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## From the Personal Representative:

In April, several members of San Jose Scottish Rite had the pleasure of attending a Scottish Rite Management Workshop in Seattle. While conferences of this type are always inspirational, there were a number of small group sessions that some of us really found interesting and educational. The session that I was particularly taken by was devoted to the explanation of a new "off site" study course on the history, development and symbolism of Scottish Rite, from its earliest inception to the present day activity.

The course is not simply a review of the evolution of the order, it is an in-depth exposé of the rituals, philosophy, and sources of the rite. It is, in short, a graduate degree in Scottish Rite.

Several of those attending the classes in Seattle purchased the source book on the spot and others of us chose to order it from Supreme Council. Having little space in my luggage, I chose the latter.

On my return to California, I introduced the matter to our Tuesday morning "Kitchen Cabinet" and was met with an enthusiastic response. Of the eight members at that particular meeting, all eight expressed an interest in pursuing the course of study, and it was suggested that, while the course is designed for individual study and research, it might be a good idea to set a particular time and place to allow the study to be done in groups. I called Supreme and spoke to Ill. Brent Morris, and he agreed that this would be an interesting and enjoyable way to take the course. Now my only problem is ... how many copies do I order, and that's the theme of this article.

If there is any interest in this idea, I need some response from the members of the valley. The



study could lend itself to group sessions either at the Center, or sponsored by the clubs, but I need to have those interested contact me and let me know if you'd like to participate. The source book is \$35.00 and if shipped individually the shipping is about \$18.00. If we order as a body and resell the books to the brethren, there would be a slight savings in the shipping cost, and this is what I propose.

There seems to be quite a resurgence of interest in the history and philosophy of Freemasonry, and the enthusiasm for this course is an example of that trend. We say frequently that we are in search of further light in Masonry, my brothers, and this course will give meaning to that quest.

Let me know your desires. Call the office or me personally and let us know if this is of any interest to you. Depending on your response we will set up whatever kind of classes you would like and we will proceed from there.

Fraternally,

## Hanna Bliden

is our first San Jose Scottish Rite Scholarship recipient. She is currently a student at Soquel High School. Her scholarship grant is in the amount of \$2,500.

Hanna will be our guest of honor at one of our dinners this fall. She has been accepted at several collages and will announce her selection at the dinner.

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**Night of Scottish Rite Education**

We are proud to announce our plans for the initial Night of Scottish Rite Education. The tentative date for this wonderful evening of education, good food, drink and brotherly socialization is September 30, 2008.

The evening will start at 6:30PM with a social "hour", actually about 30 minutes, followed by a scholarly presentation on the symbolism in the new fourth degree. We are proud that Brother Daniel Doornbos, 32 degree, Knight Commander Court of Honor will be the initial presenter in this series. A Festive Agape Dinner will follow. During the formal dinner (tuxedos please) we will have several appropriate toasts, fellowship and the opportunity to discuss the evening's paper.

More information will be provided in the very near future. Please mark this date in your daily planner/calendar. We know you will experience a meaningful Masonic evening to remember.



**Congratulations to Brother Fred Wool, 32° on reaching his 50th year in Scottish Rite! His new cap was presented at our last stated meeting dinner.**

Happy Father's Day!

**Make your contribution to the San Jose Scottish Rite Bodies and have your name on the "Honor Roll". Your gift of \$100.00 or more will help the San Jose Lodge of Perfection, Chapter Rose Croix, Council of Kadosh and Consistory reach the level necessary to provide quality events for our future success. Incremental gifts welcome too.**

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No Friday Lunch Bunch this Month .

## From the Secretaries Table:



Brethren,

Earlier this month, I had the privilege of attending the Scottish Rite Leadership conference in Seattle. Besides having the opportunity to learn and share, there was also the time to meet and greet many other representatives from various Valleys and Orients.

Comparing notes about problems and issues was interesting to say the least.

Also, in May, I had the opportunity of representing Los Altos Lodge No. 712 at the Senior Warden's Retreat in San Ramon. I guess one could compare the two sessions and both were extremely valuable but for substantially different reasons. If you have the opportunity to attend either of the sessions, I firmly recommend them to you.

On another note, we have begun the process of reviewing the historical documents that are the San Jose Scottish Rite. There will be a very comprehensive section of our new web-

site that will contain much of our history. Fortunately we have thousands of pictures, articles, newsletters and the like. Unfortunately, much of what we have is unorganized and lacking detailed information about the people, places and events. If you have any available time to assist with some identification, please contact me. In fact, we will dedicate some space in each future issue of the Rite Word to sharing some of the unknowns with you. Also we will dedicate some of the web-site to mystery solving.

