



The Rite Word

From the Venerable Master:

Brethren

Often times we talk about the importance of educating ourselves in the mysticism and symbolism of our order, and of obtaining further light in Masonry. These are indeed important. But sometimes we forget that the true secret to the fraternity is that kinship – that true brotherhood which exists, which permeates everything we do. It is that, for many of us, which from the outset of our Masonic experience, draws us in and keeps us coming back. That is why our social times are so very important. Those times are not mere indolence or time wasted. Even for those Masons who are truly dedicated to furthering the knowledge and enlightenment of those around them, and who spend countless hours of study, there is still that fellowship, which like a beacon, draws them to be among those of like minds – or even those with significantly divergent opinions – but to those who are Masons all.



So when we relish our social times, as we do at our Scottish Rite stated meetings, know that this is as important a part of the Masonic experience, as are all the countless meetings, the study of rituals, and the gaining of knowledge and wisdom.

In July we will be holding our Festive Board reception for the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Stu Wright. This is always a great event, and I hope you will attend and join us in the lively festivities. Call the office and make your reservation. See you on July 9.

Randy Dawney

Grand Master's Reception and Festive Board at the July Stated Meeting
Meeting will start at 5:45pm Cost for dinner is \$25
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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.

From the Wise Master

Dear Brethren,

As a beekeeper or an apiarist, I have always been fascinated with honey bees and continue to learn about them every day. There are many connections between Masonry, Honey Bees and Bee Hives. This month, I would like to share with you some thoughts about Freemasonry and Bees.

If you research for Bees and Freemasons, you will read many references for bees being symbols of industry and regeneration, wisdom and obedience, with a place in Egyptian, Roman and Christian symbolism. I believe there is much more than that.

First, bees know one another through various indicators if they belong to their hive or not. Only bees who can produce the correct credentials are admitted to a regular bee hive. Otherwise the guard bees will not allow them to enter the hive. This also includes other critters don't belong to a hive.

The Queen bee uses the frames in the center of the hive for brood and generation of the new members of their colony. They are born and initiated in the center of the hive where freemasons have their altar. New born bees (entered apprentices) have the job to clean the cells, and they start with the one they were born in. They also keep the brood warm while they learn to subdue their passions, live within the due bounds for the harmony and strength of the hive. Next, they feed the older larvae then the youngest larvae, the candidates. As they get older and wiser, they are initiated to next level responsibilities, as fellow crafts. Their responsibility is to produce wax, carry food, and build combs that are traced by older bees on their tracing board. At this stage they are given the wisdom on construction, structure, material, geometry, math, chemistry, physics and many other disciplines similar to Fellow Craft Masons in order to build the perfect combs with the right cells (size for female, drone/male and queen cells are different), regulate the temperature of the hive through controlling water evaporation and regulate water content of the honey to prevent fermentation. Also, later, they are tasked with the guard duties (tyler) to protect the hive entrance. During this entire time since birth, they have not yet left the hive, stayed in the hive and attended their duties.

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From the Commander

Kinds of Masons - A Short Story

"I am almost through!" The New Brother displayed a sheaf of cards to the Old Tiler. "Soon I will have joined them all and become every kind of Mason there is."

"What do you know about the kinds of Masons there are?" asked the Old Tiler, interested. "You have not been a Master Mason long enough to gain all that knowledge!"

"That's not hard to gain, with all the brethren poking petitions at you. There are Scottish Rite Masons and York Rite Masons and Templar Masons and Chapter Masons and council Masons and..."

"Oh!" the syllable said much. The Old Tiler added, "I didn't understand. I thought you couldn't have learned yet."

"Learned what? Are there some more kinds of Masons?"

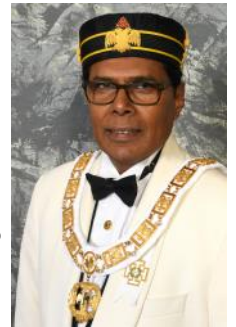
"Indeed, yes! answered the Old Tiler. "A great many kinds. But seven you haven't mentioned stand out more prominently than others."

"Do tell me! I thought I had joined most of them..."

"You don't join these. You become one, or are made one, or grow into one of them. For instance, there is the King Solomon Mason. He thinks that everything that Solomon did as a Mason is right and everything he didn't do is wrong. To him Masonry was conceived, born and grew up in the shadow of King Solomon, and every word of the legend is literally true, much like the man who refuses to believe the earth is round, because a verse in the Bible refers to the 'four corners of the earth!' The King Solomon Mason lives his Masonry according to his light; perhaps it's not his fault it is so dim.

