

May 26, 2021

Dear Friends,

We all know that we've recently been through some tough times together and I hope that you and your family are beginning to see changes that allow us to return to something approaching "normal". Although we were separated from one another for too long, we did find that we could get together virtually ... as chapters and as a national group ... to enjoy activities from bingo to wine tastings.

As your Grand Commander, it gives me great pleasure to talk with chapters across the country who are now holding events or making plans for events to happen very soon! Knowing that we will be gathering and celebrating, laughing and drinking fine wine fills me with joy.

All along, the national organization has kept in touch with commanders and been available to all members. We've recently put out another issue of The Arbor which shared so much chapter information and had a great article on our newest Supreme Knight Tom Eddy. Meanwhile, the calendar is filling up with events and here is a list of just some of them. I hope you'll join in where you can! Remember, when you are a member of one chapter ... you are a member of all chapters!

National Event

June 18 - Virtual Tasting with Long Shadows Winery (nice KOV discount is offered, but it is not a requirement that you order wine to participate)

Austin Chapter

October 17 – Boat Party on Lady Bird Lake

Houston Chapter

May 26 - Stag's Leap Wine Cellars Dinner at Ouisie's Restaurant

April 29 – May 1, 2022 – Assemblage Weekend

Lake Tahoe Region Chapter

October 16 – Assemblage at the Lodge in Tahoe Donner

Lodi Chapter

June 10 – Barbeque

Monthly – Wine Tastings on the second Thursday of each month from July to October

Nation's Capital Chapter

October 30 – Assemblage at Walsh Family Winery in Purcellville, Virginia

North Carolina Chapter

October 1 – 3 – Assemblage Weekend at Graylyn Estate in Winston-Salem

Monterey Peninsula Chapter

October 17 – The Pier Party at Pebble Beach (always a sell out so make plans early!)
November 13 – Assemblage at Pasadera Country Club
January 22, 2022 – The Foragers’ Festival at the Big Sur River Inn in Big Sur

If you are planning to travel, be sure to reach out to the chapter in the area to see if they have anything planned or just for recommendations of all kinds!

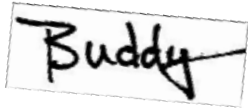
We’ll be adding more events to the National calendar so check the website as we ask chapter commanders to keep us informed!

I’d also like to share a link to an interview Pat Pingitore recently did with Supreme Knight Jean-Charles Boisset. Pat, as you probably know, is the commander for our San Francisco Bay Area Chapter as well as our International Emissary to the FICB. You are sure to enjoy this lively discussion and a little “magic” in the middle!

[JCB LIVE Happy Hour featuring Pat Pingitore](#)

Be well.

Per Vitem! Ad Vitam!

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