



Grand Encampment of Knights Templar



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Proclamation

TO: Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master Sir Fred R.S. Nelson, Jr (PA), Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo Sir Fredrick Joyner (DC), Right Eminent Grand Captain General Sir Ronald D. Gerac (TX), Right Eminent Grand Treasurer Sir Frank Fields (OK), Right Eminent Grand Recorder Sir Kenneth E. Brown (TN), Right Eminent Grand Prelate Sir Joaquin M. Diaz (HI), Right Eminent Grand Senior Warden Sir Eddie V. Tucker (MD), Right Eminent Grand Junior Warden Sir Mark Maxwell (KY), Right Eminent Grand Trustee(s) Sir Eugene Anderson (IN), Sir James Reed (NC), and Sir Marques A. Jones (NY), all Appointed Grand Encampment Officers, Most Eminent Past Grand Masters, Honorary Past Grand Masters, Most/Right Eminent Grand Commanders, Right/Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commanders, Very Eminent Grand Generalissimos, Very Eminent Grand Captain Generals, Very Eminent Grand Prelates, International Grand Princess Commandress Karen Thompson, International Grand Royal Advisor ME Sir Russell E. Duckett (NY), International Grand Court Cyrene Crusaders Elected and Appointed Officers, Past International Grand Princess Commandresses and Grand Royal Advisors

GREETINGS

Pursuant to the powers and authority in me vested by the Constitution, By-Laws, General Regulations and Statues, as the 37th Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America and Its Jurisdictions, Prince Hall Affiliation Incorporated, I, Most Eminent Sir Robert W. Glenn, do hereby summon all Grand Encampment Officers, Elected and Appointed, and all Sir Knights who owe allegiance to this Magnanimous Order, to convene with me for the 99th Annual Grand Conclave of the Grand Encampment, June 24th-28th, 2025 at the Marriott St. Louis Airport, St. Louis, Missouri located at 10700 Pear Tree Lane, St. Louis, MO 63134.

The Jurisdiction of Missouri will open an occasional Grand Conclave on Thursday, June 26th, 2025 for the purpose of receiving the Grand Encampment Officers.

REGISTRATION

Advanced Registration for Sir Knights is \$155.00 and for Princesses is \$150.00. Registration must be received **no later than May 20th, 2025** and includes a ticket for the Annual Black & White Banquet. **On Site and late registration (kit not guaranteed) is \$255.00 for Sir Knights and \$250.00 for Princesses.** **Registration payments are now available Online** and additional form(s) are available on our website <https://gektpha.org/forms-documents/> and www.gektpha.org

JURISDICTIONAL RETURNS AND FEES

All Jurisdictions owing allegiance to this Grand Encampment are to fill out their returns and submit with applicable fees **no later than May 30th, 2025** before jurisdictions are allowed to be seated. Make checks / money order payable to Grand Encampment K.T. USA-PHA and send to: Sir Kenneth E. Brown, Right Eminent Grand Recorder at 2871 Fulham Place, Memphis, TN 38128-5420. Any questions please contact the Right Eminent Grand Recorder via phone at (901) 292-7985 or via email at kbrown1139@comcast.net. The forms are on the website at <https://gektpha.org/forms-documents/>

JURISDICTIONAL DEPUTIES

Please submit your Jurisdictional Deputy's Report and Fee of **\$150.00** which is due annually to the Grand Recorder **no later than May 30th, 2025**.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Hotel reservations can be made by calling 1-877-264-8771 or via email:

[Book Your Group/Corporate Rate | Marriott International](https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1721410224082&key=GRP&app=resvlink) or <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1721410224082&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

Please refer to the **Group Code Grand Encampment of Knights Templar** when making hotel reservations. You may be charged for one (1) night's lodging when you make your hotel reservations. You must have a valid credit card or debit card. **Debit cards funds are held for 7 to 10 business days by most banking institutions. Parking at the hotel is free.**

Hotel Reservations must be received on or before **Tuesday, May 20th, 2025**, to meet the Grand Encampment and International Grand Court room block deadline. The room rate is \$145.00 plus 19.338 % tax for a total of **\$173.00** per night single or double occupancy. Check-In time is 3:00 p.m. and Check-Out time is 12:00 noon unless special arrangements are made in advance.

