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Change, Common Sense and Acceptance

Change is inevitable. **Common Sense** is all but lost. And **Acceptance** is often hard to admit. Yet, these are the times we live in. Today is a much different environment than just a year ago.

2020 is a year that has truly tried the world's patience. The pandemic, the fires, the hurricanes, the wars, the elections, the riots, and the division amongst those who usually agree. It seems like there is no end in sight as to what catastrophic event might happen next.



CHANGE is going to happen and we can't stop it. Change has always happened and will continue to do so. That's just the way it is. Sometimes we can control it, sometimes we cannot. The best we can do in this situation, is to try to understand it.

Once we get a grasp on the situation and its unique intricacies, we need to let our **COMMON SENSE** kick in. We shouldn't react emotionally, hastily or violently. Decisions should be made clearly, methodically and logically weighing the pros and cons as the events unfold. Only then can we come to a rational decision on how to proceed.

ACCEPTANCE might be the toughest element for most people to handle. Some may agree with the change and the decisions that went along with it, while others may be most upset. But in the end, there are only three choices; work with it, walk away from it or try to modify or amend it.

And so, it has been with our beloved fraternity. This has been a most difficult year. Many of the world events have entered into our hallowed halls and have set forth a fire storm of emotions and controversy thus upsetting the peace and harmony that once prevailed. Remember that as members of the Craft, we are taught that we are "Brothers who best can work and best agree".

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Also bear in mind that many of the changes are really just temporary in design. What is mandated today could very well be rescinded tomorrow. As masons we respect those who make the difficult decisions and do our best to abide by them.

We must learn to adjust to the **change** fate has handed us, use **common sense** to analyze it and **accept** what we must do if we are to survive. Masonry has done this for hundreds of years, and will continue to do so. It is how we endure and carry on while the rest of the world attempts to tear itself apart. Don't let the events of the outside world influence your beliefs or what your heart and mind know to be true. The lessons taught in our beautiful degrees are just as vital and poignant today as they ever were. Maybe more so. It is never wrong to do the "**Rite**" thing, though it may be difficult.

And when it seems that all is lost and there is no hope, remember the words of the medieval Persian Sufi poets who wrote, "This too shall pass".

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To attend the virtual stated meeting for October 2020 you are required to register in advance via the link below.

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

When: Oct 2, 2020 07:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://scottishrite.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcofuqspzkiG-dxCN9TiUk6OMWWFvuWCXOpz>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

The Secretary's Memo Pad

Ill. William F. Rook, 33°

First, I hope this message finds you and yours well. Definitely, we are living in unusual times. On September 11 the Supreme Council mailed the 2021 dues invoices along with your dues card. Just because you have a dues card it is not activated for the year 2021 until you pay your dues. If you are having difficulty in pay your dues give me a call and let' see what we can work out. But please remember that the life of the lodge is guaranteed by it dues paying members. I never want to suspend a brother for non-payment of dues. I am always here to listen and assist.



The officers and office staff are working to prepare our first virtual reunion class. Tentatively scheduled for November 7. Please mark this on your calendar. More details in next months bulletin.

Our guest speaker for the November 6 stated meeting will be Dr. S Brent Morris, a premiere lecturer on Masonic Education. Please plan to attend. Details are part of this bulletin.

Until November be safe my friends and brothers.

Bill

Good Cheer Report

Thomas Jones
Hospital

Please take a moment to call upon your distressed brethren.

The P.R.'s Corner

Ill. Rees Padfield, 33°

Brethren,

I wish you all well and hope that your lives are slowly returning to somewhat normal, even if it means eating outside at your favorite restaurant. At the time as I am writing this, there is no change or letup in not being allowed to have Masonic related meetings. We are continuing to utilize the ZOOM application. I am most pleased to see all of you who attend these virtual meetings as it reminds me of the brotherhood and fellowship that we all enjoy. Our General Secretary and Venerable Master have worked extremely hard to present interesting meetings that we all can enjoy even at home. Hopefully, the temperatures will be lower in October as those in September reminded me of other places.



Our Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Illustrious Frank Loui has announced a state-wide Zoom based reunion may be held in early November. I ask all our ambassadors to inform their lodges during their zoom meetings about the event. More information will be forthcoming.

October has always been an interesting month in history. In October 1959, the Twilight Zone first appeared; Walt Disney World opened in October 1971. Frank Robinson became the first black major league manager, managing the Cleveland Indians. October 1973 witnesses the Yom Kippur War. Lord Cornwallis surrendered to General Washington at Yorktown on October 19, 1791. On October 25, 1854, Lord Locust led the Charge of the Light Brigade. Important to all of us using Netflix, the first TV transmission was demonstrated on October 30, 1925. And most important, October 31 is a special day, which this year will certainly be subdued.

Be well and stay safe.

