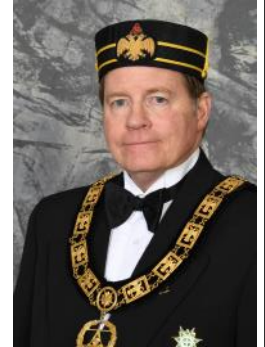




Comedy Show



From the Venerable Master



Brethren;

I will only focus on the Stand Up Comedy Show that the Lodge of Perfection has planned for Sunday, August 27th.

We will gather at 6pm for our social time and serve a buffet dinner at 6:45.

Our stand up comedian, **Michael Mancini**, will take the stage at 7:30pm.

Michael Mancini has been on many TV talk shows, Comedy Central, and headlines at many of the top comedy clubs. He is revered as the World's Funniest Cop for a good reason; he is genuinely very funny. He has many fun stories about his job and interactions with people. He is a real police officer in Santa Cruz. I have known him for many years and have watched his act develop into what it is today. I think of him as a truly fun act.

We request that you make reservations as soon as possible. Please call the Scottish Rite office @ 408-978-7483, email at: reservations@sanjosescottishrite.org or visit the office to make your reservations. We accept cash, credit card, or check and the cost is only \$20.00 for dinner and show. Invite friends and lodge members to join us that evening as this isn't a closed event. Suggested attire is coat and tie.

Your friends can call here direct or you can make reservations for them.

MARTIN MAXEY

VENERABLE MASTER

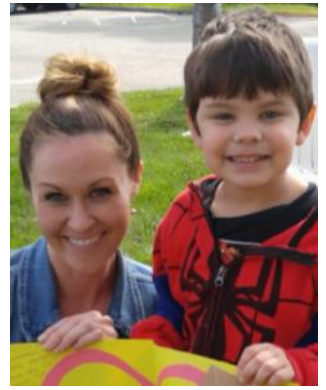
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From the
Clinic

Mason received services at our clinic between the ages of three and four-and-a-half. Initially, Mason worked on some articulation skills, such as producing three syllable words, /w/, /l/ and l-blends, and /s/-blends at the beginning of his words. To his clinician's surprise, after five months, he quickly learned and used these words and sounds in conversation! He worked very hard in his twice a week speech therapy sessions on having expected behaviors, following 2-step directions, using age appropriate vocabulary and irregular past tense verbs. We would typically spend our time doing directions involving body movements such as, "Sing part of a song and then take a bow." These types of directions tended to be a bit more challenging for him than table-top tasks such as, "Find the dinosaur with the spikey tail on your paper (amongst three other different dinosaurs) and color him green." Mason needed lots of repetitions and support to be able to follow directions involving his body movements. We would often target producing irregular past tense verbs such as, "saw," "hit," "hurt," and "went," while playing with animal toys. He enjoyed having his toy penguin dive into the bean box and yelled, "The penguin went into the beans!" Mason would always have a smile on his face and was happy to see his clinician each week. Although he was seen for his full 18 months here, his clinician decided that since he continues to need to work on several goals, he will be put back at the end of the treatment waiting list, to be seen at a later time. His clinician is hoping that even though he is not working on these goals with her, he is still thinking and learning about them. Sometimes all we need is a little break. J And who knows! Maybe by the time he is seen here again, he will be able to do and say the things we practiced on his own without a hitch! Hope to see you soon Mason!



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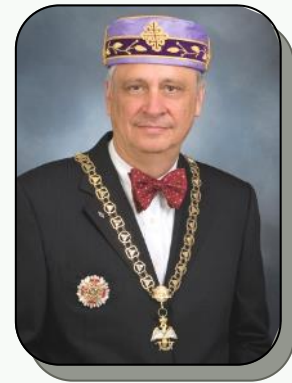
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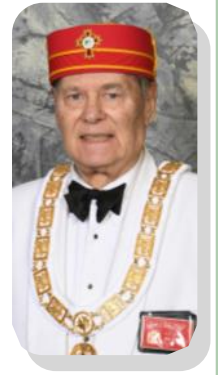
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Get-together by the San Jose Scottish Rite Council of Kadosh and friends in August this year is for a visit the “Secret Water Laboratory” that helped save San Francisco Bay. A hidden gem, the Bay Area Model in Sausalito is a huge three-dimensional working model of the S.F. Bay and the Delta river system. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers built the Bay Model in the mid-1950’s to test a plan that would have created two fresh water lakes by damming up the north and south bays. Subsequent tests proved that both lakes would evaporate faster than they would fill up—thus saving our precious S.F. Bay. Other interactive testing included Sierra snowpack and dams, river orientations and flows, and delta levee structures.



