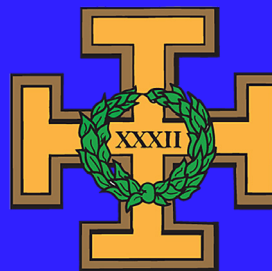
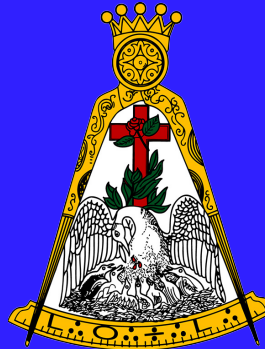




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Venerable Master's Message

Wow, those were a couple of hot weeks we had in September! I hate to say it, but I am happy October is here. I remember it snowing sometimes in October when I lived in Pittsburgh. There is nothing worse than trick-or-treating in the snow. It really slows you down, and you cannot get from door to door as fast. Enjoy Halloween, keep the kids safe, and, of course, have a few pieces of candy for yourself.

I would like to thank Ill. John McQuown and his brother 33rd degree masons for the Feast of Tishri event. It is always a special time to reflect on the year, think about how quickly it has gone by, and give thanks for the people who have made a difference in our lives. It is also a wonderful opportunity to gather together, share fellowships, and raise a glass to those who are meaningful to us. Thank you, Ill. John, and all the brothers who helped make the evening such a memorable one.

October will be a busy month, with many opportunities for fellowship, service, and participation. We have our Stated Meeting on the 7th, where we will be presenting the Knights of the Double Eagle Awards. We will also witness the knighting ceremony of our Knights of St. Andrew, our very own in-house service organization. Annual Communication is October 9th through the 11th. Scottish Rite Information Night is on the 14th, and our 4th and final SGIG Conference will be held on the evening of the 28th.

I encourage each of you to make an effort to attend these events. Your participation is what makes our Valley strong.

Our Fall Degrees will be held in November on the 13th and 14th, followed by Scottish Rite New Member Orientation on the 18th. Our degrees are among the most important events we conduct each year. They are an opportunity to share the lessons and traditions of the Scottish Rite.

Without new members, we cannot grow. Each of us has a part to play in keeping our Valley strong and carrying Scottish Rite Masonry forward. Also, I may have to be Venerable Master again, and you will have to listen to more jokes if we do not get more members!

Please talk to your Blue Lodge Brothers and get them interested in what we are doing. Invite them to come see the new building, spend some time in the library, and meet the Scottish Rite staff. Sometimes, all it takes is a personal invitation from a brother to spark an interest that can lead to many years of friendship and Scottish Rite fellowship. I am sure JoJo, Jerry, Patsy, and Julie would love to say hello to new potential candidates. We all have different reasons why we are members. I am active in Scottish Rite so I can meet people from other parts of the county. Have you ever shared why you are a member?

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**Can you name this
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Last month's picture was:
Hon. Robert Reyes, KCCH

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

Fun at Summer Camp

The RiteCare Childhood Language Center of San Diego recently wrapped up a successful pre-literacy summer camp! Across eight engaging sessions, children participated in small group learning with two to three peers per group. To make the experience extra special, each child received a custom-made tote bag personalized with their name and pictures of their favorite characters, which they used to carry their books home each week. Every week, they added a handmade bag charm to their tote featuring the read-aloud book of the week alongside their targeted sound of the week. Before the program began, each child took a pre-test to evaluate their starting skills, followed by a post-test at the end of camp. The results were outstanding: every child demonstrated significant improvement in identifying letters and their corresponding phonetic sounds. Additionally, all participants showed progress in key phonological skills practiced throughout the summer, including rhyming, syllable awareness, word awareness, and alliteration. Beyond the measurable growth, the kids thoroughly enjoyed their experience - making friends, dancing, and even holding hands. One young participant who regularly sees Ms. Jenn for individual therapy endearingly dubbed the third therapy room the "fun room," sharing that she found the camp sessions even more exciting than her routine visits!

