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Valley of Pasadena - November 2022

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James D. Cole, 33°

Sovereign Grand Commander

Frank Loui, 33°

Sovereign Grand Inspector General  
in the Orient of California

Rees Padfield, 33°

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Massimo Del Grande, 32° KSA

*Wise Master*

Chapter of Rose Croix

Dear Brethren,

What a journey!

First and foremost, thank you again for the trust and support throughout the year. It is an understatement that the past several months have been challenging. Our entire Institution and indeed our whole lives have been under an unexpected pressure. I want to offer my sincere thanks to everyone for a great year under this challenging circumstances.



We stayed true to our values, worked together, and we kept moving forward. With your commitment, devotion, and hard work, you all have contributed to a memorable term as Wise master of the Pasadena Chapter of Rose Croix. THANK YOU!

Amidst the challenges, we accomplished our goals. Thanks to Illustrious Jim Hoerricks, we performed for the first time in many years, the Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal on stage with the Chapter Officers. A special thanks to Honorable Jeff Yates for his vital guidance.

We also hosted the official visit of our SGIG Illustrious Frank Loui during the month of July.

I look forward to see you all at the Cathedral for our November stated meeting. It will be my last meeting from the Oriental Chair, and it would be my honor to thank all of you who have made my journey so memorable.

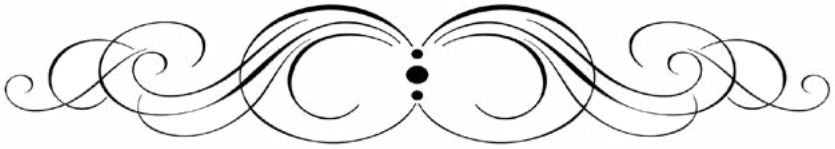
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Wise Master, Continued...

It goes without saying that I'm feeling blessed to work with such a group of distinguished gentlemen.

Fraternally,

Massimo Del Grande, 32° KSA  
Wise Master, Chapter of Rose Croix



## **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

Pasadena Scottish Rite

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

Saturday, November 12, 2022  
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 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) or complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

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## The Secretary's Memo Pad

Ill. William F. Rook, 33°

WOW! What a month October was. The visit by our Sovereign Grand Commander. Ill. James D. Cole, 33° and our SGIG Ill. Frank Loui, 33° was a monumental occasion. I would personally like to thank these brothers for taking time to visit with us and answer those questions the brothers had.



Unfortunately, the PR had to postpone the Fall reunion. We are still taking applications for membership in the Scottish Rite. Our November Stated Meeting will remain on November 11. Remember to make reservations by November 9 at 3 PM.

November 12 we will have two events going on. In our dining room the American Red Cross will be collecting much needed blood. Consider being a donor. Secondly, The Rite Care Language Center of Pasadena will be sponsoring and information booth at the Hansen Dam Air Show from 7 AM to 3 PM. Please make some time to visit the show and support our language center.

November 19th we are hosting The California Scottish Rite Foundation's annual meeting from 8 AM to 4 PM. All Scottish Rite Masons are invited to attend. This is happening amongst all the painting and remodeling taking place within our Cathedral.

Please come see and participate in all that we are doing and experience the Brotherhood of Scottish Rite Masonry. Remember to pay your dues.

Have wonderful and happy Thanksgiving,

Bill

## The P.R.'s Corner

Ill. Rees Padfield, 33°

Brethren,

November is a busy month at our house. It is the prep month for family get togethers and the holidays we call Thanksgiving and Christmas. Lots of decorations means starting early like the beginning of November. Thanksgiving is a time we celebrate our family, country, and the blessings we have received. November also is a time when we recognize the men and women of our Armed Forces, both active duty and retired and the sacrifices they make and have made for us. Remembering the horrific details of the two World Wars should remind us all, of the great debt we all owe. Some have made the ultimate sacrifice. When you see a member of our Armed Forces, active or retired, or a member of our First Responders, please say thank you. That duty is one we Masons understand.



I thank all the Brothers who attended the October Stated Dinner and Meeting. We celebrated the Feast of Tishri with our Grand Commander, Jim Cole, and our SGIG, Frank Loui. Jim's answering questions at the end of the Stated Meeting was most interesting.

