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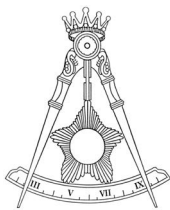
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Venerable Master

Lodge of Perfection

Greetings Brethren,

I would like to start out with a bit of sad news. Our own Past Commander of Kadosh, Sir Knight, Arman Ekmekciyan, 32° KSA, has laid down the working tools of life and has taken residence in that house not made with hands eternal in the heavens. Please keep his family in your prayers. Sir Knight Ekmekciyan served as Marshal at San Marino Lodge, and as Commander of the Council of Kadosh in 2019. He was my friend and Brother and will be sorely missed.



As we approach the midpoint of the year and enter the summer season, we welcome the newest thirty-seven (37) members of The Illustrious Rees W. Padfield, 33° 2024 Memorial Class, who witnessed the exemplification of the 4th through 14th Degrees.

This is the second year that we continue the tradition of a yearlong reunion that we began in May and will continue throughout most of the year. The intention of this new format is in hopes that this will give our new Scottish Rite Masons more time to understand the meaning and the teachings of our craft. The time and effort to exemplify the Degrees is immeasurable. We need to acknowledge our administration led by our Personal Representative, Illustrious Gregory Gabriel, General Secretary, Ronald Alcorn III, Mary Masoyan and Dolores Pashby, and our Director of the Work, Sir Knight Chris Lebedeff and Honorable Mike Smith and the entire cast, crew, stagecraft, lighting, sound, wardrobe, and make-up departments as well as the Knights of Saint Andrew's members for their ongoing support all year and maintaining our premier status of one of the best Valleys in the country.

Collectively, we strive to deliver the best in ritual at our Reunions and ensure that our candidates are getting the full measure and meaning of the degrees. Your attendance at the Reunions may spark an interest for you to join the cast

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Venerable Master, continued...

or participate in behind-the-scenes roles while furthering your knowledge of each of the degrees.

I look forward to your participation and support while we continue to develop our Childhood Language Center with the objective of helping the children and their families that we serve to fulfill their full potential.

Below, you will find some of the important dates for the month of June.

Flag Day – June 14

Flag Day is a holiday celebrated on June 14 in the United States. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress.

D-Day – June 6

On 6 June 1944 – ‘D-Day’ – Allied forces launched the largest amphibious invasion in the history of warfare. Codenamed Operation ‘Overlord’, the Allied landings on the beaches of Normandy marked the start of a long and costly campaign to liberate north-west Europe from Nazi occupation.

Father’s Day – June 16

Father’s Day is a holiday honoring one’s father, as well as fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society.

Summer Solstice – June 20

The summer solstice or estival solstice occurs when one of Earth’s poles has its maximum tilt toward the Sun. It happens twice yearly, once in each hemisphere (Northern and Southern). For that hemisphere, the summer solstice is the day with the longest period of daylight and shortest night of the year, when the Sun is at its highest position in the sky. At either pole there is continuous daylight at the time of its summer solstice. The opposite event is the winter solstice.

Again, thank you for this opportunity to serve you.

“The hands that do and the hearts that dare, leave monuments upon the square.”

- Brother palmer Cox

Robert S. Artinian, 32° KCCH
Venerable Master, Lodge of Perfection

The Secretary's Desk
Ill. Ronald W. Alcorn III, 33°

We had 36 candidates complete their 14th degree at the 1st phase of our 2024 reunion class in memory of Ill. Rees W. Padfield 33°.

For those candidates that did not make it and would like to still be a part of this class they can recieve their 4th and 14th degrees at Long Beach on June 7th.

The next part of our reunion will be on June 29th for the 15° through 18°, if you are a recommender for a candidate please be here with them as they continue on thier journey in the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

Please remember to make your dinner reservations with Mary at the office by Wednesday, June 5th at 2:00pm.

