



Santa Ana Valley of the Scottish Rite

# Scottish Rite News

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## Personal Representative's Message



Brethren,

My message this month will be brief because I have several articles that I hope to share with you and our space is limited.

Our Spring Super Breakfast was a roaring success with Bro. Ray Ramirez, 32° and his crew deserving a big thanks for all of their efforts on our behalf. As was reported in our stated meeting in May, Brothers Charles Reeves, 32° and James McCallion, 32° have been working hard to bring our Master Craftsman III program to our Blue Lodge Brothers and I thank them for their efforts. Please share the invitation included in the flyer below to your Blue Lodge Brothers.

Fraternally, Rick Wood, 33°

Personal Representative

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## THINKING ABOUT VETERANS

He was getting old and paunchy  
And his hair was falling fast,  
And he sat around the Legion,  
Telling stories of the past.

Of a war that he once fought in  
And the deeds that he had done,  
In his exploits with his buddies;  
They were heroes, every one.

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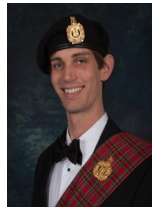
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## From the Assistant Personal Representative



Brethren,

I would like to once again thank Ill. Lloyd Clayton, 33° for all of his assistance in the Scottish Rite office. With his assistance we have been able to address numerous issues that have been deferred over the last several months.

Our emphasis continues to be on our members with outstanding 2014 dues. After the second round of dues statements there are now only 53 members who are not current. Once again look in your wallet and if you don't have a 2014 dues card please send in your dues. Thanks!

The past month was a sad one with four of our Brothers demitting to the Celestial Lodge above. Please remember the families and friends of Brothers Bernard V. Gottlieb, 32°, Donald Ross Gossett, 32°, Charles Leonard Geisler III, 32°, and Arthur Carolee Paris, 32°.

Please remember to update your contact information with us if you move, change your email address or phone number. If you have any other questions or concerns please call us at 714 543-7277 and let us know. If we are not there, leave a message and we will return your call promptly.

Fraternally,

**Bob McNamara, 33°**

Asst. Personal Representative

## From the Editor



Brothers,

As part of the improvements to our newsletter, if you take pictures at an event where our Brothers are participating, please forward me a copy. We would like to include additional photos in future publications and your assistance would be most welcome.

If you wish to submit articles for publication, we would like to make you aware of the requirements that have been implemented. All submissions must be received by the editor no later than the 10th of the month for the following month's publication. All articles must have 3/4" borders, double spaced in Bodoni 12 point text. If your submission is larger, please contact Ill. Rick Wood for prior approval.

If you have any other questions please contact me at: [mshusaac@charter.net](mailto:mshusaac@charter.net) or (951) 743-3742.

Thanks

**Mark Hoage, 32° KoSA**

Assistant Secretary, Editor

# Language Center News



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

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Dr. Judy Montgomery, Chapman University

**Speech Language Pathologies:**

Leslie Sierra-Guzman, MA CCC-SLP      Chris Switzer, MA CCC-SLP

Laura Garcia-Maxey, MA CCC-SLP

[www.oclanguagecenter.org](http://www.oclanguagecenter.org)

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**Support our Center by becoming a member**

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**Please remember to mark your calendar!**

**Upcoming Events**

**The 2014 RiteCare Charity Golf Classic**

Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup> 2014  
 From 11:00am to 6:00pm  
 Aliso Viejo Country Club

Join us for an afternoon of golf at one of Orange County's premier Jack Nicklaus-designed courses. Your registration includes admission to the Gift of Voice Dinner and Auction event starting at 6:00pm.

**The 2014 RiteCare Gift of Voice  
 Dinner & Auction**

Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup> 2014  
 From 6:00pm to 9:30pm  
 Aliso Viejo Country Club

Join world-renowned **Master Sommelier Michael Jordan** for a once-in-a-lifetime wine and dine experience. This banquet will be followed by a charity auction and live entertainment.

To Register for Each Event Please Visit:  
[www.oclanguagecenter.org](http://www.oclanguagecenter.org)  
 and select the event from the "News and Events" Tab

**A portion of your registration fee is Tax Deductible  
 All proceeds go towards the continued support of the OC  
 Childhood Language Center**

**For Information Please Contact**

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## Language Center News



Hello from the Orange County Childhood Language Center.

As of May the number of children receiving services at the center has increased to 45, and because of your generosity, we have proudly provided up to 170 hours of Therapy and Evaluation services combined. I hope that you are as excited by our progress as I am, as after all, it is our philanthropy!

### More Exciting News From The Center

Since opening our center in September with the collaboration of Chapman University, we have:

- \* Diagnosed 87 children
- \* Provided 271 hours of evaluation services
- \* Completed 549 hours of sessions
- \* Provided 634 hours of therapy

All of this without increasing our operating expenses. How great is that!

### Celebration is in the air

We are thrilled to report that three more children are about to graduate from our program before summer is over, which brings us to a total of 5 kids since our opening back in September of 2013. We are all so very proud of their accomplishments, and although they will be dearly missed, we are excited to have witnessed their growth. More information and pictures will be provided as soon as we celebrate this victory!