The exhibit covers over 1.5 acres. Most visitors take the free self-guided tour starting from the “mountains” to the “sea”. A theater shows a 12 minute orientation film. Next is a pilot’s overlook view of the whole bay system from 12,000 ft. altitude. Pathways around the model provide a sea-level perspective of the bay and delta including the bottom of the bay, runways for the S.F. International Airport, and the “proposed” peripheral canal.

“Trekking the Model” is a free tour for the public, led by one of model’s park rangers or docents and is offered Tuesdays thru Fridays from 9:00 a.m.—4.00 p.m. during the week—and on week ends from 10.00—5.00. Closed on Mondays. I am planning to lead a tour to this facility, and perhaps followed with a local dinner in that area, in the second half of August . If any of our members, families or friends are interested please see me at S.J.S. Rite or call at 650 948-1400 at I will attempt to coordinate the “best date” for a visit to the Bay Model.

Dell Bleiler, Commander of Kadosh

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Fall 2017 Reunion

My Brothers,

Our Fall 2017 Reunion is less than 3 months away! Do you have the dates entered in your calendar or datebook, and are you planning to attend? If you don't reserve the dates now, you'll for sure book something else on them between now and then. The dates are: OCT 20-21 (Fri-Sat); OCT 27-28 (Fri-Sat); NOV 7 (Tues). Enter them now! More details on the schedule of events next month.

This is also the perfect time to start talking with the Master Masons in your Blue Lodge about the meanings, lessons and benefits of going through the Scottish Rite Degrees. Don't procrastinate and say you'll wait until the end of summer to talk to people. By then, they'll have booked something else into those dates and be unavailable. Talk with them NOW, and tell them how much the Scottish Rite has meant to you, and why you think they would benefit equally by taking the Degrees. Make sure you have an application handy, like the one inside the back page of this Rite Word. If you need more—call or email the Office and we can send you as many as you need. Our last couple Reunion Classes have been smaller than in past years, and we'd really like to see a few dozen Candidates in the Fall. Each of you must know at least ONE Master Mason who would be a good Candidate. Do him a favor by inviting him to join our Ancient and Accepted Rite. You'll be glad you did!

*With summer in full bloom it makes me consider
Our tasks can be sweet and on occasion bitter
Though the days are long and often hot,
The nights are cool and full of thought.
So I like to think of what to do,
Interesting things for me and for you,
Our time in this summer is but a few weeks left,
So we work to make sure in fall we are set.*



Francis Bacon once said "Truth is the daughter of time, not of authority" I often think of this when considering how things are, and who is telling me what they are. One of the great aspects in Masonry is the opportunity to consider and reflect on what we do in life and how we can support society.

So I hope my brothers you have having a great summer, full of considerations and questions, time with your friends and family. Soon it will be fall, back to school, shorter days and busier schedules. It is great to relax while the sun shines, vacation with our families and friends but also good to get back to the business of life in the fall. For me, I will be spending the rest of the summer, talking to friends reflecting on our time together and asking questions about the universe. Hope you have time to do the same.

In the end, as always, I seem to find that I ask more questions than find the answers I seem to seek. Perhaps that is just the way it is supposed to be.

MARK BURGER

MASTER OF KADOSH



MENU

Tuesday, August 8th, 2017

Assorted Appetizers
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You will get an email back within 24 hours confirming your reservation. Use it NOW to reserve for the Aug 8 Std Mtg Dinner & the Aug 27 Comedy Night. Just write: John Doe—1 for Std Mtg dinner and send. Try it—please.

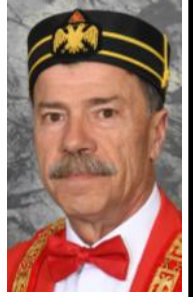
2017 Biennial Honors

Every other year, the Supreme Council of the 33rd Degree, in special session, elects a number of Brothers from throughout the Southern Jurisdiction and acknowledges and recognizes them as dedicated workers in the vineyards of Freemasonry, who will consider this honor an opportunity and incentive for even greater service in the future.

This year, 6 Brothers in the Valley of San Jose have been selected to receive such Honors. 2 will have Conferred upon them the 33° White Hat and title of Inspector General Honorary. They are Brothers Chuck Cowden and Bud Ramsey. 4 will be Invested with the Red Hat and title of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor. They are Brothers Tom Bergevin, Martin Maxey, Tom Tefft and Hank Vlcek. The KCCH ceremony will take place at the Oakland Scottish Rite on Sept 16 at 4pm, followed by a Banquet at 6pm. Both are open to the public. If you would like to attend the Ceremony and/or Banquet, contact the Office for all the details and to make reservation.