As we complete our Masonic year, we need to look back and evaluate our year. Our Boards are working hard to complete their goals. Our building is

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

looking more and more like it did in 1925. By that I mean it is looking very much like the architect drawings we have from 1924. Our recognition and thank you dinner at Maya's house was a success and something we can build upon in the future for the advancement of our Scottish Rite Care Center.

I wish to thank the brethren who participated in the recent reunion. Your commitment and performance both on stage and off is to be commended. Our Valley is known for its degree work, and we demonstrated that once again.

As always, the fifth vow of loyal service always applies: If I can not attend the meetings of the Rite to which I belong, I will not withhold my contributions for the relief of the poor. One of Masonry's best-known attributes is the value of charitable giving to those who need it.

Rees Padfield, 33°

Personal Representative

## November Dinner Menu

### Stated Meeting on November 11th

Turkey Vegetable Soup, Green Salad

Festive Turkey

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Roasted Sweet Potatoes

Maple Glazed Baby Carrots, Cornbread Stuffing

Cranberry Sauce

Pumpkin Pie

Last Day for reservations: Wednesday, November 9th at 2pm

Number of Reservations at \$20.00 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*



Sovereign Grand Commander Ill. James D. Cole 33° with Ill. Gregory J. Gabriel 33° and Sovereign Grand Inspector General Ill. Frank Loui 33°

Daily Recap of Membership

Recap date generated: 9/27/2022 2:01:08 AM

Valley of Pasadena  Orient of California  Southern Jurisdiction

	Begin	Initiations	Affiliations	Reinstatements	Deaths	Demits	Susp NPD	Susp Other	Expulsions	Ending
Pasadena / Lodge	711	17	1	4	17	5	0	1	0	711
Pasadena / Chapter	712	17	1	4	17	5	0	1	0	711
Pasadena / Council	711	17	1	4	17	5	0	1	0	711
Pasadena / Consistory	709	17	1	4	17	5	0	1	0	709

Current Dues Statistics

Accurate As Of: 9/27/2022 5:01:43 AM

	Count	% of Total	Orient Wide Avg.	Jurisdiction Wide Avg.
Active Members with Dues Paid In Full:	21	3%	5.4%	10.1%
Active Members with Current Dues Balance:	333	46.8%	44.8%	45.3%
Active Members with Arrears Dues Balance:	149	21%	20%	13.2%
Active Members that are Dues Exempt (A,L,R):	114	16%	11.6%	10.6%
Active Paid Life Members (E):	94	13.2%	18.1%	20.8%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>711</b>			



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## Scottish Rite Education

Jonathan Dru Wood 32°

Dear Brethren,

In the October bulletin, it was announced that a group of members of this valley are working on a program for continued learning that will explore in greater depth the information disseminated in the classroom during the degree reunions. As a follow up, this article will discuss the nascent program, as well as provide more background on the three pillars of which it is composed.

The official name for the continued education program has yet to be codified, but the brethren who seek to introduce it into this valley call themselves the “Further Instruction and Training,” or, “FIAT” Committee. As indicated, the purpose of this program is to provide further instruction and training, or light, upon the subjects of Blue Lodge and Scottish Rite masonry.

The three pillars which support the program have each existed for years, and have already proven their worth.

The first is the Master Craftsman College, a program presented by the Southern Jurisdiction which began in 2008 as a mail-in correspondence course focusing on Masonic history, ritual and philosophy. This program is made up of multiple courses, most of which are now online, such as:

- Why 33? (Basic history and working knowledge of the AASR)
- Symbolic Lodge (Explores the symbolism of the Symbolic Lodge using Albert Pike’s excellent “Esoterika: The Symbolism of the Blue Degrees of Freemasonry”).
- Ritual & History (Divides the structure of the AASR into 6 lessons covering the material of “The Scottish Rite Ritual Monitor & Guide, third edition”, by Arturo de Hoyos and “A Bridge to Light, 4th edition”, by Rex Hutchens as its textbooks).

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Scottish Rite Education, continued.....

- Scottish Rite Philosophy (Explores philosophical & moral lessons of the degrees of the Scottish Rite through the lens of Albert Pike's "Morals and Dogma: Annotated Edition" by Arturo de Hoyos).

