

THE CROSS & CROWN



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Grand Commander's Message

Greetings, Sir Knights of the Great State of California

By the time you receive this we will be beginning the month of March. In Ancient times the Ides of March or the full Moon on the 15th of the month was a date to settle debt by. The date was also marked with several religious holidays.

In Modern times, the Lenten season starts on February 22, 2023, this year, ASH Wednesday, and ends 46 days later or 40 days not counting Sundays. On Thursday April 6, 2023. It is also interesting that the ashes are made by burning palm branches from the previous year's Palm Sunday; this year, Palm Sunday falls on April 2.

The week before Easter Sunday, called Holy Week, is an important one in the Christian church. Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, which commemorates Jesus's triumphant arrival in Jerusalem, where he received palm branches at his feet. Then comes Holy Wednesday, which acknowledges Judas's plan to betray Jesus. The day after Holy Wednesday is Maundy Thursday, which commemorates the Last Supper between Jesus and his disciples. Maundy Thursday is the last day of Lent.

According to Christian tradition, Easter is celebrated on the first Sunday following the full Moon that occurs on or just after the spring equinox. The Christian Church calendars state that the spring equinox always falls on March 21. In 2023, the first full Moon after March 21 takes place on April 6, which means Easter falls on the following Sunday, April 9th. Subtract 46 days from that, and you get the first day of Lent.

Many Sir Knights will honor the Lenten season. During Lent, Christians will turn their focus to prayer, fasting and giving to mimic the time Jesus spent in the desert for 40 days. Jesus was led to the desert to reflect after his baptism, and he was quickly tempted by Satan to turn against his faith. However, Jesus did not give into the temptations, and therefore, followers of Christianity try to do the same by changing their actions.

This changing of our ways or setting of debts allows us to make a new beginning. To Start Right again and with more experience of how to succeed. I pray that this information helps you to better understand the Lenten season and how the dates we celebrate are calculated. By gaining a better understanding of the dates and ceremonies important to us and our fellow Sir Knights we become better equipped to understand the perspective of our Fellow Sir Knights, if not our own.

Portions of this article were borrowed from a well written article published by Better Homes and Gardens.

“You will know them by their works”

Craig L. Flagtwet, KCT, KYGCH, 33°
Grand Commander, Grand Commandery
Knights Templar, California

GRAND INSPECTOR GENERAL

Sir Knights one and all -- From the world of Ritual

The winter storms all over the state make attending Commandery that much harder, but still well worth it if done safely. Every commandery should be preparing for Easter services next month. If you are the host commandery, I urge you to go over the ceremony several times to make it feel comfortable.

While you are getting ready for Easter, you also need to work on your ritual and

tactics. This applies to those commanderies that meet infrequently (less than monthly). Those commanderies should schedule their meetings to include a practice before the meeting to get the bugs out.

I am working with the Inspectors to hold schools of instruction in each department. These will be mandatory for the elected officers, but everyone should attend. Remember that some day you may be an elected officer, even Commander. I will

ask that the Adjutants also attend to discuss the report requirements.

For your discussion period at your meetings, I recommend reading and discussing Brethren in Chivalry 1791-1991 by Frederick Smyth. There is a lot of historical information relating to modern Templary. In that vein, I am working on an idea to have Zoom presentations dealing with various topics in Templary.

Don't forget to start recording your information in your Cross and Crown. Even the little things you do.

Happy St. Patrick's Day !!

As always, I am at your service. God bless!

Sir Knight Jim Baum
Grand Inspector General
jamesgbaum@msn.com
760-885-0256 (leave a message and I will get back to you.)

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES AND ORDERS

Several Festivals are upcoming for the Fall and Spring. See Flyers at the end. Of particular note are:

Sacramento-Sierra YR Association

March 22, 2023 at 5:30pm, Yuba
March 25, 2023 at 9am, Woodland
April 29, 2023 at 9am, Auburn
June 17, 2023 at 8am, Sacramento

San Bernardino

Feb 11, 2023 at 9am
March 8, 2023 at 7pm
April 1, 2023 at 9am

East Bay

Sept 23, 2023 at 7:30am
Oct 14, 2023 at 8:00am
Oct 28, 2023 at 7:30am

GRAND SESSIONS 2023

It is March and the next two months are crucial in the preparations for the Grand York Rite Sessions. They will be held in Visalia from May 14th to the 17th. The website www.ca-gyrs.org has all of the forms and information needed for the sessions.

