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Personal Representitive



Brethren.

Here we are six months into the year, where has it gone? Many of you will be getting ready for summer vacations and all the good things that go with it. I hope you have a good and safe time.

I want to thank our office staff, Ill. Bob McNamara, 33°, Ill. Lloyd Clayton, 33°, and our very special Bro. Russ Albright, 32°, for the outstanding job they have done in our Scottish Rite office. We also have Bro. Jamie Hopkins coming in and lending a

hand. We are very fortunate to have the four of them working hard keeping the material needed by the Supreme Council flowing along with the reports that go to Ill. Frank Loui. I say thank you very much.

Hon. Frankie Rosario, 32° KCCH and Bro. David Frias, 32° have kept our Language Center rolling along at a nice clip and we witness great results every day. If something needs to be fixed they call upon Hon. David Price, 32° KCCH and he is there to take care of it (in his words he is "the best mechanic in the world"). All and all they keep the Language Center just where it needs to be. Thanks guys.

Thank you, Hon. David Price 32° KCCH, for being an outstanding Asst. Personal Representative. He helps me get things done on time and when given a task he sees that it is done, done well and on time.

The Line Officers have been doing great work making sure the Stated Meetings are started on time and proceed as they should. They work hard on their ritual and it shows. After visiting other Valleys it is always good to come back to our Valley and see how well it can be done. Thank you, all.

We will be having a Reunion Class at the Scottish Rite Trmple in Oakland on June 29, 30 and July 1st. We are doing the 27th and 31th degrees and many thanks to all of you that have volunteered to participate in those degrees. To all of our members we need to shake the bushes, rattle the trees and look behind every stone to find additional candidates for this class (I know you can do it)! All members are welcome to attend and are encouraged to come on up to Oakland to witness all 29 Degrees. In doing this you will receive your Gold Card. We will be carpooling up and back and a good time will be had by all.

Just a reminder our August 6th Stated Meeting is the official visit of Ill. Frank Loui so please come and join us in giving him a hearty welcome. We will have a special dinner that night for him and his lovely wife Jeanie.

Be sure to visit our new Scottish Rite web site.

Until next time "Happy Trails to You"!

Fraternally,

Rick Wood 33°

Personal Representative

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Stated Meetings First Monday of the month, 6:30 pm, dinner follows @ 7:15 pm (reservations requested)
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General Secretary



SECRETARY SEZ—

Summer is almost upon us (June 21st) and that means vacations and relaxation, hopefully. If you have some extra time, remember that one of reasons that Brothers join the Scottish Rite is to obtain further light in Masonry. If you desire further light, the Scottish Rite Master Craftsman program is an excellent way to go.

The Master Craftsman program consists of three programs: Program I—The Symbolic Lodge; Program II—Scottish Rite History and Ritual; Program III—Scottish Rite Philosophy. More detailed information can be found on the Scottish Rite website: **scottishrite.org**. Supreme Council has guidelines for group study if there is enough interest.

Have a great summer!

Ill. Bob McNamara, 33°

General Secretary

Editor



Greetings Brothers,

The late publication of this edition is due to the fact that I just returned from attending the California York Rite Grand Sessions in Visalia, CA. This event is much the same as Grand Lodge for York Rite Masons and it was great to see many old friends. I was there in an official capacity as the Past High Priest of Riverside Chapter No. 67 of Royal Arch Masons and the current Eminent Commander of Riverside Commandery No. 28 of

Knight Templars. I am happy to report that our California Scottish Rite was well represented at the event by our SGIG Illustrious Frank Loui, 33° and his wife Jeanie. It was wonderful to see Ill. Frank so warmly greeted at each of our events.

Thanks to Ill. Pete Jantz who recently sent me a couple of articles. I am at present just waiting for an open space to include one. If you have written something for another body or have read something that you think others would appreciate, please send it to me for inclusion in an upcoming edition. Remember that the deadline each month is the 15th so let's hear from your authors out there. Send all submissions to: mshusaac@charter.net.

