

*The International Order
of
St. Hubertus*



*Deum Diligite Animalia Diligentes
(Honor God by Honoring His Creatures)*

*The Investiture of Knights
And
The Promotion of Knight Officers, Knight Commanders,
and Knight Grand Officers*

*The Greenbrier Chapel
October the Nineteenth
Two Thousand Nineteen*

The Ceremony

The Procession: Ordensbrothers and Squires enter the Chapel as the Standard of the International Order of St. Hubertus is mounted and the ceremonial candles are lighted.

(Audience: Please stand as the procession enters)

Appointments: The Officers and Priors of the United States Chapter, the Grand Priors and Representatives of the National Chapters of the Order, the Grand Prior of the United States Chapter and the Grand Master of the Order assume their positions.

Presentations: The St. Hubertus Relic, Chalice, Medals, Scepter, Sword, Constitution, Ewer and Orb are presented to the Grand Prior of the United States Chapter.

Anthem: When all have returned to their appointed places, the orchestra plays the National Anthem of the United States and all salute silently the other banners of National Chapters of the Order: Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, England, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Mexico, Portugal, Romania, Scotland and Spain and the Chapters in Formation and Reunification Chapters.

Invocation: Fr. William George offers an invocation

(Audience: Please stand for and be seated after Invocation)

Oath: The Grand Prior of the United States administers to Ordensbrothers and Squires an oath to support the Amended Constitution of 2010. All Ordensbrothers reply in the affirmative: Deum Diligite Animalia Diligentes, the motto of the IOSH.

Knightings: Squires are called to the altar in groups where the Grand Master creates each a Knight and a Knight's Medal and Cape are presented to the new Knight.

(A family member or friend may photograph the newly created Knight as he signs the Register following his knighting.)

Promotions: Ordensbrothers who are deemed to merit promotion to higher rank are recognized for their contributions to the welfare of the Chapter.

(Again, photographs are permitted as the newly promoted Ordensbrother passes the registry.)

Benedictions: Fr. William George gives the final Benediction.

(Audience: Please stand for the benediction)

Recessional: The Grand Prior of the United States returns the St. Hubertus Relic, Chalice, Medals, Scepter, Sword, Constitution, Ewer and Orb to their Bearers. The Herald leads the Recessional with the Officers and Priors of the United States Chapter, the Ordensbrothers, the Representatives of National Chapters of the Order, and the Grand Prior of the United States Chapter following the Grand Master of the Order.

Conclusion: The Ceremony is concluded; please withdraw for group photographs.

Squires to be Knighted

United States of America

Clayton Andrews	Andrew C. LeGros
Henry Ogden Armour	Daniel H. Moore
Donald A. Berg	Ian Paul Murray
Randy W. Bernard	Eugene M. Nettles
Billy Birdzell	Mark David Nuessle
Robert S. Boswell	J. Sergeant Pepper
Laurance G. Broderick	Mark Vernon Peterson
Porteus R. Burke	Howard Lavern Reeves II
Jimmy Dan Conner	Noah Felton Rhodes III
Parker Stockton Corbin	Alfred F. Ritter, Jr.
Peter Stockton Corbin	Dana Jon Roberts
Timothy Taylor Davis, M.D.	Donald Francis Robillard
Edward Bruce DiDonato	Kevin Jay Russell
Chris Dinsdale	George W. Simmons
John H. Dobbs, Jr.	David James Spady
Budd Warren Florkiewicz	Harlan Holt Thompson
Brian Henry Flynn	Roger Philip Thorne
Steven James Holwerda	Joseph Jerome Trad
John H. Johnson	Donald J. Trump, Jr.
David Alan Kennedy	Jeff B. Walker
James R. Klein	William McBride Yandell
Harvey Knowles II	Michael Zimmerman

Candidates to be Promoted

Knight Officers

Hal Cottingham	Jim Green
Charles Elcan	Thomas Leland
Richard Ellis	Alex Maher
Carter Finnell	John Odom
Joseph Gaydos	Steve Rice
Arnie Goldschlager	Chuck Walker

Knight Commanders

JD Crouch	Bill McMahon
Glennon Gingo	Alan Romney
Michael Gulino	John Thodos

Knight Grand Officers

Mark Connally	Dieter Krieghoff
Peter Horn	Christopher Webb
Mark Kehke	

MISSION AND PURPOSES OF THE ORDER

The International Order of St. Hubertus is an ancient knightly organization of like-minded sportsmen, hunters and anglers, who enjoy the fellowship of the Order and who share the same principles regarding sportsmanlike conduct, ethical hunting and fishing, and the conservation and preservation of wildlife and its habitat all over the world. Each Ordensbrother subscribes to the following principles and acts on them individually of his own volition.

TO PROMOTE SPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT IN HUNTING AND FISHING

TO FOSTER GOOD FELLOWSHIP AMONG SPORTSMEN FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD

TO TEACH AND PRESERVE SOUND TRADITIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING CUSTOMS

TO ENCOURAGE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND TO HELP PROTECT ENDANGERED SPECIES FROM EXTINCTION

TO PROMOTE THE CONCEPT OF HUNTING AND FISHING AS AN INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE OF HUMANITY

TO ENDEAVOR TO ENSURE THAT THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS DERIVED FROM SPORTS HUNTING AND FISHING SUPPORT THE REGIONS WHERE THESE ACTIVITIES ARE CARRIED OUT

TO STRIVE TO ENHANCE RESPECT FOR RESPONSIBLE HUNTERS AND FISHERMEN



THE LEGEND OF ST. HUBERTUS

AND

THE HISTORY OF THE ORDER



THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF ST. HUBERTUS

St. Hubert was born circa A.D. 656, probably in Toulouse, the son of the Duke of Aquitaine. He was prominent in the Merovingian Court at Metz, and after the death of his wife following childbirth, was devoted to all forms of pleasure, particularly stag hunting.

