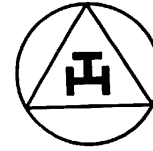
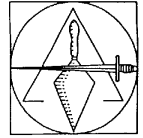
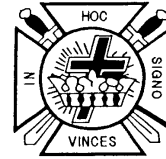


San Diego York Rite

Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 1, 2008



A date to remember: September 17, 1787!

This was the date that the Constitution of the United States was created; it was ratified on June 21, 1788. When was the last time that you read the Constitution? It is said that it can be read in 23 minutes [to comprehend it might take a little longer]. Read it, cause you will be tested in Lodge this month!

Al Bahr Shrine will celebrate Western Night on Saturday, September 6, 2008 at their temple. No Host Saloon opens at 6 pm, with grub served between 7:00 and 8:00 pm. Western duds and dancing to "Two Lane Highway" band! \$35.00 per person - contact Phil Johnson @ 858-292-0092 for your tickets!

The Grand Commander has commissioned a 150th anniversary Grand Commandery medallion which will sell for \$10.00 and is now available. Please place your order with the Commandery Treasurer, S.K. Pat Wohlrabe - e-mail: pwohlrabe@cox.net or phone: [619] 370-3644.

It is not too late to think about candidates for the Fall.

The Royal Arch Degrees will be conferred on Saturday September 20th at Tyre Chapter in Escondido, Ca at the Consuelo Masonic Center commencing at 8:00 am. It will be an all day affair, with

lunch being provided at a nominal cost.

The Illustrious Grand Master, Frederick J. "Tiny" Potter will attend the Fall Festival on Thursday September 24th for the conferral of the Cryptic degrees to be held at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center at 7 pm. Illustrious Master Rick Baskin would like to have a large contingent of Cryptic Masons in attendance to welcome our new Companions, and to extend a warm San Diego welcome to our Illustrious Grand Master.

San Diego Commandery will confer the Orders of the Temple on Saturday, October 25th at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center commencing at 9 am.

St. Bernard Commandery No. 23 and Riverside Commandery No. 28 will also participate in the conferral of the Orders. Other Commanderies are cordially invited to participate.

Invite all of your Blue Lodge Brothers that are not yet York Rite Masons to join us. York Rite is a continuation of the masonic journey that every mason should travel. Spread the word - spread the light. If you need applications, go the following web site: **yorkritesandiego.org**; it is the web site for york rite masonry in San Diego County. Invite your Blue Lodge Brothers to visit the website and get additional information.

Fall Festival 2008 Schedule for York Rite Degrees and Orders:

Royal Arch Degrees: Sat. Sept. 20, 2008 at Tyre Chapter, Consuelo Masonic Center in Escondido, Ca at 8:00 am.
Cryptic Degrees: Wednesday Sept. 24, 2008 at San Diego Council No. 23, S.D. Scottish Rite Center at 7:00 pm.
Orders of the Temple: Saturday Oct. 25, 2008 at S.D. Commandery No. 25, S.D. Scottish Rite Center at 9:00 am.

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SAN DIEGO CHAPTER NO. 61
 ROYAL ARCH MASONS
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STATED CONVOCATION: Fourth Thursday, 7:00 pm
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20 Sept. Sat.: 8:00 am Royal Arch Degrees, Tyre Chapter, Escondido, Ca
 25 Sept. Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner [\$12.00]
 7:00 pm Stated Convocation

Greetings Companions:

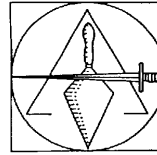
I hope your summer has gone well and you have enjoyed some time with family and friends. September 20th is the date for the Fall York Rite Festival. The festival will be held at Tyre Chapter in Escondido, CA at the Consuelo Masonic Center commencing at 8:00 am. Candidates will assemble at 7:00 a.m., with coffee and donuts available and lunch being provided at a nominal cost. Sideliners are enthusiastically encouraged to attend. If you received your degrees in the Spring this is an excellent time to be able to absorb the proceedings and ask those questions you have. Please make time to attend.

Needless to say we need candidates. We had the largest class for the Spring Festival in memory and need to keep the ball rolling. Remember Membership. Applications are available on the website, www.yorkritesandiego.org. Please be sure and have copies available when you visit your Blue Lodge. New candidates always have questions and we as Royal Arch Masons should be in the forefront with answers. Each Master Mason should have the opportunity to complete his Masonic search for the *Lost Master's Word*. Let's each of us ensure they have that chance.

September is also the time of officer elections for the Chapter. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. The September Stated Convocation will be September 25th at 7:00 p.m. with dinner at 6:00 p.m. The price of the meal has been increased to \$12 but what an inexpensive way to meet and take some time to share brotherhood from our busy schedules than a meal.