NOTE: Please contact Grand Encampment Convention Coordinator Willie J. Tate at 618-581-8082 prior to canceling Hotel reservations.

TRANSPORTATION

The Marriott St. Louis Airport is located approximately one (1) mile from St. Louis Lambert International Airport. The Hotel will provide free shuttle service **(call hotel for pick-up)**.

SOUVENIR JOURNAL

There will be a Joint Souvenir Journal. All Grand Encampment Grand Officers -- Elected and Appointed and affiliated Jurisdictional Commanderies are asked to be represented in the Souvenir Journal. The ad prices are:

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| Back Cover | Inquire |
| Inside front / Inside Back | Inquire |
| Full Page Ad | \$50.00 |

Make check or money order payable to:
“United Grand Commandery of Missouri”

**Cash App Payments:
\$UGCPHMO**

Email Web ID# to: grandencampmentstlouis@gmail.com

Mail to:

Souvenir Journal Ad: P.O. Box 697, St. Peters, MO 63376

Please submit Ads/Photos saved in high resolution (JPEG; PDF File or Microsoft Word Documents). Contacts and Advertisements to Sir Knight Brian Seals at: grandencampmentstlouis@gmail.com

NOTE: E-mailed Ads will be processed upon receipt of payment!!! Deadline for Ads is May 1, 2025.

REPORTS

All Elected Officers Annual Reports and Committee Reports (Committee Chairman) are to be completed and turned into the Right Eminent Grand Recorder by May 30th, 2025. The following Reports are to be completed and sent via email to Sir Kenneth E. Brown, Right Eminent Grand Recorder at kbrown1139@comcast.net:

- A. Deputy Grand Master
- B. Grand Generalissimo
- C. Grand Captain General
- D. Grand Treasurer
- E. Grand Recorder
- F. Grand Prelate
- G. Grand Senior Warden
- H. Grand Junior Warden
- I. International Grand Royal Advisor
- J. Jurisdictional Deputies
- K. Grand CCFC
- L. Student Aid
- M. Grievance and Appeals
- N. Jurisprudence
- O. Resolutions
- P. Way and Means
- Q. Budget and Finance
- R. Crown and Cross Foundation
- S. Time and Place
- T. Constitution and By-Laws
- U. Veterans Affairs
- V. Webmaster

The following working Reports will be compounded and received at the Grand Encampment:

- A. Rules of the Day
- B. Audit
- C. Credentials
- D. Past Most Eminent Grand Master's Honors
- E. Knight Commander of the Temple
- F. Knight Grand Commander of the Temple
- G. Medical
- H. Most Eminent Grand Master's Address

Elected and Appointed Officers and Committees are on the website: [2023-2024 GEKT Officers | Grand Encampment Knights Templar \(gektpha.org\)](https://www.gektpha.org); Committee Chairs are listed first under the Committee Title.

RULES

RE Harrison Gregg (TX)
RE Fredrick Joyner (DC)

WAYS & MEANS

RE Dr. Charles Motley (AL)
RE Dr. Shawn G. Willis (OK)
RE James Reed (NC)

BUDGET & FINANCES

RE Joaquin M. Diaz (HI)
RE Fredrick Joyner (DC)
All Fiduciary Officers

AUDIT

RE Archie Fowler (TN)
RE Clarence A. Traynham (MD)
RE Bobby Thompson Jr. (OK)

KING'S CONTEST

RE Mark Maxwell (KY)
RE Lewis H. Nelson (SC)
MEPGM Melvin Callahan (TN)

DRILL & TACTICS

RE Toby Bryant (PA)
RE Dr. Shawn G. Willis (OK)
RE Eddie V. Tucker (MD)
RE Marques A. Jones (NY)
RE Willie Keller (TX)

