



ANCIENT EGYPTIAN ORDER
OF SCIOTS
1905-2024

A Tradition of Boosting Masonry

Inquiring Minds Want To Know!



**Who and
What are the
Ancient
Egyptian
Order of Sciots**



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Sciotry 2024



Sciots History

1/1905

Formed in San Francisco as

“The Booster Club”

1/23/1910

Recognized by the Grand Lodge of California as

“The Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots”

Our Moto

“Boost One Another”

Sciotry is a Masonic Organization established in 1910 dedicated to uniting all Master Masons in a closer bond of Friendship, Fellowship and Cooperation

In 1905, a number of Masons met in Mission Masonic Temple, in the City of San Francisco, for the purpose of forming a social club, where Masons could get together on an equal footing, free from the restraint of the lodge room, yet organized for the purpose of furthering Masonic teachings and applying, in a practical way, in everyday business affairs, the teachings of the fraternity.

The idea was an instant success. It was recognized that such an Organization filled a long-felt need because it brought the brethren into close contact in their daily lives; fostering the true spirit of fraternity; caused men to forget their worries, troubles, and cares of life; made them look upon the brighter side of things; and gave them new hope and joy.

Founder of Sciotry



- ▣ Charles H.S. Pratt (1862-1931)
- ▣ Member of Mission Lodge, San Francisco

The Founding of the Order

- ❑ “The Boosters” first met in Mission Lodge in San Francisco in 1905.
- ❑ Later, Pratt would come to be known as “Daddy Pratt” for his role in the founding of the order.
- ❑ The motto, “Boost One Another” was adopted.
- ❑ First Ceremonial and Banquet was held at Pioneer Hall in San Francisco on December 12, 1905.

Early History of the Order

- ❑ The first test of the order was the San Francisco earthquake on April 18, 1906. Mission Masonic Temple was destroyed, along with a number of other Masonic buildings in the city.
- ❑ The Boosters spearheaded fundraising to help rebuild Masonic buildings.
- ❑ They also created a Masonic Employment Bureau, to assist Masons in finding work, since so many had lost jobs due to the earthquake.

Early History of the Order

- ❑ In 1910, the name was changed to Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots.
- ❑ The ritual and constitution were written and adopted.
- ❑ Charles Pratt was elected the first Pharaoh and served for three years.
- ❑ The first 21 Supreme Pyramid annual sessions were held in San Francisco

Early History of the Order

- ❑ At the 1929 annual session, the Supreme Pyramid voted to incorporate
- ❑ Articles of Incorporation were filed with the CA Secretary of State on October 31, 1930.
- ❑ Frank S. Land, founder of the Order of DeMolay, came to California in 1921. Sciotry provided him a car and driver, and he and visited all of the Pyramids. He became a Sciot, and laid the foundation for Sciot sponsorship of DeMolay chapters.

Subordinate Pyramids History By Number and Location

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|---|----------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1 | San Francisco (1910) | 8 | Alameda |
| | (Active) | 9 | San Jose (1920) (Active) |
| 2 | Oakland | 10 | Fresno (1920) |
| 3 | Sacramento | 11 | Bakersfield (1920) |
| 4 | Los Angeles | 11 | North Sacramento |
| 5 | Stockton | | Sciots Tract |
| 6 | Woodland | | Gold Country |
| 7 | Vallejo | 12 | Taft |
| | Silverado | | |

Subordinate Pyramids

- ▣ 13 Berkeley (1920)
- ▣ 14 Merced
- ▣ 15 Modesto
- ▣ 16 Hollister (1921)
 Watsonville
- ▣ 17 Chico
- ▣ 18 Palo Alto
- ▣ 19 Oroville
- ▣ 20 Eureka
- ▣ 21 Willows (1922)
- ▣ 22 Dunsmuir (1922)
- ▣ 23 Marysville (1922)
- ▣ 24 Antioch (1922)
 Pittsburg
 Mt. Diablo
- ▣ 25 San Mateo (1922)

Subordinate Pyramids

- 26 Visalia (1922)
- 27 Redding (1922)
- 28 Red Bluff (1922)
- 29 San Luis Obispo (1922)
- 30 Los Angeles (1922)
- 31 Marin (1922)
- 32 San Diego (1922)
- 33 Salinas
- 34 Santa Barbara
- 35 ?
- 36 ?
- 37 ?
- 38 San Bernardino
- 39 ?
- 40 ?

Subordinate Pyramids

- 41 Santa Ana
- 42 Richmond
- 43 Long Beach (Active)
- 44 Pasadena
- 45 Escondido
- 46 El Cairo (LA County)
- 47 Santa Monica Bay
(closed 1994)
- 48 Huntington Park
- 49 Sierra Nevada
- 50 El Sereno
- 51 ?
- 52 Mer-En-Onet (LA)
- 53 Santa Maria
- 54 Bakersfield
- 55 Southwestern (SD)
- 56 Bert Kirkpatrick
- 57 Culver Palms
- 58 South Bay (LA)
- 59 Los Angeles (Active)

Subordinate Pyramids

- ▣ Arizona 1 (Phoenix)
Chartered 1927
- ▣ Arizona 2
- ▣ Harold Elliot 1 (Burlington, NJ)
- ▣ New Jersey 2
- ▣ New Jersey 3 (Metuchen)
(Active)
- ▣ Illinois 1 (Chicago) (Active)
- ▣ Reno 1 (Nevada) Instituted
1/27/23
- ▣ Mexico 1 (?)
- ▣ Mexico 2 (?)
- ▣ Oregon-Portland 1
- ▣ Washington State-Seattle 1

33 new members were initiated in Los Angeles 59 in 2022!



