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Greetings Brethren,

As our little blue dot continues its endless revolution around the sun, we have once again reached a period of summer in the northern hemisphere. The warmth of the summer sun and the long periods of daylight are a welcomed treat as we stir from our quarantine and rejoin society. Soon, we will once again be safely together in fellowship and fraternity in the Valley of Pasadena.

As you are already aware, the Valley has put into place a safety plan that allows us to meet again in the building. This plan will be used until PPHD declares it is no longer required to ensure our safety. Part of that plan is a required RSVP system for dinner. That means if you do not RSVP, no dinner for you. There will be no going into the kitchen to ask for an extra plate, as that will violate the safety plan. So, if you wish to break bread with us- please remember to reach out to Mary in the office to let us know you will be joining us for dinner by Tuesday July 6th. This deadline may change depending on safety requirements and lead time to purchase food, so earlier is always better to ensure your plate is reserved.



In addition, we will soon start a chapter of the Knights of the Double Headed Eagle at the Pasadena Scottish Rite. I would like to thank Hon. Robert Artinian for all of his hard work getting this off the ground- to begin in July of 2021. If you are interested, please see that article later in this bulletin. This is another way for you to be involve at the rite, and we would love for you to join us whenever possible

With that, July 4th is when we celebrate Independence Day in the United States. While it is a time of joy, backyard barbecues, fireworks,

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Wise Master, continued...

and using explosives to launch anvils into the air (lookup what Americans did before we had fireworks.), it is also a time to remember what that independence has cost us individually and as a country. With time given to serve our nation, in bloodshed, the loved ones we've lost, in sleepless nights and times of uncertainty, and coming to term with the mistakes of our forefathers so that we can be better today than we were yesterday. With that, I would like to leave you with the first stanza of Walt Whitman's, O Captain! My Captain!

O Captain! my Captain! our fearful trip is done,  
The ship has weather'd every rack, the prize we sought is won,  
The port is near, the bells I hear, the people all exulting,  
While follow eyes the steady keel, the vessel grim and daring;  
    But O heart! heart! heart!  
        O the bleeding drops of red,  
            Where on the deck my Captains lies,  
                Fallen cold and dead.

No matter how you choose to celebrate our nation's birthday, remember that the flames of freedom that we have worked so hard to win, requires all of us to be mindful of our civic duties to maintain. Before party, faith, community, etc... we are all Americans first. God Bless these United States.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Michael D.T. Smith, 32° KCCH  
Wise Master, Chapter of Rose Croix



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

Brethren,

July 2021, can be marked as a historical event for the Pasadena Scottish Rite. As it was our first face-to-face, Stated Meeting, after over a year of non-contact because of COVID-19. However, COVID-19 has challenged us all and brought to light a new way to conduct our Stated Meetings with a combination of face-to-face and virtual Zoom in a “Hybrid” form of meeting. The hybrid meeting will afford members who want to attend but are limited, a way to continue to network and stay up-to-date on the happenings of our beloved Scottish Rite.



August 2021, can also be marked as a historical event for Pasadena Scottish Rite. Please mark your calendars and tune-up your computers. For our Stated Meeting Dinner, the Illustrious Roy Henville Award will be presented to a very deserving brother, Illustrious Jack Carlson, 33rd Degree. The Illustrious Roy Henville Award signifies outstanding service provided to the Scottish Rite.

As part of Pasadena Scottish Rite continued educational series for our members on subjects pertaining to Masonic history and Degrees. Special guest, Past Master Timothy Hogan will share with us all the “Mysteries of the Rose-Croix: Historic Origins and Symbolic Meaning of the 18th Degree.

Ending with some fun facts for August from “The #Fact Site”, Before 700BC August was once the sixth month of the year, August once only had 29 days instead of 31, In a leap year August and February begin on the same day of the week, finally, August has a few delicious food observances, “National Goat Cheese Month, National Panini Month, Peach Month, and Sandwich Month.

Fraternally,

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

# The Secretary's Memo Pad

Ill. William F. Rook, 33°

Reopening is upon us. The Grand Master and Governor has given us the GO! Our first in person meeting since March of 2020 will be July 9th. With dinner at 6:30 PM and Speaker at 7:30 PM and Stated Meeting at 8 PM. This will be a hybrid meeting allowing both in person and virtual attendance. You should have received virtual attendance registration in a separate emailing. I hope to greet many of you. If you are coming to dinner and/or the stated meeting you must call Mary for reservation and be on the lists of attendees. There are two list one for dinner and one for the stated meeting all for contact tracing purposes.



