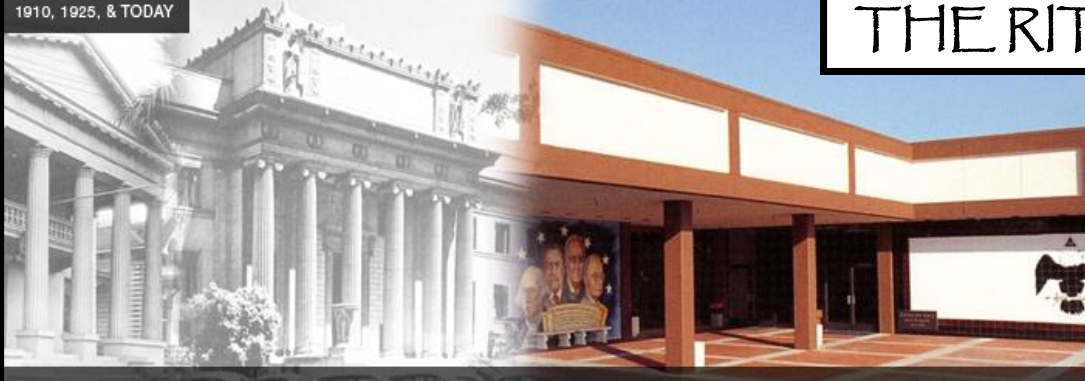


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From the Personal Representative

Happy New Years to all and Welcome to 2016!

Well, another year has ended, a new corps of officers is soon to be installed, and it is time to look ahead to another wonderful year in the Valley of San Jose. There were many accomplishments this past year and I am so proud of all we have achieved.

Let me first start this article by congratulating Ill Hal Leister, on being elevated to the rank of Inspector General Honorary or 33 Degree. There were only 23 men in all of California who received the honor. As well, Congratulations are again sent to Brothers, Gregg Hall, Wolfgang Lochner and Bob Laws who were bestowed the rank of Knight Commander of the Court of Honour or KCCH. There were only 51 Brothers who received this honor in California. Well done to all!

As I stated earlier, our Installation is just around the corner (Tuesday, Jan. 26th) and I thank and congratulate all the officers who will be installed. Please attend and help support those who have taken on a leadership role in the Valley. It is our annual celebration of the new corps of officers and the time to celebrate the New Year. I want to also thank our outgoing Masters who did a marvelous job in 2015. Many thanks go to Brothers Jack Harris, Del Bleiler, Will Montoya and Bud Ramsey as well as our Chief Knight, Jason Barnett. All your efforts were greatly appreciated.

Over the last couple of years, our Valley has taken steps to grow in membership and in holding events that are meaningful for the Valley and its members. If you have not been to a Scottish Rite event for a while, I ask that you come see what is taking place. I think you will be pleased.

This past year we will held our 5th Annual Grand Master recognition "Festive Board" where we honored our Grand Master, MW Russ Charvonja, his Lady Linda and his special project. We look forward to this year in having Most Worshipful David Perry and Lady Jeanette join us for this year's event.

I am pleased on what has already been scheduled for this year and I look forward to new suggestions from our leadership team. We will again hold two "Nights of Instruction" banquets chaired by Bro. Chuck Cowden. Bro. Chuck will also chair our Military Recognition Night, which has become an annual and very enjoyable event. Bro. Richard Fisher is again chairing our Scholarship Committee, as we will honor another graduating senior on their way to college. Later this month, we will again honor the Masters of our lodges as they complete their term sitting in the East of their particular lodge. We exist only because our Craft Lodges are strong and we wish to honor the men who have held our lodges together.

We will continue some traditional events like our Maundy Thursday Celebration, Sweethearts Night, as well as 25 year and 50 year membership celebrations. And naturally, we will hold our Semi-Annual Reunions for new members this Spring and Fall.

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Brethren,

This will be the last article you will receive from me as Commander of the Council of Kadosh. It has been an Honor, a privilege, and most definitely an experience occupying this chair in the east. It was only with the help of the other officers and the support of all the Brethren that I was able to make it through the year. I wish to thank each and every one of you for all your help, support, and for all those smiles that make life worth living. Seeing all those familiar faces and getting to meet and get to know new ones is always a new thrill for me. As my family grows, so does the good feeling within me grow. Thanks again for being you and being there.