Interesting Facts about Pyramids

- ❑ Reno, Phoenix, and Stockton Pyramids had their own buildings which were used by other organizations for events.

Reno Clubhouse – was also a place where Masons could stay the night, like a YMCA. They also had a bar with drink tokens that could be given to members and visitors.

Phoenix Sciots Auditorium hosted large events and was a central point in the city. It was located at 3720 N. Central Ave., Phoenix

Interesting Facts about Pyramids

- ❑ Stockton Pyramid building, located downtown, was used by lodges and many other Masonic bodies. They had an Egyptian themed stage.



STAGE, SCIOTO AUDITORIUM, STOCKTON PYRAMID.

Interesting Facts about Pyramids

- ❑ There were at least two Pyramids in Mexico, believed to be in Baja. We have records attesting to the attendance of representatives of Sciots from Mexico attending a Supreme Session
- ❑ A decree from the Pharaoh in September, 1986, said that “all Mexican Pyramids are no longer recognized.” This is believed to be due to competing Mexico Grand Lodges, and recognition issues with CA Grand Lodge.

Interesting Facts about Pyramids

- ❑ We have a newspaper article regarding the 1929 Supreme session in San Francisco, indicating there were Sciots present from Oregon, Washington, Nevada, and California.
- ❑ We have a newspaper article from 1929, indicated the B'nai B'rith basketball team showed up in Tacoma to play against the Tacoma Sciots.

SCIOTS OF NOTE

- ❑ Luther Burbank (Pioneer in Agricultural Science)
- ❑ Charles Lindbergh (World Famous Aviator)
- ❑ William Stephens (Governor of California)
- ❑ Frank S. Land (Founder of DeMolay)
- ❑ Barry Goldwater
(US Senator)



Our ceremonies are based on the practical democracy of the Greeks under the League of Neighbors (Amphictyony) as practiced on the rugged island of Chios.

Legend tells that the island's inhabitants, the Sciots-a gentle and caring group, sojourned to deliver the fruits of their native island to the Pharaoh of Egypt in about 1124 B.C., some sixty years after the fall of Troy.



Sciotry Structure



Supreme Pyramid and Officers

Pharaoh

Supported by the Supreme Officers

Mobib, Armeses, Pastophori, Klaschr,
Marshal and others

Individual Pyramids

Toparch

With other officers with titles which are the same as the Supreme Pyramid Officers.

The Goal of Sciotry

Our most important goal is

**To Boost Masonry and
connect with our local
Blue Lodges.**

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The Cornerstone Awards

The Cornerstone award recognizes an outstanding Mason from each lodge in each Pyramids district.



Charity and Philanthropy

The Sciots Foundation

In collaboration with UC Davis Mind Institute and its affiliates nationwide provide research and rehabilitation for children with

- Autism Spectrum Disorder**
- Fragile X Syndrome**
- ADHD or Typical Development**
- Autism Spectrum Disorder, Down Syndrome or Developmental Delays (without ASD and much more)**

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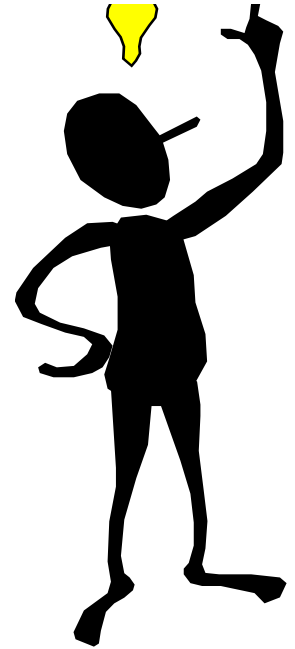


Benefits children across the United States.

www.sciotsfoundation.org

What makes Sciotry so special?

Great question!



Boosting Masons Since 1905 Makes Us Special!

Social activities include the entire family promoting the stronger bonds of family in these difficult times.

"Social Nights" range from sporting events, dinners, movies and museums

Monthly dinner meetings provide a nice evening out for you and your family socializing with other Sciots and their families.

Boosting Masons Since 1905 Makes Us Special!

Masonic Ritualists!

If you enjoy Ritual, you will have the opportunity to display your Ritual expertise by filling in at local lodges when they need an extra brother in order to put on a degree. This helps local Lodges with the Masonic Degrees!

Boosting Masons Since 1905 Makes Us Special!

Sciotry is FUN!

Sciotry is a Social Entity devoted to fun and dedicated to uniting all Master Masons in a closer bond of

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QUESTIONS

Thank You!

