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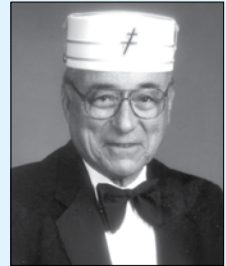
The Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of Fresno, Orient of California, acknowledge the authority of and yield allegiance to the Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspectors General, Knights Commander of the House of the Temple of Solomon of the Thirty-Third Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America.



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FROM THE WISE MASTER



Hypotheses of Rose Croix cont'd

The white rose, more particularly dedicated to the Virgin Mary, to Holda, to Freya, to Venus-Uranus, was the symbol of silence and prayer.

A.E. Waite teaches us that the rose was already used in the symbolism of the Brahman legends. In one of the Hindu paradises, there is a silver rose which contains the image of two women shining like pearls. They appear united or separated depending on

whether they are seen from the sky or earth. From the celestial viewpoint she is called the goddess of the mouth; from the terrestrial view, the goddess or spirit of language. God resides in the center of this rose.

According to Michael Maier, The explanation of the two letters R.C. are found in the symbols of the sixth page of the Golden Table. Esoterically, these letters designate the name of the founder; esoterically, the 'R' represents the Pegasus and the 'C', if one ignores the sound, represents the lily. It is known that the red rose germinated from the blood of Adonis, that Pegasus was born of the blood of Medusa as that the fountain of Hippocrene sprang from a rock kicked by the shoe of Pegasus.

The author of *Summum Bonum* whom one has good reason to think was Robert Fudd, said that the letters F.R.C. signifies Faith, Religion, Charity and that the symbol of the Rose-Croix represented the wood of Calvary vivified by the blood of Christ.

Dr. Ferran gave the following explanation: "After triangular emblems, the seal of Brahma and the triangle of the holy syllable, the most ancient Masonic emblem which the ancient priesthood has bequeathed is that of the Rose-Croix.

"The latter, attributed to Troth-Hermes, came to us from the temple of Egypt via the Chaldees, a compulsory intermediary, seeing that it came from among the images within the confines of the Tigris and Euphrates after Cambyses, following the conquest of Egypt, had transported all the priests of this country, with no hope of returning.

For initiates, the Rose-Croix personified the Divine idea of the manifestation of life through the two terms which compose this emblem. The first, the rose, represents the most perfect symbol of living unity; firstly because this flower, multiple in its unity, presents a spherical form symbol of uni-

ty; presents a spherical form, symbol of infinity; in the second place, because the perfume it exhales is known as a revelation of life.

This rose was placed in the center of a cross, because the latter expressed to them the idea of rectitude and infinity; of rectitude, by the intersection of its lines at a right angle and of infinity, because these lines can be extended to infinity and that, by a rotation made by the thought about the vertical line, they represent the triple senses of height, breadth and depth”.

(to be continued next month)

**C. Ray Whitaker, Wise Master
Rose Croix**

FROM THE MASTER OF KADOSH



SCOTTISH RITE CHILDHOOD LANGUAGE CENTER

In a tradition of caring, we have come a long way since 1992. In that time the Fresno Scottish Rite has raised more than \$1,000,000.00 in operational funds that have been used to treat over 1000 children with speech, language, and learning challenges. The center has been recognized as a Valley leader in the diagnosis, treatment, and advocacy of learning challenged children. Many of our Scottish Rite family members have provided tens of thousands of volunteer hours to make this achievement possible. The Center again served many language challenged

children this year. Most importantly we changed the lives of these children for the better. The Mission Statement for the Center serves as a guideline for all its actions and activities. This statement says in effect, that the Center will work intently to treat children of the Central Valley of California whose difficulty with speaking and listening negatively impacts their academic performance.

