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My Fellow Companions of the Holy Royal Arch,

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to communicate with you directly as your Grand High Priest. I appreciate the faith of the Companions of the Holy Royal Arch in Kansas for electing me to this position. We have a lot to do this year! One of the main focuses of the three Grand York Rite Bodies (Chapter, Council, and Commandery) is to reach out and communicate with each of our members. Without communication, how will our membership know what is happening within the York Rite of Kansas? This will be accomplished in the form of a monthly letter, like this one, to each Royal Arch Mason's email address and to the secretary of each Chapter. It will be posted on the Grand York Rite website as well. This is an official communication, and the Secretary of each Chapter is expected to read it in the Chapter. There will also be a "Grand Chapter Monthly Update" publication which will be posted on the Grand York Rite website. This does not have to be read at each meeting. Be sure to visit the website to see what is happening each month around the jurisdiction.

One of the first events we will see this year is the Grand Master's Classes. At each of the first two Grand Master's Classes, we will be conferring the Mark Master and Past Master Degrees to interested Master Masons in Kansas at no charge, and with no obligation to continue or to join the York Rite in Kansas. The first Grand Master's class will be held on Saturday, May 10, 2025, at an abandoned quarry between Council Grove and Alta Vista. Please visit the Grand York Rite website ([www.kansasyorkrite.org](http://www.kansasyorkrite.org)) to register and to discover more information about this event. There will be a second opportunity on May 24, 2025, at the lodge hall in Russell, Kansas where we will confer the same two degrees.

I wish you a blessed and successful caputular year, and I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible when I visit your Chapter during my 2025-2026 term of office. Please feel free to reach out to me using the contact information above, or by Facebook, or Messenger. I look forward to hearing your feedback this year.

Be blessed, Companions.

Patrick C. Carr  
Most Excellent Grand High Priest, 2025-2026  
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