Do you know what a MINO is ???

Speaking of mysteries, I will give you the answer to the challenge of "MINO", next month.

Thinking about Memorial Day, I received an appropriate reminder by e-mail that I would like to share:

*When in England at a fairly large conference, Colin Powell was asked by the Archbishop of Canterbury if our plans for Iraq were just an example of "empire building" by George Bush.*

*He answered by saying, "Over the years, the United States has sent many of its fine young men and women into great peril to fight for freedom beyond our borders. The only amount of land we have ever asked for in return was enough to bury those that did not return."*

You could have heard a pin drop.

Lastly for this month, those who have been participating in our meetings and our ceremonies continually earn our respect and admiration. Thank you for all you do to make the San Jose Scottish Rite such a warm and welcoming place to meet, act and part. To those who have not been able to be with us, we miss you and would like to see you soon. If we can be of any assistance in helping you with a ride, or a reminder of our meetings, please call my office and ask for me. We will try to help in any way we can.

Here is one more web-site for you to visit:

<http://aw22.com/art011125.html>

## Roger's Corner

Into a dining room decorated with varied and vibrant colors --reds, greens and whites---Cinco de Mayo colors, Scottish Rite members, their wives, escorts and friends eagerly lined up at the hors d oeuvre table to sample the simple but tasty offerings. After placing ample hors d oeuvres on their plates, our members and guests settled down to beautifully decorated tables (thanks to Oscar, Felipe, Marylou Johnson and Grace Stephens) and enjoyed with their friends while waiting for the main courses.

The Cinco de Mayo dinner included Mexican steak rancheros, and, many sought second helpings, It, was obvious that Scottish Rite monthly dinner attendees like tasty Mexican food.

The beverage bar, with excellent selections of reds and whites, was, as always, well stocked and two efficient members were busy pouring the fine selections for the members and guests who stood in a long queue at the beverage bar.

Our desert was a simple, but tasty, ice cream treat.

If you enjoy good food and fellowship with your friends while dining out, give San Jose Scottish Rite's monthly dinner a try. Telephone Mary Lou Johnson - 408.978.7483 to make your dinner reservation(s).

Monthly dinner, 2nd Tuesday of each month, except October.

Roger Bibb

**Who am I?**



We recently discovered thousands of photos of Scottish Rite members and events and almost none of them are labeled!

If you recognize this brother then please let the secretary know who he is.



**Attention all 32° Masons**  
**Are you a 32° Scottish Rite Mason?**

**If so, why not join the**  
**KNIGHTS OF ST. ANDREW ?**

*Interested? Please send information to:*

**John Unger, Secretary**  
 4609 Hampton Falls Place, San Jose, CA 95136-2678  
 or e-mail johnp4609@yahoo.com.  
 Please include your name, address, phone (home, work, cell <whatever you want listed>) and e-mail address if you have one.

**What's an "Accepted" Mason?**

Between 1620 and 1682 there was a distinct body associated with the Masons Company of London called the Acception. Into the Acception were received "persons who were not Operative Masons."

The Acception has sometimes been referred to as a Fraternity of Speculative Masons but there is no evidence that it was, in fact, ever referred to as such.

**Do you recognize this brother?**



This is one of the few recently discovered photos that was identified. Do you know who this is?

(See page 9 to find out if you're right!)

**For the Ladies!!**

I want to thank the ladies that shared books that they had read and really enjoyed. We came away from the May meeting with some suggestions for our leisure reading this summer.



The month of June is quickly approaching with warm weather, graduations, weddings and all kinds of summer activities. At our meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>, please bring copies of one or two of your favorite summer recipes to share with the group.

Many of our ladies also bring a craft, their knitting or crocheting to work on while we visit. Please feel welcome to come and just visit with the other ladies. We would love to have you join us.



I look forward to seeing you in June.

God bless you all,

Susan Ramsey

A blast from the past: This photo was taken during the construction of the Scottish Rite Center on 8 October 1982.





## From the Clinic!!!



**H**arry is a delightful four and a half year old boy who has been seen at the San Jose Scottish Rite Speech and Language Clinic two times a week for six months. Harry was diagnosed with High Functioning Autism just before he started treatment at our clinic. He had a very hard time listening to directions and had difficulty with expressive grammar and vocabulary. He also needed help with social language, such as taking turns during games, using his words to communicate with others, staying on topic during a conversation, or asking and answering questions during play. Harry is a loving, energetic child who smiles often during therapy and enjoys giving and getting hugs.

