

Sacramento York Rite News



Published by Sacramento York Rite, Sacramento, California

May 2018

Stated Meetings - Second Saturday

MAY CALENDAR

Monday, April 30, 2018

**Order of the Temple practice 7:00 pm
Sacramento Masonic Temple**

Monday, May 7, 2018

**Order of Malta practice 7:00 pm
Sacramento Masonic Temple**

Saturday, May 12, 2018

**Breakfast Study Group 8:15 am
Council Stated Assembly 9:00 am
Commandery Stated Conclave 10:00 am
Sacramento Masonic Temple**

Monday, May 14, 2018

**Order of the Temple practice 7:00 pm
Sacramento Masonic Temple**

May 19 thru 23, 2018

**York Rite Grand Sessions
Visalia, California**

Monday, May 28, 2018

**Order of the Temple practice 7:00 pm
Sacramento Masonic Temple**

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, June 4, 2018

**Order of Malta practice 7:00 pm
Sacramento Masonic Temple**

Saturday, June 9, 2018

**Breakfast Study Group 8:15 am
Chapter Stated Convocation 9:00 am
Commandery Stated Conclave 10:00 am
Sacramento Masonic Temple**

Monday, June 11, 2018

**Order of the Temple practice 7:00 pm
Sacramento Masonic Temple**

Saturday, June 16, 2018

**Sacramento Sierra York Rite Festival
Commandery (Templar) Orders
Sacramento Masonic Temple**

Council & Commandery Meetings May 12th

Sacramento Council #1, Cryptic Masons, will hold its bi-monthly Stated Assembly on Saturday, May 12th, at 9:00 a.m. in the York Rite room of the Sacramento Masonic Temple at 12th and J Streets.

Sacramento Commandery #2, Knights Templar, will then hold its monthly Stated Conclave in the same place at 10:00 a.m..

Prior to the meetings our regular joint breakfast and discussion group will convene in the Club Room on the third floor at 8:00 a.m.. All members are encouraged to attend.

Sacramento Chapter #3, Royal Arch Masons, does not regularly meet in May.

Commandery Festival

The annual Sacramento-Sierra York Rite Association (SSYRA) Spring Festival will conclude Saturday, June 16th, when the Commandery (Knights Templar) Orders are presented in our Temple at 12th and J Streets, starting at 8:00 a.m..

This year Sacramento Commandery is again responsible for conferring both the Order of Malta and the Order of the Temple. We have been doing the Malta for many years, and this will be our third year doing the Temple. Practices are being held on Monday evenings (except May 21st), and there is room for new cast members in both Orders. Anyone interested in learning parts for future conferrals may also attend.

Commandery membership is limited to those of the Christian faith.

FROM THE DIAS

Sir knights:

Greetings from your Commander of Sacramento #2. I hope that all of you are in good health.

I would like to thank all knights who showed up to our last Stated Conclave; remember, every one is very important to the success of our Commandery. Also we need new younger blood in order to grow.

Our best wishes go out to our Past Commander Ron Charles, who over the last few months had three surgeries; he shows by his example his strong sense of responsibility to his Commandery. He is still weak, but he is there. Thank you, Commander! Also our best wishes to our Captain General, soon to have surgery. And as I said in our last meeting, I will also be having surgery, hoping to recover quickly... if not our Generalissimo Joseph Wallach will be taking my place; he already knows the memory work. Our Junior Warden Luis Montero will represent me at the Grand Encampment this month; thank you, Luis.

Sir knights, we will be busy the next couple months with different degrees; the Order of the Red Cross, the Order of Malta and the Order of the Temple, so we need all you for the success of our Commandery .

Well Sir Knights, hope to see you at our next Stated Conclave May 9th. May the Supreme Commander bless us all.

Fraternally

Juan Faranda, Commander
Juan.faranda@yahoo.com

Grand Sessions Near

After a decade (or more) in Bakersfield, the York Rite Grand Sessions are moving to the Windham Hotel in Visalia. The hotel is a former Holiday Inn by the airport that has been completely refurbished, and it is very nice. It's also an hour closer to Sacramento than Bakersfield, so it will be easier to get there if you're driving

The dates are the same, Saturday thru Wednesday the week before Memorial Day (May 19 thru 23 this year). Saturday is devoted to activities of the Allied Masonic Degrees, an appendant York Rite Body, and Commandery Drill Team competitions.

Sunday will feature the Battalion and Belles (a Grand Council auxiliary) Brunch, Vesper Service, and the formal Grand York Rite Banquet, with leaders of all branches of Masonry from around the country.

Monday is Grand Council day, with public opening ceremonies at 8:00 a.m., followed by the business session until about noon. There will be various activities in the afternoon, and the day will conclude with Installation of the Council 2018-2019 Grand Officers at 5:00 p.m.

Grand Commandery public opening is at 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, followed by the business session. There will again be various activities in the afternoon, and the day will conclude with Installation of the 2018-2019 Commandery Grand Officers at 5:00 p.m.

Sessions end with Grand Chapter on Wednesday. Public opening at 8:00 a.m. is followed by the business session. After the afternoon activities, Installation of the 2018-2019 Chapter Grand Officers at 5:00 p.m. wraps things up.

