

San Fernando Valley York

Rite Bodies

Monthly Bulletin

December 2015

Dear,

This is the month for Election of Officers and we will also have the Installation of Omega Council. Please plan to attend these events and support our upcoming Officers.

Let me take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2016.

Fraternally,

Carlos H. Gonzalez KTCH, KYGCH, PGC
Secretary/Recorder

PS: Errors, misquotes and omissions in this Bulletin are purposely scattered in these pages for your amusement and enjoyment and not meant to cause any inconvenience to anyone.

Thank you for your understanding.

On the mend

Do you know of anyone else who is "under the weather"?
Please send me an e mail and let me know about him/her.

If you have any updates on the health condition of any of
our members or ladies mentioned above please send me
an e mail at secretary@sfvyrb.org

Thank you.

Calendar of Events

Agenda

Friday December 4

Los Angeles Assembly No. 42 SOOB
Annual Installation of Officers
Lunch at Noon

Monday December 7

Signet Chapter No. 57 RAM
Stated Convocation
Election of Officers
Dinner at 6:30 pm.

Friday December 11

Omega Council No. 11 CM
Annual Installation of Officers at 6 pm Social
Dinner at 6:30 pm
Installation to follow.

Saturday December 12
Los Angeles Commandery No. 9
Dinner at Barclay's in Pasadena at 6 pm
Contact Simon McIlroy for tickets

Friday December 18
Los Angeles Assembly No. 42 SOOB
Lunch at Noon - Pot Luck

Los Angeles Commandery No. 9
Christmas Observance - Dinner at 6:30 pm

Monday December 21
Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 KT
Stated Conclave
Election of Officers
Dinner at 6:30 pm

Friday December 25
Merry Christmas to you and yours !

Thursday December 31
New Year's Eve

Please mark your Calendars for:

Saturday January 16

Annual Installation of Officers
starting at 4 pm with Signet Chapter No. 57 RAM
followed by Dinner and
Installation of Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 KT

Los Angeles Assembly No. 42
Social Order of the Beauceant

Dear Beauceant Sister,

Greetings!! What a wonderful day!! Hope everyone is safe and sound.



I would like to thank all my Beauceant sisters for electing me to this position of honor and trust. I will try my very best to continue the tradition of the Assembly and emulate the hard work of my predecessors. I know it will not be easy for me to run this Assembly alone, but with the members and officers working in harmony as a team I know we would be able to attain our goals to make this coming year a successful one.

At the time I was writing this message, I have not confirmed the availability of my installing team, nevertheless I would like to express my gratitude and extend my special thanks in advance to them.

Our installation of officers will be held on Friday, December 4, 2015. Lunch will be at 12:00 noon followed by the Installation of Officers.

After the installation will be our Christmas party on December 18, 2015. It will be pot luck so bring your favorite dish to share with everyone. We will also have birthday celebration for the Sisters having their birthdays in the month of December.

Happy Birthday to all celebrating their birthdays and to our Sisters having health challenges, my prayer goes to them for their speedy recovery.

Holiday season is just around the corner, have a safe and healthy holidays and may everyone have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Beauceant Love and Care,

Mrs. Cirilo Marquez, President-Elect

2016 Officers

President
Mrs. Cirilo Marquez

Oracle

Mrs. James Burkett, PP 1999/2000/2015

First Vice President

Mrs. Daniel Hood

Second Vice President

Mrs. W. Joseph Ryland, PSWP

Preceptress

Mrs. Robert Coe, PP 2001/ 05

Recorder

Mrs. Bruce Ewald, PP 2008/2014

Treasurer

Mrs. Mourad Kaplanian, PP 2001

Marshal

Mrs. William Chant, PSWP

Assistant Marshal

Mrs. David Woody

Chaplain

Mrs. James Burkett,
PP1999/2000/2015

Director of Music

Mrs. Marshall Severson, PP2005/2006

Standard Bearer

Mrs. Fred Buxton, PSWP

Color Bearer

Mrs. Vincent Bell, PP2010

Mistress of the wardrobe
Mrs. William Masaredijan

Daughter of the Household
Mrs. Sam Xavier Pitassi

Inner Guard
Miss Barbara Miller, PP2012

Outer Guard
Mrs. Matthew Hyde

Signet Chapter No. 57 - Royal Arch Masons

Dear Companions and Ladies,

Companions, Ladies, and Friends,

First and foremost, I would like to thank all my Companions for their confidence in me to hold the esteemed position of High Priest for this Capitular year. It has been an honor, privilege, and wonderful experience for me. We had a great year with some relatively new activities, such as our Past High Priest Night and our Table Chapter. We haven't done these events in many years and they were very well received, attended, and supported by our membership. I could not have done it without the help, guidance, leadership, and counsel of so many Companions who guided me through this journey.

