

Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots

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PHARAOH AND GRAND MASTER ATTEND SAN JOSE CORNERSTONE AWARDS



Along with 13 recipients of the Sciots Cornerstone Award are, from left to right, PP Irwin Fershleiser, Supreme Chancellor Bud Ramsey, Toparch Tom Caldwell, Pharaoh Bill Sizemore, Supreme Scribe Randy Downey, and MW Ken Nagel, Grand Master of California (far right)

San Jose Pyramid No. 9 presented their fifth annual Cornerstone Awards ceremony on July 30, at the San Jose Masonic Center. A total of thirteen (13) deserving Masons from local lodges were honored that evening, before a crowd of 175 Masons, families, and friends. Among those in attendance were seven Past Pharaohs, ten supreme officers, a number of Grand Lode officers, and the Grand Master of Masons in California.

The Cornerstone program honors one dedicated brother from each of the lodges in the area, and it has grown in popularity each year. To date, San Jose Pyramid had honored 74 deserving Masons, and many folks look forward to the event each year.

Since the inception of the program, knowledge and perception of Sciotry has grown dramatically among the Masonic community, and has proven most beneficial to both our order, and Blue Lodge Masonry. Those who

have received the award report fond memories of the event, and say they cherish the award. Many recipients have gone on to become Sciots themselves.

For information about the Sciots Cornerstone Award, and how your Pyramid can adopt the program, contact the Supreme Scribe, Randy Downey.

On the day following the Cornerstone Awards, San Jose and San Francisco Pyramid No. 1 co-hosted an official visit for the Pharaoh. During the event, an initiation was held, during which 6 new Sciots were created.

FROM THE PHARAOH

O Sciots,

The Sciot year for 2010 is fast approaching the Annual Sessions in San Diego, California. Make sure you mark your calendar and be there for fun and fellowship.

At the end of July, we were in San Jose, California visiting Pyramid # 9 and Pyramid # 1. It was a good time for all of us as Sciot Randy Downey, PP has a program that was put on in force for all of us to see and enjoy. It may give you an idea for a positive program in your area.

Semi Annual in Stockton went well and visiting with Pyramid # 5 was a joy and the ladies enjoyed the fellowship as well.

Remember we have a contest going on this year for membership. I have asked each Pyramid to start a program for visiting the local Blue Lodges in your area.

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From the Pharaoh (continued)

Get four or more Sciots to get together as a group and carpool to the Lodge and let them see first hand what we are about and how we can help their particular Lodge. Our Motto is and has always been " To Boost One another ". Let them see you practice it and hand out those petitions.

The winner of this year's contest will be the Pyramid who brings in the most new members during 2010. Get a start right now and WIN that contest so your Pyramid will be awarded the plaque in San Diego.

We should all feel PROUD to be a SCIOT and a MASON. Let's tell others about it.

To BOOST ONE ANOTHER is our Motto and putting it into action is our AIM.

Fraternally,

Bill Sizemore,
PHARAOH of ALL SCIOTRY

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPREME ARMESES

O Sciots

Summer is here and it's an excellent time to boost one another and your Blue Lodge in community activities and member drive efforts.

In the first half of June, Long Beach Pyramid 43 joined with International City lodge #389 and ran the Child ID booth at the Summer Special Olympics held at California State University Long Beach. By the efforts of Sciots and Masons working together, over 170 youths made use of this community service we provided.

In the first half of July, Long Beach Pyramid hosted a Hamburger and Hot dog BBQ Membership Drive where they invited Masons in the Long Beach area. Petitions were available for Masons to join the Pyramid after seeing the family, fun and good fellowship of a Sciots Pyramid.

At the end of July, we were in San Jose for the Visitation of San Jose and San Francisco Pyramids, and the Annual Cornerstone Ceremony hosted by the San Jose No. 9. This is a hugely successful event each year that brings Sciots and Masons together to recognize outstanding members of Blue Lodges. This year, the event was better than ever.

Don't let the summer pass you by without taking the opportunity to assist your Lodge and expose your Lodge brothers to Sciorty.

These activities provide us with many opportunities to cultivate the social and fraternal instincts, and increase the happiness of those who are now, or may

become members.

Let's remember to boost one another and I look forward to visiting with you and your Pyramids over the next months.

