



The Rite Word

From the Secretary

With the lock down that is occurring right now over the Covid virus, I wanted to share some updates.



The Northern California Reunion scheduled for June 4-6 has been cancelled. We will have an in house reunion in the Fall.

The Maundy Thursday Event has been cancelled.

As of today, the Grand Master has said that no in person Masonic meetings may be held until he informs us otherwise. As such we do not know the status on the April Stated Meeting. If the prohibition is lifted we will hold the meeting, if not then it will obviously be cancelled..

Now to the more important part. We know that many of our members and sweethearts are in the at risk category and we hope that you are taking all the precautions you feel are needed.

If you need assistance we are here to assist in whatever way we can. If you have a financial need please reach out to our Almoner, his number is on page 3.

If you need someone to go to the store and get supplies, please contact me, so we can make arrangements to help. I am in the office Monday through Friday, so you can call the office, or my cell or email me. This includes everyone, if you are not local, we will find a way to get you the help you need.

If you just need someone to talk to, give me or any of the officers a call.

These are unprecedented times we are going through, but it will pass. Please take care of yourselves, let us know what we can do to help, and when this is over we will get back to enjoying the fun and fellowship that is the Scottish Rite in the Valley of San Jose.

Reminder (we will waive this if the prohibition is lifted between the 10th and the 13th)

Reservations for Stated Meeting Dinner are due by Friday April 10th. If you do not make your reservation by that date, Dinner will cost \$20 if there is enough

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From the Wise Master

My Article this Month is Titled

Christian History Corner: The Other Holy Day Maundy Thursday by Elesha Coffman

Amid the bustle of Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter, Maundy Thursday is easy to overlook. Few calendars label it, and some churches don't observe it at all, though it may be the oldest of the Holy Week observances. It's worth asking why, and how, generations of Christians have revered this day.

Maundy comes, possibly by way of one or more European languages, from the Latin mandatum, meaning command. The reference is John 13:34: "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I loved you, so you must love one another." Jesus spoke those words at the Last Supper, which took place the Thursday before Easter.

Protestant churches that do observe Maundy Thursday may offer a dramatic re-enactment of the Last Supper or another special Communion service. Foot-washing services and adapted Passover Seders are also fairly popular, especially in Anglican, Lutheran, and other liturgical Protestant churches. Not surprisingly, Protestants generally stick close to biblical texts when constructing a special service. Catholic and Orthodox traditions add a few other elements to the observance.

Because of the Maundy Thursday connection with baptism, it has long been Catholic custom to consecrate the year's supply of holy oils for baptism, anointing the sick, and Confirmation on this day. Orthodox clergy take time during the liturgy to prepare the Amnos, the Communion elements that will be given to the sick throughout the year.

A few European countries have added cultural observances to the list of church traditions. In Britain, the monarch distributes small purses of Maundy Money to elderly residents of the town selected for each year's service. The practice dates back to 1210, when King John gave garments, knives, food, and other gifts to poor men on Maundy Thursday in accordance with Christ's mandate to love others. Germans, who call the day Grundonnerstag ("Green Thursday"), eat green vegetables, especially spinach. The association with green may come from the gift of green branches to penitents or from a confusion of the old German words meaning "green" (grun) and "to weep" (greinen).

It's common to hear from the pulpit that no one can fully appreciate the joy of Easter Sunday without experiencing the darkness of Good Friday. But the disciples would



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Roses, Crosses, and Rosicrucians — Notes on the 18th Degree

Roses

In the teachings of ancient India, the rose always plays a symbolic role in the creation of the world and of mankind. Vishnu, the supreme God of India, formed his bride, Lakshmi, from 108 large and 1,008 small rose petals.

In their poems and paintings, the Persians associated the rose with the nightingale. The nightingale was so enamored of the beauty of the rose that she flew down to embrace it, and thereby pierced her breast with its sharp thorns. From the drops of her blood falling upon the earth grew new roses and from that day there were red roses in Persia.