### A very special donation

In late April, Dr. Vinicio Lopez, Dean of Instruction at Coastline Community College, stopped by and donated to the center a brand new Fluency Master Device worth \$5,000. This device is designed to assist children in overcoming stuttering challenges. Besides donating this very special equipment, Dr. Vinicio spent some time training our clinicians in the use and fitting of this device. We are very thankful and honored to be the recipient of this donation but most importantly, to have gained the support and friendship of such a generous member of our community.

### Meet The Board of Directors

It is with great satisfaction that I can report that the Board of Directors for the OCCLC is now complete. These twelve women and men bring a wealth of experience from a broad range of professional and business backgrounds. Here is your board:

- Frankie Rosario, 32° - President, OCCLC and Director of Information Technologies at Extron Electronics.
- David Frias - Vice President, OCCLC and Network Operations Manager at Extron Electronics.
- Tom Olsen, 32° - Treasurer, OCCLC and Vice President of Sales at Telepayroll Inc.
- Nick Villasenor, 32° - Secretary, OCCLC and Financial Advisor at Morgan Stanley.
- Dr. Judy Montgomery - Executive Director, OCCLC and Professor, Director, Communication Sciences and Disorders Program at Chapman University.
- Anne Hertz - Director of Public Relations, OCCLC and Executive Director of the Boys and Girls Club of Cypress, CA.
- Andrew Todd, 32° - Director of Marketing, OCCLC and Web Development Manager at Extron Electronics.
- Peter Jantz, 33° – Sr. Board Member
- Mike Selix, 32° – Board Member and President of MGS Unlimited Inc.
- Chris Apodaca, 32° – Board Member and Director of Business Development, Broadview Mortgage
- Alejo Velarde, 32° – Board Member and President of Focus Interpreting Corp.
- Jim Andronaco – Board Member and President of Sidepath Inc.

### We need your help

Currently the OC Childhood Language Center is in need of updating our Metronome system software. This is a research based training program that helps children overcome attention, memory, and coordination limitations. Currently we are working on old software that desperately needs to be updated. The update is available but costs a little over \$2,500.00. Unfortunately, this is not something that is in our budget, so we are looking for any help possible in getting this upgrade funded. If there is any way you can help, regardless of how much, your support will be extremely appreciated. Please remember, all donations are tax deductible!

Remember, your support ensures our children receive the services that are so important in their speech and communication development.

Sincerely yours,

**Frankie Rosario, 32°**  
President of the Board of Directors



## Lodge of Perfection



Brethren,

June is here and with it comes the first hint of the summer to come.

June's stated meeting will be exciting as we will be honored with a visit from the Jr. Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of California, Ill. John R. Heisner 33°. This event is casual and the Brethren are encouraged to wear a collared polo shirt or similar attire.

Please join with me in conveying congratulations to the newest Sir Knights initiated into our Knights of St. Andrews. The ceremony was well performed and the audience was very impressed. Thank you my Brothers for joining our premiere service unit and becoming even a greater asset to your Valley.

My Brethren, from time to time it is important for us to review just what it is we are supposed to be doing as a functioning Valley within The Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction, USA. I submit for your review our Mission Statement.

### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

*It is the mission of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction, to improve its 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.**

We will be discussing some of these points in the near future...

Our Journey continues...

**Rev. David J. Kussman, 32° KCCH**

Venerable Master 2014

## Senior Warden



Hi everyone,

Did you know that this is the best time to ask someone to become a member of our Valley?

- By having the most candidates from your Blue Lodge for the two Reunion Classes this year, the Master of your Lodge and his Lady will be our guests at the November Stated Meeting;
- By being the “Top Line Signer” with the most candidates for the two Reunion Classes to qualify for the honor of receiving your 2015 dues paid by the Valley;
- Finally, Ill. Rick Wood lowered our initiation fees to \$150.00. That’s a \$100.00 savings,

When you add the GREAT Master Craftsman Program, the GREAT Fellowship that we have at our Valley, the GREAT Meals and short meetings, it couldn’t get any better to be a member of our Valley.

I want everyone to mark their calendar for September 1, 2014, this will be our Membership Pin Night. We will be presenting membership pins for: 5, 10, 15 and 20 years from our Valley and 25 year pins from Supreme. The only catch is that you must be present at this meeting to receive your pin.

And finally, I saw a saying that made good sense and is being applied at our Valley; “*Change is Good, but No Change is Fatal*”. I can honestly say that our Valley has been making changes for the past several years and you can now see the positive effects that our Valley is experiencing.

Hope to see everyone at the next meeting.

**John R. Rider, 32° KCCH**

Senior Warden

## Commander of Kadosh



### SUPERBREAKFAST, A SUPER SUCCESS

A huge Masonic thank you to all of the Brothers that participated in the Super Breakfast last month. Not only did we make the highest profit ever, \$1,676.00, but we had the most fun ever! We introduced a chocolate fountain that was the most popular attraction. From the kid’s faces, it was obvious that a lot of chocolate was consumed. The waffles were back and many were eaten. The omelets were excellent and the secret gravy for the biscuits and other foods rounded out the breakfast.

