

THE WORKMAN



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Grand High Priest's Message

Companions,

I pray that each of you have had a joyous holiday season and that all of your family travels have been safe. As we look forward to 2020 and the start of a new decade, let us be thankful for all the blessings we have received in the last.

To all of our outgoing High Priests and officers, please accept my personal thanks for your service to our craft. Without the work each of you do, we would not exist. You are the backbone of Royal Arch Masonry. I ask you to support our incoming officers and assist them in continuing to grow our numbers and strengthen our organization. But in order to be successful, all of our members must be actively engaged in the affairs of their Chapter.

Next month I will fill you in on some of the changes that will be proposed at our next Annual Session in May. Remember that this year the Sessions will be in the first week of May instead of our usual third week. This is hopefully a onetime change that was predicated by hotel availability.

As many of you know, Leslie and I have spent our holiday season for the past 24 years raising money to benefit children in need. All donations received are in turn forwarded

to Charities that benefit Children. This year all funds will go toward Diabetic Research. To date Santa's Charities, Inc. has raised \$334,655.33.

For those that have wondered what the live version of my pin looks like, I took the time at the end of our 2019 Christmas Season for a picture.



I know that each of you have your favorite charity and I encourage you to continue supporting it. Whether it be Royal Arch Research Assistance or another, it is important that we share what we can to help our fellow man. As Masons it is our duty.

Fraternally,

**Leland G. Routt, KYGCH
165th Grand High Priest
Royal Arch Masons of California**

GRACE DEE MAY Museum

MEC Sean Foran, GHP from 2008-2009, has embarked upon a new adventure, as the Curator for the new Grace Dee May Museum. Grand Opening is scheduled for January 25th. See the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

The museum showcases many unique contributions of Freemasonry to the Art and History of the American West. For

example, here are the presentations scheduled for 2020:

Museum Grand Opening
January 25 - 26th, 2020

This is Your Life: Brother George Washington!
February 2020

The Imagination of Walt Disney
March 2020

The Voyage of Discovery Lewis & Clark

September 2020

MEC Sean has served as Principal Sojourner for many California Companions, either at Signet Festivals over the years, or Comptche, or elsewhere. If you were in one of his classes he would love to see you at the Grand Opening on January 25th. You can reach Sean at hilltopsea@aol.com.

GRAND LECTURER

Companions All

On a somber note, we begin a new year in 2020! We lost one of our dear Inspectors, Excellent Companion William “Bill” Ellison, just before the Holidays in November. He was serving n the East Bay Area and specifically for Siminoff Chapter No. 163 at Union City. He was a distinctive voice and made a positive difference to our fraternity! Have a Safe Rest, Companion, your labor is done!

As our Chapters install their Officers this month, don’t forget that the Chapter can be open or closed for the installation as your Chapter desires! If the Chapter is close, then the Bible remains closed throughout. If the Chapter is opened, then don’t forget to call off to refreshment before inviting the public to enter the Convocation for the installation. Also, the Chapter must be called back to labor and closed in regular form if it was opened for the installation. Since an installation is considered a “ceremony” and not a “ritual” by our Grand CA Royal Arch Constitution, it is permissible to use the 6-man opening to conduct business for the installation ceremony, if desired. Have a fun time this month and a Great 2020!

Your Most Humble Grand Lecturer – Steve.

COMPTCHE– 2020

The outdoor festival this year was a great success, and Chapters should be planning now to build a class of candidates for next June.

See the picture below to see how much space is available for parking, RVs, tents, and so forth.



Be sure to put Comptche on your Calendar for 2020. The 2020 Festival, if you can see(!) your way there, will be on June 27th, 2020.

GRAND SESSIONS 2020

Companions and Sir Knights

I hope you are looking forward to our Grand Sessions for 2020. As a reminder, the sessions will be earlier than normal next year. They will run from Saturday, May 2 through Wednesday, May 6. The Committee is already hard at work, preparing for the sessions, and trying to create the best experience possible for all

our Companions, Sir Knights, ladies, and guests.

Your Grand Sessions Committee is looking for a number of volunteers to help us out at the sessions. Specifically, we need help with set-up, with registration, and with meal check-in. Registration is our biggest need, and we will need people to work the registration table each day of the sessions. The more volunteers we get, the shorter the shifts would be.

