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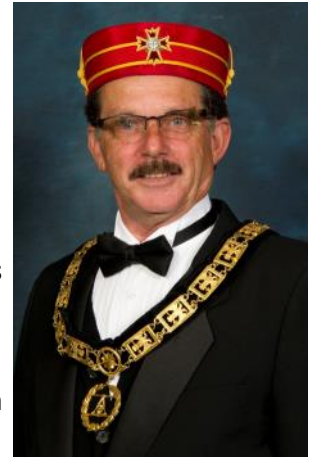


## *A Message From the* *VENERABLE MASTER*

Brethren,

Happy July the Fourth and God Bless America!

Eternal spirit, accept our grateful thanksgiving for the heritage that is ours in this green and pleasant land; for all those who have been our benefactors and the guardians of our spirits, and for those whose hopes and dreams have come to fruition in our security and our peace. Give us a diligence that will be worthy of them; a renewal of faith and those eternal values for which they wrought, and an undiminished confidence in the final liberation of all those whose enslavement to error is the challenge to our faith, faith in Truth, that incarnate in the Son of God, will yet overcome the world.



They helped everyone his neighbor; and everyone said to his brother "Be of good courage". Isaiah 41:6

A brother is said to be a good Mason who has studied and knows himself, and has learnt and practiced that first and great lesson of subduing his passion to his will and tries to the utmost of his power to free himself from all the vices, errors and imperfections; not only those that proceed from the heart, but likewise all other defects of the understanding which are caused by custom, opinion, prejudice or superstition. He who asserts the native freedom of his mind and stands fast in the liberty that makes him free.

Enjoy great freedom in your daily life, which you protect by using it wisely.

See you in Lodge for good and wholesome fellowship.

For the day: "We can chart our future clearly and wisely only when we know the path which has led to the present."

Fraternally,

*Joseph DaSilva, 32° KCCF*  
*Venerable Master*

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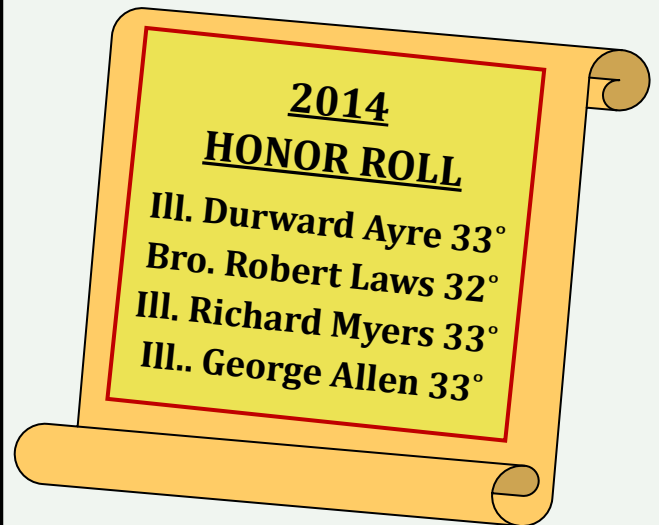
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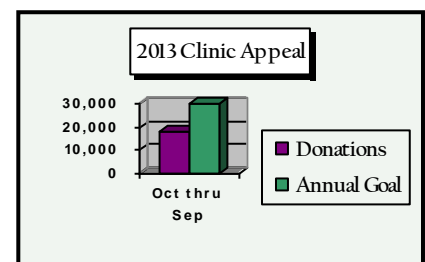


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*The Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of San Jose, in the Orient of California, acknowledge and yield all allegiance to the Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspectors General, Knights Commander 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.*



**We can do better in 2014**





### *From the Clinic!*

Summer is a happy four year old girl who has been attending speech therapy one-twice a week since January of 2013 secondary to receiving a diagnosis of apraxia. She loves to look at books and play with the clinic doll house. She is currently working on producing /g/ in the beginning of words, and /sh/ and /ch/ at the beginning and end of words in sentences. She has made excellent progress in speech therapy! Good job Summer!!



Summer's mother decided to bring her in for speech therapy as Summer, "was struggling developmentally with her speech. She was frustrated not being able to communicate appropriately. She could maybe put 2 word sentence structures together and was having a hard time with articulation. Summer has been in intensive speech therapy for the last 2.5 years. Summer attended two days a week through our school district and now once a week at the Scottish Rite Speech and Language Clinic."