There are group breakfasts and luncheons each day (Monday through Wednesday) for the respective Bodies.

(Grand Sessions continues on page 3)

Deadline for submissions for the June issue of the *Trestleboard* is Friday, May 25th.
Richard Wilson, Editor, D246rich@surewest.net.

(Grand Sessions continued from page 2)

Also, a Hospitality Room for the Ladies will be open during the daytime, and several Ladies programs will be offered. A number of vendors will be on hand all week, offering a variety of clothing, paraphernalia and jewelry.

Dias officers have an obligation to attend the business meetings of their respective Bodies, but all York Right Masons are invited to join in the activities. All attendees must register, whether or not they are purchasing meals and such.

The Windham Hotel is already sold out, but there are other motels near-by. Reservations for meals and other activities should be made right away, as they are due by May 10th. Reservation and registration forms are on the special Sessions website: www.ca-gyrs.org.

MAY 12, 2018
STATED MEETINGS
Breakfast Study Group - 8:15 a.m.
Cryptic Council - 9:00 a.m.
Commandery - 10:00 a.m.

The California Encompasser is the official publication of the Grand York Rite Bodies in California. It is issued quarterly. The April 2017 issue is now available on the web-site: www.yorkriteofcalifornia.org.
In addition to educational articles on several diverse subjects, the issue includes information about upcoming events around the State.

Sacramento York Rite Masonry
1123 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
Secretary/Recorder, all three bodies:
Joseph Dongo, KYCH 916-776-6440
Joe@JosephDongo.com

2018 Sacramento York Rite Officers

Royal Arch Chapter

- High Priest..... Timothy Harper
..... (916)
- King Ronald Charles
- Scribe Francisco Marques
- Treasurer..... Richard Wilson, PHP
- Secretary..... Joseph Dongo, PHP
- Chaplain.....
- Captain of the Host Joseph Wallach
- Principal Sojourner.....Patrick Malley
- Royal Arch Captain..... Joseph Madrid
- Master of the 3rd Veil ... Carlos Brusel-Casals
- Master of the 2nd Veil..... Floyd Tritt
- Master of the 1st Veil Brian Teabo
- Sentinel..... Charles Byrd
- Inspector, Dist. 11 Richard Wilson, KYCH

Cryptic Council

- Illustrious Master..... Ronald Charles
..... (916)
- Deputy Master Luis Montero
- Principal Cond. of the Work . Joseph Wallach
- Treasurer..... Richard Wilson, IPM
- Recorder..... Joseph Dongo, IPM
- Chaplain..... Michael Allen
- Captain of the Guard Francisco Marques
- Conductor of the Council..... Patrick Malley
- Steward Brian Teabo
- Sentinel..... Carlos Brusel-Casals
- Inspector, Arch 7.....Joseph Dongo, KYCH

Commandery Knights Templar

- Commander..... Juan Faranda
..... (916) 928-4354
- Generalissimo..... Joseph Wallach
- Captain General..... Harvey Holcomb
- Senior Warden
- Junior Warden..... Luis Montero
- Prelate..... Brian Teabo
- Treasurer..... Richard Wilson, PC
- Recorder..... Joseph Dongo, PC
- Standard Bearer Patrick Malley
- Sword Bearer Charles Byrd
- Warder Francisco Marques
- Sentinel..... Joseph Madrid
- Inspector, Department VI, Division B
..... Wessel J. "Wes" Mindermann, KYCH

Comptche Outdoor Degrees

The 46th Annual Outdoor Royal Arch Degree Festival will be held at the Tunzi Ranch near Comptche on Saturday, June 23, 2018. The Degrees start at 8:30 a.m. and conclude in mid-afternoon. The degree site is an amphitheater in a redwood grove on the ranch. Group meals are available Friday dinner thru Sunday breakfast, and camping is available on-site.

The Tunzi Ranch is about ten miles inland (east) from the coastal village of Mendocino. Self-contained RVs and tent campers are welcome to set up any time during the week, and restroom and shower facilities are available. There are also a wide variety of motel accommodations in Mendocino and nearby Fort Bragg.

Nancy Hardiman and Kitty Wilson are planning a ladies trip into Fort Bragg or Mendocino for shopping and lunch on Saturday while the degrees are being conferred.

Plan now to attend this fun event – and bring a friend to take the degrees; it's an experience he won't forget. Look for the registration form next month

New Members Needed

The Sacramento York Rite Bodies experienced significant growth over several recent years. But, that growth slowed down this year. If we are to continue to be a vibrant and relevant organization we must have an ongoing stream of new members who are enthusiastic about our work and eager to obtain further light in Masonry.

Please find the time now to contact that Master Mason whose petition you would like to sign, and invite him to join us. The spring 2018 SSYRA Chapter Festival is past, but the Royal Arch Degrees will next be offered June 23rd at Comptche (see left). Deadline for petitions for that festival is our June 9th Chapter meeting.

For more information about York Rite Masonry, visit the excellent website maintained by the Golden State Research Chapter: www.goldenstatechapter.org. Membership in the Research Chapter is open to all Royal Arch Masons for a one-time application fee of \$10. There are no annual dues. Contact Companion Joseph Dongo, PHP, at Joe@JosephDongo.com.