Ronald W. Alcorn III, 33°
General Secretary



Daily Recap of Membership

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Valley of Pasadena Orient of California Southern Jurisdiction

	Begin	Initiations	Affiliations	Reinstatements	Deaths	Demits	Susp.NPD	Susp.Other	Expulsions	Ending
Pasadena / Lodge	688	36	2	5	11	3	46	1	0	671
Pasadena / Chapter	686	1	2	5	11	3	46	1	0	633
Pasadena / Council	685	1	2	5	11	3	46	1	0	633
Pasadena / Consistory	683	1	2	5	11	3	46	1	0	631

Current Dues Statistics

Accurate As Of: 5/29/2024 5:01:28 AM

	Count	% of Total	Orient Wide Avg.	Jurisdiction Wide Avg.
Active Members with Dues Paid in Full:	365	54.4%	48.1%	52.5%
Active Members with Current Dues Balance:	69	10.3%	7.1%	7.1%
Active Members with Arrears Dues Balance:	40	6%	15.2%	8.4%
Active Members that are Dues Exempt (A,L,R):	103	15.4%	11.5%	10.7%
Active Paid Life Members (E):	94	14%	18.1%	21.3%
Total:	671			

The P.R.'s Corner

Ill. Gregory J. Gabriel, 33°

Welcome Perfect Elu

Welcome to the Valley of Pasadena, Perfect Elu! My hearty congratulations to all our brothers who have attained the fourteenth degree and rank of a Perfect Elu. As such, you are now bound to us by insolvable ties in a brother for peace, charity and self-improvement.



Having completed the degrees of the Lodge of Perfection, you are now entitled to wear the ring of a Perfect Elu which was presented to you in the fourteenth degree. You are also invited to attend the monthly Saturday degree discussions, dinners and, of course, participate in the monthly stated meetings. You are not allowed to wear the black cap of a Scottish Rite Mason, the double headed eagle or any other Scottish Rite insignia or distinction. Those shall come to you in good time, and if found worthy.

Study the degrees you have received. While it may take some time to understand them and put them into daily practice, you will find them interesting and informative. Each brother will discover, for himself, the lessons taught therein. It may take some doing, but time, patience and perseverance will accomplish all things.

This, of course, is not the end, but merely the beginning of your journey through Scottish Rite masonry. You were taught that much still remains to be learned in the following degrees and in our books. The fifteenth through thirty second degrees are still before you. Enjoy them, study hard and put them into practice.

Welcome my brothers to the Valley of Pasadena.

Gregory J. Gabriel, 33°

Personal Representative of the S.G.I.G. in California



2024 Ill. Rees W. Padfield 33° Memorial Class

15th thru 18th degrees - Saturday, June 29, 2024

7:30 AM Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM Class Start

9:00 AM Degrees Start Lunch provided around noon

5:00 PM Closing (Approx)

Phase 3 19th thru 26th degrees - Saturday, August 10, 2024

Phase 4 27th thru 29th degrees - Saturday, September 14, 2024

Phase 5 30th thru 32nd degrees - Saturday, October 19, 2024

June Dinner Menu

Stated Meeting on June 7th

Cheese & Crackers

Garden Salad w/Honey Dijon Vinagrette Dressing

Chicken Florentine

Au Gratin Potatoes and Vegetables

Dinner Rolls and Butter

Dessert

Last Day for reservations: Wednesday, June 5th 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

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.

PASADENA LODGE OF PERFECTION - CHASE ACCT. --1626
TREASURER'S REPORT

As of April 30, 2024

Opening Balance April 1, 2024		\$ 28,365.97
Deposits	\$ 12,151.12	\$ 12,151.12
		\$ 40,517.09

Check #'s 1115: 1135 - 1139	\$ 8,284.70
Paychex charges (payroll, taxes and fees)	13,842.74
Online Credit Card payment	2,209.08
Merchant Service	16.42
Other charges: Deposit Item Return - Dues	205.00
	24,557.94

04/02/24 Chase Credit Card - Journal Entry Miscellaneous Charges 2,209.08
04/04/24 Ck #1136 AP Benefit - Supreme Council Master Insurance Policy Premium \$4,010.00
04/04/24 Ck #1137 Quality Instant Printing - 2 months Bulletins due to late invoicing \$2,093.00
04/10/24 Chef Sanchez Catering - April Stated Meeting Dinner \$1,472.00