Fraternally,

Mark Hoage, 32°

Editor

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Venerable Master

Brethren,

And it's June... the year is half gone, where does the time go? Summer time is upon us and the way this year is going it will soon be gone, so let's enjoy it while it's here! Fun fact, June is often considered a "summer month" and September is not. This is despite the fact that September has twice as many summer days as

At the end of this month we will be attending the Orient Reunion Class (June 29th, 30th and July 1st) in Oakland. I would really like to see us make a good showing please think about a brother that you could encourage to join the Scottish Rite!

The last couple of months I have shared a Masonic joke with you. This month I again got with my friend google and searched for another Masonic joke, but after spending over an hour reading Masonic "jokes" I couldn't find one that I thought was even remotely funny... so I offer a challenge ... I know some of you out there must have a good joke or three... send me your Masonic humor (scott.davis@veritaslodge.com) I'll choose the best one and feature it in my article next month crediting the brother as well as offering up a prize!

Here are your Masonic tidbits for the month of June: On June 5, 1820 Brother James K Polk (U.S. President 1845-1849) was initiated in Columbia Lodge No. 31 Columbia, Tennessee. The 24th of June 1731 is the first entry of a Lodge meeting in the colonies that would later become the United States, in an account book of St. John's Lodge No. 1 in Philadelphia. This is the lodge that would later Raise Worshipful Brother Benjamin Franklin. Also, on June 24, 1734 Worshipful Brother Benjamin Franklin became Grand Master of what would be known as the "Moderns" Grand Lodge in Pennsylvania. Finally, on June 28, 1901 Brother Warren G. Harding (U.S. President 1921-1923) was initiated in Marion Lodge #70 in Ohio. Have a great June brothers I hope to see you at our stated meeting this month!

Fraternally,

June!

Scott Davis, 32° KCCH Venerable Master Scottish Rite News Page 5

Senior Warden



"He must grow greater; I must grow smaller..." - John the Baptist

The summer is knocking at our door and with that comes the celebration of St. John the Baptist Day on June 24th. As we are all taught in the first degree, lodges are dedicated to the Holy Saints John. It was also on St. John the Baptist day in 1717 that the Grand Lodge of England was formed and the modern era of Freemasonry was begun. The summer solstice represents the sun at

its highest point and also, like the Baptist, signals a beginning. Where the Evangelist and the Winter Solstice represent endings. We see this theme constantly in Masonry of alternating beginning and endings. I encourage each of you to contemplate and meditate on this principle.

So, with June, let us focus on new beginnings. We will have new Scottish Rite Masons joining our ranks later this month at the State Reunion in Oakland. How fitting that they will be beginning their Scottish Rite journey during this time. If you cannot be with them, take the time to renew your commitment to the craft. Remember why you made that choice of your own free will and accord. If we haven't seen you at a meeting in a while, come on down. It is an opportunity for new beginnings.

Mike Gowder, 32°, KCCH Senior Warden Orange County Lodge of Perfection

Wise Master



My Brothers,

It is the early morning of May 14th, and I am writing this article in my hotel room in Washington DC.

This year I was selected by LAPD to attend 2018 Police Memorial Week in DC. It is a six day trip with numerous events dedicated to remembering the fallen police officers. One of the events is going to visit the Arlington National Cemetery, the final resting place of Robert James Cottle, an

LAPD Officer and Marine Sergeant Major who was killed in Afghanistan by a roadside bomb attack. This is my first time visiting Arlington National Cemetery. Seeing thousands of gravestones of fallen American soldiers absolutely blew my mind. Those are the people who sacrificed their lives to protect our country, its democracy and freedom.

"Freedom is not free." We have heard this many times but for many of us it seems free, especially for the younger generation. We think of it as an inalienable right which we are endowed by our Creator. Yet no one asked us to pay for it. Why do we say it is not free if we don't have to pay for it? Because paying with their privilege to go home every night and have time with families so we can have this freedom.

Memorial Day is coming. We will have some good times with families and friends. But let us remember that Memorial Day is more than just a three day weekend or an excuse to break out the grill. It's a day of remembrance for those who have died in service of the United States of America.

Fraternally,

Yungfan "Philip" Liu, 32°

Wise Master

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Commander



Brethren.