"To the ritual Mason the importance of Masonry is the form of its words. A good Mason in his belief is one who can repeat a lecture from end to end without a slip. A man may do battle, murder, or cause sudden death, commit arson or run away with a neighbor's wife; if he knows his ritual letter perfect, it 'was all a mistake!' The man who doesn't know his ritual letter perfect is not, in this man's eyes, a good Mason; not though he give to charity

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From the Master of Kadosh

Our Scottish Rite facilities are being redone, remodeled & repurposed with your help in supporting the San Jose Scottish Rite Foundation. More changes are on the way including expanding our Childhood Language Clinic. The down stairs will soon have a modern meeting facility that we will all be proud of. Come, visit and be impressed by the room and the changes.



Masonry is moving ahead. I just had the opportunity to visit Grand Lodge in San Francisco. A new beautiful Lodge room, with dining and meeting areas is almost complete. It is located on the exhibit floor. Eight Lodges have already expressed an interest in putting on a degree there. (two pictures if you have room)

Masonry is moving forward with a purpose, and we are showing the community that we are a vital link on



Toby Vanderbeek and Family he was finally officially Capped at the June Stated Meeting.

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.

Thirteenth Degree — Master of the Royal Arch of Solomon

We're almost done discussing the Lodge of Perfection Degrees. That means we are coming closer to the goal of perfecting or completing the Three Degrees of the Blue Lodge.

The Third Degree ends with the Temple still unfinished and the Master Mason's Word has yet to be given. According to the legend, the Word has become lost until future ages may discover the rite. Well, this is the rite (or one of them) they were talking about. The Word is discovered in the Thirteenth Degree and will be explained in the Fourteenth Degree.

The theme of this degree, according to the ritual, is "Whatsoever a man soweth, that also he shall reap." That idea comes from Paul's letter to the Galatians, chapter 6 verse 7. In context, it refers to seeking either a corrupt, flesh-oriented life or a spiritual one. To really understand how the sow-and-reap theme applies to this degree, you have to read the discussion under the Historical Addendum on pages 254 to 260 of the Scottish Rite Monitor.

The actual theme of this degree is the quest to discover the Name of God. Why is that such a big deal? Just about anybody calls on God when they pray. Does He have a specific name? Who gave it to Him? Does everybody up there go by the same name? And if they don't, do people's prayers get rerouted to the celestial wastepaper basket?

Not really. In ancient times, men worshipped many gods. These supernatural thought forms tended to belong to a specific geographical area, such as a mountain, river, or a community. Worship became formalized with the early civilizations, including Mesopotamia, the Indus valley, China, Mesoamerica, and Egypt. The various gods each had a specialty or collection of specialties, from victory in battle, to healing, sun, wind, and rain; music, and beauty.

These gods were aware of us lowly humans and rather enjoyed being worshipped. The deities could be persuaded to perform beneficial acts on humans' behalf. The key to persuading a deity to do something for you was to invoke his or her name. That's why Moses, while talking to God on Mount Sinai, asks God for His name. Because the captive Israelites, learning from their Egyptian masters, believed a divinity would only help you if you called on it by name.

The story of King Solomon's Temple, and the Masonic legends surrounding it, takes place in a Hebrew or Israelite setting. So we focus our study on the beliefs and concepts specific to that faith tradition. Doing so greatly simplifies things and avoids comparing with other traditions and useless speculation, such as whether the Hindus, Hittites, and Hebrews all imagined a similar form of deity.

The organization that confers the Thirteenth Degree is called a Chapter of Masons of the Royal Arch of Solomon. The story is about three Masons, Adoniram, Yehu-Aber, and Satolkin, who explore a series of vaults, built one atop the other. In the bottom vault, they discover an ancient temple constructed by the Patriarch Enoch.

Enoch is mentioned in the bible, in Genesis 5:18-24. He was the great-great-great-great grandson of Adam and the great-grandfather of Noah, who built the famous ark. According to the Bible account, Enoch lived a brief 365 years, after which "God took him." I use the term brief because his father, Jared, lived 962 years and his son, Methuselah, lived 969 years.

What is most significant about Enoch is that he "walked with God." And unlike everybody else, Enoch did not die, rather the text says that "God took him." The Apostle Paul elaborates on Enoch's situation in Hebrews 11:5. He says Enoch's faith so pleased God that he was taken without experiencing death. So what does that make Enoch? A man in tight with the Divine. So anything he says or does is considered sacred and invaluable.