The center provided excellent diagnostic and therapeutic services to children. The significant modernization of computer systems has enhanced Center capability to serve the needs of the children. The addition of the graduate student internship program allowed the Center to provide for a record number of evaluations, consultation counseling, and advocacy services. This record, which is above and beyond its normally expected therapy session performance, suggests this Center's goals were wildly successful. Financial resources to fund the operation of the Center come from several places; one that is important at this time of the year is the Dinner/Auction. Which is

scheduled for August 14, 2010 at Pardini's Banquet Facility at Shaw and Van Ness. The proceeds from this event will allow an increase in the overall amount of invested reserves, which will insure a better fiscal position for the future. It continues to be a key ingredient in the financial success of the Childhood Language Center.

The Center provides opportunities for all of the Masonic family to participate in the mission. The volunteers have continued to do outstanding work in behalf of the Center. Their contribution was a critical component in the success. The various Masonic Lodges in the valley that have supported the overall program have played a vital part of the programs success. "HOPE TO SEE YOU AT PARDINI'S ON THE 14th!!"

"THANKS EVERYONE! KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK AND SUPPORT!!"

From The Secretary



SUMMER PROJECTS

The more you do the more you see that needs to be done. The important thing is that the donations have made everything possible that needs attention. Still need to do the stage area, our windows in the entire building and the Clinic, a new folding door between the Lounge area and the Pool Room, some more painting, pantry floor and general cleaning, stairs stripped and waxed (non skid stuff) and of course some carpet cleaning. So, we are still busy with several projects. And if you have the following and

it's just gathering dust I need a nice China Cabinet for our Main Hallway - got one?

Again, my personal thanks to the following for their donations since our July Bulletin.

Sweethearts who donated since last Bulletin are: Theresa Reynolds, and Bufford Crossland.

Brethren who have donated since last Bulletin are: Scott Ellis, Walter and Irene Hill, Ellery and Jean Kirkbride, Hollon and Jane Kinney, Athal and Ann Lamb, Venie and Patty Puntanilla, William and Grace Sawtell, Jerry and Billie Tabor, John Tallmadge, Brent and Carrie Weiner, and Wendell Jernigan.

Thanks to you we have approximately \$9,000.00. Hopefully if your are considering donating, please take the time and send in a donation now. I can really use it.

Again, my thanks to all of you.

Louis Jelinek, 33°, Secretary

SOUND SYSTEM

Thanks to Brian Terrell, Past Master Counselor of State Center DeMolay and son of Brother Dr. Howard Terrell, for an incredible sound system that they have given to the Scottish Rite Bodies on a "LONG LOAN" plan that will undoubtedly change the atmosphere in the Banquet Room for our Stated Dinners and other selected events. With a sound system of this caliber possibilities are endless. In the right hands, a knowledgeable Disc Jockey, it could make all the difference for dinner music, an Installation dance, a special dinner dance for one of our groups or music to just for listening and relaxing. (Just turn up the sound to your comfort zone) You are going to enjoy the music at our Stated Dinner scheduled for September 20 . The B52-18 inch speakers will rattle the windows and make the floor vibrate. The sound system will work with a CD player, a MP3 player or ipod, a nice Lap Top Computer with capable memory to make a selection of any song stored in its memory. Also, Dr. Terrell said that if a certain type of music is needed or requested he could easily make a CD for us. Can't thank the Terrell family enough.

Louis Jelinek, 33°, Secretary

Secretary's Corner

WARNING: You will be receiving your 2011 dues statement from Supreme Council very soon, the database for dues in Washington DC is rolled over in July.. If you feel that the amount shown is in error, please call me at the office. If you haven't paid for 2010 or earlier; please do so NOW.

Our Web page is up and running thanks to Bryan Colman.....check it out www.fresnoscottishrite.com

LAST DAY TO ORDER YOUR TICKETS FOR THE AUCTION DINNER IS AUGUST 6TH; You can order tickets over the phone using **Visa, Master Card, American Express or Discover Card**. You will also be able to pay for your auction items using these same cards the night of the Auction. I can accept credit cards for donations involving the Language Clinic throughout the year: Memorial donations, Legacy donations...

