



Rite Notes
 Membership and Recruiting
 Grand York Rite Bodies of Florida
 15 January 2013



Companions and Sir Knights

As we are now in the new year. You have all worked hard this year to bring in new companions and Sir Knights and hopefully we will continue to grow. These new members must be put to work, in line or/and in ritual work. Make them feel as if they have an invested interested in what we do. Now is the time to begin work on our spring festivals. Go to the lodges, utilize the Lodge Representative program and be visible. Be at all raising of new master masons. Festivals began early next month and extend through April. We have time to let the brothers in the Blue Lodges that there is More Light to be gained, and this can happen in York Rite.

Companions and Sir Knights, we are all on the membership team, let us all be active is seeking out worthy brothers that would benefit our York Rite Bodies as well as their Blue Lodge. Be proactive, were you red and purple coats to Blue Lodge, perform the Fervency and Zeal program and the circumambulation to bring them further light. The programs have proven very beneficial in several districts. The dates below, are a good start. We need dates from the missing districts. Please let me know and they will be in the February issue of Rite Notes.

We cannot wish away our declining membership; we must be individually accountable for growing our business. Don't wait for someone else to do what you can do now.

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>KNIGHTED</u>
1	15 & 16 Mar 25 & 26 Oct	Miami Miami	
2			
3	2, 9 Mar 5, 12 Oct		
4	23 Feb, 23 Mar		
5	22 Feb, 9 & 23 Mar 24 Aug, 7 & 21 Sept	Sanford/Sanford/Eola Sanford/Sanford/Eola	
6	12 & 13 Apr 11 & 12 Oct	Melbourne Ft Pierce	
7			
8	5,9,19 Feb	Gainesville	
9	Mar Jan (slow class)	Mariana Panama City	
10	2 Mar, 30 Mar 14 Sep, 26 Sep	Pensacola	

Total 2012 Knightings

152

Total 2013 Knightings

If any of the above dates are incorrect OR if you have dates or numbers that should be changed, please let me know. Also, as soon as your area determine the dates for the Spring and Fall festivals, PLEASE let me know so they may be included.

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