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# Matthew S. Hyde, 32° KCCH

## *Master of Kadosh*

### Consistory

Greetings Brethren,

I hope everyone had a joyous holiday season. For most everyone, this is the time of year for visiting with family and friends. For masons in particular, this is the season of installations and our chance to visit each other's lodges and celebrate with family and friends throughout our fraternity.



The month of January marks the both beginning of the 2019 Masonic year and the conclusion of our 2018 duties at the Pasadena Scottish Rite. At this month's stated meeting we will elect our 2019 officers. They will then be installed on Friday, January 18th. Please make your best effort to attend both of these important events and help to get our 2019 year off to strong start.

It was my honor to serve as Master of Kadosh of the Pasadena Consistory for 2018. For me personally and for the Valley as a whole, this was very successful and enjoyable year. The wonderfully presented Spring and Fall Reunions, the Spirit of Hiram and Living Constitution plays, along with the many other events and activities that we accomplish throughout the year illustrate the fact that we a valley on the rise.

I'm grateful for the friends that I have made at the Rite and the quality men that I have met here over the years, The brethren of this valley are what set it apart as one of the premier masonic bodies in southern California.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Matt Hyde, 32°, KCCH

Master of Kadosh, Pasadena Consistory

## The Secretary's Memo Pad

Ill. William F. Rook, 33°

Happy New Year all. Wow it is 2019. Didn't we just celebrate the millennium change? And now I start my 7th year as your General Secretary. Well January brings the election of officers of the lodges, the Rite Care and Cathedral Board members and the Foundation Director and Member positions. That will all be a part of our general election and all a part of our Stated meeting.



A note to all officers of the Lodges and the First Knight is that January 11th is a mandatory practice for installation. Then on January 18th will be the installation of officers, also a mandatory event. I need not stress how important an undertaking you have obligated yourself to as an officer of one of the 4 lodges. One of your foremost duties is to attend meetings regularly, no matter at what level you serve. We do take attendance and your attendance or non-attendance is duly noted in the minutes.

If you peruse the membership statistics as of mid-December, we find that we have a negative membership growth of -16. Last year at this time we had positive growth. Membership is vital to our existence. Let's talk to our non -Scottish Rite brother in our lodges about seeking further light in the Scottish Rite.

That's all for the beginning of the new year,

Bill

## The P.R.'s Corner

Ill. Rees Padfield, 33°

Brethren,

Elaine and I wish you Happy New Year. We are at the start of a new year here at the Pasadena Scottish Rite. The year of 2018 was full of accomplishments and our agenda for 2019 is no less imposing. The Cathedral Board has plans for important undertaking such replacing more of our single pane windows with double pane windows which will lower our electrical and gas consumption even more and will enable us to sell even more electricity to the city. As we complete the window change out we will start to paint the inside of our building. The Language Center is doing well and as our donations increase we will be able to increase our client workload. Our independent degree directors, Sir knights Simon and Charlie, are once again going to direct the productions of the Spirit of Hiram and Living Constitution plays. Last year's performances were outstanding. Our Director of the Work, Sir Knight Jeff is to be commended for the outstanding work being performed at our reunions. Our membership and Ambassador leaders, Brother Grande and Sir Knight Klein, will be asking for your support in reinvigorating our Brothers to attend our stated dinners and meetings as well as the Reunions. I remind the first line signers of their responsibility of attending the reunions with their candidates. Our SGIG has not yet decided if there will be another single state-wide reunion or maybe two, one the north and one in the south. If there is one in the south, maybe Pasadena can provide casts for two or more degrees. We await further notification.



As we start this New Year, the Rite's Wednesday crew needs your support. The crew meets every Wednesday and helps to fix minor problems around the building, and assists in setting up the dining hall for the Stated Meeting Dinner. Our building needs special loving care and the Wednesday crew

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

makes that happen. We have professional contract personnel for major problems requiring bonded repairs, but a lot of the minor problems can be taken care of locally, like changing out light bulbs, or checking the emergency lighting system. The crew meets, enjoys coffee and such and works for several hours and then goes to lunch nearby. Dedication, Camaraderie and Friendship is what drives the crew to achieve its goal of support the Rite. Even if you can only participate once a month it would be most helpful. The times are Wednesdays around 9:30 to 12:00 in the morning.

As we observe our politically divided country, let us never forget those men and women in our Armed Forces whithersoever based around the world, along with the first responders here at home who with all their families sacrifice so much for us. Without their sacrifices, we would not enjoy the freedom we have, or the opportunity for dialog which is so essential for our country.