At this time, the Master Craftsman College is a self-paced study program, but there is a group-study component in the works. In the meantime, the hope is that those who are currently enrolled, or would like to enroll, could come together periodically to study and review the material, and eventually to have past participants of the program involved to offer tutoring. See <https://mastercraftsmancollege.org/> for more info.

The second pillar is The College of the Consistory, a free self-study curriculum facilitated by the Valley of Guthrie and made available to all enrolled members. The College distributes to its members a syllabus of each degree of the Rite, which provides ideas for essays and research papers. Books such as Bob Davis' "The Journey of the Elu to Enlightenment" and Michael Sekera's "The Road Less Traveled: A Journey Through the Degrees of the Scottish Rite" likely consist of essays previously written as part of The College of the Consistory. See <https://www.guthriescottishrite.org/index.php/college-of-the-consistory/> for more info.

The third pillar is the Academy of Reflection, which provides a selection of courses designed to assist its members and associates in acquiring and developing a wide range of skills and techniques in reflective, contemplative, and meditative practice. The Mother Academy, which is the body providing guidance, oversight, and chartering for all other Academies was constituted in the See of the Valley of Guthrie, in the Orient of Oklahoma, by charter issued on Friday, September 28, 2012. The Superintendent is Chuck Dunning, author of the celebrated book "Contemplative Masonry: Basic Applications of Mindfulness, Meditation, and Imagery for the Craft [Revised & Expanded Edition]." Scottish Rite masons who wish to introduce contemplative practices such as hosted meditations during degree reunions in their own valleys can apply to become Academies in Formation, and eventually can be chartered, which allows them to

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induct their own members and eventually plan their own meditation retreats and workshops. See <https://academyofreflection.org/> for more info.

Since balance is critical in all things, a program which serves both the left (active, analytical, facts & figures) and right (passive, intuitive, impressions and connections) sides of the brain allows for an integrated method of receiving more light in Scottish Rite masonry.

The FIAT Committee is looking to host periodic meetings which will likely consist of a group meditation, followed by an illuminating presentation (such as the presentation of a paper written by a member of The College of the Consistory for example), and finally a group study class for those enrolled in the Master Craftsman (and later The College of the Consistory) with the group studies leaders and tutors.

The first step to bringing this robust program from dream to reality is to secure support from those who would like to take part. To join the FIAT Committee, or take part in the program once it is introduced, please let us know by completing the less-than-three-minute survey at [tinyurl.com/PSRquestionnaire](https://tinyurl.com/PSRquestionnaire).

In Light,

Jonathan Dru Wood 32°  
Orator  
Council of Kadosh

John S.C. Thorpe 32°  
Orator  
Chapter of Rose Croix

Michael-David Smith 32° KCCH  
Past Wise Master  
Fraternally,

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## Women's Association News

Gentlemen, thank you for sharing this newsletter with your lady

Dear Ladies,

Wow, how time flies! PSR has been updating many areas of the Temple, including the ladies lounge and restrooms! It will be beautiful!!

The PSR Women's Association will continue to meet while the men are in their meeting after dinner. Our project is to update and protect the Scottish Rite Scrapbooks representing its history so they can be safely viewed and enjoyed for many years to come.

All ladies are cordially invited to join us as we have fun working on our project and enjoying each other's company. I will let you know which room we will be in during announcements after dinner.

Hope to see you all soon!

Sincerely,

Lynda Lockhart  
President

Master Craftsman Online College & Leadership Academy.

<https://mastercraftsmancollege.org/>

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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**SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL ASSOCIATION  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of September 30, 2022**

**PASADENA LODGE OF PERFECTION - UNION BANK ACCT. --8749  
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Beginning Balance September 1, 2022	\$	75,426.43		
Deposits:				
Check # 3588 to 3616	\$	100,035.70		
Payroll Taxes & Fees	\$	1,429.93		
So Cal Gas Auto payment	\$	197.06		
Capital One Credit Card charges		125.13		
		<u>101,787.82</u>		
			130,613.64	
			<u>75,426.43</u>	
	<b>\$</b>	<b>55,187.21</b>		
			<u>21,258.10</u>	
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**As of August 31, 2022**

