



Auburn York Rite & Placer Shrine Club

December 2011 Newsletter



Auburn York Rite

Delta Chapter No. 27 RAM

Stated Convocation - 2nd Mon- 7:30

Gateway Council No. 13 CM

Stated Assembly -4th Mon 7:30 PM

Feb-Apr-June-Sept-Oct-Nov

Auburn Commandery No. 52 KT

Stated Conclave - 3rd Mon 7:30 PM



*Wishing you a joyous and
prosperous Holiday Season*

Placer Shrine Club

General Membership Meeting (Pot Luck)

4th Tues Jan, March, May, Sept.

Board of Directors 4th Tuesday

Feb, April, June, Oct.

PV is in second weekend in July.

This is the last issue for mailing for the 2011 Newsletter Subscriptions. If you want to continue receiving the paper copies, please pay the \$10 annual subscription fee to your Secretary/Recorder.

December Calendar and upcoming events

Sat. Dec. 3 rd	9:00 AM	Ben Ali Ceremonial at the Shrine Center Ladies Bazaar at Lions Gate
Thu. Dec. 8 th	6:30 PM	Nevada Commandery #6 Christmas Observance (Nevada City)
Mon. Dec. 12 th	6:30 PM	Delta Chapter Dinner & Stated Meeting
Sat. Dec. 17 th	8:00 AM	Possible York Rite Clean up day (please see article below)
Mon. Dec. 19 th	6:30 PM	Auburn Commandery Dinner, Christmas Program and Stated Meeting
Fri. Dec. 23rd		Newsletter article submissions due
Put these upcoming events on your calendar:		
Tue. Jan 3 rd	5:30 PM	Ben Ali Meeting and Installation
Mon. Jan. 9 th	7:00 PM	Delta Chapter Installation
Mon. Jan. 16 th	7:00 PM	Auburn Commandery Installation
Sat. Jan. 21 st		BASCO Days at Lions Gate
Mon. Jan. 23 rd	7:00 PM	Gateway Council Installation

Dues notices have been sent out to the Auburn York Rite members. Please remember that all forms returned by Dec. 31st will receive a free Auburn York Rite Roster.



Plans are tentative for a York Rite Clean Up day on Saturday, Dec. 17th.

If the Masonic Temple is available and if we have enough volunteers, I plan to host a breakfast for all workers. I will also offer tickets for each hour worked and the tickets will be entered into a drawing for gift card prizes at the end of the clean-up.

We need to go through the York Rite closets and review and inventory the paraphernalia, those items that need attention will be set aside for a separate project.

Those beyond use or repair will be discarded. We will look at the armory and assign the lockers.

Please contact Dave Glass at (916) 454-5335 or auburnyorkrite@gmail.com to volunteer for this much needed effort.

Delta Chapter No. 27, Royal Arch Masons
Scott Husmann, Excellent High Priest



Delta Chapter 27 RAM Companions

I have very much appreciated the experience of being the High Priest for Delta Chapter 27, Royal Arch Masons. December conclave marks the end of the year for your current corps of officers. Your Chapter has been well served by these men. My personal thanks to officers Tom Krummell, Charlie Fink, Dave Glass, Karl Krummell, Fred Flint-Montero, Duane Howard, Nick Abreu, Russ Harris, Don Meigs and companions Malcolm Hill, John Cooper, Fred Smith and Don Lamoureux for your dedication. Delta Chapter 27 has once again distinguished itself. Officers for the coming capitular year will be elected at the December conclave.

Delta Chapter had an excellent turnout for the Mark Master Degree in November. The class of candidates was 12 outstanding Masons representing many Chapters from our part of the state. I understand Delta Chapter plans to confer the Past Master and Most Excellent Master Degrees early in this coming year. I sincerely hope that if you did not find reason to attend any of your Chapter activities this last year, that you will be inspired to attend this coming year. Degrees are the perfect opportunity.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 PM followed by the December conclave at 7:30 PM.