Rees Padfield, 33°

Personal Representative

Current Year Membership Statistical Changes	
Initiations:	44
Affiliations:	6
Reinstatements:	6
Deaths:	24
Demissions:	5
Suspensions (Non-payment):	35
Suspensions (Other reasons):	8
Expulsions	0
Current Lodge Membership	860

Current Dues Statistics				
	Count	% of Total	Orient Wide Avg.	Jurisdiction Wide Avg.
Members with Dues Paid in Full:	248	28.9%	31.9%	35.6%
Members with Current Dues Balance:	291	33.9%	27.3%	25.2%
Members with Arrears Dues Balance:	128	14.9%	13.1%	10.9%
Members that are Dues Exempt:	91	10.6%	9.9%	8.3%
Paid Life Members:	100	11.7%	17.8%	20.0%

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**125<sup>TH</sup> INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

**FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 18, 2019**

**RECEPTION 6 PM**

**DINNER 6:30 PM**

**INSTALLATION 8 PM**

**DONATION \$25.00**

**MEMBERS AND THEIR INVITED GUEST ONLY**

**CHARLES J. FISHER, 32° KCCH  
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**STUART A. WRIGHT**  
**Grand Master of Masons in California**

A third-generation Freemason, Worshipful Brother Stuart Alexander Wright was raised a Master Mason in Henry Know-Westlake Lodge No. 392 (now Wisdom Lodge No. 202) on October 22, 1986. He served as master of the lodge in 1990 and in 1998 was presented with the Hiram Award.



Brother Wright has served the Grand Lodge of California in several capacities over the last 25 years. He served on the Insurance Committee from 1990-2014 and was the chairman for a total of 10 years. In 2011, he was appointed to Masonic Homes of California Board of Trustees and elected vice president in 2014. Brother Wright served as grand sword bearer from 2004 to 2005 for Most Worshipful Brother David R. Doan. He has served on each of the constitutional boards.

In addition to his service to his lodge and our Grand Lodge, Brother Wright has been very active in the concordant and appendant bodies. In 1988, he joined Al Malaikah Shriners in Los Angeles, where he served as potentate in 2000. His service extended to the Imperial Shrine. He served on the Imperial Athletic Committee; as director general of the Imperial Shrine Convention, held in Anaheim, California in 2007; and as the chairman of the Board of Governors of the Shrine Hospital in Los Angeles for three years.

Brother Wright is a 33° inspector general honorary in the Pasadena Scottish Rite Bodies. He is a member of Signet Chapter No. 57, Royal Arch Masons; Omega Council No. 11, Cryptic Masons; and Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 Knights Templar. He also belongs to Dr. Rob Morris Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; St. Gabriel Conclave, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine; the National Sojourners; and the Heroes of '76.

After a long career with the Insurance Company of North America, Brother Wright is the owner and president of Stuart A. Wright Associates Insurance Service. Brother Wright is an avid golfer and has enjoyed playing hockey for a number of years, including five years with the L.A. Senior Kings. He and his wife, Julie, live in Woodland Hills. They have five adult children and seven grandchildren.

# **Freemasonry**

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# January Dinner Menus

## Stated Meeting on January 4th

Cream of Mushroom Soup

Cesar Salad

Chicken California with Roma Tomatoes, Avocado & Jack Cheese

Garden Rice

Mixed Vegetables

Rolls & Butter

Tiramisu Cake

Last Day for reservations: Wednesday, January 2nd at 2pm

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

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



## Installation on January 18th

Cheese, Crackers & Vegetable Appetizers

Wedge Salad with Ranch Dressing and Blue Cheese Crumbles

Prime Rib of Beef, Salmon or Vegetarian

Baked Potatoe

Asparagus & Baby Carrots

Rolls & Butter

Chocolate Ganache Cake

Last Day for reservations: Wednesday, January 16th at 2pm

Number of Reservations at \$25.00 Per Person.....

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

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

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**STATED MEETING DINNER POLICY**

**RESERVATION POLICY:** Reservations are **required**. The cost per dinner is \$15.00

Reservations **will not** be accepted after close of business on the Wednesday before the stated meeting dinner.

**SPECIAL MEALS:** Requests for special meals (fish, veggie, vegan) **will not** be accepted after close of business on the Wednesday before stated meeting.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** If you cannot attend the stated meeting dinner, you **must** cancel the reservation, or you will be invoiced for the dinner; this also applies to your guest(s). Cancellation must be before close of day the Thursday before stated meeting.