Opening Balance August 1, 2022	\$	2,598.43
Deposits		\$ 23,856.53
Check #'s		\$0.00
Paycheck charges (payroll, taxes and fees)		2,549.04
Online Credit Card payment		2,549.04
		<u>2,549.04</u>
		<u>\$21,307.49</u>

**Cleared Balance**

**Uncleared Transactions**

Register Balance August 31, 2022	\$	628.43
Deposits Breakdown:		920.00
Members Dues for 2022		1,050.00
Dinners Stated Meeting Aug 22 + Prepaid 12		2,598.43
Candidates Fee for Fall Class 2022		-

**(For Comparison)**

	12/31/2021	8/31/2022	Change from Dec '21 to Aug '22
Account	\$ 277,551.61	\$ 241,655.86	(35,895.65)
4063 - PSR Life Membership Acct.	18,944.57	19,725.08	(1,774.15)
4066 - PSR Almoner Acct.	455,273.45	398,512.50	(56,760.95)
4067 - Cathedral Assoc. Acct.	1,982,754.76	1,545,687.14	(437,067.62)
4068 - Lodge of Perfection Main Acct.	15,396.85	13,108.80	(2,288.05)
3495 - Buy out Acct.	-	-	-
	<u>2,752,475.88</u>	<u>2,218,689.48</u>	<u>(533,786.40)</u>

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## Treasurer's Report

Miles H. Bresee III, 32° KCCH

What a wonderful October Stated Meeting! The Treasurer's Report was rather lengthy, for which I apologize, but there was a lot of ground to cover...and some necessary approvals for money transfers.



While I alluded to an investment update toward the end of my time at the podium, we had our investment meeting with our investment manager, Bob McClure on October 19th...and I know you're all on the edge of your seats...waiting to read how things are going on the financial fronts of our Valley! I'm not one to intentionally disappoint! So, here goes....

The 'market,' as published in the Monday, October 10 edition of The Wall Street Journal, the S&P 500 decreased 24% through the 3rd Quarter ending September 30th. The Dow Jones has dropped approximately 21% in value for the same period. As many of you may recall, I like to keep things in perspective! First, these indexes are all stocks or equities. For example, the S&P 500 is comprised of the stocks of 500 US companies: the Dow Jones, the stocks of 30 US companies. Second, each of our 5 investment accounts are invested in underlying mutual fund portfolios...automatically diversified among stocks (or equities), bonds/fixed income and cash. Four of them are fairly conservative, with the Lodge of Perfection's portfolio being slightly more than moderate, which I have previously equated to a slightly aggressive (70/30) retirement portfolio. The fundamental reason for this, is that the Lodge of Perfection account is long term and can be slightly more aggressive, whereas the other accounts are fairly short term (Life Membership, Cathedral Association, Almoner, and AT&T Lease Buyout) and more conservative. At our Stated Meeting, I singled out the Lodge of Perfection's return as being down approximately 20%, and if excluding this year's withdrawals, it would have decreased in value about 18%. Third, our portfolios are not all stock funds, but a mix of equities (stocks), bonds and fixed income, and cash or

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## Treasurers Report, Continued...

cash equivalents.

During the meeting with our investment manager, that we are in a bear market, with expected periods of strong short term market gains and pullbacks. He provided the following metrics thru October 18th.\*

	Inception to Date (12/31/2017)	Year to Date	3 Years	1 Year
Actual	5.29	-18.11	7.13	-16.35
Benchmark	5.78	-18.80	5.36	-15.12

Reviewing the data above we're below the benchmark since inception, and slightly better than the benchmark year to date (thru October 18th)).

\* Returns net of fees Also, please keep in mind that this year, as well as previous years, we have withdrawn approximately \$320K from our investment account for repairs and upgrades to our building, as well as addressing other unanticipated expenses (a \$56K insurance bill this year comes to mind...for which we are waiting for a refund of approximately half this amount.). In general, we are not too far off the benchmarks for the various periods and have done better, as measured for 3 years.