Assistance with set-up would be on an as-needed basis throughout the sessions, and will involve helping to move chairs, set up sound equipment, move paraphernalia, etc.

Meal check-in is a simple task. It requires a person to stand outside the room where a meal is being served, and check off people on the list as they enter. That would be for breakfast each day, and for the men's and ladies' lunches each day.

If you are willing to help us out in any of these capacities, please contact me right away. You may email me at: executivedirector@ca-gyrs.org, or you may call me on my cell: (408) 674-8341.

We look forward to seeing all of you at the Grand Sessions in Visalia in 2020. **The Registration document is attached at the end of this newsletter.**

**Randy Downey
Executive Direction
Grand York Rite Sessions**

Dates for the 2020 California Grand York Rite

Monday, May 4, 2020 – Grand Commandery

Tuesday, May 5, 2020 – Grand Chapter
Wednesday, May 6, 2020 – Grand Council

SECRETARY ESSENTIALS

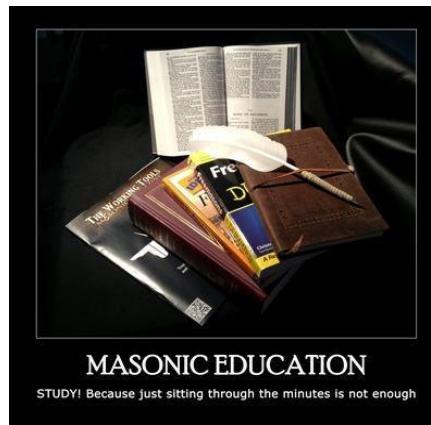
Secretaries new and old: near the end of this newsletter you will find a two-page document that serves as guidelines for Secretaries and Recorders – especially new ones.

Another good source of information for the Secretary can be found in the Grand Chapter Forms and Documents folder, called Chapter Secretary Desktop Procedures, at:

<http://www.yorkriteusa.org/cagyr/forms/Chapter>

If you are prompted for a username and/or password, call your Inspector, or anyone in the CONTACTS section below.

GOLDEN STATE RESEARCH CHAPTER



Companions,

The installation of Officers elected at the annual meeting in Visalia in May took place Saturday, October 19, 2019 at the semi-annual meeting in San Francisco, during the Grand Lodge Annual Communications. The meeting in the new

Lodge Room constructed on the Grand Lodge premises was filled with over 26 members present, and 8 new petitions were presented and balloted upon.

The Annual meeting will occur on May 4, 2020 during Grand Sessions. See you there!

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert A Morrison, Secretary

GRAND CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIPS

Information about Royal Arch Scholarships for 2020, is now posted at the following website. In addition the application form and policy statement is included at the back of this newsletter.

<http://www.yorkriteofcalifornia.org/royalarch/rara.html>

The Masonic Family has a large number of scholarships available to our youth, but how many of those in need of assistance really "KNOW" they are available?

California Royal Arch \$1,000 Scholarship requirements:

A member of the Masonic Family (ie: Rainbow, Jobs Daughter or DeMolay)

A US Citizen

A California Resident

A 3.0 Grade Point Average

Enrolled or Accepted at an Educational Institution

The deadline to apply for the 2020 Scholarship Program is March 1, 2020.

Submissions can be forwarded to the Office of the Grand Chapter Secretary at

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons
Attn: Grand Secretary
1123 J Street

Sacramento, CA 95814
Telephone: (562) 924-6500 x 1123
E-mail: sec-rec@yorkriteofcalifornia.org.

Once chosen, the award of \$1,000 is renewable for a total of 4 years, as long as the requirements are maintained. Do you know a Rainbow Girl, Job's Daughter or DeMolay that could benefit by knowing this information? What are you waiting for – make that call!



THE CLOTHES LINE

A line of Jackets for our York Rite bodies continues to be available at MP. ENTERPRISES. The price for red and blue is great -- \$115.00 plus shipping, for sizes 34 to 49 in short, regular and tall; and \$125.00 plus shipping for sizes 50 to 59, also in short, regular, and tall; and \$135.00 plus shipping, for sizes 60-69. Also available are Men's and ladies' vests, tuxedos and shirts, pins, patches, and flags, and OES T-Shirts. Contact Max Luy at (510) 502-3224; or at his website: www.mpenterprises.weebly.com; or directly to his email at maxluy@hotmail.com.

