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I would like to encourage all Sir Knights to submit articles, letters, pictures, or comments for inclusion in this supplement. Articles need to be submitted to me by the 1st of the month for the next issue (December 1st for January issue).

ANCHORAGE AND MAT-SU VALLEY YORK RITE MASONS CELEBRATE FALL FESTIVAL



Newly created Knights Templar pose for a photo at the Fall Festival, September 29th and 30th. Left to right are: Sir Knights David LaCombe, Richard Swain, Brandon Gould, Don Merry, Dennis Oakland, Bob Mitchell, and John Breyer.

WHY DID YOU BECOME A KNIGHT TEMPLAR?

York Rite membership in Alaska continues to grow. Sometimes new Knights state their choice for membership as a strong desire to unite with the early mysteries and customs of Masonry which have passed into the dim mists of time.

Perhaps their father, grandfather, great grandfather or some other male relative was a Knight. For whatever reason, they continue to come.

Fellowship is probably the greatest and most sought after element of any part of Masonry, and the Knights Templar Commanderies do their part to promote it. Each month a cordial dinner preceding the Conclave is held and is open to all Knights and their lady as well as friends and Masons who want to know more about Templary. Mat-Su valley York Rite has made it a point to invite all interested Masons to our dinners before each Festival and has enjoyed great success in acquiring new and enthusiastic members.

WHAT'S UP NEXT?

What does your Commandery plan for future programs and activities? A dry business meeting is not very attractive when it comes to competing with all the things a Knight could be doing with his evening. Yes, business must be taken care of in a timely manner, but what can you do to stimulate interest and participation? Most Commanderies have members who could present an interesting program or know of someone in your community who could.

Explore the possibility of a small group visitation to some of your members who are not physically able to attend your Conclave. Because you cared enough to travel, it will leave a great feeling of brotherhood in your heart and theirs.

By the time you read this page it will be close to the holiday season. Please plan to attend the Anchorage York Rite Christmas Toast. Details to be in the next issue.