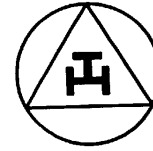
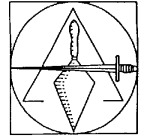
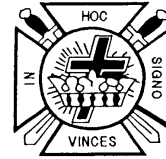


# San Diego York Rite

# Newsletter

May 1, 2009



The 2009 York Rite Grand Sessions are now history!! They were held in Bakersfield from April 27th to April 29th.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons' new Grand High Priest is Most Excellent Companion Phillip A. Hardiman, a member of Sacramento Chapter No. 3.

Elected or appointed to the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons are the following San Diego area Companions:

Grand Scribe: James 'Bill' Allen, Jr., Tyre Chapter No. 130

Grand Treasurer: Jerrold A. Wohlfarth, P.G.H.P., Triangle Chapter No. 155.

Grand Lecturer: Frederick G. Kleyn III, San Diego Chapter No. 61.

High Priest of the Year, Department 5, was awarded to Excellent Companion John S. Gamache, Tyre Chapter No. 130.

Resolution No. 2009-1 passed; it raises the per capita by \$1.00.

Companion Mark R. Sandstrom, a member of Foot-hill Council No. 42 was elected and installed Most

Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons in California

There were no San Diego area companions elected or appointed to the Grand Cryptic Line.

Companion David C. Hollowell, P.I.M. was presented the **Recorder of the Year** award. He is the Recorder of San Diego Council No. 23.

Sir Knight William D. Robertson a member of Pacific Commandery No. 3 was installed as Grand Commander. Most Eminent Grand Commander Robertson will be making his Official Visit to San Diego Commandery No. 25 at the June Stated Conclave.

We thank Sir Knight Gary Miller for his service as Grand Commander this past year, and we thank his Lady Kathy for her support.

Sir Knights and Companions, now is the time to start talking about York Rite Masonry with your Blue Lodge Brothers; pass out applications and bring blue lodge brothers into York Rite Masonry.

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, or visit [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.

## Fall Festival 2009 Schedule for York Rite Degrees and Orders to be announced:

Royal Arch Degrees: Saturday 19th September

Cryptic Degrees: Wednesday 23rd September

Orders of the Temple: To be Announced.

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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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28 May. Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner  
 7:00 pm Stated Convocation

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**Companions:**

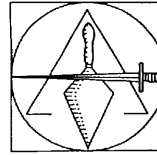
Last month was the annual Grand Sessions of the Grand York Rite of California. San Diego County's own Right Excellent Companion Bill Allen of Tyre Chapter was installed as the Grand Scribe for the upcoming year. Congratulations Bill!

Our May Stated Convocation will be on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Dinner will begin at 6 pm with the meeting to follow at 7 pm, and a meeting of San Diego Council #23 Cryptic Masons following the close of our meeting. If you plan on attending the dinner please RSVP to our Secretary EC Fred Kleyn so that the caterers may prepare sufficient food.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

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)  
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 Recorder: David C. Hollowell, III. Past Master.....[619] 424-5704  
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28 May Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner  
 8:00 pm Stated Assembly

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**Companions:**

Each year the month of April is highlighted by the Grand York Rite sessions. This year's sessions again will provide us with the opportunity to thank our retiring grand officers for their continued dedication, support and leadership of our craft, and welcome the new Companions who will lead us through the ensuing year.

Over the past two years we have seen an ever-growing renewed interest in the York Rite, which has been fueled by our Blue Lodges in San Diego County. This was especially reflected in our York Rite festivals that brought to us a large, quality group of new Companions, and full sidelines as well. If you have not already done so, please make sure you greet and welcome our new Companions at the next stated assembly. Let us make it a priority to help our new companions learn, and experience the fellowship that means so much to us.

Our next stated assembly will be on Thursday, May 28, immediately following the Royal Arch Stated Convocation. As usual, dinner will be served at 6 PM. The dinner is a great venue to build the fellowship in the York Rite bodies, outside of normal stated meetings. Please take a moment and confirm your dinner attendance with Illustrious Companion Fred Kleyn.

Sincerely and Fraternaly  
 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  
COMMANDER: MacArthur R. Batoyon . . . [858] 401-3736  
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Recorder: Abel Pardo Parra . . . . . [619] 474-2243  
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### COMMANDERY SCHEDULE

12 MAY: TUES. 7:00 AM STATED CONCLAVE  
26 MAY: TUES. 6:00 PM NEWSLETTER FOLDING/PRACTICE

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### Sir Knights,

I wish to thank to all the Sir Knights who took the time to join us in the relighting of the Lights Ceremony with the Scottish Rite on Easter Sunday.

We will be draping the Beauceant on our Stated Conclave as part of our May Memorial Observance. This is to give memory to our Brother Sir Knights who have gone to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns.

We congratulate the new Right Eminent Grand Commander of California, Sir Knight William D. Robertson and hope that he has a very successful year. We will be expecting his visit at next month's Stated Conclave and will honor him with a Grand Commander's Reception.

We also thank Sir Knight Gary Miller, Past Grand Commander, for successfully guiding the Grand Commandery this past year, and his Lady Kathy for her support.

Let us know if you need a copy of the Manual of Ceremonies and Tactics, May 15, 2007 revision.

Fraternally in Christ,  
Mac R. 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.

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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.**

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 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 148 will take place on Sunday, May 17, 2009 at 4:00 PM. Scottish Rite Center

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

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

- 12 MAY: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE - S.D. COMMANDERY NO. 25
- 28 MAY: THURS.: 6:00 PM DINNER S.D. CHAPTER/COUNCIL  
 7:00 PM STATED CONVOCATION - S.D. CHAPTER NO. 61  
 8:00 PM STATED ASSEMBLY - S.D. COUNCIL NO. 23
- 26 MAY: 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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