



# SACRAMENTO YORK RITE NEWS

## AUGUST 2020



Sir Knights,

As we travel through these uncharted territories of pandemic and arrest, we forge new trails for the benefit of our membership. We have been away from gatherings at the Temple since March - still with no indications of reopening any time soon. At the same time, we have a younger generation seeking access to our columns. In due course, all the pieces of the puzzle will fall in suitable array. It is my hope that you remain strong in Faith and in Templary. Until we meet again. Be safe.

**Harvey J Holcomb, Commander**



Companions,

We are living in interesting times. It has been five months since we came together in person to relish in Friendship and Brotherly Love. We may still be physically absent from one another, but we are still united and strong, although in a rather informal format, via electronic medium.

It is good to hear and see one another through these means but I look forward to the future when we can once again be among Brothers in person, in peace and in harmony. Until that time arrives, be cautious, stay healthy and do not hesitate to reach out to a Companion. We are here for you.

Sincerely,

**Joseph Wallach  
Illustrious Master**



Companions,

While the current crisis reminds us of our shared fragility, it also demonstrates how everything and everyone is truly connected and interdependent.

We see rather clearly that the ecological order of all things is connected to the human condition; that eradicating the pandemic in one country will never be achieved unless it is done in all countries; and that the success and safety of our health workers are linked to our willingness to follow guidelines and practice social distancing.

At this moment, I can feel we are finally brought together as one human family – all congregating and joining efforts to create a better future on this planet.

**Francisco Marques  
High Priest**

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## CALENDAR

**Saturday, 08/08/2020 • 9:00 AM**

**Sacramento York Rite Bodies  
Court of Honor Event  
Honoring the 2019 Recipients**

**Companion Joseph Wallach  
Meritorious Service Award  
Sacramento Chapter No. 3 Royal Arch Masons**

**III. Companion Richard Wilson, IPM  
Ish Sodi Award  
Sacramento Council No. 1 Cryptic Masons**

**Sir Knight Ronald Charles Sr., EPC  
Meritorious Service Medal  
Sacramento Commandery No. 2 Knights Templar**

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**Saturday, 09/12/2020 • 9:00 AM**

**Council No. 1 of Cryptic Masons  
Commandery No. 2 Knights Templar**

Stay tuned for Zoom Information

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**Paul Abeyesekera**

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**Michael Allen**

Captain of the Guard  
**Dave Cobb**

Conductor of the Council  
**Brian Vierria**

Steward  
**Alex Baloji**

Sentinel  
**Floyd Tritt**

**Sacramento  
York Rite Bodies**  
Second Saturday of the Month  
**Sacramento Masonic Temple**  
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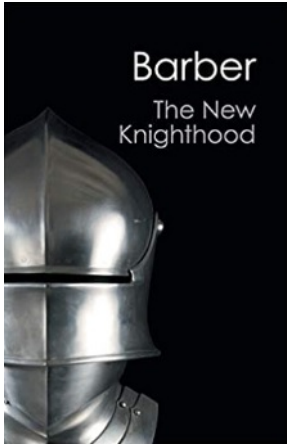
Standard Bearer  
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## Book of the Month



### **The New Knighthood A History of the Order of the Temple by Malcom Barber**

The Order of the Temple, founded in 1119 to protect pilgrims around Jerusalem, developed into one of the most influential corporations in the medieval world. It has retained its hold on the modern imagination thanks to the

dramatic events of the Templars' trial and abolition two hundred years later, and has been invoked in historical mysteries from masonic conspiracy to the survival of the Turin shroud. Malcolm Barber's lucid narrative separates myth from history in this full and detailed account of the Order, from its origins, flourishing and suppression to the Templars' historic afterlife.

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### About the Author

**Malcolm Charles Barber** (born 4 March 1943) is a British scholar of medieval history, described as the world's leading living expert on the Knights Templar. He is considered to have written the two most comprehensive books on the subject, *The Trial of the Templars* (1978) and *The New Knighthood: A History of the Order of the Temple* (1994). He has been an editor for *The Journal of Medieval History* and written many articles on various elements of the Crusades.



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## NOTICE

### **Sacramento Commandery No. 2 Knights Templar**

As a result of discussions at the Stated Conclave of May 9th, 2020, an amendment to the Sacramento Commandery No. 2's By-laws will be presented at the September Stated Conclave.

The amendment would redefine our dues to specify separately the portion that is transmitted to Grand Commandery for our annual per-capita from the portion that we have available for our own expenses, so we can properly manage remittance when the per capita is increased by the Grand Commandery.

Sincerely and fraternally,

**Sir Knight Joseph K. Dongo, KYCH  
Recorder**

## Lodge Room No. 2



**Sacramento Masonic Temple**

*You are cordially invited to the  
Sacramento York Rite Bodies  
Court of Honor Event  
Honoring the 2019 Recipients*



*Companion Joseph Wallach, King, Recipient of the  
**Meritorious Service Award**  
Presented by Sacramento Chapter No. 3 Royal Arch Masons*



*Ill. Companion Richard Wilson, IPM, Recipient of the  
**Ish Sodi Award**  
Presented by Sacramento Council No.1 Cryptic Masons*



*Sir Knight Ronald Charles, EPC, Recipient of the  
**Meritorious Service Medal**  
Presented by Sacramento Commandery No.2 Knights Templar*

*Date: Saturday, August 8, 2020*

*Time: 09:00 AM*

*Place: Zoom Webcast*

*At: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81490474565?pwd=SEcwY1FZNEhnOFY3ekg3ZERaUHBDQT09>*

*Passcode: 31208*

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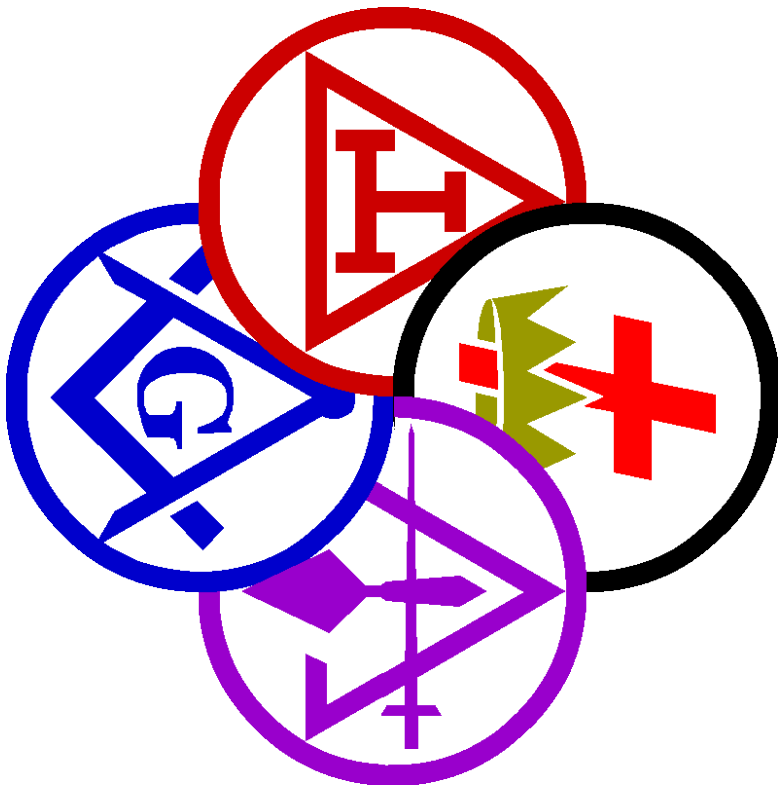
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