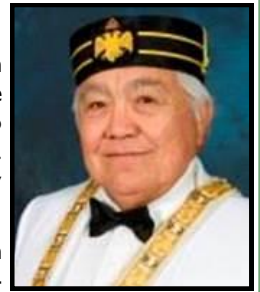
There were several awards given in our last stated meeting. Two of those were for Brothers which had been in Scottish Rite for more than 50 years. I congratulate them and envy them. I especially want to thank Most Worshipful Holsinger for putting into words my feeling about being a Scottish Rite Mason.

By the time you read this, the Holidays will have passed, the wrapping paper and all the trimmings have been properly stored and things have begun to return to normal. The hang-overs are beginning to fade away but the headache of knowing that those bills have to be paid still lingers.

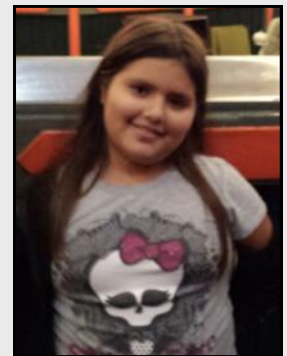
Another thing always comes to my mind. The Holidays and the month of January almost always bring with them a larger than normal amount of accidents and need for blood. Giving blood at Red Cross or any approved donor station is one very good way to serve your brothers, sisters and community. See you out there.

Be well and GOD BLESS YOU ALL !

Will Montoya,
Commander Council of Kadosh



**HAPPY
NEW YEAR**



Lilianna (Lily) has been receiving once a week speech therapy services at our clinic since February 2015. She is working on expressive, receptive and social language skills. She has been working on nine different goals and has already met two of them! Some of the goals she is currently working on are learning idiom meanings, following 4-step directions and producing past tense and irregular past tense verbs in sentences and in conversation. Lily has a great sense of humor and enjoys telling her clinician about the funniest thing that she has most recently seen on TV. She does great impressions and is a joy to have in the clinic. Her mother Christina wanted to speak upon her experience at our clinic:

“I heard about the San Jose Scottish Rite Childhood Clinic through a teacher at my daughters school. Before receiving services at this clinic, it was really hard to work with Lily. I was not sure what she was capable of understanding. I was not sure what she was and was not understanding. In addition, she was having a really hard time in school each year.

Speech therapy at this clinic has helped Lily so much. She has displayed some great developments! The school teacher and I have seen a really good increase in her vocabulary and overall speech. Her behavior is also much different. We do not go through “meltdowns” very much now-a-days. Her anxiety when she does her home work has decreased! She makes more of an effort to try now in class and with her homework. She enjoys coming to the clinic and working with Miss Jenna to achieve her speech therapy goals.

There are not many speech therapy clinics that I am aware of that help the community the way this clinic does. I have worked in the education field for over 12 years and had no clue that this clinic existed. It was not until I sat down with one of her teachers and they told me about it. I went online and did some research, talked with my husband and we both decided that this clinic would be a good fit for Lily. I reached out and they gladly talked to us and tested her. Miss Jenna then developed a plan that worked. And so far, it has been amazing! Lily is growing and we are very pleased with the outcome.

The most rewarding parts of receiving services at this clinic are understanding the “needs” my daughter has and what she needs to work on in order to have more successful academic and social abilities. The clinic and their staff are very welcoming, positive, encouraging, and safe. It is nice to know that there is someone she can rely on. Someone to help her, coach her, and that is what the clinician and this clinic does. This clinics services has enriched our lives as a family. We will truly miss coming when our 18 months are done. I wish there were more resources and clinics like this one! Thank you Scottish Rite for all you do for us families. You are greatly appreciated!”

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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!
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A note from Angela...

With the end of the year here, I would like to thank everyone for their patience with me this past year. Between my injuries and hectic schedule with events, I may almost be able to take a breath and catch up on my desk work. I apologize if donation letters and/or dues payments have not been processed in a timely manner.

I am hitting the grindstone and working hard to get caught up.

I want to thank many of the members who have come in and helped with set ups and breakdowns and the red aprons with the assistance at Stated Meetings. We are a family and its evident in how everyone has pulled together.

You are my family.

I want to especially thank those who helped by donating to this years Annual Clinic Party.

Without you, it would have never been as successful as it was!

Thank you to William Ferguson for the “Petting Zoo”

Thank you to Greg Donnellan for the “Lunch”

Thank you to Suzzana Mendola for the “Jumper/Slide”

Thank you to Gillian Doornbos, Jenna Mendonca and Earline LaRue for all the Cookies and Goodies!

