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Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center



March/April
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Burlingame Scottish Rite, Burlingame
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Your donations to the San Francisco and Burlingame Childhood Language Center are critical to the continuing operation of the Center. The children of San Francisco and the Peninsula are counting on your generosity.

How Can I help?

As members of the Burlingame Scottish Rite, we have the responsibility, duty and honor of supporting the San Francisco and Burlingame Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center.

Contribute directly to the Center:

- A. Join the 365 Club.
Only \$250.00 per year.
A payment plan is available.
- B. Contribute in Memory of a departed friend or family member.
- C. Contribute in Honor of a friend or family member.

Attend and take part in the fundraisers that are run by both the Valley of Burlingame and the Valley of San Francisco.

Consider a contribution to the Center by way of your will.

Besides monetary support, we can and should take part in one of the committees that are formed to coordinate the various fundraisers. Do you have a talent or idea that may help raise the funds needed to keep the Center alive and vibrant?

To the Families of our Members:

Please let us know if one of our members is in the hospital or nursing home, or is incapacitated in any way.

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The Bulletin of the Burlingame Scottish Rite Bodies

A Small but Mighty Valley
Working to Support Freemasonry and Our Community



March/April 2017 - Our 95th Year

The Lodge of Perfection



Gary L. Stephens, 32°
K.:C.:C.:H.:
Venerable Master

How many of you know the history of the Scottish Rite? Why it started? Who started it? Why does it exist today?

Like so much early Masonic history, the origins of the Scottish Rite are hidden in mist. There's evidence that by the early 1730s in England there were "Scotch Masons" or "Scots Master Masons," a step after the Master Mason Degree (and apparently unrelated to Scotland). By 1742 in Berlin there was talk of "higher or so-called Scottish Masonry." In 1743 the Grand Lodge of France adopted a regulation limiting the privileges of "Scots Masters" in lodges. It's clear from these few mentions that something was going on behind the scenes with "Scottish Masonry," but we're not quite sure what. These developments were happening at the same time the Royal Arch was gestating before its birth in 1754. It's even possible that the Royal Arch and Scottish Masonry came from the same sources. We just don't know.

Do you know the history of Burlingame Scottish Rite?

Did you know that the 75th anniversary of an organization is called the Diamond Anniversary? And it is sometimes referred to as the Diamond Jubilee. Burlingame Scottish Rite celebrated this on October 24th, 1998. This means the 100th anniversary (called the Centennial or Platinum Anniversary) will be in 6 years (2023). For any organization to be operating for 75 years (let alone 100!), is something to be proud of.

The first Venerable Master was elected in 1922 and there was a class of 34 candidates to receive

the 4th degree in the Valley of Burlingame. The SGIG watched the new Valley proceed from their first meeting at the Masonic Club of the Palace Hotel (San Francisco?) on March 10th 1922.

Using the Burlingame Lodge #400 building on Monday nights (some things never change!), the newly formed Scottish Rite had their first meeting under dispensation.

The early degree work was done using temporary wires strung for the scenery prior to each degree. (If you have seen our degrees lately, we have come a long way!)

When Burlingame Lodge # 400 built its new Temple at Howard and Park Road in 1927, a stage was included in the plans making possible the presentation of all degrees. (You were probably wondering why our lodge room has a stage??, now you know), However Rose Croix, Kadosh, and Consistory degrees were conferred in the Burlingame High School Auditorium until 1931. By the way, this auditorium is still there in the same location.

I am proud to be Venerable Master for the Burlingame Lodge of Perfection as well as the Venerable Master in the 4th degree. I can say that for the last 94 years, the Burlingame bodies has offered to its membership not only the qualities exemplified in its Degrees, but the kind of Masonic Brotherhood the Fraternity was founded on. May you each pledge and resolve to keep active in the workings of the Scottish Rite Bodies and give this Valley the support that will not only keep her young but will keep alive the dreams of the founding brothers.

Gary Stephens
Venerable Master, Burlingame Lodge of Perfection

Did you know you can find current updated information, flyers and archived bulletins on our website www.burlingamesr.com

CALENDAR

Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, March 14th-
St. Patrick's Dinner**
Dinner: 6:30 pm
(Burlingame #400 Sponsoring)
See enclosed flyer

**Saturday, March 18th-
30th and 32nd Degree Conferral**
Breakfast: 8:00 am
18th Degree: 9:00 am
30th Degree: Approx 11:00 am
32nd Degree: 1:00 pm

**Monday, March 27th -
Stated Meeting and Remem-
brance and Renewal**
Stated Meeting: 6:00 pm (Short Meeting)
Dinner: 6:30 pm
Remembrance and Renewal: 7:30 pm

**Monday, April 24th -
Stated Meeting**
Dinner: 6:30 pm
Stated Meeting: 7:30 pm

**Saturday, May 20th -
Education FETE**
Program and Appetizers: 3:00 pm

**Monday, May 22nd -
Stated Meeting**
Dinner: 6:30 pm
Stated Meeting: 7:30 pm

**Monday, June 19th -
4th and 14th Degree Conferral**
6:30 Dinner
Degrees to Follow

**Monday, June 26th -
Stated Meeting**
Filipino Night (Casual)



From the Personal Representative

Alberto T. Jacinto, 32° K.:C.:C.:H.:
Personal Representative of the Sovereign Grand Inspector General
in California, Valley of Burlingame

We will be celebrating the Burlingame Scottish Rite “Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal” on March 27, 2017. This is a public ceremony. All Masons, their families, friends and guests of Scottish Rite Masons are invited. We hope that all of you are able to attend. If you cannot possibly celebrate this ceremony with us in person, then please do so at least in spirit.