Harry has made significant progress in a very short period of time. He can now follow directions with two steps given some cues and has increased his expressive vocabulary and grammar skills during structured activities with the clinician. Harry continues to need help with social language, but he is becoming more attuned to his communication partner and is starting to ask and answer questions appropriately during conversations given support. He is also work-

ing on understanding a person's non-verbal communication, such as facial expressions and eye gaze, to understand what another person is thinking.

Harry's parents recently filled out a survey about their experience at the clinic. Since Harry's treatment began, his parents have noted a marked difference, as he "has fewer meltdowns, seems happier and less anxious, and improved relationships with his peers and teachers". Harry's family wrote that his speech and language skills have "improved beyond our wildest dreams". They are delighted that Harry is asking questions, telling pretend stories and is using his words when he is playing with his peers.

They described their experience at the clinic as "superlative" with "wonderful, caring staff." They have also told other parents about the clinic and wrote that they will "continue to advocate for Scottish Rite...We absolutely love [the clinician]...our son has made incredible progress because of her care."

### *Did you know?*

*Our clinicians currently are treating 41 children but we have another 62 on our waiting list!*

*Any additional financial support you can provide will be greatly appreciated and help us to improve and grow the Clinic.*

**Are you aware that your donation to the Clinic could be worth twice as much? Many companies will match their employees' gifts to charitable organizations. To find out more, speak with your employer or our General Secretary. One or the other can get you the information you need.**

May Donations:

**Clinic**

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*If you know of anyone who is ill, please call the office!*

**Shut-Ins**

Bill Roberts	Danny Boy Ct., Morgan Hill, CA 95037-6000	408/778-0220
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**Permanent Shut-Ins**

Bill Nelson	Care Center, Los Gatos Meadows, 110 Wood Rd., Los Gatos, CA 95030-6799	408/399-1787
Robert Gass	VA Nursing Home Care, Rm.258, 4951 Arroya Rd., Livermore, CA 94550-9650	
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Jim Hutson	1009 Blossom River Way #373 - San Jose 95123-6323	408-978-1288
John Knight	3400 Paul Sweet Rd. #C-129 - Santa Cruz, 95065-1537	
Wyatt Sawyer	14500 Fruitvale Ave. #2253 - Saratoga 95070-6179	408-741-7306

**In Memorium**

Fred Grant Green, Jr.	Gonzales	March 2, 2008
William Keck Bibbins	Eagle Point, OR	April 12, 2008
Clarence Richard Shephard	Salinas	April 1, 2008
Stuart Leslie Sandelman	Los Gatos	April 28, 2008

From the Wise Master:**Masonic Influence on Independence Day**

As we approach the month of July, our thoughts turn to the celebrations on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, the birthday of the United States of America. The Masonic influences in the establishment of this nation become apparent by reviewing the Masonic affiliation of the founding fathers.

Some of the greatest names of the American Revolution were Masons, namely Ethan Allen, Edmund Burke, John Claypoole, William Daws, Benjamin Franklin, John Hancock, John Paul Jones, Robert Livingston, Paul Revere, Colonel Benjamin Tupper, and George Washington. Also, evidence of Masonic connections does exist for Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, and Daniel Webster. Fifteen of fifty-six signers of the Declaration of Independence were Freemasons or probable Freemasons.

Nine signers of the Constitution were Masons. Evidence of membership or affiliation for thirteen other signers does exist. Six additional signers later became Masons making 28 of 40 signers of the Constitution Freemasons!

Some other Masonic influences in early American History were:

- *The majority of the commanders of the Continental Army were Freemasons and members of "Army Lodges."*
- *Most of Washington's Generals were Freemasons.*
- *The Boston Tea Party was planned at the Green Dragon Tavern, also known as the "Freemasons' Arms," and "the Headquarters of the Revolution."*
- *Robert Livingston, Grand Master of New York's Masonic Lodge, swore in George Washington as the first President of the United States. The Bible on which he took his oath was from his own Masonic Lodge.*
- *The Grand Lodge of Maryland laid the Cornerstone of the Capital building.*

Past history gives Freemasons much to be proud of because this Nation's government was structured by the tenets of Freemasonry!