You all helped to make the Clinic Party Happen!!!



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.



Tuesday, January 12th, 2016

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From the Wise Master

Remembrances:—I remember when I was a child growing up back in Boston and my folks used to take us to “summer” in either New Hampshire or Maine. On the way we would stop at the Webber Duck Farm or the Benson’s Animal Farm and see the animals on exhibit. And I have always remembered that youthful experience.

Fast forward to December 2015:—and I had it on my calendar to be present at the Installation of Officers at Los Gatos. I wanted to make sure that I attended *all* the S.C. Valley Lodge Installations this season. But also on the calendar was the notation of the San Jose Scottish Rite Clinic Christmas party for the little children as well as their parents. Well I couldn’t do both? Could I? While I finished shaving and looking into the mirror he said “Sure you could, you just have to push the envelope a little harder”.

So there I was—the Clinic party was in full swing. Not as many though as before, but I was glad I made it. A decorated lit-up Christmas tree, lots of kids enjoying the large inflated house with the sliders and bouncers. Others were waiting in line for a chance to sit on Santa’s lap and mention what they would like him to bring them for Christmas. And there was music, and a wonderful spread of food on the serving tables. Also my newfound friends from Monterey said to me “Have you seen the animals?”— . . . “What animals?”— . . . “Well they’re outside in the gated area.” And sure enough, there they were. Lots of animals.

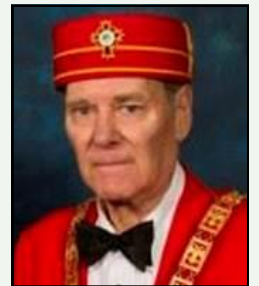
The little children were all lined up waiting their turn to get inside and see, and even pet the wonderful collection of smaller livestock.

There were many Sheep, Alpacas, Goats, Chickens, Ducks, Little Piglets, Squirrels, and Bunny Rabbits. You could tell at once the great experience the kids were having to pet and even hold some of the smaller animals. They too would also remember that day at San Jose Scottish Rite for the rest of their lives. Yes, it was a good day.

As I left to continue my journey I thought to myself

“This was a good year—the Chapter was at refreshment and we could depart in peace”.

***~~Dell Bleiler
Wise Master***



Greetings everyone!

Happy New Year! This is my last article as Master of Kadosh (okay, okay ... stop cheering). I have really enjoyed serving you this year. I think our Scottish Rite meetings and events have excelled in bringing pleasure, friendships, and joy. I look forward to what's coming this year. A New Year brings a whole new set of possibilities!

Again I offer a bit of Masonic history/trivia for January. On January 2nd, 1901, President Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt received his 1st Degree in Matinecock Lodge No. 806 in Oyster Bay, New York. On January 7th, 1785, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart received his 2nd Degree. On January 12th, 1886, Quatuor Coronati Lodge #2076 was consecrated and constituted in London. It is still considered by many to be the premier Masonic Research Lodge in the world. In the month of January, Grand Lodges were formed in Ohio (1808), Iowa (1843), Indiana (1818), Nevada (1865), and Utah (1872). These are just a few Masonic events of note that happened in January. I hope they are of interest.



I have one final story I want to share with you to start the New Year:

Thanks – Author Unknown

It had been some time since Jack had seen his old friend. College, girls, career, and life itself got in the way. Jack had moved clear across the country in pursuit of his dreams. There, in the rush of his busy life, Jack had little time to think about the past and often no time to spend with his wife and son. He was working on his future, and nothing could stop him.

One day, his mother called him. "Mr. Belser died last night. The funeral is Wednesday." Memories flashed through his mind like an old newsreel as he sat quietly remembering his childhood days. "Jack, did you hear me?" "Oh sorry, Mom. Yes, I heard you. It's been so long since I thought of him. I'm sorry, but I honestly thought he died years ago." His Mom responded, "Well, he didn't forget you. Every time I saw him he'd ask how you were doing. He'd reminisce about the many days you spent over on 'his side of the fence' as he put it." Jack said, "I loved that old house he lived in." "After your father died, Jack, Mr. Belser was the one that stepped in to make sure you had a man's influence in your life," she said. "He's the one who taught me carpentry," he said. "I wouldn't be in this business if it weren't for him. He spent a lot of time teaching me things he thought were important... Mom, I'll be there for the funeral."

