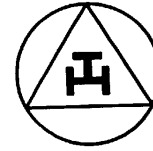
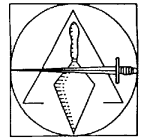
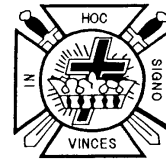


San Diego York Rite

Newsletter

APRIL 2011



Mark 16:6 " . . . He is risen . . . " *Happy Easter!*

The 2011 York Rite Spring Festival kicked off early this year!! In fact, Saturday February 19th was the start of the 1911 York Rite Spring Festival with the conferral of the Royal Arch Degrees at the San Diego Scottish Rite Masonic Center. 16 candidates from various chapters were exalted as Royal Arch Masons.

The Cryptic degrees were conferred on Wednesday March 17th at the Escondido Masonic Center. Helix Council No. 58 of Cryptic Masons was the host council, with San Diego Council No. 23 assisting in the conferral. Fifteen candidates were greeted as Cryptic Masons from various chapters.

The Orders of the Temple were conferred on Saturday March 26 at the San Bernardino York Rite Masonic Temple in San Bernardino, Ca.. A total of 45 companions received the Orders, with 11 from San Diego Commandery.

San Diego Commandery No. 25 presented the flag at two events. On March 5th the flag was presented at the Masonic service for our Brother and Sir Knight Clifford C. Topliff.

On March 17th, Sir Knights from San Diego Commandery presented the flag at the Liberty Elementary school Cornerstone ceremonies in Chula Vista. [Please see additional photograph of our Sir

Knights on page 3.] A number of Sir Knights were involved in the Cornerstone ceremonies, e.g., James Kurupas, Jerry Wohlfarth, Tom Handell, Rick Baskin, Pat Wohlrabe, to name a few, including the flag presentors Sir Knights Neal Leonard, Jerry Lynn and Abel Parra.

Sir Knight Mac Batoyon is in the process of organizing a drill team for the Commandery. If any Sir Knight is interested, please contact S.K. Batoyon at 858-271-3628 [res] or 858-401-3736 [cell], or by e-mail at mbatoyon1@netzero.ne



L. to r.: Most Worshipful William J. Bray III, Sir Knights Neal Leonard and Jerry Lynn

Fall Festival 2011 Schedule for York Rite Degrees and Orders :

Royal Arch Degrees:

Cryptic Degrees:

Orders of the Temple:

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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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 E-Mail: pwohrlabe@cox.net
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Companions,

Spring is here ~and there's no better time than now to get involved in Charity. The economic situation we are facing is hard for everyone but it takes a significant toll on our Masonic charities and those in need affected by the recent earthquake and tsunami. Your continuing involvement will aid many people in need.

Your duties as an Ambassador for the Chapter is not limited to your Blue Lodge, please try to make as many meetings in the other bodies and organizations as well.

The San Diego Scottish Rite will be holding its annual Extinguishing and Relighting of the Lights ceremony. The Extinguishing commemorates the Christian Last Supper and Jewish Passover. The Relighting commemorates Easter. Both ceremonies are open to the public. Several of our Companions are involved with presenting the observances and would love to see you in the audience.

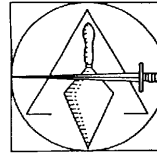
The Extinguishing will be April 20th at 6:00 pm, and Relighting is on the 24th at 7:30 am. Please contact the Scottish Rite Office to make your dinner and Breakfast reservations at (619) 293-4888

Our April Stated Convocation will be on Thursday April 28th. Dinner will begin at 6 pm with the meeting to follow at 7 pm.

Your attendance at and participation in all Chapter 61 activities as always will be most welcome! If you are able to attend the pre-meeting dinner, please RSVP with the Secretary at ra_secretary@yorkritesandiego.org so we can make sure to have enough food for all. I continue to look forward to a year of good fellowship and interesting activities and remain open to all suggestions and constructive criticisms.

