

## The PEER GAZETTE

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#### FROM THE DEPUTY, ORIENT OF THE FAR EAST S.G.I.G. DANIEL R. POOLE, 33°

#### **Greetings Fraters:**

What an awesome 45th Annual Orient Of The Far East Council of Deliberation (FECOD)! The attendance, fellowship, and support was nothing less than outstanding. Our 45th Annual FECOD met during the same time as the Far East District Session for the MWPHGL of Washington. This allowed our Brothers and Sisters to come together during one set time-frame to attended to and take care of our Masonic Business for several Houses—Heroines of Jericho (HOJ); Order of the Eastern Star (OES); Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite (AASR); and Ancient Craft Masonry (Blue House), and to fellowship. The 'buzzwords' that kept being repeated during this Dual Session, were "this is a Family Reunion", and it really felt that way! To Most Worshipful Gregory D. Wraggs and Staff, thank you, for the support demonstrated and given to our Far East Council! The mutual respect of each organization at the highest levels is just one of the reasons this Dual Session was a great success. And to the Most Ancient Grand Matron and the Grand Worthy Matron, thank you too, for your support and participation. This Dual Session will be well remembered by all in attendance, and looking forward to our continuous collaboration of future Dual Sessions.

As we continue to move forward and upward, it is my sincere wish and reminder to each of you, to please continue to support each other, and be the distinguished gentleman that others are proud of and want to emulate. Keep doing what we are doing in the community; we really do make a difference!

I look forward to seeing as many as we can at the upcoming 134th Annual United Supreme Council Session in Chicago, May 22-26, 2015. Best wishes and God's Blessing In All You Do!

Yours in Service,

#### Daniel R. Poole

S.G.I.G. Daniel R. Poole, 33° Deputy, Orient Of The Far East January 1—April 30, 2015

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#### **Dates and Time**

Orient Of The Far East 45th Council of Deliberation Seoul, Korea Host: J.C. Logan #114

April 7-12, 2015

#### **Special points of interest:**

**Annual Session of the United Supreme Council** A.A.S.R., PHA, NJ, USA, Inc.

May 22-26, 2015 Chicago Marriott Downtown

May 27-31, 2016 Philadelphia Marriott Downtown

May 26-30, 2017 **Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center Hotel** 

May 25-29, 2018 **Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel** 



## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015**



**JANUARY** 

HAPPY NEW YEAR

9-11 USC Deputies Conference Philadelphia, PA

**APRIL** 

7-12 45th Annual Far East
Council of Deliberation
(FECOD)
Seoul, Korea
J.C. Logan Consistory No. 114
(Host)

**JULY** 

13-15 112th Annual Session, Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Washington State and Jurisdiction, Seattle, WA

Red Lion Hotel Pasco 2525 N. 20th Avenue Pasco, WA 99301 509-547-0701 http://www.redlion.com/pasco

**OCTOBER** 

**TBD** 

**FEBRUARY** 

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**HAPPY** 

**PRESIDENTS** 

DAY

MAY

22-26 134th Annual Session of the United Supreme Council A.A.S.R., PHA, NJ, USA, Inc.

Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile 540 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611

**AUGUST** 

**TBD** 

**NOVEMBER** 

**TBD** 

**MARCH** 

**WELCOME** 

**MARCH** 

**MADNESS** 

**JUNE** 

**TBD** 

**SEPTEMBER** 

12-13 Washington/Oregon State COD Seattle, WA

**DECEMBER** 

**TBD** 





#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

#### The Seoul American Anti Bullying Program

The Far East Orient Council of Deliberation was happy to partner with the Seoul American Middle School Anti Bullying Program. The Seoul American Anti Bullying Program is a comprehensive approach that includes school wide, classroom, individual, and community components. The program is focused on long-term change that creates a safe and positive school climate. The program's goals are to reduce and prevent bullying problems among schoolchildren and to improve peer relations at the school. The program has been found to reduce bullying among students, improve the social climate of classrooms, and reduce related antisocial behaviors, such as vandalism and truancy. The Council donated \$250 to this noteworthy program. The program's sponsor Mrs. Maria Buchwald received the donation and thanked the council for its generosity.









