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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?

Join the 365 Club

How can you become a member of this special and important club?

Actually it's easy, just contribute \$250.00 or more in a year. That is less than \$21.00 per month. How do you pay this contribution? Use your credit card, a check, even cash! Want to spread out your payments? We can do that too. Just call the office 650-344-4841.

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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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K.:C.:C.:H.: and 33rds
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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 Bulletin of the Burlingame Scottish Rite Bodies

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



September/October 2016 - Our 94th Year

CALENDAR

Upcoming Events

September 26th - Monday
Feast of Tishri and Stated Meeting
6:00 Meeting - Short Meeting
Feast of Tishri to follow

October 22nd - Saturday
4th and 14th Degree Conferrals
Breakfast 8:00 am
4th Degree - 9:00 am
14th Degree to follow

October 22nd - Saturday
Halloween Party
6:00 p.m
See Information enclosed

October 24th- Monday
Stated Meeting
6:30 Dinner
Meeting to Follow

November 22nd - Tuesday
Thanksgiving - Joint event with Burlingame #400
6:30 pm

November 28th - Monday
Stated Meeting
6:30 Dinner
7:30 Meeting

December 12th - Monday
Stated Meeting 6:00 pm (Short Meeting)
Holiday Party to follow

January 7th - Saturday
Annual Installation of Officers
5:00 pm Installation
Dinner to Follow

The Lodge of Perfection




Roberto Diaz, Jr., 32°
K.:S.:A.:
Venerable Master

Salutations Brethren,

"Getting old my brothers". A phrase I hear more and more among our brothers. With each passing year more of our brothers are looking older (including myself of course). We are getting heavier, greyer, losing more hair and of course becoming more mature. There is a saying, " If you have stopped trying to change things, but accept them as they are, you're growing old". Maybe that's why I personally, as I become older, tend to either accept things for what they are or become more intolerant regarding certain things.

One cannot avoid growing older physically, but it is not necessary that the mind grow old with the body. One does not grow old mentally merely by living a number of years. Someone once said "Mental acknowledgement of age is an ailment of the imagination".

Brethren let us please not forget our senior Scottish Rite members. Not only are they a testament to what Masonry truly stands for but they are also a reminder of our legacy. One could say our senior members have "been there, done that". If you actually take the time to talk to these brothers you would be astonished as to the wealth of masonic knowledge and life experiences they have and are eager to share. They have served in every position in their Blue Lodge line of officers, have been Masters of their lodge,

Knights of St. Andrew members, Venerable Masters of their Valley, are KCCH and 33° SR members, served as master ritualists, etc. One day we may be a part of this group of distinguished gentlemen. These men are our brothers who have paved the way for us all. On a personal note my father, Roberto Diaz, Sr. 32° K.C.C.H, is one these brothers who can no longer drive himself to meetings or participate in Masonic events due to his age and physical constraints. I just hope that one his Masonic brothers in Puerto Rico is keeping watch over him in the autumn of his life.

I challenge each one of you to make a conscious effort to go out of your way and not only say hello but give a hearty masonic hand shake and truly talk to our senior members. Let's try to actively include them in our events. In future SR Bulletins expect to see, if possible, an article / biography of each of our elders.

Brothers, a reminder about our September Stated meeting. We will also be celebrating that evening the Masonic Feast of Tishri. Our Commander of Kadosh, Bro. Evan Brewer, 32° K.C.C.H., is planning a great dinner event. Please plan on attending.

Another reminder regarding coming events. We will be having our Burlingame S.R. Halloween Costume Party on Saturday 10/22/2016 (see the announcement) . Expect to have a fun evening in your favorite costume. There will be a live musical band to which you can dance late into the evening. Come alone, bring your spouse/partner or bring your friends. Let's have a great fun night and remember you need to RSVP for this event (please let me know if you have not received an Evite for the Halloween party so I can add you to the email list).



Saturday October 22nd - 6:00 pm
Burlingame S.R. Halloween
Costume Party
See Flyer Enclosed



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

"Masonry is just an exclusive dining club" - Unattributed to protect the guilty

Cooking is an art that escapes me. I can manage to cook but only for those who are so famished they merely want something edible. Cooking is an expression of one's soul like the famous Mona Lisa smile which continues to captivate people's minds. Some chefs just sprinkle a little of this and that and then, voila . . . another masterpiece! For some, cooking is an inborn talent, for some others it began with a lot of patience, with a lot of trial and error. But for me, my normal expression is "what have I done?"

Indeed, Masonry has sometimes been branded as a highly exclusive Dining club, is there any truth to that? In our summons to a Masonic meeting we find details of the agenda, the venue, the date and time and the menu as well. How necessary is the meal?

Let us now reflect upon the subject of refreshment at the table. Remember that the grand principles on which our Order is founded are Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. Brotherly love can be understood by getting to know each other, and how can this be any better achieved than by sitting down at the dining table together? Dining has always been an important part of a fraternal interaction. Brotherhood cannot be experienced when our feet are walking on different roads, but only when our feet are together and preferably under the same table.

If we try to analyze food's role in today's society, we must look back during the times of hunters. The hunters would often take an exhausting amount of time to find a wild beast for their supper. They would then bring back their prey and the entire village would have a communal experience eating the meat. The consuming of the food would allow them to survive and their large number keeps them protected at night.