Our Installation is coming up soon on Jan 16th which will be another double header with the Los Angeles Commandry #9. The event will begin at 4:00 with Signet Chapter #57 commencing their ceremony first, followed by a dinner, then the Commandry installation. Thank you again my Companions, my Brothers, for all of your support and dedication to our Craft.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Eric Bertolli
High Priest
Signet Chapter #57



2015 Officers

High Priest

Eric Bertolli

King

David Jody Williams

Scribe

Matthew Stephen Hyde (Nicole)

Treasurer

Rick Leandro Baca, KYCH

Treasurer Emeritus

Richard Thomas Cooper, KYGCH (Norma)

Secretary

Carlos Hugo Gonzalez KTCH, KYGCH

Chaplain

Bruce Edmond Hudson KYCH

Captain of the Host

Alejandro Laborde (Emily)

Principal Sojourner

Marco Cerretelli

Royal Arch Captain

Edwin Balao (Rosie)

Master of the Third Veil

Antony Kubichan (Liat)

Master of the Second Veil

Lou Vizcocho (Belinda)

Master of the First Veil

Keith Douglas Kramer

Sentinel

Daniel Graham Hood (Penny)

Inspector & Officers' Coach - Royal Arch District 21

Bruce Edmond Hudson

Department Grand Officer

Dennis Thomas Dyer (Dolores)

Omega Council No. 11 - Cryptic Masons



Companions and Ladies,

Wow! Can you believe it's almost 2016? December marks the time when the year ends and a new one arrives; the time when the sun symbolically dies and rises again from the grave to give rebirth and new life to Creation. We have had a great year with events, festivals, and new members added to our Council. A similar process happens in our Masonic organizations each year where we have our annual elections and vote in new leaders and retire previous leaders to become senior leaders.

Your participation and attendance has made this success possible. I am very thankful and honored to have been able to serve our great Council. I am grateful to God and those leaders who have helped me, those members to whom I look up. I want to especially thank Illustrious Companion Bruce Hudson for leading our degree teams and personally mentoring me; Illustrious Companion Carlos Gonzales for keeping the business of our Council in order and being a leader whom I appreciate; Illustrious Companion Rick Baca who has kept our finances in order and a great example and mentor to me; Illustrious Companion Edwardo Estrada who has guided our Council and me through the eyes of our Grand Council, and has offered me sound advice; and to all the other Companions who have helped me in so many ways.

Our Installation is on Friday, December 11th. Please join us in installing our 2016 officers and our incoming Illustrious Master, Companion Eric Bertolli.

May the bonds of fraternal love be strengthened between us. I wish you all a very happy holiday season. This is a wonderful time of year where we come together to be close to our family and friends. Enjoy each other's company and "love one another."

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

David J Williams
2015 Illustrious Master

Companions, Ladies, and Friends,

It seems I am hopping from one ship and going straight to the next! It was an amazing year in 2015 (please see Royal Arch article) and now we look forward to 2016 where I hope we can continue the great momentum we have steamrolling already! The Table Chapter was a great success in 2015 for the Royal Arch, so I have no choice but to continue this tradition in another Masonic body, our very active Cryptic Council, and have a TABLE COUNCIL!

We only have 5 meetings a year so we will definitely need to fill in some time. What a great way to bring our Companions together again by having a Table Council. Stay tuned for the details on the date for this event. I will need to check with the Illustrious Grand Master so we can schedule a date suitable for his calendar. If you missed Table Chapter, you have another chance next year. If you came to Table Chapter, you already know what a great time this will be. Thank you again Companions for your confidence in me to hold another position in the East in the York Rite. These journeys have been more than fulfilling and enjoyable and I look forward to another epic year. Please join us at our installation on Dec 11th at 6:30. Thank you!

