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Congratulations!! 2010 Masons of the Year



Ken Nagel, Grand Master and Tod Ruse, Personal Representative congratulate Masons of the Year at the 2010 Mason of the Year dinner, held on July 21.



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From the Venerable Master



At the Officers meeting we will be setting dates for the upcoming Fall Class. Directors of the Degree's should plan on attending this meeting. Stated Meeting will be on September 1st 2010. Make your reservations early so our cooks will know how much to prepare.

Crispin Woelfler
Venerable Master



**From
The Personal
Representative**

Here we are in the beginning of the fall season and we are already looking forward to our next class in October. Our Worshipful Inspector and Degree Director Clive Moss will be setting the practice dates for the 4th, 14th, 18th, 30th and the 32nd degrees. We are hoping to have a large class so we need to be ready to present the degrees. Besides the degree participants we also need side liners to show support for our new candidates. The dates and times of our degrees are listed in this issue so please plan to spend some time here to show you care about our new members. Fellowship is a very important aspect of our degree reunions so member attendance is appreciated by the candidates. Please be sure to mark your calendars. Meals will be served at all the degree presentations.

It should be noted that we had over 20 in attendance at our last fellowship night. Around 7pm we adjourned and traveled to Valley Lodge in Linden, for a first degree. A great time was had by all. Our next fellowship night will be on Tuesday, September 21st at 5:30pm. here at the Rite. Remember, this event is open to Scottish Rite members, Master Masons and prospective Masons. Hope to see you in September.

Tod Ruse
Personal Representative

A WORD FROM OUR GENERAL SECRETARY



Greetings Brothers.

Our Mason of the Year night was a resounding success. We had 320 attendees, a great meal, a lot of fun, and were able to honor some very deserving Masons. Congratulations to all the honorees. I would like to thank all who helped with the meal - servers from the California Highway Patrol Explorers group, the cooks – Ted Melden, Truman Jensen, Ed Walters, Roger Frazer, Doug Husted, Jake Van Holland, and Rodney Owen, and the bartenders – Rich Garcia and his helpers. All of you helped make this a wonderful experience.

Our September Stated Meeting will be very special. We will be pleased to share this evening with our newest 25- and 50-year members, who will receive their awards that evening. This will take place on Sept. 1, with a social at 6:00 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm, followed by the awards. Our Stated Meeting will take place after the awards presentation. Please get your dinner reservations to the office, as this should be a well-attended event.

Don't forget to attend the annual "Ladies Luncheon" on the 11th. The Ladies provide a great meal and a lot of fun. Get your reservations in to the office as soon as you can.

Our monthly "Cigar Night" will be the third Tuesday, the 20th. We are having a great turnout for this, so don't miss out on all the fun; come join us for a great evening. Reservations are needed for the dinner so, again, call the office. Our August one was a little different in that we ate, had our stogies, then traveled to the Linden Lodge for a First Degree. There was a great turnout of Masons in Linden, and the Degree work was outstanding.

Our monthly Cathedral Board meeting will be on the 29th, so if you can make it, you are more than invited to attend.

The month of October brings us many opportunities for camaraderie and to practice our craft. Our classes for the new Scottish Rite members will be held this month, so put these dates down and plan to attend any or all, if possible. The 4° class will be held Oct. 8, beginning at 5:30 pm. The 14° - 18° will be Oct. 9, starting at 7:30 am, which includes a Continental breakfast. The final 30° - 32° will be held Oct. 16, starting at 7:30 am, and again includes a Continental breakfast with a lunch following the degrees. Please come and support our newest Scottish Rite Masons as they go through their degrees.

The Feast of Tishri will be held on Oct. 13. This Table Lodge will be a lot of fun, and includes a 6-course meal, wine, and all the fun you can stand for \$30 per person. Reservations are limited to the first 60 people who call, which include ladies and guests. This is a dressy affair, with officers in tuxes and members in sport coats. More information will come in the next Rite News, so put the date down and plan to attend. I understand that there is a lot of toasting going on, with wine being drunk after each toast. Should be a sight!

We have a lot going on the next few months, so please attend these events when possible. We are only as strong as our membership.

**Fraternally Yours,
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Scottish Rite Calendar

SEPTEMBER CONSISTORY CASUAL

Sept. 1 – Stated Meeting/Nomination Committee
Appointment 25/50 Year Pins & Hats

Sept. 6 – Office Closed – Labor Day

Sept. 11 – Ladies Fashion Show

Sept. 16 - Master Craftsman Workshop – Lib 4-6 pm

Sept. 29 – Cathedral Mtg 6 PM/ Officers Conf. 7 PM

OCTOBER LODGE OF PERFECTION CASUAL

Oct. 4 – 6 – Supreme Council

Oct. 6 – Stated Meeting/Nomination Committee
Appointment Report & Election

Oct. 8 – Scottish Rite Degrees 4°

Oct. 9 – Scottish Rite Degrees 14° & 18°

Oct. 13 – Feast of Tishri – Tux Officers/Table Lodge

Oct. 14 - Master Craftsman Workshop – Library 4-6 pm

Oct. 16 – Scottish Rite Degrees 30° & 32°

Oct. 27 – Cathedral Meeting 6 pm/ Officers Conference 7 pm

NOTE: *Dates, times & events are subject to change*

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nursing home, deceased, or is incapacitated in any way.**

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Building Fund - Marcia Price-Lair

From the Stockton Scottish Rite Ladies Association.....

With the days getting shorter and the night longer, wouldn't you say that fall is in the air? This is a perfect reminder for our Luncheon/Fashion Show on September 11, 2010. Do come and meet our special guest Peter Jaffe, conductor of the Stockton Symphony. Each table will be creatively decorated and once again the luncheon will feature salads prepared by our ladies. Fashions will be provided by Drapers and Damon; Cold Water Creek and Lane Bryant.

*The runway will be graced by our lovely ladies and, of course, there will be raffle items and a door prize. Come and join us for the **2010 SYMPHONY OF COLOR.***

Tickets are available by calling the office 466-3391. Looking forward to seeing you.

Marlene Von Berg, President of the Scottish Rite Ladies' Association

September Stated Meeting Menu

Herb Baked
Chicken Breast

Rice Pilaf

Cottage Cheese/Fruit
On a bed of lettuce

Roll with Butter

Dessert

Please call the office
for reservations
EARLY!!
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