Rees Padfield, 33°

Personal Representative

Feast of Tishri

As the children of Israel were led through the wilderness, God decreed the celebration of a seven-day feast in the Jewish month of Tishri, during which they were to live in “sukkahs” (shelters or Booths) – He decreed that this feast be celebrated annually to forever remind the Israelites that He had rescued them from Egypt. This “Feast of Tishri” (or “Feast of Succoth”) is thus a symbol of freedom.

Some 450 years after its origin, the Feast of Tishri was utilized in dedicating the newly completed King Solomon’s Temple, and this association led to its adoption by Scottish Rite Masonry to symbolize our dedication to brotherly love and human accord in a peaceful world.

This adaptation is evidenced in lessons taught by the Third Degree lecture (Blue Lodge), wherein we learn that David, King of Israel, was denied the privilege of building the Temple of God due to the “many wars and much bloodshed” associated with his reign. On his death, Solomon (his son) ascended the throne and brought peace and tranquility in the world through wisdom and righteousness – God thus chose him to perform “so great and glorious an undertaking” as that denied David. And so it was that through Solomon, construction of the Temple was seemingly guided by the hand of God – for indeed it was. Association of the Feast of Tishri with the dedication of the Temple of Solomon led to its third name – the “Feast of the Tabernacle”. The Feast of Tishri thus epitomizes the character, principles and purposes of Scottish Rite Masonry, all being consistent with the dictates of the God who spake it into existence.

Pasadena Scottish Rite

October 2, 2020
Stated Meeting
and
Feast of Tishri
7:30 PM



Masonic Education
Guest Speaker
Ill. Dr. S. Brent Morris, 33°
Renown Speaker and Author
on
Freemasonry
Author of
The Complete Idiots Guide to
Freemasonry

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Meet the Master of Kadosh



David J. Williams, 32° KSA *Master of Kadosh, Consistory*

David is a native of Los Angeles, born at UCLA medical center. He grew up in the west San Fernando Valley, attended Faith Baptist Schools in Canoga Park, and graduated from Chatsworth High School. He was a Boy Scout, an LAPD Explorer, and was in the Civil Air Patrol before joining the United States Air Force where he served honorably as a Policeman and Explosive Detection K9 Handler. After the military, he became a pro-audio sound engineer. David served as a Los Angeles County Police Officer and later transferred to the City of Los Angeles where he eventually took early retirement as a Lieutenant due to a previous back injury in the military. David is also a California State Humane Officer/Investigator, an agency dedicated to the prevention of cruelty to animals. He attended the Community College of the Air Force, Pierce College, Rio Hondo College, Moorpark College, University of La Verne, and graduated from the Apostolic World Christian University with a Bachelor's Degree in Education and Theology. David is an ordained minister.

David followed in the footsteps of his Grandfather, Hank Williams, by becoming a Freemason, and was raised a Master Mason at Burbank Lodge. He became a founding member of Oasis Lodge #854 where now serves as Secretary. David is a member of the San Fernando Valley York Rite Bodies and the Bellflower York Rite Bodies, and is a Past High Priest, a Past Illustrious Master, and a Past Commander in the York Rite where he currently serves as an Inspector in the Grand Royal Arch Masons and Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, and recently appointed as Grand Sentinel in the Grand Commandery. David served full-time as the Assistant
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Meet the Master of Kadosh Continued...

Grand Secretary/Recorder of the Grand York Rite of California until it was relocated and moved to Sacramento. He is a member (and in some of them an officer) of the York Rite College, the Royal Order of Scotland, the Red Cross of Constantine, the Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis, Knight Masons, Eastern Star, and is a Past Sovereign Master of the Allied Masonic Degrees. He is currently the Director of Temple Security at Al Malaikah Shrine and formerly the Director of Communications, a Hillbilly, and a Past President of the Burbank Shrine Club. He is a tech consultant and photographer for the LA Masonic Service Bureau and cofounded and administers its Facebook group, the Greater Los Angeles Masonic Network, along with several other Masonic Facebook groups and websites including the Pasadena Knights of St Andrew. He is very active with the Masonic Youth Orders and serves on the Grand Lodge Youth Orders Committee. David's younger two children, Hannah and Jody, are very active leaders in the Rainbow Girls and DeMolay, respectively; Hannah is Grand Assistant Editor in CAIORG and Jody is President of Dynasty (formerly Neo Trital) League of SoCal Demolay.

David received his Scottish Rite Degrees in the Spring Class of 2010 and immediately became a member of the Knights of St Andrew where he still serves. David has been a very active member of the Pasadena Scottish Rite, serves in our degrees, and takes an engaged part in the kitchen as the assistant with Charlie Krefting coordinating the serving of dinners and assisting the youth groups, as well as other special events Temple.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, SJ, to improve it members and enhance the communities in which they live by teaching and emulating the principles of Brotherly Love, Tolerance, Charity, and Truth while actively embracing high social, moral, and spiritual values including fellowship, compassion, and dedication to God, family and country.