Cleared Balance **\$15,953.15**

Uncleared Transactions	\$ 272.58
Register Balance April 30, 2024	\$15,686.57

Deposits Breakdown:

Stated Meeting Dinners of April '24	920.00
Pre-Paid Dinners (1 Year)	240.00
Dues of 2024	5,716.77
Candidates Fees	1,045.15
Life Membership	2,870.00
Cap Box	35.00
C.C. Reward points Redeemed	1,324.20
	12,151.12

Account	(For Comparison)			Change from Dec '23 to Apr '24
	12/31/2023	12/31/2022	4/30/2024	
4063 - PSR Life Membership Acct.	\$ 251,366.27	222,250.23	\$ 256,166.80	4,800.53
4066 - PSR Almoner Acct.	\$ 22,679.22	20,102.46	\$ 22,711.01	31.79
4067 - Cathedral Assoc. Acct.	\$ 339,685.11	373,021.10	\$ 337,056.18	(2,628.93)
4068 - Lodge of Perfection Main Acct.	\$ 1,297,665.78	1,312,244.73	\$ 1,245,253.72	(52,412.06)
3495 - Buyout Acct.	\$ 15,903.37	12,833.57	\$ 16,801.76	892.39
	1,927,305.75	1,940,452.09	1,877,989.47	(49,316.28)

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SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL ASSOCIATION - CHASE ACCT. --7529

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of April 30, 2024

Beginning Balance April 1, 2024	\$ 20,535.23	\$ 55,845.91
Deposits:	20,535.23	

Checks # 1265 -1283 & 50014, 50015	\$ 36,189.61	76,381.14
Payroll Taxes and Fees	\$ 711.11	
Payment Chase Credit Card	\$ 1,266.97	
Gas Company	\$ 583.47	
	\$ 38,751.16	38,751.16

04/04/24 Ck #1265 IPFS Corporation - Monthly property insurance premium \$2,136.60
04/04/24 Ck #1269 Rosa Vallalpando - Gardener \$1,075.00
04/09/24 Ck #1277 Regency Fire Protection - Annual Fire Inspection \$2,775.00
04/09/24 Ck #1276 Jan-Serv LLC - Monthly building cleaning \$2,560.00
04/10/24 Ck #1270 ConservArt Association - Balance Due Painting Restoration \$16,225.00
04/11/24 Ck #1280 The Packagers - Specialty packaging and transportation of restored paintings \$1,690.00
04/23/24 Ck #1281 Slate Compensation - Workman's Compensation premium \$1,544.36
04/24/24 Ck #1282 Northern Costume - Wardrobes for Degrees \$1,755.00

Uncleared Transactions	\$0.00	37,629.98
Ending Balance as April 30, 2024		\$37,629.98

Deposits Breakdown:

Parking Lot Rentals	1,060.00
Parking Lot Lease The REMM Group	17,623.06
Apartment Rent - February '24	1,760.00
Refund Payroll Taxes 1st Qtr. 2024	92.17
	20,535.23

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Knights of the Double Eagle Program

Points submitted and approved as of May 28th

Ron Alcorn III	6625	Timothy O'Hair	4250
Ohannes Antabian	6925	TJ Oliva	100
Giuseppe Ariola	2975	Ronald Perez	150
Robert Artinian	1800	William Rogers	1925
Rick Baca	350	William Rook	1150
Sebouh Badoyan	1150	Herair Rostamian	0
Joel Castro	0	Roland Sanchez	4550
Shaunt Der-Grigorian	1100	Michael Schneider	1275
Gregory Gabriel	75	Michael Smith	12000
Gallen Hernandez	0	John Thorpe	3425
Kenneth Hoerricks	2250	Oliver Torrealba Torres	0
Scott Huard	0	Keith White	25
Steven Klein	425	Joseph Whittington	0
Keith Kramer	0	Bill Witten	700
Ara Maloyan	3925	Zach Wolfe	0
Leonard Manoukian	0	Jonathan Dru Wood	3825
Simon McIlroy	700	Dennis Yen	0
Maxim Mironenko	150		

