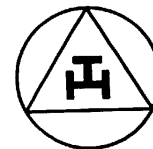
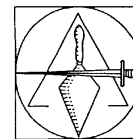
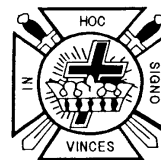


# San Diego York Rite

# Newsletter

NOVEMBER 1, 2007



## A VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES!

As we approach the 4th Thursday of this month, we are once again reminded of the blessings that we as individuals have received from the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe, and indeed, as a nation we have been blessed since its inception 231 years ago.

Let us all, therefore, humble ourselves and give thanks for all blessings received from the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe.

In the last few weeks we have witnessed, and perhaps some of us have suffered the effects of the ravishing fires that have swept our County for the second time in approximately 4 years.

These are truly some of the trials and afflictions that we are destined to endure while traveling these vales ; then we should remember in whom we put our trust.

As we pray for compassion from our Creator in our time of trouble, and that he deliver us from all evil, let us also remember one of our principle tenets as masons; that of relief.

Let us show compassion toward the less fortunate

during this period of hard times.

I am sure that there will be plenty of opportunities for us to help our less fortunate brothers, and fellow citizens in the coming weeks.

We look forward to help through our lodges, through our chapters, our councils and our commanderies, through our churches and through other organizations of which we may be a member; combined we can make a difference. So mote it be.

## Please remember the 232nd U.S. Marine Corps Birthday, Saturday, November 10.

San Diego Royal Arch Chapter No. 61 and San Diego Cryptic Council No. 23 installed their officers for 2008 on Thursday October 25th at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center.

Companion Richard Bullard was installed as High Priest at San Diego Chapter No. 61. He and his officers were installed by Most Excellent Grand High Priest Jerrold A. Wohlfarth.

Companion Richard D. Baskin was installed Illustrious Master of San Diego Council No. 23; he and his officers were installed by Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Paul E. McCleary .

**Spring Festival 2008 Schedule for York Rite Degrees and Orders:** The RAM Degrees will be conferred at the Scottish Rite Center on Saturday, 8 March commencing at 8 am. The Cryptic degrees will be conferred on Thursday March 20th at the Consuelo Lodge in Escondido commencing at 7 pm. The Orders of the Temple will be conferred in Riverside at a time and date to be announced.

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SAN DIEGO CHAPTER NO. 61  
 ROYAL ARCH MASONS  
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22 Nov. 2007: DARK  
 28 Dec. 2007: DARK

**Companions:**

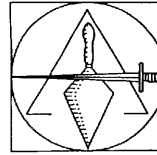
San Diego Chapter has had a good year in 2007. Our corps of officers did an excellent job and we managed to add a few new companions to our roster. Participation at our dinners and meetings was good and we continued to improve our ritual work. My sincerest congratulations to PHP Rick Baskin for his superior leadership.

I thank you most sincerely for entrusting me with the leadership of our Chapter in 2008. The installation of officers, held on Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> was a good evening with a very nice installation ceremony. We had 27 for dinner and about 30 on the side lines for the installation. Thanks very much to all of you who took time to be with us that evening. Next year we need to build on this year's accomplishments.

We need to find potential Companions in our Lodges and convince them of the value of adding the York Rite to their Masonic experience. We need to continue to improve our ritual and to add to our repertoire. We will be trying to find Companions who are interesting in working with our ritual teams. We have all sorts of parts from the non-speaking to some pretty big ones.

Please mark your calendars for the fourth Thursday of January through October and plan to join us for a very pleasant, low stress evening of Royal Arch Masonry.

Sincerely and Fraternally  
 Dick W. Bullard, High Priest



SAN DIEGO COUNCIL NO. 23  
 CRYPTIC MASONS  
 1895 Camino del Rio S  
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STATED ASSEMBLY: Fourth Thursday, 8:00 pm (Odd Months)  
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**Companions:**

We have had a very successful Cryptic year under the leadership of Chad Snyder. His dedicated efforts resulted in a solid foundation for San Diego Council to build on and move forward.

Our annual installation of Officers was held on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October and we are indeed fortunate to have such a committed slate of Officers. I thank you for the confidence you have expressed in me by electing me to serve as Illustrious Master of San Diego Council No.23 Cryptic Masons. I look forward to working with you to advance Cryptic Masonry in San Diego.

