

Fort Wayne York Rite Bodies
Chapter #19, Council #4 and Commandery #4
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Greetings Sir Knights,

I hope this letter finds you and your families in good health as well as good spirits. The month of December presented many changes in Fort Wayne Commandery. At the stated meeting on the 21st of December, Sir Knight Tyson Howenstine was duly elected as the newest Eminent Commander of Fort Wayne Commandery #4 for the year of 2012. I congratulate Sir Knight Howenstine and his elected Officers and wish them all the best in their endeavors.

I am also pleased to announce that Mark Goebel has been elected as the Excellent High Priest of Fort Wayne Chapter #19, as well as the Illustrious Master of Fort Wayne Council #4. I believe Mark, and his cadre of elected officers will do a bang em' up job this coming year.

I congratulate all incoming officers for the Fort Wayne York Rite bodies. I encourage all of our York Rite members to seek out these Officers and congratulate them as well. I would also urge York Rite members to aid, help, and assist these Officers in any way they can to further the success of the Fort Wayne York Rite Bodies.

We have received correspondence confirming the upcoming Tri-State Festival. The Festival dates are Saturday, February 25th, 2012 in Bryan Ohio. Both Chapter and Council degrees will be conferred. The following Saturday, March the 3rd, 2012, in Angola, Indiana we will be conferring The Order Of The Temple. Sir Knights let's get out there and find our candidates.

I have also been informed that the York Rite College will be having a business meeting and election on March the 10th, 2012, at the Fort Wayne Masonic Temple. On May the 19th, 2012, the College will be having its annual meeting and installation.

As my year as Commander comes to a close I wish to thank so many who have helped and guided me along the way. I appreciate the Grand Officers and thank them for their instruction and friendship this past year and wish them well in their future pursuits. I also wish to thank R.E. P.G.C. Henry "Hank" Lahurreau for all his service, guidance, and friendship throughout my time as a York Rite member. He is truly one-of-a-kind and I feel honored to call him brother.

Alas Sir Knights another year has passed. 2011 has proven to be a good year but not one devoid of challenges. As we set out in the New Year lets renew our obligations to our families, our communities and to ourselves with a revitalized vigor. 2011 was a good year; 2012 will be a better year. Let's resolve

together brethren to continue our spirit of brotherly love and friendship, and be ever at the ready to assist a brother whenever possible. Thank you all.

Fraternally
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