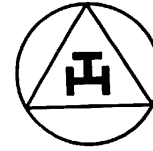
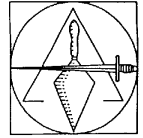
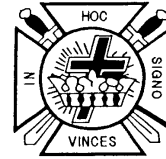


# San Diego York Rite

# Newsletter

JULY 1, 2008



## HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY:

This 4th of July our country will celebrate the 232nd anniversary of our Declaration of Independence. Eleven years after the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, the supreme law of the United States of America, the U.S. Constitution was adopted by U.S. Congress.

What exiting times those years must have been! And we think we have troubles now! War with England! Declaring independence! Forming a new country! Adopting a new Constitution! Wow!

The second paragraph of the Declaration of Independence reads:

***“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, . . .”***

It was true in 1776, and it is true today!

The Scottish Rite Appreciation Nite was a well attended event sponsored by the York Rite College

and the York Rite Bodies of San Diego. The three heads of the Grand York Rite Bodies were present, i.e., Most Excellent Grand High Priest Sean N. Foran, Most Illustrious Grand Master Frederick J. ‘Tiny’ Potter, and 150th Right Eminent Grand Commander Gary D. Miller.

The Grand Commander has commissioned a 150th anniversary Grand Commandery medallion which will sell for \$10.00 and will be available the latter part of June, 2008. Please place your order with the Commandery Recorder - e-mail or phone.

Illustrious Companion Fred Kleyn, Inspector, CM Arch 16, will be conducting a Cryptic Mason ritual seminar on Saturday, 30 August at the Masonic Center in Escondido. Plan to attend.

July 3<sup>rd</sup> there will be a joint reception at Escondido Lodge for our Grand High Priest, Sean N. Foran. Tyre Chapter will host and Triangle and San Diego #61 will share duties. 7 pm dinner/reception \$10.00; John Gamach [760] 745-3533

There will be a reception honoring S.K. Tom Colgan, Jr. Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge of California on July 19, 2008 at the Vista Masonic Center. Contact Jerry Wohlfarth at [760] 724-3033 for reservations

**It is not too early to start thinking about candidates for 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  
 E-Mail: fkleyn@cox.net

24 July Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner [\$10.00]  
 7:00 pm Stated Convocation

Greetings Companions:

Summer is here, which I am sure, is no surprise to any of you if you are in San Diego and enjoying our current heat wave. What sacrifices we make living in Southern California.

The Scottish Rite Appreciation dinner in June was well attended. The balance of Companions in Red Jackets easily won the night. Our Grand High Priest of California Sean N. Foran attended along with his lady Vicki, Excellent Bill Allen, Grand Captain of the Host, Excellent Companion Harvey Tapper, Grand Master of the Second Veil, and his wife Linda, Jerry Wohlfarth, Grand Treasurer, with his lady Norma and Excellent Companion Richard D. Baskin, Grand Marshall South, with his lady Barb were also in attendance. So Royal Arch Masonry was well represented. Thank each of you who were there.

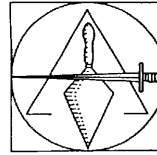
Bob Winterton of San Diego Scottish Rite gave an excellent thank you speech and made mention of our Spring Class inducting more members than the Scottish Rite did for their Spring Class. He laid down a challenge to meet and exceed our number, 27 new members, to our Scottish Rite brothers. I am confident we can better our number for the Fall class. Keep up the good work spreading the word about York Rite. Our Website, <http://www.yorkritesandiego.org>, has all the applications you need that are easily downloaded.

I would like to compliment Companion Pat Wohlrabe for his work on the San Diego York Rite website mentioned above. Pat has done great things and continues to maintain and update the site on a consistent and regular basis. He has setup email accounts for our Royal Arch Chapter, [ram61@yorkritesandiego.org](mailto:ram61@yorkritesandiego.org), and for Cryptic Council, [cm23@yorkritesandiego.org](mailto:cm23@yorkritesandiego.org). Well done Pat. While doing this huge job for York Rite he also is the Worship Master of San Diego Lodge #35 along with other numerous Masonic duties.

Our next meeting will be July 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM with dinner at 6:00PM, cost \$10. Cryptic Council will follow shortly after the Royal Arch meeting.

July 3<sup>rd</sup> there will be a joint reception at Escondido Lodge for our Grand High Priest, Sean N. Foran. Tyre Chapter will host and Triangle and San Diego #61 will share duties. There will be a spaghetti dinner at 7:00PM cost of \$10 then a meeting to formally present Most Excellent Companion Sean to San Diego. Please contact Fred Kleyn or me for further details and reservations.

