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## Message from the Venerable Master



Brethren,

This time of year brings with it a lot of reflection, renewal, and most importantly hope. With Remembrance and Renewal, Easter, and Passover quickly approaching there is plenty of opportunity to heed the lessons and remember the purpose of these observances. I feel that it is important in our time to really reflect on hope and the light that shines before us. A saying that is old, but that I hear more and more often now, is that, “tough times makes great men, great men make good times, good times makes weak men, and weak men make tough times.”

Doubtless many of us feel that we are in tough times. As the country, our communities, and even our families become evermore divided. But who are these great men? Historically, it's the masons. Whether Washington during the revolution, Jim Bowie at the Alamo, or Churchill during WWII. And of course countless more of our brethren were there to turn the tide of oppression and evil.

How did they do this? Well many novels could and have been written on that. I'm more interested in where it starts. It starts with hope. The knowledge that there is a better world out there, that it can be achieved. Without hope, who would have braved the winter at Valley Forge. Without hope, who would have remained in the Alamo as Santa Ana marched forward? Without hope, who would have braved the beaches in Normandy? And without hope, where could our future possibly lead?

Whatever your fears, be it for the direction of the country, the direction of the Craft, or of your lodge in particular, use this springtime to reflect on your hope for what it could be. That is the first step for any great man. And we Masons are in the business of creating great men.

Bill Burman  
Venerable Master  
Valley of El Paso

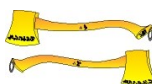
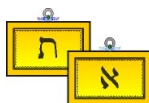
## Remembrance & Renewal

April 07, 2023

Program: 6:30 P.M.  
Dinner to follow

**RSVP by March 30, 2023 if you are planning to attend**

915-533-4409 or [Nicole@elpasoscottishrite.org](mailto:Nicole@elpasoscottishrite.org)







# Valley News

## From the Secretary's Office

Members of the Valley of El Paso:

I regret to inform you that the El Paso Scottish Rite Temple sustained some wall damage from the windstorm on Sunday, February 23, 2023. The wall façade by the back door that leads into our back parking lot, was completely destroyed and torn away from the building. There was no possible way to salvage the wall or any of the materials.

We will not have any issues or leaks due to the damage and the façade was purely for aesthetic reasons. You can tell by the pictures that the façade was simply a cosmetic attempt at disguising the portion of our building that was not brick. We also had two cameras knocked down and the outside light above the back door was destroyed.

Our in-house clean up crew spent the entire day Monday, February 27, 2023 cleaning up, hauling away the debris and reinstalling cameras and the light. A big thanks to our clean-up and fix-up crew consisting of:

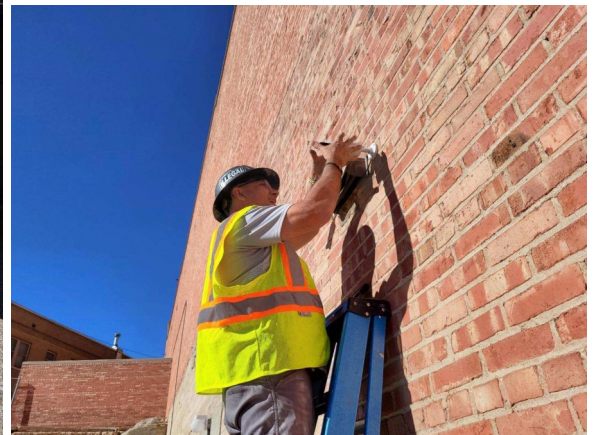
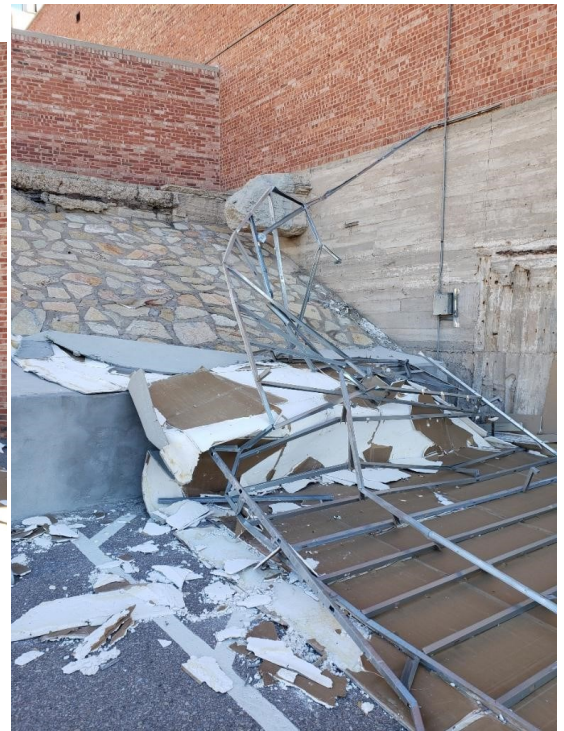
Juan Navarro, Ernie Rodriguez, Tony Villa, Larry Kane, Nicholas Quarm and Nicole Moran

