

Our Fall Reunion begins on October 9, 2012 with the conferral of the Fourth Degree following the monthly stated meeting. Our degree directors and degree casts are beginning their preparations and the lodge room will be busy with practices and dress rehearsals throughout the months of September and October. Take a moment to think about the devotion of the many Brothers involved in the conferral and communication of the degrees. Because of the hard work and dedication of these Brothers our fall Reunion will be one we can all be proud of. I encourage you to attend all degree conferrals to show your support of the new class and your Brothers presenting the degrees. Your presence is vital to the success of the reunion.

The Masonic Restoration Foundation (MRF) held their third annual symposium on August 23-26 at the Oakland Scottish Rite Temple. I hope some you had the opportunity to attend. The four day event hosted by Academia Lodge No 847 included scholarly papers, the conferral of the Fellow Craft Degree in Traditional Observance Lodge manner, a Lodge of Instruction and several great dinners including a formal agape. Closing remarks on Sunday, Aug 26, were made by Very Worshipful John L. Cooper the Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of California.

A few words about the MRF are probably in order for those of you who might not be familiar with the organization. Since 2001, the MRF has been conducting research on the problems affecting American masonry, identifying successful practices and offering realistic solutions aimed at reversing negative trends. The MRF have interviewed hundreds of young men about their perceptions of Masonry and what they seek in the lodge experience. They are aware that many young men who are joining the fraternity today have generally already done a lot of reading and website

surfing and have formulated an opinion about the fraternity.

Most of these young men perceive Freemasonry as a place for truth-seeking, a way to seek self-improvement and realize spiritual development. These young Brothers know what they want from a fraternity and have high expectations that their lodge will meet their needs as men.

The MRF provides education and training to individuals, lodges and Grand Lodges on ways to establish quality programs, academic excellence and social relevance in their Masonic communities that will be a match with the needs of the new Mason.

In addition, the MRF provides certification for lodges seeking to become a traditional observance (T.O.) lodge. The MRF has established requirements and tenets for a T.O. lodge to follow which affords the lodge the opportunity to establish an initiatic focus and Masonic culture dedicated to the preservation of traditional forms practiced by our ancient masters.

If the objectives of the MRF appeal to you I invite to visit <a href="https://www.traditionalobservance.com">www.traditionalobservance.com</a> to learn more about how they can assist you and or your lodge.

Next month I am going to discuss a few ideas about "sacred space" and our Masonic temples. I look forward to seeing you at the September 11 Stated Meeting and Dinner.

Chuck Cowden -Venerable Master



#### From the Secretary's Table:



rethren all,

I wanted to share several pictures of our (not-so-recent) trip to England, Scotland and Wales. Here are several of them. One from Roslyn Castle, one from the Salisbury Castle, and two showing the ultra cold at Stonehenge.

We have many more pictures and can attest to Randy Downey's expertise in setting up a tour both informative and entertaining. When considering a future trip, include Star & Compass Travel in your research for the experience.

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There is a significant number of our members who have yet to pay their dues for 2012. The San Jose Valley, like all other Valleys, depends on the payment of dues to support the continuance of most of the activities of the Rite. Please, if you have not yet met your own commitment for current dues, do so at your earliest convenience.

Fraternally,

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General Secretary











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I DON'T HAVE A SHOTGUN. NOT A PROBLEM, SHOTGUNS WILL BE AVAILABLE.

WHAT ABOUT AMMUNITION? THAT TOO, WILL BE AVAILABLE.

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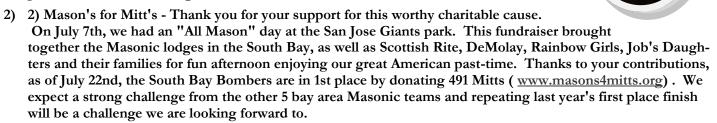


#### From the Treasurer

Hello Brethren,

Let's review three items briefly:

1) Senior Member Program - We want you to be aware that our Scottish Rite Senior Member Program has three basic criteria. These are that you must be a 50 year Scottish Rite Mason *OR* you must be 80 year old (or better) *AND* you must have *financial need* in addition to either of the first two criteria. If you meet these criteria please consider contacting us for additional information.



3) Raising A Reader - At this Month's Festive Board Banquet, M.W. Frank Loui was presented with a donation from our Valley for the Grand Master's Project - Raising a Reader. Masons have always championed public education and today our leadership is needed more than ever. This project will bring a nationally acclaimed literacy program to those who need it most: kindergartners in the state's lowest-performing public schools, who are at the greatest risk for educational failure. Your generous contributions will support our goal to significantly improve child literacy in California, particularly San Jose, transforming the future of thousands of children.

Additional information the Grand Master's Project - Raising a Reader can be found at <a href="http://www.freemason.org/RaisingAReader/index.htm">http://www.freemason.org/RaisingAReader/index.htm</a>

If you have any questions or feedback please feel free to contact me at: <a href="mailto:arnoldjp@yahoo.com">arnoldjp@yahoo.com</a> and/or (408) 859-7523.

Fraternally,

Jim Arnold

Jim Arnold, Treasurer

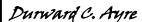
#### REGIONAL ORIENT MEMBERSHIP AMBASSADOR'S MESSAGE AUGUST 2012

Freemasonry is said to be a "peculiar system of morality". It does not profess to teach mere human morality because all human morality is of itself imperfect. Instead the morality of Freemasonry is founded on the Divine law of the Great Architect of the Universe and is designed to make good men better. This betterment is achieved by an ongoing process of refinement.

The basis of Freemasonry is the work ethic and it is by fruitful deeds that Freemasons should be recognized as such.

However, these deeds should not be solely confined to Masonic endeavors, but rather demonstrated throughout one's daily life, so that the wider world in which we live may be made better as a result.

