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Pasadena Scottish Rite Bulletin Kenneth F. Green, 32° KSA *Commander* Council of Kadosh

Brethren,

Friday, 29 January 2021, was a night, I will forever cherish and remember. It was the night, my brethren entrusted me with the responsibility as Commander, Council of Kadosh. I am truly humbled and honored to have been elected and installed, along with Council's outstanding Officers. It was exciting to have the Grand Master of Masons in California Most Worshipful Arthur H. Weiss as the installing officer. There were



many aspects presented by COVID-19 that make having meets and made this year's installation extremely different; 1) installation practice and the installation was conducted on a Zoom broadcast and not performed in a live face-to-face setting due to COVID-19, 2) each member of the Scottish Rite Bodies standing shoulder-to-shoulder for a group photo with the Most Worshipful Grand Master, 3) Friday night fellowship with each member and their families during dinner, and 4) Women's Association meetings while the Stated meeting was being conducted.

However, despite the COVID-19 challenges that has changed our lives for a year now, has been foiled by the outstanding leadership, foresight, and innovative members of Pasadena Scottish Rite and the Supreme Council making the Zoom meetings and Installation work. During the Grand Master's installation remarks, one of the aspects he missed about the installation was not being able to hold the installation in the beautiful Pasadena Scottish Rite historical building first opened in 1925. He spoke of the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccines, now being administered that will hopefully, along with the California Government slowly lifting restrictions on social gatherings, get us closer to reopening. He mentioned a reopening plan has been drafted

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Commander, continued...

and being reviewed for approval to be ready when restrictions are lifted. Although, we all are ready for things to return to some sense of normalcy, he cautioned use all, "we should not, must not, take a complacent view." In turn, we must use the communication technology to help rebuild our fraternity.

As part of Pasadena Scottish Rite continued education for our members on subjects pertaining to Masonic history and Degrees. At this March Stated Zoom meeting, special guest, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master R. Stephen Doan will share with all the 27th Degree - "Knight of the Sun (Prince Adept)."

I look forward to continuing to help keep this valley strong and to quote Venerable Master, Simon McIlroy, "The future is in our hands, the path forward lay before us, and we will regain our footing once again to become not just one of the premiere Scottish Rite Valleys in California, but also in the country!"

Fraternally,

Kenneth F. Green, 32° KSA Commander, Council of Kadosh

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.

Pasadena Scottish Rite Bulletin Meet the Commander



Kenneth F. Green, 32° KSA *Commander*, Council of Kadosh

Reared in historic Brunswick County in Lawrenceville, Virginia. May 15, 1864, the Brunswick County clerk of the court, Edward Turnbull saved the county's record books from being burned by the marauding Union. Turnbull stacked the county record books on a table and laid his Masonic apron on top in hopes that someone of the Union would be a Mason. After the troops departed the court house and Turnbull returned, he noticed that various papers were scattered and stained with ink. However, to his amazement, the actual county records were not touched. Brunswick county has the distinct honor of having the oldest records of any Southern Courthouse with a Civil War Trails marker outside of the courthouse.

He attended all the school in Brunswick county from Primary School, Totaro Elementary, Brunswick Junior High School, and Brunswick Senior School, where he graduated in 1983. As a child he followed in his brother's footstep and gravitated to music. He began with playing trumpet but soon fell in love with percussion. While in Junior high, his continued love for music and electronics moved him to become a Disc Jockey (DJ), spinning 45s, 12-inch records and using cassette tapes. He became the Drumline Leader in high school, College, and U.S. Air Force's Drum and Bugle Corps Marching Bands. He played percussions on a local church's Gospel album as a young teenager in high school. He later, carried his Djing skills to Japan, South Dakota, and California. In addition, created video stories for military retirees, Aerospace, military award, Pageants, and the United States National Anthem.

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Meet the Commander, continued...

He joined the United States Air Force in 1985, where he started as a Telephone Cable Maintenance Specialist while stationed in Okinawa, Japan, then retrained as a B-1 Bomber Avionics Specialist, while stationed at Ellsworth, South Dakota. Later, in his Air Force, he transferred to Edwards Air Force Base as a B-2 Bomber Avionics Specialist. Last, taught Air Force's newly enlisted Airmen assigned to Edwards Air Force Base as the Facilitator for the First Term Airman Center (FTAC) program.

