



The Rite News

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FROM THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE....

It's hard to believe it is March already. Spring is right around the corner and the Stockton Scottish Rite has been very busy preparing for a busy time of the year.

You may have noticed the lobby remodel is almost complete. Thanks to the ladies group we have newly installed drapes. You may also note the new paint, rugs, and furniture which have created a more inviting atmosphere. The new service bar has been completed and we will begin using it for our dinners and other events held at the facility. I would like to thank all of those members and friends who have donated funding and time to complete this very nice addition to our Rite.

On February 25, 2012 brothers Robert Snyder 33 degree and Patrick O'Hern 32 degree KCCH attended a special meeting for the California Scottish Rite Foundation in Long Beach, California which was presided over by the Illustrious William Stovall 33 degree S.G.I.G. of California. The special meeting addressed new bylaws which were adopted by the members and directors. The Illustrious Robert Snyder was installed as a member and Brother O'Hern was installed as a new director for the California foundation.



The Stockton Scottish Rite "365 club" is celebrating a very successful first year. We are kicking off another year of helping the Children at our Language Center with an event honoring the 365 club members. Attendees will be treated to pairings of select wine and cheeses for their enjoyment. This event is free of charge to all 365 members and guests. The event is planned for March 30th at 5:00 pm and reservations are required. Please call the Scottish Rite Office at 466-3391 by March 26th to confirm your attendance.

Edwin McClenton, 32° KCCH

From the General Secretary.... Brethren,

I am beginning to sound like a broken record. OK, maybe "beginning" is a little much, as this is something I say over and over again. Then, I say it again! You need to come by and see the changes we are making at the Scottish Rite. The lobby has been painted, the new furniture is in place and we now have a nice bar from which to serve our events. The ladies have gotten drapes for the lobby windows which soften the look as well as the echo. PLEASE come see for yourself.

April Stated meeting evening is a busy one. We will be presenting Caps and Rings to our newest members "Extinguishing the Lights". For those of you who have not experienced this ceremony, you will enjoy it. The ritual is moving. Four days later, we will "Relight the Lights" in our Easter Sunday ceremony. Your reservations are asked for both days.

And, last, another pitch for your attendance at the Sunset Club. We are a bunch of guys who enjoy each other's company and just sit around telling stories and sipping our favorite beverage. Those who enjoy cigars have a smoking circle set up downwind of where I sit. We gather each third Tuesday at about 5:30 and have a good dinner for a charge of only \$5. The bar is a bring your own bottle affair. The only thing missing is more guys to tell our favorite fishing story to. I know you will enjoy this "no agenda" event.

**Fraternally,
John L. Baker 32° KCCH**

From the Ladies Association of Scottish Rite...

Just heard that the Easter Bunny has decided to begin his trip for Easter early to avoid bad weather. Hope you will mark your calendar to attend our complimentary breakfast on April 8 prior to the relighting of the lights. The Scottish Rite Ladies have been planning this event for a pleasant way to begin your day. We would appreciate reservations to enable us to be sure we have sufficient food. CALL 466-3391. I have heard that the Easter Bunny has put us on his calendar for a personal appearance.

Have you seen the new lobby? The room has been painted, the new drapes are in, the new furniture is in and hopefully we will soon have some carpeting. Thank you to all of the members who have painted, looked at samples of this and that, and those who installed the new bar and the many members who made decisions. Hopefully, the room will be more welcoming and comfortable for members and visitors.

Remember ladies, you are all welcome to our meetings which occur during the men's meetings. We are delighted to have input from you and it is more fun to come to the monthly meetings when you know the other ladies.

Nancy Jane Pozar



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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.

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Quotes from

Albert Pike, 32° SRMMC

We think, at the age of twenty, that life is much too long for that which we have to learn and do; and that there is an almost fabulous distance between our age and that of our grandfather. But when, at the age of sixty, if we are fortunate enough to reach it, or unfortunate enough, as the case may be, and according as we have profitably invested or wasted our time, we halt, and look back along the way we have come, and cast up and endeavor to balance our accounts with time and opportunity, we find that we have made life much too short, and thrown away a huge portion of our time. Then we, in our mind, deduct from the sum total of our years the hours that we have needlessly passed in sleep; the working-hours of each day, during which the total the surface of the mind's sluggish pool has not been stirred or ruffled by a single thought; the days that we have gladly got rid of, to attain some real or fancied object that lay beyond, in the way between us and which stood irksomely the intervening days; the hours worse than wasted in follies and dissipation, or misspent in useless and unprofitable studies; and we acknowledge, with a sigh, that we could have learned and done, in half a score of years well spent, more than we have done in all our forty years of manhood.

...Called From Labor

Dean Patterson, 32°
Sutter Creek, CA
March 19, 2012

Richard Woodbury Konig, 32°
Stockton, CA
March 22 2012

Harry William Hedberg, 32°
Stockton, CA
March 22, 2012

*"Father, In thy gracious
keeping leave we now
thy servant sleeping.
Amen."*



*The Scottish Rite
Ladies Association invites
Family and Friends to
A Complimentary
Breakfast
Easter Morning
April 8th
7:30 AM to 8:45 AM
Followed by
The Lighting of the Lights
Reservations required
209.466.3391*

APRIL 4TH STATED MEETING MAY 2ND STATED MEETING
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**Chicken
Dinner***

PREPARED BY
Country Boys
Drive Inn

**Chef's
Surprise**

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



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

SUNSET CLUB

"Guy's Night Out"
The 3rd 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

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!"



