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## Raleigh York Rite Bodies PO Box 17212 Raleigh, NC 27619

Greetings Companions and Sir Knights.

The Raleigh York Rite Bodies are enjoying a banner year in 2015. We just completed our Fall Festival of the Degrees and Orders creating 6 new Knights with an additional new Companion and Sir Knight from Durham. Congratulations to each of these new members. This makes a total of 18 for the year. We have also restored two who were previously suspended. We welcome all and encourage you to attend as many of our meetings as possible.

On October 10, we had eight Sir Knights join Sir Knights from around the state to march in the Homecoming Parade at the Masonic Home for Children in Oxford. We had a total of 18 Sir Knights including our Grand Commander representing Commanderies from New Bern, Wilmington, Fayetteville, and Monroe. It was the largest turnout in the four years we have been marching.

Dues notices for 2016 will be going out in early November. We have some who have not paid dues for 2015. Our Bodies depend on everyone paying dues to meet our expenses for the year. Those who pay before December will receive their Dues Cards after the December meeting when the calendar for 2016 is finalized.

Mark your calendars now for our annual Christmas Observance on Saturday, December 12 at 5:30 pm. We will have our Christmas Service, entertainment, and Installation of Officers for 2016. Refreshments will follow. Durham Commandery No. 3 will join us for this event. The Christmas Observance is open to all members, their families, and friends.

We are now in the process of setting our Calendar of Events for 2016. In lieu of District meetings, the presiding grand officers for 2016 will be having three regional meetings. Ours will be in Fayetteville on Saturday, June 4 at the Fayetteville Masonic Center. All members are invited and encouraged to attend but is a requirement for presiding officers. We also get points toward the Wilbert F. Huntley Award for attending this meeting.

Our Bodies will be making contributions to our York Rite Charities from our monthly collections, our charity gift card raffle, and the Aviator Brewery tour. You can also make individual contributions. Refer to your recent issue of the Knight Templar magazine to donate to the Eye Foundation. Make sure that you mention your membership in Raleigh Commandery No. 4 so that we will receive credit. For donations to RARA or CMMRF, go to the websites of General Grand Chapter, (www.ramint.org) and General Grand Council (www.ggccmi.org) to make donations. Click on "Charity" on each website to donate. Mention your membership in Raleigh Chapter No. or Enoch Council No. 5 so that our Bodies will be credited. Any donation before the end of the year will count on this year's contributions.

On behalf of the officers of the Raleigh York Rite officers, I wish each of you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and joyous New Year. We look forward to your attendance at our meetings.