According to legend, on Good Friday c. 684, as he was hunting stags in the forest of Ardennes rather than attending church services, he came upon a magnificent animal which he was intending to take until he saw that the stag had a golden cross between his horns. At that point St. Hubert had a Holy vision that he was to forsake his hedonistic ways, divest his worldly possessions and devote his life to helping the poor. After a subsequent life of piety, he became a very respected and successful Bishop. He died in A.D. 727 and his remains were interred to Amdain (now Saint-Hubert, Belgium).

St. Hubert was widely venerated during the Middle Ages and thereafter and his grave has been a pilgrimage site for 1300 years. His symbol — the stag's head and golden cross — is a familiar sight all over Europe.

In A.D. 1695, Austro-Hungarian Count Franz Anton Sporck instituted the Order of St. Hubertus to honor St. Hubert's memory and to promote responsible hunting and wildlife conservation. The Order continues to this day as the International Order of St. Hubertus. The motto of the Order is "Deum Diligite Animalia Diligentes," or "Honor God by Honoring His Creatures."

November 3rd is the Feast Day of St. Hubertus. It is celebrated each year at the Basilica where he is buried as well as throughout the sporting world in Europe. At the Basilica, the hunting horns are blown and hunters on horses with their barking dogs enter the church for a blessing. The members of the IOSH celebrate St. Hubert's Feast Day with dinners and shooting activities.

The convulsions of World Wars I and II led to the dissolution of the Order. After the Second World War, however, the Order was revived by the U.S. Ambassador to Austria and American High Commissioner, Llewellyn Thompson, along with General Mark W. Clark, U.K. Ambassador, Sir Harold Caccia, the British High Commissioner, Dr. Albert Messany of Austria and Austrian Chancellor Leopold Figl.

The current Grand Master is His Imperial and Royal Highness, Istvan Franz von Habsburg-Lothringen, Archduke of Austria and Royal Prince of Hungary.

THE ORDER IN AMERICA

1968 – George Wood was appointed Grand Prior and founded the American Chapter in 1968. The first Investiture of American Knights took place at the Bohemian Club in San Francisco. The ceremony was presided over by then Grand Master Messany.

1975 – Grand Master Messany retired and George Wood was elected Grand Master. OB Wood was followed by Karl Weber as Grand Master in 1979.

1985 – Grand Master Weber asked Archduke Andreas Salvatore von Habsburg-Lothringen to act as Protector of the Order.

1991 – On January 8, Grand Master Weber asked Archduke Andreas to accept the office of Grand Master. Archduke Andreas did so and His Majesty Juan Carlos, King of Spain, assumed the position of Protector of the Order.

2013 – Brigadier General Jack William Nicholson assumed the duties of Grand Prior of the United States Chapter.

2013 – In March of 2013 HH Archduke Istvan von Habsburg-Lothringen became the fifth Grand Master of the Order since the Restitution. Archduke Andreas assumed the office of Grand Master Emeritus and King Juan Carlos continued to offer the Order his protection.

2016 – John Poindexter succeeded BG Nicholson as Grand Prior of the United States Chapter.

2020 – Four Chapters separated from the IOSH for some years are expected to re-affiliate in May at Kremsmünster, Austria.

PROTECTOR

His Majesty King Juan Carlos of Spain

GRAND MASTER

His Imperial and Royal Highness,
Istvan von Habsburg-Lothringen,
Archduke of Austria, Royal Prince of Hungary

GRAND MASTER EMERITUS

His Imperial and Royal Highness
Archduke Andreas Salvator of Austria

OFFICERS, UNITED STATES CHAPTER

<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>
Grand Prior	John B. Poindexter
Chancellor	C. Allen Foster
High Justice	Vidal Martinez
Secretary	R.H. Tibaut Bowman
Treasurer	James R. Negele
Herald	Christopher Burnham
Quartermaster	Christopher Cobb
Audit Committee Chairman	George K. Kollitides II
History and Archives Committee Co-Chairman	Col. John S. Odom Jr. Steven Raben
National Membership Co-Chairman	Chuck Thomason Dana Martin Jr.
National Social Committee Co-Chairman	Thomas M. Leland Steve Rice

Ranks of the International Order of St. Hubertus

Squire

This is the entry level for members of the Order. It signifies that the Squire has met all initiation requirements and has been accepted for membership in the Order. Each Squire must participate in the activities of the Order and demonstrate sincere support for the United States Chapter. The Squire may then be recommended by his sponsor to his Prior and the Grand Prior to be created a Knight.

Knight

This is the first rank of the Order. It is conveyed to a Squire in a formal investiture ceremony during which he is dubbed by the Grand Master of the Order or his designate and attired in the Knight Medal and Cape. The Knight may now be addressed as an Ordensbrother.

Knight Officer

This second-level rank is typically conveyed to a Knight who has been active in the Order through participation in events for some years after his investiture as a Knight.

Knight Commander

The Knight Commander has demonstrated leadership in the Order for several years. He has been proactive through the development of events, the execution of projects and in enlisting new members.

Knight Grand Officer

The highest rank is reserved for the leaders of the Order; typically 10% or less of Ordensbrothers attain this rank. The Knight Grand Officer demonstrates senior leadership in the Order by arranging events and originating projects, through actively enlisting new members, and through significant and productive interaction with Ordensbrothers throughout the U.S. Chapter and the world.