



The Rite Word

From the Venerable Master:

Brethren,

This is an exciting time to be a Scottish Rite Mason in the Valley of San Jose. Now honestly, we don't often hear Scottish Rite being referred to as "exciting". But I believe that it's true right now. We have a number of great activities coming up this year, including the reception for our Grand Master on July 9, and our Night of Instruction on July 16. We are planning many new and varied activities throughout the year, including a number of new social activities. We have committed to making our stated meetings better and more efficient. We are looking forward to a great Fall Reunion. And the leadership will, throughout the year, be constantly searching for ways to make our Scottish Rite Valley better than ever.

I sincerely hope that you will join us in our efforts. Come out and be with us. Attend our stated meetings. Be a part of a ritual team for the reunion. Support our social activities. Find out first hand why now is an exciting time to be a Scottish Rite Mason in the Valley of San Jose.

Fraternally

Randy Downey



Rebuilding the Temple Plaques



This is the last month to buy a life membership at the reduced rate. If you wish to do so, please contact the Secretary no later than June 30th.

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Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.

The Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of San Jose, in the Orient of California, acknowledge and yield all allegiance to the Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspectors General, Knights Commander of the House of the Temple of Solomon of the Thirty Third Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America.

From the Wise Master

Dear Brethren,

What is an ideal civilization? What is a perfect ashlar looks like?

Today we state in the most simplistic form; Freemasonry is a voluntary, fraternal organization, composed of men of good will, good character and good reputation, whom in most jurisdictions around the world, believe in an Almighty Creator and practice the spirit of universal brotherhood to man.

Freemasons are loyal to their country and devote their time to the principles of friendship and fellowship. Their focus is to be of service to all mankind.

For many men, Freemasonry fulfills a part of themselves that they intrinsically felt was missing. Whether it be the social, the philosophical, the spiritual, the historical or simply a sense of community with others.

I would like to share some of the writings by Brother Manly P. Hall, 33rd Degree, published in *The Secret teaching of All Ages* 1928.

“When the mob governs, man is ruled by ignorance; when the church governs, he is ruled by superstition; and when the state governs, he is ruled by fear. Before men can live together in harmony and understanding, ignorance must be transmuted into wisdom, superstition into an illumined faith, and fear into love.

Despite statements to the contrary, Masonry is a religion seeking to unite God and man by elevating its initiates to that level of consciousness whereon they can behold with clarified vision the workings of the Great Architect of the Universe.

From age to age the vision of a perfect civilization is preserved as the ideal for mankind. In the midst of that civilization shall stand a mighty university wherein both the sacred and secular sciences concerning the mysteries of life will be freely taught to all who will assume the philosophic life.

Here creed and dogma will have no place; the superficial will be removed and only the essential be preserved. The world will be ruled by its most illumined minds, and each will occupy the position for which he is most admirably fitted.



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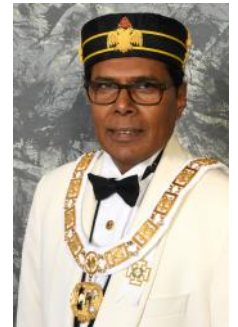
From the Commander

Esotericism is a matter of degrees.

By Arturo de Hoyos, 33^o, Grand Cross | Grand Archivist & Grand Historian |

Some people consider Freemasonry inherently esoteric, while others think the Craft is a fraternity celebrating friendship and mutual support.