Hal Leister, 32°  
Wise Master

From the Master of Kadosh

In May, I presented some of Brother Manly P. Hall's qualifications of a true Mason. This month I am going share more of his thoughts on this subject for your consideration. Here they are:



A true Mason knows that his work is not secret but realizes that it must remain unknown to all who do not live the true Masonic life. Yet, if the so-called secrets of Freemasonry are shouted from the rooftops or broadcast on the Internet, the Fraternity is absolutely safe. These disclosures reveal merely the outward forms and ceremonies of Freemasonry. Only those "who have been weighed in the balance and found to be true, upright, and square have prepared themselves by their own growth to appreciate the inner meanings of their craft".

A Mason is not proud of position. He is not "puffed up" by his honor, but with a seeking heart is eternally ashamed of his own place, realizing that it is far below the standard of his Craft. A true Mason never feels worthy of his Craft.

A Mason cannot be ordained or elected by ballot. He is evolved through the years of self-purification and spiritual change. There are thousands of Masons who are brethren in name only, for their failure to follow the ideals of their Craft makes them unresponsive to the teachings and purpose of Freemasonry. When this fact is better lived, "Freemasonry will awake, and speak the Word so long withheld".

The true Mason knows the value of seeking the truth wherever he can find it. The Masonic Lodge is universal; therefore all true Masons will seek through the "extremities of creation for their light". He must search for the high things in lowly places and find the lowly things in high places.

I believe these attributes or characteristics give us all plenty to think and TALK about. I hope to see you at the June stated Meeting and dinner.

Chuck Cowden, 32°  
Master of Kadosh





For the Lighter Side of things

A postman, on his route, picked up a letter from a mailbox that was addressed to God. The postman, seeing that the letter was not sealed, and there being no postage on it, opened and read it.

It was from a man who was down on his luck and was asking God for help. The letter asked for \$50 to get his family through the next week.

The postman, being a Mason, took the letter to Lodge that evening, read it, and asked for donations for the unfortunate fellow. The Masons, wanting to help, took up a collection, and received twenty five dollars from the brethren. The Secretary placed the cash in a Lodge envelope, and gave it to the postman to deliver the following day, which he did.

Another day passed, and the postman again found an unsealed letter in the mailbox addressed to God. Again he opened and read the letter, which thanked God for the money, but instructed him to send it through the Knights of Columbus next time as the Masons kept half.

**Answer to “Do you recognize this brother?” on page 5: It’s A.A. Hapgood, taken at the spring 1941 reunion. (What? And you thought these would be easy?)**



Brethren and Ladies –

From the Venerable Master

If you missed the May meeting, you missed a good one. The dinner was excellent and the mariachi band was great (not as “loud” as some and was really enjoyable). We were also able to recognize a couple of brethren that achieved the 50 year mark in Scottish Rite. Congratulations my brothers!

It amazes me that we are already heading into June. This year is going very quickly and there’s a lot happening. If you haven’t joined us in awhile, you should come down and experience it for yourself. Our Tuesday night meeting starts at 6:00 PM, is followed by social “hour”, and then dinner...all of which will make you glad you came. And while we’re in our meeting, the ladies gather together to socialize and do a program of some sort. Then we are all together for the social aspect. So ladies, come and be with us. We really enjoy having you there.

So what’s so special about June? Well, there are lots of reasons to celebrate June. For example on June: 3<sup>rd</sup>, First US Spacewalk; 5<sup>th</sup>, World Environment Day; 9<sup>th</sup>, Donald Duck’s Birthday; 14<sup>th</sup>, US Flag Day; 15<sup>th</sup>, Father’s Day; 26<sup>th</sup>, Toothbrush Invented!! There’s more, but I thought that was enough for now. And, of course, a really BIG reason to celebrate is June 10<sup>th</sup> because it’s our Stated Meeting and Dinner!

I want to thank all the officers for keeping a positive attitude. Author Herm Albright once said, *“A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.”* I’ve found this to be true and I try to maintain a positive attitude. I think many of you have seen the letter from our General Secretary, Bob Rowan, indicating that we can use more people for the degree teams, etc. If you think you’d be interested, step forward. There are large parts, small parts, and parts that require no ritual memorization. Thomas Edison once said, *“Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work.”* But this isn’t hard work, its fun. And this is an opportunity to build your future moral and Masonic edifice.