After Retiring from the U.S. Air Force in 2006, he was immediately hired as a Government Civilian working as a Housing Management Specialist at the Housing office, Personnel Data Manager at Civilian Personnel, Computer Scientist for the Communication Squadron, Energy Department Program Analyst, and a Space Utilization and Real Property Program Manager for Civil Engineering. Later in 2017, hired at NASA/Jet Propulsion Lab in Pasadena as the Facilities Division Space Utilization and Relocation Business Administrator.

He attended Southside Virginia Community College and graduated with an Associate in Science (AS) Degree in Electronic Technology, Community College of the Air Force and graduated with an Associate in Science (AS) Degrees in Electronic Switching Technology and Avionics Systems Technology, University of Phoenix and graduated with Bachelor of Science (BS) Degrees in Information Technology with Honors and General Psychology with Honors, Webster University and graduated with Master of Arts (MA) Degrees in Computer and Information Management, Management and Leadership, and Master in Business Administration (MBA) Degree in Business Administration. Currently, attending Grand Canyon University writing my Doctoral Dissertation in General Psychology. In 2017, he was inducted in PSI Chi International Honor Society in Psychology. In 2020, accepted the nomination to become a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success.

He was raised a Master Mason, June 2011, at San Marino Lodge 408. He immediately was selected to serve as Assistant Secretary from 2011to

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Pasadena Scottish Rite Bulletin The Secretary's Memo Pad Ill. William F. Rook, 33°

Tis the time of the wearing of the Green again, May you find your pot of gold at the end of your rainbow.

But the Rite needs to seek its pot of gold in the dues provided by you. Looking at the percentage less than half have paid their dues. This month you will receive a third invoice to remind you that your dues are yet to be paid. Our Rite exist by the dues you pay. If you have difficulty in paying please feel free to call me any Wednesday in the office and let's discuss



some alternates. If when you receive your invoice and you have already paid it is just a clerical error. Supreme Council begins printing those invoices in mid -January so they can be mailed by March.

If you look at the first part of the record, there are a lot of zeros. Most importantly those of initiations. Just because we are temporarily shuttered because of the pandemic does mean we can't be recruiting for membership. We had a virtual reunion in November and only had three candidates. I do believe by October or November of this year we will be able to have an inperson reunion. We can accept application anytime up until the first night of the reunion. Don't worry about signers, the candidate just to print the person who is sponsoring them and the office will get their signature or confirm the sponsorship.

Let's look to the future now and prepare for a grand reopening and our first class after the pandemic which still remains the Ill. D. Edward Griffiths Memorial Class.

I am hoping all is well and everyone either have their vaccination or soon will get one. I am fortunate (and older than dirt) to have qualified for

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The Secretary's Memo Pad, continued...

mind and have successfully completed the two innocukations.

I trust in God that we will all soon be able to meet in the harmony of brotherhood.

Until then my Brothers my God lead you in the way of righteousness and love.

Bill



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Current Year Membership Statistical Changes					
Initiations:	0				
Affiliations:	0				
Reinstatements:	0				
Deaths:	0				
Demissions:	0				
Suspensions (Non-payment):	0				
Suspensions (Other reasons):	0				
Expulsions	0				
Current Lodge Membership	725				

Current Dues Statistics						
	Count	% of Total	Orient	Jurisdiction		
	Count	70 OF TOTAL	Wide Avg.	Wide Avg.		
Members with Dues Paid in Full:	320	44.1%	43.8%	47.6%		
Members with Current Dues Balance:	156	21.5%	11.5%	11.0%		
Members with Arrears Dues Balance:	48	6.6%	14.6%	10.1%		
Members that are Dues Exempt:	104	14.3%	11.6%	10.5%		
Paid Life Members:	97	13.4%	18.6%	20.8%		

Pasadena Scottish Rite Bulletin The P.R.'s Corner Ill. Rees Padfield, 33°

Brethren,

Will we survive the Ides of March? Yes, we will. The COVID-19 vaccinations are proceeding, and the State of California is slowly beginning to open up. It will be a while before we will again be allowed to meet in person. In the meantime we will continue to utilize the ZOOM APP for communication and meetings. As soon as the Grand Master allows us to meet, we will begin to prepare for our class reunion, hopefully by early



fall. Our Venerable Master, Simon, has already scheduled several wellknown speakers for our Stated meetings, either by ZOOM or in person. The attendance at our virtual meetings has been exceptionally good and I applaud the Brethren for their participation. I suspect that we will have to develop a method of using ZOOM even after we can meet because of the length of time to get everyone vaccinated.