FLAG CEREMONY

RE Toby Bryant (PA)
RE Eddie V. Tucker (MD)
RE Willie Keller (TX)
RE Marques A. Jones (NY)
RE Mark Maxwell (KY)

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS

MEPGM Homer L. Buchanan (OH)
RE Fredrick Joyner (DC)
RE Eddie V. Tucker (MD)
RE Richard A. Bourne (NY)

RESOLUTIONS

RE Fred R.S. Nelson, Jr (PA)
RE Vernon James (TX)
RE Valentino R. McBride, Jr (FL)

TIME & PLACE

RE Ronald Gerac (TX)
RE Fred R.S. Nelson, Jr (PA)
RE Fredrick Joyner (DC)

GRIEVANCES & APPEALS

RE Harrison Gregg (TX)
RE Willie Winfield (CO)
RE Robert D. Cassidy (WA)

JURISPRUDENCE

RE Joaquin M. Diaz (HI)
RE Harrison Gregg (TX)
RE Eugene Anderson, Jr (IN)

STUDENT AIDE

RE Eddie V. Tucker (MD)
RE Roosevelt Huggins (TX)
RE Marques A. Jones (NY)

CREDENTIALS

RE Min. Kenneth E. Brown (TN)
RE Jimmie Chapple (NY)
RE Otho Z. Wilbur, Sr. (TX)

MEDICAL STAFF

RE Aaron Beason (AL)
RE Arlander Riddick (KY)
RE Byron Willis (FL)
RE Marcus Thomas (TX)

FOREIGN & FRATERNAL RELATIONS

MEPGM Homer L. Buchanan (OH)
RE Fredrick Joyner (DC)
RE Lewis H. Nelson (SC)

VISITORS

RE Min. Kenneth E. Brown (TN)
RE Roosevelt Huggins (TX)

MEMORIAL-UPPER ROOM-PRAYER LUNCH

RE Joaquin M. Diaz (HI)
All RE Grand Assistant Prelate

ANNUAL BANQUET

RE Ronald D. Gerac (TX)
RE Otho Z. Wilbur, Sr (TX)

WORKSHOPS

MEPGM Samuel P. Davis (SC)
RE Fred R.S. Nelson, Jr (PA)
RE Fredrick Joyner (DC)
RE Ronald D. Gerac (TX)
RE Joaquin M. Diaz (HI)
RE Carlton D. Richmond (DC)
RE Dr. Shawn G. Willis (OK)
RE Amondus Brown (OK)

KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE TEMPLE (KCT) DEGREE

Sir Knights the Honorary Degree of Knight Commander of the Temple will be conferred during our Grand Encampment. If you are desirous of becoming a Knight Commander of the Temple your petition, resume, and fee of **\$350.00** are to be mailed to the Right Eminent Grand Recorder **no later than May 30th, 2025**. Please make checks / money orders payable to Grand Encampment K.T. USA-PHA and mail to Sir Kenneth E. Brown, Right Eminent Grand Recorder at 2871 Fulham Place, Memphis, TN 38128. The Right Eminent Grand Recorder will forward the petitions and resumes to the Committee Chairman for KCT honors.

Note: Only one (1) nominee per jurisdiction and recommendations are to be submitted by the GEKT Jurisdictional Deputy.

KNIGHT GRAND CROSS OF THE TEMPLE (KGC) DEGREE

Sir Knights the Honorary Degree of Knight Grand Cross of the Temple will be conferred during our Grand Encampment. **You must have received Knight Commander of the Temple Honors in order to be eligible for KGC honor.** If you are desirous of becoming a Knight Grand Cross of the Temple your petition, resume and fee of **\$750.00** are to be mailed to the Right Eminent Grand Recorder **no later than May 30th, 2025.** Please make checks / money orders payable to Grand Encampment K.T. USA-PHA and mail to Sir Kenneth E. Brown, Right Eminent Grand Recorder at 2871 Fulham Place, Memphis, TN 38128. The Right Eminent Grand Recorder will forward the petitions and resumes to the Committee Chairman for KGC honors.