ENCOMPASSER

The October 2019 edition is now available on the website. If you must have hard-copy, please call the Grand Secretary's office at the contact numbers listed below.

[http://yorkriteofcalifornia.org/encompasser%20issues/Encompasser October 2019.pdf](http://yorkriteofcalifornia.org/encompasser%20issues/Encompasser%20October%202019.pdf)

GRAND HIGH PRIEST'S CALENDAR

JANUARY 2020 – MAY 2020

Date	Event	Location
Jan 1	NEW YEARS DAY	ALMOST EVERYWHERE
Jan 25	Grace Dee May Museum Opening	Shrine Auditorium, LA
Jan 31	Council Degrees	Redding
Feb 1	Commandery Orders	Redding
Feb 7 – 9, 2020	GYR Officers' Conference	Visalia
Feb 15	3-Way Reception	San Diego Scottish Rite
Feb 16	3-Way Reception	San Bernardino
Feb 20-22	Grand Court, Amaranth	Visalia
Apr 2-4	Grand Sessions	Oregon
Apr 8-11	Grand Sessions	New Mexico
May 2-7	Grand Sessions	Visalia

If you would like to attend any of these events and need to know particulars about where and when and cost, please call any of the contact numbers below, or go to the Grand York Rite website calendar at:

<http://www.yorkriteofcalifornia.org/royalarch/ghpcalendar.html>

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GRAND SESSIONS, FORMS & SCHEDULES Website:

WWW.CA-GYRS.ORG

SECRETARY and/or RECORDER ESSENTIALS

Forms and Documents you will need are located at the Grand York Rite website, which is: www.yorkriteofcalifornia.org.

Scroll down and click on "York Rite Forms and Documents." Then click on the appropriate logo. A window opens where you enter the userid, which is "cagyr" and the password, which is "brio"

Scroll down to Officers Manual, which has information for the Secretary, and print that out. Many concepts in the Grand Chapter manual are relevant to the Councils and Commanderies.

Priorities are as follows:

1. **Dues Collection** – You should send out dues notices no later than October, with payments from members due by December 31st.
2. **Membership control** -- Especially important is the very last item, "Royal Arch Monthly Report." This is relevant to you as a Secretary/Recorder if you do not yet have a userid for access to MMS – Masonic Membership Solutions. If you fill the paper report out each month, whenever you encounter changes to the membership, you will find it much easier at the end of the year to produce the year-end report, which is used to compute the amount of per capita the Chapter needs to pay. That payment is due by Jan 15th each year. Important changes to your membership include new members, demits, remits and deaths. Maintain e-mail addresses for members and you can easily then forward the monthly newsletter, The WORKMAN, to them.
3. Do not cavalierly suspend members for non-payment of dues. There is a Constitutional process that should be followed rigorously in order that members, who may have moved and not received your dues notice, are treated fairly. See the following sections of the relevant Constitution in order to learn about this process:

Chapter: See Section 201 in the Constitution at
<http://www.yorkriteusa.org/cagyr/forms/Chapter/ROYAL%20ARCH%20Constitution%202018%20Rev1.pdf>

Council: See Section 30-10 in the Constitution at
<http://www.yorkriteusa.org/cagyr/forms/Council/Grand%20Council%20Constitution%202018%20Rev1.pdf>

Commandery: See Section 347 in the Constitution at
<http://www.yorkriteusa.org/cagyr/forms/Commandery/GRAND%20COMMANDERY%20Constitution%202018%20Rev1.pdf>