Fraternally,
Jan Eligh
Supreme Armeses

SUPREME PASTOPHORI'S MESSAGE

Sciots All

Our Supreme year is already more than half through. It seems we have come so far in so little time. However, we as Sciots must continue our mission to continue to bring the promise of the tenants of our organization to all. We must continue to boost all of our Blue Lodges. We must be up to the challenges of exposing our Lodge brothers to the benefits of being a Sciot.

This is a most excellent time to fill in the Lodge chairs as there are many lodges that are short of brethren who are on vacation or have other commitments and can't fill their commitment to their lodge. We here in Illinois are rebuilding. I have attended the Shrine , Scottish Rite and many Lodges handing out our Sciot Brochures. We are looking at developing a brochure that fits inside our national standard brochure that is given to all. This would reflect on what is happening in Illinois giving meeting dates and locations of our involvement with degree work. At this time we are currently in a state wide publication known as Temple Topics.

We are looking into adopting the Illinois Autism treatment Program as a local charity. This would give us more exposure to the community.

When I attended the Joint States of Wisconsin and Illinois I was honored to be invited to wear my Supreme Sciot Jacket and collar. We have the petition of The York Grand Royal Arch Chapter Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Illinois. He will become a Sciot during the Chicago O.V. This will help in our rebuilding of Illinois. So my fellow Sciots, please make every effort to attend The Chicago Visit. I must mention the hard work to make the Chicago Visit a success by our Past Pharaoh Chuck and his right hand Jan Bruggeman of Long Beach Pyramid No. 43. Due to many sicknesses and distress here in Illinois, Chuck and Jan have, through their efforts made this Official Visit happen. California and Illinois have become one.

Fraternally in Sciorty,

John M. Hammond
Supreme Pastophori 2010

FROM THE SUPREME LECTURER

O Sciots:

Our Semi-Annual Supreme Sessions are now behind us, and on behalf of Stockton Pyramid # 5, I wish to thank everyone that came out and joined with us in this event. Our membership is still declining, several of our Pyramids are experiencing difficulties, and there seems to be quite a bit of trouble attracting new members to our order. Let us all continue to promote Sciotry as best we can, and always be on the lookout for the opportunities to talk to a Brother Mason about becoming a Scot.

We do have lots to offer, but no one will know if we do not talk about it. As our Pharaoh has pointed out, it is a good thing to keep an application in your fez at all times. But, please remember to have those applications with you when you visit Blue Lodges, or Scottish Rite, York Rite Meetings. There is never a bad time to talk about Sciotry.

Fraternally

Clive W Moss, PP
Supreme Lecturer

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPREME SCRIBE

O Sciots

There is a lot I need to say, and I hope you will stay with me as I outline much of what has happened in the past several months, where we are now, and what I anticipate in the months ahead.

Supreme Transition:

As you may be aware, we had a major transition in the elected Supreme Officers at our Annual Sessions last November. As always, we elected and installed a new Pharaoh, Supreme Mobib, Armeses, and Pastophori. But also, for the first time in recent memory, we installed a new Supreme Chancellor, Supreme Scribe, and Supreme Lecturer, as well as two new Supreme Trustees. So nine out of the ten elected offices were filled by different Sciots.

The largest change was the transition of the Supreme Office from San Diego to San Jose, California, which was a cumbersome and labor intensive process. Many of the forms, publications, and materials we have used, had to be recreated from scratch – having no usable templates from previous versions. In addition, no

workable membership database existed, other than to create mailing labels.

As your new Supreme Scribe, I established goals and deadlines for myself, to keep the transition as smooth as possible, and to help to improve the state of the Supreme Pyramid and Sciotry.

The simple fact is that I did not accomplish my goals, and failed to meet my self-imposed deadlines. In the past several months, I have been slow to respond to requests for information and materials.

Many factors contributed to these difficulties, including my many other Masonic-related duties, the professional responsibilities of my two businesses, and others factors. But this does not change the fact that I accepted the responsibility of Supreme Scribe, knowing full well what the job entailed, and have not met the obligations of that position. As a result, I believe that the Order has been negatively impacted. For this, I offer no excuses, only my apologies, and my pledge of greater effort in the position to which I was elected.

