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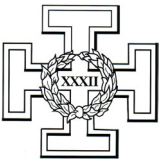


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As another year draws to a close, we gather for holidays, to give thanks, celebrate light emerging from darkness, prepare for a new year with new challenges, and, of course an installation of new officers and leaders in our Valley and lodges. I would like to thank the leadership, officers and brethren of the PSR for their steady labor and support, especially as my life took a turn with relocation midyear. The personal assistance from brothers made my lifting that much lighter, and I am sincerely grateful.

To close the year, we continue the Kadosh theme with a final question: what happens to those set apart, or their work, after they leave the stage?

Let's reference some stories and characters from cinema. Hopefully, you have seen the classic narrative: a community in need calls upon a stranger, one "set apart," to do hard, unglamorous work. He discharges his duty with no expectation of reward, then rides out of town, whether it be Shane disappearing into the mountains, a survivor of the Seven Samurai reflecting silently, or, in High Noon, Gary Cooper's Marshal moving on (with Grace Kelly, of course). We have seen John Wayne framed in shadow, exiting through a doorway, leaving the world to carry on without him. It's their code, to walk away without applause, things left better for their actions.

I am writing from Ireland, with evidence of a chivalric past littering the landscape. This is a land of castles, where lords and knights once defended their communities. Many now sit in ruins, conquered by the winds of time if not in battle. But we also see stone "beehive" huts here in the west, remote outposts (intact stone structures without mortar) where monks and clerics retreated, helping preserve spiritual traditions from the encroaching dark ages. Ancient builders at Newgrange aligned a stone passage tomb so that on

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the winter solstice, a single shaft of sunlight would illuminate the darkness for a few brief minutes. It still does, five millennia later. We don't know their names.

In these cases, what was built might be a structure – was it constructed to stand for the ages? It might be an institution – will it survive, strengthened? Or a community – is it improved for generations to come? The obvious thing to say here in the season of thanks and grace is to take a moment and thank those who do the work. But that's not my charge. Instead, I want to challenge you to find the spaces where you are going to labor and "fight," as a knight, a warrior, a builder, to improve something through right action, without need for credit, title, or recognition. Just your internal awareness of right action, finding a way to spread a beam of light, of any size, wherever darkness threatens to rule. The world needs you, set apart, truly Kadosh.

Timothy D. O'Hair, 32º KSA
Commander, Council of Kadosh

Dinner Menu

Stated Meeting on December 4th

Butternut Squash Soup
Green Salad
New York Steak
Roasted Potatoes
Green Beans
Rolls and Butter
Raspberry Cheesecake

Last Day for reservations: Wednesday, December 2nd 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.
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The Secretary's Desk

Ill. Ronald W. Alcorn III, 33º



This month at our Stated Dinner we are honoring the local 1st responders from the Pasadena Police & Fire Departments, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Altadena Station & the California Highway Patrol.

Our Christmas party will be on the 19th, from 11:30am to 2:00pm for more information, see the flyer on page 9.

The office still has a few caps and membership patents that have not been picked up yet, the next time you come to a meeting please check in at the office to pick up your caps and/or membership patents.

Fraternally,

Ronald W. Alcorn III, 33°
General Secretary

Daily Recap of Membership

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(•) Valley of Pasadena ( ) Orient of California ( ) Southern Jurisdiction

	Initiations	Affiliations	Reinstatements	Deaths	Demits	Susp NPD	Susp Other	Explusions	Current Membership
Pasadena / Lodge	36	2	5	11	4	1	2	0	665
Pasadena / Chapter	35	2	5	11	4	1	2	0	663
Pasadena / Council	37	2	5	11	4	1	2	0	663
Pasadena / Consistory	37	2	5	11	4	1	2	0	661

Current Dues Statistics

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	Count	% of Total	Orient Wide Avg.	Jurisdiction Wide Avg.
Active Members with Dues Paid in Full:	168	25.3%	29.4%	33%
Active Members with Current Dues Balance:	220	33.1%	20.7%	21.4%
Active Members with Arrears Dues Balance:	134	20.2%	22.3%	13.5%
Active Members that are Dues Exempt (A,L,R):	56	8.4%	10.4%	10.2%
Active Paid Life Members (E):	87	13.1%	17.3%	21.9%
Total:	665			

The P.R.'s Corner

Ill. Gregory J. Gabriel, 33º

From One Year to Another



As we wind down 2026, we have several things to accomplish before we can move into the new year. The first is our stated meeting First Responder Awards dinner. Let's show our appreciation to the men and women who keep us safe and secure in our communities. Those brave souls who risk their lives every day to keep chaos at bay and make order a priority. It will be a special night with Brother Leo Stallworth as our master of ceremonies. You don't want to miss this night.