The Reservation Form and the Souvenir Ad Request Form are also available in this newsletter. Please be advised that the Ad deadline has been changed to April 14th, 2023. In addition to the books available at Sessions for those that have registered, we will have a full color PDF with the results of the Sessions available on our website www.yorkriteofcalifornia.org

We already have some of the rooms in our block sold out (when the article was written, all of the King Rooms for Wednesday night are booked). Therefore it is extremely important that you make your hotel reservation right now! There is a link to make the hotel reservations found at www.ca-gyrs.org or you may call the hotel directly at +1 559 651 5000 (tell the agent that you are in the Grand York Rite Group).

Other forms available from the website are the: Proxy / Elected Representative forms, Past Commanders Association, Order of High Priesthood, and the Thrice Illustrious Master. All of the forms can be downloaded and filled in with Adobe Acrobat.

We are presenting the Order of Zanzibar fun degree this year and it is open to ALL – not just Cryptic Masons (yes Ladies, this includes you). It will be conferred on Sunday night after the Banquet.

Our Vendor Room still has some tables left, please visit <https://ca-gyrs.org/vendors> to reserve your tables.

We need volunteers at the Sessions to function properly. All attendees are eligible to volunteer. We will have drawings for gift cards for every five hours that you have worked. Please fill out the Volunteer Interest Form found at: <https://ca-gyrs.org/volunteer-page>

If you have questions about your reservation, you may contact Dave Glass, Reservations Chairman, at +1 916 616 3283 or emailing (preferred) to reservations@ca-gyrs.org.

Please remember that the reservation form is due before May 1st.

- May 14, Sunday – Grand Banquet
- May 15, Monday – Grand Commandery
- May 16, Tuesday – Grand Chapter
- May 17, Wednesday – Grand Council
- May 18, Thursday – Corporation

Thanks, Dave Glass

TEMPLAR RITUALIST

How many of you think you know much about the rituals of the Orders? There's a NEW way you can test yourself. Grand Encampment has established a Learning Management System, which you can access at: <http://templared.org/moodle/>.

Give it a try. Very soon now, there will be additional courses available: on Templar History and on the Trial of the Templars. You will have multiple choice quizzes to take in each Course and an opportunity to show off your excellence by submitting essays for everyone's edification!

The Editor

RECORDER ESSENTIALS

Recorders 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. **It has been revised this edition, so take a look!**

KT EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications for 2023 are available at: http://yorkriteofcalifornia.org/commandery/KT_Scholarship.html. The deadline for 2023 applications will be **March 1, 2023**.

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? Help spread the word!



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.

and cost, please call any of the contact numbers below, or go to the Grand York Rite website calendar at: <http://yorkriteofcalifornia.org/commandery/itinerary.html>

TAX REPORTING

Robert Wellington of Orange County Chapter No. 73 is willing to assist Chapters with guidance to restore their tax exempt status, if needed. If you would rather speak to a brother, Companion and Sir Knight, than an IRS or FTB agent, feel free to contact Bob at rozekroy@gmail.com

GRAND COMMANDER'S CALENDAR MARCH 2023 – MAY 2023

GRAND COMMANDERY CONTACT INFORMATION

Date	Event	Location
Mar 3-5, 2023	Grand Officers' Conference	Visalia
March 8, 2023	Cryptic Festival	San Bernardino, 9:00 am
Mar 11, 2023	3-Way Reception	San Diego
Mar 12, 2023	3-Way Reception	Inland Empire
Mar 22, 2023	Mark + VPM degrees	Yuba City 9:00 am
Mar 25, 2023	MEM + Royal Arch Degrees	Woodland 8:00 am
April 1, 2023	Commandery Festival	San Bernardino, 9:00 am
April 15, 2023	3-Way Reception	Petaluma, 6:00 pm
April 29, 2023	Council Degrees	Auburn 9:00 am
May 13-18	Grand Sessions	Visalia
June 17, 2023	Commandery Orders	Sacramento, 8:00 am

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GRAND SESSIONS, FORMS & SCHEDULES

Website: WWW.CA-GYRS.ORG

If you would like to attend any of these events and need to know particulars about where and when