Here is a great quote from page 14 of “The Lion’s Paw”, by Carl H. Claudy. *“This is a holy place,”* he began. *“That Altar - the Altar of Freemasonry - is God’s Altar. Freemasonry teaches the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. At that Altar men take their vows and become brethren. From that Altar radiates a sweetness, a helpful spirit of light that makes the whole world better. To it the sore in spirit come for never failing comfort. By its light men compose their differences and forgive each other their wrongs.”* And such is the nature of who we are. I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

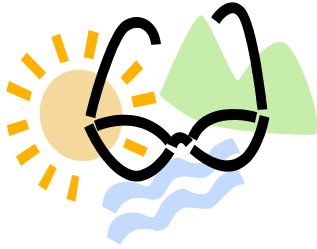
Bud Ramsey—Venerable Master

**Here is your Interesting web-site for this month:**

<http://www.greatdanepromilitary.com/Battle%20Hymn/index.htm>

**Enjoy!!**

June Stated Meeting Dinner - 7:15 PM - Tuesday June 10, 2008



Only \$12.00  
per person

Menu

- Caesar Salad
- Chicken Sherry (Sherry Cream Sauce topped w/breadcrumbs)
- Garlic Roasted Red Potatoes
- Fresh Green Beans
- Freshly Baked Rolls and butter
- Coffee or Tea
- Desert

Reservation deadline:  
Friday, June 6th at 4:00 PM

Reservation #:  
408-978-7483



**DO WE HAVE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS?**

The San Jose Scottish Rite is preparing an e-mail distribution list of members who would prefer to receive their Scottish Rite communications by e-mail. Interested? Please send your e-mail address and name to [rdrowan@sanjosescottishrite.org](mailto:rdrowan@sanjosescottishrite.org).

The following received recognition from San Jose Scottish Rite for outstanding leadership in ROTC and JROTC for this year:

**ROTC:** Alexander Kneefel—Santa Clara University

**JROTC:**

Oscar Zamarripa—Yerba Buena High School, San Jose  
Sarah Mayden—Monterey High School, Monterey  
Emma Bringas—Silver Creek High School, San Jose  
James Tran—Mt. Pleasant High School, San Jose  
Ryan Bray—Prospect High School, San Jose  
Mark Vidunas—Westmont High School, San Jose  
Brandon Ruvalcaba—Branham High School, San Jose  
James Katawics—Leigh High School, San Jose

Alberto Chavez—Leigh High School, San Jose  
Kevin Bui—Milpitas High School, San Jose  
Ana Nino—Everett Alvarez High School, Salinas  
Andrea Almaraz—Soledad High School, Soledad  
Pamela Aquino—Seaside High School, Seaside  
Joanne Barros—Andrew P. Hill High School, San Jose  
Anh Thu Le—Oak Grove High School, San Jose  
William Vance, III—William C. Overfelt High School, San Jose

Membership is always important:

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 Office of the Secretary (408) 978-7483  
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Fee: \$300.00 *(must accompany this petition)*

(Please print or type)

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth : \_\_\_\_\_

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Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation (If retired, previous occupation): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever petitioned for any of the Scottish Rite Degrees?: \_\_\_\_\_

I believe in the inculcation of patriotism, respect for law and order and undying loyalty to the principles of civil and religious liberty, the entire separation of church and state as set forth in the Constitution of the United States of America. Wholeheartedly believing in the foregoing, I respectfully apply for membership with San Jose Scottish Rite Bodies.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended by:

1: \_\_\_\_\_ 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Share your own enjoyment of Scottish Rite.  
 Invite a brother to make an application.

## **Future Scottish Rite Events:**

**June 7, 2008 - Council of Masters meeting — 9:00AM (all officers should attend)**

**June 9, 2008 - Deadline for July “Scottish Rite Word” articles!**

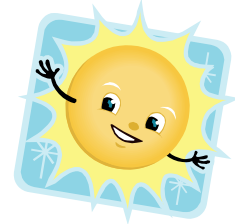
**June 10, 2008 - June Stated Meeting & Dinner**

**June 15, 2008 - Father’s Day**

**July 8, 2008 - July Stated Meeting & Dinner**

**July 12, 2008 - Council of Masters meeting — 9:00AM (all officers should attend)**

**July 14, 2008 - Deadline for August “Scottish Rite Word” articles!**



## **Fall Reunion**

The San Jose Scottish Rite Bodies Fall Reunion is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, 24 and 25 October 2008. Please **mark your calendar** and plan to participate and attend. The Program will very much like our Spring Reunion. The Degree Teams need personnel to perform the degrees. Volunteer and become a participating member.



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