At some point we will get the Board of Directors together and decide on a cause of action. One idea was to stucco the bare wall that was hidden by the façade and another suggestion was to just paint the bare wall.

If anyone has suggestion, please communicate them to our Board President, Ernie Rodriguez.

Thanks,

Larry V. Kane, 33°  
General Secretary  
El Paso Scottish Rite







*Our most sincere sympathies and condolences to all the families of our members who have passed on to a better life*



Gary L. Hargrove, 32°  
Henry A. Lavigne, 32°  
Eli H. Mabry, 32°  
Freddy L. McKee, 32°  
William C. Shellberg, Jr., 32°

05/11/1931-12/18/2022  
12/09/1934-02/07/2023  
09/08/1926-12/28/2022  
08/24/1944-02/13/2022  
10/19/1935-01/17/2023



The Knights of St. Andrew are proud to announce the El Paso Clan's newest Squire, Brother Shawn Dupri. We know he will be a good Squire, and a great Knight.



## Knights of St. Andrew

Greetings to our Scottish Rite Brothers!

The Knights of St. Andrew invite you to join us at our Stated Meetings held at 11:00AM the Saturday previous to all stated Scottish Rite meetings.

The Knights of St. Andrew is a group of brother Black Hats whos' purpose is to engage the new Scottish Rite brother with various activities including Reunion work (of all kinds), building care, and any type of service you can render to the Scottish Rite. One of the best things happening currently at the Scottish Rite is the occasional B & C (Bourbon & Cigar) Night gatherings. You neither have to drink nor smoke but these two past times seem to be something many Brothers enjoy. Just come out and share some fellowship with your brothers!

Come see what we do as Knights and how you can contribute to the continuance of our Great Edifice. The Scottish Rite Temple always has need to keep our girl as beautiful as the day she was built. If you can offer time to the upkeep of the building, that would be wonderful!

Beginning in April, the Knights of St. Andrew will be meeting on one Saturday every month for 2 hours or so to do just that. Two hours a month is not a great amount of time but many hands make light work. We aren't speaking of pouring concrete or re-bricking the building, but simple and quick chores inside and out to keep her tour worthy at all times.

And - - - come September, the KoSA will be hosting a Road Rally from the Las Cruces Scottish Rite Temple to the El Paso Scottish Rite Temple. More on that in the coming months!!!

Be well one and all and we hope to see you at the next Scottish Rite meeting or event!

Bro. Barry Boetto  
Clan Chief of the Knights of St. Andrew

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ILL. James D. Cole, 33°  
is Sovereign Grand Commander  
and

ILL. Michael L. Wiggins, 33°  
is Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Texas,  
and

Hon. Juan M. Navarro, 32° KCCH  
is Personal Representative of SGIG  
And Chairman of the Executive Committee  
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is in the hospital or Nursing home,  
or is incapacitated in any way.

<b>August 14, 2023</b>	
<b>July 10, 2023</b>	
<b>June 12, 2023</b>	
<b>May 08, 2023</b>	
<b>NO Stated Meeting in April</b>	
<b>Stated Meetings:</b>	

<b>Upcoming Events in 2022:</b>	
<b>Remembrance &amp; Renewal</b>	<b>April 07, 2023</b>
<b>Feast of Tishri</b>	<b>October 20, 2023</b>
<b>Fall Reunion</b>	<b>October 21, 2023</b>

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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