SECRETARY and/or RECORDER ESSENTIALS -- REVISED

Forms and Documents you will need are located at the Grand York Rite website, which is: www.yorkriteofcalifornia.org. The new website will require you to have a userid, and to have established a password. Once you LOGIN, you will see a long white line, above which you will see:

ROYAL ARCH FORMS CRYPTIC COUNCIL FORMS COMMANDERY FORMS

Then click on the appropriate FORMS. In ROYAL ARCH FORMS, 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 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** – Membership information is now managed in the MMS system – Masonic Membership Solutions. Important changes to your membership include new members, suspensions, demits, 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

https://yorkriteofcalifornia.org/files/documents/royal-arch/ROYAL_ARCH_Constitution_2022_final.pdf

Council: See Section 30-10 in the Constitution at

https://yorkriteofcalifornia.org/files/cryptic-council/pdf/Grand_Council_Constitution_2022.pdf

Commandery: See Section 347 in the Constitution at

<https://yorkriteofcalifornia.org/files/york-rite-forms-documents/commandery/GRAND%20COMMANDERY%20Constitution%202022.pdf>

4. **Per Capita** -- The Per Capita payment, due each Jan 15th for Chapter and Councils (and April 1st for Commanderies) does not require action by the Chapter, Council or Commandery to be paid. You will need good, up-to-date end-of-year numbers of active members in MMS. This is the source of your Per Capita bill. Without good data on your membership in MMS 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. Do so before the end of the year. **But most important is getting a userid to utilize MMS so you can enter deceased and suspended data.**
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 or Grand 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). **Also, please send the candidate class names to the Grand Secretary or Grand Recorder.**
8. **Grand Sessions** – Before the May 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, however, cannot issue proxies. The appropriate Chapter forms can be obtained on the Grand York Rite website: Scroll to "Elected Representative and Proxy Credentials." Or, alternatively, the forms for all three bodies can be found at www.ca-gyrs.org.
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 www.ca-gyrs.org.

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

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Please mail this form with your contribution to the address below.

Name of donor: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

If donor is a Sir Knight give location:

State: _____ Commandery Name: _____ No. _____

Please apply my donation as follows: (Place an X in the appropriate box)

- \$30.00 **Life Sponsor** (For Sir Knights only)
 \$50.00 **Associate Patron** (Available to Foundations, Corporations, or Individuals)
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 \$25,000.00 **Grand Master's Sword of Merit** (Available to Foundations, Corporations, or Individuals) **
 \$ _____ **General Contribution**

Check or money order enclosed (Payable to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.)

Please charge to my credit card: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

Memorial or In Honor Contributions please fill out the following:

In Remembrance In Honor

Name of Person: _____

Please Notify: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

If a Commandery is to receive Remembrance or Honor credit please supply:

State: _____ Commandery Name: _____ No. _____

** Grand Master's Club and Grand Commander's Club may not be purchased in the name of any organization, only individuals. Members of the Grand Commander's Club may add to their donations until they reach a total of \$1,000 to receive membership in the Grand Master's Club. (As of 2/1/2015 once 25 Grand Master's Clubs are reached, a Sword of Merit will be awarded.)*

*** If requested at the time of the initial gift, the donations may be applied to the Permanent Donor Fund.*

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The Foundation is a tax-exempt Charitable Organization under Section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Please mail this form with your contribution to the address below.

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P.O. Box 271118
Flower Mound TX 75027-1118
Phone: 214-888-0220 Fax: 214-888-0230
E-Mail: Manager@ktef.us
www.ktef.org

Fillable Form is at:

<https://www.ktef.org/donation-selection>

Spring 2023 York Rite Festival

Royal Arch Chapter Degrees
Mark, Past, Most Excellent & Royal Arch
Saturday, February 11, 2023 @ 9:00 A.M.

Cryptic Mason Council Degrees
Royal Master & Select Master
Wednesday, March 8, 2023 @ 7:00 P.M.

Knights Templar Commandery Orders
Red Cross, Malta & Order of the Temple
Saturday, April 1, 2023 @ 9:00 A.M.