4. **Per Capita** -- The Per Capita payment, due each Jan 15th, does not require action by the Chapter to be paid. You will need good, up-to-date end-of-year number of active members that is crucial for us when we compute your per capita payment. Without good data you will most likely overpay your per capita requirement. It is sensible to begin your process near the end of the CY, as soon as possible. It is also sensible, if you have access to the Grand Lodge database, to check each member to see if they are still alive. But most important is getting a userid to utilize MMS.
5. **Insurance** -- The Insurance payment, due each July 15th, does not require action by the Chapter, Council or Commandery to be paid. You will be billed for the payment by the Grand Secretary-Recorder.
6. **Lodge Book of Marks** – Maintain this up-to-date, or perhaps arrange for a PHP to take on the responsibility of maintaining.
7. **Minutes** – Take good minutes, but don't over-do it by trying to capture everything that is said. Focus on having a clear representation of motions made and the vote count by which they passed or failed. In addition to keeping petitions in a separate file, it is good practice to replicate the basic petitioner information in the minutes. It is also a good practice to keep the names of attendees at each meeting in the minutes. If conferring a degree, keep a copy of the cast members and the candidate(s).
8. **Grand Sessions** – Before the April meeting, remind the Dais officers they are responsible to attend, and arrange a stipend if your Chapter, Council or Commandery can afford it. Remind members who expect to attend to be sure to take their dues cards. If Dais Officers of the Chapter and Council cannot attend, they may issue a proxy, or they may elect a representative. This is true also for Commanderies, whose members cannot issue proxies. The appropriate forms can be obtained on the Grand York Rite website: Scroll to "Elected Representative and Proxy Credentials."
9. **Order of High Priesthood** – Be sure the current HP and PHPs know they are eligible to receive this Order. In fact, it is a Constitutional requirement! Share the petition with them and send to the Grand Secretary. This requirement does not appear to be true for the Thrice Illustrious Master Degree or the Past Commander's Association. Petitions for all three bodies are available at the secure website.

Grace Dee May

MUSEUM

Welcome to our Grand Opening
RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

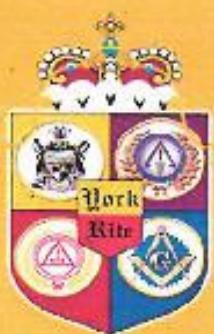
Saturday, January 25th at 10 am

*located in the lower level of the Historic Shrine Auditorium
665 West Jefferson Boulevard, Los Angeles 90007*

Stop by the Grace Dee May Museum
to Discover the Art & History of the American West
and the Unique Contributions of Freemasonry
We have a special Commemorative Gift for You
www.gracedeemay.org

ILLUMINATING
THE LEGACY
OF THE WEST

Grand Sessions 2018, 2019, and 2020
Come join us as we move up the road



Wyndham Visalia
9000 W Airport Drive,
Visalia, California 93277



May 19 thru 23, 2018

May 18 thru 22, 2019

[REDACTED]

MAY 2 THRU 6, 2020



Northern California York Rite Association

Council Degrees, Friday January 31, 2020

Doors open at 6:00P.M. Degrees to begin at 7:00 P.M.

Dinner before Degrees

Redding Family Masonic Center

195 Masonic Ave. Redding, CA 96003

Commandery Orders Saturday February 1, 2020

Doors open at 7:30A.M. Orders to begin at 8:30 A.M.

Coffee, Donuts & Lunch

Redding Family Masonic Center

195 Masonic Ave.

Redding, CA 96003

Cost for Candidates and Companions \$20.00

For more information contact

Dave Sokol

530 378-5512

dsdsokol@sbcglobal.net

Mail reservation and check to

Dave Sokol Registrar/Treasurer

7076 Riata Dr.

Redding, CA 96002

San Diego York Rite bodies invite you to join us for a
GRAND YORK RITE 3 WAY RECEPTION

February 15, 2020

San Diego Scottish Rite Center

1895 Camino del Rio South

San Diego, CA 92108

Honoring the California Grand York Rite Body Leaders



Leland Routt KYGCH



Eduardo Estrada KYGCH

Most Excellent
Grand High Priest



William McBroome KYGCH

Most Illustrious Grand Master

Right Eminent Grand Commander

Gathering at 6:00PM and Dinner being served at 6:30PM

Ceremony to begin at 7:15 PM.

Dinner cost is \$25

Ladies and guests are welcomed and encouraged to attend!

Please RSVP NLT Feb 7, 2020 to:

Austin Swank @ SDRAM61secretary@gmail.com

Dress for the evening is respective Jacket Color with appropriate accessories.