Is Freemasonry esoteric, or not? The short answer is “Yes, no, maybe.” Esotericism is any topic “intended for or likely to be understood by only a small number of people with a specialized knowledge or interest.” This certainly applies to Masonry. But on a deeper level, and in a Masonic context, the word *esoteric* is usually taken to mean that our ceremonies and rituals allude to realities and/or truths not generally understood, or which may have a spiritual component to them. The term is tainted to some people, and acceptable to others; hence, it may not be easy to wholly accept or discard the term “esoteric Masonry.” Like an onion, each esoteric layer successively builds upon the other. We can all agree that Masonry is intended to be understood by few, and that it’s a kind of specialized knowledge. But the questions are, “What kind of specialized knowledge?” and “Are they real secrets?” Depending upon one’s inclinations, the Master Masons Degree has been interpreted in a variety of different ways by different persons. For some, it’s a story of fidelity; for others, it teaches hope in the immortality of the soul; for still others, it’s a lesson in alchemy; and yet for still others, it alludes to the discovery of entheogens. Some see it as multi-faceted, or a combination of various things. But, as I have written elsewhere, we should avoid trying to enshrine our *preferred interpretations* as the “true” one. Since 1717 there have been over 1,000 “Masonic” degrees created. The most popular survived and are included in many of the rites, orders, and systems we know today. Like a meal, each degree is only as good as its creator. A recipe may include many of the same ingredients as other meals, yet taste completely different. Similarly, we may see many of the same “ingredients” (features) in a number of degrees which teach completely different things.



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From the Master of Kadosh

Summer is now here. YEAH! I hope everyone will spend more time outside, enjoying our State, and take time to travel before our hills turn brown. Our great state has so much variety.... From the ocean to the mountains, we are lucky to be here. Short trips over to the coast in San Mateo County to Pescadero to the goat cheese farm where the goats guarded from predators by a llama, but don't neglect the store with a great bakery. To marvelous craft shops and a great Country Store. If you travel south, go past Gilroy and take highway 25 past Hollister and the Pinnacles State Park. You will find yourself on a beautiful ride in farm/ranch country surrounded by beautiful, rustic hills, few cars, no phone service, no stores, no gas stations, water stops or bath rooms. Highway 25 ends at a T intersection going to King City or Parkside. The mileage in taking highway 25 to King City is the same at taking 101, but it a much slower pace. We are so close physically to these California roads that remind one of life 50 +years ago. Take a day off. Enjoy yourselves.



Richard Rosenberg

The Council of Kadosh presents: Shakespeare!

COME ONE COME ALL PICNIC IN THE PARK, COME EARLY AND SPREAD YOUR BLANKETS TO CLAIM YOUR PERFECT SPOT TO HAVE YOUR DINNER AND WATCH SILICON VALLEY'S SHAKESPEARIAN ALL-FEMALE CAST IN ONE OF THE FUNNIEST OF SHAKESPEARE'S COMEDIES.

If you have any questions, please call Jack Harris (408-858-9054)?

Midsummers Night Dream

Saturday June 22nd at 7pm

Willow St Bramhall Park, San Jose

Cost Free

From the KSA

Are you a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason?

If you are, and would like to help serve the Valley of San Jose, by helping to provide the stage crew for the various Degrees performances, promoting membership within the Scottish Rite, providing Greeters at the door for Scottish Rite Events, participating in parades, performing arch of steel at special functions, escort our flags, etc. Then the Valley of San Jose's Knights of St Andrew Chapter is the group for you to join. We all have a blast working together to serve our Valley.

If you are interested in joining the Knights of St Andrew Chapter, please talk to any member of the Chapter or you can reach out to our Chapter's Secretary, Angelo Encarnacion at email: aen-carnacion@gmail.com



Don't forget to put the Scottish Games in Pleasanton on your Calendars for August 31 and September 1, 2019. More details soon.

John Z...



Scholarship winner for 2019

Twelfth Degree — Master Architect

This degree is a deeper look into the meaning of the words Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty, also known as Wisdom, Power, and Harmony.

The Master Architect degree mostly consists of series brief, cogent (appealing forcibly to the mind) sayings, a lecture, and a charge. There is no dramatic action. The principal officers are the Venerable Master in East, the Senior and Junior Wardens in West, and the Orator in North. The Master of Ceremonies conducts the candidate around the lodge room six times, each time stopping at the station of the Venerable Master, Senior Warden, and Junior Warden, where the officer delivers a brief message. At certain points, the Venerable Master asks the Candidate specific questions, which he answers either from his own knowledge or as prompted.

