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Greetings Sir Knights,

Summer is a season that reminds us of the many blessings God has bestowed upon our nation and our Order. As we gather with family, celebrate our freedoms, and reflect on the sacrifices of those who came before us, let us never forget that true liberty is a gift from Almighty God and is sustained by faithful hearts and steadfast courage.

As Christian Knights, we are called to be examples of faith, honor, and service. Our patriotism is not merely love of country—it is a commitment to uphold the principles upon which it was founded: justice, compassion, integrity, and trust in God.

May we continue to serve our churches, our communities, and our nation with humility and dedication, remembering the words of Psalm 33:12: “Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.”

As we enjoy the warmth of this season, let us also renew our commitment to our vows as Knights Templar, standing firm in our faith, supporting one another in Christian fellowship, and carrying the light of Christ wherever we go.

May God bless each of you, your families, the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, and the United States of America.

In His Service,
Troy A. Mock, REGC



“Spes Mea in Deo Est” or “My Hope Is In God”

Associate Grand Prelate's Message

“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and the prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.” Ephesians 2:19-20

Beloved Fraters in Christ,

The passage above from Paul's letter to the Ephesians reminds us of the beauty of God's intention to bring all people together in Christ, no matter their nationality, denomination or any other type of distinction which separate us in this world. In Paul's era that referred to the big distinctions between Jews and Gentiles, Romans and non-citizens, barbarians and civilized peoples. Putting our faith and trust in God as shown to us in the love of Christ was what could overcome those natural divisions.

Sadly, we still can see how people look for divisive issues to separate the 'us' from the 'them'. Indeed, many denominations find that they can only assure their own cohesion by disparaging others who have differing opinions or traditions. In my family, as a child, I heard stories of how my parents were warned to beware the “shouting Methodists” on their way to Sunday School at the German Reformed church. Other families were often divided when young adults would marry outside their own faith tradition. How this must sadden our Lord and Savior who prayed that we might be one in the Holy Spirit.

I am so thankful that in our lives as Knights Templar we do not have doctrinal tests in order to belong. We are encouraged to live out our lives faithfully as we understand God to be leading us. We hearken to Christ's command to do good unto others and to treat them as we ourselves want be treated. In feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and binding up the wounds of the afflicted we offer Christlike love to those who are in need.

Uniting under the beauceant, we are indeed no long strangers to one another but Brothers/Fraters who find our unity in Christ. If there is brokenness within our Commanderies, let us be quick to bring reconciliation. Let us then do our utmost to share the love of Christ within our Commanderies and across our Grand Commandery so that others will see our good works and give thanks to God for our witness and our service in our Savior's name.

Your Frater in Christ,
SK & Rev. David A. Eichelberger, KTCH
Associate Grand Prelate



SK Troy A. Mock, REGC giving remarks at the PA Rainbow Girls Grand Assembly in July





S.K. Paul “Cal” Wynkoop, PC, received his Knight Templar Cross of Honor at the Central Section Reception and Testimonial for S.K. Troy A. Mock, REGC.

Congratulations S.K. Cal!



S.K. Troy A. Mock, REGC, with Kimberly Slater Woods of the Tuskegee Airmen Organization at the Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Service at the Sewickley Cemetery on Saturday, July 18, 2026.

Other pictures from the Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Service





Presentation of a Knights Templar Eye Foundation Sword of Merit to Sir Knight Bruce A. Robinson.

(Pictured right to left are SK Troy A. Mock, Right Eminent Grand Commander; SK Chet J. Barron, Division Commander, Division 6; SK Bruce A Robinson; SK Christopher D. Reed, Eminent Grand Junior Warden; SK Michael D. Montgomery, EGS)