As far as the economy goes, we are in a period where rising interest rates have resulted in decreased prices of bonds and other fixed income securities. On the other hand, the Federal Reserve has a balancing act in increasing interest rates as a 'disincentive' to purchasing goods and services (making them more expensive) and reduce demand for them...to lead to lower prices. A tradeoff for the Federal Reserve to consider, is that if demand for goods and services decreases too much...companies that have relied on borrowing money to stay in business, may start to lay off employees...and lead to increased unemployment. A current concern is whether the Federal Reserve will raise interest rates one half or three quarters percent.

As a follow up item from the October Treasurer's report, the Finance

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## Treasurers Report, Continued...

Committee is reviewing the Cathedral Trust and related documents and updating them to reflect current means of doing business (email and Zoom, for example, versus US Mail), as well as defining methodology of calculating Life Membership and Cathedral Trust Fund transfers. Our 'goal' is to have a proposed draft of the document sent out in advance of the November Stated Meeting, it can be voted upon...and can then be formally adopted. Many, many thanks to Mary Masoyan for her extensive typing of those pages!

The Finance Committee members present on the call, elected to stay the course with our investment policy, but closely monitor economic and other factors...especially, what the Federal Reserve does with further expected interest rate increases.

In keeping my promise to keep you updated with our investments, I will continue to provide them at our Stated Meetings as material information presents itself. As always, if you have any questions, I can be reached at: miles.bresee@pasadenascottishrite.org, or 626 483-1342 See you in November!

Miles H. Bresee, 32° KCCH  
Treasurer

**IN MEMORIAM**

Raul A. Sandoval  
Gateway Lodge No. 339  
July 10, 2022

Roger V. Sherman  
San Fernando Lodge No. 343  
January 1, 2022

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

# Almoner

Gregory J. Gabriel, 33°

IT'S FREE!

Now that I have your attention, you're probably wondering, "What's Free?" Well, I'll tell you. It's the American Heroes Airshow at Hansen Dam in Sylmar, Saturday, November 12th, from 9:00am to 4:00pm.



All types of military, first responder and leisure helicopters will be there for you to peruse, take pictures, ask questions and enjoy. There are displays of first responder vehicles and rescue equipment. As well as demonstrations of their use.

Best of all, the Valley of Pasadena will have a booth to advertise our RiteCare center. Come out and support our efforts by helping to set up and work the booth. You don't have to spend the whole day, but if we all do a little, we can accomplish a lot. Wear your Scottish Rite or whatever Masonic shirt you own. This is a great opportunity to do some recruiting, so bring your applications.

We will set up around 8:00am and clean up between 3:00pm and 4:00pm. This is fun for everyone so bring your family, friends and prospects. Remember, parking, entry and exhibits are all free.

For more information, visit <https://www.heroes-airshow.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/2022-Los-Angeles-Event-1st-Alert.pdf> or contact me through the PSR office.

Come on out and have a great day for a worthy cause. Remember, IT'S FREE!

Gregory J. Gabriel, 33°  
Almoner

## Knights of the Double Eagle Program

Points submitted and approved as of September 30th

Ron Alcorn III	4425	TJ Oliva	100
Ohannes Antabian	4400	Ronald Perez	150
Giuseppe Ariola	1500	Guillermo Quezada	275
Robert Artinian	850	William Rook	1150
Rick Baca	350	Herair Rostamian	0
Sebouh Badoyan	50	Roland Sanchez	1575
Gregory Gabriel	75	Michael Schneider	1175
Gallen Hernandez	0	Michael Smith	6300
Kenneth Hoerricks	2175	John Thorpe	1425
Scott Huard	0	Oliver Torrealba Torres	0
Steven Klein	25	Keith White	25
Keith Kramer	0	Joseph Whittington	0
Ara Maloyan	2450	David Williams	275
Leonard Manoukian	0	Bill Witten	675
Simon McIlroy	700	Zach Wolfe	0
Maxim Mironenko	100	Jonathan Dru Wood	1225
Timothy O'Hair	2800	Dennis Yen	0

Please contact any of the committee members with inquiries:  
 Illustrious Ron Alcorn (ron@pasadenascottishrite.org),  
 Illustrious 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



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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

