may be represented and vote by proxy, provided that each member present, or by proxy, shall have only one vote. All proxies must be signed by the officer represented and bear the Seal of the Commandery or they will be deemed invalid.

You **must** complete a registration form for Grand Conclave as this is how introductions are going to be made. Be sure to register and save some money. If your registration and payment are *received* by May 1st, you will avoid a late fee of \$25. Meal reservations **WILL NOT** be accepted at the event, they **MUST** be made in advance.

Mileage and per diem will be paid under the provisions of section 341 (a) and (b) of the Statutes of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa.

Chivalric Regards,

Kyle J. Peterson

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R.E. Grand Commander



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Attested:

Rusty L. Hill

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Grand Recorder

Hotel Reservations

Hotel Reservations are to be made directly with the Quality Inn & Suites at (515) 232-9260. You must ask for the Grand Commandery room block to obtain the group rate of \$99.00 per room plus taxes for either 1 King or 2 Queen bed(s). Hotel reservation deadline is May 1, 2018. Rooms available after that date will be at a higher rate. The hotel has a complimentary expanded continental breakfast in the Courtyard area for **registered guests**. Serving hours are from 6:00am to 9:00am. The hotel restaurant is not open during breakfast hours.

Meal Reservations

Meal reservations are to be made with the enclosed registration form and mailed to the Grand Recorder's office. **The deadline for meal reservations with remittance is May 1, 2018 without penalty.** Otherwise, all meal reservations received after May 1, 2018 until May 25, 2018 will have a \$25 late fee added. No refunds or cancellations after May 25, 2018. Tickets **will not** be sold at the door.

Menus and Pricing

Thursday

| | | Price |
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| Salute to Armed Forces Buffet | Adult | \$ 28 |
| Beef Brisket, Grilled Chicken served with roasted red potatoes, Buttered carrots, tossed garden salad, pasta rotini salad, cole slaw, dinner rolls & dessert. | Child 10 & under | \$ 14 |

Friday

Joint Luncheon – All meals include French fries and dessert.

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| Turkey Club Sandwich – on toasted bun with cheese, lettuce, tomato, bacon, & mayonnaise. | | \$ 21 |
| Cheeseburger – half pound grilled burger with lettuce, tomato, & onion. | | \$ 21 |
| Balsamic Chicken Wrap – grilled chicken, mixed greens, tomato, feta cheese, tossed with balsamic Vinegar, and wrapped in honey wheat tortilla. | | \$ 21 |
| Children's Meal – Cheeseburger, French Fries and dessert. | 10 & under | \$ 13 |

Grand Commander's Banquet

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| Iowa Pork Chop – choicest part of the loin, thick-cut chops, juicy, grilled | | \$ 35 |
| Grilled Salmon Filet – with lemon Chablis cream sauce | | \$ 35 |
| Parmesan Chicken – grilled chicken breast, smothered in creamy parmesan sauce. | | \$ 35 |
| <i>All entrée choices except child's meal are served with:</i> | | |
| Tossed Garden Salad, rice pilaf, honey glazed carrots, dinner rolls, dessert, coffee and iced tea | | |
| Child's Menu – Chicken Strip basket with French fries and dessert. | 10 & under | \$ 14 |

*If you have **special dietary needs**, please contact the Grand Recorder's office and we will do our best to accommodate.*

All reservations are due by May 1, 2018. All reservations received between May 2nd and the final cut off date of May 25, 2018 will have a late fee of \$25.00 added to the total.

No meal reservations will be accepted at the Grand Conclave session.

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Iowa

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154th Grand Conclave of Iowa

Tentative Schedule of Events

Thursday, May 31, 2018

| | | |
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| 10:30 am | Registration Opens | Lobby |
| 11:00 am | Jurisprudence Meeting <i>Members Only – Self Pay</i> | Bunkhouse |
| 12:30 pm | K.C.T. Meeting <i>Members Only</i> | Conference |
| 1:00 pm | Hospitality Room Opens | Room 140 |
| 1:30 pm | Ritual Competition <i>Sir Knights Only</i> | Room A |
| 3:40 pm | Ritual Competition Ends | |
| 3:45 pm | H.R.A.K.T.P. <i>Members Only</i> | Room B |
| 4:00 pm | York Rite College Meeting <i>Members Only</i> | Room B |
| 4:15 pm | K.Y.C.H. <i>Members Only</i> | Room B |
| 4:30 pm | Red Cross Meeting <i>Members Only</i> | Room B |
| 4:30 pm | Registration Closes | |
| 4:30 pm | Hospitality Room Closes | |
| 5:30 pm | Public Informal Opening and Vesper & Memorial Service <i>Everyone is welcome</i> | Room A |
| 6:30 pm | Salute to Armed Forces Buffet <i>Tickets Required</i> <i>Respectful, casual attire</i> | Room C/D |
| 8:00 pm | Hospitality Room Opens | Room 140 |
| 10:00 pm | Hospitality Room Closes | |