In Islam, the rose is known as the flower of Heaven and symbol of the human soul. Thus Muslims associate the beautiful scent of roses with spirituality. During the Hajj (Islamic pilgrimage to Mecca) the Kiswah (the cloth that covers the Kaaba) is sprinkled with rose water. It is believed that when he conquered Istanbul in 1453, Sultan Mehmet II had the Aya Sophia washed with rose water before converting it into a mosque.

In Greek Mythology, Aphrodite, the Goddess of Love, is said to have created the rose from the tears she cried over the blood of her beloved, Adonis.

The Romans turned Aphrodite into their goddess Venus, who also adopted the rose. Romans used roses as room decorations, and sometimes wore the flower as a necklace. And anything said *sub rosa* (under the rose) was understood to be confidential information.

During the fifteenth century, the factions fighting to control England used the rose as a symbol. The white rose represented the House of York, while the red rose symbolized the House of Lancaster. Not surprisingly, the conflict between these factions became known as the "War of the Roses", lasting from 1455 to 1485 CE.

The world's oldest living rose grows on the wall of the Cathedral of Hildesheim in Germany. The shrub's presence is documented since 815 CE. In 1945, allied bombers destroyed the cathedral, yet the bush survived. Its roots remained intact beneath the debris, and soon the rosebush grew again.

Question: When is a rose is not a rose?

Answer: When it is the rose of Sharon.

The name "rose of Sharon" first appears Song of Solomon 2:1, where the speaker (the beloved) says "I am the rose of Sharon, a rose of the valley". The Hebrew phrase (בצלת השרון) *hăḇatzeleṭ hasharon*) was translated by the KJV

editors as "rose of Sharon". Earlier translations (Vulgate and Wycliff), rendered it simply as "the flower of the field".

The Hebrew word *hăḇatzeleṭ* also occurs in Isaiah 35:1, which reads, "the desert shall bloom like the rose." Again, the KJV uses the word "rose" but the Vulgate and Wycliff use "lily", the Jerusalem Bible uses "jonquil", and the RSV uses "crocus".

There is a modern-day plant called rose of Sharon. Its botanical name is *Hibiscus syriacus*. That's right, it's a hibiscus. Just to be clear, the biblical rose of Sharon was neither a rose nor a hibiscus.

Crosses & Christianity

Due to the simplicity of the design (two intersecting lines), cross-shaped incisions appear as petroglyphs in European cult caves, dating back to the beginning of the Upper Paleolithic (between 50,000 and 10,000 years ago), and throughout prehistory to the Iron Age (1150 BCE to 400 CE).

Also of prehistoric age are numerous variants of the simple cross mark, including the *crux gammata* (the swastika, originally an Indian symbol for peace and good fortune), and the Egyptian *crux ansata* (ankh) with a loop on top.

The cross is significant in Christianity because Jesus of Nazareth was executed on a cross. The Romans regularly used crucifixion to punish escaped slaves, deserted soldiers, and non-citizens found guilty of sedition. Cicero described it as, the "most cruel and hideous of tortures." It would take the condemned from 6 hours to 4 days to die, after which his dead body might be left on cross for days, as a deterrent to other would-be criminals.

Death came as a result of shock, suffocation, and cardiac arrest. If the soldiers guarding the scene felt the condemned was taking too long to die, they might break bones, strike the chest, stab the body, or build a smoky fire at the foot of the cross. According to the Gospel of John, a soldier pierced Jesus' side with a spear to be verify his death. Blood and water gushed from the wound, which suggests Jesus may have suffered a lethal condition called cardiac tamponade.

In addition to the Bible, Jesus' crucifixion is attested by other ancient, non-Christian sources. It has therefore been established as a historical event. On the other hand, the story of Jesus' resurrection is not documented outside of Christian sources, and therefore remains a matter of faith.

There are numerous stories of "dying-and-rising deities", such as Osiris, Tammuz, Adonis, and Persephone. In a Masonic context, we do not assume that Jesus of Nazareth was a divine or resurrected being. But the discussion is not complete without mentioning this theoretical connection.