Please try to get your auction donation items to the Scottish Rite no later than August 10th; things received after the 10th make my bookkeeping really difficult.

It will be good to see everyone at the Auction!!

Juliet Vitz, Office Secretary

Building a Scholarship Donations

Thank you to all who are supporting "Building a Scholarship" fund. Your continued donations will allow us to expand our scholarship program and continue to support the deserving students of the C.A.R.T. School. **Donations made this month by John Tallmadge and Allan Miller. Thank you!**

Freemasonry and The Birth Of Modern Science

By Robert Lomas

The bloody civil war in England lasted nearly three times longer than the American Civil War. It was a war between the Royalists and Parliamentarians. The Royalists lost and Oliver Cromwell had King Charles I executed (1649).

When his son The Prince of Wales was restored to the Crown (1660) one of the first things King Charles II did was have the body of Oliver Cromwell (died 1658) disinterred – hung and mutilated in public. He also had four of Oliver Cromwell's key people hung, drawn and quartered. He expelled all Parliamentarians from the colleges and other government positions.

So, the question begs to be asked – why did King Charles II accept Parliamentarians into the newly formed Royal Society? In fact, almost half of the original 12 were Parliamentarians.

Why was the Royal Society created? Could it have even existed if King Charles II had not been its biggest supporter? And why did he fervently support it?

We'll discuss how the political and religious conflicts of the time set the stage for Freemasonry exercising such strong influence on the formation of The Royal Society.

Hand outs will include:

Time Line of Events

List of definitions such as – Kirks of Scotland, Engagers, The New Atlantic, The Invisible College and The Jacobites.

MEETING: Thursday, August 26, 2010

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Fresno Masonic Lodge Conference Room

This book came highly recommended by Brother Richard Avakian. This is one of those books that give you a lot of accurate history with little speculation. Those who like history and science will enjoy this book.

John L. Tracy

Book Club Coordinator

Summer Schedule For 2010

Dress For Summer Is: Casual - No Coat Or Tie And No Shorts

August 16: Merced Lodge. (Chapter Advances)

5:00 P. M. Leave Scottish Rite - Call If You Need A Ride

6:00 P. M. Refreshments By Merced Lodge

7:00 P. M. Advisory Conference In Banquet Room

7:45 P. M. Assemble In Lodge For Stated Meeting.
Chapter Advances.

8:30 P. M. Depart

September - Back To Fresno For Our Meetings.

Fresno Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center

2010 Hawaiian Beach Party

Dinner-Auction

August 14, 2010

Pardini's Restaurant

2257 W. Shaw Avenue, Fresno CA

Master of Ceremonies

Kopi Sotiropulos

Doors Open & Silent Auction start at 5:00 pm

Dinner Tickets

Individual Tickets \$50.00

Tables of 10

Choice of entre & 2 bottles of wine per table

- *Filet of Beef Mignonettes*
- *Chicken Cordon Bleu*
- *Vegetarian Plate*

Specialty Tables are preferred seating

Tables of 8

Includes your dinner entre choice

plus wine from above

Wine and Cheese Table \$650.00

Choice of 4 bottles of Wine (Red or White)

Cheese Tray with Assorted Crackers

Beer and Pretzels Table \$650.00

24 bottles of Beer & Pretzels

Choice of one brand: Miller Lite, Coor, Budweiser, Bud Light, Corona, Modelo, Heineken, Dos XX, New Castle, Flat Tire, Blue Moon Beer

Margaritas and Shrimp Cocktails \$750.00

3 Pitchers of Margaritas & 8 Jumbo Prawn Cocktails

Champagne & 6 oz. Lobster Tail \$1000.00

Two bottles of Champagne and eight 6 oz Lobster Tails

Yes, I am coming to the Party
Saturday August 14, 2010

Mail in registration form to:

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Name: _____ (b) (ch) (v)

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8. _____ (b) (ch) (v)

9. _____ (b) (ch) (v)

10. _____ (b) (ch) (v)

