

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Iowa

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2026-2027

GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*To: All Past Grand Commanders, current Grand Officers, Committee Members,
Officers and Sir Knights of all Constituent Commanderies within the Jurisdiction
of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa*

First, I thank the Sir Knights electing me to serve as Grand Commander for the 2026-2027 Templar year. This is truly an honor.

This year I will be focusing on the health of our Iowa Commanderies and York Rite bodies in general. We cannot survive if a majority of our commanderies are hanging on my a thread with little support or knowledge of how to move forward. I will be attempting to get an accurate assessment of each commandery with the intent of helping them improve membership and encourage activity of the Sir Knights.

Next, we need to maintain visibility to our Lodge brethren as they are our potential future Companions and Sir Knights. Last year's support for the Grand Lodge Officer Receptions was a big success. Myself and other Grand Commandery officers heard many positive comments about our prescience and support of Grand Lodge. We will continue this support as well as our escorts at Cornerstone ceremonies.

The final emphasis for this year will be on our ritual and tactics. This is what sets us apart from every other organization. It is extremely important that we attempt to perform the opening of our commanderies and orders as best we can. It may be slow going at first if you have not opened in a while, but the effort is worth more than being 'word perfect.' Practicing and performing our ritual is what has saved my own commandery. I encourage everyone to do their best to get out of the books and work to memorizing their parts. A York Rite body which can open Chapter, Council, and Commandery meetings will be more impressive to the new Companion and Sir Knights than sitting around a table.

To support further learning a proficiency, I will be promoting state-wide schools of instruction, attending meetings to assist and teach, and supporting the Commandery Ritual Competition. This year, the competition will be held at the Cedar Rapids Scottish Rite Consistory building on June 27th. See emails from our Grand Recorder.

Lastly, I thank all of the Right Eminent Past Grand Commanders who came before me. Their leadership and guidance have made Iowa Grand Commandery an active and outstanding organization for more than 160 years.

One final order of business. Legislation passed at this year's Grand Commandery Conclave to increase the number of members on the Board of Financial Trustees from three to five. Since this legislation was passed after the elections of officers and committee members, the body forgot to elect the new member to this committee. I hereby appoint Rust L. Hill for the ensuing year until elections are held at the next conclave in June 2027.

I hereby proclaim the enclosed to be the Officers and Committees of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Iowa 2025-2026 Templar Year under my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery of Iowa on this 5th day of June 2024.

Chivalric Regards,

Attested:



Michael D.C. Boomer

Scott A. Schabacker

R.E. Grand Commander

Grand Recorder

2026 – Grand Commandery Officers – 2027

Grand Commander	Michael D.C. Boomer	11	Lady Kathryn
Deputy Grand Commander	Bryan D. Bever	4	Lady Heidi Petersen
Grand Generalissimo	John D. Determan	43	Lady Kelsey
Grand Captain General	W. Wayne Castle	11	Lady Jamie Castle
Grand Senior Warden	Matthew M. Hoffmann	4	Lady Carolina
Grand Junior Warden	Frank D. Swallow	11	Lady Kim
Grand Prelate	Jons C. Olsson	11	Lady Ann
Grand Treasurer	Nathaniel F. Renner	11	Lady Christina
Grand Recorder	Scott A. Schabacker	22	Lady Susan
Grand Recorder Emeritus	Edward T. Johnson	18, TX	Lady Linda
Grand Recorder Emeritus	Willard M. Loper	1	Lady Karen
Grand Standard Bearer	Douglas R. Clabaugh	4	
Grand Sword Bearer	Anthony L. Oxley	22	Lady Sue
Grand Warder	Randy L. Tolley	3	
Grand Sentinel	Brian R. Bacher	1	Lady Melissa
Grand 1st Guard	John D. Klopenstein	1	Lady Lin
Grand 2nd Guard	J. Robert Matherly	68	Lady Denise
Grand 3rd Guard	Randall J. Halferty	4	Lady Jen
Grand Musician	Antonio B. Collins	4	Lady Lora

2026 – Grand Commandery Committee Members – 2027

a1) Jurisprudence (317)

Jason W. Delzell (Chair)	REPGC, PGHP, MIPGM	1	
Scott A. Schabacker (Sec/Non-vote)	GR	22	Lady Susan
Willard M. Loper	REPGC	1	Lady Karen
Stephen G. Libby	REPGC, PGHP	26	
David M. Dryer	REPGC, NCDC	4, 22, 30	Lady Cynthia
Rusty L. Hill	REPGC	4	Lady Twyla Nisha

a2) Finance Committee (318)

Scott A. Schabacker (Sec)	GR	22	Lady Susan
Bryan D. Bever	DGC	4	Lady Heidi Peterson
John D. Determan	GG	43	Lady Kelsey
W. Wayne Castle	GCG	11	Lady Jamie
Nathaniel F. Renner	REPGC, GT	11	Lady Christina

a3) Membership Committee (319)

Bryan D Bever (Chairman)	DGC	4	Lady Heidi Peterson
John D. Determan	GG	43	Lady Kelsey
Edwin J. Damman		4, 69	

a4) Religious Activities Committee (320)

Jons C. Olsson (Chairman)	GP	11	Lady Ann
Fred Erickson		69	Lady Karen
Stephen G. Libby	REPGC, PGHP	26	

a5) Charitable Activities Committee (321)

Jason A. Wolcott	MIPGM	2	Lady Denise Gehling
Ryan E. Reid	MIPGM	2	Lady Julie
Monte Harris	MIPGM, PGHP	9	

a6) Educational Activities Committee (322)

