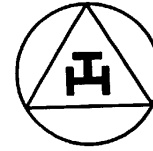
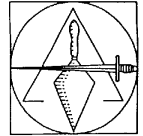
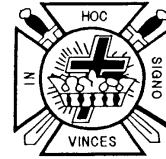


# San Diego York Rite

# Newsletter

MAY 1, 2008



## IN MEMORY

Sir Knight Bernard S.K. Lau

Born: September 20, 1923

Knighthood May 3, 1978

Died: April 14, 2008

## Spring Festival 2008 is History!!

The Royal Arch degrees were conferred on March 8, 2008 at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center. It was a great success! 27 candidates were exalted to the degree of Royal Arch!!

The Cryptic degrees were conferred on March 27, 2008 at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center in San Diego. 24 candidates were received as Cryptic Masons

The Orders of the Temple were conferred in San Bernardino on Saturday March 29, 2008. 14 candidates were knighted into San Diego Commandery Mo. 25. There were a total of 35 candidates in the class.

## Grand York Rite Sessions

By the time you read this, there will be new leaders

at the Grand Bodies. One will be from the San Diego area; he will be the Grand Commander of Knights Templar in California. He is Sir Knight Gary Miller, a Past Commander of San Diego Commandery No. 25 and Riverside Commandery No. 28. He presently resides in El Cajon, California.

Our best wishes go out to the 148th Most Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons in California,, Frederick J. 'Tiny' Potter. He resides in Camarillo, California.

Our good wishes also go out to Most Excellent Grand High Priest Sean Foran, from Calabasas, California. He will be the 154th Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons in California.

We also salute Most Excellent Companion Jerrold Wohlfarth, immediate Past Grand High Priest for a job well done. He is also presently Commander of San Diego Commandery No. 25 and Venerable Master of the Lodge of Perfection of the San Diego Scottish Rite. Only a Marine could do that!

On a national level, we salute Sir Knight Fred G. Kleyn III, KGC Grand Sovereign Of the Unites Grand Imperial Council of the Red Cross of Constantine, for his hard work on behalf of York Rite in San Diego.

It is not too early to start thinking about the Fall.

Fall Festival 2008 Schedule for York Rite Degrees and Orders: To Be Announced



SAN DIEGO CHAPTER NO. 61  
 ROYAL ARCH MASONS  
 1895 Camino Del Rio So.  
 San Diego 92108-3683

STATED CONVOCATION: Fourth Thursday, 7:00 pm  
 HIGH PRIEST: Richard W. Bullard. . . . . (619) 334-4213  
 E-Mail: rwbull@cox.net  
 SECRETARY: Fred G. Kleyn . . . . . (619) 461-5724  
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22 May Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner [\$10.00]  
 7:00 pm Stated Convocation

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Companions:

The Festival is completed. We are back to our normal schedule of the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month for our Monthly Stated Convocations and we get to welcome our new Companions. What a dedicated Brotherhood you are. We must not be satisfied with this Spring Festival's success but keep pushing, encouraging and talking about Royal Arch Masonry. Please continue to have petitions with you when you visit your Blue Lodge.

I would like to ask each of you to please pass on any names, addresses and telephone numbers of Companions you may know who are homebound or unable to attend our monthly meetings. These men may be Past officers or the guys that showed up for meetings but they have been instrumental in the History of our Chapter.

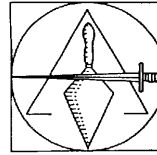
I will be attending the Grand York Rite Session in Bakersfield April 27-30. I am very excited about being there and look forward to each of the meetings.

I would like to acknowledge our very own outgoing Grand Officers, Neal Leonard, Grand Marshall, Fred Kleyn, Grand Orator, and Gerald Lynn, Grand Marshall, for their dedication and service during the past year. Congratulations and well done Companions.

Don't forget our meal at 6:00PM before each monthly meeting. \$10 buys an excellent meal and allows time to talk with your Companions before the meeting. Plus if we have over the required number, it helps our budget.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Dick Bullard  
 High Priest  
 619 993-4840 cell



SAN DIEGO COUNCIL NO. 23  
 CRYPTIC MASONS  
 1895 Camino del Rio S  
 San Diego 92108-3683

STATED ASSEMBLY: Fourth Thursday, 8:00 pm (Odd Months)  
 ILLUSTRIOUS MASTER: Richard D. Baskin . [619] 990-6465  
 E-Mail: rbkasin@cox.net  
 Recorder: David C. Hollowell, III. Past Master.....[619] 424-5704  
 E-Mail: dhollowell@msn.com

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22 May. Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner [\$10.00]  
 8:00 Stated Assembly

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Companions:

As I write this, many of us are preparing for the 2008 Grand York Rite Sessions. The organizers of this year's session have produced an aggressive schedule to get though all the required meetings and accomplish three installations. It will be a great opportunity to thank our retiring officers for all their hard work and to congratulate the new Companions who will assume the helm and lead us forward.

