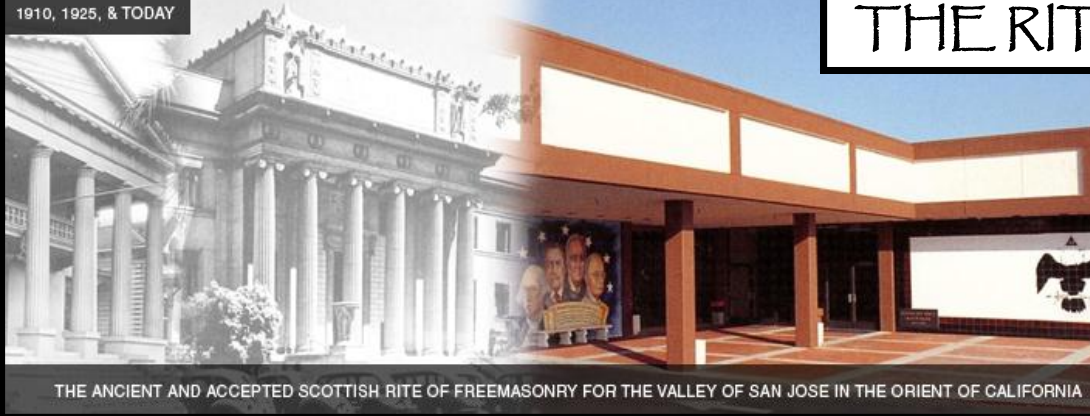


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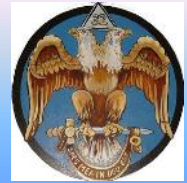


THE ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY FOR THE VALLEY OF SAN JOSE IN THE ORIENT OF CALIFORNIA

THE RITE WORD

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From the Venerable Master

October is the start of our Fall Reunion. Five degrees within the Lodge of Perfection will be exemplified during the reunion. I invite all my Scottish Rite brethren to join us to observe and participate in these beautiful and meaningful degrees along with those presented by the Chapter, Council and Consistory. Also, during the October Stated Meeting Dinner, Brother Orator David Kimball, 32 Degree, KCCH will instruct and enlighten us on the Feast of Tishri one of the most important ceremonies within the Scottish Rite.

The Lodge is Our Sacred Space

Would it not be best, as Freemasons, to think of our lodge building and meeting place as our Masonic Temple” or “Masonic Lodge?” Is not our temple our sacred space? I believe we should think, speak and act towards our lodge with this in mind.

Several years ago Worshipful Brother Barry Ellsworth, Past Master of Paideia Lodge No. 852 shared some of the thinking of D.M. Dooling on the idea of a sacred space. Ms Dooling, born in 1910, is a graduate of Oxford and the founder of Parabola, The Magazine of Myth and Tradition.

She opines that “very little seems sacred nowadays..... so what relevance can “sacred space” have for us today? The sacred has been defined as the “wholly other.” It does not deny our ordinary reality, but is its other aspect; it completes it and makes it whole or “holy.” It is the force that joins us to another level. A real force does seem to linger in some of the dedicated places of the past. The scalp prickles when we pass a certain ancient doorway; we shiver, spine-chilled, in such a spot as the ceremonial cavern at Banelier; the voice drops to a whisper when we enter Chartres Cathedral. There is a sense of recognition, sometimes of sudden fear, on crossing the unmarked boundary of what Don Juan called a place of power. “

On a personal note I remember those kinds of reactions, when, after a long trip to Peru, I eventually laid my eyes on the ancient Inca city of Machu Picchu, upon entering the many cathedrals in Western Europe built by the great stonemasons of that time and while walking through the ruins of Angkor Wat in Cambodia. In those instances, I knew I was in a special place and that is the how I feel when I enter our Masonic lodges.

Dooling goes on to say “when we examine our own experience as well as the records left to us in earth and stone, we see that sacred

space is not just any space; it must be defined by something and contained by this definition. It is enclosed by boundaries its’ boundaries are the boundaries of power. There are still many such places today. But what is the power with which they affect us? Perhaps it is magic whose secret has been forgotten, but a secret still decipherable in the symbolism through which we are permitted to approach it.

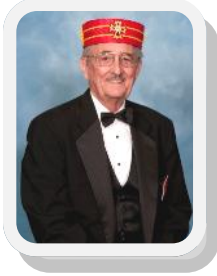
The temple, dolmen, holy mountain, the ritual lodge or the sacred mountain or cavern, in one way or another, always seems to symbolize the form of the human being. “ye are the temple of God,” said St. Paul to the Corinthians – and to us. To accept this saying would be no light thing; it would mean the return to the outlook of the traditions, of religious man and his acceptance of a relationship which entails a heavy responsibility. Even to consider it as a possibility would make it necessary to take a different view of the holy places, and of what took place there. The rites that were practiced in many, even most of them, we will never know. But, that is not the point, if we look in a new way; for we see the importance of sacred places does not rest in either of the two ways we may have thought of them before. They are not simply relics of the past that can teach us of other races and other times; nor are they the hiding places of magical rites which, could we discover them, would automatically create miracles for us. Their value to us is much more real and practical, for they speak in riddles and allegories off us and our own functioning.”