After the Emperor Constantine converted to Christianity in the 4th Century, crucifixion was abolished as a punishment, and the cross became a widely used symbol of the Christian faith.

What other symbols did the early Christians use?

1. The fish outline is a logical symbol for the early Christians to adopt. Fish are often mentioned in the gospels. This is what one would expect, if Jesus did most of his teaching in the Galilee, as stated in the synoptic gospels. Fish were a staple in the diet in the Galilee region. In biblical Greek, ΙΧΘΥΣ (ichthys) is the word for fish. ΙΧΘΥΣ is also an acronym for Ἰησοῦς Χριστός, Θεοῦ Υἱός, Σῶτῆρ; which translates into English as "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior".
2. Alpha (Α) and omega (Ω) are the first and last letters, respectively, of the Greek alphabet. Thus, the phrase "I am the alpha and the omega" is further clarified with the additional phrase, "the beginning and the end" in Revelation 21:6 and 22:13. The first and last letters of the Greek alphabet were used because the book of Revelation, like the rest of the New Testament, was originally written in Greek.
3. The Staurogram made by superimposing the letters tau (Τ) and rho (Ρ), where the vertical stroke of the rho intersects the center of the tau, was first used to abbreviate σταυρός (stauros), the Greek word for cross, in very early New Testament manuscripts.
4. The Christogram chi-rho is formed by superimposing the first two (capital) letters, chi (Χ) and rho (Ρ), of the Greek word ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ (Christos) where the vertical stroke of the rho intersects the center of the chi. The chi-rho symbol was used by the Roman Emperor Constantine I as part of a military standard and was known as the Labarum.
5. The first two letters of the name of Jesus in Greek, iota (Ι) and eta (Η), sometimes superimposed one on the other. They have the numeric value 18 in Greek, were a well known and very early way to represent Christ. Coincidentally, in Jewish tradition, the word יְחַיִּים (Yechaim) means "alive" also has the numerical value of 18.
6. In the Latin-speaking Christianity of medieval Western Europe, the most common Christogram became "IHS", denoting the first three letters of the Greek name of Jesus, ΙΗΣΟΥΣ, iota, eta, and sigma.

What is a Rosicrucian?

According to the online version of the Encyclopedia Britannica, the origins and teachings of the Rosicrucians are described in three anonymously published books that have been attributed to Johann Valentin Andreae (1568–1654), a Lutheran theologian and teacher who wrote the utopian treatise *Christianopolis* (1619).

The *Fama Fraternitatis* of the Meritorious Order of the Rosy Cross (1614), *The Confession of the Rosicrucian Fraternity* (1615), and *The Chymical Marriage of Christian Rosenkreuz* (1616) recount the travels of Christian Rosenkreuz, the putative founder of the group, who is now generally regarded as a fictional character rather than a real person.

According to the books, Christian Rosenkreuz was born in 1378 and lived for 106 years. After visiting the Middle East and North Africa in search of secret wisdom, he returned to Germany and organized the Rosicrucian order (1403). He erected a sanctuary (1409), where he was entombed after his death in 1484. The alleged discovery of the tomb 120 years later became the occasion for the public announcement of the order's existence.

The secretive nature of the early brotherhood—if it actually existed—would have made contact with it difficult. Paul Foster Case, in his book on the subject, said that the order was indeed invisible, and a person automatically becomes a member of it when he becomes qualified. There were no application forms, investigations, meetings, or member dues.

The combination of alchemy and mysticism associated with Rosicrucianism became quite influential. Rosicrucianism was attractive to many thinkers and intellectuals throughout Europe, possibly including Francis Bacon, Isaac Newton, Leonardo da Vinci, René Descartes, and Robert Fludd; and later, Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson in America.

Rosicrucianism declined dramatically in the 18th century, however, a victim of the skepticism and rationalism of the Enlightenment, though some of its ideas survived in speculative Freemasonry.