There is a popular volume, titled *The Book of Enoch*, which expands on antediluvian stories from the Bible and describes Enoch's visit to heaven, his dreams and revelations. A few of the earliest Christians accepted this book in their canon (theological term for Bible). Scholars believe it was written between 300 and 100 years BCE, which means Enoch himself was not the author.

In the legend of the 13th Degree, Enoch has a dream in which God appears to him and takes him to a high mountain, among the clouds, where God's name appears in written form among the stars, followed by a whisper in Enoch's ear that gives him the name's correct pronunciation. The whispering voice then prohibits Enoch from repeating the name to anybody.

After he wakes up, Enoch journeys around looking for the mountain from his dream. When he finds it, Enoch constructs a temple where he can deposit the sacred name. He builds his temple under a series of eight chambers, arranged vertically. Enoch carved the temple or ninth chamber, out of solid rock. He employed this unusual architectural design because he wanted to safeguard its contents for future generations against conflagration (fire), inundation (flood), or any other disaster that might be caused by the growing evil he observed in the world around him.

It turns out that Enoch's temple is located near Mount Moriah, where the city of Jerusalem would be built some 2,000 years later. In the 13th Degree, one or more of the vaults have apparently been discovered already. King Solomon sends Adoniram, Yehu-Aber (or Joabert), and Satolkin, heroes from the previous degrees and played by three candidates, to explore further. They inspect the first vault or arch, only to discover a slab of granite with an iron ring on the floor. It takes all three men to raise the slab. Under it they find a passage to another vault below. They work their way through down to the last vault, where they discover Enoch's treasure.

The treasure consists of a short column of marble and a cube of agate stone on top of it. In the cube is carved a triangle, ornamented with gold and precious stones. And on

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Once they achieve the necessary age and wisdom, they are initiated to the next level, Master Masons. Now they can travel. They can fly from the hive to collect pollen, nectar, water, propolis, etc. They map the area around the hive, determine and communicate where the resources are, construct the hive structure on their tracing board and attend the Queen's needs and her success with productivity and longevity of the hive, also replace the Queen if/when it becomes necessary for the good of the hive.

When resources (food and water) are inadequate, instead of fighting for what little they have, bees help the weak and support the hive, and the last resort voluntarily leave the hive to allow the remaining bees to survive. Honey Bees (except the Queen) die when they sting due to the barbed stinger they have. Therefore, bees rarely sting for self-preservation but the preservation of the colony or to protect what belongs to the colony.

I hope you find the honey bees as fascinating as I do and notice the similarities between their wisdom and our lodges.



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cause with both hands and carry love for his fellowman in both head and heart.

"The practical Mason looks at life from a utilitarian standpoint. He prefers electricity to candles for Lesser Lights be they are simpler and prefers candles to electricity because they are cheaper. He thinks a choir impractical because it produces nothing permanent, and would rather spend the money for printed matter or a new carpet. He is at his best when raising money for a new temple and at his worst when asked to express himself upon the spirit of Masonry. His hand is in his pocket for charity, but never for entertainment. He is usually on the finance committee, and recommends a budget in which rent and heat and light are bigger than relief.

"The heart Mason is the opposite. He is full of impractical schemes. He wants to start a new temple which will never be built. He talks much of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, but is absent when the hat is passed and the committee on funds needs a few workers to go out and gather in. The heart Mason is the lodge sob-sister; he usually seconds any motion to spend any amount of money for flowers or to send a brother

away for his health, and always makes a little tear-filled speech about the fatherless loved ones, even if the dear departed died a bachelor.

The business Mason belongs because he thinks it helps his job. He usually sits next to the solid businessman in lodge and likes to tell people what he does. If he is a Past Master, he never comes to lodge on time, so that he can get a special welcome at the Altar. His favorite speech is about the man who tried to advertise his business in lodge and how evil this was; in the speech he always mentions his own business. He wears an extra-large sized pin and prints squares and compasses on his letterheads.

"We dominate another kind by the expressive term of belly Mason. He is most faithful in attendance at lodges where there may be a feed. He will cheerfully spend twenty cents carfare and a long evening to get a fifteen-cent sandwich. If there is to be a sit-down meal he will sit up all night to be on time. If the affair is in another lodge and needs tickets he will take time off from his job to hunt a brother who has a ticket and doesn't want it. He usually manages to cross the lodge room while the cigars are passed so he can dig into the box twice. If the crowd is small, he is the last man to get a smoke, so he can take all that are left. If the crowd is large, he is among the first, to make sure he doesn't get left.