The month of March during history has had some interesting events.

1 March 1872 Yellowstone National Park was established.

2 March 1836 Texas declared independence from Mecico.

3 March 1921 The Star Spangled Banner adopted.

4 March 1789 The Constitution of the United States of America went into effect.

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The P.R.'s Corner continued... 10 March 1862 Paper money issued by the US government for the first time.

> 12 March 1912 Girl Scouts founded.

16 March 1926 Professor Robert Goddard launched first liquid fuel rocket

17, 20, and 28 March XXXX My wife and daughters birthdays (fattening month)

> 29 March 1886 Coca Cola invented.

31 March 1889 Eiffel Tower opened in Paris.

We, as Masons, take our obligations seriously. Our Grand Master has asked us to remember them as we go about our daily activities within our communities. The need for civility, politeness, compromise, and understanding is needed now more than ever.

As we celebrate the 17th of March, let us not forget those men and women in our armed forces wheresoever deployed that do not get to be with family or friends but must face danger. We, also, should not forget those first responders who also work around the clock to serve and protect us.

Please follow the medical advice, look after our Brothers and neighbors, and be safe.

Rees Padfield, 33° Personal Representative Pasadena Scottish Rite

Pasadena Scottish Rite Bulletin Lodge Ambassadors Massimo Del Grande, 32º KSA

It is hard to believe that spring is upon us. The new way of managing our daily lives, sure makes time fly by. When thinking about spring being just a few weeks away, it is a reminder that a Reunion is around the corner. If you are aware of any members in your Blue Lodges that you believe would be a good candidate, please reach out to one of the Ambassadors or myself. We would be delighted to speak with them to provide information and answer any questions.



I do not think most of us would have expected that a year later, we would still not be able to meet in person. However, I am proud of how we are embracing the virtual meetings. Although virtual meetings are not ideal, I am grateful that we have the technology to be able to do this. Staying connected and participating in masonry is more important than ever. These times have been challenging, more so for some of our Brothers. I would like to remind all of us to continue to take time to reach out to other Brethren to say hello and ask how they are doing. Some of us have less interaction outside of our households, so having a call from a friend; a Brother is a welcomed change of pace.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Massimo Del Grande, 32° KSA

Meet the Commander, continued...

2015. He received his Scottish Rite Degrees in the Fall Class of 2012 and immediately became a member of the Knights of St Andrew, where he still serves as Assistant to the Director of Sound. He is also a member of the Guthrie Scottish Rite in Oklahoma and the Scottish Rite Research Society (SRRS). He is member of Phi Beta Sigma, where he served as Vice President 2010 – 2011. He became a member of the San Fernando Valley York Rite Bodies in 2013.

He is humbled and honored to be installed as Commander, Council of Kadosh and serve the Pasadena Scottish Rite Valley. As a person who values education, he is excited to help with the continued success of the Pasadena Child Language Center. Last, he looks forward to working with Council of Kadosh officers, fellow Masters, outstanding friendship and leadership to continue the history and Success of this valley, Today and into the future.



Bro. Candido Besu 32° presented with his 25 year pin and certificate at his assisted living home.

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Scottish Rite Calendar Keep Friday Nights for Scottish Rite

MARCH

<u>Wednesday, March 3</u> Deadline for March Bulletin articles!

<u>Friday, March 5</u> 7:30PM Masonic Education M.W. R. Stephen Doan 33^o Topic - 27th Degree "Knight of the Sun (Prince Adept)." Virtual Stated Meeting

You must register in advance to attend this meeting, registration info will be sent out by the Secretary via email.

<u>Saturday, March 6</u> 9:30AM Knights of Saint Andrew

Saturday, March 27

10:00AM Discussion Group You must register in advance to attend this meeting. If you would like to participate contact Charles Fisher, 32⁰ KCCH at arroyoseco@hotmail.com



