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SCOTTISH RITE DEGREES THIS MONTH

Schedule for 2008 Degrees

September 5th, Friday's schedule will be as follows:

4:00 pm – Assembly in Albert Pike Hall at 33 West Alpine, Stockton

4:30 pm – Visit to The Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disability Center. Hosted by the Center Staff and The University of the Pacific

5:30 pm – Refreshments provided by the Director of the Works and Degree Directors.

6:00 pm – Class Orientation

6:30 pm – 4th Degree Conferred.

7:30 pm – General explanation of the Scottish Rite customs and traditions and discussion of "what happens next?"

September 6th, Saturday's schedule will be as follows:

8:30 am – Refreshments in the Scottish Rite Almoner's Medical Warehouse. Hosted by our Valley Almoner and Warehouse Volunteers.

9:30 am – Communication of the Degrees 5 through 13th Degrees

11:00 am – 14th Degree conferred

12:00 pm – Lunch, sponsored by the Masters of the Scottish Rite Four Lodges

1:00 pm - Communication of the 15th through 17th Degrees

3:00 pm - 18th Degree conferred..

4:00 pm - Adjournment

September 20th, Saturday's schedule will be as follows:

8:30 am – Refreshments sponsored by your Scottish Rite Office and Building Staff.

9:30 am – Communication of the Degrees 19 through 29th Degrees

11:00 am – 30th Degree conferred

12:00 pm – Lunch, sponsored by The Scottish Rite Ladies Association

1:00 pm - Communication of the 31st Degree

2:30 pm – 32nd Degree conferred.

3:30 pm - Explanation of the Master Craftsman Program and planning for study groups.

4:30 pm - Adjournment

Scottish Rite Events 2008

MONTH LODGE Officers DRESS

September - Consistory - Casual

Sept. 3rd—Stated Meeting

Sept. 5th—Degree Class 4°

Sept. 6th—Degree Class 14° and 18°

Sept. 20th—Degree Class 30° and 32°

Sept. 24th—Cathedral Board/Officers Conf

Sept. 28th—Bus trip Grand Lodge

October - Lodge of Perfection - Tuxedo

Oct. 1st—Stated Meet/Elections/Feast of

Tishri Table Lodge Banquet

Cap and Ring Ceremony

Oct. 22- Cath. Bd./Off.Conf (**CHANGE**)

Oct. 29th—Bus trip to SF (Chinese Night)

November - Council Kadosh-Dark Suits

Nov. 5th—Stated Meet/25 & 50 yr Awards

Nov. 26th—Cathedral Board/Officers Conf

December-Chapter Rose Croix -Tuxedo

Dec. 3rd—Stated Meeting

NOTE: Dates, times and events are subject to change during the year.





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**From the
Personal Representative**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ophir-Bear Mountain Lodge for hosting our Scottish Rite visitation to the Mother Lode last month. The meal prepared by Brother Walt Patterson and his crew was outstanding. This was the perfect opportunity for Masonic fellowship with our brothers up in the mountains. I am very pleased to announce that the officers of the Lodge indicated that if the Scottish Rite presented the Lodge with a written proposal, we could make this fellowship visit an annual event. Our officers were very positive about the trip to Murphys and we will shortly be sending the Ophir-Bear Mountain Lodge a proposal for next year's visitation. All we need to do is work on an open date and we are set. Again, thanks Ophir-Bear Mountain for your assistance in furthering Masonic fellowship.

R. Tod Ruse

**California
Grand Lodge
Bus Trip**



Sunday, September 28th

A chance to see Grand Lodge at a time when its open to the public! Open to all, Ladies, prospective members, interested parties, anyone that would like to see the inside of this California landmark on Nob Hill in San Francisco and witness the Installation Ceremony of the new Grand Master and attend his reception.

