



The Rite News

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Valley of Stockton, California

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The Stockton Scottish Rite held its installation of officers on January 4th, 2012, following a tri-tip dinner. The events were attended by members of the Scottish Rite, their wives, and guests. We were honored with the presence of the Grand Master and Personal Representative of San Francisco, the Illustrious Frank Loui, 33° and his wife Jeanie, the Personal Representative of Burlingame, Ill. Lee Porebski, 32°, as well as the head of our ladies club Nancy Pozar.



From left to right: Rodney Owen, 32°, Jim Allen, 32° KCCH, John Bolt, 33°, Brian Wilson, 32°

The installation was officiated by the installing officer, Illustrious Darryl Knak, 33°. Installed were John Bolt, 33°, as Venerable Master of the Lodge of Perfection, Rodney Owen, 32°, as Wise Master of the Chapter of Rose Croix, Jim Allen, 32° KCCH as Commander of the Council of Kadosh, and Brian Wilson, 32° as Master of Kadosh of the Consistory. We would like to thank all our friends and brothers who supported and attended this event.



YOUR 2012 OFFICERS



You may have noticed some projects which have been completed or are in progress at the temple. The lobby has been painted, new furniture has been delivered and we are awaiting some area rugs for the floor. You may also notice that the fountain has been removed and we are installing a service counter which may be utilized during our events as well as by group renting the facility. We expect this project to be completed within two weeks.

As the weather permits, we will be creating an area in the patio which will utilize the fountain we removed from the lobby. We are going to remove several pieces of concrete in the center and place the fountain there surrounded by a small area of grass. Look for the project to be completed in the next couple of months. We thank the members who have volunteered their time and money to help complete these projects.

Edwin McClenton, 32° KCCH, Personal Representative



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Elected & Appointed Officers of All Four Bodies

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The Bodies of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of Stockton, Orient of California, acknowledge and yield allegiance to the Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspector General Knights of Commander of the House of the Temple of Solomon of the Thirty Third Degree of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, whose See is at the Grand Orient of Charleston, in the state of South Carolina.

Ronald A. Seale, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander
William F. Stovall, 33°
Sovereign Grand Inspector General
Ed McClenton, 32° KCCH
Valley of Stockton
Personal Representative of the S.G.I.G. in California

Daughters of Boaz

The Masonic Widows Club Meets at UJ's in Stockton 2nd Sunday of each month 2:30 PM

All Masonic widows are invited



SCOTTISH RITE MASTER CRAFTSMAN PROGRAM

[2nd Wednesday 6pm - 8pm]

[4th Wednesday 4pm - 6pm]

For information call Bruce Babcock, 32° at 209.770.2162
brucebabcock@att.net "Times listed are by appointment only!"

From the Venerable Master....

Greetings Brethren,

I hope you came to the installation of New Officers. The Grand Master of California was there. I think we could have had a better turnout for him and his Lady. We didn't, but the food and the program were excellent. Mark your calendars for March is degree time again. If you are not in a degree and want to be, contact Jairo Gomez, John Baker, or myself and we will get you in a degree. I will visit this subject again on the next newsletter. Let's all resolve to get out for the degrees and show support for our new candidates and cast members.

John Bolt, 33°

From the General Secretary....

Brethren,

Your Secretary again raises his ugly head and makes an unpleasant request. The most unpleasant task of any fraternal Secretary is to hound the forgetful members about delinquent dues. Our beloved Scottish Rite lives from month to month on your annual stipend. With your payment we pay the Supreme Council our annual per-capita tax, we pay our operating expenses, we pay our bills, and of course we pay the Secretaries salary.

You will be receiving a notice shortly indicating if you are delinquent in your Scottish Rite dues but you can check for yourself right now by opening your wallet and looking at the dues receipt inside. If it says "paid thru 12/31/2012", then you are current and don't need to be reading this article. If the receipt you find doesn't say 2012, then please pull out your check book and pen.

While you are looking at cards, if you are delinquent in one organization, it is possible that you have forgotten others as well. Secretaries of all groups will sigh with relief when your check comes in the mail.

Now, if you are delinquent because of something other than forgetfulness, then please call me and we can work out a payment plan or we even have ways to forgive the payment altogether. All calls of this nature are completely private and the need is not shared with anyone else. You and Me! Call me on 209/466-3391 and indicate you want to talk to me about a personal matter.

Fraternally,
John L. Baker 32° KCCH

SUNSET CLUB

"Guy's Night Out"
The 2nd Tuesday of the month.
Eat ✓ Smoke ✓ Scratch ✓ Lie
Adult Beverages
Tall Tales & Fish Stories

You know, "Guy stuff!"
No program — No agenda
Dress optional, pants required!
Starts about 5:30ish
Dinner — When it's ready!
Cost — Five Bucks
Make Reservations or
eat leftovers! 209.466.3391

FEBRUARY 1ST STATED MEETING

.M.E.N.U.

Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes
Salad
Bread
Apple Crisps

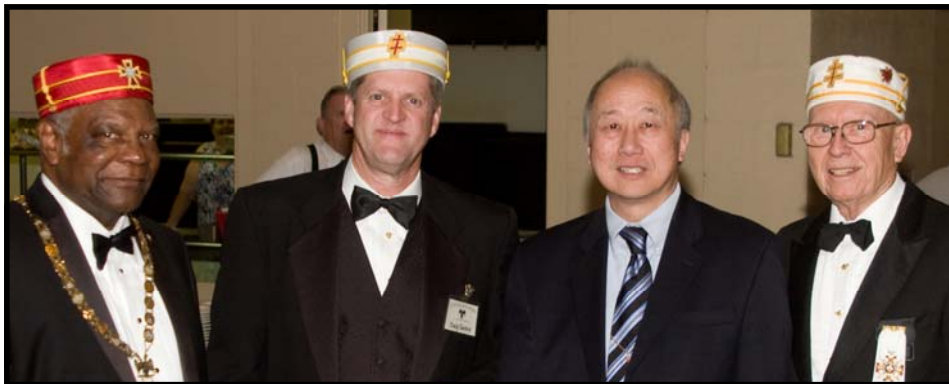
MARCH 7th STATED MEETING

.M.E.N.U.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner
~Corn Beef and Cabbage~

PREPARED BY
Bill Hasenbuehler 32° KCCH
and
"The Scottish Rite Chefs"

Vegetarian? Ask about our alternate meal!
Cost? Donations gratefully accepted
Please RSVP ♦ 209.466.3391



More pictures from
our Installation
Dinner



From left to right:
 - Edwin McClenton, 32° KCCH, III. Craig Santos, 33°, III. Frank Loui, 33°, III. Darryl Knak, 33° (top left)
 - Albert Pike, 32°, III. Frank Loui, 33° (top right)
 - Mary Ellen Dunbar, III. Frank Loui, 33°, III. Darryl Knak, 33° (bottom left)
 - III. Craig Santos, 33°, III. Frank Loui, 33°, III. Darryl Knak, 33° (bottom right)

Quotes from Albert Pike, 32° SRMMC...

The secrets of our brother, when communicated to us, must be sacred, if they be such as the law of the country warrants us to keep. We are required to keep none other, when the law that we are called on to obey is indeed a law, by having emanated from the only source of power, the People. Edicts which emanate from the mere arbitrary will of a despotic power, contrary to the law of God or the Great Law of Nature, destructive of the inherent rights of man, violate of the right of free thought, free speech, free conscience, it is lawful to rebel against and strive to abrogate.

For obedience to the Law does not mean submission to tyranny nor that, by a profligate sacrifice of every noble feeling, we should offer to despotism the homage of adulation. As every new victim falls, we may lift our voice in still louder flattery. We may fall at the proud feet, we may beg, as a boon, the honour of kissing that bloody hand which has been lifted against the helpless. We may do more we may bring the altar and the sacrifice, and implore the God not ascend too soon to Heaven. This we may do, for this we have the sad remembrance that being of a human form and soul have done. But this is all we can do. We can constrain our tongues to be false, our features to bend themselves to the semblance of that passionate adoration which we wish to express, our knees to fall prostrate; but our heart we cannot constrain. There virtue must still have a voice which is not to be drowned by hymns and acclamations; there the crimes which we laud as virtues, are crimes still, and he whom we have made a god is the most contemptible of mankind; if, needed, we do not feel, perhaps, that we are ourselves still more contemptible.

But that law which is the fair expression of the will and judgment of the people, is the enactment of the whole and of every individual. Consistent with the law of God and the great law of nature, consistent with pure and abstract right as tempered by necessity and the general interest, as contradistinguished from the private interest of individuals, it is obligatory upon all, because it is the work of all, the will of all, the solemn judgment of all, from which there is no appeal.

SCOTTISH RITE POCKET PETITION

I respectfully petition your valley for membership.

My full name is (please print)

First: _____

Middle: _____

Last: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

My mailing address is

Address: _____

City, St., Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

My employer information

My occupation is: _____

Employer: _____

Address: _____

City, St., Zip: _____

My contact information

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Other information

Wife's Name: _____

Blue Lodge Name: _____

Blue Lodge Number: _____

Blue Lodge City/St.: _____

Recommended By: _____

Recommended By: _____

I certify the above to be true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Application fee for the 2012 Spring class is \$200

If more information is needed please call:

209.466.3391

Return this petition along with a check for the application fee to:

**Stockton Scottish Rite
PO Box 4236
Stockton, CA 95204-0236**

SCOTTISH RITE IS NOW SELLING AD SPACE!

Many different sizes and a great deal. Advertising space is available to all interested Masons. Grand Lodge guidelines apply. Please send in any and all advertisements **digitally by the 15th of every month**. If you have any further inquiries contact our office at 209.466.3391.

◇ Business card	\$20 a month	\$200 per year
◇ 1/4 Page	\$40 a month	\$400 per year
◇ 1/2 Page	\$80 a month	\$800 per year
◇ Full Page	\$160 a month	\$1600 per year

From the Ladies Association of Scottish Rite...

