



UTAH SUPPLEMENT

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This month many of the Sir Knights and Companions participated in the 4 Corners Ceremonies and this year it was in Farmington New Mexico where we do the Chapter Degrees outside at the Shriner Park 45 minutes away from Farmington. This was the last time that the Degrees would be held here as the Shriners Park was Sold.

New Mexico Basin Chapter opened on the Royal Arch Degree. Followed by an opening by All 4 states (Colorado, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico).

The unique and cool thing about the 4 corner Chapter degrees is every year each stage rotates which degree they put on, and they put on their states version of the degree. Though Chapter degrees of all states are similar, they are different enough that it is enjoyable to see how other states put on their version of the degree.

This year, Colorado put on the Mark Master Degree, Utah put on the Past Master Degree, Arizona put on the Most Excellent Master Degree, and host New Mexico put on the Royal Degrees. Parts were memorized and it was very enjoyable to watch and observe. The 10 candidates who came from all 4 states seemed to really enjoy the degrees.

The month of September was the month everything came back together. Blue Lodge Masonry in the state of Utah resumed. Scottish Rite and El Kalah Shrine resumed their meetings, and so did Utah York Rite Bodies.

October is a wonderful month in York Rite Freemasonry, especially out here in the west. Because the end of every October is the Southwest Department Conference of The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. Normally, we Utah York Rite members get the privilege to travel to sunny Las Vegas. However, this year, thanks to TJ Robertson, Jason Varner, and Jeff Hamilton, the Southwest Conference will be held in Salt Lake this year.