R. Scott Husmann, High Priest
Delta Chapter 27, RAM

Gateway Council #13, Cryptic Masons
Tom Krummell, Illustrious Master



Merry Christmas, Companions, and best wishes for your holiday season.

Gateway Council has had a balanced year, ending the year with the same number of members as in January. This is a good start for next year's Illustrious Master, with the real challenge being the membership figures growing by December 2012.

The attendance at November's Mark Master Degree was greater than expected, and we also had Brethren from Sacramento Chapter in attendance. We are tentatively expecting to confer the Past Master Degree in February, 2012, and if time permits at the same meeting, conferring the Most Excellent Master Degree.

Although there has been talk of conferring the four Chapter degrees all at once in late February, we won't be able to bring all the resources together for the conferral, so the next full conferral of the Chapter Degrees will be in Woodland on March 17, 2012. Contact has been made with the East Bay York Rite Association and several other associations in Northern California with a goal of working out degree dates so that degrees are continually available throughout the year somewhere in Northern California.

Conferral of the Cryptic Degrees has not been set yet but can be expected on April 22, 2012 in Auburn. Easter is April 8, and tax day is April 15, so April 22 is the logical date. My Illustrious Successor will have the pleasure of finalizing the date.

Many thanks to all the Companions who turned out in rain and shine this year. May 2012 be successful and prosperous for you as well.

Fraternally,
Tom Krummell, I.M.

Auburn Commandery #52, Knights Templar
W. Bruce Pruitt, Eminent Commander



Sir Knights and Ladies,

Our December Ingathering will take place on December 19. The young ladies of Job's Daughters will serve us a delicious dinner, beginning at 6:30 PM. After dinner we will conduct the traditional Knights Templar Christmas Service. **The wives are particularly invited to attend the dinner and service. Any other friends that you would like to invite are also very welcome.** We will open for business afterwards and conduct the election of officers. This will be a special evening; don't miss it!

Report from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation:

The Office Administrator of the KTEF as recently sent out a notice announcing the Research Grant Program for 2012 – 2013. Applications are due in February, and grants will go out in June 2012. Grants this term will be up to \$60,000, and now a second year repeat will be possible. In addition, five fellowships have been approved for international researchers, who plan to return home to continue work, at \$60,000 each. The 43rd Voluntary Campaign last year brought in \$1.2 million. California was second highest at \$91,252, but we still have a ways to beat Ohio who contributed \$114,463. We could do it, though!

The 44th Campaign is now under way. As of Nov. 11 total contributions have amounted to \$630,907. Income from the mailing labels amounted to \$102,117. The 2012 calendars have also been sent out. Those last two are pretty successful; calendars brought in about \$150,000 last year. If any of you have not sent in money for your calendar, nor made your annual contribution, I urge you to do so right away. This is OUR charity, and there is no better place to put some of your charity budget. About \$2.7 million was spent on hold-over operations. There is a new promotional booklet in the works that will be extremely effective in telling the story of the Eye Foundation and help in fund-raising. Your Eye Foundation is in good shape and going strong.

Fraternally,
Bruce Pruitt
Commander, Auburn Commandery No. 52

Placer Shrine Club
Matt Enright, President



Your editor received the following reply for the article requests:

*"There will not be an article for the Placer Shrine – Norm Clow will now be the contact for that in the future."
An email was sent to Noble Norm, however no reply was received 3 days after the deadline*

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Dave Glass, Editor



With the cost of ink, paper, envelopes and postage: each issue costs, on average, about \$1.25 to print and mail first class. That money is out of my own pocket. I feel it is important for our members to know what is going on and to promote York Rite and Shrine. An issue is emailed to those whom I have the email address. If you do want a print copy, we have a \$10 subscription for the ten issues each year; please submit your subscription fee along with your dues statement. There will also be free copies printed and left at the Tiler's station on or before the Delta Chapter meeting. **Content for YOUR newsletter is always welcome prior to the deadline on the 23rd of each month prior to publication.**