Obtaining and understanding wisdom is the focus of this degree. Contemporary definitions of wisdom include:

- The ability to understand inner qualities or relationships
- A body of facts learned by study or experience
- The ability to make intelligent decisions especially in everyday matters
- Suitability for bringing about a desired result under the circumstances

In the Master Architect Degree, as in the ancient mysteries, wisdom is personified as a feminine, divine quality. In the Kabbalistic Tree of Life, Hokmah (Hebrew for wisdom) is one of the sefirot, the ten divine emanations or qualities.

Wisdom in this sense implies the ability to look deeply at some aspect of reality and abstract its conceptual essence until you succeed in uncovering its underlying axiomatic (self-evident) truth.

Wisdom is not like information that you can upload to your brain by reading, witnessing an event, watching a Masonic degree, or listening to a sermon. Wisdom is a quality that you acquire with time and experience, inspiration and reflection. It is a topic that serves a dedicated article.

The working tools of the Master Architect include:

Sector — A circular sector or circle sector is a device used to find proportions. The portion of a disk enclosed by two radii and an arc, where the smaller area is known as the minor sector and the larger being the major sector. ... A sector with the central angle of 180° is called a half-disk and is bounded by a diameter and a semicircle. Slice of pizza is a sector. A pie chart makes use of sectors. This instrument

was invented in 17th Century.

Slide rule — The slide rule is a mechanical analog computer used primarily for multiplication and division, and also for functions such as exponents, roots, logarithms, and trigonometry, but typically not for addition or subtraction. It was also developed in the 17th century to perform complex calculations faster and more accurately than a pencil and piece of paper.

Plain scale — In a geographer's language, scale means the proportion or ratio between dimensions on a map and the corresponding dimensions on the ground. For example, the actual dimensions of a 10 x 18 meter room don't fit onto sheet of paper. So you reduce those dimensions proportionately to a rectangle of 10 x 18 centimeters so they fit on your sheet. And you still have room to add any other information you want.

Parallel ruler — The Parallel ruler is an instrument used by navigators to draw parallel lines on maps and charts. The tool consists of two straight edges joined by two arms which allow them to move closer or further away while always remaining parallel to each other. The parallel ruler was invented 16th Century and used to determine bearings. A bearing is the horizontal angle between the direction of an object and another object, or between it and that of true north.

The longest part of the Twelfth Degree is the charge, which informs us that this degree is fashioned after an investiture ceremony.

Adoniram, son of Abada, was appointed Chief Architect of the temple by King Solomon to take the place of the murdered Grand Master Hiram Abiff. The ceremony reflects Adoniram's investiture. Even though Adoniram takes over Hiram Abiff's role of Chief Architect, he is NOT made a Grand Master, because he does not possess the secrets of a Master Mason, for reasons we already know.

The charge also discusses the Five Orders of Architecture, which we learned about in the Fellowcraft degree. In this case, the Orders illustrate how the Degrees of Scottish Rite Masonry can be divided into five categories:

- Tuscan = "Primitive" Masonry in the Blue Lodge degrees, 1 — 3
- Doric = Ineffible degrees of the Lodge of Perfection, 4 — 14
- Ionic = Second Temple or New Law degrees of the Chapter

The great university will be divided into grades, admission to which will be through preliminary tests or initiations. Here mankind will be instructed in the most sacred, the most secret, and the most enduring of all Mysteries--Symbolism. Here the initiate will be taught that every visible object, every abstract thought, every emotional reaction is but the symbol of an eternal principle. Here mankind will learn that CHiram (Truth) lies buried in every atom of Kosmos; that every form is a symbol and every symbol the tomb of an eternal verity. Through education--spiritual, mental, moral, and physical--man will learn to release living truths from their lifeless coverings.