Just be here is all I can say. It been a long haul. To paraphrase El Woods, "WE DID IT"

Bill

## IN MEMORIAM

Louis Baiocco  
Burbank Lodge No. 406  
March 29, 2021

William O'Brien  
Glendora Lodge No. 404  
May 10, 2021

Raul Moriel  
Maya Lodge No. 793  
May 9, 2021

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



## The P.R.'s Corner

Ill. Rees Padfield, 33°

Brethren,

Here we are, six months into our year and the state and Masonry is now reopening. Our July Stated Meeting will be a hybrid meeting of both an in-person and a ZOOM meeting. While the guidance of the governor, the Grand Master has loosened the meeting requirements, the Pasadena Public Health Department, which we must follow, still requires proof of vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours of the meeting. These will be required before being



admitted into the building. There will be a dinner before the Stated Meeting and you will need to call the office, Mary, for a reservation. No reservation means no dinner. No walk ins. There will be open seating for the dinner and subsequent meeting. To attend the meeting via ZOOM you will need to register as we have done for the last few months. Our SGIG will be in attendance for the dinner and meeting.

As we look forward to celebrating the 4th of July, I read about our country today and it is different from twenty years ago. I find that the tenets of Masonry are missing in large part in our society. Thirty-one of the fifty-six signers of the Declaration of Independence were Masons. Twenty-three of the thirty-nine signers of the Constitution were Masons. During the Revolutionary War there at least 49 generals and many Naval officers who were Masons. Between 1789 and 1940 thirty-three Justices on the Supreme Court were Masons. Six Chief Justices were Masons. There have been sixteen Presidents that were Masons. Our nation was guided by men who believed in the tenets of our Fraternity. When I look at our flag with my hand over my heart and I repeat "I pledge allegiance...." I remember saluting in uniform and I still get that proud feeling of belonging to a great nation and willing to provide service as needed for its survival.

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The P.R.'s Corner continued...

Today we need to exemplify our tenets to help guide our nation back to civility and compromise.

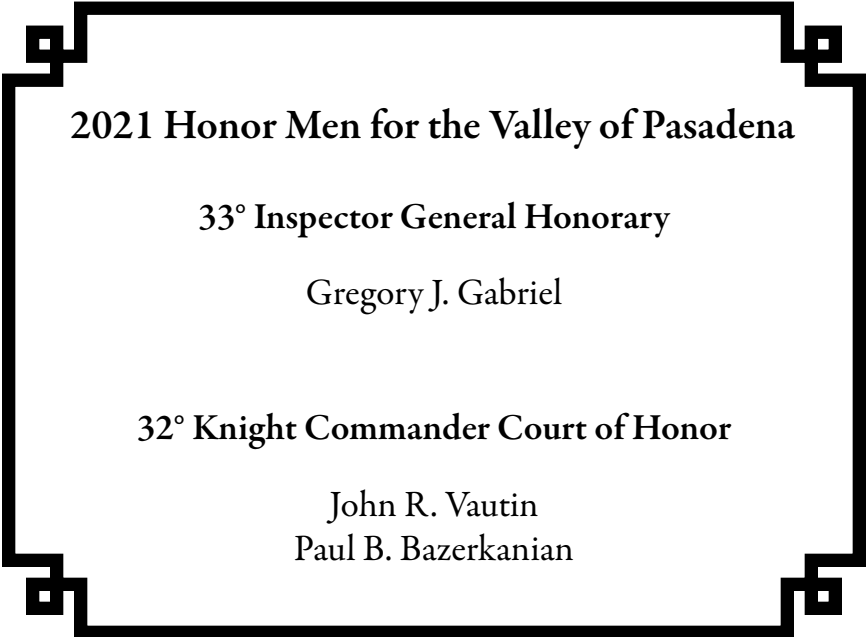
John H. Cowles, Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite in 1921, reflected the following and it is important today: "A Mason has time to lend an attentive ear to the story of the brother out of work, of the widow and orphan out of food, and to render prompt assistance with that sympathetic understanding which inspires renewed hope and destroys discouragement." As we celebrate the 4th, please remember that we have men and women in our Armed forces stationed in very unsafe locations around the world as we have our first responders here at home providing life saving services also in hazardous conditions. Keep them all in your prayers.

I hope to see you at the July Meeting, either in person or on our screen that will be projected in the auditorium.

Be safe and practice good sense.