In the 19th century, new Rosicrucian societies appeared as part of a general occult revival that took place in Europe and the United States. During the late 19th and early 20th centuries, various groups styled themselves Rosicrucian. They can be divided into three categories:

- Esoteric Christian groups, such as *Lectorium Rosi-*

Stated Meeting Menu

Tuesday

April 14, 2020

(Vegetarian Entrée by REQUEST ONLY,
by April 10th)

**Call the Office NOW at 408-978-7483 &
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- Appetizers
- Garden Salad
- Ham
- Au Gratin Potatoes
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fresh Bread
- Dessert

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have been bewildered by both without the lesson of Holy Thursday. The day they received the command to love, had their feet washed by a King, and first understood the link between the Passover sacrifice, Christ, and the bread of life, shouldn't be missed by any of us, even if the calendar shows a blank square.



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Adrian is a fun, energetic 4-and-a-half year old boy who loves to play with race cars! He Has been receiving speech and language therapy services at the San Jose Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Lan-

guage Clinic for about one year. Adrian recently told Ms. Rachel, his Speech-Language Pathologist, that he wants to be a “Big Dad” when he grows up because he wants to carry his baby sister, Hannah.

Adrian’s parents brought him to the clinic as they were concerned about his speech and language development. His mother commented that her insurance denied Adrian services and paying for services out of pocket was very expensive. She was referred to our clinic where Adrian was diagnosed with a moderate expressive language disorder and a severe articulation disorder. His expressive language difficulties were characterized by a delayed mean length of utterance which impacted his use of morphological structures, such as plurals, possessive forms, present/regular past tense verbs, and basic prepositions. His articulation difficulties were characterized by difficulty producing the final consonants of words and sounds with continuous airflow, such as /f/, /s/ and /z/.

Adrian has made fantastic progress since treatment began last year. His mother reported that his “improvement has been remarkable. His speech is now much more intelligible and he speaks in full sentences and is able to hold a conversation”. Adrian’s family has been positively impacted by his progress with his weekly therapy sessions. Adrian’s mom stated, “Our family is less stressed out since my son is now able to easily communicate his feelings and needs. Before treatment, he was very frustrated and would cry, hit, and throw tantrums. It has been very rewarding to see my son’s improvements from week to week after receiving services...We have had a great experience at the clinic. Our therapist, Miss Rachel, has built a great rapport with my son. He looks forward to his appointments each week...I would definitely recommend the clinic. It has been our best experience among our many experiences with different speech therapists.”

We are so happy to hear that Adrian’s family continues to see Adrian’s growth with his speech and language development. He continues to be a pleasure to see each week and we are looking forward to continuing to help him and his family!



Note: Our Clinicians are continuing to work and serve our kids via tele therapy. While it is not as ideal as in person, and it will not work for every child, it is working for many..

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- Masonic groups, such as Societas Rosicruciana

Initiatory groups, such as Golden Dawn and AMORC

As a member of a Rosicrucian group, your studies might include alternative versions of Christianity, key words from the Hebrew and Greek languages, Kabbalah, mysticism, occultism, ceremonial magic, prayer and meditation, alchemy, metaphysics, astrology, and tarot.

Most of the Rosicrucian groups offer enough study materials to keep you busy for years. Some materials are similar to the Master Craftsman self-study correspondence courses offered by the Scottish Rite.

If you're merely curious, just go online or read a book on the subject. However, if you have the desire, time, energy, and funds to embark on a great undertaking, consider contacting:

1. The Ancient and Mystical Order Rosæ Crucis (AMORC)

Founded in New York City in 1915 by Harvey Spencer Lewis (1883–1939), who claims he had learned the teachings of the order from European Rosicrucians.

Lewis regarding Egypt as the cradle of Rosicrucian wisdom, so he subsidized the creation of a highly acclaimed Egyptian Museum at the group's headquarters in San Jose, CA.

<https://www.amorc.org>

2. The Rosicrucian Fellowship (TRC)

Founded in 1909 by Max Heindel with the aim of heralding the Aquarian Age and promulgating "the true Philosophy" of the Rosicrucians. It is dedicated to preaching the Gospel and healing the sick. Closed by the Nazis, it was reorganized after World War II and subsequently became a worldwide institution.