As busy as he was, he kept his word. Jack caught the next flight to his hometown. Mr. Belser's funeral was small and uneventful. He had no children of his own, and most of his relatives had passed away. The night before he had to return home, Jack and his Mom stopped by to see the old house next door one more time. Standing in the doorway, Jack paused for a moment. It was like crossing over into another dimension, a leap through space and time. The house was exactly as he remembered. Every step held memories. Every picture, every piece of furniture... Jack stopped suddenly.

"What's wrong, Jack?" his Mom asked. "The box is gone." "What box?" "There was a small gold box that he kept locked on top of his desk. I must have asked him a thousand times what was inside. All he'd ever tell me was 'the thing I value most,'" Jack said. It was gone. Everything about the house was exactly how Jack remembered it, except for the box. He figured someone from the Belser family had taken it. Jack said to his Mom, "Now I'll never know what was so valuable to him. I'd better get some sleep. I have an early flight home, Mom."

A couple of weeks later, Jack returned home from work to find he'd received a small package in the mail. The handwriting was difficult to read, but the return address caught his attention. "Mr. Harold Belser" it read. Jack ripped open the package and there inside was the gold box and an envelope. The note inside said, "Upon my death, please forward this box and its contents to Jack Bennett. It's the thing I valued most in my life." A small key was taped to the letter. His heart racing and tears filling his eyes, Jack carefully unlocked the box. There inside he found a beautiful gold pocket watch.

Running his fingers slowly over the finely etched casing, he unlatched the cover. Inside he found these words engraved: "**Jack, Thanks for your time! - Harold Belser.**" The thing he valued most...was...Jack's time.

Many of us labor in the fields of Masonry because what we do matters...it makes a difference. But sometimes we get so busy in the activities of Masonry, we neglect to make the important differences to those closest to us. Brethren, I ask that you take some quality time with your families...time with your friends. For the wisest know not when, time shall be no more. See you at our Tuesday night meeting and dinner!

Bud Ramsey
Master of Kadosh

I am particularly pleased on our progression of adding new degree teams for our Reunions. This past year we added two more degrees to our list of conferrals. The Spring Class decided to step up and take on the challenge of hosting a degree. In fact they took on 2 degrees (the 6th and 7th), and their conferral in the Fall was a pleasure to witness. Hopefully we can continue the growth of new candidates to witness the beautiful work being performed by all our degree teams. This past year, we brought in 23 new members. And this year will hopefully be even larger.

There are 25 lodges that make up our Valley's geographic area. Each of you know at least one member of your lodge that is not a member of the Scottish Rite. Wouldn't it be wonderful, if we had a candidate from every one of those 25 lodges that make up our Valley? Maybe two? You can help our Valley grow. Don't be afraid to expound on the great work of our Valley and invite that one member of your lodge to join with us.

This past year, we held a Murder Mystery Dinner and all had a great time. Also for the first time, we attended the Highland Games in Pleasanton. What an exciting day! We held a Movie Night, had dinner in the Saratoga Hills, overlooking the Valley, had a Magical evening (Magician, Hank was amazing) in our own facility as well as our Annual Christmas Party for the kids from our clinic. A special and huge thank you goes to Gregg Hall who has taken on Chairmanship of our new Supreme Council program Called VMAP. It stands for Valley Membership Achievement Project, and exists to raise the level of the member experience and to promote Scottish Rite education. Gregg has done an outstanding job getting this project off the ground, and we have already made great strides in increasing what the Valley accomplishes. These are just a few of the events and projects that were put together by our Masters and line officers this past year. And this year's Masters have promised an even more exciting year. I can't wait to see what is in store for us.

Our Foundation is still very strong, but we can always use a new contribution here or there to continue our work. Our clinic continues to do amazing things with our kids and I am very proud of what is being accomplished by our Clinicians. For the past couple of years we have also made sizable contributions to the Grand Master's project (Raising a Reader and Fire Safety), Masons 4 Mitts, recognition of our DeMolay leadership at their Annual Conclave, treated our local Rainbow Girls to an Ice Cream Social and a day at Great America in honor of their Statewide Project where they raised money to support our kids and the clinic. As well we held our Scholarship program to which I have previously spoken. We were also pleased to be able to make a second installment contribution to the Supreme Council's House of the Temple, refurbishment project.

