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Allegiance

The Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite sitting in the Valley of Pasadena, Orient of California acknowledge and yield allegiance to the Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspector General Knights Commander of the House of the Temple of Solomon of the Thirty-Third and last degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the United States of America.



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Commander

Council of Kadosh

Brethren,

November, we conducted our first D. Edward Griffiths, 33° Memorial Class Reunion since the COVID-19 pandemic started in early 2020. We will top the Reunion off with the Capping Ceremony of the new, 32° Scottish Rite Masons. Thanksgiving arrived and we safely spent time with family and reflected on our Thankfulness. Now, we have entered one of the joyous months of the year, December. As the time to be merry, thoughtful, and giving should be the theme all year, this is the time for us all to focus on giving. More so true this year than others, because of the world and community struggles caused by the pandemic.



December has a host of historical moments, here are just two significant times: December 7, 1941, approximately 200 Japanese aircraft attacked the US Naval station in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, in a raid that lasted little over an hour and killed nearly 3,000 Americans. December 25, the birth of Jesus of Nazareth is commemorated on Christmas Day. Although the precise date of his birth is unknown, the Western (Roman Catholic) Church has commemorated it on December 25th since 336 A.D.

As part of Pasadena Scottish Rite continued educational series for our members on subjects pertaining to Masonic history and Degrees. Special guest, Brother Angel Millar will share with us all the “The Initiatic Journey of the Warrior-Mystic.”

Last, I want to say, it has truly been an honor and pleasure to have served as the Commander of the Council of Kadosh. Thank you all at the

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Commander, Continued...

Pasadena Scottish Rite for this privilege. There are a few, I want to give a special thanks to and they are: Ill Rees Padfield, 33°, Ill Bill Rook, 33°, Hon. Paul Bazerkanian, 32°, Sir Knight Arman Ekmekciyan, 32° KSA, Sir Knight Ohannes "Hovig" Antabian, 32° KSA, and the Council of Kadosh 2021 Officers: Sir Knight Herair Rostamian, 32° KSA, Ara Maloyan, 32°, Narbeh Bagdasarian, 32°, and Jonathan Wood, 32°. I have all the confidence in the world the next Commander and Officers will continue to move the Pasadena Scottish Rite forward into the future. Again, thank you all, if not for your confidence, I would not have had the pleasure of serving as Commander.

To all have a Safe and Blessed Holiday Season!

Fraternally,

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

December Dinner Menu

Stated Meeting on December 10th

Chicken Noodle Soup
Spinach Salad
Beef Brisket
Rosemary Red Roasted Potatoes
Grilled Vegetables
Apple Pie

Last Day for reservations: Wednesday, December 8th 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

The Secretary's Memo Pad

Ill. William F. Rook, 33°

Season Greetings,

Congratulation to the 24 new members of the Pasadena Scottish Rite family. Because of the California Scottish Rite Foundation meeting the Stated Meeting of December will be held on December 10. This will also be the Capping and Ring Ceremony for the November 2021 Reunion Class or the Ill. D. Edward Griffith, 33° Memorial Class. Remember if you plan on attending our Stated Meeting Holiday Dinner reservation must be made by December 8, at 3PM. This includes members of the class. Also, members of the class remember that your family is invited to dinner and the ceremony. Donation of \$15.00 per person is due for the dinner.



As normal the building is in an abnormal state. We have contractors painting the building. Besides the California Scottish Rite Foundation meeting in Anaheim, the building is rented for several events. December 3 and 4 the Pasadena Symphony Women's Association will be holding their Christmas Boutique. On the 12th the Victorian Tea and Dance Society will hold their annual Dickens Christmas Dinner, and 18th thru 24th for the 84th year the Pasadena Jay Cee's will hold their "Operation Santa Claus".

The office will be closed on Friday December 24th and 31st We will reopen on December 28 and January 4 respectively.

Wishing all a happy and most importantly a healthy Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.

Bill

The P.R.'s Corner

Ill. Rees Padfield, 33°

Brethren,

The Holiday season is rapidly approaching meaning as you can see below it is time to decorate.