Total Dinners ordered _____

Last day to order tickets August 6th

Please circle menu choices next to names:

(b) Filet of Beef Mignonettes (ch) Chicken Cordon Bleu

(v) Vegetarian

ALL SEATING IS RESERVED

Individual Dinner Tickets (seating of 10 per table) **\$50.00** per person _____

Wine & Cheese Table (seating of 8 per table) **\$650.00** per table _____

Beer & Pretzels (seating of 8 per table) **\$650.00** per table _____

Margaritas & Shrimp (seating of 8 per table) **\$750.00** per table _____

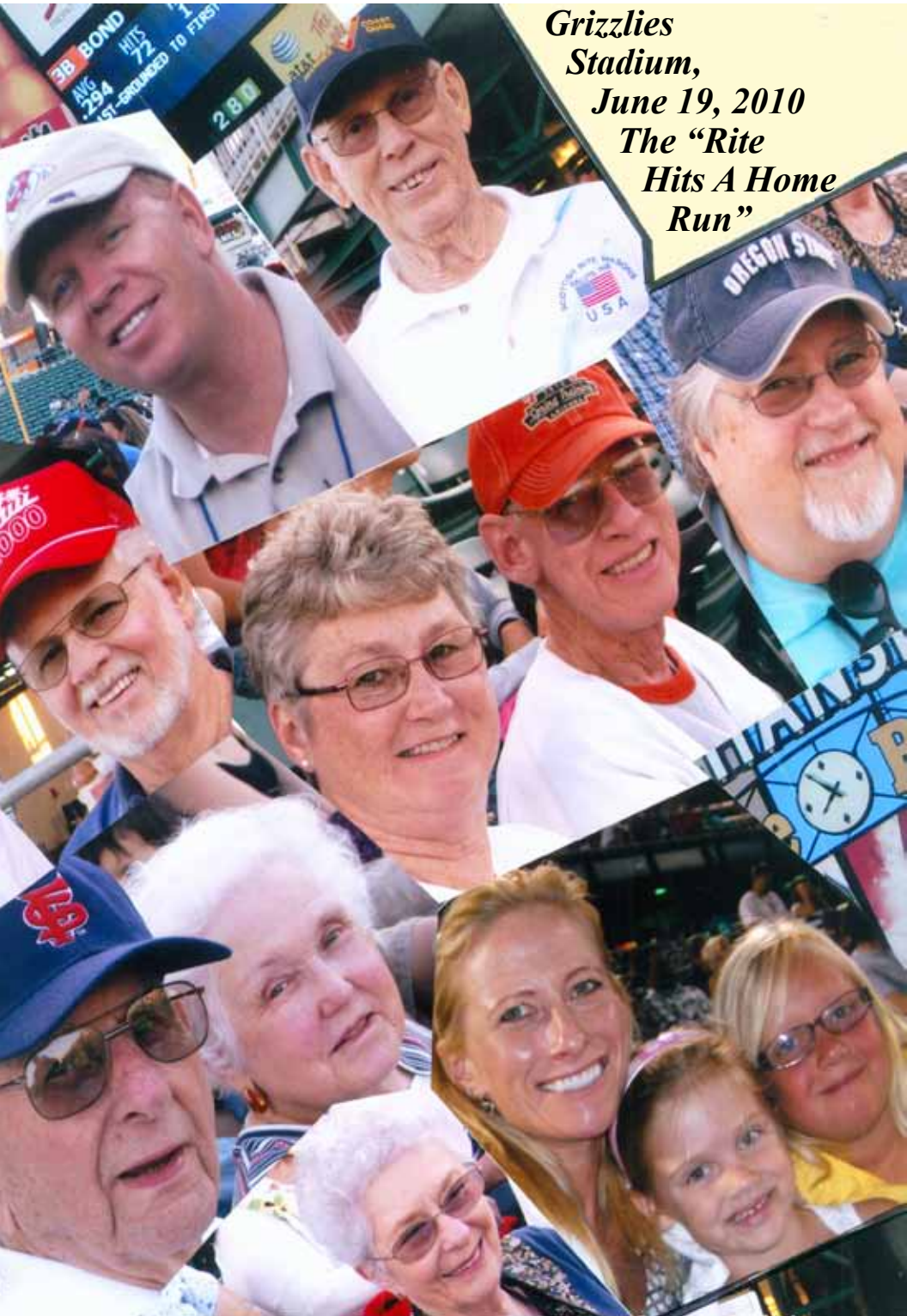
Champagne & Lobster (seating of 8 per table) **\$1000.00** per table _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