We look forward to seeing you at our Celebration of California York Rite Masonry!



You are invited to a Reception & Dinner Honoring The Leaders of California York Rite

M.E.C. Leland G. Routt

Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California

M.I.C. Eduardo Estrada

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

S.K. William A. Mc Broome, Jr.

Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of California

Sponsored By the Inland Empire York Rite Bodies

1:30pm - 2:00pm Social Time
2:00pm Dinner - 3:00pm Reception
February 16, 2020



San Bernardino York Rite Temple
2888 N. Arrowhead Avenue
San Bernardino, California 92405

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION – 2019-2020

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of California

FULL NAME OF APPLICANT:
Permanent Home Address:
Telephone Number(s):
E-mail address:
Are you a resident of California:
What is your intended field of study: _____ Degree/Certification sought : _____
Have you applied to, or been accepted by, a college, university or trade school? If "yes," list all applicable. _____ _____
Details of your Masonic Youth Order membership: Name of Organization: _____ Initiation Date: _____ Meeting Address: _____ Adult Leader's Name, Address and Telephone: _____ _____
Checklist 1) To be considered for this scholarship, applicants must submit this application postmarked no later than <u>March 1, 2020</u> . 2) Refer to 2019-2020 "POLICY STATEMENT" tab for the list of student responsibilities and all of the documents which must be submitted with your application. 3) If you are awarded a scholarship, may we publish your name and photo in our York Rite newsletters and publications? Yes <u> </u> No <u> </u>
Submit this application to: Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons Attn: Grand Secretary 1123 J Street Sacramento, CA 95814-2809 E-mail: sec-rec@yorkrite-ofcalifornia.org
Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____ (Rev. 10/7/2019)

Policy Statement
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION – 2019-20 Scholarships

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of California

QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants must:

- Be a current member of a Masonic Youth Organization – Job's Daughters, Rainbow for Girls or DeMolay.
- Be a California resident for the initial award.
- Have a minimum 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA), unweighted.
- Be enrolled, or eligible to enroll, in an accredited College, University or Trade School.
- Carry a minimum of 12 semester or 8 quarter units.

SELECTION

Selection for a scholarship award is the responsibility of the Scholarship Committee of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California, based on the criteria listed here.

APPROVAL AND AWARD PROCESS

- The Scholarship Committee will determine which applicants meet all the eligibility requirements as set forth by the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California.
- Payment will be made at the beginning of the term, after the approved applicant has supplied the Scholarship Committee with a copy of the Enrollment Certificate issued by the institution.
- The award will be in the amount of \$1,000.00 and may be renewed up to four times (total of 5 awards) upon re-application by the student each year or until undergraduate degree requirements are met, whichever comes first, at the discretion of the committee and availability of funds.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES / REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Submit the completed application forms and required documents to the Grand Chapter Office at the address listed below. Completed applications must be post marked no later than March 1, 2020. Failure to meet this deadline is disqualifying!
- Submit with the application, two letters of recommendation; one letter of recommendation from a teacher or community leader, the other from the leader of your youth organization.
- Submit with the application, or as soon thereafter as possible, a sealed official transcript including the last term completed prior to February 1, 2020, from the attending High School or post- secondary institution.
- Submit with the application a short essay (approximately 500 words), describing educational goals, extra-curricular activities, community service, proudest moments in your youth organization, noteworthy accomplishments, special talents, and long-range goals.
- Before award is made, submit a proof of enrollment in the form of a certificate of enrollment from the college, university or trade school to the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons to the address below.
- Promptly advise the Grand Chapter Office of any changes in address, telephone, or educational status. An e-mail notification to e-mail address below is preferable for such updates.