Eric Bertolli
Illustrious Master - Elect
Omega Council #11

2015 Officers

Illustrious Master
David Jody Williams (Nataly)

Deputy Master
Eric Bertolli

Principal Conductor of the Work
Simon Aristide McIlroy (Michelle)

Treasurer
Rick L. Baca KYCH

Treasurer Emeritus
Richard T. Cooper KYGCH, PGC (Norma)

Recorder
Carlos Hugo Gonzalez, KTCH, KYGCH

Chaplain
Bruce Edmond Hudson, KYCH

Captain of the Guard
Alejandro Laborde (Emily)

Conductor of the Council
Matthew Stephen Hyde (Nicole)

Steward
Edwin Balao (Rosie)

Sentinel
Daniel Graham Hood (Penny)

Officers' Coach
Cirilo Padolina Marquez

Inspector - Cryptic Arch 12
Raymond Broomfield

Grand Officer - Department IV
Eduardo Estrada, KYCH

Assistant Director of Ritual - Department IV
Rick L. Baca

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Sir Knights,



Season's greetings to you, one and all! It is with a tinge of sadness and a sigh of relief that I write this, knowing it is my final article as Commander of Los Angeles No. 9. It has been an indescribable honour to serve you all in that capacity, and I hope my tenure has had a positive impact. My goals were to increase pride in our degree conferrals and ritual, the esprit de corps of our drill team, and the passion for Templar Christian Masonry amongst our members. If I have had any influence on even one of those things then I am content.

However, our work is not done Sir Knights. While Masonry on the whole is on the upswing and seeing increases across the state, Commanderies, Chapters, Council and even Scottish Rite bodies continue to see their numbers dwindle, their bodies merge, and in some cases close down completely. Each and everyone one of us must ask ourselves what we are doing to demonstrate to the Brothers in our Blue Lodges the value of not just joining appendant bodies of Masonry, but of being active, involved and educated in them as well. I've mentioned in past that when I first started joining Masonic organizations, I would ask myself what I could do to leave it better than when I found it. I task all of you to look inward and reflect on these questions and issues.

I want to thank ALL the officers, officials, and candidates I've had the privilege of working with over the past few years. I have endeavoured to learn something from my interactions with all of you, in varying capacities, and maybe some of you have learned something from me as well. It is my belief that there is a lesson to be learned from every situation, every challenge, and even every conflict, as long as we keep our minds and our hearts open.

Finally, I wish you all a very Merry Christmas, a Happy Hanukkah, and good tidings for any other seasonal celebration or Holy Days you observe. May your futures be bright and full of love and light. And to quote an old Irish Toast (even though I'm of Scottish descent) "May the blessings of light be upon you, Light without and light within. And in all your comings and goings, May you ever have a kindly greeting from them you meet along the road."

When he saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:
"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.
Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of

God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you [falsely] because of me.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven. Thus they persecuted the prophets who were before you." - Matthew 5:1-12

Yours in Faith,
Simon A. McIlroy
Commander

2015 Officers

Commander

Simon Aristide McIlroy (Michelle)

Generalissimo

Daniel Graham Hood (Penny)

Captain General

David Jody Williams (Nataly)

Senior Warden

Teodorico Joseph Oliva III (Karla)

Junior Warden

Alejandro Laborde (Emily)

Prelate

Bruce Edmond Hudson KYCH

Treasurer

Rick Leandro Baca

Treasurer Emeritus

Richard Thomas Cooper KYGCH, PGC (Norma)

Recorder

Carlos Hugo Gonzalez KTCH, KYGCH

Standard Bearer

Agustin Garcia

Sword Bearer

Rich Juden (Michelle)

Warder
Matthew Stephen Hyde (Nicole)

Guards
Lou L. Vizcocho (Belinda)

Eric Bertolli

Michael Cortez

Sentinel
Daniel C. Plascencia (Celia)

Officers' Coach
Bruce Edmond Hudson KYCH

Inspector Department II - Division B
Rick Leandro Baca

Department Commander
Thomas Nolen Thomas

Assistant Director of Ritual - Department II
Jonathan P. Dilley

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Please send me an e mail to secretary@sfvyrb.org if there are any errors or omissions that need to be corrected.

Sincerely,

Carlos H. Gonzalez - Secretary/Recorder
San Fernando Valley York Rite Bodies