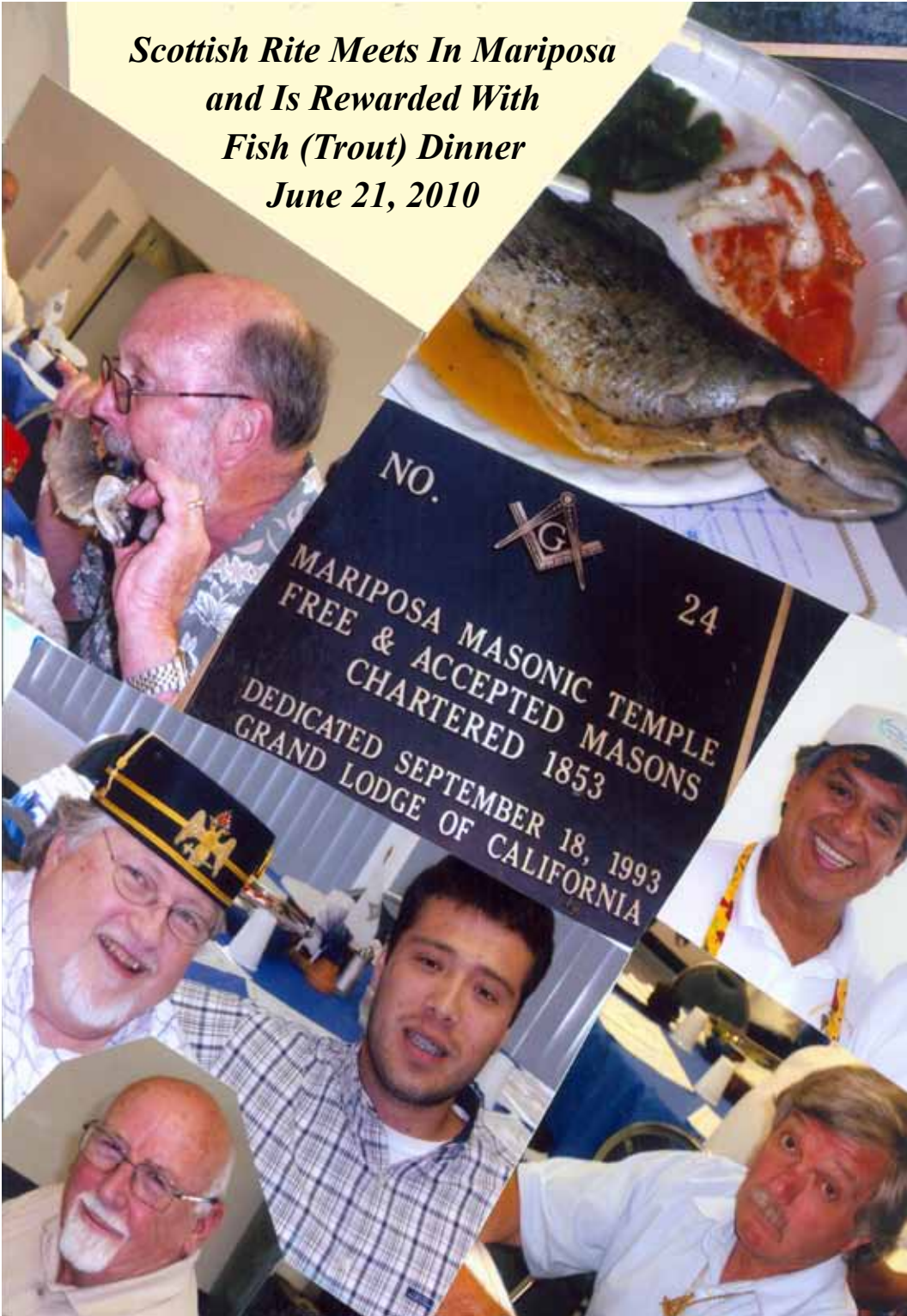
Please make checks payable to Fresno Scottish Rite Clinic