Santa makes an appearance at our Valley on December 19th. He will be joined by his beautiful lady, Mrs. Claus and a host of elves and magical characters. The event is open to all children young and old alike. Please join us for some holiday cheer and invite your friends and neighbors to this free event. I guarantee, there will be no Grinches. (Or will there?)

Now once we get past the holidays, we will have our annual installation of officers and several other events which will appear in the next bulletin. However, there is one matter that in which I need your help now. Our RiteCare center is in desperate need of new audio equipment and an upcoming remodel of the reception area. To accomplish this, we will need to do a fund raiser in a very short amount of time.

Therefore, I have volunteered to run a 5K race and acquire sponsorships to raise the funds. Our goal is $5,000 dollars, $1,000 for the audio equipment and $4,000 for the remodel. I will be running in the Altadena Forever Run on January 19, 2027. I am calling it "The P.R.'s Run for RiteCare." We need both individual and corporate donations which both are tax deductible. To donate to our kids, please check for the QR Code on page 8 in this bulletin. Please put "PR Run" in the memo for the donation. If you pay online please mail a check to us made payble to the California Scottish Rite Foundation with "Pasadena PR Run" in the memo field. All proceeds will go directly to the Valley of Pasadena RiteCare. THANK YOU!

Gregory J. Gabriel, 33°
Personal Representative of the Deputy in California
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Director of the Work

Christopher N. Lebedeff, 32º KCCH

My Brothers,



Thanksgiving is behind us, and I still have a few people to thank. One of the privileges of serving as Director of the Work is seeing a degree from the wings. When the lights come up on a scene, I think about people like the Brother at the light board who gave up an evening to rehearse that cue. There are many like him who put in hours of work in every degree we present.

Looking back over the past decade, I'm proud of the road that led from Oakland to Pasadena. Our Stagecraft crew traveled to Oakland in 2018, and again in 2024, to support the Orient wide Reunion. This August, we brought it home. Pasadena hosted more than 400 guests and welcomed a class of more than 130 candidates. Our Valley coordinated the work of Brothers from 20 Valleys to present all 29 degrees.

Five years ago, as we were coming back from COVID, we wanted to give Brothers a reason to walk through our doors again, and ensure there was a part to play when they got here. We've been presenting all 29 degrees regularly with our own casts and crews ever since. To everyone who learned a part, worked backstage, or supported the effort through our Valley leadership, you have my heartfelt thanks. Additionally, I am grateful to the families who shared those evenings and weekends with us.

Some of that same work happens over a cup of coffee. I'm thankful for the Brothers who helped establish our Knights of Saint Andrew and those who have made the Knights active again. I'm equally grateful to the Brothers who built our Ambassador Program. We welcome 30 to 40 candidates in a typical year. It matters when a man comes back after his reunion and someone remembers his name. That kind of fellowship is why I count Pasadena among the strongest Valleys in California and across the country.

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Director of the Work, Continued....

As we look toward the new year, think of a Brother you'd like to see more often. Give him a call over the holidays and save him a seat at our next dinner. I wish you and those you love a peaceful and happy holiday season. It's an honor to do this work with you.

Happy Holidays,

Chris Lebedeff, 32° KCCH
Director of the Work

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SATURDAY
19
DEC, 2026
11:30 AM - 2:00 PM

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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.



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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.

Pasadena Childhood Language Center



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.

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Scottish Rite Calendar

Keep Friday Nights for Scottish Rite
Dress is Coat and Tie

DECEMBER

Friday, December 4
5:00PM Cathedral Board
6:00PM Social Fellowship
6:30PM Dinner
Honoring 1st Responders
8:00PM Stated Meeting
Council of Kadosh in Charge
Women's Association

Saturday, December 12
9:30AM Knights of Saint Andrew

Saturday, December 19
11:30AM Christmas Party

Monday, December 21
5:00PM Rite Care Board - on Zoom

Thursday, December 24
Office Closed



Friday, December 25
Merry Christmas
Office Closed

Thursday, December 31
Office Closed

SAVE THE DATE
January 8 - Stated Meeting
January 22 - Installation of Officers
February 5 - Stated Meeting



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