Strategic Objectives

Fulfill the promise of additional Masonic knowledge through education and training.

Build a Positive Public Image of Freemasonry and the Scottish Rite.

Support and expand our philanthropic activities.

Provide a framework for effective leadership to ensure the stability and long-term success of the Fraternity.

Provide a financial process to ensure the stability and long-term success of the Fraternity

Scottish Rite Creed

Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere our ultimate goal.

Current Year Membership Statistical Changes	
Initiations:	0
Affiliations:	1
Reinstatements:	8
Deaths:	18
Demissions:	2
Suspensions (Non-payment):	2
Suspensions (Other reasons):	0
Expulsions	0
Current Lodge Membership	771

Current Dues Statistics				
	Count	% of Total	Orient Wide Avg.	Jurisdiction Wide Avg.
Members with Dues Paid in Full:	12	1.6%	2.0%	2.4%
Members with Current Dues Balance:	416	54.5%	47.0%	50.8%
Members with Arrears Dues Balance:	150	19.6%	20.9%	16.1%
Members that are Dues Exempt:	91	11.9%	11.7%	10.2%
Paid Life Members:	95	12.4%	18.4%	20.5%



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IN MEMORIAM

Elmer Boomhower
South Pasadena Lodge No. 290
April 13, 2020

Kenneth Christianson
Glendale Lodge No. 368
August 24, 2020

W. Joseph Ryland
September 11, 2020
Rosemead Lodge #457

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

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“365 Club”

Your most appreciated contributions to the Childhood Language Center may be made in any of several ways. The first being as an undesignated contribution, the second being a contribution designated as applying toward a “365 Club” membership and lastly as applying to either “in Honor of” or as a “Memorial of” anyone you may wish.

Membership in the prestigious “365 Club” requires a contribution of at least \$365.00 in any one calendar year. The contributions may be made in increments, and are accumulative over any given year and when the goal of \$ 365.00 is met, suitable recognition will be published in the Scottish Rite Bulletin.

Ill. Arthur Zabounian, 33°, Chairman Language Center Board

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As of August 31, 2020

Beginning Balance August 1, 2020		\$	28,377.72
Deposits	\$	2,427.28	
Checks 4765 - 4769		2,342.40	*
Paychex charges (payroll, taxes and fees)		10,872.59	
Debit Card charges		501.11	
		13,716.10	
* Quality Instant Printing \$1,178.62 - Monthly printed Bulletins			
Uncleared Transactions	\$	-	
Register Balance August 31, 2020		\$	17,088.90

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT

As of August 31, 2020

Beginning Balance August 1, 2020		\$84,692.58
Deposits:	\$	19,637.86
Checks 3185,3194, 3208 -3217	\$	9,830.02
Payroll and Taxes	\$	600.12
Debit Card charges		357.66
		10,787.80
Uncleared Transaction	\$	1,762.18
Ending Balance as August 31, 2020		\$91,780.46

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* 05/27/2020 Ck No. 3185 J L Painting & Construction \$2,100
Reported as Uncleared items last month, now cashed Window Insert Installation / Repairs
06/24/20 Ck No. 3194 J L Painting & Construction \$4,350
Reported as Uncleared items last month, now cashed Apartment / Kitchen Waste Drain Leak Repair
08/05/20 Ck No. 3214 City of Pasadena \$1,662.89
Electricity & Water
08/12/20 Ck No. 3216 Jan-Serve LLC \$1,502.45
Building Cleaning Service plus supplies

Deposits Breakdown:
 Apartment Rent - July 2020 \$ 1,760.00
 Parking Lot Lease The REMM Group 15,657.86
 Parking Lot Lease Fuller Theological Sem 1,600.00
 Parking Lot Rentals 620.00
 \$ 19,637.86

	(For Comparison)		
	6/30/2020	9/31/2020	Change from
Account	12/31/2019	9/31/2020	Dec. 19 to Jun. 20
4063 - PSR Life Membership Acct.	\$ 218,639.20	\$ 220,125.67	(12,841.16)
4066 - PSR Almoner Acct.	\$ 16,073.74	\$ 16,559.59	(104.64)
4067 - Cathedral Assoc. Acct.	\$ 371,348.16	\$ 375,256.93	(17,232.12)
4068 - Lodge of Perfection Main Acct.	\$1,645,328.06	\$ 1,595,572.23	(162,755.83)
3495 - Buy out Acct.	\$ 347,472.92	\$ 158,418.54	(197,857.49)
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Meghri Habashian
Office Coordinator

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Friday, October 2

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& Feast of Tishri

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Guest Speaker

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