Scott A. Schabacker (Sec)	GR	22	Lady Susan
Michael D.C. Boomer (2027)	GC, PGHP	11	Lady Kathryn
Theodore M. Boomgarden (2028)		43	Lady Kristian
W. Wayne Castle (2029)	GCG	11	Lady Jamie
Osumana V. Cassell (2030)	MIPGM	26	Lady Toni

a7) Patriotic and Civic Activities Committee (323)

Douglas R. Clabaugh (Chairman)	GW	4	
Bryan D. Bever	GG	4	Lady Heidi Peterson
Anthony L. Oxley	Gsw, PGHP	22	Lady Sue

a8) Public Relations Committee (324)

Theodore M. Boomgarden		43	Lady Kristian
Edwin J. Damman		4, 69	
Scott A. Schabacker	GR	22	Lady Susan

a9) Triennial Matters Committee (325)

Scott A. Schabacker (Chair/Sec)	GR	22	Lady Susan
David M. Dryer (Advisor)	REPGC, PNCDC	4, 22, 30	Lady Cynthia
Michael D.C. Boomer	GC, PGHP	11	Lady Kathryn
Bryan D. Bever	DGC	4	Lady Heidi Petersen

a10) Executive Committee (326A)

Michael D.C. Boomer (Chairman)	GC, PGHP	11	Lady Kathryn
Scott A. Schabacker (Secretary)	GR	22	Lady Susan
Bryan D. Bever	DGC	4	Lady Heidi Petersen
John D. Determan	GG	43	Lady Kelsey
W. Wayne Castle	GCG	11	Lady Jamie

a11) Board of Financial Trustees (326B)

Bryce B. Hildreth (2027, Chairman)	REPCG, MWPGM	4, 69	Lady Natalie
Keith A. Myhre (2028)	REPGC	43	Lady Jane
Jason W. Delzell (2029)	REPGC, PGHP, MIPGM	1	
Rusty L. Hill (appointed)	REPGC	4	Lady Twyla Niska

b1) Credentials Committee (327A)

Keith A. Myhre (Chairman)	REPGC	43	Lady Jane
Ben E. Mayer		30, 73, UD	Lady Crystal

b3) Reports of Grand Officers Committee (328A)

Scott A. Schabacker (Chair / Sec)	GR	22	Lady Susan
Bryan D. Bever	DGC	4	Lady Heidi Petersen

John D. Determan	GG	43	Lady Kelsey
W. Wayne Castle	GCG	11	Lady Jamie
b4) Distinguished Visitors Committee (328B)			
Stephen G. Libby	REPGC, PGHP	26	
Rusty L. Hill	REPGC	4	Lady Twyla Niska
Jason A. Wolcott	MIPGM	2	Lady Denise Gehling
b5) Unfinished Business Committee (329)			
Edward T. Johnson	REPGC	18, TX	Lady Linda
Willard M. Loper	REPGC	1	Lady Karen
Board of Instruction (337)			
Rusty L. Hill (Chair/Sec/Inspector)	REPGC	4	Lady Twyla Niska
Bryce B. Hildreth (Inspector)	REPGC, MWPGM	4, 69	Lady Natalie
David M. Dryer (Advisor)	REPGC, PNCDC	4, 22, 30	Lady Cynthia
Edward T. Johnson (Insp Emeritus)	REPGC	18, TX	Lady Linda
Charity Fund Trustees (335)			
Rick N. McCampbell (2027)	MIPGM	4	Lady Pamela
Gary W. Shaulis (2028)	PGHP	11	
Rusty L. Hill (2029)	REPGC	4	Lady Twyla Niska
Commandery Editor			
John D. Determan	GG	43	Lady Kelsey
Promotion of Youth Activities			
Robert Myers (Chairman)		9	Lady Tonya
Bradley A. Reichardt		4	Lady Michelle
Jason W. Delzell	REPGC, PGHP, MIPGM	1	
Knights Templar Eye Foundation			
Monte Harris	State Voluntary Chairman	9	
Holy Land Pilgrimage			
John M. Klaus	MIPGM	26, 30	
Jons C. Olsson	GP	11	Lady Ann
Technology Committee			
J. Robert "Rob" Matherly, Commandery Rep		68	Lady Denise
Grand Council Rep			
Grand Chapter Rep			

2026 – Living Past Grand Commanders – 2027

Willard M. Loper	REPGC	1	1988-1989	Lady Karen
Edward T. Johnson	REPGC	18, TX	1992-1993	Lady Linda
Stephen G. Libby	REPGC, PGHP	26	2007-2008	

David M. Dryer	REPGC, PNCDC	4	2008-2009	Lady Cynthia
Bryce B. Hildreth	MWPGM, REPGC	4, 69	2009-2010	Lady Natalie
Rusty L. Hill	REPGC	4, 18	2011-2012	Lady Twyla Nisha
Wade E. Sheeler	MWGM, REPGC, MIPGM, PGHP	22, 30	2016-2017	Lady Danene
Kyle J. Peterson	REPGC	18, NE	2017-2018	Lady Tammy
Forrest C. Peck, JR	REPGC	17, NE	2018-2019	Lady Anita
Christian M Beard	REPGC	4	2020-2022	Lady Rebecca
Nathaniel F. Renner	REPGC	11	2023-2024	Lady Christina
Keith A. Myhre	REPGC	43	2024-2025	Lady Jane
Jason W. Delzell	REPGC, MIPGM, PGHP	1	2025-2026	