Visa or Master Card also accepted • Call the office to charge your tickets

*Grizzlies
Stadium,
June 19, 2010
The "Rite
Hits A Home
Run"*



*Scottish Rite Meets In Mariposa
and Is Rewarded With
Fish (Trout) Dinner
June 21, 2010*



SOUTHERN JURISDICTION'S ORIGINS AND ITS RITUALS (CON'T -5)

De Ladebat had himself published revisions of the Eighteenth and Thirtieth Degrees in 1856 and 1857, respectfully, which included synopses of the 4°--17° and 19°--29°, together with the modes of recognition, as well as an analysis of the significant foreign words. In 1858, Pike and de Ladebat co-authored a revision of the Thirty-first and Thirty-second Degrees.

Following his work with de Ladebat, Pike produced the Southern Jurisdiction's Scottish Rite rituals in multi-volume sets, publishing several revisions.

Degrees	When Revised
1°-3°	1872
4°-14°	1861, 1870, 1883
15°-16°	1861, 1870, 1882
17°-18°	1861, 1870
19°-30°	1867, 1884
31°-32°	1867, 1879, 1883
33°	1857, 1867, 1868, 1880 (manuscript only)

Some of the revisions were influenced by de Ladebat's work, as is the case with Pike's 1861 Eighteenth degree ritual, which is largely a combination of the Magnum Opus and de Ladebat's 1856 version.

THE HUGO REVISIONS, 1889—1919

Beginning with the Supreme Council session of 1889, an attempt was made to correct printing errors and introduce minor improvements to the Supreme Council's rituals. According to the Transactions of the Supreme Council:

In pursuance of this plan, the committee requested Inspector-General Honorary T.W. Hugo to take the Degrees, examine, revise and amend them, and transmit the results of his labors....

Bro. Hugo received the rituals and secret work, in accordance with the plans outlined above, and immediately set to work to perform his part of the labor of the committee. He finished his corrections, emendations and revisions of all the Degrees, and transmitted the work to the Grand Commander.

Sporadic attention appears to have been paid to this project and, in 1919, two paper volumes appeared. The first volume covered the 4°-14°, and the second, the 15°--18°. The printed versions failed to include illustrations, diagrams, or any foreign language text, which rendered them unusable.

MORE OF ORIGINS AND RITUALS TO COME NEXT MONTH

PETE CLARK, 32°, KCCH

Contributions to the Fresno Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Clinic

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BUILDING A SCHOLARSHIP

Brethren and Friends

I hope you read the article in the Monday, 6/14, Fresno Bee, on the C.A.R.T. School.

Starting on the front page and continuing on page A10. It was very interesting and informative. I've been privileged to go out to the school on three occasions to help pick the winners of the three Scholarships that we present each year, to these wonderful young people. And if you read this article, I'm sure that you are as honored and proud as I am to be a contributor and to have a part of this program.

If you missed reading the article, and still have the paper, dig it out, and read about these amazing kids.

And Please help us keep this program strong, it would be great if we could add a fourth Scholarship to the program.

Thanks again for your generosity.

