

York Rite Bodies of Ft. Myers  
P.O. Box 6354  
FT. MYERS, FL 33911



**EYE FOUNDATION ALL YOU CAN  
EAT SPAGGETTI DINNER WILL BE  
HELD ON FEBRUARY 28 AT TROPICAL  
LODGE FROM 4 TO 7 PM. Tickets  
are available by calling the Secretary  
Recorder and will be available at the  
door. Call Ted Connally at 357-1263 and  
have him send them or hold them for you.  
As usual, the are \$6.00 each.**

## FORT MYERS YORK RITE BODIES

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Currently meeting at  
Tropical Lodge No. 56  
3100 Evans Avenue, Fort Myers, FL 33901

**Regular Communications**  
**2nd and 4th Tuesdays 7:00 PM**

**Chapter and Council alternate 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays. Commandery meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. The months of July and August may be Dark. Please verify meeting dates on the calendar and announcement pages of our website**

**March 2009**

**Visitors welcome / Members are urged to attend**

**From the High Priest:**

Pride, pleasure, satisfaction .....all words that describe my feelings regarding the progress so far of Poinciana Chapter #50, Royal Arch Masons – especially the enthusiasm and dedication of our newer Companions. We have had two practices already of the Chapter opening and closing and the ritual for receiving the official visitation of our District Deputy Grand High Priest. These rehearsals have gone well and the participants reflect an eagerness to learn their parts and perform them well.

Our last practice is scheduled for Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> - probably before you receive this newsletter. Then the next Chapter meeting is Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, at which time we will be welcoming Right Excellent Companion Jerry Timberlake, District Deputy Grand High Priest.

The degree work for the Chapter is proceeding on schedule as well and we are delighted to be welcoming into our band of Brothers several new Companions. You will find a complete schedule of York Rite degree work for the rest of this year elsewhere in this newsletter.

Enthusiasm breeds enthusiasm – so, if you have not been an active participant in Chapter meetings recently, come join the fun and fellowship. You’ll be welcomed back – and likely given a job. See you on the 10<sup>th</sup>?

Fraternally and with warmest regards,  
Dick Nelson, High Priest

**From the Illustrious Master: WOW**

January 23, 2009  
Knights Templar Eye Foundation  
Attn: Guy E. Waltman  
314 Greenwood Ave.  
Lehigh Acres, FL 33972

Dear Guy:

The Green Bay Packers are proud to support the efforts of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation with the enclosed check in the amount of \$250.00.

We hope our support of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation in memory of Charles Goehle, Jr. aids in the success of the foundation.

Sincerely,  
Bobbi Jo Eisenreich  
Corporate Donations Supervisor  
Green Bay Packers

**From the Commander**

Greetings, Sir Knights!

The new year is well underway and we are already quite busy! First, the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross and the Order of Malta were conferred on three Companions, so they are now suitably prepared to receive the Order of the Temple. In order to properly prepare for conferring the Order at our Stated Conclave on March 24<sup>th</sup> at Tropical Lodge, the participants are urged to begin looking over their parts and attend the

practices we will have between now and then. These practices will take place following the Stated Conclave of Ft. Myers Commandery on February 24<sup>th</sup> and the Stated Convocation of Poinciana Chapter on March 10.

Second, the annual KTEF Spaghetti Dinner will take place February 28<sup>th</sup> at Tropical Lodge. Eminent Sir Knight Fish is chairing that activity and will provide more details in his own article in his guise as our KTEF Chairman.

Looking forward to your support for both functions!

Yours in Christ,  
Randy Spradling,  
Commander

**RELOCATION OF OUR CHARTERS**

At the beginning of 2008 a MOTION was made, seconded and subsequently tabled, proposing to relocate the three York Rite Bodies from Noah Lodge to Tropical Lodge. In view of changing relationships and requirements, that motion has been reintroduced and accordingly will be presented at the first meeting in January for its “First Reading.” The MOTION reads as follows: **RESOLVED that the Bylaws be amended to reflect the location for Stated Meetings of Poinciana Chapter 50 RAM and Ft. Myers council No 25 R&SM and Ft. Myers Commandery No 32 KT as being the Fort Myers Masonic Center at 3100 Evans, Ave., Ft. Myers, Florida effective upon Approval of the Bylaws Change by the Grand Governing Bodies.**

**FINAL VOTES TO BE TAKEN AT THE NEXT MEETING OF EACH BODY.**

**Address , Phone Number and email updates are needed.** Thanks to a change in Postal requirements, we have discovered that we have over 60 bad addresses on file. If anyone mentions to you that they are not receiving mail from us, have them call, and if you are not on the email list, please let us have you email address.

**YORK RITE DEGREE WORK**

- 3/24.....Order of the Temple
- 4/14.....Mark Master
- 4/28.....Past Master and Most Excellent Master
- 5/12.....Royal Arch
- 5/26..... Grand Lodge Communication
- 6/9.....Royal Master
- 6/23.....Select Master
- 9/22.....Order of the Red Cross and Order of Malta
- 10/27.....Order of Knights Templar