The first duty of the Chapter of Rose Croix is to conduct the annual “Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal”. This non-religious celebration is held near the vernal equinox, the beginning of spring, at a time that does not conflict with the celebration of Easter.

During the ceremony, we hear the names of our departed brethren, brethren who have laid down the working tools of the Craft and has left that mortal part for which he no longer has use. This is a memorial service honoring the lives, memories, sacrifices and labors of our Brethren who have passed on during the preceding year. It is intended to strengthen the ties of brotherly love, past and present, reminding us to cherish the time we have together.

Remembrance is the secret of renewal.

Remembering involves more than having a good memory for names and dates. Remembrance is to be in a living relationship with what has gone before. We do not want this occasion to be merely a celebration of the past. We realize that this a prime opportunity to look ahead about how we continue building a rich legacy for decades to come. And therefore, we hope to see renewal come through remembrance.

Remembrance and renewal, in the simplest of terms, is a celebration of the gift of life.

In this regard, I commend to you the words from the “Scottish Rite Ritual Monitor and Guide” by Ill. Arturo de Hoyos, 33rd degree, Grand Archivist and Grand Historian, one of the books that we are encouraged to read and study. It provides us more insight into the significance of our ceremony.

“With whom do you stand my Brethren? Are there faces in this group which you will not see next year? Will you lay a friend and Brother to rest? Let us, henceforth, celebrate the lives of our Brethren who have passed on, keeping them ever with us while we live. Remember, no man is ever truly dead as long as he lives in the hearts and memories of his friends and loved ones, and if his influences continue to act for good. So may it be with each of you. So Mote it be.”

I Thank You, each of you, for the opportunity to have met a great person like you.

Proud to be a Scottish Rite Mason, I remain.



Chris D. Smith, 32° K.:C.:C.:H.:
Wise Master, Chapter of Rose Croix

Brethren and Friends of Burlingame Scottish Rite:

Greetings from the Burlingame Chapter of Rose Croix! You may not be aware but for the second year in a row, your VMAP team has successfully met the requirement set forth by the Supreme Council! Stop by the Scottish Rite office to view the incredible plaque!

As Scottish Rite Masons, we have two important duties: 1) grow our valley and 2) support our language center. Accomplishing (1) only requires that you invite your Lodge Brothers to visit and join our Valley. Once you have done that, be sure to attend the degree conferrals – we expect to see you there! Item (2) is of equal importance and is not only important to us, but it is also critical to the future of the world. Children receive our services free of charge – services that likely would not have been available to them otherwise. Imagine a child that has trouble expressing herself that now can. Imagine a child that is bullied because of his speech pattern, and his speech is corrected. Do these examples sound like any kids you know? Either way, please consider making a donation, and that donation can be time and/or money. We are always looking for volunteers for any of our fundraisers. We also are always grateful for financial donations, and the 365 Club is a fine example. \$250 provides membership in the 365 Club for - you guessed it - one year. That’s less than a dollar a day to provide for the needs of a child.

Lastly, I have a few important dates to share with you.

- 18 March – 18°, 30° and 32° conferrals
- 27 March – Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal
- 29 April – CLC fundraiser at San Francisco Scottish Rite honoring Irving Shapiro and Glenna Milleman
- 20 May – Scholarship fete
- 15 July – CLC fashion show fundraiser at San Francisco Scottish Rite
- 24 September – CLC golf tournament

Hello Friends of the San Francisco & Burlingame Scottish Rite Language Center!



There is nothing like watching children grow, both physically and mentally, to make one aware of the passing of time. This will be my 18th year working with the San Francisco and Burlingame Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center Philanthropy. This means that enough time has passed that many of the children who received services as young children are now graduating from high school and college! This was brought home to me this month.

In 2002 we began therapy with female child who had moderate to severe language delay complicated by central auditory processing disorder. Not only was she at a loss to find words to express herself, she could not retain information in an organized manner to follow directions. Everything was impacted from being able to express her needs and experiences during the day (school and home) as well as failing in math, reading and even physical education. Yet she had an I.Q. of average to slightly above average. She was frustrated, frightened, and quite sassy to cover up her low self-esteem. Her teacher(s) and parents were also frustrated. It seemed everyone was angry on some level! We went to work with this young female client on several fronts. Our speech therapist began providing therapy for language delay; our reading therapist began working on a reading program to increase our young client’s proficiency in decoding, and I began with therapy focused on auditory processing and emotional control. Within one year she began to show improvement in all areas. At the end of two years she had progressed to “within low-average-average range”. When we released her she was functioning

at “within normal range” in reading and organizational skills. Her anger was gone too. At this point she was released with the understanding that she could return for a re-evaluation if needed.

We didn't hear from the family again. That is, until a few weeks ago. There was a knock at the Center door. A young woman was standing there looking strangely familiar. When she identified herself you could have knocked me over with a feather. But that was just the beginning of the surprise reunion. After hugs and some tears, she began telling me her story of ever increasing academic successes. She was identified by her high school teachers for special awards for many achievements and began attending college courses before she graduated from high-school. This led to accelerated college courses and a graduate program. Would you believe this former child with many, many processing challenges is now a Physical Therapist, with a Master’s Degree and is working full time? Words really can’t describe her gratitude to the Scottish Rite.... but her smile did!

As I said, more will be revealed as the years continue to pass. However I am convinced this young woman will never forget the positive difference the Scottish Rite made in her life. Who knows what she will be able to do for others in her future, and maybe even for the Scottish Rite?

Thank you for all the miracles you make possible!

Sincerely,
Glenna Milleman, Director



Join the Burlingame Scottish Rite
Knights of St. Andrew

K.:C.:C.:H.: and 33rds Need Not Apply
If you’re not afraid to serve the Burlingame
Scottish Rite then ask a man with a feather in
his cap how to get involved.

The 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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