Direct all communications on this subject to: Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons

Attn: Grand Secretary

1123 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814-2809

E-mail: sec-rec@yorkriteofcalifornia.org

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SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL APPLICATION

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of California

FULL NAME OF APPLICANT:
Permanent Home Address:
Telephone Number(s):
E-mail address:
What are the previous years you were awarded this scholarship:
Are you still a resident of California:
Are you still enrolled in a college, university or trade school: _____ The name of the school you are attending: _____ Your intended field of study: _____ Degree or certification sought: _____ Your GPA: _____
Details of your Masonic membership (include Blue Lodge, Eastern Star, or youth order, if applicable): Name of Organization: _____ Initiation Date: _____ Meeting Address: _____ Adult Leader's Name, Address and Telephone: _____ _____
NOTES To be considered for an additional scholarship award, applicants must submit this renewal application accompanied with proof of enrollment to the address below, post marked no later than <u>March 1, 2020</u> .
Submit this renewal application to: Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons Attn: Grand Secretary 1123 J Street Sacramento, CA 95814 E-mail: sec-rec@yorkriteofcalifornia.org
Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

(Rev. 10/7/2019)



2020 Grand York Rite Sessions May 2nd to May 6th, 2020 – Visalia, CA

Each person attending must fill out a registration form. Please print your names and titles as you would like it printed on your badge.
Do you prefer your confirmation by: email (default) none phone call (latest time to call _____)

Name: _____	Lady / Guest: _____	
Title(s): _____	Lady / Guest Title(s): _____	
Address: _____	City: _____	State: _____
Zip: _____	Phone: _____	e-mail: _____

Arrival _____ Departure _____
Date / Time: _____ Date / Time: _____ U: 11/5/19

Please list the Number(s)

that you are a member of

RAM #

CM #

KT #

Day/Date	Time	Please enter the number of Meals/Events you are requesting	Price	Total
Sat - 2 nd 	12:00 PM	AMD In-Gathering in Tulare – Registration at http://www.alliedmasonicdegrees-caif.org/		
	1:30 PM	How to do Ritual Workshop _____	R.O.*	
Sun - 3 rd 	8:00 AM	GYR CA Corporation Annual Meeting _____	R.O.*	
	11:00 AM	Battalion & Belles Brunch BBQ Buffet _____	\$34.00	
	1:00 PM	Drill Team Participant _____	R.O.*	
	4:00 PM	Vespers Service (Memorial Service for all 3 Bodies) _____	R.O.*	
	6:30 PM	Grand York Rite Banquet: Pacific Salmon _____ Beef & Chicken Duo _____ Special Dietary _____	\$40.00	
	~9:30 PM	Royal Arch Widow's Degree Candidate _____ Sideiner (R.C.) _____	\$20.00	
Mon - 4 th 	7:00 AM	Grand Commandery Breakfast (Open to all Registrants) Executive Breakfast _____	\$24.00	
	12:00 PM	KT Ladies Luncheon: Chicken Teriyaki _____ Lasagna Roulettes (Veg) _____	\$27.00	
	12:15 PM	Grand Commandery Luncheon: Southwestern Fiesta Buffet _____ Special Dietary _____	\$28.00	
	1:30 PM	Past Commander's Association _____	\$30.00	
	1:30 PM	Leadership Workshop _____	R.O.*	
	2:30 PM	Golden State Research Chapter attendee _____	R.O.*	
	~8:00 PM	Secretary / Recorder MMS Workshop _____	R.O.*	
	7:00 AM	Grand Chapter Breakfast: (Open to all Registrants) Wyndham Buffet _____	\$17.00	
Tue - 5 th 	12:00 PM	Grand Chapter & RA Ladies Combined Luncheon: Italian Renaissance Buffet _____ Special Dietary _____	\$31.00	
	1:30 PM	Membership Workshop _____	R.O.*	
	1:30 PM	Order of High Priesthood Degree _____	\$50.00	
	~8:00 PM	Secretary / Recorder MMS Workshop _____	R.O.*	
	7:00 AM	Grand Council Breakfast (Open to all Registrants) Wyndham Buffet _____	\$17.00	
Wed - 6 th 	12:00 PM	CM Ladies Luncheon: Flat Iron Steak _____ Breast of Chicken Carbonara _____ Special Dietary _____	\$31.00	
	12:15 PM	Grand Council Luncheon: Southwestern Fiesta Buffet _____ Special Dietary _____	\$28.00	
	1:30 PM	Thrice Illustrious Master Degree _____	\$40.00	
	2:00 PM	For the Ladies "All the mysteries of the York Rite titles" Workshop _____	R.O.*	

Special Dietary notation: We will try to accommodate those with special dietary needs and work with the hotel chefs. Please note your dietary concern: Vegan Vegetarian Gluten Free and mark the count in each meal line above. If we are unable to accommodate for that meal, you will be contacted ahead of time and refund issued.