Sincerely and Fraternally  
 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

24 July Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner [\$10.00]  
 8:00 Stated Assembly

Companions:

Illustrious Companion Fred Kleyn, Inspector, CM Arch 16, informed me that he will be conducting a Cryptic Mason ritual seminar on Saturday, 30 August at the Masonic Center in Escondido. As many of you may recall, we did this last year and the seminar was well received. Additionally, it is an excellent way to prepare for our upcoming degrees on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Officers and cast members will need to attend, but the seminar is open to all Cryptic Masons. If you haven't seen the degrees for a while or if you just received your degrees, I highly recommend you attend. It will be a morning event and we are usually finished before noon. As more information becomes available I will pass it on.

In preparation for our upcoming degrees I have include an explanation of the two degrees we will confer.

**Royal Master**

A Degree emphasizing the lessons of patience and fortitude. The Degree centers around the Fellowcraft Masons who were artificers fabricating the fittings and furniture of the Temple. It is unusual in that the first part of the Degree depicts events taking place before the death of the Grand Master Hiram Abif, and the last part depicts events occurring after his death.

**Select Master**

A Degree emphasizing the lessons of devotion and zeal. The Degree centers on the construction and furnishing of a Secret Vault beneath the Sanctum Sanctorum of the Temple, and the deposition of those secrets pertaining to the Craft by the three ancient Grand Masters of the Craft. This Degree bridges the events surrounding the concealment and loss of the Ineffable Word and the events leading to the recover of the Word in the Royal Arch Degree. The presiding body is a Council, and the presiding officer is a Master (titled Illustrious).

Sincerely & Fraternally  
 Rick Baskin  
 Illustrious Master



SAN DIEGO COMMANDERY No. 25  
 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
 1895 CAMINO DEL RIO SO.  
 SAN DIEGO 92108-3683

STATED CONCLAVE: Second Tuesday, 7:00 PM  
 COMMANDER: Jerrold A. Wohlfarth . . . [760] 724-3033  
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COMMANDERY SCHEDULE

08 JULY: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE  
 29 JULY: TUES. 6:00 PM NEWLSTTER PARTY/PRACTICE MALTA/DRILL TEAM

Dear Sir Knights:

As we go to press, we have just concluded a very successful San Diego York Rite Appreciation Dinner for the Scottish Rite. It was well attended by all York Rite Organizations, and there was a good showing of Sir Knights. Much appreciation goes to SKs **Fred Kleyn KCT**, and **Paul McCleary** for all their work.

For those who may not have heard, the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar has awarded SK **Fred Kleyn**, PC with the distinguished Award of Knight Commander of the Temple (KCT). Congratulations to SK Fred - well deserved! Congratulations to SK **David Hollowell** PC, for receiving the Meritorious Service Medal for his service to Knights Templar. It was presented by SK **Gary Miller** at the Grand Commander Reception last month. To all who participated in the Reception, I offer my thanks and appreciation.

Prior to our July Conclave, many of us will be attending the Reception for ME **Sean Foran**, Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons of California at the Escondido Masonic Center on Thursday, July 3, 2008. Please note reservation information elsewhere in this Newsletter. I will be representing our Commandery.

On July 19, 2008, at 3 PM, there will be a Reception honoring Sir Knight **Tom Colgan**, the Junior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge of California at the Vista Masonic Center. It is a casual BBQ with the Grand Master of Masons in attendance. For reservations, please contact me.

Following the July Stated Conclave, we will have a Drill Team practice. If you are interested in participating, please join us.

*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.

**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.**

**East San Diego Lodge No. 561** will hold their annual Ed Denton BBQ event on Sunday July 6, 2008. Deep Pit BBQ with all the trimmings for \$10.00. You cannot beat it. Please plan to attend 11 am to 3 pm. You can talk about York Rite Masonry and all will listen - who knows, maybe we can pick up new members.

**We are planning to set up a York Rite/Scottish Rite Booth.**



SAN DIEGO YORK RITE COLLEGE NO. 148  
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 E-Mail: rosefirstclass@aol.com  
 SECRETARY: Phillip A. Johnson .....(858) 292-0092  
 10140 El Nopal Santee, CA 92071-1156

Companion Knights:

The next meeting of San Diego York Rite College No. 148 will be held at 4:00 PM on Sunday, 17 August 2008 when we will confer the Knight of York Degree on those who have accepted their invitation to membership.

Sincerely & Fraternally  
 Harlin C. "Bill" May  
 Preeminent Governor

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

- 03 JULY: THUR. 7:00 PM TYRE CHAPTER; ESCONDIDO, CA; DINNER & RECEPTION FOR M.E.G.H.P. SEAN FORAN
- 08 JULY: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE/DRILL TEAM PRACTICE
- 24 JULY: THURS. 6:00 PM DINNER S.D. CHAPTER No. 61  
 7:00 PM STATED CONVOCATION S.D. CHAPTER No. 61  
 8:00 PM STATED ASSEMBLY S.D. COUNCIL No. 23
- 29 JULY: TUES. 6:00 PM NEWLSTTER PARTY/PRACTICE S.D. COMM No. 25

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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