Rees Padfield, 33°

Personal Representative



## **2021 Honor Men for the Valley of Pasadena**

**33° Inspector General Honorary**

Gregory J. Gabriel

**32° Knight Commander Court of Honor**

John R. Vautin

Paul B. Bazerkanian



## Stated Meetings and Dinners

As we reopen the following protocols will be followed:

1. You must make a reservation for the dinner and/or the Stated Meeting. No one without a reservation will be admitted. Dinner tickets will be downstairs.
2. Participants must show proof of vaccination or the results of a negative Covid 19 test at the most 72 hours before event.
3. Participants fully vaccinated do not need to wear a mask, those not fully vaccinated must wear mask except when eating. (Protocol of PPHD)
4. Participants will be issued wrist bands:

Purple: fully vaccinated

Green: not vaccinated

Dinner seats will be assigned by Mary. The only entrance into the building will be the glass doors in the north parking. The elevator will be locked in the parking lot and will be an exit only” device. Elevator Service inside the building will be normal. At 7:30PM there will be a guard posted at the glass doors. So, plan on arriving before 7:30PM.

Pasadena Public Health Dept. protocol at least until October 1st.

### 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.

## Lodge Ambassadors

Massimo Del Grande, 32° KSA

Dear Brethren,

I hope everyone is doing well. I'm sure we all are happy to know that soon, we will meet in person again.

I'm always reminded of how important it is for an Ambassador to be a Mentor and to contribute to the advancement of a Brother in the Blue Lodge. I've been reflecting on this and recognize that we can do more and do it better! Additional guidelines have been provided for making our efforts more productive. To accomplish this, it was extremely helpful to have the Ambassadors to participate in a survey where they had a chance to share their thoughts and offer suggestions. I'm so pleased that we are working as a Team!



Our Team's message for the month of July is directed to you all. As we meet in person again, we may find some Brothers in the Blue Lodges have relocated or aren't comfortable meeting in person yet. This could result in the Blue Lodges having a need for officers to help perform the degrees that we're delayed during the pandemic. This is where the Ambassadors can assist and continue to strengthen the bond between the Blue Lodge and the Scottish Rite. With the permission of your Worshipful Master, we can tap into the greatest network, by reaching out to our Scottish Rite Brothers to offer assistance in conferring the degrees. As your lodge reopens and you find the need for officers to help perform the degrees, don't hesitate to reach out to me. I'm more than happy to provide names of Brothers or facilitate the discussion.

Adopting additional tools, such as the Proposal Form, writing monthly articles on the Blue Lodge Trestle Board, making introduction of the Scottish Rite via zoom and keeping warm the interest of

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Lodge Ambassadors continued...

candidates waiting from months, is just a small part of the effort that each Ambassador is committed and devoted to.

Please take a look at the template below and find your Blue Lodge Ambassador. Congratulate and thank him for his commitment and devotion. If your Blue Lodge is not in the list and/or you would like to join our Team, please don't hesitate to contact the PSR Office or myself. We all will be delighted to welcome you!

Stay well, stay strong and hope to see you all for our July PSR Stated meeting.

Massimo Del Grande, 32° KSA

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Hovig Antabian	Beach Cities	753
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Jeff Yates	Burbank	406
John Vautin	Conejo Valley	807
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## July 9th Program

*This Is Your Life...  
Bro. George Washington*

*Written and Directed by Sean Foran,  
Curator of the Grace Dee May Museum*



A live radio drama about  
the life and times of George Washington  
with special guests including:  
Paul Revere, Patrick Henry, Betsy Ross,  
John Hancock, Benjamin Franklin, and Lafayette.



This live production is  
"broadcast" on 357, F&AM,  
Masonic Radio from  
the Pasadena Scottish Rite Studio  
in Pasadena, California

[www.gracedeemay.org](http://www.gracedeemay.org)

## July/August Dinner Menus

### Stated Meeting on July 9th

Cheese & Crackers  
Southwestern Salad  
Baby Back Ribs  
Roasted Corn  
Baked Macaroni & Cheese  
Cornbread  
Apple Pie A La Mode

Last Day for reservations: Tuesday, July 6th at 2pm



### Stated Meeting on August 6th

Hawaiian Dinner Rolls  
Thai Salad w/ peanut butter and orange vinaigrette  
Thai Teriyaki Chicken  
Jasmine Rice  
Green Beens with Hoisin Sauce  
Tropical Cake

Last Day for reservations: Wednesday, August 4th at 2pm

Number of Reservations at \$15.00 Per Person.....