Check# _____ enclosed payable to Grand York Rite of CA or Invoice me via PayPal

Comments:

Events are subject to change based on reservation responses or other factors. More information on the other (or back) page.

*R.O. is Reservation Only. There is no charge for the event - however, if you plan to attend, please mark it on your reservation form.
More forms (Including the Order of High Priesthood, Thrice Illustrious Master & Past Commanders Association), menus and schedule are available from www.ca-gyrs.org.

2020 Grand York Rite Sessions May 2nd to May 6th, 2020 – Visalia, CA

Please send page 1 of this form and payment to:
CA-GYRS 1123 J Street Sacramento, CA 95814-2883

Meal reservations are locked & will not be guaranteed after 04/20/20

*You may request to be put on a waiting list until April 30th.
Onsite registration is available to the Companions and Sir Knights attending sessions without ordering meals.
Please be aware that Name Tags will not be printed for late registrants, so please register before the deadline.*

Contact the Wyndham Hotel 9000 W Airport Dr Visalia, California 93277 +1-559-651-5000
Tell the agent that you are in the **Grand York Rite Group** or register online via www.ca-gyrs.org

Room rate: \$95.00 +taxes.

Hotel reservation deadline is 03/25/20 Pending room block availability – best to register early

Questions, contact the following below:

- Executive Director: Randy Downey, executive@ca-gyrs.org or call +1 408 674 8341
 - Meal/Event reservations: Dave Glass reservations@ca-gyrs.org or call +1 916 616 3283
- No refunds after April 25th, 2020 unless approved by the Grand York Rite Sessions Executive Committee.

A few words about Reservation Only (*R.O.) events:

Although there is no charge for these events, please enter in a numerical value for the events you want to attend. This provides a headcount for the preparation of the event. Also, if the event is cancelled or changed you can be notified.

"The Official CA Allied Masonic Degrees (AMD) Ingathering" will be held at the Tulare Masonic Temple, 135 W. Tulare Avenue, Tulare (11 miles from the hotel). Events start at 12:00 pm and end with a Festive Board dinner at 6 pm. Please go to: <http://alliedmasonicdegrees-calif.org> to register.

Workshops: The following workshops will be offered.

- Saturday: How to do Ritual. No actual ritual is discussed, but delivery and other pointers
- Monday: Leadership. A mini session of the Leadership Seminar rolled out a couple of years ago.
- Tuesday: Membership. An open discussion about gaining and retaining membership.
- Wednesday: For the Ladies "All the mysteries of the York Rite Titles". Covering the various York Rite titles.
- Secretary / Recorder MMS Workshop. Covering the MMS system for those that have not taken the training or need a refresher course.

Grand York Rite California (GYR CA) Corporation Annual Meeting. Event starts at 8:00 am to completion of business. All members of the GYR CA Corporation are cordially invited to attend. Agenda for this annual business meeting will be published separately.

Vesper services. Vespers is our gathering to honor our departed Companions and Sir Knights. All are encouraged to attend. Please enter the number attending the service.

Royal Arch Widows Degree. A "Fun" Degree for our **Ladies**. This will be conferred shortly after the Grand Banquet. Please enter a 1 in the field to register as a candidate. You will receive a certificate and a pin after receiving the degree. Those that have received the degree and the Companions who wish to sit on the sidelines, please enter the count in the Sideline field (there is no charge for the Sideliners (count to prepare enough seals)

Golden State Royal Arch Research Chapter. All Royal Arch Masons are invited to attend. For a small fee of \$20, you can submit your petition at the meeting to become a lifetime member of the Golden State Research Chapter.

For your convenience, we allowing you to register and pay for the **Order of High Priesthood, Thrice Illustrious Master and Past Commanders Association** with your other meals and events. You must also include those respective forms with this one. We will forward the information and funds to the appropriate persons.

Events are subject to change based on reservation responses or other factors.