Please Check-In Early!
Sharp Time Set - Conferral of Degrees & Orders

All at the

San Bernardino York Rite Masonic Temple
2888 Arrowhead Avenue
San Bernardino, California 92405-3805
sbyrb@juno.com

Please be early to avoid delays / Prompt conferral times are set



San Diego County York Rite
Cordially invites all Masons and their Guests
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Of The
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of California

Sir Knight Craig L. Flagtwet, KCT, KYGCH
164th Right Eminent Grand Commander
Of The
Grand Commandery Knights Templar of California

Saturday March 11, 2023

Escondido Masonic Center
1331 S. Escondido Blvd.
Escondido, CA 92025

Three Course Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM

\$60.00 per plate

RSVP and Payment at: <https://yorkritesandiego.org/2023-sdyr-3-way>

RSVP Cutoff Date: March 1, 2023

Reception will follow dinner in the Lodge Room at 7:00 PM

Regular Masonic attire for members and business casual for ladies
and guests. For more information contact:
Christopher Radcliffe: recorder@helixcouncil58.org

Reception for 2023 California Grand York Rite Officers

Sunday, March 12th, 2023 1-4pm



Casual Attire

\$30/person – Taco Bar – Libations

San Bernardino York Rite
2888 N. Arrowhead Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92405

Send reservations by March 5th to
Robert Jenkins sbyrres@gmail.com



SACRAMENTO – SIERRA YORK RITE ASSOCIATION
2023 ANNUAL YORK RITE FESTIVAL



Chapter Degrees

Saturday February 4th, Orland Masonic Temple 431 Colusa St, Orland

Registration, Coffee and Donuts	8:00 AM	Candidate fees are \$10
CAPITULAR DEGREES	9:00 AM	
MARK MASTER PAST MASTER		
Lunch (reservations required)	12:00 PM	Lunch for everyone (including candidates) is \$15

Wednesday March 22nd, Yuba City Masonic Temple 501 Second St, Yuba City,

Registration, Coffee and Donuts	5:30 PM	Candidate fees are \$10
CAPITULAR DEGREES	6:00 PM	
MARK MASTER PAST MASTER	(no meal)	

Saturday March 25th, Woodland Masonic Temple 228 Palm Avenue Woodland

Registration, Coffee and Donuts	8:00 AM	Candidate fees are \$10 (unless paid @ the M/PM)
CAPITULAR DEGREES	9:00 AM	
MOST EXCELLENT MASTER		
Lunch (reservations required!)	11:30 PM	Lunch for everyone (including candidates) is \$15
ROYAL ARCH DEGREE	12:30 PM	



Council Degrees

Saturday April 29th, Auburn Masonic Temple 956½ Lincoln Street Auburn

Registration	9:00 AM	Candidate fees are \$10
CRYPTIC DEGREES	10:00 AM	
ROYAL MASTER SELECT MASTER		
Lunch (reservations required!)	11:30 PM	Lunch for everyone (including candidates) is \$15



Commandery Orders

Saturday, June 17th, Sacramento Masonic Temple 1123 "J" St. Sacramento

Registration, Coffee and Doughnuts	8:00 AM	Candidate fees are \$10
CHIVALRIC ORDERS	9:00 AM	
ORDER OF THE RED CROSS ORDER OF MALTA		
Lunch (reservations required!)	11:30 AM	Lunch for everyone (including candidates) is \$15
ORDER OF THE TEMPLE	12:30 PM	
Closing	3:00 PM	

Please make your reservations using the form on the next page.

E-Mail: ssyra@ssyra.org

WEBSITE: www.ssyra.org



SACRAMENTO – SIERRA YORK RITE ASSOCIATION

SSYRA YORK RITE FESTIVAL RESERVATION FORM

Please mail this form and your check to: SSYRA Secretary, Dave Glass 6431 Valley Hi Drive Sacramento, CA 95823-4838 (preferred), send an email to festival@ssyra.org or call Dave at (916) 616-3283 at least one week prior to the each event for lunch count and candidate nametags preparation *[Please be considerate of the food preparers and the SSYRA Secretary].* We will accept your check at the door.