Her mother noted, "Once we joined The Scottish Rite Clinic, Summer's 1:1 therapy sessions really helped strengthen her articulation issues. Summer would get frustrated easily or want to play by herself due to her lack of communication skills. Over the last year with her Speech-Language Pathologist, Jenna, working 1:1 even 1-2 times a week, Summer's frustration is rarely noticeable. With confidence Summer asks kids to play with her, and she has found the power of words! Summer has blossomed with her speech and articulation over the last year. She is much more confident and happier due to her progression of speech development. She is able to have joyful conversations and make friends at school due to the progress she has made. The most rewarding aspect of receiving services at the Scottish Rite Clinic has been watching the daily changes to Summer's speech patterns and the positive environment that Jenna has provided my daughter in becoming a more confident communicator. Jenna has been the best Speech Pathologist that Summer has met on our journey in speech therapy. Jenna understands Summer so well and has adapted and catered to Summer's personality to tailor her individual sessions to keep Summer engaged and learning. I have referred multiple families to the clinic that I have met along the way. I wish I had known about the program much sooner than I had! Our family is so thankful for the Scottish Rite Clinic. Unfortunately our health insurance was not covering Summer's private speech therapy that we started when she was 2. So for 1.5 years we paid out of pocket for most of her private therapy. Once she was 3 she was enrolled in the school district speech program. However, this program mostly focused on Summer's language development. Summer needed the language development but by the time we qualified for the Scottish Rite Clinic she really needed to work on articulation so she could form clearer words in her sentences and have conversations. The Scottish Rite Clinic has provided our family with the ability to take a deep breath from our medical bills. Our older son has an immunodeficiency which requires a lot of our expenses and we will be forever grateful for the donors to the clinic for giving us this opportunity. Sometimes my husband and I tease each other that soon we may need to send Summer to speech therapy to learn to stop talking! We treasure every word that comes out of her mouth and it's because of Jenna's dedication to helping Summer."

### ***A Word from the Master of Kadosh.....***

**W**e have just completed the visit of our Sovereign Grand Commander. For those of you that were in attendance, you were treated to a wonderful evening. For those of you that were not able to join us, you truly missed a memorable event. In addition to the Sovereign Grand Commander, we had our Sovereign Grand Inspector General, our Grand Master, 12 of the Personal Reps from up and down the state, several Grand Lodge Officers, 7 Past Grand Masters, the Most Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons in CA, and the Grand Master of DeMolay in attendance as well. It was great to see the dining room so full for the evening. We have received a number of great comments about the event. I just wish we had thought to record the SGC's comments as they were truly inspiring.



I want to thank Angela for all the work that she and her crew did to make everything look amazing and run smoothly.

We still have a number of events scheduled this year, so if you missed this one, please plan on attending one of the future events. It is your Valley, so come out and enjoy it.

*Gregg Hall, 32°*

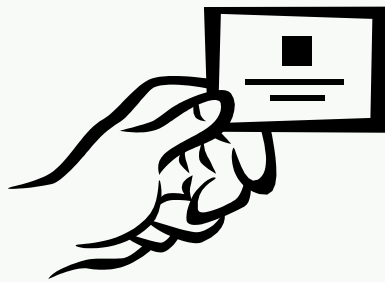
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<u><b>Orville Hanel</b></u>	800 Blossom Hill Rd. San Jose , CA. 95032-3575	408/365-0805 Would like visitors please!

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<u><b>Robert Gass</b></u>	c/o : VA Nursing Home Care Rm.258 4951 Arroyo Rd. Livermore, CA 94550-9650	*****

*Please remember those brothers that are shut in. A friendly call or note from a fellow brother would be a warm and appreciated gesture. Though, they cannot always be present , they are certainly not out of mind. We wish them all the best. God Bless.*



**Called from Labor**

**Our deepest condolences go out to Ill. Richard Fisher,  
On the Passing of his wife, Mary, on Friday, June 20, 2014.  
God Bless !**



**Please remember to notify us when a fellow Brother is ill, in need,  
or has passed to the other shore.  
We are not always contacted in a timely manner. Scottish Rite is here to assist!  
Please feel free to call anytime! (408) 978-7483**



## *A Message From the Commander ...*

My Brothers,

It is interesting to know how we are described to the world, by those outside the fraternity. The following is taken from Wikipedia, under the heading "Scottish Rite"

The **Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry** (the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction in the [United States](#) often omits the *and*, while the English Constitution in the [United Kingdom](#) omits the *Scottish*), commonly known as simply the **Scottish Rite**, is one of several [Rites of Freemasonry](#). A Rite is a progressive series of degrees conferred by various Masonic organizations or bodies, each of which operates under the control of its own central authority. In the Scottish Rite the central authority is called a Supreme Council.