KING'S CONTEST

The King's Contest will be held during the 99th Grand Encampment in St. Louis, MO. Every jurisdiction is requested to participate in this event which is for a worthy cause. Proceeds from the King's Contest will be used to assist a deserving student to attend an institution of higher learning. Contestants for the King's Contest are to send the funds **(Cashier's Check or Money Order, Please Do Not Mail Cash) no later than May 30th, 2025** to Sir Knight Mark Maxwell, Right Eminent Grand Junior Warden at 537 Peachers Ridge Road Clarksville, TN 37042 or contact him via phone at (502) 498-6567 or via email Markmaxwell55@yahoo.com if you have questions.

DRILL AND TACTICS

Drill Teams are to fill out form and mail or email to the Right Eminent Grand Recorder **no later than May 30th, 2025.** Sir Kenneth E. Brown, Right Eminent Grand Recorder at 2871 Fulham Place, Memphis, TN 38128 or via email at kbrown1139@comcast.net. The Right Eminent Grand Recorder will forward forms to the Drill and Tactics Chairman.

COVID-19 ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America and Its Jurisdictions, Prince Hall Affiliation Incorporated is fully aware and takes seriously the dangers involving exposure to the COVID-19 virus and its several variants. The protection and safety of our members, attendees, leadership, and staff is our top priority. All attendees will adhere to the following health and safety protocols during the conclave in St. Louis, MO.

1. The wearing of a facemask is **OPTIONAL AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE** during the Annual Grand Conclave. Facemasks and hand sanitizer will be made available to all members if needed.
2. Prior to checking in at the advance/onsite registration desk, you must first visit the Medical / COVID-19 Check-In station. Please **DO NOT GO** to the advance / onsite registration desk before going to the Medical / COVID-19 Check-In station.
3. Daily screening will consist of a current COVID-19 Self-Assessment Questionnaire with a temperature check. **Attendees with temperatures above 100.4° F / 38° C will be evaluated for COVID-19 and will not be allowed into the meeting.**
4. All attendees will be required to complete a copy of the COVID-19 Liability Waiver and Statement of Understanding. If you answer "YES" to any of the "Symptoms", "Contact", or "Temperature" related questions on the COVID-19 Self-Assessment Questionnaire, you will not be permitted into the meeting and will need a negative COVID-19 test and normal temperature to be admitted the following day. A wristband will be issued to all attendees (daily) after successful completion of the medical screening process. **NO WRISTBAND, NO ENTRY!!!** A wristband is also required to register onsite or to pick up credentials at the advance / onsite registration desk.
5. Temperature checks will be required anytime you leave and return to any of the designated meeting areas. Temperature checks may also be rendered throughout the session or as directed by the presiding officer.
6. Please remain cognitive of your surroundings and environment as you enter the meeting rooms. We are grateful for your attendance and participation at this year's Annual Grand Conclave but, your safety is of our utmost concern.

This Proclamation is being issued and attested to by our hands and the Seal of this Grand Encampment Knights Templars of the USA, PHA, Incorporated on this 11th day of August 2024.

Yours In Knightly Courtesy,



ME Sir Robert W. Glenn (AL), GCT, KYGCH
37th Most Eminent Grand Master

ATTESTED BY:



RE Sir Kenneth E. Brown (TN), KCT, KYGCH, M.Div.
Grand Recorder



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99th Annual Conclave & 55th Annual Grand Session

Marriott St. Louis Airport, St. Louis, Mo.

2025 Advanced Registration Form

99th Annual Conclave & 55th Annual Grand Session

Marriott St. Louis Airport, 10700 Pear Tree Lane, St. Louis, MO. 63134

1-877-264-8771

NAME: _____

NAME OF JURISDICTION: _____

POSITION: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

When Will YOU BE ARRIVING AND DEPARTING _____ / _____

Please indicate any special accommodations or dietary requirements needed.

