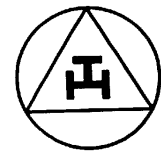
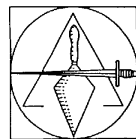
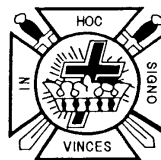


# San Diego York Rite

# Newsletter

OCTOBER 2011



## Companions, Sir Knights:

Two thirds of our York Rite Fall Festival was completed last month.

The Royal Arch Degrees were conferred in San Diego by members of Royal Arch Chapter No. 61 with the assistance of Tyre Chapter No. 130 out of Escondido, Ca.. It is reported that 18 of our Blue Lodge Brethren were exalted to the Degree of Royal Arch, with five from San Diego Chapter No. 61, eight from Tyre Chapter No. 130/Triangle Chapter No. 155, and 5 from Imperial Valley chapter No. 109.

The same 18 Companions were greeted as Select-Masters, and they are associated with Helix Council No. 58 (8); San Diego Council No. 23 (5), and Imperial Council No. 60.

The Most Illustrious Grand Master of California, Robert A.L. Whitfield, made his Official Visit at the degrees conferral and he delivered a flawless Apron Lecture.

San Diego Commandery No. 25 will host this fall's Commandery Festival on Saturday, October 25th at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center commencing at 9 am. As usual, Saint Bernard and Riverside Commanderies will participate in the conferral of the Temple Orders.

San Diego Commandery No. 25 will kick off the conferrals at 9 am with the conferral of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross. Riverside Commandery No. 28 will follow with the conferral of the Mediterranean Pass and the Order of Malta.

After a healthy lunch, St Bernard Commandery No. 23 of San Bernardino, California, will confer the Order of the Temple.

## **SAN DIEGO COMMANDERY WILL CELEBRATE ITS 125TH ANNIVERSARY.**

San Diego Commandery No. 25 received it's dispensation on July 27, 1885 and the Charter was issued on April 30, 1886; we are therefore 125 years plus 5 months at the end of last month.

It has been opted to celebrate the 125th Anniversary on Tuesday December 13, 2011, at the same time that we will install the Officers for the year 2012.

We anticipate that the three Grand Officers, Grand High Priest Bill Allen; Most Illustrious Grand Master Robert A.L. Whitfield, and The Right Eminent Grand Commander Casey W. Norris plus other dignitaries from throughout the state will be in attendance.

Please attend the Commandery's Stated conclave on Tuesday Oct. 13th for up-to-date information.

## **Fall Festival 2011 Schedule for York Rite Degrees and Orders :**

Royal Arch Degrees: Sat. Sept. 17th @ Tyre Chapter in Escondido, Ca. 8:30 am to ~ 3:00 pm [Done]

Cryptic Degrees: Wed. Sept. 21th, S.D. Council No. 23, @ S.D. Scottish Rite Ctr., 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm [Done]

Orders of the Temple: Sat. Oct. 22nd, San Diego Commandery @ S.D. Scottish Rite Ctr., 9:00 am to ~ 3:00 pm

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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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27 Oct. Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner  
 7:00 pm Stated Convocation, elections & installation

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Companions,

Our Chapter participated in a successful Royal Arch Festival on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> in Escondido. Eighteen brothers were conferred the Royal Arch Degrees. On behalf of San Diego Chapter 61, I would like to welcome the newest Royal Arch Masons: Gary Creason, Matthew Hanafin, Zeke Sanchez, Michael Thibodeaux, and Shannon Jerrain. Please join me in congratulating them and encouraging them to attend our meetings and participating in the degrees. Following our normal degree schedule, the Fall Festival should fall on 10 March 2012.

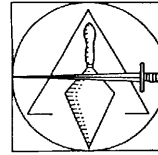
As usual, the companions of San Diego Chapter did a great job conferring the Royal Arch Degree. I would not normally single out any one companion for the work performed in the degrees, but I think I will. Companion Mark Quinto took a part in all four degrees including taking on the Capt. of the Host in the Royal Arch Degree in the 11<sup>th</sup> hour. Please join me in extending a most sincere gratitude.

Once again, the Annual Communication of Masons in California fell on our September meeting and, after taking inventory of available members, we found ourselves short of enough members to hold a meeting. Therefore, at our October meeting, we will be having our Elections prior to Installation of both Chapter 61 Officers and the Officers of San Diego Council No 23. Please plan on attending and welcoming the Companions to their new positions. The meeting will be on the 27<sup>th</sup> at 7pm with the usual dinner at 6pm. Please contact the Secretary to make your reservations.