The Scottish Rite is one of the [appendant bodies of Freemasonry](#) that a [Master Mason](#) may join for further exposure to the principles of Freemasonry. In [England](#) and some other countries, while the Scottish Rite is not accorded official recognition by the Grand Lodge, there is no prohibition against a Freemason electing to join it. In the United States, however, the Scottish Rite is officially recognized by Grand Lodges as an extension of the degrees of Freemasonry. The Scottish Rite builds upon the ethical teachings and philosophy offered in the craft lodge, or [Blue Lodge](#), through dramatic presentation of the individual degrees.

The thirty-three degrees of the Scottish Rite are conferred by several controlling bodies. The first of these is the Craft Lodge which confers the Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, and Master Mason degrees. Craft lodges operate under the authority of [Grand Lodges](#), not the Scottish Rite. Although most lodges throughout the English-speaking world do not confer the Scottish Rite versions of the first three degrees, there are a handful of lodges in [New Orleans](#) and in several other major cities that have traditionally conferred the Scottish Rite version of these degrees. [1]

The last sentence above is particularly interesting, as those of us traveling to New Orleans this year will have the privilege of attending a Scottish Rite first degree conferred by Germania Lodge.

1. [Germania Lodge #46, GL of Louisiana, USA](#) "The Lodge works in the Scottish Rite Symbolic ritual - one of only ten Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana which work in this historic ritual. The ten Scottish Rite Lodges comprise the 16th District of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana."

***Randy Downey, 32° KCCH***

**Commander**

**Council of Kadosh**



**Looking Back.....Cornerstone Laying Ceremony for the new San Jose Scottish Rite Building on July 8th, 1984**  
**Thank you to Tina Ude for these pictures.**





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### *From the Wise Master....*

July, the month of Independence Day. Personally being originally from the "American Zone of Germany", i.e. Bavaria and the Munich area, I first experienced Independence Day in the German army stationed at the Iron Curtain during the cold war times, where we regularly had military exercises with our counter parts of the American Army. Celebrating Independence Day together with Americans that were defending the whole western world on foreign soil certainly left a strong impression with me how intrinsic the idea of freedom and liberty can be in the culture of a country, and in individuals. While in many countries Masonry is still operating quietly, and historically (even in Germany during Nazi and in the east the Socialist times) been suppressed down to the point of being excluded from public positions, imprisoned or even killed, we Masons have enjoyed a great amount of freedom in the United States. Happy Independence Day to everyone, but specifically to all that have served and secured our independence!

On the lighter side: July also marks the next of our casual wine tasting trips, on Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>. This time, we will be heading to the "Summit wineries", targeting Silver Mountain (yummy Pinot Noirs) and Burrell School. Silver Mountain will be offering a light lunch snack (usually chicken or sausages with salad greens) for a low fee around \$10. Please bring your Santa Cruz Mountains passport ([scmwa.com](http://scmwa.com)), but the wineries usually have those on stock. We will be leaving from the little parking area at the Summit Road exit off highway 17 at 1 pm. Since again some of the roads will be very narrow and winding we will try to consolidate cars at that parking lot.

If you have not made reservations with me, please call me at (408) 505 1822 - we do have spots left. If you will not be able to make it this time, I hopefully will see you in November for our next casual winetasting event.

Fraternally,

***Wolfgang Lockner***

***Wise Master***

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**Tuesday July 8th ~ Stated Meeting @ 6:00 PM**

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*CASUAL DRESS for July Stated Meeting and Dinner*

***30th Anniversary of the Dedication of the San Jose Scottish Rite Building***

**Tuesday July 22nd ~ All Officer Meeting @ 7:00 PM**

**Sunday August 10th ~ Grand Master's Golf Tournament, Moffett Field Golf Course ~ 9:30am -6:00pm**

**Tuesday August 12th ~ Stated Meeting @ 6:00 PM**

*Followed by Festive Board and Reception for MW JOHN. L. COOPER III, Grand Master of Masons in CA*

**Tuesday August 26th ~ SJSR Foundation Board of Directors Meeting @ 5:30 PM**

**Tuesday August 26th ~ All Officer Meeting @ 7:00 PM**

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