In 2007, we were blessed to have three great leaders at the helm of the York Rite. Under their leadership, we promoted unity with not only our Blue Lodges, but also embarked on a renewed relationship with the Scottish Rite.

We are seeing a renewed interest in our Blue Lodges and that has flowed over to all the York Rite bodies. The Spring Festival was an outstanding example of this, with each body initiating more candidates than in the recent past. It was certainly inspiring to see the sidelines full. Please make an effort, at our next Assembly, to greet and welcome our new Companions to San Diego Council. Let us strive to help these Companions learn about and experience the fellowship that means so much to us.

Finally, I would like to remind everyone that our next Stated Assembly will be on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will have our meeting at 8:00 pm, immediately after San Diego Chapter's Stated Convocation. As usual, dinner will be at 6:00 pm. Please let Illustrious Companion Fred Kleyn know if you will be attending so we can give the caterers an accurate count.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

Rick Baskin  
 Illustrious Master



SAN DIEGO COMMANDERY No. 25  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
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SAN DIEGO 92108-3683

STATED CONCLAVE: Second Tuesday, 7:00 PM  
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E-Mail: jerrywohlf@cox.net

Recorder: Abel Pardo Parra . . . . . [619] 474-2243  
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### COMMANDERY SCHEDULE

13 MAY: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE/PRACTICE  
27 MAY: TUES. 6:00 PM NEWLSTTER PARTY/PRACTIC

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Dear Sir Knights,

First, an update on the Spring Commandery Orders. Last month, I indicated that we had at least 12 new Sir Knights joining San Diego Commandery. Correction, make that 14 new Sir Knight's. A 'tip of the Commander's Chapeau' to each Sir Knight who participated in the Orders. San Diego Commandery looked good! We did well in our assigned Illustrious Order of the Red Cross (IORC), and also filled several stations in the Order of Malta, and a couple in the Order of the Temple. Since then, more Sir Knights have volunteered to participate in the Order of Malta, and the IORC for the Fall Orders in San Diego.

At the April Stated Conclave, our Inspector, Sir Knight Abel Parra conducted his Annual Inspection. I think we did a pretty good job, however, I have not received his report. He was assisted by SK Bill Karbosky, PC, and SK Al Kellner, PC.

By the time you read this message, the Grand York Rite Sessions for 2008 will be over, and we will have a new Grand Commander. We congratulate Sir Knight Gary Miller, the 150th Right Eminent Grand Commander. We will be hosting him at the Grand Commander Reception on June 10, 2008. The ritual for the Reception is in the Grand Commandery Tactics, (Revised May 15, 2007), Section XII. Open Reception of Grand Officers. If you do not have a copy, please let me know, and I will email a .pdf copy to you.

There will be two scheduled events during May. The first event will be the Stated Conclave on Tuesday, May 13th. The second will be our Joint Chapter/Council Monthly York Rite Newsletter Folding Party on Tuesday, May 27th. We will hold a practice on each of these evenings. The planned practices will be 9-Man opening, and Reception of the Grand Commander.

*Please - Let Harmony Prevail,*

Sincerely & Fraternaly,  
Jerry Wohlfarth, Commander

### 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.

**Newsletter by E-Mail:** If you are interested in receiving the York Rite Newsletter by e-mail, please send an e-mail to apparra01@sbcglobal.net with your name and e-mail address and write on the subject line newsletter by e-mail. Try it—you may like it.

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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](http://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.**



SAN DIEGO YORK RITE COLLEGE NO. 148  
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 10140 El Nopal Santee, CA 92071-1156

Companion Knights:

The next meeting of the San Diego York Rite College No 148 will be May 18, 2008 at 4PM. It will include elections, degree, installations etc. Please mark your Calendar.

Sincerely & Fraternally  
 David C. Hollowell  
 Preeminent Governor

**YORK RITE NEWSLETTER COMPOSITE CALENDAR  
 MAY 2008 SCHEDULE**

- 13 MAY: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE/PRACTICE S.D. COMM. No. 25
- 18 MAY: SUN. 4:00 PM STATED MEETING; DEGREES, ELECTIONS & INSTALLATION
- 27 MAY: TUES. 6:00 PM NEWLSTTER PARTY/PRACTICE S.D. COMM No. 25
- 22 MAY: THURS. 6:00 PM DINNER S.D. CHAPTER No. 61/S.D. COUNCIL Mo. 23  
 7:00 PM STATED CONVOCATION S.D. CHAPTER No. 61  
 8:00 PM STATED ASSEMBLY S.D. CHAPTER No. 23

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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