Brethren,

I am sure that all of you, who attended the Grand Master Reception on July 11th, are in agreement with me that the Reception was something to remember for a long time. MW John Heisner regaled us with a memorable presentation, a real inspirational speech about us as a fraternity. Sharing with us his thoughts and observations from his work and travel was absolutely special! As I said, something to remember!



Now, that the summer time is upon us, and the vacation season is in full swing, allow me to share with you some quotes from great masons from the past.

Wherever you are enjoying your summer break, having a Mai-Tai in Hawaii or a Guinness in Dublin, I think that those quotes will be a good food for thought.

“Freemasonry is an institution founded on eternal reason and truth; whose deep basis is the civilization of mankind, and whose everlasting glory it is to have the immovable support of those two mighty pillars, science and morality” George Washington.

“The secret of Masonry, like the secret of life, can be known only by those who seek it, serve it, and live it. It cannot be uttered; it can only be felt and acted. It is, in fact, an open secret, and each man knows it according to his quest and capacity. Like all things worth knowing, no one can know it for another and no man can know it alone.” William Howard Taft.

“Freemasonry is a moral order, instituted by virtuous men, with the praiseworthy design of recalling to our remembrance the most sublime truths, in the midst of the most innocent and social pleasures, founded on liberality, brotherly love and charity.” Andrew Jackson.

“We Masons are among the fortunate ones who are taught to meet together with others opposing convictions or competitive ideas and yet respect each other as Brothers.” Albert Pike.

“Freemasonry embraces the highest moral laws and will bear the test of any system of ethics or philosophy ever promulgated for the uplift of man.” Douglas MacArthur.

“I ask of each Mason, of each member, of each brother, that he shall remember ever that there is upon him a peculiar obligation to show himself in every respect a good citizen; for after all, the way he can best do his duty by the ancient order to which he belongs is by reflecting credit upon that order by way in which he performs his duty as a citizen of the United States.” Theodore Roosevelt.

“Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seeks to draw Masonic wages in gold and silver will be disappointed. The wages of a Mason are in the dealings with one another; sympathy begets sympathy, kindness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness, and these are the wages of a Mason. Benjamin Franklin.

“Freemasonry is 'veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols' because these are the surest way by which moral and ethical truths may be taught. It is not only with the brain and with the mind that the initiate must take Freemasonry but also with the heart.” Carl Claudy.

“It is noble in its administration: to think and let think, beyond the narrow contracted prejudices of bitter sectarians in these modern times. It is general or universal language, fitted to benefit the poor stranger, which no other institution is calculated to reach, by extending the beneficent hand.” Harry Truman.

“So important, indeed, is it (The Light), and so much does it pervade with its influence the whole Masonic system, that Freemasonry itself anciently received, among other appellations, that of Lux, or Light, to signify that it is to be regarded as that sublime doctrine of Divine Truth by which the path of him who has attained it is to be illuminated in his pilgrimage of life.” Albert Mackey.

“Freemasonry is founded on the immutable laws of Truth and Justice and its grand object is to promote the happiness of the human race.” George Washington.

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6:30pm - Social Hour ~ 7:00pm - Annual BBQ Dinner ~ Program - TBA ~ DRESS IS CASUAL

Sunday, Aug 13th ~ *8th Annual Grand Master's Golf Tournament & Fund Raiser at Moffett Field Golf Club*

7:30am - In Gathering ~ 8:30am - Shotgun Start ~ 1:00pm—Lunch & Auction ~ See Ill Ken Nagel to sign up

Sunday, August 20th ~ *Monthly Masonic Get Together at 1:00—7:00pm*

Host—Wors Kevin Hall, 968 Willow Glen Way, SJ - Bring a dish to share. Open to ALL Brothers

Sunday, Aug 27th ~ *Lodge of Perfection Comedy Night*

6:00pm - Social Hour ~ 6:45pm - Special Buffet ~ 7:30pm—Michael Mancini—“America’s Funniest Cop” .

Tuesday, Aug 29th ~ *Board of Directors and Monthly All Officer Council Meeting*

5:30pm—Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting ~ 7:00pm—Monthly All Officer Council

Tuesday, Sept 12th ~ *Scottish Rite Stated Meeting @ 6:00pm*

6:30pm - Social Hour ~ 7:00pm - Dinner ~ Program - TBA

Saturday, Sept 16th ~ *KCCH and 32nd Degree Investiture and Banquet at Oakland Scottish Rite Center*

KCCH Investiture at 4pm — Banquet at 6pm — Details inside the Rite Word

Tuesday, Sept 26th ~ *Monthly All Officer Council Meeting at 7pm*

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