All of the participants had a blast and this is what Masonic fellowship is all about. Everyone from the kitchen crew to the clean-up crew worked hard and had a ball. It was fun to be involved in this event. Thanks again to everyone that was there!

**Ray Ramirez, 32°**

Commander

Council of Kadosh

## SASR 2014 Calendar

### June

2nd—**SASR Stated Meeting**—6:30pm

Ill. John Heisner , 33° , Jr. Grand Warden The Grand Lodge of California will be in attendance.

21st—**KoSA Zip-Line outing**—11:00am

### July

7th—**SASR Stated Meeting**—6:30pm

Cap and Ring Ceremony

### August

4th—**SASR Stated Meeting**—6:30pm

Ill. Frank Loui, 33° SGIG will be in attendance

Bro. Clarence Ulrich from “The Drifters” will entertain.

### June Dinner Menu

Meat Lasagna

Mixed Vegetables

Antipasto Salad

Garlic Cheese Bread

Italian Ice Cream



## Thinking about Veterans (continued from page 1)

And 'tho sometimes to his neighbors  
His tales became a joke.  
All his buddies listed quietly  
For they know where of he spoke.

But we'll hear his tales no longer,  
For ol' Bob has passed away,  
Ad the world's a little poorer  
For a Soldier died today.

He won't be mourned by many,  
Just his children and his wife.  
For he lived an ordinary,  
Very quiet sort of life...

He held a job and raised a family,  
Going quietly on his way;  
And the world won't note his passing,  
'Tho a Soldier died today.

When the politicians leave this earth,  
Their bodies lie in state,  
While thousands note their passing,  
And proclaim that they were great.

Papers tell of their life stories  
Form the time that they were young  
But the passing of a Soldier  
Goes unnoticed, and unsung.

I tis the greatest contribution  
To the welfare of our land,  
Some jerk who breaks his promise  
And cons his fellow man?

I tis the greatest contribution  
To the welfare of our land,  
Some jerk who breaks his promise  
And cons his fellow man?

Or the ordinary fellow  
Who in times of war and strife,  
Goes off to serve his country  
And offers up his life?

The politician's stipend  
And the style in which he lives,  
Are often disproportionate,  
To the service that he gives.

While the ordinary Soldier,  
Who offered up his all,  
Is paid off with a medal  
And perhaps a pension, small.

It's so easy to forget them,  
For it is so many times  
That our Bobs and Jims and Johnnys  
Went to battle, but we know,

It is not the politicians  
With their compromise and ploys,  
Who won for us the freedom  
That our country now enjoys.

Should you find yourself in danger,  
With your enemies at hand,  
Would you really want some cop-out,  
With his ever waffling stand?

Or would you want a Soldier—  
His home, his country, his kin,  
Just a common Soldier,  
Who would fight until the end.

He was just a common Soldier,  
And his ranks are growing thin,  
But his presence should remind us  
We may need his like again.

For when countries are in conflict,  
We find the Soldier's part  
Is to clean up all the troubles  
That the politicians start.

If we cannot do him honor  
While hi's here to hear the praise,  
The at least let's give him homage  
AT the ending of his days.

Perhaps just a simple headline  
In the paper that might say:  
"OUR COUNTRY IS IN MOURN-  
ING,  
A SOLDIER DIED TODAY."

Pall On The Patriotism!  
YOU can make a difference

A Veteran is someone who, at  
one point in his life, wrote a blank  
check made payable "To My Country"  
for an Amount "up to and including  
my life." That is Honor, and there are  
way too Many people in this country  
who no longer understand it.

## Knights of St. Andrew



Brothers and Sir Knights,

I would like to thank all of the Knights who assisted with our Knighting Ceremony at the May Stated Meeting. Our new Knights are: Brothers Jaime Hopkins, Alejo Velarde, Kevin Hyder, Frankie Rosario, Brett Fisher, Larry Griffin, Daren Gress and Hugo Ramos. All of us welcome our new members to the Knights of St. Andrew.

Please encourage all of your Blue Lodge Brothers to participate with the Master Craftsman III Program that we will be beginning sometime in July. The Master Craftsman III program is designed to guide the Master Mason through Albert Pike’s “Esoterika: The symbolism of the Blue Degrees of Freemasonry” and introduce the deeper meanings of some of the most basic symbols in Freemasonry. If you or any of your Brothers are interested in this challenging program please contact me at (949) 547-5459 or [jfmccalion@gmail.com](mailto:jfmccalion@gmail.com) for further details.

Fraternally,

**James McCallion, 32°**

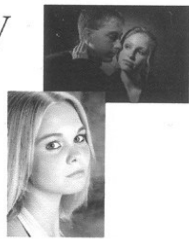
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### Santa Ana Valley Membership

<b>As of March 31st</b>	<b>448</b>
Affiliations	1
Initiations	0
Reinstatements	<u>1</u>
<b>Total gains</b>	<b>2</b>
Suspensions	0
Demits	0
Deceased	<u>4</u>
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<b>As of April 30, 2014</b>	<b>446</b>

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