The perfect government of the earth must be patterned eventually after that divine government by which the universe is ordered. In that day when perfect order is reestablished, with peace universal and good triumphant, men will no longer seek for happiness, for they shall find it welling up within themselves. Dead hopes, dead aspirations, dead virtues shall rise from their graves, and the Spirit of Beauty and Goodness repeatedly slain by ignorant men shall again be the Master of Work.

Then shall sages sit upon the seats of the mighty and the gods walk with men."



The Personal Representative

and

The Venerable Master

of the

Valley of San Jose

Invite all

Scottish Rite Freemasons

and other Brother Masons to

A Night of Scottish Rite Instruction and Festive Agape

Tuesday, July 16, 2019

at

The Scottish Rite Center

2455 Masonic Drive San Jose, California

Illustrious Brother Daniel Doornbos, 33°

Will Favor Us with a Talk on

"Masonic Service in Unusual Places"

Schedule of Events

6:30PM – 7:00 PM – Social Time

7:00PM – 7:30PM – Talk by Ill Doornbos

7:30PM – Festive Agape/Dinner

Cost \$25.00

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

Reservations are required

Please call the SJ Scottish Rite @ 408-978-7483 to make your reservations

Reservations not canceled before July 13, 2019 must be honored

Stated Meeting Menu

Tuesday

June 11, 2019

(Vegetarian Entrée by REQUEST ONLY,
by June 7th)



Call the Office **NOW** at 408-978-7483 &
make your reservations!

Traditional Summer BBQ
Mixed Green Salad
Fresh Rolls
Dessert

of Rose Croix, 15 — 18

- Corinthian = Philosophical or chivalric degrees of the Council of Kadosh, 19 — 30
- Composite = Imperial or capstone degrees of the Consistory, 31 — 32

Twelfth Degree comes like a pause for reflection in the series of Lodge of Perfection degrees. There are no costumes or action scenes. Just a lot of things to think about.

The degree uses a number of symbols, not referred to in the ceremony. One is the Seal of Solomon, referring to the six-pointed star which has come to represent Judaism and the nation of Israel. Except that isn't exactly correct.

The six-pointed star, formed by two equilateral triangles, was first used as a decoration, dating back to the 3rd Century CE. It subsequently acquired the name Star or Shield of David. It first appeared in 1354, when King Charles IV of Bohemia prescribed it for the Jews of Prague. It appeared again on the flag of the Zionist movement in the 19th Century. It appeared again in yellow as an identifier of Jews in Nazi Germany. We all know how that story ended. Since 1948 it appears in blue on the flag of Israel.

And it also appears in red, as the Magen David Adom (red shield of David), the Israeli equivalent of the Red Cross.

That is useful to know if you happen to be visiting over there and feel compelled to donate a pint of blood.

The so-called Seal of Solomon traces back to medieval Jewish tradition and in Islamic and Western occultism. It is represented as a pentagram or hexagram. The term "seal" suggests it was a ring that the king wore on his finger, with a design he could imprint into wax to place his official seal on an important document. King Solomon may have possessed such a thing but we have no credible record of it. In legend, this ring possessed magic powers, which were sometimes mis-used, with disastrous consequences.

There are four items that officially represent Judaism and the nation of Israel: the menorah — seven-branch olive oil lamp that provided light in the temple, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, the shofar — horn from a ram or kudu, played like a trumpet; and the lulav — closed frond of a date-palm tree, used in the celebration of Sukkot. True, the flag of Israel has a six-pointed star. But on the seal of Israel, you see the menorah.

By the way, Scottish Rite masons celebrate Sukkot (pronounced sue COAT) under the name Feast of Tishrei. Look for it next October.

The Twelfth Degree is conferred by members of the Santa Cruz Scottish Rite Club at most reunions of the San Jose Scottish Rite.