Faternally,

Patrick Wohlrabe
 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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Greeting Companions:

Congratulations to our new Select Masters: Ray A. Bacaoco, Robertson C. Bartolome, Gabriel N. Davis, Marvin Ens, Donald Heath, Brendon C. Ignacio, John T. Kasten III, John L. Rogitz and Edgar Pulu Jr.

In the Royal Arch Degree our companions learned more about the lost Masters word and many other particulars alluded to in the second section of the third degree.

In the Royal Master Degree our Companions learned more about the Sanctum Sanctorum, the sacred vessels placed therein and Grand Masters Hiram Abif philosophical view of mortality.

The Select Master Degree develops more about the Secret Vault introduced in the Royal Arch Degree and the importance of trustworthiness.

The Super Excellent Master, the last degree in Cryptic Masonry, will be held Saturday September 20 in Pasadena. We will have more information as we get closer to that date. The Super Excellent Master is an elaborate degree with a large cast and many costumes. It tells the story of Jewish King Zedekiah's Capture by King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon which lead to the destruction of King Solomon's Temple and the enslavement of the Jewish people for more than 70 years. This story leads into the Order of the Red Cross the first of the Knight Templar Orders.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 26 with dinner at 6 pm and our Stated Assembly at 8 pm just after the Royal Arch Stated Meeting.

Sincerely and Fraternaly

Gerald Lynn
 Illustrious Master



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

12 Apr. Tues. 7:00 pm Stated Conclave; Inspector's Inspection
 20 Apr. Wed. 7:00 pm Last Supper ceremony @ S.D. Scottish Rite Ctr.
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Sir Knights~

Our Spring Festival was a huge success. Everyone delivered their parts with professionalism and decorum. _____ Companions from San Diego County Chapters of Royal Arch Masons were created members of the Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple.

Remember, for regular Stated Conclaves, you don't have to have a uniform to come and be involved. We have Caps and Mantles for those who would like to fill-in when needed. Most of all, come and see how the Commandery works and be ready to step forward when there is a vacancy in the line.

Our next stated Conclave will be Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at 7 PM and our newsletter folding party for the month of April will be the last Tuesday, April 26, 2011 at 6 PM.

Encourage our brothers in your Blue Lodge to be part of the York Rite.

The Commandery has voted to form a Drill Team. SK Mac Batoyon, PC, has volunteered to organize the Drill Team. Sir Knights who might be interested should contact SK Mac personally. His phone numbers are: Home: 858-271-3628, Cell: 858-401-3736 and his e-mail is: mbatoyon1@netzero.net

The following Sir Knights have expressed interest in joining the Drill Team:

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| 1. SK Tom Handell | 2. SK Eric Fuller |
| 3. SK Mark Quinto | 4. SK Larry Parker |
| 5. SK Gerry Lynn | 6. SK Mike Sherman |
| 7. SK Gene Yee | 8. SK Eric Vito |

Ask not what your Commandery can do for you; ask what you can do for your Commandery. Hooyah.

TODAY IS THE FIRST DAY OF THE REST OF OUR LIVES, a brand new day for us to enjoy. More days will be coming, but no one of them will be more important than today. There will never be another just like it. It is waiting to be filled creatively and joyously with your living.

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.

As a Christian organization, let us not forget Easter and the reason for it, Jesus.
 When is Easter - why does the date change? This year, Easter will be celebrated on Sunday, April 24, 2011. The Easter holiday moves each year because the actual Easter date is calculated by choosing the first Sunday after the full moon following the spring equinox. Fewer and fewer people know or care about the roots of this festival, but there is so much to learn about Easter for those who are interested.

S&F
 Charles R. Hill
 Commander



L. to r.: Sir Knights James Kurupas and Neal Leonard at Liberty Elementary School Cornerstone ceremony Sir Knight Kurupas is also the Assistant Grand Lecturer for Division IX.



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Companion Knights:

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

Sincerely & Fraternally
 Jerry Wohlfarth
 Preeminent Governor

YORK RITE NEWSLETTER COMPOSITE CALENDAR
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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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