Fort Wayne York Rite Bodies Chapter #19, Council #4 and Commandery #4 216 E Washington Street Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday, 7:30pm 4th Floor Fort Wayne Masonic Temple

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Sir Knights Attention!

After an absence that has been far too long, I am proud to see the return of the Fort Wayne York Rite of Masonry back to submitting articles for the S&C. Many thanks to both Jim Bishop PM, editor of the S&C and Sir Knight Henry LaHurreau PGC / Recorder, for making this process, quick and moderately painless.

This first article submission comes at a perfect time to inform all our Brothers and Sir Knights of the upcoming York Rite Tri-State Festival. Each year the York Rite bodies of Indiana, Michigan and Ohio hold this special degree work event, conferring the Chapter and Council Degrees and Commandery Orders.

This year is a once-in-a-lifetime event! Not only are the best ritualists from all three states going to be conferring the degrees, but this year's class has been dedicated to honor one of our own: John William McNaughton 33°, OPC, Eminent Past Commander of St. George Commandery, Grand Commandery of Ohio and affiliated Past Commander, Fort Wayne Commandery #4, Grand Commandery of Indiana. Sir Knight McNaughton will be in attendance.

The Degrees and Orders will be conferred on Saturday, February 27, 2010 at Bryan, OH and completed Saturday, March 6, 2010 at Angola. Check-in will be at 8:30am with Work starting at 9:00am.

Many of you have heard the terms: Royal Arch Mason, Cryptic Mason and Knight Templar. Those are the titles that are given to Masons who have taken the Degrees and Orders of the York Rite.

If you would like to join us during this event, your time is running out. Petitions must be received by the Fort Wayne York Rite prior to our Regular Stated meeting on Wednesday, February 17, 2010. For your convenience, we have attached a petition with this article and we sincerely hope that you will join us for this additional light in Masonry.

Sir Knights, Dismissed.

Kurt Begue Commander