"And then there is the regular Mason- the fellow who does his best with the time and brains he has. He is the great bulk of the fraternity. He pays the dues and fills the chairs and does the work. He is seldom a fine ritualist, but he is usually an earnest one. He is not very practical, and would spend more than we have if it wasn't that he is too sentimental to permit the charity fund to be robbed. He passes the sandwiches and coffee, and if there is any left he gets his; but he doesn't care so long as the evening is a success. He isn't a student, but something in the heart of Masonry has reached deep into his heart, and so he comes to lodge and does his best. He is not learned, but he is not stupid. He is not hide-bound, and yet he is conservative. He loves his lodge, but not so much he cannot see her faults. He is most of us."

"And what class of Mason am I?" asked the New Brother, uneasily looking at his sheaf of cards.

"You have cards enough to be considered a Mason for almost any reason," answered the Old Tiler. "But I'll take your word for it. What kind of Mason are you?"

"I don't know for sure, but I know what kind I am never going to be!" answered the New Brother, putting his many cards away.

By W Bro Carl Claudy



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the triangle appears the ineffable name of God.

Ineffable means you do not speak or pronounce the name aloud. Remember the commandment, "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain"? Not saying the name is a good way to prevent wrongful use of the name.

The three Masons don't understand what their discovery means but they realize it's something very significant. They attach ropes to raise the cube through the nine levels to the surface. Then they carry the cube to Kings Solomon and Hiram of Tyre. The two kings instantly recognize the Divine name and reward Adoniram, Yehu-Aber (or Joabert), and Satolkin by making them Masons of the Royal Arch of Solomon.

The rest of the Degree deals with lectures by the Wardens and the Orator, who explain the story and teachings.

Aren't there legends of treasures in secret chambers in and around where the Temple in Jerusalem once stood? Yes, and they are many. The area under what it today known as the Temple Mount, has never been fully excavated. A lot of work was done in the 1800s but competing religious traditions, enforced by threats of violence, got in the way.

Among the discoveries under the platform, they found a large chamber, which they named King Solomon's stables, for the Poor Fellow Soldiers of Christ and the Temple of Solomon (the Knights Templar). The stables are located 12.5 meters below the Temple Mount courtyard and include twelve rows of pillars and arches.

The discovery of those arches, which date to the First Century BCE, may have lead some Masons to associate the arch with King Solomon's Temple. Hence a degree named Royal Arch of Solomon. Unfortunately, there were no arches in Solomon's Temple, nor the Second Temple, which used a post-and-lintel configuration.

During the 1967 war, the Israeli army captured the Temple Mount, which had been under the control of the Kingdom of Jordan. But the Israelis surrendered it back to Muslim control to prevent further hostilities. Clearly a smart move.

Archeologists believe that the Holy of Holies, where the Ark of the Covenant once rested, was atop a rock outcropping. The Dome of the Rock stands over that outcropping today. It is also said that the Prophet Muhammad embarked from that rock on his Miraj, or night journey to heaven.

Today, you can visit the excavated area at the western wall of the Temple Mount. They have tours though the buried structures dating back thousands of years. Most people do not know that the Tyropeon valley runs immediately west of the Temple. Over the ages, the valley has been entirely filled in with buildings, constructed one atop the other, a common building practice in ancient times. If you have not yet visited, you should put it on your bucket list.

Here are some online references where you can read more about the history and construction of the Temple Mount:

<https://jewishaction.com/jewish-world/israel/secret-chambers-temple-mount/>

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/what-is-beneath-the-temple-mount-920764/>

<https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/the-temple-mount>



Dylan is an adorable four year old boy who has been seen at the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Clinic secondary to delays with his expressive and receptive language and articulation skills. He also works on social thinking skills to address needs with pragmatics and social communication with his peers.

Testing of Dylan's expressive and receptive language skills revealed difficulty using a variety of grammar forms, answering questions, and using a variety of syntactical structures. His articulation skills were mildly delayed and he demonstrated a variety phonological processes that impacted his intelligibility. The combination of reduced expressive language and diminished articulation skills made it difficult for Dylan to relay his wants and needs and was further impacted by his reduced attention to adult-directed tasks.