**Fish or Vegetarian on request only when making reservation.**

*Remember - a reservation made is a reservation paid.*

*mary@pasadenascottishrite.org or 626-795-4213 Ext: 101*

## August 6th Speaker



Timothy Hogan

Mysteries of the Rose-Croix: Historic Origins & Symbolic Meaning of the 18th°

The Knight of the Rose-Croix Degree within the AASR of Freemasonry (18th Degree) was largely developed by John Baptiste Willermoz in the 18th century. This degree was meant to emphasize the value of the Heavenly virtues, while also alluding to alchemical, hermetic, and astrological ideas. The candidate in this degree goes on a quest, which is reminiscent of the Quest of the Holy Grail, and this was by design. In this presentation, we will examine the symbolism, origins, and myths that were incorporated into the degree, and examine how these ideas have relevance to us in our modern world. We will also discuss how the degree is presented differently in different parts of the world, and what the requirements are for a Mason to receive the degree in different territories. Did you know that in the middle ages, an alchemical vessel was called "a pelican", and it was represented by the symbol of a pelican- as can be found on the 18th degree apron? Ideas such as this, and others, will be explained and shown, and the lessons on how to "heal the wasteland" from the Grail myths will be elucidated, as they relate to the degree and Freemasonry as a whole.



A graphic with a background of radiating orange and yellow lines. In the center is a large red blood drop. The word "Summer" is written in a white cursive font across the top of the drop, and the words "FULL OF LIFE" are written in a bold white sans-serif font across the bottom of the drop.

*Summer*  
**FULL OF LIFE**

## **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

Pasadena Scottish Rite

Location: Dining Room  
150 N. Madison Ave  
Pasadena, CA 91101

Wednesday, July 7, 2021  
1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 11, 2021  
1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code:  
PSRP to schedule an appointment.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](https://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

**Share the vibe. Give blood to help save lives.**

Download the Blood Donor App | [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) | Call 1-800-Red CROSS

Below is a thank you note that the Pasadena Rite Care Center clinician received from the family of one of the children being helped in our Language Center.

MS. SUZIE,

As our time together comes to an end, I just want to express my sincerest gratitude to you for all of the effort you put forth for Jackson. You have made a tremendous impact with regard to Jack's speech, social, & academic development. You have been the one constant during this pandemic. We always look forward to seeing you every week. We see all the work you put into expand the speech program with your zoom classes. I am sad we won't be working together in the future as Jack has grown very fond of you. All these kids at PSR are lucky to have you!



....A brunch on June 14th, 2021 together with Rees Padfield and myself at Ms. Maya Smidt's hacienda in Montecito, Santa Barbara ended with yet another donation of \$75,000 to our language center.

Thank you Maya for believing in and supporting our mission to serve the children of our community.

Arthur H. Zabounian, President  
CLC Board of Directors

Language Center Contributions  
“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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Make checks payable to the California Scottish Rite Foundation,  
Please note “Pasadena” in the memo line  
All contributions are tax deductible.

## Pasadena Childhood Language Center



Meghri Habashian  
Office Coordinator

Donations may be made by a group, an organization, a couple, or an individual. They may be made **In Honor of...**, **In Memory of...**, as a member of the **365 Club**, or as **Friends of the Center**. All donors are recognized in the bulletin.

Thank You to Our June 2021 Donors

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William F. Rook

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Ralf Lopez, 32° KSA	Tiler

## Scottish Rite Calendar

Keep Friday Nights for Scottish Rite  
 Dress July & August is business casual

## JULY

Friday, July 2

Office Closed - No Meeting

Sunday, July 4

Independence Day

Friday, July 9

6:00PM Reception Honoring

Frank Loui SGIG

6:30PM Dinner

8:00PM Stated Meeting

Rose Croix in Charge

Women's Association

Saturday, July 10

12:00PM Knights of Saint Andrew

Saturday, July 24

10:00AM Discussion Group

## AUGUST

Wednesday, August 4

Deadline for September. Bulletin articles!

Friday, August 6

6:00PM Social Fellowship

6:30PM Dinner

7:30PM Henville Award Presentation

Ill. Jack R. Carlson, 33°

8:00PM Stated Meeting

Council of Kadosh in Charge

Women's Association

Saturday, August 7

12:00PM Knights of Saint Andrew

August 21st - 22nd

Southern Jurisdiction Supreme Council

Biennial Session in Washington DC

Saturday, August 28

10:00AM Discussion Group

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