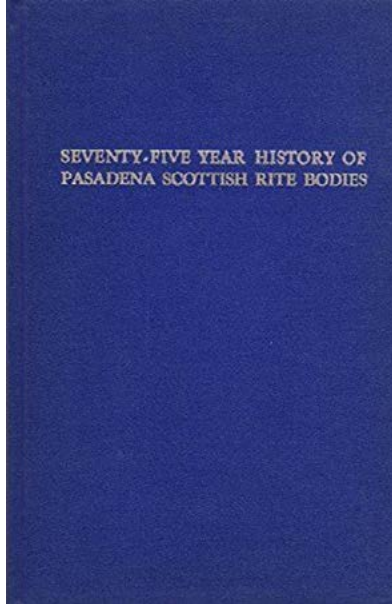
## Scottish Rite Creed

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.



SEVENTY-FIVE YEAR HISTORY OF THE PASADENA BODIES OF THE ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY 1895 TO 1970.

By Douglass Westin 32° K.C.C.H



## CHAPTER II

### THE SECOND QUARTER CENTURY 1921 TO 1945.

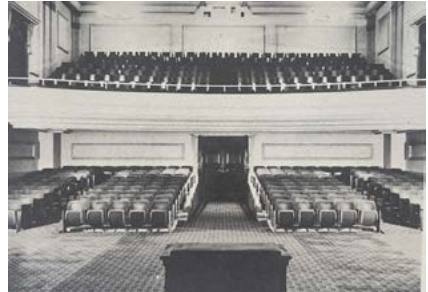
There was no celebration in commemoration of the Silver Anniversary of the Pasadena Scottish Rite Bodies.

The first outstanding event of this quarter occurred in December, 1921 when the new Cathedral Association authorized an architect, Joseph J. Blick, to draw up plans, and to take bids, for a building. This he did, presenting an estimated cost of \$118,350.00. However, before the building could be started, it was learned that the Euclid Avenue property was needed by the City of Pasadena for the new City Hall and civic center development. The two lots were, therefore, sold to the City of Pasadena.

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The Cathedral Association then took an option on, and subsequently purchased, the property located at 150 North Madison Avenue, the home of Hiram W. Wadsworth. This transaction was completed on October 4, 1923, and on March 13, 1924 contracts were awarded for the construction of the building to the William C. Crowell Company, as General Contractors; H. L. Miller Company, as the electrical wiring and equipment contractors; E. O. Nay and Company, as the heating and plumbing contractors; W. S. Pesenecker, as the painting contractor; and Lilley and Company, of Lima, Ohio, who furnished the paraphernalia for the degree work.



A memorable event happened on Tuesday, November 26, 1935 when the Pasadena Scottish Rite Auditorium was renamed and dedicated as the "Cobb Auditorium" in honor of Charles Henry Cobb, while he was still living, in recognition of his financial aid to the Pasadena Scottish Rite Bodies. During these difficult financial years the Secretary, Walter Kress, had stamps of twenty-five cent value printed which he sold to the members. These were affixed to a card and when the value amounted to ten dollars it was turned in to pay for the annual dues. Although this financial scheme saved some members from relinquishing their membership, new memberships dwindled, expenses kept on, and a heavy mortgage of seventy thousand dollars threatened the very existence of the Pasadena Scottish Rite Cathedral. Brother Cobb's generosity saved the day.

Depression or no depression, the membership must be kept interested. So, after much cogitation, the officers of the four Bodies decided on the first big "Family Entertainment Night". A desperate gamble, indeed, when funds were so tight! The affair was held on Friday eve-

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ning, February 13, 1936, and consisted of ten all-star acts with orchestra. Radio, stage and screen artists appeared. Heading the bill was Rudolfo Hayes, a baritone, known for his work in the opera "Aida".

In order to interest the general public in the Pasadena Scottish Rite, the "Crucifixion Scene" was staged for public viewing on Easter Sunday, 1936, for the first time, in the Cobb Auditorium of the Pasadena Scottish Rite.

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Dress is coat and tie

NOVEMBER

Wednesday, November 9

Deadline for December Bulletin articles!

Friday, November 11th

4:30PM Cathedral Board

6:00PM Social Fellowship

6:30PM Dinner

8:00PM Stated Meeting

Chapter of Rose Croix in charge

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Saturday, November 26

10:00AM Discussion Group

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