We can also look in times of adversity, such as that in wars, calamities, etc., where food becomes sparse. Families shared the limited food. The dining experience became special, and significant, because families would eat together and be reminded of their bond that could never be broken by such devastating events.

In more modern times, Sunday suppers are another example of food being used as a reason to have a social gathering, often becoming a weekly tradition that allows people to gather together. Especially in today's fast paced world, families would meet on Sundays to reconnect with everyone, a reason to ask how everyone is doing in their respective lives.

Christmas and Thanksgiving are other more popular examples of this as well. People would fly back home to be with family, to share a feast, to reconnect and reflect upon what is important to them. In the olden days, Christmas is the source of the reason of gathering to insure that families and friends would get through the harsh winter. Recently, however, it has become more of a reason to feast.

In a more casual example, food is often an easy excuse for friends to get together. Lunch or dinner dates would be set up among friends just to spend time together, and enjoy each other's presence.

In the business arena, negotiations and deals are often accompanied by socials afterwards, meeting at a common table, expressing their mutual esteem and so promote that essential bond of cordiality and respect.

The idea that gathering around a table, uniting as family, as friends, as business associates, is an important aspect of food and celebrations. When we celebrate it is usually with people we love and trust, or are trying to get to know. Food is a powerful element that can bring together many different people. Food and celebrations unite people, giving them a common bond. Gatherings of all sorts, and the food that adorns them, brings people from all over closer together around one table.

So then, is Masonry just a dining club?

The organization of Masonry has many fraternal, social and civic activities and commemorates a great number of functions, degrees, events, ceremonies, festivals, milestones, observances both obligatory and customary, and so forth. Food is a large part of all holidays and celebrations, not just the major ones we hear about often, but also small everyday occasions.

We also have to take into consideration that most Masonic meetings and activities (degrees, practices, rehearsals, etc.) are usually held on week days at 6:30 p.m. This does not allow those in full-time employment a chance to have a decent meal and still get to the Lodge on time. As such, it would be logical for the Lodges to prepare the meal for everyone so the labors for the evening won't be delayed. Everyone needs to eat, so why not eat while meeting together?

And remember, brethren, Masonry nourishes both body and soul!

Respect food and don't waste it, there are many who are less fortunate.

Proud to be a Scottish Rite Mason, I remain.

THE MASONIC FEAST OF TISHRI

Evan W. Brewer, 32° K.:C.:C.:H.:
Commander of Kadosh

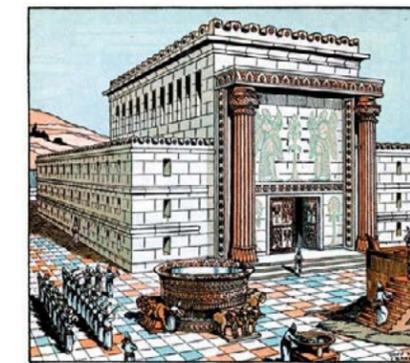
The word Tishri denotes beginning. The Book of Forms and Traditions informs us about the significance and origin of this Feast in dedication to the King Solomon's Temple, and the celebration of harvesting and travelling of the children of Israel in the wilderness for 40 years. By observing the Feast of Tishri, we are cementing our traditions, our fraternal values, and most importantly, celebrating as Scottish Rite Masons.

The Scottish Rite Ritual Monitor Guide (14th Degree: Perfect Elu) provides numerous interpretations and passages on the legends of how King Solomon conducted his leadership affairs at the Temple. For example, King Solomon "celebrated with the greatest pomp and the most splendid magnificence in the completion of the Temple." Moreover, King Solomon provided audiences to those who received the degree in the secret vault, to promote the values of "Wisdom, Justice, and Equity" as elements to be preserved by every Grand Elect, Perfect, & Sublime Mason (Perfect Elu) and True Mason. The Masonic Feast of Tishri, as well as Albert Pike writings, remind us to preserve our traditions, symbolism, and values as has been done by centuries despite "ignorance, brutality, intolerance, tyranny, and persecutions."

Finally, as has been done by by our predecessors, the Small but Mighty Valley of Burlingame will celebrate the Feast of Tishri, by the Council of Kadosh under the leadership of The Lodge of Perfection. We will as Perfect Elus, celebrate the Feast of Tishri on the 23rd of Elul, 5776 which is Monday September 26th, 2016. Mark your calendars, bring your family & friends, and invite our Blue Lodge members to participate in the Feast of Tishri.

By observing the Feast of Tishri, Scottish Rite Masons share the fraternal spirit and reaffirm our dedication to human concord and the brotherhood of all men. As Brothers,

we resolve to build, as King Solomon did, peace for all mankind.



From the General Secretary

Brothers,

It's that time to pay dues for 2017. You will be receiving your dues notices in the mail soon, you might already have received the notice. When you receive the notice there are two ways you can pay.

1) Send a check made out to Burlingame Scottish Rite and send it to 145 Park Rd. Burlingame, CA 94010.

2) Go to The Scottish Rite of Freemasonry home page on the computer. In the upper right hand corner click on "pay your dues" and follow the instructions. If you have any problems or need to talk about your dues please contact me.

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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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