Daniel Doornbos, 33°

The predilections of a degree's author affect the content as much as the taste buds of a chef. Anyone who has traveled a bit can tell you that even the "flavor" of the foundational degrees (Craft/Blue Lodge Masonry) can differ immensely from state to state, and more so if you compare these degrees across the Scottish Rite, York Rite, Swedish Rite, R.E.R., or something else. In the "higher degrees," the differences are even more dramatic and pronounced: some are philosophical, others practical; some present allegory, and others offer discourses on symbolism or (quasi-)historical themes. In something like the Scottish Rite, the same degree may have dramatically different rituals, depending upon the jurisdiction (compare, for example, the Southern Jurisdiction with the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction: the 20th Degrees are *nothing* alike). When someone describes himself as an "esoteric Mason" it often means that he perceives, and embraces, what appear to be aspects of the "Western Esoteric Tradition" in our rituals; i.e., some affinity to the symbolism of Hermeticism, Gnosticism, Neoplatonism, Kabbalah, etc. Freemasonry is an eclectic organization and, at various times, we have borrowed the language and symbols of these and other traditions. The question is, do our rituals really teach these things as *realities* or do we use them to stimulate thought—or both? As we are told in the 30°, Knight Kadosh, we should not mistake a symbol for the thing symbolized. In some cases, I believe that is what has happened, while in others, I believe we do indeed have vestiges of other traditions. But even when they are there, they may be only one layer thick on our Masonic onion. The problem is twofold: some deny any esoteric influences at all (or assert they are just used symbolically), while others claim it's the main part of the onion. If the matter is open to interpretation (not defined by the ritual itself), who has the "right" to decide? This much we know: many of Freemasonry's symbols were used before the modern fraternity existed (1717), and they appeared in a variety of books. Some were in educational and philosophical texts, and others in Hermetic or alchemical works. Consider, for example, a 1615

Wassil Rampsted.

Brothers,

I have been tasked to be the Chairman of the Valley of San Jose's Audio-Visual Committee. The goal of this Committee is to establish and provide a group of Masons that would be technically proficient in the Audio-Visual systems of the San Jose Scottish Rite building, so that they can run them properly, to properly maintain our Audio-Visual equipment and to make recommendations when needed for improvements to the equipment.

Recently, the Valley of San Jose hired a sound system professional to come in and fix and upgrade our auditorium's sound system. One of these upgrades included the purchase of a new Soundboard (pictured above) that will enable us to better serve the Valley of San Jose's needs. With the purchase and installation of this soundboard, this Professional has offered to come at a later date, but before the start of our next reunion (Starts May 31st) to teach a class on how to properly use this soundboard, as well as our full Sound System and related equipment. If you have ever had a desire to learn how to properly use a soundboard or want to learn how we are going use our system if you already know how to use a soundboard. This is your chance!!

Please let me know, my email is toonej@gmail.com. While this sound system will be primarily used during our Scottish Rite meetings and other Masonic events. There is a possibility that this system be rented by renters. If it is rented, they will also be **hiring** at least one member of this committee to run this system. Yes, that means that if we are hired, then the committee members working that event will be **Paid** by the hour for their work! The reason for this, is that this sound system will now **ONLY** be used by those that are approved by the Valley of San Jose as well as properly trained to use our Audio-Visual systems. Seeing as these other events will not be tiled events, it has been decided that we will open membership in this committee (subject to the Valley of San Jose approval) to masons who are not Scottish Rite Masons. If any of you know of any Brother that isn't a Scottish Rite mason, and you think would fit in with this committee. Please have them get in contact with me. Thanks

Jeff Toone Valley AV Chairman

Rebuilding the Temple Program

In 1982, the members were asked to make donations to Build the Temple. Now 36 years later, the Temple needs some upgrades. We are again asking the Brothers to step up to the plate. The donation levels below are exactly the same as they were back in 1982.

