## San Diego York Rite









## Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 1, 2009

#### **HAPPY LABOR DAY!**

This year we celebrate Labor Day on the 7th of September, the first Monday of the month; we have been doing so since 1894 when it was first designated as Labor Day. It is usually referred to as the last day of summer.

#### Happy 222nd Birthday to Our Constitution

On September 17th, our nation will observe what is known as Constitutional Day, for it was on September 17, 1787 that our constitution was adopted by the Constitutional Convention [Congress] in Philadelphia, Pa and later ratified by the then 13 states.

Our Constitution has been amended 27 times, including the ten original "Bill of Rights". This legal document has withstood the rigors of 222 years of wear and tear and still stands tall! Remember the Constitution and keep it near your heart [and read it this month]!

Please pray for our men and women who work 24 hours per day to uphold the Constitution.

This past month we were honored by a visit from the Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons, M.E. H.P. Phillip A. Hardiman. The reception at San Diego Chapter No. 61 was well attended.

Members of San Diego Commandery No. 25 trav-

eled to San Bernardino and conferred the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross for candidates from San Bernardino Commandery No. 23, Riverside Commandery No. 28 and other nearby Commanderies. San Bernardino and Riverside Commanderies will assist San Diego Commandery No. 25 in conferring the Orders of the Temple on October 10, 2009 at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center.

#### Fall York Rite Festival

The time has arrived for the Fall conferral of the York Rite Degrees and Orders.

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.

The dates for the Fall Festival are: Royal Arch Masons: Saturday September 19th; Cryptic Masons: Wednesday September 23; Orders of the Temple: Saturday October 10, 2009.

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**; 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: Saturday, October 10, 2009

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

STATED CONVOCATION: Fourth Thursday, 7:00 pm

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24 Sept. Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner

7:00 pm Stated Convocation

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

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24 Sept Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner

8:00 pm Stated Assembly

#### Companions:

I would like to congratulate the Companions who took part in our Keystone Class last month. 17 Master Masons were introduced to the York Rite of Freemasonry. The cast did an excellent job performing the Mark Master Degree. In particular I would like to that Pat Wohlrabe for taking on the part of the Right Worshipful Master and Mariano Quinto for providing the refreshments after the degree.

Our next stated assembly will be held on September 24 at 7 pm, with dinner preceding the meeting at 6:00 pm. This is our annual election meeting where officers will be elected for the 2010 Capitular year.

Lastly, it is time for the Fall York Rite Festival. The Royal Arch Degrees will be conferred on September 19<sup>th</sup>. This will be the final opportunity to bring Master Masons into the York Rite this year.

Sincerely, Chad T. Snyder High Priest

#### Companions:

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 as previously communicated, in preparation for this festival.

All Cryptic Masons are invited to attend the practices as either participants or as sideliners.

The Festival will be held on Wednesday, 23 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 24th meeting. I look forward to seeing you there as we select the Companions that will lead San Diego Council in 2009.

Sincerely and 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 COMMANDER: MacArthur R. Batoyon . . . [858] 401-3736

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#### COMMANDERY SCHEDULE

08 SEPT: TUES. 7:00 AM STATED CONCLAVE - 1, 15, 22 & 29 SEPT. [ALL TUES] PRACTICE THE ORDERS.

#### Sir Knights,

I thank all the Sir Knights who went to San Bernardino on August 22nd to help conferring the Orders there for eighteen new knights from San Bernardino, Riverside and Orange County Commanderies. We were able to get some volunteers to help us on our own conferrals. We helped them and they are going to help us. That is very good cooperation and a show of our relief and brotherly love for each other.

We will be conferring all the Templar orders on Saturday, October 10 and we will be having practices every Tuesday. Although we are going to get help from other Commanderies, we still have many parts that need players. We need every able and willing Knight to help. We can also interest our Blue Lodge brothers to join the York Rite. It is a very good and timely opportunity since we are going to have the Royal Arch and Cryptic degrees this month.

It is requested that everyone refresh our Recorder's database of addresses, email addresses and telephone numbers.

Fraternally in Christ, Mac R. Batoyon, Commander

The newsletter by e-mail database was recently lost. Hence request to update information.

#### **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.

#### 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 with ample time.

Sincerely & Fraternally Roy Youngblood Preeminent Governor

### YORK RITE NEWSLETTER COMPOSITE CALENDAR SEPTEMBER 2009 SCHEDULE

08 SEPT: TUES. 7:00 PM STATED CONCLAVE - S.D. COMMANDERY NO. 25 1, 15, 22 & 29 SEPT. 7:00 PM [ALL TUES] PRACTICE THE ORDERS.

19 SEPT.: SAT. 8:00 AM ROYAL ARCH DEGREES @ TYRE CHAPTER, ES-

CONDIDO, CA

23 SEPT.: WED. 7:00 PM CRYPTIC DEGREES - S.D. SCOTTISH RITE CTR.

24 SEPT.: THURS 6:00 PM DINNER S.D. RAM CHAPTER NO. 61/SAN DIEGO

COUNCIL No. 23

7:00 PM STATED CONVOCATION [S.D.. CHAPTER NO. 61] 8:00 PM STATED ASSEMBLY [S.D. COUNCIL NO. 23]

29 SEPT.: TUES. 6:00 PM NEWSLETTER FOLDING/PRACTICE S.D. COM

#### 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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