Please contact any of the committee members with inquiries:

Honorable Robert Artinian (robertartinian@gmail.com)

Brother John S.C. Thorpe (j.s.c.thorpe@gmail.com)

Illustrious Ron Alcorn (ron@pasadenascottishrite.org) and

Illustrious Gregory Gabriel (gregoryjgabriel@gmail.com),

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

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Sincerely & fraternally,

KDE Committee



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When you make a donation of \$5,000 or more to our CGA program, you will receive quarterly income based on your age and the corresponding rate as set by the American Council on Gift Annuities.



BENEFITS OF A CGA*

- Fixed income for life
- Significant tax deduction
- Competitive rate of return
- Capital gains tax advantage

* Gift Annuities are not available in some states.

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- **Rebuilding the Temple Campaign**
- **Scholarships**
- **California Scottish Rite Foundation**

EXAMPLE: \$10,000 GIFT ANNUITY

AGE 50	4.0%
AGE 60	4.7%
AGE 70	5.6%
AGE 80	7.3%
AGE 90	9.5%

These fixed rates, current as of 5/22/18, are for a single life Gift Annuity. Chart is for illustrative purposes only.

To learn more about the CGA Program, please contact Major Donor Officer Donald W. Heath, 33°, CFP at 1-858-335-2070 or dheath@scottishrite.org.

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.

Hon. Robert S. Artinian, 32° KCCH, Chairman Language Center Board

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\$_____.	.00	In memory of _____
\$_____.	.00	In honor of _____
\$_____.	.00	“365 Club” @ \$365/year

Donor Information:

Name:	_____
Address:	_____
City, State. Zip:	_____

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Name:	_____
Address:	_____
City, State. Zip:	_____

Make checks payable to the California Scottish Rite Foundation,
Please note “Pasadena” in the memo line
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IN MEMORIAM

Ronald Culey
Elysian Lodge No. 418
May 24, 2020

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

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.

Gentlemen, thank you for sharing this newsletter with your lady

Good evening Ladies,

Well, here we are almost halfway through the year! It hardly seems possible. May and June will be full of end-of-school-year activities with graduations, Memorial Day on May 27, summer vacations, preparing for college etc, etc!

Whatever your plans are, enjoy your time together with family and friends. And, be sure to remember that Pasadena Scottish Rite will continue to meet as usual with only slight changes for the summer schedule. so be sure to check your Bulletin each month to see what special items might be on the Agenda!

Ladies will continue to meet after dinner in our lovely lounge upstairs. Be sure to wear your name tag if you took it home last month; or be sure to pick one up from Sharon Ouellette when you arrive. She will probably be in the dining room with plenty of spare name tags to share.

Enjoy your summer everyone! Sure miss you, folks!!

Sincerely,

Lynda Lockhart, President



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Pasadena Childhood Language Center



Meghri Habashian
Office Coordinator

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Thank You to Our May 2024 Donors

365 Club

Frank Barbano, Bill Rook

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Francine Sterle

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Scottish Rite Calendar

Keep Friday Nights for Scottish Rite

JUNE

Wednesday, June 5

Deadline for July/August Bulletin articles!

5:00PM Language Center Board*

Friday, June 7

4:30PM Cathedral Board

6:00PM Social

6:30PM Dinner

8:00PM Stated Meeting

Lodge of Perfection in Charge

Women's Association

Tuesday, June 11

7:30PM Master & Wardens Meeting*

Saturday, June 22

10:00AM Discussion Group

Wednesday, June 26

7:00PM PR's Executive Meeting*

Friday, June 28

7:30PM Ambassadors Meeting*

Saturday, June 29

2024 Reunion continues (see page 7)

15th-18th Degrees

* = Meeting on Zoom

SAVE THE DATE

Stated Meeting, July 12, 2024

Reunion 19^o to 26^o, August 10, 2024

Reunion 27^o to 29^o, September 14, 2024

Reunion 30^o to 32^o, October 19, 2024

Living Constitution, September 27, 2024