Therefore, it is incumbent upon each of us to find worthy candidates who may be made even better by initiation into the practices of both the Blue Lodge and the Scottish Rite. Let each of us pledge to bring in at least one worthy and well-qualified member this year. Have you found your candidate yet?



Durward C. Ayre, 32° KCCH

Regional Orient Membership Ambassador for the Valleys of San Jose, Fresno and San Francisco in California





svaldo is an engaging and well-mannered, ten year old young man who has been coming to our clinic for speech and language therapy for the past year. His mother was referred to the San Jose Scottish Rite clinic by Osvaldo's teacher. She brought in Osvaldo and his two brothers for a speech and language screening. All three boys were placed on

our waitlist, and when treatment spots became available only 2 of the boys still needed help. Osvaldo and his older brother Andrew have both been receiving individual speech and language therapy and occasionally they are seen together, as many of their treatment goals overlap.

Osvaldo's speech and language goals have spanned across several areas. One of Osvaldo's areas of need has been articulation. He had difficulty with the /s/ and /z/ sounds and produced them with a lisp quality, meaning his tongue placement was too far forward and protruding between his teeth. Osvaldo has also required help with his expressive and



receptive language skills. It is difficult for Osvaldo to choose the correct vocabulary and grammar to construct sentences and conversation. He has worked on several grammatical aspects of language such as verb tenses, prepositions and possessive nouns and pronouns. His goals have also targeted auditory processing deficits such as following directions, sequencing, phonological blending of sounds, word discrimination and word memory.

Improvement has been noted for all of Osvaldo's goals, especially his articulation skills. He continues to need help with his language and auditory processing skills. His mother noted that Osvaldo's speech and language has improved and that he now speaks clearly and corrects his own errors.

With his great attitude and willingness to participate, Osvaldo has made and continues to make great progress. He also receives special services at school to address his speech, language and academic needs. Osvaldo's progress has been a result of his combined services as well as the support he receives at home from his family. He is a joy to work with and continued success is sure to continue!

#### Clinic Director's Message September 2012

Year-to-date your clinic has served 97 children. During the month of July, we completed 202 treatment hours. A total of 50 children received speech and language services. We also carried out four (4) more screening evaluations. We discharged two children from our services and two children were added to the caseload from the waiting list, leaving a total of 118 children on our waiting list.



Presently, we have nine (9) screenings scheduled. Once these screening have been completed, we anticipate closing the waiting list due to the high number of children awaiting our help. We hope to reopen the waiting list and conduct additional screenings again starting in late Fall or early Winter.

We are also attempting contact the Rainbow Girls, who had previously expressed interest in carrying out volunteer work at the Clinic. The Clinic Staff and I are hopeful that we will be able to make arrangements for the Rainbow Girls to assist in the near future.

Thanks again to each of you for your help for and support of our Clinic.

#### Durward C. Ayre

Durward C. Ayre, 32° KCCHClinic Director

#### Shut Ins

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~ Called From Labor...

Ill. John Lund 33°

July 14, 2012

Bro. Herbert J. Walker 32°

August 13, 2012



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.

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Please feel free to call anytime!

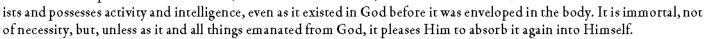
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May Almighty God, in his infinite mercy, Grant that we may meet again, to part no more.

#### From the Master of Kadosh

An excerpt from our Scottish Rite Ritual Monitor and Guide:

Masonry teaches us that the soul of man is immortal; not the mere result of organization, nor an aggregate of modes of action of matter, not a mere succession of phenomena and perceptions; but an existence, one and identical, a Living Spirit, a spark from the Great Central Light, that hath entered into and dwells in the body, to be separated from it at death, and return to God who gave it; that does not disperse or vanish at death, like a breath or a smoke, nor can be annihilated; but still existence of the force of the



Fraternally,

Roger Bibb Master of Kadosh

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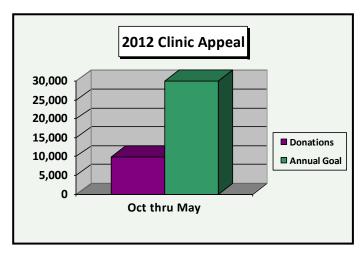
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It was 12 years ago on September 11, 2001, while getting my kids ready for school, I turned on the television and saw, what I thought at the time, a movie going on. It was not until I saw about 9:03 that I saw the footage of a plane heading for a building and a reporter saying this is a live feed and then I realized I was watching the news. It was a terrible day and the American people were dying, people were jumping out of the buildings from the 74th floor, choosing to die rather than suffer. It was an unforgettable day. I cried, shook and held tight to my children.

I will never get the visual out of my mind!

Please.....

Let us remember all those who lost their lives on September 11. 2001. All those workers who lost their lives, in those towers, all fire rescuers and police. Let us, on September 11, 2012 at mid-day have a moment of silence in remembrance for all our lost friends, families and fellow Americans on that tragic day. They may no longer be here with us but they will always be in our hearts and minds. Let us pay our respects by never forgetting the past but focus and fight for our future.

~ Angela Athans



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Monday September 3rd ~ Labor Day ~ Office Closed

Tuesday September 4th ~ KSA Monthly Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Tuesday September 11th ~ September ~ Stated Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Followed by Dinner @ 7:00 PM (Back to normal dress for SJ Scottish Rite Officers)

Tuesday September 25th ~ September ~ All Officers' Council @ 7:00 PM

Saturday October 6th ~ Stanford VS Arizona Football (See page 9)

Tuesday October 9th ~ October ~ Stated Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Followed by Dinner @ 7:00 PM and conferral of 4th Degree to begin fall reunion.