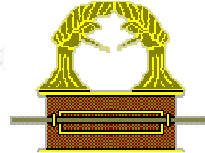




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will be awarded in 2011-12 year. This is an increase over the average of prior years. See the upcoming edition of the Encompasser for more details.

Remember Comptche, and its goal of 40 candidates for its fortieth celebration next summer. I hope to see many of you there next year.

Judy and I continue to be fully committed to supporting and building the DeBarrows scholarship fund. Please consider a tax deductible gift to this charity supporting California's Masonic Youth orders.

## GHP MESSAGE

Companions:

A number of your Grand Chapter Officers and Past Officers assembled for the 2011 Triennial of General Grand Chapter in late August in Raleigh, NC: Teddy, Jerry, Ken, Sean, Phil and Fred. Of greatest significance are the developments in the General Grand Chapter charity -- Royal Arch Research Assistance. RARA will no longer fund ABLEKids. Instead, three research groups will receive funding from a RARA Board, composed now entirely of General Grand Chapter members: 1) University of Connecticut for continuation of Central Auditory Processing Disorder (CAPD); 2) Deafness Research Foundation; and 3) Autism Speaks. More researchers will be awarded grants to conduct studies into diverse aspects of CAPD. A total of \$260,000 has been or

Fraternally,

**Bill Allen, Grand High Priest**

## COMPTCHE OUTDOOR DEGREES

Keep Comptche on your agenda as you begin to plan for your next Stated meeting. Let your companions know what a great opportunity it is to witness the capitular degrees in an outdoor setting. Exhort your members to encourage their Blue Lodge brethren to come to Comptche and help us achieve our goal of 40 For 40 – 40 candidates for the 40th annual celebration of this festival.

## TRUMAN AND THE 33°

Taken from *The Royal Arch Mason* by Bill Denslow

For many years my late father, Ray V. Denslow, fought a running feud with Bro. John H. Cowles, the Sovereign grand commander of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction (1921-53). Dad held an honorary 33° for many years, but was unequivocally opposed to the autocratic ways of Cowles. Words led to words, letters to letters, and finally published articles. Cowles, however, had the “top card” – he withdrew Dad’s 33°!

But it was a new ball game when Truman became President in 1945, following the death of Roosevelt. The Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite wanted to give him a 33°. Truman called my father to ask his advice. As I remember, my father encouraged him to accept it “for the good of the Fraternity.” He wrote Dad on May 17, 1945 saying – “I sure appreciate it very much (Dad’s advice), and I believe we know how to handle it when the time comes. The Greeks don’t fool me” alluding to the old cliché “beware of Greeks bearing gifts”).

Truman told Cowles that he wouldn’t accept the 33° until Dad’s was returned. Shortly, my father was removed from purgatory and again enthroned. Truman received his 33° on October 19, 1945.

### **GRAND CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIPS**

**If you have the resources, please consider making a significant donation on behalf of our Masonic Youth. Send any excess cash (!) to the Grand Chapter Scholarship Program at 11428 E. Artesia Blvd, #13, Artesia, CA 90701-3872**

**Remember that all donations to the Scholarship Program are Tax Deductible, so keep this in mind as you plan your annual giving and when you pay your dues.**

### **THE CLOTHES LINE**

A line of Jackets for our York Rite bodies continues to be available at MP. ENTERPRISES. The price for red and blue is great -- \$75.00 plus tax and shipping, for sizes 34 to 49 in short, regular and tall; and \$87.00 plus tax and shipping for sizes 50 to 60, also in short, regular, and tall. Purple Jackets are little more expensive at \$95.00 for the smaller and \$107.00 for the larger. Also available are Men’s and ladies’

vests, tuxedos and shirts, pins, patches, and flags, and OES T-Shirts. Contact Patsy Baker Luy at her office: (510) 527-5728, or cell: (510) 502-3224; or email at [maxluy@hotmail.com](mailto:maxluy@hotmail.com).

### **ENCOMPASSER**

The **July 2011** edition of the Encompasser is now available on the website. Go to <http://www.yorkriteofcalifornia.org> and click on The Encompasser on the left hand toolbar. **You can help us control cost by letting us know you are willing to take the Encompasser by email only.**

**Also, it would be a great help if each Chapter, indeed each York Rite body, would order one or two two-year subscriptions for use by their membership. The cash flow would help us offset increased cost of printing and mailing. Thanks in advance for your consideration. A two-year membership costs \$40, and will get you 8 editions. Send the funds to the Grand Secretary at the address below, and Thanks in advance!**

### **PETITIONS**

New petitions and brochures about the Chapter are available on the website at:

<http://www.yorkriteofcalifornia.org/royalarch/royalarch.htm>

Simply scroll down to the lower half of the page.

### **EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Dennis Dyer, DGL, has developed access to a number of information materials related to Royal Arch Masonry. He says: “I have compiled a Royal Arch Education CD, containing numerous articles and books, with valuable assistance of two inspectors: Steve Bass and Ray Broomfield in attempt to address perceived chapter membership problems throughout the state.

“It appears more members leave through the back door via death and apathy than enter the front door after Blue Lodge outreach. Once you have a new member how do you retain him -- that is the question. I would suggest education is a way to start the process. We hear there is great interest in Masonry as evidenced by thousands of contacts at Grand Lodge

after the Dan Brown Books, with particular interest in the spiritual aspects of Masonry as taught by allegory and symbolism. Are we prepared to answer the inevitable questions? You will be better equipped to do so after digesting the contents of this CD. Optimally an action plan to retain new members would be to form an education committee after digesting the CD and planning education at every stated convocation.”