Happy New Year! A committee of the ladies met with a committee of Brothers and paint samples were chosen. The foyer is painted and is indeed much more inviting. Our next project will be drapes and rugs and occasional furniture. This is all being done in conjunction with the Scottish Rite. We are planning on purchasing the drapes with our funds. We hope that members will be more comfortable in the room. When the room is needed for a rental or large Masonic affair the rugs can be rolled up and removed and the furniture can be put against the wall.

In December the Scottish Rite held their meeting prior to the dinner. If they continue to do this the ladies will change their meeting to coincide with the men's meeting.

Hope to see you in February.

Nancy Jane Pozar

The Stockton Scottish Rite is making an effort to...

GO GREEN!

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VALLEY OF STOCKTON



CHILDHOOD LANGUAGE DISORDERS CENTER NEWS

Festivities and Activities

The fall 2011 Clinic session came to a close on December 8th with the annual Winter Festival. Student Clinicians from the University of the Pacific's Speech-Language Pathology program worked together in teams of 3 to plan fun and creative speech and language enriched activities that centered on Winter and the Holidays. Activities included "Snowball Fight", "Santa's Bag", and "Awesome Ornaments". The activities provided opportunities to learn new vocabulary words, answer questions, follow directions, and practice "r" and "s" sounds. It was a fun way to celebrate and reward the children for their hard work over the course of the semester.

At the conclusion of each 14 week clinic session, parents are asked to give feedback and comments. Here's what parents had to say...



"I think Scottish Rite Language Center is an excellent opportunity for any child with a language problem. My grandson has certainly benefited from his time here. All of his speech therapy students have been wonderful and had great patience with him. He's come a long way and we owe much of his progress to your center and the student clinicians. Thank you!"



"We are very pleased with the services. This clinic is a blessing because it gives my son a chance to be understood.....priceless."



Our 2011

365 Club

W. Ron Coale
In memory of Mary Coale
Cliff Wilburn
In memory of Alice Wilburn
Virgilio Ambida
Bruce Babcock
John Baker
James Baum
Robert Beeson
Sean Blasy
John Bolt
Bob Breckenridge
Robert A. Burger
Bill Du Bois
Douglass Eberhardt
Marian Edwards
Ken Evans
Bill Eychaner
Bob Friedberger
Robert Gnekow
Jairo Gomez
Vijendra Govind
Lin Griffith
Donald Hallbourg
Robert Hanyak

Harry Milton Heins
Balbir Johl
Richard Laughlin
Jim Linnerman
Ed Massey
Ed McClenton
Clive Moss
Patrick O'Hern
Rodney Owen
John Patronas
Candice Perfetto
Albert Pike
John Pozar
Maria Prince-Lair
Reed Robbins
D. Craig Santos
Jim Sanborn
Joe Sciabica
James G Smith
Robert Snodgrass
Robert Snyder
Gene Trimble
David Weese
Daughters of Boaz

Meetings for the Second Annual Language Center Golf Tournament have begun.

Find out ways you can help this year!!!
Call 209.466.3391



SAVE THE DATE!! 2012 GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Stockton Scottish Rite will be holding its 2nd Annual Golf Tournament benefitting the Childhood Language Disorders Center on Monday, September 17th, 2012. Last year's inaugural tournament was a big success and in combination with the funding raising from the 365 Club and Super Bowl raffle through the United Way, insures that this summer we will be able to keep the Language Center open to help children in need. If you missed last year you missed a lot of fun so, plan on playing, helping, or just relaxing on the patio this year.

If you would like to participate in the 365 Club please contact our General Secretary at 209.466.3391.



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SCOTTISH RITE BODIES

P.O. Box 4236
Stockton, CA 95204-0236



CALENDAR



Return Service Requested
DATED MATERIAL — PLEASE DO NOT HOLD

FEBRUARY **COUNCIL OF KADOSH** **DARK SUITS**
John Bolt, 32° -Venerable Master

Feb. 01 — Stated Meeting Installation Dinner †
6pm Social, 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Installation Ceremony

Feb. 20 — Closed for Martin Luther King Day

Feb. 21 — SUNSET CLUB at Stockton Scottish Rite 5:30 pm †

Feb. 29 — Cathedral Meeting 6 pm/ Officers Conference 7 pm

Feb. 29 — Master Craftsman Workshop in Library 4pm-6pm
 †Reservations Required-Call 466 3391

Request to the family of the member whose name appears below: Please notify us (address above) if our member is in a hospital, nursing home, deceased, or is incapacitated in any way.

MARCH **CHAPTER ROSE CROIX** **CASUAL**
Rodney Owen, 32° - Wise Master

Mar. 07 — Stated Meeting †

Mar. 16 — 4° Degree

Mar. 17 — 14° & 18° Degrees

Mar. 20 — SUNSET CLUB at Stockton Scottish Rite 5:30 pm †

Mar. 24 — 30° & 32° Degrees

Mar. 28 — Cathedral Meeting 6 pm/ Officers Conference 7 pm

Mar. 28 — Master Craftsman Workshop in Library 4pm-6pm
 †Reservations Required-Call 466 3391