The scales of the electric locomotives shown are G, O, HO, N, and Z scales. They will be running around the big tree except for the Z scale. I can almost hear the Christmas music and smell the wonderful scents already.

As 2021 comes to a close, it has been better than 2020 for most but still not back to what we would call normal. We will be observing COVID-19 protocols for some time, and we intend to continue the hybrid or ZOOM-in person meetings through the first few months of 2022. Our Rite Care Center is back to in-service operation combined with ZOOM conferencing for one client. We have had guest speakers present interesting topics at our Stated Meetings. In preparation for our 100th anniversary of our building, it is being maintained and improved. Extended internet capability has been installed for the administration and guest use. Our reunion class in November was attended by 24 Brothers and they will receive their rings and caps at our December Stated Meeting. December is also the 20th anniversary of the institution of our Knights of Saint Andrew and we will celebrate that event by recognizing the original charter members as well as all the current members.

As we all look forward to the holidays upcoming, please remember the men and women of our armed forces where-ever so-ever stationed and our first responders here at home. Their sacrifices to keep us safe need to be

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

recognized and thanked for. If you see a member of our Armed Forces or a first responder, go out of your way to say, "Thank You".

As I look back on this year, I am proud of our Rite. We have provided a venue for the Red Cross to accept blood, provided for the care of those children needed our help in speech therapy, our members have received 33° and KCCH honors in Oakland, and Operation Santa will again take place later in December. Our in-person Stated Meeting dinners and meeting attendance is improving from the COVID-19 lockdowns. I look forward to a 2022 full of activities like the Spirit of Hiram which we have invited the Grand Commander to attend, the Living Constitution, on stage radio theater presentation of more of our degrees, as well more actual degrees and of course greater participation in all our activities.

May this year end with happiness and blessings.

Rees Padfield, 33°

Personal Representative

Current Year Membership Statistical Changes	
<i>Accurate As Of: 11/27/2021 5:00:00 AM</i>	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Lodge	<input type="radio"/> Chapter
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Initiations:	0
Affiliations:	2
Reinstatements:	9
Deaths:	21
Demissions:	1
Suspensions (Non-payment):	1
Suspensions (Other reasons):	3
Expulsions:	0
Current Lodge Membership	711

Current Dues Statistics				
<i>Accurate As Of: 11/27/2021 5:01:36 AM</i>				
	Count	% of Total	Orient Wide Avg.	Jurisdiction Wide Avg.
Active Members with Dues Paid in Full:	161	22.6%	30.7%	36.7%
Active Members with Current Dues Balance:	256	36%	22.3%	20.6%
Active Members with Arrears Dues Balance:	84	11.8%	16.5%	11.7%
Active Members that are Dues Exempt (A,L,R):	113	15.9%	11.8%	10.3%
Active Paid Life Members (E):	97	13.6%	18.7%	20.6%

Knights of the Double Eagle Program

Points submitted and approved as of October 31st

Ron Alcorn III	775
Ohannes Antabian	0
Giuseppe Ariola	375
Robert Artinian	250
Rick Baca	0
Sebouh Badoyan	50
Gregory Gabriel	75
Kenneth Hoerricks	1775
Scott Huard	0
Keith Kramer	0
Ara Maloyan	0
Simon McIlroy	700
Timothy O'Hair	2125
TJ Oliva	0
Ronald Perez	0
William Rook	150
Roland Sanchez	0
Michael Smith	1375
John Thorpe	1100
David Williams	100
Jonathan Dru Wood	350
Dennis Yen	0

Please contact any of the committee members with inquiries: Illustrious Ron Alcorn (ron@pasadenascottishrite.org), Honorable Gregory Gabriel (gregoryjgabriel@gmail.com), Honorable TJ Oliva (quarryworkman@gmail.com) and Honorable Robert Artinian (robertartinian@gmail.com).