I believe virtually all Freemasons think of the Lodge as our Temple. But, do we always regard our Temple as a sacred space that requires of us a certain demeanor and reverence -a place for reflection and to honor our noble craft and its lessons? We each have our own personal chamber of reflection within ourselves. If we use this chamber to reflect upon our ceremonies and their meanings and the teachings of our ancient masters it could be that we will be better prepared in enter our sacred space.

Chuck Cowden -Venerable Master



From the Secretary's Table:



Brethren all,

Interestingly: An article in the April issue of Southwest Airline's Spirit magazine explained the origin of various phrases. The explanation of the "Third Degree" was traced to Freemasonry. Here is what the Article Said:

"In the 1880s, many of the higher-ups in New York City's police force were Freemasons. The Highest degree of Initiation is the third degree, a process rumored to involve intense questioning. One particularly successful MYPD interrogator was a third-degree Mason named Thomas Byrnes. In one New-Your Tribune article from 1883, he coined the phrase when he was quoted as breaking a gang of criminals by giving them 'the third degree.'"

Corn, wine and oil - which one more important?

Corn, wine and oil are the Masonic elements of consecration. The adoption of these symbols is supported by the highest antiquity. They are mentioned in the ritual work, and are used in public cornerstone ceremonies.

But is one more important than the others?


According to Mackey's Encyclopedia of Freemasonry, "In ceremonies, the corn alone is carried in a golden pitcher, and the wine and oil are placed in silver vessels. This is to remind us that the first, as a necessity and the "staff of life," is of more importance and more worthy of honor than the others, which are by comforts

(September, 2012 EMESSAY NOTES)

Fraternally,



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OCTOBER 2012

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- 1) *Total involvement*
- 2) *Doing only your best - first, last and always*
- 3) *No excuses*
- 4) *Hard work on the recruitment of the worthy and well-qualified*
- 5) *Being thoughtful, brotherly and personal with the members of our Valleys*
- 6) *Remembering and reinstating members who have slipped through our fingers*
- 7) *Leaders who truly believe in and routinely demonstrate their belief in the goals of our great Order*
- 8) *Making good brethren even better through adherence to the principles of Scottish Rite Masonry.*

We know that man is basically good and it is this goodness that we want to make better. He progresses from fundamental involvement to becoming a true believer by bringing control, order, discipline and ethics into not only his life, but also the lives of all those with whom he comes into contact. In that way others may also benefit from the great goodness of our Order.

Let us focus on the future by creating Membership Momentum in the present. When our devoted talents combine, the great legacy of Scottish Rite Masonry will continue.

Durward C. Ayre, 32^o KCCH / MC

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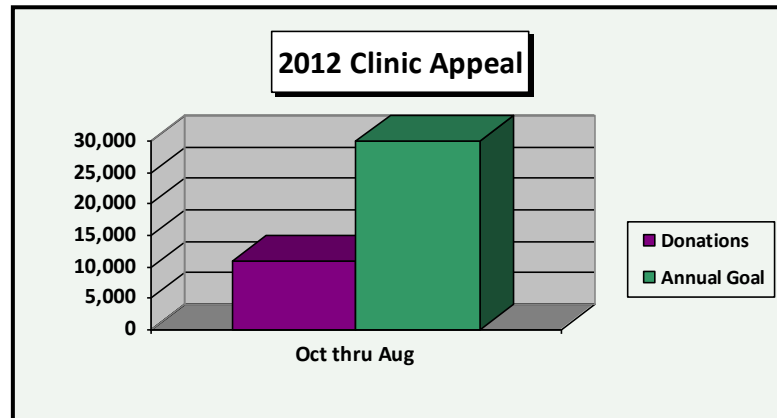


We wanted to share this letter from an appreciative family whose daughter recently graduated from our speech and language program. Congratulations, Mia! We wish you and your family all of the best!

“Dear Ms. Rachel,

We are very thankful for your hard work the past several years with Mia. She has learned so much with your help. You are a wonderful teacher. All your students are blessed to have you. We truly appreciate it and we will miss you very much. Everything that you taught Mia will not be forgotten. It will stay with her. Not only were you her teacher but you have become a friend and you will be [a] part of her that she will always treasure.