Current Status:

The Supreme Pyramid directory was published in early June. I tried to make sure each Pyramid received copies. If yours did not, please let me know and I will send you a supply. Obviously, this is the first Supreme newsletter of the year. One more will be published in October.

New dues cards are on order, and should be completed by next week. Supplies of dues cards and Supreme credentials will be mailed to each Pyramid Scribe. The new dues cards are being designed to actually fit in a wallet. This is as opposed to the ones we've had previously, which had to be folded or trimmed to fit.

Past Toparch pins are also currently on order, and should be received in the office by the end of August. They should be out to each Pyramid in time for installations.

Our new insurance policy was implemented and paid for in July. A bill to each Pyramid will be going out this coming week. The good news is that our premiums were greatly reduced this year, so each proportionate bill will be lower.

Website:

We have heard from many Sciots that our website is woefully out of date. There is no question that this statement is true.

What may not be widely know is that our website has, for many years, been controlled by one individual, who is the only one to possess the log-in information to be able to update and make changes to the site. We

have thus far been unable to get control of the site, but this is a situation we are working on. Once we have control, there will be a number of immediate changes, and a number of long-term changes. The first thing to happen will be an update of all officer names, visitation dates, contact information, etc. Then, as we are able, we will begin to improve the look and usefulness of the site. Ultimately, the site will contain many resources for subordinate Pyramids, including various reporting forms, new Pyramid formation packets, and many other features which will make the site relevant and valuable to all Scots. The new webmaster will be our Supreme Chancellor, Bud Ramsey.

I cannot give you a definitive time-line for these changes, but we certainly hope to accomplish many of them prior to our Annual Sessions in November.

Looking forward:

Now that new templates for various materials have been created, future publications and forms will be significantly easier to produce, which should streamline communications. I continue to work on a comprehensive membership database, which should be completed this Supreme year. Again, this will greatly improve efficiency and communications.

I will be enlisting the assistance of another Scot to publish the newsletter, which will hopefully result in more timely delivery and improved content. I am looking for additional email addresses, as we plan to continue sending the Supreme Bulletin electronically. There are some Pyramids for which I have only a few email addresses. I'm asking Pyramid Scribes to get at many emails addresses as they can get, and forward them to me.

For the next Supreme year, I will be asking the new Pharaoh to appoint an Assistant Supreme Scribe. This person will be of great help to the Supreme Scribe, whether that office is held by me, or someone else.

I'm hopeful that his message has helped in some small degree, to let all Scots know that the Supreme Pyramid still exists, and that all enthusiasm has not been lost for our great order.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Randy Downey, PP
Supreme Scribe

SUPREME COMPETITIONS AND AWARDS

Remember that there will be a number of awards presented at the upcoming Annual Sessions, including:

Pyramid Membership Award – for the Pyramid which initiates the most members during the Supreme year (November 1, 2009 – October 31, 2010)

Best Theme Event – for the Pyramid that puts on the best overall theme event at an Official Visit, Semi-Annual, Annual, or other Supreme event

Scribe of the Year – for the Pyramid Scribe who has done all that he is supposed to do, plus that little bit extra

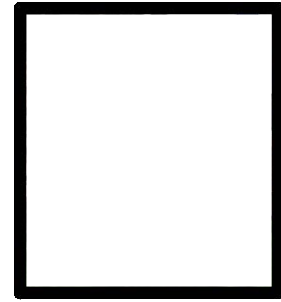
Pyramid of the Year – for the Pyramid that has the best overall program, including social events, Masonic support, youth order support, community activities, and membership. (an entry form for this competition is enclosed)

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 20-22	Pharaoh's Official Visit Illinois Pyramid No. 1 Chicago
October 8-9	Pharaoh's Homecoming Long Beach Pyramid No. 43
November 11-14	Annual Sessions San Diego Pyramid No. 32



Out with the old – in the with new
At the 2009 Annual Sessions



PHAROAH BILL SZEMORE
VISITATION TO ILLINOIS PYRAMID No. 1
AUGUST 20TH THRU 22TH, 2010
THEME: NAUTICAL

AUGUST 20, Friday

NOON - 6:00 PM Registration in Lobby at **Hilton Garden Inn** in Addison, IL (Sciots only) \$ 10.00
 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Dinner at **Medinah Shrine Oasis** (Order from menu)

