

Valley of San Diego Bulletin

Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

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Venerable Master's Message

How good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity even if it is by Zoom or virtual setting. We must be thankful that our Grand Master has allowed us to hold virtual meetings among the brethren. We get to see each other face to face, do a health check, and find out what is new in the world of Freemasonry. We get to see brothers that we have not seen in a while or now have moved out of the state. This brings me to this month's article and how lucky we are to be able to meet virtually.

An article was brought to my attention by a brother about another masonic jurisdiction where the Grand Master issued an edict that prohibited any masonic meetings in any format (virtual or otherwise) due to the pandemic. The article went on to say that a Past Grand Master was expelled from Masonry because he went against the Grand Master's edict of not holding meetings during the pandemic. After I read the article, I did some further research and found this information to be true. This PGM was also the SGIG of that jurisdiction. Prior to having the meetings, this SGIG informed the Grand Lodge of his intentions of holding some online fellowship meetings to do a health check and see how everyone was coping during the pandemic in the different valleys in that jurisdiction. Though these were not tiled meetings and no masonic business took place, the Grand Master felt that this action went against his edict. The PGM/ SGIG was charged, had a Masonic trial and was expelled.

I must admit that through my non-exhaustive research, I was only able to view one side of the story. You do have to wonder what is happening to Freemasonry today! There is chaos through out the world with the COVID-19 pandemic, but we are on

the rebound. Our jurisdiction, along with others, have made it possible for us to meet and see one another making it possible to keep us strong and moving forward. I do see virtual meetings could be a thing of the future. There are some areas where members live a great distance from their lodges. This, to me, is a great way to keep in touch, if not by virtual meetings but especially by calling on our members who do not have internet capabilities. I am thankful that in our jurisdiction our Grand Master has allowed us to meet virtually. In California, the Scottish Rite was able to communicate the degrees virtually. That to me is a first step in moving forward. So, I say again, how good and how pleasant it is to dwell together in unity, even if it is virtually.

I hope those that attended our first SGIG Advisory Conference enjoyed it. In March we will have our regular Fellowship Meeting on March 3rd followed by the "Extinguishing of the Lights" (virtually) on March 31st with the "Relighting of the Lights" on April 4th.

I would like to remind everyone of the Perfect Donor Program. These donations help support the CLC at the Scottish Rite Center. Remember every little bit helps. Thank you very much for those who have already donated for this 2021 year.

More and more vaccines are becoming more readily available. Please get vaccinated.

Thank you for your support. Be safe, stay healthy and God Bless.

Hon. Michael T. Sherman, KCCH Venerable Master

Scholarship Program

Each year, the San Diego Scottish Rite Community Foundation awards scholarships to one or more eligible seniors who will graduate from a high school in San Diego County or Imperial County.

Scholarship recipients are chosen based on a variety of factors, including academic achievement, leadership, character, capability, citizenship, and need.

Eligibility:

- The program is open to all students who have attained senior standing in and are graduating from high schools in San Diego or Imperial Counties.
- Applicants must be planning to enter an accredited four year college or university, two year community college or professional school
- Sponsorship by a member of the San Diego or Imperial Valley Scottish Rite Bodies is required.

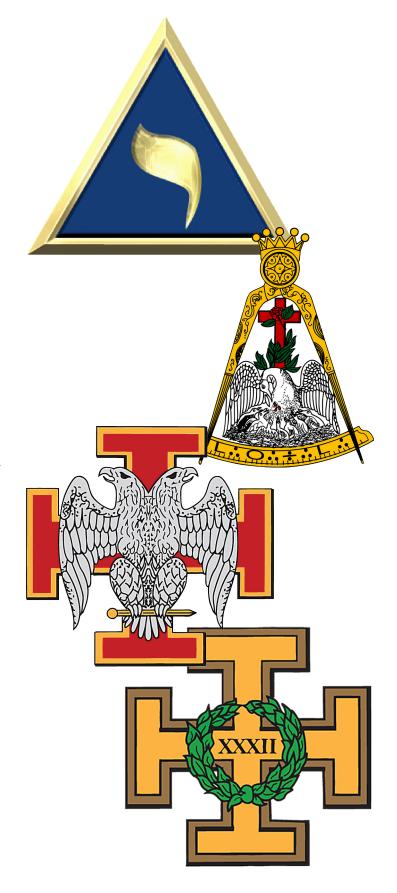
If you have any questions, please contact one of the following:

- JoJo Quimpo, General Secretary of the Scottish Rite Bodies (619-293-4888)
- Keith Meeker, Chairman Scottish Rite Community Foundation Scholarship Committee (619-972-7106)

Application forms are available through the San Diego Scottish Rite website: (https://www.scottishritesandiego.org).

If you are interested, download the application, complete the application form, and follow the directions to submit the application package.

Note: Applications must be received by Friday, May 28, 2021.



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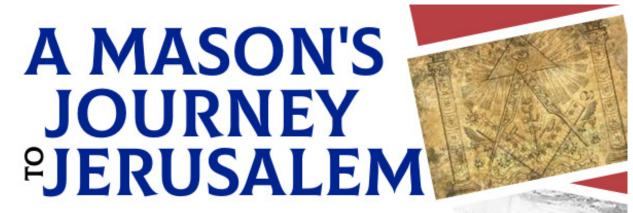
News From the Center From Tino Burns, M.A., CCC-SLP

Everyone's Working Hard

Here is one of the Language Center clients hard at work during his telepractice session. Luca just recently turned nine years old. He is working on speech sound production. He has mastered production of several speech sounds, and continues to work on his "r" sound. Luca is one of our older clients currently receiving services.

We serve children up to age 12, but frequently get referrals for preschool and early elementary age children. The majority of our clients are between the ages of 3-6. Luca easily made the transition to telepractice last March. He works hard during his sessions, getting in numerous word repetitions. Luca enjoys playing online games as reinforcement for his hard work on his speech sounds. He continues to do all of his schooling online, so he is quite experienced with using Zoom and even teaches me some new tricks at times!





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Educational Event by Zoom

THURSDAY APRIL 29, 2021 7:00 PM PST

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

- Where is King Solomon's Temple and what happened to it
- Western wall tunnels and their Masonic significance
- Where is King Solomon buried
- Solomon's quarries and the Freemason's Hall

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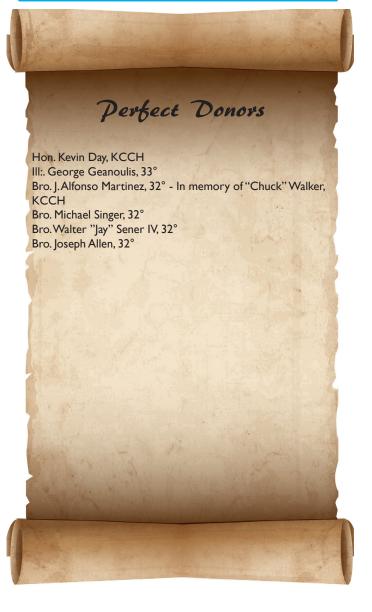
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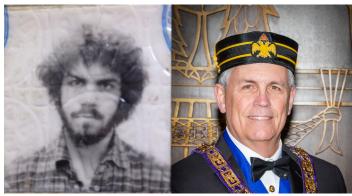
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Can you name this Scottish Rite Mason?





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Almighty Father,

We lift our voices in thanks and praise for the many blessings You have bestowed. Give us both the strength and humility to channel those blessings to others.



As we emerge from the grip of the pandemic, help us to use the talents and resources of this Valley to meet our Masonic obligations.

Amen.

Hon Davis Winesett, KCCH



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