<https://www.de32.org/>

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Sincerely & fraternally,

KDE Committee

**SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT
As of October 30, 2021**

Beginning Balance October 1, 2021	\$	37,907.49
Deposits:	\$	<u>117,800.70</u>
Transfers from AT&T Investment \$35K 10/12 & Acct. - \$35K 10/12 and \$65K 10/20 For JL Painting & Construction For Building Painting / Madison Doors / Roof Leak Detection		<u>155,708.19</u>

Checks # 3413 - 3427	\$	100,057.96
Payroll Taxes & Fees	\$	731.39
Debit Card charges		<u>3,172.05</u>
		<u>103,961.40</u>
		<u>103,961.40</u>
10/01 Ck 3413 JL Painting & Construction - 1st Draw \$23K 10/12 Lamps Plus - 3rd Floor Hallway Lights \$2,679.12 10/12 Ck 3423 Jan-Serv LLC - Building Cleaning \$2,182.99 10/14 Ck 3425 JL Painting & Construction - 3rd Draw \$23K 10/22 Ck 3426 JL Painting & Construction - 2nd Draw \$46K		<u>51,746.79</u>

Uncleared Transaction		<u>\$793.00</u>

Ending Balance as October 30, 2021

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\$50,953.79

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**PASADENA LODGE OF PERFECTION - UNION BANK ACCT. --8749
TREASURER'S REPORT
As of October 31, 2021**

Opening Balance October 1, 2021	\$	64,025.71
Deposits	\$	<u>6,941.79</u>
		<u>\$ 70,967.50</u>

Check #'s 1056 to 1063	\$	3,504.83
Paychex charges (payroll, taxes and fees)		11,167.49
Debit Card charges		<u>294.46</u>
		<u>14,966.78</u>

10/07 Ck 1059 Quality Instant Printing - Bulletins		\$1,178.67
Cleared Balance		<u>556,000.72</u>
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Uncleared Transactions		0.00
Register Balance October 31, 2021		<u>556,000.72</u>
		=====

Deposits Breakdown:

Members Dues for 2022	\$	4,352.42
Members Dues for 2021		403.87
Candidates Fees Fall Class 2021		1,750.00
Credit Card Fees - income		15.50
Dinners Stated Meeting Sept 2021		<u>420.00</u>

		6,941.79

Deposits Breakdown:

Apartment Rent - 2021	0.00
Parking Lot Lease The REMM Group	16,127.60
Parking Lot Rental	1,120.00
Fidelity Invest. Buy Out Act. painting Bldg.	100,000.00
State Compen. Insurance Dividends 10%	53.10
PSR Event Center Security Dep. Cleaning	<u>500.00</u>

\$	117,800.70

(For Comparison)

	12/31/2020	12/31/2019
Account	\$ 242,643.73	218,839.20
4063 - PSR Life Membership Acct.	\$ 18,944.57	16,073.74
4066 - PSR Almoner Acct.	\$ 416,219.98	371,348.16
4068 - Cathedral Assoc. Acct.	\$1,819,463.14	1,645,328.06
4068 - Lodge of Perfection Main Acct.	\$ 170,158.76	347,472.92
3495 - Buy out Acct.		
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2,667,430.18	2,599,062.08	154,792.26

**Change from
Dec. '20 to Oct. '21**

	10/30/2021	40,404.43
	\$ 283,048.16	1,406.31
	\$ 20,350.88	41,216.54
	\$ 2,046,503.31	227,040.17
	\$ 14,883.57	(155,275.19)

In Memoriam

Illustrious Michael Duane Smith, 33°

Lieutenant Grand Commander

Sovereign Grand Inspector General in South Carolina.



April 29, 1958 - November 14, 2021

Brethren,

With heartbroken sadness, I must share with you that we have lost our Lieutenant Grand Commander, Illustrious Michael Duane Smith, 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in South Carolina. He succumbed to the ravages of COVID-19 on November 14, 2021. He leaves behind his wife Lynn and two sons, Brother Duane, and Brother Chris.

Please keep the family and the Brethren of his Orient in your prayers.

We have lost a highly skilled and valued worker in the quarries of Freemasonry. He was a dear friend to us. As Brethren, let us remember that his kindred spirit and memory will remain in our hearts. I know that personally, he has left a lasting mark on my life. His kindness and good cheer will serve as an inspiration to me.