Eminent Commander Jerry Wohlfarth recently sent out a reminder that the Super Excellent Degree will be presented at the Colorado River Festival. This is done every other year. If you have not received this degree, this is a good time. The Colorado River Fall Festival will be held October 19, 20 and 21 in Laughlin, Nevada. The deadline for registration for the CRFF is six weeks away. Information (including Candidate's registration) may be found at www.crff.org. As a reminder... those coming for Super Excellent Master only....please register for the Degree at the Festival, not in advance.

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
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 E-Mail: dhollowell@msn.com

24 Sept. Wed.: 7:00 pm Confer Cryptic Degrees, S.D. Scottish Rite Ctr.
 25 Sept. Thurs.: 8:00 pm Stated Assembly after Chapter Convocation

Companions:

On the 30th of August we held a Cryptic Workshop at the Escondido Masonic Center to review changes made to the RM and SM degrees and to work with our ritual team to ensure each of the participants knew and understood the work. Additionally, M.I.C. Paul McCleary, MIPGM and I.C. Fred Kleyn, Inspector Cryptic Arch 16, presented topics on membership development and council administration. Both topics were informative and will help our new officers prepare for the upcoming year. If you have not had the opportunity to attend one of the workshops, I highly recommend attending the next one. You will gain new insight into the degree work and learn about events affecting Cryptic Masonry.

Our Fall Festival is quickly approaching and our degree team is working hard to ensure we are ready to confer the Select Master degree. We have degree practices scheduled for 1 pm Sunday September 7th and 1 pm Sunday September 21st. All Cryptic Masons are invited to attend the practices as either participants or as sideliners. The Festival will be held at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center on Wednesday, 24 September and will start at 7 pm. As per our usual custom, Helix Council will confer the Royal Master Degree and San Diego Council will confer the Select Master Degree. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

Lastly, our annual election of Officers will take place at our September 25th meeting. I look forward to seeing you there as we select the Companions that will lead San Diego Council in 2009.

Sincerely & Fraternaly
 Rick Baskin
 Illustrious Master



SAN DIEGO COMMANDERY No. 25
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
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STATED CONCLAVE: Second Tuesday, 7:00 PM
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COMMANDERY SCHEDULE

9 SEPT.: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE
30 SEPT.: TUES. 6:00 PM NEWLSTTER PARTY/PRACTICE MALTA/DRILL TEAM

Dear Sir Knights:

Greetings and welcome to the fourth Quarter of this Commandery Year. I hope everyone enjoyed your vacations and the summer.

At the Stated Conclave on September 9th, all Officers will be in **advanced stations** for the 9-man Opening. Also, Inspector Abel Parra will be sending questionnaires to each Dais Officer very soon. These must be answered in order to qualify for advancement.

As you attend your Lodge, Chapter and Council this month, please talk to Brothers and Companions about becoming a Knight Templar. Also, be sure to support the Royal Arch Festival on Sep 20th in Escondido, and the Cryptic Festival on Sep 24th in San Diego.

We need to start brushing up on our ritual in preparation for the Fall Orders scheduled for Saturday, October 25th at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center. By now, everyone should have received a cast list so that you will know your assignment for the *Illustrious Order of Red Cross*, and *Order of Malta*. If you have not received your cast list, please contact Abel Parra (Recorder), or Al Kellner (Officer Coach).

The Annual *Colorado River Fall Festival* will be held in Laughlin, NV October 19-21. All York Rite Degrees & Orders will be conferred, including the Super Excellent Master (Cryptic). The web site is: [www. CRFF.org](http://www.CRFF.org) for additional information and registration.

We have a new **Malta Jewel**, designed with the San Diego Commandery No. 25 on them. If you wish to replace your Malta Jewel you received when you were Knighted, contact Treasurer Pat Wohlrabe (619) 370-3644. The price is \$50.

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.



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Companion Knights:

The next meeting of San Diego York Rite College No. 148 will be announced by the Governor in ample time.

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

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

- 09 SEPT.: TUES. 7:00 PM S.D. COMMANDERY No. 25 STATED CONCLAVE
- 20 SEPT. : SAT. 8:00 AM ROYAL ARCH DEGREES TYRE CHAPTER, ESCON DIDO, CA - ALL DAY
- 24 SEPT. : WED. 7:00 PM CRYPTIC DEGREES, S.D.S.R. CENTER
- 25 SEPT. : THURS. 6:00 PM DINNER S.D. CHAPTER No. 61
 7:00 PM S.D. CHAPTER No. 61 STATED CONVOCATION
 8:00 PM S.D. COUNCIL No. 23 STATED ASSEMBLY
- 30 SEPT. : TUES. 7:00 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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