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### RENOVATION UPDATE FOR JANUARY 2013

URING JANUARY 2013, the Renovation Team continued investigation of the Entrance Level windows including paint analysis of the interior sash and exterior frame of the windows as well as the finish treatment of the metal grilles on the exterior of the windows. The paint analysis was revealing and unexpected! With the information gained from this investigation, the team has a better understanding of cost and schedule associated with the window restoration. On the exterior of the building the accessible entrance is being integrated into the landscape master plan.

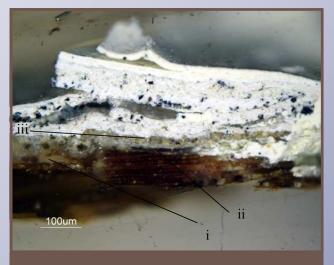


The paint analysis on the interior of the window sash indicates the windows were originally faux painted to simulate oak and subsequently repainted to simulate mahogany which is consistent with the interior window surround.

Camera Type: Nikon DXM 1200f Digital Camera Imaging Software: Nikon Act 1 File Type: JPEG



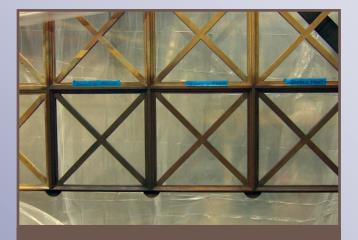
Three different solvents were tested to determine the most effective removal technique without adversely impact the wood sash.



Paint analysis of the exterior window trim indicates the original paint color is a warm dark gray color similar to "Dash of Pepper" by Benjamin Moore.



The existing grilles were over painted with paint at some point in the past. The team test multiple chemical strippers and media blast techniques to remove the paint without impacting the bronze grille. A medium grit glass bead was determined to be the most effective means.



Three different levels of chemical patination were prepared to determine which treatment best matched the original finish. A clear coat will be applied over the treatment to stop the oxidation process and protect the grilles.



The bronze grilles were sand cast. In the cooling process the grilles shrank creating stress fractures in the finish. Some of these cracks were repaired with solder prior to application of the finish treatments. The sand casting process also revealed some "rough" edges.

## FURTHER YOUR INVOLVEMENT WITH **CELEBRATING THE CRAFT (CTC)**

**W**E ARE NEARING THE FEBRUARY 28 DEADLINE for video entries into our two programs: SCOTTISH **RITE HAS TALENT** and SCOTTISH **RITE HEROES**. Up until the deadline, the Development Office will be doing our best to promote the two programs to ensure that we receive as many entries as possible. Both are scheduled to be significant elements of CTC, thus we have put a great emphasis on them so far in 2013. To date, we are thrilled to announce that we have entries from the Orients of Alabama, Japan, California, Tennessee, West Virginia, Georgia, Virginia, and Oregon.

We again are asking for you to help us with the task of promotion by encouraging Brothers to submit video entries into Scottish Rite Has Talent and/or Scottish Rite Heroes. All of the details regarding both programs can be found on our website:

http://scottishrite.org/giving/talent http://scottishrite.org/giving/heroes http://scottishrite.org/giving/celebrate

# Again, the deadline for these video submissions is **FEBRUARY 28 11:59 pm EST**.

Another type of video we have asked our Valleys to submit to us is video footage featuring their work with local philanthropies. While we have not put much focus on asking for these videos, we would love to receive content from any of our Valleys that would like to talk about and show the work that they do on a local level. These videos can feature any charitable efforts that the Valley takes part in (from Rite Care to scholarship programs) that they are proud of. There is no deadline for these video submissions, but the earlier they are submitted, the greater chance they will be able to be aired during the show.

All of this material we are looking to gather and asking for your help with will assist in **CTC** being more about



the entirety of our organization and what is taking place on a grassroots level with our members.

### SCHEDULE A SKYPE CALL WITH US

If Valleys within your Orient are planning an event surrounding **CTC**, we want to Skype with them live during the webcast. We are asking for Valleys hosting events to contact us as soon as possible to schedule a time that would work best for them to say hello from their area of the country during **CTC**. Skype is an easy to use computer application that would allow for the working staff and hosts of **CTC** to interact with Valleys face to face through a video phone call. Requests to schedule a Skype call should be made to Allison Godfrey of the Development Office at 202–777–3196 or agodfrey@scottishrite.org.

### PROMOTIONAL TOOL AVAILABLE

As a way to help your Orient advertise **CTC**, we have created a promotional flyer that is available as a pdf document to download on our website at <u>http://scottishrite.</u> <u>org/giving/celebrate</u>. The flyer contains basic information regarding the details of **CTC**. We thought this would be useful for Valley leadership to print out and distribute or have available for their members. Feel free to print out this flyer and use as you see fit as a way to remind members of the show.



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