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# The Grand Assemblage

## Induction of New Members

## Inthronement Dinner

Gainesville, VA • Saturday Evening • March 29

A Experience Not Equaled

Master Knight Frank Denniston promised us an experience not equaled. A challenging promise, but after examining the schedule below you decide. Viewing the venues, the plural becomes a singular event.

We will start at the Marsh Mansion at Heritage Hunt Golf and Country Club, and execute the Assemblage and conduct the Champagne Reception in honor of the new members, continue to The Regency at Dominion Valley, on to the Stonewall Golf Club, and conclude at the Marsh Mansion. At each stop we enjoy the best of the chef. Palate challenging wines will be presented throughout.

**Lodging:** We have made special arrangements with the Fairfield Inn, Manassas at a room rate of \$84+. We blocked 20 rooms; 10 King and 10 Double. **All reservations must be made individually (by you).** Tel # 703-393-9966, Contact person: Ariana Villacorta. **To obtain this rate please reserve by February 28 and identify yourself as a member of the Knights of the Vine (earlier contracts had us as Nights of Devine?).**

**Transportation:** Coach service will be provided for all those who desire service for the entire evening including to and from the hotel. We still are negotiating the price, but expect it will be less than \$40 pp but a 20% tip is expected.

Coach service will be provided for those who desire it among the country clubs, but are not staying at the hotel. Since the pricing is flat, the charge will be the same as staying at the hotel. As with lodging, coach service is extra to the cost of the Assemblage Dinner.

Please let us know two weeks in advance if you plan to use coach and if it will be from the hotel or from the Marsh Mansion

**Black Tie; Decorations: Cost, \$175pp** (Lodging and Transportation not included) and \$125 for designated drivers. To assure your reservation please send a check to Joe Alt, Treasurer KOV; 8201 Tis Well Drive; Alexandria, VA 22306 to arrive by Wednesday, March 26. If you forgot (how could you?) please email him at [joenpat@verizon.net](mailto:joenpat@verizon.net) or call 703-799-5988.

**Directions:** The Marsh Mansion is on the grounds of the Heritage Hunt Golf and Country Club. The club house address is: 6901 Arthur Hills Drive; Gainesville, VA 20155. Heritage Hunt is a gated community, for specific directions ask the guard at the gate.

Fairfield Inn Manassas is located at 6950 Nova Way; Manassas, VA 20109  
For additional directions, please consult our web site: [www.kov-dc.org](http://www.kov-dc.org)

Lads, Embrace your Ladies, This will be a Wild Ride

## *The Grand Assemblage*

**Induction and Enthronement Dinner**  
Gainesville, VA  
Saturday, March 29, 2008  
Time: 6:00 PM

### Heritage Hunt Golf & Country Club-Marsh Mansion

#### **Induction of New Members**

##### *First Course*

**Hors D' Oeuvres**

**Mini Beef Wellington**

**Roasted Cauliflower Bisque with Curry Oil and Chive Sticks in a Demitasse Cup**

**Seafood Ceviche**

**Cured Duck Ham with Roasted Apple Butter on a Peppered Apple Chip**

**White Fish Mousse Wrapped In Lox**

### Regency at Dominion Valley

##### *Second Course*

**Grilled Quail with Potato Leek Hash Topped with a Chive Burré Blanc**

##### *Third Course*

**Carpaccio of Beef over Baby Greens with Shaved Asiago and Pimento Aioli**

*Fourth Course*  
**Pan Seared Scallops with Beet Whipped Potato and a Pomegranate Glaze**  
*Intermezzo*  
**Peach Mousse with Citrus Tuile**

**Stonewall Golf Club**

*Fifth Course*  
**Confit of Virginia Rabbit Crepine with a Jus of Chinese Lilly Bulb,  
Asparagus and Purple Finger Potatoes**

*Sixth Course*  
**Salad of Three Endive Lettuces, a Parcel of House Made Goat Cheese,  
Emulsified Vanilla Dressing, Crostini of Pine Nut Butter**

*Seventh Course*  
**Assorted Cheeses both American Artisonal and European Classical with  
Presentation**

**Heritage Hunt Golf & Country Club- Marsh Mansion**

*Eighth Course*  
**Chocolate Duo**

**OTHER NEWS:**

**New Members:** We have applications for six new members but we would like more. If you have anyone to recommend please do so as quickly as possible. Also, please send all applications to Master Commander Kenneth A. Haapala, not to national.

**Dues Notices:** Dues notices from National have been sent but are not self-explanatory. All members who joined last spring are required to pay this year's dues to continue membership. Although in the past, the obligation was to pay dues by June 30, last year the obligation was changed to March 31 even though no such statement appears in this dues notice.

**Upcoming International and National Events:**

The 2008 International Congress will be held in London between May 21 and 25. Please contact Vice Commander Russ Davis for details.

The first National Wine Congress will take place during the "crush" in Napa Valley from September 18 to September 21. Announcements for the event are being sent out.

Per Vitem! Ad Vitam!  
Kenneth A. Haapala,  
Master Commander