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GRAND ENCAMPMENT ADVANCED REGISTRATION: \$155.00 TOTAL \$ _____
GRATIS: \$ _____

GRAND COURT ADVANCED REGISTRATION: \$150.00 TOTAL \$ _____

Extra Banquet ticket _____ @ \$60 each \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please complete the Advanced Registration Form and return postmarked by May 20, 2025.

Make checks payable to "Grand Encampment K.T. USA PHA" and mail to:
Willie Tate, P.O. Box # 10788, Killeen, TX 76547

**NOTE: ON-SITE or Late REGISTRATION - Sir Knights: \$255.00 / Princesses: \$250.00
All THOSE WHO REGISTER AT NO COST (GRATIS), PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN THE
REGISTRATION FORM SO THAT WE MAY PROPERLY PREPARE FOR YOUR ARRIVAL**

IMPORTANT: Any Requests for registration **refunds** must be in this office no later than June 1, 2025 via letter **ONLY** (*no phone requests will be accepted*)

Any registration received after **May 20, 2025** may not receive all the amenities of the Encampment.

For Meal Purposes Only

**THIS FORM MAY BE DUPLICATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDITIONAL
REGISTRATION**

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To: Past Most Eminent Grand Masters, Grand Encampment Officers Elected and Appointed Past and Present, Most Eminent Grand Commanders, Deputy Grand Commanders, Grand Generalissimos, Grand Captain Generals of the various affiliated Grand Jurisdictions, Past Grand Commanders, Sir Knights, International Sister Cyrene's, Business, Patrons and Friends

From: Right Eminent Grand Commander Alex Little
Most Royal Grand Commandress Carolyn Dillion
Email: grandencampmentstlouis@gmail.com

Re: Souvenir Journal Ads Solicitation for the 2025 Grand Encampment of Knights Templar & International Grand Court Cyrene Crusaders of the United States of America & Foreign Jurisdictions, P.H.A. Joint Annual Session, Marriott St. Louis Airport, St. Louis, Missouri.

Fraternal Greetings, the 99th and 55th Joint Session of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar & International Grand Court Cyrene Crusaders of the United States of America & Foreign Jurisdictions, P.H.A., will convene in Marriott St. Louis Airport, St. Louis, Missouri on Tuesday, June 24 through Saturday, June 28, 2025. We will be publishing a Souvenir Journal which will feature congratulatory messages from Grand Commanderies, Grand Guilds, Prince Hall Affiliated and Concordant Bodies, Businesses and Individuals.

We are requesting your support by placing an ad in the souvenir journal.

- ❖ Color Photos in Digital Format

ABSOLUTE DEADLINE for the submission of journal ads is **May 1st, 2025.**

Late submission of ads will be returned to sender.

Thank you in advance for your support,

Fraternally,

Alex Little

Carolyn Dillion

Right Eminent Grand Commander Alex Little
Most Royal Grand Commandress Carolyn Dillion
Souvenir Journal Committee 2025

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Marriott St. Louis Airport, St. Louis, Mo.

2025 Souvenir Journal Ad/Contract Form

ABSOLUTE DEADLINE May 1st, 2025

Please enter my/our subscription for a Full-page ad in the 99th and 55th Joint Session Journal, for which I / we agree to pay the enclosed amount of \$ _____

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| Back Cover | Inquire |
| Inside Front/Inside Back Cover | Inquire |
| Full Page Ad | \$50.00 |

Please Print or Type Information

Name: _____

Title / Body (Fraternal): _____

Corporate / Business: _____

Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Make check or money order payable to:
"United Grand Commandery of Missouri"

Cash App Payments:
\$UGCPHMO

Email Web ID# to: grandencampmentstlouis@gmail.com

Mail to:

Souvenir Journal Ad: P.O. Box 697, St. Peters, MO 63376

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