Chapter # _____ Council # _____ Commandery # _____ Located in _____

Submitter's Name _____ Title _____ Phone # (____) _____

Email address: _____

Name	Mar 22 MM			Mar 25 RAM			Apr 29 CM			June 17 KT			Total Fees \$10 for each cand & \$15 for each lunch
	Cand	Comp	Lunch	Cand	Comp	Lunch	Cand	Comp	Lunch	Cand	S.K.	Lunch	
Total Enclosed:													

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E-Mail: ssyra@ssyra.org

WEBSITE: www.ssyra.org



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Grand Commandery Knights Templar of California

Saturday April 15, 2023

Petaluma-Hamilton Masonic Lodge

9 Western Ave.

Petaluma, CA 94952

Dinner will be served at 6:30 social at 6:00 PM

Suggested donation \$35 per plate

Please RSVP if you plan to attend the Dinner

We will adjourn into the Lodge Room for the Reception after Dinner

Dress will be business casual

For more information contact

Jeffrey Schloo; jeffschloo@gmail.com

or call 707-332-6836



Grand High Priest Golf Tournament North

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California

Proceeds support:
Royal Arch Research Assistance
DeBarrow/Wohlfarth Scholarship Program
Grand Chapter Programs

Stroke Play - System 36 scoring

Date: April 29, 2023
Place: Blue Rock Springs – East Course
 655 Columbus Parkway, Vallejo, CA 94591
Time: 8:00 AM Shotgun Tee off

Signup Cutoff Date: Sunday, April 16, 2023

Registration: Between 7:00 AM and 7:45 AM
Entry Fee: \$140.00 per person [Includes Golf & Cart, Tee prize, Lunch]

This golf tournament is intended to raise funds for great charities. You or your organization can sponsor a hole for \$200, and 100% of the proceeds will go towards these charities.

To sponsor a hole, contact Marion Rogers @ 925-596-3312 or via email marion.rogers@comcast.net.

Tear Here Return this portion with your Entry

Grand High Priest Golf Tournament April 29, 2023 Fund Raiser

Please return this portion
Make Checks payable to:

**East Bay York Rite
Association or EBYRA**

**Mail to:
Marion Rogers
7273 Hansen Drive
Dublin, CA 94568**

If you have any questions, contact

Thomas Chavez at
650-766-2319

Rollie Caabay at
707-246-6376

Marion Rogers at
925-596-3312

Player

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Pairing _____



2023 GRAND YORK RITE SESSIONS Souvenir Ad Program Order Form

The printed program will be available at Grand Sessions
AND a full color PDF format for distribution after the Sessions.

Company Name or Organization _____

Contact

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Mailing Address City, State Zip _____

What do You Want Your Ad to Say?

Camera ready ad material is preferred. Provide an attachment in any of the following formats: pub, pdf, docx, doc, wpd, jpg, jpeg, bmp, png
To ads@ca-gyrs.org

Payment must accompany Ad request, **payable to "Grand York Rite of CA"** or use your credit card at <https://ca-gyrs.square.site/ad-orders>

UPDATED DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTING AD REQUESTS: 4/14/23

Send Ad and Payment to
CA-GYRS 1123 J Street Sacramento, CA 95814-2809
or email ads@ca-gyrs.org

Please enter quantity:

___ Full Page @ \$180.00 each

___ Half Page @ \$90.00 each

___ Quarter Page @ \$45.00 each

___ Eighth Page @ \$25.00 each

___ Business Card @ \$25.00 each

___ Name on Name Page (list below) @ \$5.00 each

Total Amount _____

Check this box if this is an update to a previous submission

Check # _____ or Payment submitted at <https://ca-gyrs.square.site/ad-orders>

Names for the Name Page (at \$5 each)

File attachment name(s):

For Committee Use Only: Date Postmarked: _____ Ad Tracking number: A23-5 _____



2023 Grand York Rite Sessions May 14th to May 17th, 2023 – 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 Date / Time: _____ Departure Date / Time: _____

I am a member of: Please list the number(s) that you are a member of **RAM #** _____ **CM #** _____ **KT #** _____
 *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