<http://www.rosicrucian.com/index.html>

3. Lectorium Rosicrucianum

The International School of the Golden Rosycross (LRC), founded in 1935 by Dutch mystics. It teaches a form of modern Christian Gnosticism based upon Rosicrucian symbolism, beliefs of the Cathars, and Hermeticism and alchemy. Suppressed by the Nazis during World War II, it now counts about 15,000 members all over the world.

<https://www.rosycross.org>

4. Fraternitas Rosæ Crucis (FRC)

A Rosicrucian fraternal organization established in the United States by Paschal Beverly Randolph in 1858, and is the oldest Rosicrucian Order founded in the US. They also operate the Clymer Health Center in Quakertown, PA.

<http://www.soul.org>

5. Hermetic Order of the Golden Dawn (HOGD)

Founded in England in 1888. Proports to help the initiate gain access to teachings, path workings and practical experiments in ritual magic. The system is based on hierarchy and initiation like the Masonic lodges; however the order admits both men and women.

<https://www.golden-dawn.com/eu/index.aspx>

6. Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis (SRICF)

Latin for Rosicrucian Society in the United States. SRICF was consecrated in 1880 by three Colleges chartered by the Societas Rosicruciana In Scotia (Scotland).

Open to Master Masons of the Christian faith by invitation.

<http://www.sricf.org/home.html>

7. Societas Rosicruciana in America (SRIA)

Also known as the "Society of Rosicrucians, Inc." It was founded in 1907 and in 1916, began to admit women. Requires no prior membership in Masonry or a Rosicrucian body and no restrictions on joining or remaining a member of any other organization.

Not to be confused with Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia (England).

<https://www.sria.org>

8. Kabbalistic Order of the Rose-Cross (KORC)

The order was founded by Stanislas de Guaita and Joséphin Péladan in France in 1888. It is the first Rose-Cross order to exist in the modern era. Its US headquarters is in Las Vegas, NV

<https://www.okrc.org/>

9. The Rosicrucian Society

"The First High Degree Masonic Brotherhood [which existed] before the Declaration of Independence, the Illuminati, and the Skull and Bones (the famous Yale fraternity)". They invite you to read their book and then, if interested, apply for membership.

<http://rosicruciansociety.com>

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A Night of Scottish Rite Instruction and Agape Dinner

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

6:30 PM to 9:00PM

**Honorable Jordan Yelinek 32 Degree
Knight Commander of the Court of Honor
Scottish Rite Valley of San Francisco
Will present his paper**

Our Ritual as a SacredText

Schedule of Events

6:30 PM - Social Gathering

7:00 PM - Speaker

7:30 PM - Festive Agape/Dinner

Cost \$25.00

Requested dress is white tie & tails, tux or dark suit & tie with SR Cap

NOTE:

Reservations are required

**Please call the SJ Scottish Rite @ 408-978-7483 or visit the office to make your reservations
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Future Scottish Rite and Masonic Events

Tuesday April 14th ~ Scottish Rite Stated Meeting 6:00 pm

Chapter Rose Croix Opens

Tuesday April 21st ~ SCVOA Meeting 6:30 pm

Palo Alto Lodge #346

Tuesday May 12th ~ Scottish Rite Stated Meeting 6:00 pm

Consistory Opens

Wednesday May 27th ~ SCVOA Meeting 6:30 pm

Willow Glen Fraternity Lodge #399

Tuesday June 9th ~ Scottish Rite Stated Meeting 5:45 pm

Lodge of Perfection Opens - Grand Masters Reception

Thursday June 11th ~ SCVOA Meeting 6:30 pm

Mt Moriah #292

Tuesday June 16th ~ Night of Instruction 6:30 pm

South Valley Lodge #187 Chicken Feed

Saturday September 12th ~ The Scottish Rite Mysteries

Sacramento Scottish Rite

Tuesday November 10th ~ Scottish Rite Stated Meeting 6:00 pm

Grand Commander's Visit