AUGUST 21, Saturday

7:00 AM - 9:30 AM Breakfast Buffet included in hotel rate (Omelets made to order) - Hilton Lobby
 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Sciots Meeting (Possible candidates) - Hilton Conference Rm, 1st Floor
 11:00 AM - NOON Travel to Navy Pier in Chicago (see Toparch for travel arrangements)
 NOON - 2:00 PM Luncheon & Shopping at the Pier (On your own - Fast Food and Restaurants)
 IMPORTANT: Have your cell phone at the Pier. Meet at 2:00 PM for Boat Tour.
 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM **Cruising with the Pharaoh** (Bring cap or hat for the Boat Tour) \$30/ea No. ____ \$ ____ .00
 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Dinner at *Greek Islands* in Chicago's Greek Town \$35/ea No. ____ \$ ____ .00
 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Return to Hilton Garden Inn in Addison, IL
 7:00 PM - ? Hospitality at **Medinah Shrine Oasis** (550 Shriners Drive, Addison, Ill 60101).

AUGUST 22, Sunday

7:00 AM to 9:30 AM Breakfast Buffet included in hotel rate (Omelets made to order) - Hilton Lobby

Make Hotel Reservations directly with Hilton Garden Inn

Contact: Sabrina Fry at 1.630.705.1567 or E-mail: sabrina.fry@hilton.com

551 North Swift Rd, Addison, IL 60101

Phone: 1.630.691.0500 Fax: 1.630.691.8221

Hotel Reservations for Group Name- **SCIOTS OV** Hotel Rates **\$79.00** plus tax

Make reservations with Hilton Garden Inn before AUGUST 6, 2010



Sciot _____ **Lady/Wife** _____ **Pyramid #** _____

Registration (Sciot only).....\$ 10.00
 Saturday Boat Taxi, Cruise & Tour \$ 30.00/ea No. ____ \$ ____ .00
 Saturday Dinner \$ 35.00/ea No. ____ \$ ____ .00

Make Check payable to: **Illinois Pyramid No. 1** Amount Enclosed \$ _____ **Must be received by Aug 6, 2010.**

Mail check & flyer to Scribe: **John Eichler, 1559 S. Hull Ave., Westchester, IL 60154** Ph: 708.338.3207, fax: 708.865.8467

Any Visitation question, call Toparch: **Michael C. Serapin** at 1.708.790.5513 or E-mail: mikeycoe@aol.com

Call **John Hammond** at 1.847.967.8033 or E-mail: john60053@gmail.com with your flight information.



SAN DIEGO PYRAMID NO. 32
100th Annual Supreme Session
 Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots
 November 11-14, 2010



Hilton San Diego/Del Mar
 15575 Jimmy Durante Blvd.
 Del Mar, CA 92014
 Tel:(858) 792-5200 Fax:(858) 792-9538

Thursday, November 11

1:00-4:00 pm---Registration-Hotel Lobby -----(Sciots Only) \$10.00

4:00-6:00 pm---Hospitality Suite Open

7:00-9:00 pm---**Pharaoh's Banquet-Supreme Attire**

Grilled Tilapia served with Grilled Tomatoes -----No._____ @ \$30 \$_____

Island Chicken Breast w/Grilled Pineapples Slices -----No._____ @ \$30 \$_____

Friday, November 12

9:00 am-Noon--Late Registration-Hospitality Suite

9:00 am-Noon--Supreme Session

Noon--**Ladies' Luncheon- All Sciots Welcome** No._____ @ \$20 \$_____

“Derby Deli”

Past Pharaohs' Luncheon (Restaurant location to be announced)

1:00-4:00 pm---Supreme Session Re-convenes

6:00-10:00 pm—**Izzers & Wuzzers Banquet** Theme: The Wide World of Sports

Wearing sporting attire is encouraged No._____ @ \$30 \$_____

Saturday, November 13

9:00-11:00 am---Supreme Session Re-convenes

Noon---**Past Pharaohs' & Ladies' Luncheon**-Restaurant TBD

2:00-3:00 pm---Installation Rehearsal

5:00-6:30 pm---Installation Ceremony

7:00-10:00 pm--Installation Dinner (Formal)

Flat Iron Steak with Roasted Shallot Sauce -----No._____ @ \$30 \$_____

Rosemary Chicken with roasted tomato/shallot sauce -----No._____ @ \$30 \$_____

Sunday, November 14

8:00-9:30 am---**Pharaoh's "Del Mar Sunrise" Breakfast** (Casual) No._____ @ \$18 \$_____

Make hotel accommodations with Hilton San Diego/Del Mar prior to October 12, 2010. Mention: Sciots-Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots for discounted room rate of \$89 + 12.57% tax, per night. Daily Parking: \$7.00 for self & \$9.00 for valet.