Since the initiation of therapy, Dylan has made tremendous progress toward his goals! He is working on following adult-directed activities using a visual schedule, following directions with age-appropriate linguistic concepts, and is using sentences with age-appropriate syntax and grammar. He has also worked hard with his /sh/ and // sounds and is making fantastic progress at the word level. Dylan's mother is proud of his progress. She stated, "We are very happy with your service and we see a lot of progress and improvements with Dylan. Thanks a lot!" We are very proud of Dylan too. His parents' commitment to bringing him to his weekly sessions and working with him at home have helped Dylan blossom! Way to go, Dylan!

Pragmatics is one of the five areas of language development that helps us navigate our relationships with others, regulate ourselves to our environment, and maintain attention so that we can learn new things and interact appropriately with others. Indy participates in our "Social Thinking" program to learn social executive functioning skills, which helps our students learn how to collaborate with others and problem solve through situations using a variety of strategies. The "Social Thinking" program is based on extensive research from Michelle Garcia Winner, a renowned Speech and Language Pathologist, who has studied social thinking and how best to help children who have difficulty navigating their social interactions at home, school and in the community.

Indy has been working on utilizing key concepts to practice his social executive functioning skills such as, following the group plan, thinking with his eyes, keeping his body in the group, using whole body listening, understanding hidden rules and expected and unexpected behavior, making smart guesses verses wacky guesses, using flexible thinking verses stuck thinking, understanding the size of the problem, and sharing an imagination. Social communication and social executive functioning skills help us participate in group activities and to interact with others in a way that helps everyone feel

comfortable. Teaching these concepts has helped Indy relate to others using empathic thinking and perspective taking, two skills which relate to early developing skills for language and cognition, central coherence, joint attention and intention, emotional regulation, self-regulation and theory of mind. Without these basic building blocks a person will have difficulty collaborating, negotiating, and learning as part of a group.

Indy's mom has seen an improvement in Indy's social thinking skills since treatment was initiated. She stated, "Speech at Scottish Rite has been great. Rachel has a deep understanding of his needs in social/behavioral speech and has provided excellent tools to take home and share at school." She further commented that the therapy Indy has received has been "wonderfully effective" and "fantastic".

Indy has made great progress understanding and using many of these concepts during our therapy time. And his mother is introducing the key concepts to Indy's teachers at school to help carryover his skills outside of our therapy time together. I am particularly proud of his Indy's perseverance and I am looking forward to continuing our learning time together!



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.

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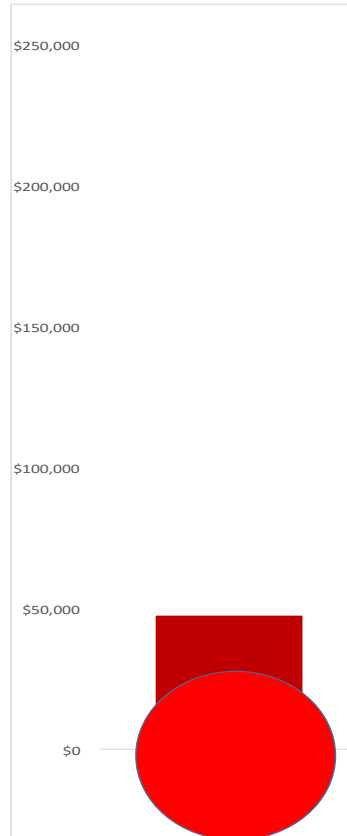
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Honors

Two of our members will be receiving the 33rd Degree and 4 will be receiving the KCCH. These will be presented at the Oakland Scottish Rite on Saturday September 14th.

The 33rd is only open to those with the 33rd, but the KCCH is a public ceremony and anyone that wishes to, may attend. There will be a dinner following the event.

Please contact the Secretary if you wish to have further information.

Our Honorees will be announced at the July stated Meeting.

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Street Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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

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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
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Future Scottish Rite and Masonic Events

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

Tuesday July 23rd ~All Officers Meeting 7:00 pm

Sunday August 18th~ Masonic Smoker

Worshipful Kevin Hall's House

Tuesday Aug 13th ~ Scottish Rite Stated Meeting 6:00 pm

Lodge of Perfection Opens — Business Casual Dress

Sunday Aug 11th ~Hirams Hackers Golf Tournament

Sunday August 18th~ Masonic Smoker

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Thursday Aug 22nd ~SCVOA Meeting

Friendship #210 6:30 Dinner Program Following

Tuesday Aug 27th ~All Officers Meeting 7:00 pm

Saturday September 14th~ Honors Presentation

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