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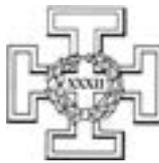
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## Knights of Saint Andrew Christopher N. Lebedeff, 32° KSA

My Fellow Brothers,

THANK YOU to all the brothers who are active in our valley. Through your dedication and all of your efforts we continue to have a strong and thriving valley. Masonry, by design, challenges us to grow and learn from each other to be better men in our daily lives and to foster a positive impact on the world around us. There are many successes throughout our valley worthy of note:



Under the direction of Jeff McDonough, 32° KCCH, our degree teams, and all the brothers (over 30+) that assisted in both communicating and exemplifying the degrees; we successfully completed our two full degree reunions welcoming in over 45+ new brothers to our valley. As part of our reunions we actively assisted other valleys through complimentary degrees to help grow Scottish Rite Masonry on the whole.

During the late summer, 15 Brothers worked diligently to clear out our attic in continued efforts to care for the building we are blessed to maintain.

Earlier in the summer, our valley held two great fundraisers for the Language Center. Hovig Antabian, 32°, KSA successfully held our second annual Golf Tournament. TJ Oliva, 32°, KCCH lead the team to build fellowship through our second annual bowling tournament.

In addition to all this great work, our valley pulled off two additional productions. Earlier in the year and under the direction of Simon McIlroy, 32°, KCCH we produced “The Spirit of Hiram” which broke record attendance this year with over 250 brothers visiting from throughout the state and across the country. Only a few months ago, we successfully rebooted “The Living Constitution” under the direction of Charlie Fisher, 32°, KCCH. A play that had been dark for many years.

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There are many, many things to be proud of happening within our valley, throughout the Orient of California and the Southern Jurisdiction.

Massimo Del Grande, 32°, KSA and Steven Klein, 32°, KCCH have rebooted our Ambassador program to reach out to local blue lodges to share the awesome work we do.

The Knights of St Andrew are ending the year on a very high note as we hold our first video conference call with brothers in South Carolina, Northern California, and even Texas to share ideas on how to foster growth and help our valleys in our ongoing commitment to be of service.

Be sure to attend our December Valley Stated meeting as the Knights honor those brothers who have shown continued and focused commitment by being knighted along with honoring our communities' local first responders.

In Humble Service,

Chris Lebedeff, 32°, KSA  
First Knight,  
Knights of St. Andrew



**PASADENA SCOTTISH RITE WOMENS ASSOCIATION  
BAKE SALE  
FOR  
PASADENA SCOTTISH RITE LANGUAGE CENTER  
DECEMBER 7, 2018  
BEFORE AND DURING OUR DINNER  
6:15 P.M.  
WE WILL HAVE A WIDE VARIETY OF TREATS  
BE SURE TO VISIT OUR TABLES**

## The Secretary's Memo Pad

Ill. William F. Rook, 33°

Can you believe it is December and Christmas and 2019 looms ahead for us? As always December is a busy month at the Rite. All our weekends are rented plus the Children Ballet will have their performance this month which is a weeklong rehearsal and program presentation event. Later the Junior Chamber of Commerce will stage their Operation Santa Claus project in our dining room. And at the beginning of December the Pasadena Women Symphony Auxiliary will hold their Christmas Boutique.



As for the Lodge we will have our December 7 stated meeting and we will be honoring first responders from the City of Pasadena and the Altadena Sheriff Station. It should be a very large event. That night the Knights of Saint Andrew will have the knighting Ceremony prior to the stated meet. December 15th will be the annual Children Christmas Party. We invite all parents and grandparents to participate, just bring a wrapped toy for the child and pass t to one of the many Santa Helpers around about. And the Big Kahuna will deliver the present to the child.

Membership wise we gained 45 new Masters of the Royal Secret, had 5 affiliations, and 5 reinstatements for a total increase of 55. And on the opposite end of things we had 22 deaths, 3 demits, 31 suspensions for a total lost of 56, thus giving us a -1-growth factor. Last year we had growth, the only one in California with growth.

Happy Holidays to All!