Robert E. Myers, 32° KCCH

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Proven History: Post 1700

Little is known of Masonic activity for seventy years after Ashmole's initiation in 1646 except that general London Club life became very popular. In 1717, four London lodges (the Apple Tree Tavern in Charles Street, the Goose & Gridiron Ale-house in St. Pauls Churchyard (pictured opposite), Crown Ale House near Drury Street and the Rummer & Grapes Tavern in Channel Row, Westminster) formed The Premier Grand Lodge of England. The date was St John The Baptists Day, 24 June 1717. The Inaugural Festive Board was held at the Goose and Gridiron, St Pauls

Anthony Sayer presided over this feast as Grand Master and Premier Grand Lodge took on the Coat of Arms first granted to the London Company of Freemasons in 1473. Interestingly, those founding lodges had a very small membership of 15 Freemasons each except for "Rummer & Grapes which had 70 members. In 1723 the Constitutions were written by Anderson whose father was PM of a lodge in Aberdeen. Clearly, our Scottish brethren had a lot to contribute towards the initial development of English Freemasonry.

Interestingly, it has been suggested that Premier Grand Lodge only came about as a result of the threat by the Scottish Jacobite revolt in 1715. Anti-Scottish sentiment in those days might have prompted nervous London Freemasons to disassociate themselves from their Scottish roots, hide their history and strategically create a governing body allied to the Hanoverian Crown. If so, little wonder that Freemasonry now prohibits discussion of religion and politics at meetings!

In 1730, masonic ritual having been learned parrot-fashion up until then was widely published for the first time in Prichard's exposure entitled *Masonry Dissected*. Ritual prior to that point followed a two-degree system and took the form of a combination of catechisms, some simplified symbolism and the Old Charges (see Jones and Hamer's *The Early Masonic Catechisms* edited by Henry Carr). Some historians (eg Murray Lyon) believe that this two-tier degree system was expanded when Desaguliers (Grand Master in 1719) wrote the Third Degree and grew again when Laurence Dermott (probably) introduced the Fourth (ie Royal Arch) Degree in 1752.

The popularity of Freemasonry grew with great speed throughout the UK and around the world from 1717 following in the wake of British settlers, merchants and the military. In 1731 the first American Grand Lodge obtained its Constitution, The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, making it the first Grand Lodge in the United States of America. Over the next 100 years, Freemasonry attracted many leading lights forming the cream of the intellectual and scientific establishment including Sir Robert Walpole, Robert Burns, Mozart, Darwin, Frederick the Great and from the USA, Franklin, and Washington. Interestingly, the Duke of Wellington was initiated in 1790. (**Credit "A Concise History of Freemasonry from the Internet).**

Jack V. Farson, 33°

Coming Events

AUGUST

- 14 Sat Dinner/Auction – Pardini’s
 16 Mon Stated Meeting in Merced (Chapter Advances)
 Adv Conference - Refreshments
 17 Tues Clinic Board. -7:00 p.m. - Scottish Rite

SEPTEMBER

- 6 Mon Labor Day (Office Closed)
 13 Mon Executive Committee – 5:00 P. M.
 Advisory Conference - 6:30 p. m. (Council Practice)
 20 Mon Stated Meeting (Council Host)
 6:00 p. m. Hors d’oeuvres 6:30 p. m. Dinner
 21 Tues Clinic Board. -7:00 p.m. - Scottish Rite

OCTOBER

- 11 Mon Executive Committee – 5:00 P. M.
 Advisory Conference - 6:30 p. m. (Lodge Practice)
 18 Mon Stated Meeting (Lodge Host)
 Feast of Tishri – Rededication
 6:00 p. m. Hors d’oeuvres 6:30 p. m. Dinner
 19 Tues Clinic Board. -7:00 p.m. - Scottish Rite
 19 Tues Rededication Services - Merced
 23 Sat Fall Class - 4th thru 14th Degrees

MEMORIALS

*As one by one, the autumn leaves fade in the forest deep,
 So one by one, in each of you must come the touch of sleep;
 As one by one, the roses burst into the morning light,
 So one by one, your souls shall wake again
 beyond the night.*

Louis Verne Dawson
Donald Eaton Peaslee
John O’Neill Sutherland

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ANY WAY. THANK YOU.**