Day/Date	Time	Please enter the number of Meals/Events you are requesting	Price	Total
Sun - 14 th	8:00 AM	GYR CA Corporation Annual Meeting _____	*R.O.*	
	10:30 AM	Allied Masonic Degrees Statewide Meeting _____ Your AMD Council Number _____	*R.O.*	
	11:00 AM	Battalion & Belles Brunch Southwestern Buffet _____	\$31.00	
	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 Beef & Chicken Duo _____ Pacific Salmon _____ Vegetarian Option _____	\$47.00 \$47.00 \$30.00	
½ hour after the Banquet ends Order of Zanzibar (open to all) _____			\$25.00	
Mon – 15 th	7:00 AM	Grand Commandery Breakfast (Open to all Registrants) Wyndham Buffet _____	\$23.00	
	12:00 PM	KT Ladies Luncheon Lasagna Rolettes _____ Special Dietary _____	\$32.00	
	12:15 PM	Grand Commandery Luncheon Deli Style Buffet _____	\$27.00	
	2:00 PM	Past Commander's Association _____ Must include the PCA Application	\$30.00	
	5:00 PM	Grand Commandery Installation attendee _____	*R.O.*	
Tue – 16 th	7:00 AM	Grand Chapter Breakfast: (Open to all Registrants) Wyndham Buffet _____	\$23.00	
	12:00 PM	RAM Ladies Luncheon: Grilled Salmon Caesar Salad _____ Special Dietary _____	\$28.00	
	12:15 PM	Grand Chapter Luncheon Meatloaf _____ Special Dietary _____	\$27.00	
	2:00 PM	Order of High Priesthood Degree _____ Must include the OHP Petition	\$50.00	
	5:00 PM	Grand Chapter Installation attendee _____	*R.O.*	
Wed – 17 th	7:00 AM	Grand Council Breakfast: (Open to all Registrants) Wyndham Buffet _____	\$23.00	
	12:00 PM	CM Ladies Luncheon: Ladies Tea _____ Special Dietary _____	\$32.00	
	12:15 PM	Grand Council Luncheon: Barbeque Buffet _____	\$39.00	
	2:00 PM	Thrice Illustrious Master Degree _____ Must include the TIM Petition	\$40.00	
	4:00 PM	Golden State Chapter of Research _____	*R.O.*	
	5:00 PM	Grand Council Installation attendee _____	*R.O.*	

Paid by check # _____ (Payable to CA Grand York Rite) or credit card at <https://ca-gyrs.square.site>

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 based on your decision. There is a full meal description on the www.ca-gyrs.org website.

Comments: _____

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

More forms (including the Order of High Priesthood, Thrice Illustrious Master, Past Commanders Association & Dignitary Introduction), menus and schedule are available from www.ca-gyrs.org. For your convenience, we are 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 degree coordinators.

2023 Grand York Rite Sessions May 14th to May 17th, 2023 – Visalia, CA

Please send page 1 of this form and payment to:

CA-GYRS 1123 J Street Sacramento, CA 95814-2809

Meal reservations are locked & will not be accepted after 05/01/23 (don't even ask)

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.

No refunds after May 8th, 2023 – unless approved by the Grand York Rite Sessions Executive Committee

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: \$99.00 +taxes.

Hotel reservation deadline is **05/01/23** Pending room block availability – best to register early

Questions, contact the following below:

- **General Co-Chairmen:** chairmen@ca-gyrs.org **Ray Broomfield** (805) 482-6756
and **Steve Goad** (760) 608-1585

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.

Grand York Rite California (GYR CA) Corporation Annual Meeting. The 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.

Allied Masonic Degrees Statewide Meeting. Representatives from each A.M.D. Council are requested to attend. This meeting will be to discuss A.M.D. at the statewide level and future degree presentations by the respective A.M.D. Councils.

Vesper services. Vespers is our gathering to honor our departed Companions and Sir Knights. All are encouraged to attend.

The Order of Zanzibar. Is a “Fun Degree” open to all, which will be held after the Grand Banquet. The cost for this degree is \$25. Proceeds from this degree will be donated to the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Fund.

The Grand Installations. We kindly request that you mark down the number of attendees for each of the Installations. This is to properly prepare the caterers for the reception following the installations.

Golden State Chapter of Research. 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, and receive a copy of the Grand Orations Booklet 2020-2022.

MMS (Masonic Membership Solutions) Training. This is directed to our Secretaries / Recorders and Assistant Sec/Recs on using the MMS System and for others like the Dais Officers to understand the application. Phil and Tom are available for orientation and consultation upon request. Simply email mms@ca-gyrs.org prior to May 1st 2023 with a day and time convenient for you and they will make an attempt to fit time for you into the overall schedule.