VALLEY OF STOCKTON



CHILDHOOD LANGUAGE DISORDERS CENTER NEWS

S-S-Slowing down the S-S-Stuttering

Stuttering is one of the communication impairments treated at the Stockton Scottish Rite Language Center. Stuttering is an undesired disruption in the flow of rhythmic speech that causes attention to itself and adversely affects communication efficiency and effectiveness (Susca). For example, the fluent sentence "I like candy" might come out "I llllllllll (silent pause) ca-ca-candy"

Approximately 5% of all children go through a period of stuttering in early childhood. Three-quarters of those will recover on their own without treatment. 1% are likely to continue to stutter.

While there are no guaranteed "cures" for stuttering, speech-language therapy from a qualified speech-language pathologist can help enhance communication efficiency and effectiveness for people who stutter.

Because of the unique partnership between the Stockton Scottish Rite Language Center and University of the Pacific, the clinicians and clients have access to faculty with expertise in a variety of areas, including fluency disorders. Associate Professor Michael Susca, Ph.D., CCC-SLP (pictured here with student clinician and clients) is one of only 200 Board Recognized Specialists in Fluency Disorders in the United States. Dr. Susca frequently provides consultation and instruction for our clients with fluency disorders. This is one of the many ways the Stockton Scottish Rite Language Center ensures quality services to clients while training future Speech-language Pathologists.



Anthony and Brandon (pictured here with Dr. Susca and their clinician) are both 6 year old boys who receive services at the Stockton Scottish Rite Language Center for stuttering. When asked why he comes to the Language

Center, Anthony responded "So I can stop stuttering." Anthony and Brandon were both asked what they learn at the Center. Anthony responded "I learn about bumpy speech, smooth speech, and soft sounds." Brandon added "I stretch my speech like silly putty". The boys both went on to talk about and describe the "tools" they have learned to help them have smooth speech. Brandon's favorite tool is stretching his speech like silly putty, while Anthony reported that he likes to use a toy car to roll forward to remind him to keep moving forward when he gets "stuck" on a word. The boys both indicated that they like coming to "speech" and are learning a lot.

To learn more about what we do at the Stockton Scottish Rite Language Center be sure to attend the upcoming "Social" on Wednesday April 4th at 6:00. Student clinicians will be at the center ready to talk about and demonstrate various speech and language therapy activities as well as answer questions.

Our 2012 365 Club

- W. Ron Coale
In memory of Mary Coale
- Cliford Wilburn
In memory of Alice Wilburn
- Robert Beeson
- John Bolt
- Bob Breckenridge
- Robert A. Burger
- Douglass Eberhardt
- Education Through Music, Inc.
- Bob Friedberger
- Richard Garcia
- Robert Hanyak
- George Lokey
- Ed McClenton
- Patrick O'Hern
- Rodney Owen
- Maria Prince-Lair
- Petter Rosenquist
- Jim Sanborn
- Paul Snider
- Robert Snyder
- SOOPCO

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

Save The Date!

Scottish Rite Language Center Golf Tournament
at

Brookside Country Club

3603 Saint Andrews Dr.
Stockton, CA 95219

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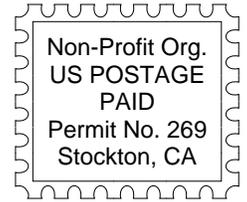


Monday, September 17, 2012



Valley of Stockton SCOTTISH RITE BODIES

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CALENDAR



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

APRIL **CONSISTORY** **DARK SUITS**

John Bolt, 32° - Venerable Master

Apr. 04 — Stated Meeting, Cap & Ring Ceremony, Extinguishing of the Lights Ceremony †
6pm Social, 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Cermonies

Apr. 08 — Easter Sunday, Relighting of the Lights Ceremony

Apr. 17 — SUNSET CLUB at Stockton Scottish Rite 5:30 pm †

Apr. 25 — Cathedral Meeting 6 pm/ Officers Conference 7 pm

Apr. 25 — Master Craftsman Workshop in Library 4pm-6pm

†Reservations Required - Call 466.3391

MAY **LODGE OF PERFECTION** **TUXEDO**

Rodney Owen, 32° - Wise Master

May 02 — Stated Meeting †

May 15 — SUNSET CLUB at Stockton Scottish Rite 5:30 pm †

May 28 — Closed for Memorial Day

May 30 — Cathedral Meeting 6 pm/ Officers Conference 7 pm

May 30 — Master Craftsman Workshop in Library 4pm-6pm

†Reservations Required - Call 466.3391

GO GREEN!

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Membership Information Update Form



Name: _____ Spouse Name: _____

Address: _____ Lodge Affiliations: _____

Home Phone #: _____

Work Phone #: _____

Cell Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Please check this box if you prefer this mailer to be sent through your email.

Please send this form to:
Stockton Scottish Rite
33 W Alpine Ave
Stockton, CA 95204

From the Editor...

Hi there! We're doing a bit of spring cleaning here at the Rite in our database. 636 Members are a lot to keep up with so we need your help. Please fill out the form to the left and send it back to us. We've noticed that pieces of information has been very difficult to get a hold of when the information we've got is inaccurate. We'll be very grateful for your participation and if you know of any members that are deceased please let us know when they have passed as well.

Thanks a ton!
Natalia Castillo