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2010 FALL YORK RITE FESTIVAL HELD AT ANCHORAGE MASONIC CENTER



(L to R) Sir Knights Dennis N. Oakland and Mitchell L. Coulthard prepare to obligate Candidate Chad Merfeld.



Sir Knight Lee Seagondollar performs the Commander's blessing during the Order of the Temple.

On October 29 & 30, 2010, Anchorage York Rite Masons and Mat-Su Valley York Rite Masons teamed up to confer the degrees and orders upon Brother Chad Michael Everett Merfeld. Brother Merfeld was receiving courtesy work for: Colorado Springs Chapter #6, Royal Arch Masons, Zabud Cryptic Council #8, Royal and Select Masters and Pike's Peak Commandery #6, Knights Templar in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Brother Merfeld also became a member of Anchorage York Rite Masons.

The candidate was welcomed on Friday evening. Labor began at 6 PM with conferral of the Royal Arch Degrees. On Saturday morning, the Council Degrees of Royal and Select Masters commenced at 9 AM after coffee and doughnuts were served courtesy of Anchorage York Rite. Lunch "on your own" followed the Council Degrees. The Order of the Red Cross was conferred at 1 PM with the Degree of Knight of Saint Paul or Mediterranean Pass and the Order of Malta immediately afterward. After a brief recess, the Order of the Temple was conferred by Sir Knights Charles Ashcraft, Jim McGoldrick, Bruce Downs, Jack Newell, Will Ottman, Mitchell Coulthard, David Hunt, John Bishop, Dale Cain, David Prentice, Leonard Bibler, Johnnie Wallace, Dennis Oakland, Lee Seagondollar, Alvin Kelley and Jackie Carl.

Sir Knight Merfeld was given a hearty welcome to Anchorage Commandery #2 after being knighted. A short program of Masonic education was presented to review the ceremonies of Templary. Following the conferral, all members present signed the back new Knight's membership patent.

FROM THE EDITOR

I would like to encourage all Sir Knights to submit articles, letters, pictures, or comments for inclusion in this supplement. Articles need to be submitted to me by the 25th of the month for the next issue (January 25th for March issue).

ANCHORAGE COMMANDERY #2 AND MAT-SU VALLEY COMMANDERY #4 ELECT AND APPOINT NEW OFFICERS FOR 2011

Palmer, Alaska, November 10, 2010—New officers of Mat-Su Valley Commandery #4, Knights Templar were elected and appointed for next year's term:

Commander—SK Ted Hutchinson	Senior Warden—SK Mitchell Coulthard
Generalissimo—SK Jimmie McGoldrick	Junior Warden—SK Bruce Downs
Captain General—SK Jack Newell	Prelate—SK Dylan Youngblood
Recorder—ESK Dennis Oakland	Standard Bearer—SK Trigger Twigg
Treasurer—ESK Lee Seagondollar	Warder—SK Donald Ridge
Sword Bearer—SK Richard Grant	Sentinel—ESK Jackie Carl

Anchorage, Alaska, November 12, 2010—New officers of Anchorage Commandery #2, Knights Templar were elected and appointed for next year's term:

Commander—SK Jack Newell	Senior Warden—SK John Bishop
Generalissimo—ESK Dennis Oakland	Junior Warden—SK Dan Hawkins
Captain General—SK Will Ottman	Prelate—ESK Dale Cain
Recorder—RESK David Hunt	Standard Bearer—ESK Tom Millar
Treasurer—ESK Dale Cain	Warder—TBA
Sword Bearer—TBA	Sentinel—TBA

These newly elected and appointed officers are to be installed Friday, December 3, 2010 at 7:30 PM. Dinner will precede the ceremony and will begin at 6:30 PM. Festivities will be held at the Anchorage Masonic Center, 15th and eagle Streets. All Masons, their families and friends are cordially invited to attend.

WATCH FOR THE 2010 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CHRISTMAS TOAST OBSERVANCE IN THE MARCH ISSUE