Family engagement was a central pillar of the program's design, creating a supportive community for parents as well. Each session kicked off in the waiting room, where parents, participants, and siblings gathered for a shared story time. During this time, parents learned practical, weekly strategies to foster pre-literacy skills at home. Following story time, children selected a book to check out from "Ms. Jenn's library" to safely carry home in their personalized tote bags and read with their families, supported by custom handouts that reinforced the week's key concepts. While the kids were learning, parents had the opportunity to connect and socialize in the waiting room, building lasting connections with one another. By blending targeted clinical intervention with creative family involvement and social fun, this summer's pre-literacy camp created a meaningful, joyful, and lasting impact for all involved.

The Feast of Tishri



(L to R) Singing for the Crowd that evening was Ill.: Thomas Colgan, 33°, Hon. Robert Reyes, KCCH, Ill.: JoJo Quimpo, 33°, and Bro. Mike Singer, 32° (Not pictured), Ill.: John McQuown, 33° acted as the MC for the Feast of Tishri. The toasts were started by Ill.: William Biggs, 33°.



(L to R) The next batch of toasts were given by: Ill.: Edgar Inocentes, 33°, Ill.: Nathaniel "Chino" Torres, 33°, Ill.: Mel Stein, 33° PGM, and Ill.: Peter Krichkuhn, 33°.



(L to R) The last batch of toasts were given by: Ill.: David Haslim, 33°, Ill.: Al Kellner, 33°, Ill.: Keith Meeker, 33°. Ill.: JoJo Quimpo, 33° address the crowd that evening.

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2026 Orient of California Reunion – Pasadena



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Venerable Master's Message

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Annual Communication

Have you been to Annual Communication before? If this is your first time, tell someone you want to take the Stair Degree. If you have not experienced this before, let me know, and I will be happy to share my wisdom with you. It is a great tradition—and it will certainly help you get your steps in!

As we move into the cooler and possibly rainy months, I hope you take some time to enjoy the fall season and, most importantly, enjoy the fellowship of your brothers. Masonry is more than meetings and degrees. It is the friendships we build, the traditions we preserve, the service we provide, and the lives we touch along the way.

Thank you for everything you do for our Valley. Whether you attend an event, welcome a new brother, participate in a degree, volunteer your time, or simply lend a helping hand, your involvement makes a difference. I am proud to serve alongside each of you, and I look forward to seeing you throughout the coming months.

Have a wonderful fall, stay safe, and enjoy the season.

Stay on the level, my brothers,

Michael J. Singer
Venerable Master

Masonic Trivia

Caledonian Railway Lodge #354 of Glasgow, Scotland, has operated since February 5, 1849. Its original Charter states, the lodge shall be composed entirely of Brethren connected with or in the employment of the Caledonian Railway Company at the date of initiation, passing and raising or affiliation. The lodge to be moveable and have power to meet at suitable places on the line of the Caledonian Railway, or such other railways as may become part of the Caledonian Railway. The lodge to be ranked as a Metropolitan Lodge and under the immediate jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge in Edinburgh. No meetings to be held in any railway carriages, engine houses, booking offices, or other un-tieable fabric. No meetings to be held outside of Scotland.

One of the most exclusive Masonic groups is The Society of Blue Friars. Membership is by invitation only and is limited to Masonic authors. Founded in 1932, the society admitted its one-hundredth member in 2011. Growth is slow because the bylaws allow that, "One new Friar shall be appointed each year." (this book was printed in 2011 & 2013)

The bylaws provide a safety clause to prevent membership from becoming dangerously low, "additional Friars may be appointed to fill vacancies caused by demise or resignation when the total membership is not over twenty. The society meets each February in the nation's capital, at the meeting, the newly inducted member is expected to deliver an oral presentation on his research paper addressing a topic related to Freemasonry.

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Instill in us the resolve to invite our Masonic brothers to seek the opportunities offered by our Valley. As we grow, our service to the community by the Childhood Language Center can expand. Amen - **III.: Davis Winesett, 33°**

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- 9-11 Fri-Sun Grand Lodge Annual Communication
- 14 Wed Scottish Rite Information Night - 6:00 PM
(Braised Short Ribs & BBQ Chicken)
- 28 Wed SGIG Advisory Conference
(6:00 PM - Members Only)

November

- 11 Wed **Veteran's Day (Office Closed)**
- 13-14 Fri-Sat Fall Class/Reunion
- 18 Wed New Member Orientation
- 26-27 Thu-Fri **Thanksgiving (Office Closed)**

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