I am a family man and many of you know my wife and I have a son, Daniel, who has been away at college. We also have a daughter, Carolyn, who is a couple of years older and is working and living at home. Gratefully, my son has returned home for the summer and everyone is happy to have him back in the house. As much as it hurts to send him off to school, it has given us a great sense of pride to see the result of his hard work. We are very grateful that the OCMMF has chosen to award him another scholarship for the next school year! Thank you very much to the OC Scottish Rite Valley for helping my family with the support of this scholarship.

This past month I had the opportunity to speak with Illustrious Lloyd Clayton 33° about his role as our Almoner and the importance of maintaining this fund. Every meeting the basket is passed but I didn't give much thought to where that dollar would go or how it would be used. We talk about taking care of our Brothers who might need assistance and the Almoner is a great mechanism to disperse this aid. I'm glad that our Valley has rightfully assigned this duty to Ill. Clayton. He is the right man to carefully, discreetly and kindly disperse assistance to someone in need. So, the next time you see that basket, remember the dollar or two or five that you toss in will really help someone when they need it most.

The next Super Breakfast with Bacon is scheduled for Sunday September 23rd.

Fraternally,

David Frias, 32° Commander

Master of Kadosh



Greetings Brethren,

It's been almost 30 years since Stephen R. Covey's *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* was first published. I had first picked up this book while in college and admittedly never finished but was pleasantly surprised to see a copy in my youngest brother's room on Mother's Day (currently home on summer break) along with Dune, a dreams article on Jung and a novel by Nietzsche. How funny when things come full circle as I reflected on my own studies at 'Uni' in the early

2000s in Boston, MA. I could not help but borrow 7 Habits again and finally finish my commitment.

Another fortuitous surprise was finding the forward updated to the 2004 edition (a later update to the one I had first started) which modernized the response the author gives to "a few of the most common human challenges we face." I've found them ever more relevant and prescient today: Fear and insecurity. I want it now, Blame and victimization, Hopelessness, Lack of life balance. What's in it for me? The hunger to be understood. Conflict and differences. Personal stagnation (Body, Mind, Heart, Spirit).

I invite you brethren to face these challenges head on. Be confident, be virtuous and be true in your prevail. Or at the very least, if you are going to be bad, might as well be good at it (and funny!). I say that somewhat jokingly but Covey's 5th Habit states, "Satisfied needs do not motivate. Next to physical survival, the greatest need of a human being is psychological survival—to be understood, to be affirmed, to be validated, to be appreciated." Some of us also want to be laughed with.

Things which matter most must never be at the mercy of things which matter least. ~Goethe

Brandon Cook, 32° Master of Kadosh Scottish Rite News Page 7

Language Center News



A Community Program of the Scottish Rite Foundation for Children with Speech and Language Challenges

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OC CLC Communication

On Monday July 30th, the OC Childhood Language Center will be hosting the 2018 RiteCare Classic Golf Tournament and the Gift of Voice Gala dinner at the Yorba Linda Country Club in Yorba Linda.

To register for the 2018 RiteCare Golf Classic, please visit:

http://www.oclanguagecenter.org/golf/

To register for our Gift of Voice Gala dinner event, please visit:

http://www.oclanguagecenter.org/gala/

See you there!

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Language Center News



Hello from the OC Childhood Language Center.

The Center is back in full swing with our Staff and Grad Students from Chapman University. The team is once again excited and ready to perform evaluations of prospective clients to determine their communication proficiencies and provide the speech therapy required, so our kids are able to overcome their challenges.

Hard at work

Because of your financial assistance and the great work of our staff at the Center, so far in 2018, we have evaluated 27 children, have provided 640 hours of speech therapy and have served an average of 53 children per month, all because of YOU!

What we do

Our Speech-language pathologists (SLPs) work at the Center to prevent, assess, diagnose, and treat speech, language, and cognitivecommunication disorders in children. Speech disorders occur when a child has difficulty producing speech sounds correctly or fluently. Language disorders occur when they have trouble understanding others (receptive language) and sharing thoughts or ideas. Social communication disorders occur when having trouble with the social use of verbal and nonverbal communication. And Cognitivecommunication disorders include problems organizing thoughts, paying attention, remembering, planning, and/or problem-solving. In our Center, SLPs work as part of a collaborative, interdisciplinary team who performs the services required to assist our children to overcome these challenges every day. Thank you for supporting this critical mission!

