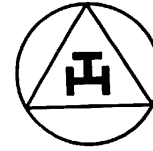
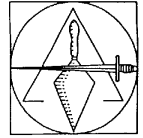
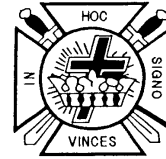


# San Diego York Rite

# Newsletter

JANUARY 1, 2009



*For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life. [John 3:16]*

**A very Happy and Prosperous New Year to all Sir Knights, and their families** whithersoever dispersed around the globe!

The icon for a new year is a newborn baby in diapers. Great expectations are tied to that baby; great hope for success, for love, for health and for financial rewards are represented by that baby, or icon of the new year.

But there was another baby that was born approximately 2,000 years ago that was wrapped in swaddling clothes that has become the savior of Christians, and who was given to us by the Great Architect of the Universe that we should have life and life more abundantly! May our expectations and hopes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year be tied to that baby that was given to us by the Great Architect of the Universe.

The next two and a half months will be full of activity behind the scenes as the Chapters, Councils and Commandery prepare for Spring Festival of 2009. New cast members will be required to fill the spots that will become vacant. If you are interested in helping out your Chapter, Council or Commandery, please contact your dais officers. The dates times and place for the conferral of the various degrees or orders are listed below.

Now is the time to start your recruiting program. It would be nice if each Chapter, Council or Commandery would have a recruiting program either individually or collectively at least once but preferably twice per year. [Hint! Hint!]

As noted below, March 2009 will be a busy month and there will be little or no time for introducing a Blue Lodge brother to York rite Masonry.

Now is the time to start your recruiting endeavors and reach out to our Blue Lodge brothers.

As a Companion, we should have at least 2 applications for the degrees and orders for York Rite with us at all times, as well as an application for the Blue Lodge.

For your information, your recorders or secretaries of the Chapter, Council or Commandery have excellent pamphlets on York Rite Masonry to assist you in your personal recruiting endeavors.

York Rite is the place to be; it is a continuation of the masonic journey that every mason should travel. Spread the word - spread the light. If you need applications, go to the following web site: **[yorkritesandiego.org](http://yorkritesandiego.org)**; it is the web site for York Rite masonry in San Diego County and for you and our Blue Lodge Brothers to get additional information. **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

## **Spring Festival 2009 Schedule for York Rite Degrees and Orders:**

Royal Arch Degrees: Saturday, 14 March at the Scottish Rite Center in Mission Valley beginning at 7:30 AM.  
Cryptic Degrees: Thursday 19 March at the Escondido Masonic Center beginning at 6:30 PM  
Orders of the Temple: Saturday March 21, 2009 at San Bernardino, Ca beginning at 9:00 am.

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SAN DIEGO CHAPTER NO. 61  
 ROYAL ARCH MASONS  
 1895 Camino Del Rio So.  
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STATED CONVOCATION: Fourth Thursday, 7:00 pm  
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 SECRETARY: Fred G. Kleyn . . . . . (619) 461-5724  
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22 Jan. Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner  
 7:00 pm Stated Convocation

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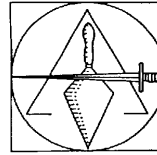
I hope that you all had a wonderful holiday season and would like to wish you a Happy New Year.

January 22<sup>nd</sup> will be our first Stated Assembly of 2009. This year's officers have been working hard during the past few months to ensure that our ritual is up to par, and that the meeting will be run efficiently. We hope that you all come out to support the Chapter this year.

If you are unable to attend the Stated Assembly due to other commitments, consider taking a part in the degrees, which are done only twice per year, in March and September. Parts range from lectures consisting of a couple of pages of ritual to small but nonetheless important roles. There is something for everybody.

I thank you all for your continued support of the Chapter and look forward to a great turnout this year.

Fraternally,  
 Chad T. Snyder  
 High Priest



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: John Leftner . [619] 549-6131  
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 E-Mail: dchollowell@msn.com

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Companions:

Because the goodwill of those we serve is the foundation of our success, it's a real pleasure at this holiday time to say "Thank You" as we wish you a full year of happiness and prosperity.

Our next assembly will be on the 4th Thursday of this month, 22nd January 2009 at 8:00 pm following the usual dinner at 6 pm and the Chapter meeting at 7:00 pm. Please join us for an evening full of fellowship to start off the year on the right foot.

Fraternally

John Lefter  
 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  
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Recorder: Abel Pardo Parra . . . . . [619] 474-2243  
E-Mail: apparra01@sbcglobal.net

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### COMMANDERY SCHEDULE

13 JAN.: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE  
27 JAN.: TUES. 6:00 PM NEWSLETTER FOLDING/PRACTICE

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Sir Knights,

In my first message to you as Commander for the year 2009, I wish you and all your loved ones a very Happy and Prosperous New Year!

I invite each Sir Knight to come to the Conclaves at least once each year and to participate in our activities. If you would like to become a member of our ritual teams, please let one of the dais officers know. I am sure that they will put you to work.

As Eminent Commander Jerry Wohlfarth said in last month's message, '2008 was a very successful year for San Diego Commandery', so I believe that we will have an even greater 2009 year - if we do not, then we are not exerting all our efforts toward a better year.

We have an excellent corps of officers that for the most part were promoted to advanced stations, and we pledge ourselves to work toward the continued betterment of this Commandery.

I wish to thank all of you who volunteered to participate at the installation of our Blue Lodges in the presentation of the flag of our Country. Your precious time was greatly appreciated by the Blue Lodges and more so by this Commandery. You looked sharp!

I wish to thank S.K. Gary Miller, Grand Commander of Knights Templar in the State of California for installing our officers; also thanks to S.K. Fred Kleyn, P.C., for his work as Installing Marshal, and S.K. Kelly Medina, P.C. for his work as Installing Prelate, all the Past Commanders who formed the Commandery, plus all Sir Knights and their guests who attended the 2009 Installation.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,  
Mac Batoyon, 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** 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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SAN DIEGO YORK RITE COLLEGE NO. 148  
 1895 Camino del Rio S  
 San Diego 92108-3683

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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 the San Diego Scottish Rite Center on Sunday 11 January at 4:00 PM.

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

**YORK RITE NEWSLETTER COMPOSITE CALENDAR**  
**JANUARY 2009 SCHEDULE**

- 13 JAN.: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE S.D. COMMANDERY No. 25
- 22 JAN.: THURS. 6:00 PM DINNER - S.D. CHAPT. # 61/S.D. COUNCIL #23  
 7:00 PM STATED CONVOCATION, S.D. CHAPTER No. 61  
 8:00 PM STATED ASSEMBLY S.D. COUNCIL No. 23
- 27 JAN.: TUES. 6:00 PM NEWSLETTER FOLDING - S.D. COMMANDERY No. 25  
 AND PRACTICE

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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