~SCIOTS 2010 SUPREME SESSION~

Check for Registration and Meals payable to: Elizabeth Stanley, prior to October 12, 2010.

Mail to: Elizabeth Stanley, 1511 El Prado Ave, Lemon Grove, CA 91945-4314 Phone: (619) 335-0330

Registration-\$10.00 Sciot _____ Pyramid No. _____ Lady _____

Thursday

___ Tilapia

___ Chicken

Friday

___ Ladies Lunch

___ Izzers/Wuzzer

Saturday

___ Steak

___ Chicken

Sunday

___ Pharaoh's Breakfast

Amount Enclosed:

\$ _____

PYRAMID OF THE YEAR AWARD

PARTICIPATION FORM

Pyramid No. _____

Pyramid Meeting Dates: (List dates of each Pyramid meeting – Oct – Sep [One date per box])

Social Events: (List all Pyramid social events, including date and type of event)

Date	Event Description	Date	Event Description

Blue Lodge Support Events: (List all events, including date and type of event)

Date	Event Description	Date	Event Description

Masonic Youth Support Events: (List all events, including date and type of event)

Date	Event Description	Date	Event Description

Supreme Bulletin Articles Submitted: (List dates of submissions and article subject)

Date	Article Description	Date	Article Description

Elected Supreme Officers 2010

William Sizemore (43) (Lynda).....Pharaoh
George Copus (32).....Supreme Mobib
Jan Eligh (43) (Margaret).....Supreme Armeses
John Hammond (IL1) (Laura).....Supreme Pastophori
Bud Ramsey, (9) (Susan).....Supreme Chancellor
Randy Downey, PP (9) (Micki).....Supreme Scribe
Clive Moss, PP (5) (Betsy).....Supreme Lecturer
Richard Lewis (11) (Violet).....Supreme Trustee 1 yr.
Doug Hudson (32) (Dawn).....Supreme Trustee 2 yr.
Bryan Frymire (5) (Victoria).....Supreme Trustee 3 yr.

Deputy Pharaohs 2010

John Conlon (1) (Dell).....San Francisco No. 1
Stephen Fowler (5).....Stockton No. 5
Tom Tefft (9) (Sue).....San Jose No. 9
Tom Krummell (11) (Marcia).....Sciots Tract No. 11
John Bolt (15) (Dani).....Modesto No. 15
Neal Leonard, PP (32).....San Diego No. 32
Fred Bon (43) (Tammy).....Long Beach No. 43
Raymond Thorne (HE1).....Harold D. Elliott No. 1
Roger Qunitana (NJ2).....New Jersey No. 2
Howard Schermerhorn (IL1) (Grace).....Illinois No. 1

Appointed Supreme Officers 2010

Chris Frymire (5) (Chris).....Supreme Mazai
John Hanley, (43) Christine).....Supreme Marshal
Neal Leonard, PP (32).....Supreme Proclamator
Irwin Fershleiser, PP (9).....Supreme Chaplain
Roger Quintana (NJ2).....Supreme Standard Bearer
Emil Cevik (9) (Koray).....Supreme Klashr
Al Jump, Jr. (11) (Anita).....Supreme Neokori
Bob Morgan (9) (Carol).....Supreme Auditor
Robert A. (Rob) Reynolds (43) (Kris).Supreme Parliamentarian
Saul Tischler (HE1) (Mae).....Supreme Historian
James Walsh (43).....Supreme Chief-of-the-me
Chuck Mignosa (9) (Eileen).....Supreme Mystic
George Apt (9) (Caroline).....Supreme Mohar CA South
Chuck Silverman (9) (Maxine).....Supreme Mohar CA North
Saul Tischler (HE1) (Mae).....Supreme Mohar NJ
Manny Roth (IL1).....Supreme Mohar IL
Chuck Bruggeman, PP (43) (Jan).....Pharaoh's Aide