I believe we have another exciting year to look forward to. The Companions who have volunteered to serve are well qualified to fill their duties in the Council and I look forward to working with them. The next time you see these Companions, please take a moment to thank them for their service and dedication to our Craft.

As is our custom, we will be dark until our January stated assembly, which will be held on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us that evening. During the interim period your newly elected officers will be working diligently to ensure that our ritual is flawless at the start of the year.

Sincerely and Fraternally

Rick Baskin  
 Illustrious Master



STATED CONCLAVE: Second Tuesday, 7:00 PM  
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### COMMANDERY SCHEDULE

06 Nov.: TUES. 7:00 PM PRACTICE ADVANCE STATIONS  
13 Nov: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE  
20 Nov: TUES. 7:00 PM PRACTICE ADVANCE STATIONS  
27 Nov: TUES. 7:00 AM NEWLSTTER PARTY/PRACTICEADVANCE STATIONS

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Dear Sir Knights :

I hope that you and your loved ones survived the wildfires without catastrophe. May the Lord help us continue to come together as communities and work toward rebuilding the lives of people who lost everything.

I wish to thank the members of San Diego Commandery # 25 who attended our October 9, 2007 Conclave, particularly our Past Commanders, many of whom magnanimously filled officers' stations. We were honored by the return to the Asylum of Sir Knight Ed Backes, long-time Al Bahr Shrine Chaplain and the first time attendance of new Sir Knight Eric Fuller (who survived being the exemplar in the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.)

The Maltese Cross is a symbol of protection—a badge of honor. Its story is hundreds of years old. When a courageous band of crusaders, known as the Knights of St. John, fought the Saracens for possession of the Holy Land, they encountered a new weapon unknown to European warriors. It was a simple, but horrible device of war; it wrought excruciating pain and agonizing death upon the brave fighters of the Cross. The Saracens' weapon was fire! As the Crusaders advanced on the walls of the city, they were attacked by glass bombs containing naphtha. When they became saturated with the highly flammable liquid, the Saracens hurled a flaming tree into their midst. Hundreds of Knights were burned alive. Others risked their lives to save their brothers in arms from dying painful deaths. Thus, these men became the first fire fighters...and the first of a long list of courageous Fire Fighters. Their heroic efforts were recognized by fellow Crusaders who awarded each hero with a badge of honor—a cross similar to the one Fire Fighters wear today. Since the Knights of St. John lived

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### Note

**If you are a caregiver** for a recipient of this newsletter, who has moved or is in the process of moving, or he is no longer living, please notify any of the recorders or secretaries listed in this newsletter and advise them of the changes and/or the date of demise and next of kin. Thank you.

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### San Diego York Rite Website

San Diego Commandery has launched a York Rite web site. It is ably tended by our Sir Knight Pat Wohlrabe. It is hoped that it will serve to inform not only our members and brothers in masonry, but also serve to inform the interested public of our presence and to give out general information that may induce others to join the Rite, or join masonry in order to join the Rite.

The site can be reached at **yorkritesandiego.org** You are encouraged to visit the site and send any comments, suggestions or questions to the webmaster, Sir Knight Pat Wohlrabe, **or communicate with the heads of bodies or secretaries directly.**

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for nearly four centuries on a little island in the Mediterranean Sea, named Malta, the Cross became known as the Maltese Cross. The Maltese Cross is a symbol of protection. It means that the fire fighter that wears this Cross is willing to lay down his life, just as the Crusaders sacrificed their lives for their fellow men so many years ago. The Maltese Cross is a Fire Fighter's Badge of Courage...a ladder-rung away from death.

May you and your loved ones enjoy a blessed Thanksgiving, and join us for the Christmas Observance on Sunday, December 16, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. in the Morrison Room.

Yours In The Faith,  
Greg Maizlish, Commander



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Companion Knights

Our next meeting will be announced in ample time.

Sincerely & Fraternally,  
 David C. Hollowell  
 Preeminent Governor

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A quote from the *York Rite of Free Masons* pamphlet:

*“ . . . Thus the Masonic Orders of Christian Knighthood are the logical outcome of the Christian Mason’s belief in Christ as Lion of the tribe of Judah, whose hand will raise the dead to life and in whose Holy Name the True Word is found and restored at last - In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”*

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