Thank you very much,
Mia F. and Family”



Clinic Director's Message October 2012

During the month of August, we completed 221 treatment hours. A total of 49 children received speech and language services and the clinicians completed three (3) screenings. We discharged nine (9) children from our services and added eight (8) to the caseload. In addition, we increased therapy from once per week to twice per week for two current clients.

At our last Board of Directors meeting, we decided to close the waiting list, which now stands at 115 children, until January 2013. Please inform anyone interested in our speech and language services that we anticipate reopening the waiting list in January.

A bit of news from San Jose Scottish Rite: at the September Stated Meeting, Illustrious Ken Nagel, 33°, Personal Representative of the Valley of San Jose, resigned as a Director of the California Scottish Rite Foundation. I am pleased to report that I was elected to replace him as our representative on that Foundation Board.

Your Children's Speech and Language Clinic continues to be in need of financial help from your donations. The children in the community need us to continue to provide our services, as indicated by the length of our waiting list. Please consider making a donation to the San Jose Scottish Rite Children's Language Disorders Clinic.

Thanks again to each of you for your help for and support of our Clinic.

Durward C. Ayre
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May Almighty God, in his infinite mercy, Grant that we may meet again, to part no more.

An excerpt from our
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From the Master of Kadosh

Masonry teaches us that the soul of man is immortal ; not the mere result of organization, nor an aggregate of modes of action of matter, not a mere succession of phenomena and perceptions; but an existence, one and identical, a Living Spirit, a spark from the Great Central Light, that hath entered into and dwells in the body , to be separated from it at death, and return to God who gave it ; that does not disperse or vanish at death, like a breath or a smoke, nor can be annihilated; but still exists and possesses activity and intelligence, even as it existed in God before it was enveloped in the body. It is immortal, not of necessity, but, unless as it and all things emanated from God, it pleases Him to absorb it again into Himself.




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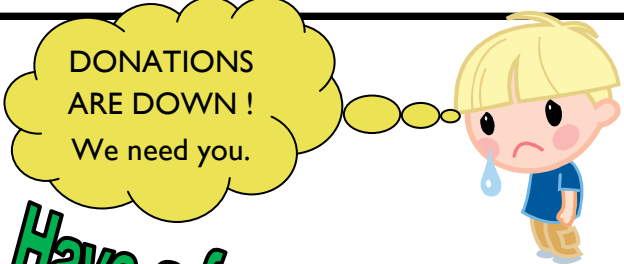



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Today, there are 178 RiteCare® clinics, centers, and special programs operating or planned for children and therapists located throughout the United States. Each facility is staffed by speech-language pathologists or other trained personnel. Through the support of Scottish Rite members, these clinics, centers, and programs continue to increase. The value of this philanthropy has long been apparent. Tens of thousands of youngsters across the United States have been helped significantly. With the good work of dedicated clinicians and parents, the Scottish Rite has achieved successes that could only be imagined a few years back. Children who might have remained educationally behind for a lifetime can now talk, read, and lead productive lives.

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Please don't forget that our primary philanthropy here in the Valley of San Jose, is our own Clinic. We need your financial support in order to operate. At times our waiting list becomes way too long because of the lack of funds to do a better job and serve more children. The public schools refer children to us and sometimes we cannot do anything more than put them on the wait list. I am well aware that we receive requests for donations on a daily basis but don't forget helping our own philanthropy right here in San Jose. If you can, make us the first on your list.

“ Stated Meeting & Dinner ”
Tuesday, October 9th ,2012



OCTOBER MENU

~Lite Appetizers

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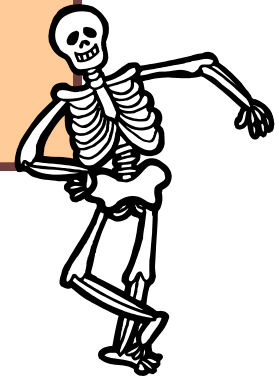
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Saturday October 6th ~ Stanford VS Arizona Football (See page 9)

Tuesday October 9th ~ October ~ Stated Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Followed by Dinner @ 7:00 PM *(and conferral of the 4th Degree)*

Friday October 12th ~ Conferral of 9th, 10th, 12th and 14th Degrees

(Preceded by dinner for Scottish Rite Masons and Candidates beginning @ 6:00 PM)

Friday October 19th ~ Conferral of 15th and 18th Degrees (beginning @ 6:00 PM)

Saturday October 27th ~ Conferral of 19th, 29th and 30th Degrees

(Preceded by breakfast for Scottish Rite Masons and Candidates beginning @ 8:00 AM)

Tuesday October 30th ~ Conferral of the 32nd Degree

(Preceded by dinner for Scottish Rite Masons and Candidates beginning @ 6:00 PM)

Tuesday November 13th ~ November ~ Stated Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Dinner @ 7:00 PM *(followed by capping Ceremony)*

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