More success

We are so excited to celebrate another "graduation" this month and as you can imagine, it is a proud moment for everyone at the CLC.

Our recent graduate is C. Wang, who began with us in the Fall of 2017. He is an English Language learner and had



some consistent errors in both languages.

Although he did not have a huge delay he still needed our help. Due to his parents' support and our wonderful clinicians, C. Wang can now be added to our list of graduates! Congratulations to this young man and to his family. Our gratitude to you, as without your support, we wouldn't be able to make these miracles possible.

Please Save the Date

Have you made your reservation for the 2018 RiteCare Classic Golf Tournament and or the Gift of Voice Gala dinner at the Yorba Linda Country Club?

If you haven't, please consider being part of one or both events, as the funding generated provides the additional financial support required to operate our award-winning program. To register for the RiteCare Golf Classic, please visit: http://www.oclanguagecenter.org/golf/, and to register for our Gift of Voice Gala dinner, please visit: http://www.oclanguagecenter.org/gala/.

Well, until next time! Thank you once again for helping us provide the Gift of Voice to our children.

Frankie Rosario, 32° KCCH Chairman, President of the Board of Directors Orange County Childhood Language Center

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OCSR 2018 Calendar

2018

June 4th—<u>Stated Meeting 6:30 pm</u>

29th—Orient Reunion Class

29 June—01 July Oakland, CA

Please Note Date Change!

July 9th—<u>Stated Meeting 6:30 pm</u>

21st—Quarterly Advisory Meeting

DeMolay Center 8-10 am

August 6th—Stated Meeting 6:30 pm

June Dinner Menu

Roasted Chicken

Scalloped Cheese Potatoes

Dinner Rolls

Spinach Salad

Toys for Covina Program

At our June 2017 Stated Meeting we adopted the Child Advocacy Program at the Covina Masonic Home. In support of this action, Ill. Rick Wood has asked that each Brother bring a toy valued at \$10+ for kids ages 4-17yrs to the Stated Meetings.

New Dinner Fees for 2018

It was decided at the Quarterly Planning Meeting that the cost of Stated Meeting Dinners would increase to \$14.00 for everyone. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the OC Scottish Rite Office at: (714) 543-7277.

2018 Spring Super Breakfast

As promised at the last Stated Meeting here are the financial results from the March 2018 Super Breakfast. The Ticket Sales were \$3,125.00 with expenses of \$1,138.51 leaving a profit of \$1,986.49. As I mentioned before this is the result of teamwork because many people from our Valley contributed to this effort.

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New Badges

NEED A BADGE?

The following Brothers have Scottish Rite badges that were ordered and not picked up. They will be at the June Stated Meeting and available after that in the Scottish Rite

Mark Allen Brian Huynh Adam Provence

Douglas Autenrieth Haas Khaku Asad Quazi

Lee Botkin Michael Naber Nick Villasenor

Cristan DeDios Donivan Newton Andrew Todd

Matthew Fiskland Robert Palumbo

If you can't make the meeting, have one of your Brothers pick your badge up. Thanks!

House of the Temple Certificates

HOUSE OF THE TEMPLE CERTIFICATES HAVE ARRIVED

The House of the Temple Historic Preservation Foundation certificates have arrived for those who donated to the House of the Temple Preservation Fund. They will be available at the Stated Meeting and will then be stored at the DeMolay Center.

We have certificates for the following Brothers:

Gaylord Ailshie	Jack Beers	Barry Faber	Bruce Mattern
Roger Murray	Thomas Radke	Raymond Ribal	Wm. Ridenour
Kermit Rosenthal	Robert Stolhand	Garry Taylor	George Ziegler.

Call the office at 714 543-7277 if you would rather have them mailed. The cost is \$5.00 per certificate.

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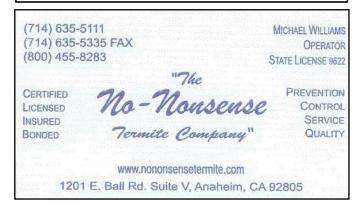


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