**PRE-PAID DINNER TICKETS (Reservations are still required):** Pre-paid dinner tickets are available for purchase in the Office. Pre-paid dinner tickets need to be exchanged for dinner tickets when checking in.

**WALK-INS/NO RESERVATIONS (DINNER COST IS \$25.00):** There is **no guarantee** that you will be served a dinner without a reservation. You will be seated at the "Beverage Only" area and served only after those with reservations have been served.

**IN MEMORIAM**

Gabriel McKenzie, 32°  
Burbank Lodge No. 406  
November 29, 2018

Louis Richardson, 32°  
South Pasadena Lodge No. 290  
November 1, 1998

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

## Childhood Language Center

### “It Takes A Village”

Arthur H. Zabounian, 33°

On November 21st, appropriately one day before Thanksgiving Day, our language center’s Board of Directors, staff members, heads of supporting bodies, and Ms. Maya Smidt (our generous donor and constant supporter of our CLC), gathered together for a luncheon at the University Club of Pasadena.



We collectively expressed gratitude and appreciation to all those present for a successful year at our CLC.

Although she was unable to attend, Mrs. Rebecca Griffith was praised for her dedication and numerous years of service as our center’s administrator and well wishes were expressed for her well deserved retirement.

Indeed, it has taken a “village” to serve the kids of our community. With all of your support we pledge to continue our noble cause.

Arthur H. Zabounian, President  
CLC Board of Directors



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*Thank you  
For Attending Our  
Luncheon  
&  
Helping Us With  
Our Mission*

Pasadena Childhood Language Center



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Meghri Habashian  
Office Coordinator

Donations may be made by a group, an organization, a couple, or an individual. They may be made **In Honor of...**, **In Memory of...**, as a member of the **365 Club**, or as **Friends of the Center**. All donors are recognized in the bulletin.

Thank You to Our November 2018 Donors

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In Memory of Charles E. Small

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In Memory of George Jamgochian

Arthur Beddoe

In Honor of

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FOUNDATION and please note in the memo line PASADENA

## Women's Association News

Gentlemen thank you for sharing this newsletter with your lady

Dear Ladies,

We are on our way with a brand new New Year – 2019! I hope it proves to be a fruitful and prosperous one for you all.

We had two wonderful bake sales in November and December. Our Pasadena Scottish Rite ladies brought some amazing treats which were graciously purchased by those present for our Friday night dinners. Remember our proceeds go to the PSR Language Center where children are guided in their language development with amazing results. Thank you ladies for your delicious contributions!

Several of us were also invited to attend a delightful luncheon at the University Club in Pasadena as a thank you for our donations. Other contributors were also honored. Thank you to the PSR Language Center and President Arthur Zabounian for a lovely afternoon.

Ladies please join your man for our delicious Friday night dinner and then join the ladies upstairs while the men are in their meeting in the auditorium. We have a fun time together.

Hope to see you in January 2019!

Sincerely,

Lynda Lockhart  
President

## Ancient &amp; Accepted

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Rees Padfield, 33<sup>o</sup> Personal Representative  
D. Edward Griffiths, 33<sup>o</sup> Asst. Personal Rep.

## Officers of the Pasadena Bodies

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## Council of Kadosh

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*Commander*

## Consistory

Matthew S. Hyde, 32<sup>o</sup> KCCH

*Master of Kadosh*

## All Bodies

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Keith D. Kramer, 32 <sup>o</sup> KSA	Asst. to Secretary
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## Scottish Rite Calendar

Keep Friday Nights for Scottish Rite

## JANUARY

Tuesday, January 1

New Years Day (Office Closed)

Friday, January 4

3:30PM Rite Care Board

4:30PM Cathedral Board

6:00PM Social

6:30PM Dinner

8:00PM Stated Meeting

Election of Officers and Boards

Consistory in Charge

Women's Association

Saturday, January 5

9:30AM Knights of Saint Andrew

Election of Officers

Friday, January 11

7:30PM Installation Practice

(Officers Mandatory)

Wednesday, January 16

6:00PM Conclave of the 33<sup>o</sup>

(33<sup>o</sup> Inspector General Honorary Only)

Friday, January 18

6:00PM Reception Honoring

MW Stuart A. Wright, Grand Master of

Masons in California

6:30PM Dinner

8:00PM Installation of Officers

Saturday, January 19

9:00AM Discussion Group &

Master Craftsman Study

Friday, January 25

6:00PM Cathedral Board

Planning Meeting