For details call John Bolt 529-8073 or office 466-3391

\$30 per person

IN MEMORIUM

**Richard C. Buddington, 32°
7/25/2008 (Reported)
AASR Member since 1999
Member - East-Belt Tuolumne #8**

**William Dell Curry, 32°
7/14/2008
AASR since 1961
Member – Turlock Lodge #395**

**Fay Edwards Wells, 32°
7/6/08
AASR Member since 1979
Member – Calavaras Lodge #78**

**Darwin F. Hallbourg, 32°
10/13/07
AASR Member since 1959
Member Tyrian Lodge # 439**

**Carl Harold Peterson, 32°
5/20/07
AASR Member since 1963
Member Woodbridge 131**

**John Emerson Lloyd, 32³
1/10/2004 (Reported)
AASR Member since 11/7/1992
Member Bay Cities #337**

**John Earl Voorhees, 32°
7/10/2007 (Reported)
AASR Member since 5/18/1973
Member Oakdale #275**

**“Father, in thy Gracious keeping
leave we now thy servant
sleeping, Amen.”**



DONATIONS

Language Center

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In memory of Ruth Atherstone

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In memory of Andy Gu Rule

Marcia Price-Lair

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Ester Keiko Branford



What's Goin'on

Many things are going on at the Rite. Every Tuesday and Thursday, the Master-craftsmen hold study groups in the library at 4 pm. Silver Sneakers have move their exercise time to 7:30 am on the same days. The Degree teams have been meeting about every Wednesday to get ready for the Reunion starting September 5th. They even had a build your own sandwich spread one Wednesday. John (Bill) Bolt is organizing a good reunion. John Baker has added some of the newer members to the back stage crew. They are having a good time and the cast and crews are planning to start meeting every month to keep themselves sharp and do a little socializing. If you want to be a part of any of these, call the office. Crispin Woelfer has been appointed Officers Coach to help bring us up to date on our ritual. We need help!.

NEWS FROM YOUR SCOTTISH RITE LANGUAGE CENTER



Scottish Rite Language Center and University of the Pacific,
Student Clinicians and Language Center clients.

SUMMER SESSION IS OVER

The summer session began on May 27th and ended on July 31st. The clinic welcomed Megan Celestine, M.S., CCC-SLP as a full time therapist on June 2nd. Megan and 5 University of the Pacific students provided speech and language therapy to fifty-one children during the summer session. In addition, evaluations were conducted on 11 children.

Feedback from clients and their parents was very positive. Here's a sample of what parents had to say:

"Thank you so much! We greatly appreciate all you've done for our daughter."

"My experience with the Scottish Rite Language Center was excellent this semester. The clinician worked extremely hard and my son's improvement is a direct result of this work. We have noticed a BIG improvement in his speech. Thank you!"

"The therapy Scottish Rite Language Center has provided has done wonders for my son. It has really improved his self esteem. He is more comfortable when he speaks and much more confident. Thank you!"

Heidi Germino
Center Director



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Please notify us (address above) if our member is in a hospital or
nursing home, or is incapacitated in any way, or is deceased.

DATED MATERIAL — PLEASE DO NOT HOLD

Scottish Rite Calendar

September - Consistory - Casual

Sept. 3rd—Stated Meeting - Shrine Night (wear your Fez)

Sept. 5th—**Degree Class 4°**

Sept. 6th—**Degree Class 14° and 18°**

Sept. 20th—**Degree Class 30° and 32°**

Sept. 24th—Cathedral Board/Officers Conf

Sept. 28th—Bus trip California Grand Lodge

Attend Grand Masters Installation and Reception

October - Lodge of Perfection - Tuxedo

Oct. 1st—Stated Meeting **5:30 pm/Elections (CHANGE)**

Feast of Tishri Table Lodge Banquet (**This is a 5
course dinner, cost \$30**)

Cap and Ring Ceremony for New Members

NOTICE

I watched them tear a building down;
A gang of men in a busy town.
With a mighty heave and lusty yell,
They swung a beam and a side wall fell.
I said to the foremen, "Are these men as skilled
As the men you'd hire if you had to build?"
He gave a laugh and said, "No indeed!
Just a common laborer is all I need.
And I can wreck in a day of two
What it took the builder a year to do."
And I thought to myself as I went my way,
"Just which of these roles have I tried to play?
Am I a builder who works with skill and care
Building others up by the rule and square,
Or am I a wrecker as I walk the town
Content with the labor of tearing down?"
- Unknown

**STOCKTON SCOTTISH RITE
BODIES**

WELCOMES

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SHRINE TEMPLES

September 3rd

Stated Meeting

**Wear your fez and show your pride
We are having a German food feast.**

Be sure you call in your reservations

6 pm Social - 6:30 Dinner

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