These items will soon be loaded on the Research Chapter website. Until we are able to make that happen, feel free to contact Dennis for a copy of that CD: 805-758-0043, or [ddyer39@verizon.net](mailto:ddyer39@verizon.net).

**GOLDEN STATE RESEARCH CHAPTER**

The Research Chapter hosts a website at: <http://www.goldenstatechapter.org/>, which is well worth your while accessing.

**The Research Chapter has also prepared a publication of the Grand Orations and Vesper Services message given at the Grand Sessions in April 2010. Copies are available for a suggested \$5 donation by sending a request to the High Priest. A publication for the Orations of 2011 is now available and will be distributed at our next meeting during the Annual Communication at Grand Lodge. This meeting will be held at 12:15 pm on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, place to be announced.**

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**GRAND HIGH PRIEST ITENERARY**

<b>Sep-11</b>		
Thursday, September 01	Escondido Tyre RAM	1331 S. Escondido Blvd Escondido, CA 92025

Thursday, September 01	Red Cross of Constantine Luncheon	San Diego
Saturday, September 03	Mason of the Year (Grand Master) San Diego Scottish Rite	1895 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, California 92108-3683
Tuesday, September 06	Eastern Star	Escondido
Wednesday, September 07	San Diego Scottish Rite	San Diego
Thursday, September 08 Friday, September 09 Saturday, September 10 Sunday, September 11	Redding 3-Way, Sept 9th; Chico 3-Way, Sept 10th	195 Masonic Avenue, Redding, CA 96003 1110 W. East Ave; Chico 95926-3072
Monday, September 12	Delta Chapter 2-Way	956½ Lincoln Wy; Auburn 95603-5244
Wednesday, September 14	Masonic Information Night	1895 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, California 92108-3683
Thursday, September 15	Escondido Helix, CM	1331 S. Escondido Blvd Escondido, CA 92025
Saturday, September 17	Royal Arch Degrees	1331 S. Escondido Blvd Escondido, CA 92025
Wednesday, September 21	Cryptic Masons Degrees	1331 S. Escondido Blvd Escondido, CA 92025
Friday, September 23	Grand Lodge	San Francisco
Saturday, September 24		
Sunday, September 25		
Tuesday, September 27	Eastern Star	Escondido
Wednesday, September 28	San Diego Scottish Rite 32 Practice	San Diego

Thursday 29	Reception	Tyre Chapter
<b>Oct-11</b>		
Saturday October 01	Santa Monica	Santa Monica Bay 3-Way Escondido
Tuesday, October 04	Eastern Star	
Wednesday, October 05	San Diego Scottish Rite	San Diego
Thursday, October 06	Red Cross of Constantine	San Diego
Friday, October 07	Imperial Valley Commandery	115 E. Baroni Blvd Imperial, CA 92251
Monday, October 10	Consuelo Lodge Stated Meeting	Escondido
Wednesday, October 12	Scottish Rite Information Night	San Diego
Thursday, October 13	Imperial Valley RAM/CM	115 E. Baroni Blvd Imperial, CA 92251
Friday, October 14	SR Honors - San Diego Scottish Rite	San Diego
Saturday, October 15		
Wednesday, October 19	OES Grand Chapter	Fresno
Thursday, October 20		
Friday, October 21		
Saturday, October 22		
Sunday, October 23		
Monday, October 24	Orange County Reception	303 W. Lincoln Avenue Anaheim, CA 92805
Thursday, October 27	NCSRA Dinner	Carrow's Restaurant, Escondido
Friday, October 28	SW YR Regional	Phoenix, AZ
Saturday, October 29		
Sunday, October 30		
<b>Nov-11</b>		
Tuesday, November 01	Eastern Star	Escondido
Wednesday, November 02	San Diego Scottish Rite	San Diego
Thursday, November 03	Red Cross of Constantine	San Diego
Saturday, November 05	OES Installation	Escondido
Wednesday Nov 09	32 Degree Practice	San Diego
Monday,	Consuelo Lodge Stated	Escondido

November 14	Meeting	
Wednesday, November 16	San Diego Scottish Rite	San Deigo
Thursday, November 17	Escondido Helix, CM	Escondido
Friday, November 18	SDSR Fall Reunion Dinner	San Diego
Saturday, November 19	SDSR Fall Reunion/Degrees	San Diego
Tuesday, November 22	OES PM/PP Dinner	Escondido
<b>Dec-11</b>		
Thursday, December 01	Red Cross of Constantine	San Diego
Friday, December 02	Imperial Valley Commandery	115 E. Baroni Blvd Imperial, CA 92251
Tuesday, December 06	Eastern Star	Escondido
Wednesday, December 07	San Diego Scottish Rite	San Diego
Thursday, December 08	Imperial Valley RAM/CM	115 E. Baroni Blvd Imperial, CA 92251
Monday, December 12	Consuelo Lodge Stated Meeting	Escondido
Thursday, December 22	NCSRA	Carrow's Restaurant Escondido
Thursday, December 29	Knight Masons/San Diego Scottish Rite	San Diego
<b>Jan-12</b>		
<b>Feb-12</b>		
<b>Mar-12</b>		
<b>Apr-12</b>		
<b>May-12</b>		
Saturday, May 19	Grand York Rite Sessions	Bakersfield
Sunday, May 20		
Monday, May 21	Council	
Tuesday, May 22	Commandery	
Wednesday, May 23	Chapter	

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