Finally, I want to thank everyone who supported the Chapter line and me during this year. This was a great experience for me and I am appreciative for the opportunity and trust you have given me.

Fraternally,

Patrick Wohlrabe,  
 High Priest



SAN DIEGO COUNCIL NO. 23  
 CRYPTIC MASONS  
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 San Diego 92108-3683

STATED ASSEMBLY: Fourth Thursday, 8:00 pm (Odd Months)  
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27 Oct.. Thurs.: 6:00 pm Dinner  
 7:00 pm Stated Assembly after Chapter Convocation, elections, & Installation

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Greeting Companions:

Our Fall Cryptic Degrees Festival was held Wednesday September 21, 2011. There were 18 Candidates that received the degrees; 5 from San Diego No. 23, 8 from Helix No. 58 and 5 from Imperial No. 60. The degree work was done very well.

Our Fall Cryptic Degree Festival was the occasion of an official visit by our Most Illustrious Grand Master Robert A. L. Whitfield. He honored us with an excellent presentation of the Apron Lecture. His main message centered on the importance of quality in all our work especially in ritual. We received compliments from our Most Illustrious Grand Master on the high quality of our degree work.

Our next Assembly will be our Installation of Officers on Thursday, October 27 with dinner at 6 pm and our Installation at 8 pm just after the Royal Arch Chapter No. 61's Installation of Officers.

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**

11 Oct.. Tues. 7:00 pm Stated Conclave - Advanced Stations  
 22 Oct.. Sat.. 9:00 am - 9 pm Conferral of the Orders  
 25 Oct. Tues. 6:00 pm Newsletter Folding & practice

**Sir Knights~**

I was recently informed that the Charter for San Diego Commandery # 25 was issued on April 30, 1886. Therefore, our 125th anniversary was April 30, 2011. All of us Sir Knights should be extremely proud of our Knights Templar heritage. I ask that each Sir Knight pause for a moment to remember and reflect on those Sir Knights who have gone before us, those Sir Knights who have made San Diego Commandery # 25 what it is today. The tentative schedule for the recognition/ acknowledgement of the 125th anniversary is at our Stated Conclave on December 13, 2011. More information will be provided at our October 11, 2011 stated conclave.

Sir Knight Mac Batoyon, Past Commander and Commandant of the Drill Team was recommended for the Knights Templar Meritorious Service Award by the Sir Knights of San Diego Commandery # 25. The recommendation was forwarded to the Grand Commander for approval. Congratulations SK Mac. A well-deserved recommendation.

Monday, October 10, 2011, Columbus Day, is a public holiday in many parts of the United States, but is not observed or is not a holiday in some states. Government offices and schools are generally closed, but businesses may be open. The flag of the United States is displayed on Government buildings.

Our next stated Conclave will be Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 7 PM at advanced stations. Officers review your ritual.

San Diego Commandery # 25 will present The Orders of the Temple on Saturday, October 22, 2011 at the Scottish Rite Center, Morrison Room, from 9 AM to 3 PM.

**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@gmail.com with your name and e-mail address and write on the subject line newsletter by e-mail. Try it—you may like it.

Sir Knight Kellner will assign parts for the Fall Festival. Let him know if you desire to take part in presenting the Orders of the Temple. You don't need a uniform; you would be wearing a costume.

Our news letter folding party for the month will be the last Tuesday, October 25, 2011 at 6 PM. Drill Team practice immediately following.

Monday, October 31, 2011, Halloween, is not an official holiday. Government offices and businesses are open as usual and public transit services run on regular schedules. If you drive around in late afternoon or evening, it is important to keep a careful lookout for children who are unaccustomed to being out on the street after dark.

One cause that ties with Halloween is collecting donations for the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF). As children trick-or-treat on Halloween night, some of them might carry small cardboard boxes with the UNICEF logo on them and collect coins instead of the usual candy. The money collected is then given to UNICEF and used to help needy children worldwide.

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

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

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Charles R. Hill,  
 Commander



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Companion Knights:

Announcement of coming events will be made in ample time.

Sincerely & Fraternaly  
Rick Baskin,  
Preeminent Governor

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**YORK RITE NEWSLETTER COMPOSITE CALENDAR**  
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Elections, & Installation

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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