Future projects needed include; replacing window coverings throughout the building, building out the old printing room as a modern conference room, building out the warehouse as a members lounge, new floors through out the building. Also we want to expand the size of the Clinic to accommodate more Children. We have over 100 on the waitlist and our space is maxed out.

All donations are tax deductible, and you will receive the appropriate plaque and have your name placed on our Donner's wall.

- Setter of the Corner Stone \$25,000+
- Designer of the Royal Arch \$9,000 to \$24,999
- Artisan of the Temple \$3,000 to \$8,999
- Craftsman of the Pillars \$1,500 to \$2,999
- Hewer of the Ashlars \$750 to \$1,499
- Cutter of the Cedars \$250 to \$749

You can make a one time donation or alternatively you can make a pledge that will fit within your budget. And any amount will be gratefully accepted.

Please contact the Secretary to Make your donation.

Cutters of the Cedar

Mrs. Kathy Runcie
Bro. Bill Diggs 32°

Artisian of the Temple
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In Memory of Jason E Walker

Hon Jack Harris KCCH



Total Goal \$250,000
Total Pledges \$43,259
Total Cash \$25,241
Total Donors 41
Percent of Goal 17%

Life Memberships

Effective July 1 the Price of Life Memberships will be going up, so if you would like to get one at the reduced rate now is the time. Listed below is the Current Cost and the new Cost in July.

Age	Current	New
Under 49	\$1995	\$2541
50 - 54	\$1805	\$2299
55 - 59	\$1615	\$2057
60 - 65	\$1330	\$1694
Over 65	\$1045	\$1331

III. and MW Leo B. Mark Reunion

May 31, June 1, 2019



ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY,
SOUTHERN JURISDICTION, U. S. A.

Petition for Degrees

(Full) Name: _____
FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME LAST NAME DATE

Street Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Month, Day, and Year of Birth: _____

City, State, Country of Birth: _____

Are you a US Citizen? YES NO If "No", where are you a citizen? _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Wife/Partner's Name: _____

Years as M.M.: ____ Blue Lodge Name _____ No. _____

Lodge City and State: _____

Date and Place Raised: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer Name: _____

Have you ever previously petitioned for any Scottish Rite Degrees? YES NO

Hat Size: ____ (example: "7 1/8")

"I, the above named and below signed, confirm a belief in a Supreme Being, the inculcation of patriotism, respect for law and order, and an undying loyalty to the principles of civil and religious liberty, and the forbearance of a state sponsored religion, principles embodied by the Founding Fathers of the United States of America. I respectfully petition to receive the 4th through 32nd Degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. I am currently a Master Mason in good standing."

_____	Degree Fee	Spring	Fall
<i>Candidate's Signature</i>		\$150	\$150
_____	Annual Dues	\$50	\$0 (For Current Year)
1st Sponsor PRINTED NAME			
_____	Total Due:	\$200	\$150
<i>1st Sponsor Signature</i>			
_____	I hereby authorize the San Jose Scottish Rite to charge \$ _____		
2nd Sponsor PRINTED NAME	to Credit Card # _____		CVC _____
_____	Expiration Date ____ / ____		
<i>2nd Sponsor Signature</i>			

(Return Petition to Valley General Secretary's Office)

Signature of authorized card holder



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Future Scottish Rite and Masonic Events

Sunday June 9th ~ Masonic Smoker

Brother Chris May's House

Tuesday June 11th ~ Scottish Rite Stated Meeting 6:00 pm

Lodge of Perfection Opens — Business Casual Dress

Thursday June 13th ~SCVOA Meeting

Mt. Moriah #292 6:30 Dinner Program Following

Saturday June 22nd ~ Shakespeare in the Park 7:00 pm

Willow St Bramhall Park San Jose

Tuesday June 25th ~ AOM 7:00 pm

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

Lodge of Perfection Opens — Grand Masters Reception

July 16th ~ Night of Instruction 6:30 pm

Sunday August 18th~ Masonic Smoker

San Jose Scottish Rite