#### **SPOTLIGHT—33° PROFILE**

#### ORIENT OF THE FAR EAST G.I.G. Ervin M.C. White, 33° KEYSTONE CONSISTORY NO. 85



#### **Ancient Craft Offices**:

Torii Lodge No. 46—1976 Treasurer, Torii Lodge No. 46, 1990—1995 HWM, Torii Lodge No. 46—2007

#### **Scottish Rite Offices**:

Keystone Consistory No. 85—1985 Commander-In-Chief, Keystone Consistory No. 85, 1995—1998 Illustrious 1st Lt Commander, Keystone Consistory No. 85—1994 Illustrious 2d Lt Commander, Keystone Consistory No. 85—1993 Commander-In-Chief, Keystone Consistory No. 85—2000 Grand Inspector General, Keystone Consistory No. 85—1998 33rd Advisor, Keystone Consistory No. 85, 2001—2011

#### Shrine Offices:

Obelisk Temple No. 187—1985 Treasurer, Obelisk Temple No. 187, 1990—1995 HPP, Obelisk Temple No. 187—2006

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United States Marine Corps 1960—1987 USMC Postal Service 1960—1987 Housing Management Assistant 1992—2007

**Hobbies**: Computers

#### **Community Organizations:**

VFW—Life Member, Post 14000





45TH ANNUAL COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION ORIENT OF THE FAR EAST **APRIL 7-12, 2015** SOUL, KOREA **HOST CONSISTORY: J.C. LOGAN NO. 114** 

















































#### WHO IS "ADONIRAM" AND WHAT IS HIS SIGNIFICANCE TO THE A.A.S.R.?

The Lodge of Perfection within the A.A.S.R. is comprised of degrees 4 to 14 and address the period of time after the death of GMHA to the discovery of the lost word. Throughout its degrees, there is a character that is mentioned quite often. His name is Adoniram, also referred to as "Adoniram Ben Abada." We'll begin with who Adoniram was and then discuss his significance within the A.A.S.R., more specifically the Lodge of Perfection. So, who is Adoniram?

According to Albert Pike's Masonic Formulas and Rituals, Adoniram is said to be the son of Abada, spelled "Abda" in some documents, of the tribe of Dan (1783, Franken), and was the inspector of the workmen on Mount Lebanon where the timbers supplied to build King Solomon's Temple were prepared. Additionally, it's stated that he was GMHA's father-in-law. (2010, De Hoyos)

In the 4th degree, Secret Master, Adoniram is styled as Warden and acts as inspector. (1783, Francken) He is also said to be the first Secret Master. (2010, DeHoyos)

In the 5th degree, Perfect Master, Adoniram is said to have been appointed as Chief Architect of the Temple by King Solomon after GMHA's death and tasked with planning and carrying out the funeral service for GMHA. He is styled "Venerable" and one of his duties is "to preside over the work; to brighten the chain of friendship; expound the ancient tradition of the craft; dispense the charities of the lodge; maintain its honor, and labor to advance the interests of Freemasonry." (1962, Pike) He constructed a mausoleum to commemorate the memory of GMHA. This edifice was surmounted by a triangular Obelisk composed of black Egyptian marble, upon which was the great urn which GMHA's heart was deposited, and pierced with a sword. He completed this great work in 9 days. (1962, Pike)

In the 8th degree, Intendant of the Building, he is "President of the Intendants" and Superintendent of the Work, "whose duty is to encourage the timid, to repress the forward and to reward the worthy." (1988, Hutchens) It is stated in this degree that GMHA, prior to his death, communicated the knowledge that he had learned from the sacred books of the Magi of Persia and the Egyptian Priests to five workers in which he held in high esteem. The most proficient and wisest of them was Adoniram. It is believed that GMHA favored Adoniram so much that he often entrusted him to superintend the entire work. (1962, Pike)

In the 10th Degree, Elu of Fifteen, according to the Liturgy of the A.A.S.R., 4 to 14 Degree by Albert Pike, Adoniram is mentioned as being told by King Solomon to prepare an urn for balloting in which the names of six workmen were drawn. These individuals were to unite with the Elu of Nine to make up the Elu of Fifteen. The Elu of Fifteen was tasked by King Solomon to travel to the country of Gath, search for and take into custody GMHA's two remaining assassins, and bring them back to King Solomon for justice.

In the 11th Degree, Elu of Twelve, Adoniram is styled the Junior Warden. (1962, Pike)

In the 12th Degree, Master Architect, Adoniram is said to be the first person conferred this degree. After Being appointed Chief Architect of the Temple, successor to GMHA, Chief of the Five Intendants, and having demonstrated superb proficiency in his skills and the sciences of an architect, the degree was conferred upon him as an investiture of that office. (1962, Pike) The importance of this honor should not be underestimated or minimized because the Master Architect degree teaches that "the ablest, wisest and best of every nation should be its leaders." (1988, Hutchens) It is reasonable to believe that King Solomon bestowed this honor upon Adoniram because he was the most skilled of the workman and exhibited those truly commendable Masonic virtues and characteristics just as GMHA did.