Friday, June 1, 2018

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| 7:30 am | Registration Opens | Lobby |
| 8:00 am | Reveille/Flag Ceremony <i>Everyone is welcome</i> | East Parking Lot Weather Dependent |
| 9:00 am | 154 th Grand Conclave Convenes Credential Committee Prelim. Rpt. Reception Distinguished Visitors, Past Grand Commanders, Instructors, Inspectors, Veterans of Military Service, Commanders, Generalissimos, Captain Generals, and Recorders of Constituent Commanderies. Grand Commander's Address Preliminary Report of the Jurisprudence Committee Grand Master's Address | Room A |
| 9:30 am | Hospitality Room Open | Room 140 |
| 11:15 am | Call to Recess | |
| 11:25 am | Photos of Distinguished Visitors and Iowa PGCs | Room B |

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| 12:00 Noon | Registration Closes | |
| 12:00 Noon | Hospitality Room Closes | |
| 12:00 Noon | Men & Women's Joint Lunch <i>Tickets Required</i> | Room C |
| 1:00 pm | IA Masonic Cooperation Comm. Meeting (<i>Members Only</i>) | Room B |
| 1:30 pm | Ladies Program | Room D |
| 1:30 pm | Reconvene the 153 rd Conclave Address of Sir Knight Lon W, Kvasager RE North Central Dept. Commander, and Personal Rep. of Sir Knight Duane L. Vaught, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America Final Report of Credential Comm. Appointment of Tellers Election of 2018 – 2019 Officers | Room A |
| 3:00 pm | Hospitality Room Opens | |
| 3:00 pm | Call to Recess | |
| 4:00 pm | IA Past Commanders' Association Meeting <i>Members Only</i> | Room B |
| 4:30 pm | Hospitality Room Closes | |
| 5:30 pm | Social Hour – Cash Bar | Room C/D |
| 6:30 pm | Grand Commander's Banquet <i>Tickets Required</i> Grand Officers' Uniform less Sword & chapeau Grand Ladies & Distinguished Guests Formal Attire/Long Dress All others – Business attire/Formal Opt | Room C/D |
| 8:00 pm | Hospitality Rooms Open | Rm 140 & 220 |
| 10:30 pm | Hospitality Rooms Closes | |

Saturday, June 23, 2018

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| 8:00 am | Reconvene 154 th Grand Conclave Final Report Jurisprudence Comm. Completion Remaining Business Adjourn | Rm A |
| 8:00 am | PGC Ladies Breakfast <i>Invitation Only</i> | Conference |
| 11:00 am | Public Installation of the 2018-2019 Grand Officers | Room A |
| 12:30 am | Photos 2018-2019 Officers & Ladies – Formal Attire <i>Pictures available for purchase</i> | Room B |
| 1:30 pm | Executive. Committee Meeting <i>Required by ALL Dais Officers</i> | Conference |



SILENT AUCTION TO BENEFIT THE HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

May 31 and June 1, 2018

Your participation and assistance with the Holy Land Pilgrimage is requested.

Please bring items to donate for a Silent Auction to held at the
154th Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Iowa in Ames.

The Silent Auction will be in the Hospitality Room.

Results of the Silent Auction will be announced

after the banquet on Friday June 1, 2018.

Please donate items and have fun bidding.



Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa 2018 Grand Conclave Registration & Meal RSVP Form



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| Name: _____ | Lady/Guest _____ |
| Address: _____ | Iowa KT No.: _____ |
| City/St/Zip _____ | Arrival Date: _____ |
| Hone No. _____ | Depart Date _____ |
| Cell No. _____ | Email: _____ |

Please submit the following information, whether you are ordering meals or not. All introduction cards will be issued from this form. All introductions will be done on Friday morning during the Grand Conclave.

Meal reservations, with payment, **received by May 1, 2018**, will be honored at the meal rates shown below. Any meal reservations **received between May 2nd through May 25th** will be honored with a **\$25 surcharge**.

Reservations will NOT be accepted after May 25th and no meal tickets will be sold at the session.

| <i>Introduction Information</i> | <i>Meal Reservations</i> |
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| | Price Qty. Amount |
| Org, _____ | Registration Fee – \$ 10 X _____ = _____ Iowa Sir Knights Only |
| Title _____ | Thursday Buffet Adult \$ 28 X _____ = _____ <i>Salute to the Armed Forces</i> Kids – 10 & Under \$ 14 X _____ = _____ |
| Org, _____ | Friday Luncheon Turkey Club \$ 21 X _____ = _____ Balsamic Chicken Wrap \$ 21 X _____ = _____ Cheeseburger \$ 21 X _____ = _____ Kids – 10 & under – Hamburger \$ 13 X _____ = _____ |
| Title _____ | Friday Banquet Iowa Pork Chop \$ 35 X _____ = _____ Parmesan Chicken \$ 35 X _____ = _____ Salmon \$ 35 X _____ = _____ Kids – 10 & under Chicken Strips \$ 14 X _____ = _____ |
| Org _____ | <i>Late MEAL Registration ONLY –</i> \$25 X _____ = _____ Received between May 2 nd – May 25 th |
| Title _____ | |

Total Amount Due with Registration \$ _____

For special meal requirements, please contact the Grand Recorder's office at the number/addresses below and we will try our best to meet your requests.

Send reservations along with payment to

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