Bill

## The P.R.'s Corner

Ill. Rees Padfield, 33°

Brethren,

This year of 2018, has certainly passed quickly. Our Masonic year has been filled with numerable events and occasions. The concentrated efforts of our Spirit of Hiram play cast and support group were rewarded by the attendance of our Grand Commander, our SGIG, and a full audience. Our Grand Commander was most impressed and certainly enjoyed the evening as was evidenced by his after show exuberance on stage and in the wardroom upstairs. At the end of June, our 5th degree cast and support group traveled to Oakland to participate in the state-wide reunion. The performance of the 5th degree was well received and our SGIG said it was the best of the degrees performed. Our support to Oakland included the efforts of our stagecraft manager, lighting and sound brothers who did a magnificent job. This year we reinitiated our Living Constitution play to an appreciative audience. The cast and support group is to be commended. In order to improve the treatment and care of our young clients to the Language Center, we have hired a professional therapist. We also have a new administrator to assist our new therapist. The walls of the Language Center have a new look and are much more child friendly. The Scottish Rite facility's electrical load is now fully powered by our solar array which is saving an average of almost \$3,000.00 a month, and is providing an additional savings by the city of Pasadena purchasing our excess electrical generation. We also have new double pane windows with UV protection, in the front of our building which has demonstrably reduced the power requirements of our building. The summer temperatures in the front hallway have been greatly reduced. Our class reunions have all gone well and we now have new Brothers who are actively integrating and participating in our many activities and needs. Our Knights of St. Andrews are thriving and their charitable events are most helpful for supporting



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## The P.R.'s Corner Continued...

our Language Center. Our Administrative staff is performing admirably. Our four Lodges have held charitable events that have benefited Language Center. The Pasadena Scottish Rite is now the home for a new Masonic Red Lodge that will confer not only the blue lodge degrees but also the first three Scottish Rite degrees. If you have been upstairs lately you will have noticed we have new carpeting in the hallways and rooms upstairs. These improvements and actions are all results of our cathedral and Language Boards who are continuously working to maintain, improve and extend our capabilities and resources. They are all to be commended.

In the upcoming 2019 Masonic year it is now up to you. It would be impressive if our Stated Meetings and dinners had attendance which represented twenty percent or more of our membership. Having more Brothers than candidates at our Reunions would be nice. Contributions to the Language Center would be appreciated. Actively promoting our Scottish Rite will ensure reasonable class size and future membership. Being a member and being involved is what makes an organization vibrant and successful. Let's see you this coming year.

Lastly, as you are with loved ones for the holidays, please remember the men and women in our Armed Forces on duty around the world, their families and the first responders here at home in your thoughts and prayers. Their unselfish giving of themselves and the hardships their families endure are for us. Let us never forget them. If you see a veteran, thank him or her.

Rees Padfield, 33°

Personal Representative

## IN MEMORIAM

Henry Coil Jr., 32°  
Evergreen Lodge No. 259  
October 3, 2018

May Almighty God, in his infinite mercy,  
Grant that we may meet again, to part no more.

Current Year Membership Statistical Changes	
Initiations:	31
Affiliations:	5
Reinstatements:	5
Deaths:	22
Demissions:	3
Suspensions (Non-payment):	23
Suspensions (Other reasons):	8
Expulsions	0
Current Lodge Membership	<b>861</b>

Current Dues Statistics				
	Count	% of Total	Orient Wide Avg.	Jurisdiction Wide Avg.
Members with Dues Paid in Full:	155	18.1%	21.6%	25.2%
Members with Current Dues Balance:	362	42.2%	35.9%	34.3%
Members with Arrears Dues Balance:	149	17.4%	14.8%	12.3%
Members that are Dues Exempt:	92	10.7%	9.9%	8.3%
Paid Life Members:	100	11.7%	17.8%	19.9%

## December Dinner Menu

### Stated Meeting on December 7th

- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Spinach Salad
- Beef Brisket
- Rosemary Red Roasted Potatoes
- Grilled Vegetables
- Apple Pie

Last Day for reservations: Wednesday, December 5th at 2pm

Number of Reservations at \$15.00 Per Person.....

**Fish or Vegetarian on request only when making reservation.**

*Remember - a reservation made is a reservation paid.*

*mary@pasadenascottishrite.org or 626-795-4213 Ext: 101*

**PASADENA SCOTTISH RITE CHRISTMAS PARTY**

December 15, 2018, Saturday, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

150 N. Madison Ave., Pasadena, CA 91101

COMEDY AND MAGIC BY  
WORLD FAMOUS PERFORMER

**SHARPO**

SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY

**SANTA CLAUS!!!**

\*\* Please remember to bring a present for  
your child.



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It is the mission of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, SJ, 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

**Scottish Rite Creed**

Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere our ultimate goal.