#### WHO IS "ADONIRAM" AND WHAT IS HIS SIGNIFICANCE TO THE A.A.S.R.? — CONTINUED

In the 13th Degree, Royal Arch of Solomon, Adoniram is the Junior Warden and styled "Inspector", and is one of the three workmen credited with discovering that which was lost, "The True and Ineffable Name of God." (1962, Pike)

Finally, in the 14th Degree, Perfect Elu, he is described as "Adoniram, the son of Abada, who was over the workmen at the building of the temple...the symbol to us of the harmony of the universe, result of the Wisdom and Power of God; of that Harmony which is the fruit of Reason and Faith, acting in their proper spheres; of the moral Harmony that is the result of the equilibrium of Reason and the Passions, the moral sense and the sensual appetites; and of that which flows from the coexistence of Constitutional Liberty and salutary Power directed by Wisdom." (1962, Pike) Furthermore, according to the Scottish Rite Ritual, Monitor and Guide, both King Solomon and King Hiram of Tyre held Adoniram in such high regard for his works, deeds and character, that they together communicated the "Lost Word" to him.

As you can see, Adoniram also known as "Adoniram Ben Abada" played a great role in the building of the temple after the death of our GMHA and is very significant to the A.A.S.R. degrees within the Lodge of Perfection. He too, as GMHA, exhibited those Masonic qualities and characteristics that we all strive to emulate. It's my opinion that as Scottish Rite Masons, we all represent Adoniram, being that we too are continuing with the building of our own Temple. My objective was to give you a more in-depth knowledge as to who Adoniram was and his significance to the A.A.S.R., more specifically the Lodge of Perfection. I hope that I have achieved that objective and you have gained a little more knowledge about this important Masonic figure we know as Adoniram.

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And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he sinned he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.

James 5:15-16 (HBV)

#### SICKNESS AND DISTRESS\*

#### FROM THE DEPUTY, ORIENT OF THE FAR EAST

The following Brethren, Orient Of The Far East, are currently ill and or shut in, and experiencing other medical and life challenges:

S.G.I.G. Victor S. Baxter, Sr., 33°, No. 85 G.I.G. Robert L. Deloney, 33°, No. 85 G.I.G. Authuree Bellanger, 33°, No. 111

Govern yourselves accordingly, keeping these Brethren and family members in prayer, and offer your assistance.

\*Please notify G.I.G. Rodney K. Matthews, 33° at e-mail mattdog 388@yahoo.com, of any Sickness and Distress.

#### **DUES REMINDER**

Have you paid your dues for 2015?

Your local Consistory Dues should be paid on or before December 31 of each year.

United Supreme Council (USC) dues are October to October each calendar year.

Far East Commanders of the Rite (FECOR) Dues should be paid on or before January 15 of each year.

#### MEMBERSHIP ROSTER REMINDER

The Thirty-Third Membership Roster is always a 'Work in Progress'. Please update your current information, e.g., preferred mailing address, preferred telephone numbers (home, cell, work), and preferred e-mail address. Please contact S.G.I.G. Harry Jernigan, with your current information:

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### PRINCE HALL CREED

I believe in God, the Grand Architect of the Universe.

The Alpha of the un-reckoned yesterdays, the Omega of the impenetrable tomorrows.

The Beginning and the Ending.

I believe in man, potentially God's other self.
Often faltering on his way upward,
but irrepressible in the urge to scale the spiritual
Annapurna's.

I believe in Free Masonry; that corporate adventure in universal brotherhood, despising kinship with no child of the All Father.

I believe in Prince Hall Masonry; a door of benevolence, securely tiled against the unworthy, but open wide to men of good rapport, whether Aryan or Hottentots.

I believe in Masonic Vows; the troths of true men, plighted to their better selves.

#### MOTTOS OF THE SCOTTISH RITE

**Latin phrases familiar to Scottish Rite Masons:** 

"Deus Meumque Jus"--God and My Right
"Spes Mea in Deo Est"--My Hope is in God
"Laborare Est Orare"--To Work is to Worship
"Ordo ab Chao"--Order out of Chaos
"Fiat Lux et Lux Fit"--Let there be Light and there is Light
"Lux e Tenebris"--Light out of Darkness
"Virtus Junxit Mors Non Separabit"
(Whom virtue unites, death will not separate).



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## **NOTES**