For those that have not heard, our Foundation Board has started on a path toward building a new state of the art building which will be our home for many decades to come. We have accepted an offer to lease 5 of our 6.69 acres as well as the current building to a local high-end private school. They plan to refurbish our building as well as build an additional building to handle upwards of 700 students. The lease is for a term of thirty years, but the school has an option to purchase the building around the ten year mark. We are still hammering out the contract, but hope to have it signed sometime this month with an anticipated closing period of nine months. If all goes well, about the late Fall timeframe, we will have to temporarily find a home while a new building is being constructed on the remaining 1.69 acres that we will retain. Discussions are being held with the Hall Board of the Masonic Center across the parking lot to fill our needs. Anyone wishing to discuss the terms of the deal or has questions about why the move, please feel free to contact me any time. We want to be very open about our plans and want to ensure all our members are informed of our plans.

As I do every year, I would like to close this article by speaking about communication. We can only know if we are heading in the right direction if we hear from you. Please give me your thoughts about where we are headed, or what we might not be providing that you would like to see, regarding our Valley? What would excite you to return to an active role? Our Valley is here to support you, but I need to know your thoughts and desires. Please contact me when you think we are failing, but most importantly communicate. You are a valued member and we value your input. The Valley is only successful if you think we have done right. Let us know! I believe that all we have accomplished is in great part to the work of our General Secretary, Bro. Hank and our Executive Assistant, Angela. Please make sure you communicate your thanks to them for all their efforts in keeping the ship in calm waters and heading on the right path. They are invaluable to me, and make my job very easy. I look forward to seeing each of you over this coming year. Come on out and help make a difference! Happy New Year to all!

KEN G. NAGEL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

**I look forward to seeing each of you over this coming year.
Come on out and help make a difference! Happy New Year to all!**



My Brothers and Ladies,

2016 is here - the start of the New Year and the close of my year as Venerable Master. We have had a great year! Movie nights, mystery nights, dinner over looking the valley, 50 year presentations, a magical cabaret dinner, new red hats and a new white hat, and two great reunions that brought in 26 new members - all of which could not have happened without the dedication and participation of the officers of the four lodges and the members of our Scottish Rite. Our clinic continues to serve the community and the Christmas Party for the clinic's children was a wonderful and inspiring event. I hope I have served the Lodge of Perfection well over the past year and I know that 2016 will be a year to look forward to under the leadership of Brother Tom Bergevin. Thanks to everyone for the help and support that you have given me over the last year, I had a wonderful time!



Be seeing you,

JACK HARRIS, VENERABLE MASTER

Congratulations to All!!



Hal Leister—33rd Degree



JR McGovert—Master Craftsman

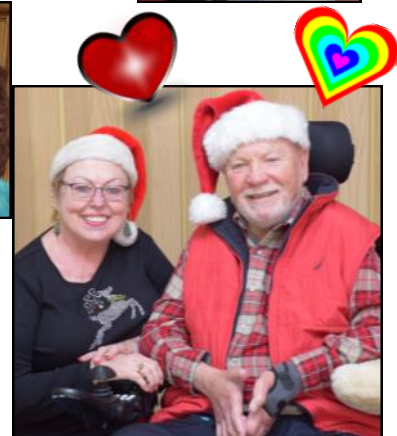
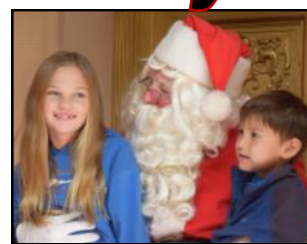


Tony Arnedo—50 Year Pin



Bill Holsinger—50 Year Pin

Clinic Christmas Party





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Future Scottish Rite Events

Tuesday, Jan 12th ~ Stated Meeting @ 6:00pm

6:30pm - Social Hour ~ 7:00pm - Dinner ~ Program—Honor Blue Lodge Masters of 2015

Tuesday, Jan 26th ~ INSTALLATION of Scottish Rite Officers for 2016 @ 6:00pm

Thursday, Jan 28th ~ MONTHLY OAM MEETING - Host: Liberty Lodge #299

6:30pm ~ Dinner 7:30pm ~ SOI—Reception of GL Officers, Jewel March, Calling Up, Rod Work

Sunday, Jan 31st ~ MONTHLY MASONIC GET TOGETHER - CASUAL DRESS!

At the home of Wors Will Montoya, 2999 Bradbury Dr, SJ. Bring some snacks to share!

Tuesday, Feb 9th ~ Stated Meeting @ 6:00pm

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

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