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 Pasadena Childhood Language Center


Meghri Habashian  
Office Coordinator

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Thank You to Our October 2018 Donors

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William F. Rook. Ronald W. Alcorn III

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**In Honor of**

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## Lodge Ambassadors

Massimo Del Grande, 32° KSA

Dear Ambassadors & Members,

The holiday season is upon us. This is an appropriate time of year for personal reflection and to remind ourselves of our many blessings. I find myself reflecting on one of the Masonic ornaments - Brotherly Love.



Let's remind ourselves of the glory and power of brotherly love. Its the opposite of separateness. It fuses us together, encourages harmony, brings together what is lost, heals wounds, calms the souls, breaks the circles of grudges, jealousies and hatreds with its subtle and irresistible power. Every negative or destructive emotion must be overcome by its opposite. Hatred does not cease through hatred, but through love.

Love is the only true solvent. Goodwill is a universal reconciler. Brotherly love is necessary in the pursuit of peace and harmony. Without peace there can not be joy and goodness. Brotherly love is the thread that keeps us united and in harmony with each other and with God.

Wishing you and your loved ones peace and joy. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Fraternally,

Massimo Del Grande, 32° KSA

## Director of Membership

Steven D. Klein, 32° KCCH

The holiday season is upon us. For me, it is a beautiful time of year. They bring out the creativity within us, as we express through music, decorations, gifts and other manifestations of love. We express the holiday season through the prisms of our personal religious faiths. For us as Masons, it gives us an additional opportunity to express the values of our fraternity, especially to assist the needy in our community.



The holidays give us an opportunity to bring our families and loved ones near to us. But many the members of our military and our first responders sacrifice this precious experience to be on call to protect us. So, let's thank a member of the military or first responder when an opportunity to do so arises.

A happy holiday season to all! I pray that our Valley, our great country and each of you have a wonderful season and that you will place our Pasadena Scottish Rite activities on your calendars often in 2019! We believe an exciting year lies ahead. See you soon!

Sincerely & Fraternally,

Steven Klein, 32°, KCCH  
Membership Chairman

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Ext: 106 Meghri - Language Center Secretary/Receptionist



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For every petitioner for the degrees of Scottish Rite Degrees there is a Scottish Rite Mason who is his sponsor on whom rests the responsibility for proper training of the petitioner. The Scottish Rite Mason who signs the petition has a responsibility that does not end with their signature on the petition. If you invited a guest to a gathering at your home, you make sure that he meets all of your guest and is made welcome and comfortable. Isn't the man whom you recommend Scottish Rite Freemasonry entitled to the same courtesy? As his sponsor, is it not your duty to assist him with his work and take an interest in his progress? It seems to us that it is, and that you should see to it that he fully understands the fine lessons of our degrees. If you recommend a man to the Scottish Rite, satisfy yourself that he is receiving that for which you recommended him. To do so is but a Masonic courtesy and it is your duty as a Scottish Rite Mason.



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AGE 60	4.7%
AGE 70	5.6%
AGE 80	7.3%
AGE 90	9.5%

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## Women's Association News

Gentlemen thank you for sharing this newsletter with your lady

Dear Ladies,

**PASADENA SCOTTISH RITE WOMEN'S GROUP  
BAKE SALE FOR THE LANGUAGE CENTER**

Thanksgiving is over and we are we are looking forward to our upcoming holidays.

This is always a good time for folks to purchase our items for small gifts etc.

Please be sure to bring your baked goods for our fundraiser November 7, 2018.

They should be wrapped for individual sale and hopefully you can be there by 6:15 p.m.

Thank you so much for your delicious contributions!

I look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

Lynda Lockhart  
President

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Scottish Rite Calendar

Keep Friday Nights for Scottish Rite

DECEMEBR

Sunday, December 2 to

Monday, December 10

Hanukkah

Friday, December 7

3:30PM Rite Care Board

4:30PM Cathedral Board

Election of Board Officers

6:00PM Social

6:30PM Dinner

First Responder Night

8:00PM KSA Knighting Ceremony

8:30PM Stated Meeting

Council of Kadosh in Charge

Women's Association

Saturday, December 8

9:30AM Knights of Saint Andrew

Saturday, December 15

9:00AM Discussion Group &

Master Craftsman

2:00PM Lodge of Perfection Childrens

Christmas Party

Sunday, December 23

Operation Santa Claus - All Day

Tuesday, December 25

Christmas Day (Office Closed)

Tuesday, January 1

NewYears Day (Office Closed)

