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Right Eminent Grand Commander  
Sir Knight Michael Garland Weems

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# Greeneville Lodge News

**G**reeneville Lodge No. 3 was a busy place in the month of September. Two Official Visits occurred during the month. Greeneville Commandery No. 43 welcomed the Right Eminent Grand Commander Sir Knight Michael Garland Weems. Several of his Grand Officers and a few Past Grand Commanders joined him for the annual Inspection.

Greeneville Chapter No. 223 Order of the Eastern Star also held an Official Visit from their respective Grand Officers. Great fellowship and great food was one of many highlights of the visit. To close the meeting, the Worthy Grand Patron of Tennessee gave a very unique charge. The charge was very similar to the Duties of a Master Mason or also commonly referred to as the Kentucky charge.

The Knoxville Scottish Rite has announced that the upcoming one-day Reunion at the Jericho Shrine Temple has been canceled. The purpose for this

one-day Reunion was to extend the reach of Knoxville and encourage more participation from the far North East Tennessee Counties of Sullivan, Johnson, and Unicoi. Due to lack of candidates, it was decided that it would not be feasible to hold the Reunion.


Mark your calendars, on December 11<sup>th</sup>, Greeneville Lodge No. 3 will be holding the Installation of the 2017 Officers. Past Grand Master Brother Orville Armstrong will be officiating the ceremony. More details on the event to come.





# Commandery Inspection

Story by Joe Byrd

 Greenville Commandery No. 43 hosted its annual inspection on Saturday, Sept. 3. Right Eminent Grand Commander Michael Weems, Deputy Grand Commander Wayne Gunter, Grand Generalissimo Burks Taylor, and Grand Captain General Clarence Crump (a member of Greenville Commandery) were all in attendance.

We also welcomed four past Grand Commanders. Commandery inspections are a little different than Blue Lodge official visits. At a Commandery inspection, every single word, sword motion, and floor movement is scrutinized during the regular opening and closing and during the conferral of the Order of the Temple. If an officer misses a single word or sword movement, it will impact a Commandery's grade. If a Commandery has to have help from someone who isn't a member, it impacts the grade.

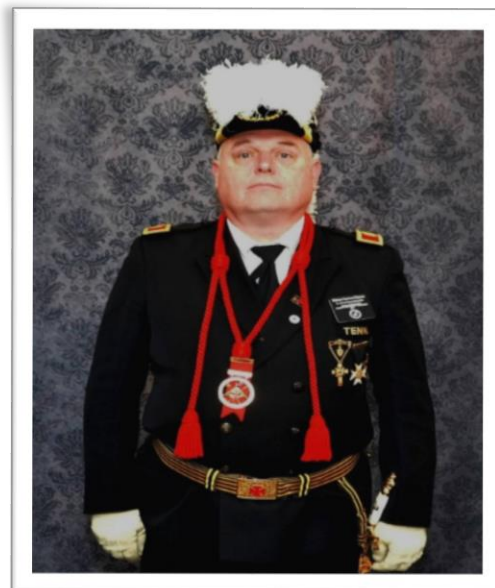
It takes more than a dozen men in full uniform to confer the Order of the Temple. All of the work was done - and done well thanks to numerous practices throughout the summer - by members of Greenville Commandery No. 43. Greenville Commander Joe Byrd was appreciative of the effort put in to assure Greenville Commandery No. 43 remains one of the top Commanderies in the state and thanked everyone who took a part in the inspection and/or helped prepare to receive the grand officers.



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*2016 Greenville Commandery No. 43 Inspection. Pictured above are Officers of Greenville Commandery No. 43 as well as Grand Officers of the Grand Commandery of Tennessee with the active candidate.*

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*Right Eminent Grand Commander Sir Knight Michael Garland Weems*

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Greeneville Commandery No. 43



HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

\$3,248.38

Funds Raised

\$4,200.00

Funds Needed

LODGE OF SORROW  
2016

- Donald Ray Crum
- Carl Bird Jr.
- Lawrence Pack
- Howard Pruitt
- Johnny Holt

## Greeneville York Rite



*York Rite Festival will be held on the first two Saturdays of November in Elizabethton*



*Scottish Rite one-day October Reunion is canceled.*

## Scottish Rite Reunion

The Knoxville Scottish Rite planned one-day reunion at the Jericho Shrine Temple has been canceled. The decision was made by the Executive Board at the September stated meeting in Knoxville. The reason for the cancelation was due to a lack of candidates for the degrees. Thus far, only 8 candidates have petitioned for the degrees. The next Scottish Rite Reunion will be held in March at the Knoxville Scottish Rite Temple.

## Announcements

~ *Greenville Lodge Stated Meeting –  
October 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 p.m.*

~ *Chapter / Council Stated Meeting –  
October 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.*

~ *Eastern Star Stated Meeting –  
October 13<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 p.m.*

~ *Greene County Scottish Rite Club –  
October 20<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m.*

~ *Commandery Stated Meeting –  
October 24<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.*



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*Installation of 2017 Lodge Officers will be held on December 11<sup>th</sup>  
at 2:30 p.m.*

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Please feel free to submit articles, pictures, news, favorite quotes, ect. This applies to all Bodies that meet at Greenville Lodge No. 3 F. & A. M. Submissions can be sent to the Editor.

All submissions will be reviewed and approved by the Editor before publishing. Having a steady flow of content is crucial for the success of this newsletter. Thank you for your contribution and support.

**John Sayne (Editor)**

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