He was indeed, and remains, my Brother.

Sincerely and fraternally,

 *Jamuel Cole* 
Sovereign Grand Commander

On November 20th five members of Pasadena Scottish Rite were installed as officers of the Supreme Pyramid, Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots.



Pictured left to right: Gary Sturm, Massimo Del Grande, Ron Alcorn III, Ohannes Antabian, Robert Edis

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Pasadena Scottish Rite

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

Wednesday, December 8, 2021
1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please visit 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 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 | Call 1-800-Red CROSS

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. All participants must wear a mask regardless of vaccination status except when actively eating or drinking. (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.



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<https://www.facebook.com/PasadenaAASR>

Master Craftsman Is Now ONLINE!

<https://scottishrite.org/blog/article/master-craftsman-is-now-online/>

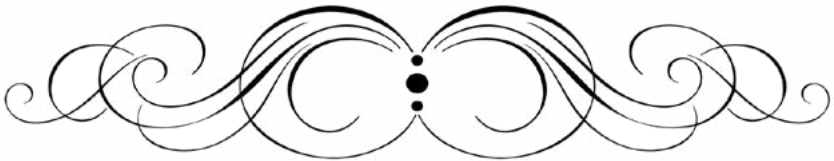
That’s right: Master Craftsman is now ONLINE! Since its inception in 2009, the Scottish Rite Master Craftsman education program has been a leading source for Masonic education, not only here in the Southern Jurisdiction, but also across the globe.



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A Sponsor's Responsibility

For every petitioner for the degrees of Scottish Rite Degrees there is a Scottish Rite Mason who is his sponsor on whom rests the responsibility for proper training of the petitioner. The Scottish Rite Mason who signs the petition has a responsibility that does not end with their signature on the petition. If you invited a guest to a gathering at your home, you make sure that he meets all of your guest and is made welcome and comfortable. Isn't the man whom you recommend Scottish Rite Freemasonry entitled to the same courtesy? As his sponsor, is it not your duty to assist him with his work and take an interest in his progress? It seems to us that it is, and that you should see to it that he fully understands the fine lessons of our degrees. If you recommend a man to the Scottish Rite, satisfy yourself that he is receiving that for which you recommended him. To do so is but a Masonic courtesy and it is your duty as a Scottish Rite Mason.



Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, SJ, to improve its 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.

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

Pasadena Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center

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\$ _____ .00 In memory of _____

\$ _____ .00 In honor of _____

\$ _____ .00 “365 Club” @ \$365/year

Donor Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State. Zip: _____

Send Acknowledgement to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State. Zip: _____

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 November 2021 Donors

365 Club

William F. Rook
Jack Carlson

Memorials

In Honor of

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Charles Foster
Peter Genter
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Keith D. Kramer, 32 ^o KSA	Asst. to Secretary
Stephen R. Miller, 32 ^o KCCH	Organist
Roland P. Sanchez, 32 ^o KSA	Tiler
Ralf Lopez, 32 ^o KSA	Tiler

Scottish Rite Calendar

Keep Friday Nights for Scottish Rite

DECEMBER

You must register in advance to attend any in person activities at the Pasadena Scottish Rite.

Sunday, November 28 to

Monday, December 6

Hanukkah

Saturday, December 4

9:00AM to 4:00PM

California Scottish Rite Foundation
 Annual Meeting in Anaheim

Wednesday, December 8

Deadline for January Bulletin articles!

Friday, December 10

6:00PM Social

6:30PM Dinner

8:00PM Hybrid Stated Meeting
 Council of Kadosh in Charge

Saturday, December 11

9:00AM Social

10:00AM Knights of Saint Andrew

Friday, December 24

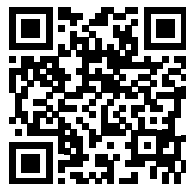
Christmas Eve (Office Closed)

Saturday, December 25

Christmas Day

Friday, December 31

New Years Eve (Office Closed)



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