## Richmond Double Eagle

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#### **Greetings Scottish Rite Masons:**

Thanks to all who participated in the Reunion last weekend. It was a nice gathering for our Brethren, and I think the candidates really enjoyed themselves. Please introduce yourself to our NEWEST SR Masons when you see them.

The stated meeting is coming up FAST, so please make your plans to be with us on May 20. I look forward to a great night together. Ray McAllister will be with us to talk about his books based on the Outer Banks and share stories from his years with the Times Dispatch and Boomer Magazine.

We announced a new event for the Scottish Rite. We will be having a CAR SHOW on Sept. 21. Proceeds will support our Childhood Language Center and be a great way to bring out new friends, old friends, and introduce the public to the Scottish Rite and CLC. All Blue Lodge Masons are invited to join in the fellowship. If you know someone with a classic car they want to show off, this is their chance. We will also be looking for help with sponsorships. Volunteers are needed and will be greatly appreciated! Brothers Ron Rese, Willie Byars, Jack Moorman, and David Dubois have all stepped up to help already but we have more work to do.

Thanks for being a Scottish Rite Mason!

**Terry Hilton** 



VMAP Committee
Whit Hanscom

#### Brethren,

The Valley Membership Achievement Project (VMAP) was established to help each Valley carry out its service to the Scottish Rite by providing the very best experience for its Members. VMAP requirements are broken into eleven (11) specific subject areas which cover the full scope of the Scottish Rite experience. Since we are the 3<sup>rd</sup> month of the year, the 1<sup>st</sup> three subject areas are 1) Membership Retention / Engagement 2) Scottish Rite Education for Members 3) Membership Recruitment. Each one of these sections provides a list of items that we should be doing to assure a well-established Valley and the best experience for our Members. Having assisted Bro. Lin Spears in the 2018 VMAP submission, I can say with confidence that we scored well in these three subjects, as we did in all of them. However, there is always room to grow, and I look forward to meeting with Venerable Terry Hilton to receive his direction on how we can improve and take our VMAP Program to the next level. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to assist the Valley in this capacity. I truly look forward to this experience and helping our Venerable Master achieve his goals for 2019. God bless everyone.

#### Whit Hanscom, 32 ° VMAP Committee

#### Brethren,

I congratulate all who had any part in the Spring Reunion that we had on April 26-27. It was a job well done and you all should be proud to be part of it! We had a class of 7 that I am sure will bring good things to our valley. When you see one of them, introduce yourself and ask if you can assist them in any way. Remember that overwhelmed feeling we had when we first came in? Our goal is for them to have as good an experience in the Scottish Rite as we have had.

The next thing on our calendar is our annual day trip to JMU on July 9th. This is an opportunity to see the language center's work, as we will get to actually enter the classrooms while in progress. You will be sure to learn something. As Masons, you know we will eat. After lunch, Ill. and Most Wor. James D. Cole, 33°, will present a check to the language center and we will hear how some of the JMU students ended up in this field of study. This is always a fun day!

The dates have been set for the Fall Reunion. They will be October 18 and 19. This Reunion will be in memory of III. Park Alton Dodd, Jr., 33°. The fees for this Reunion, including the 2020 dues are \$385. We are offering a special for those 65 and over and those 30 and under, of \$350. As usual, this will include the books, Morals and Dogma, The Bridge to Light, the 14th Degree ring pyramid, and all the Degrees up through the 32nd. The time to start planning for the fall reunion is now. Let's get those petitions out!

Charles

#### Scottish Rite Woman's Club

We had a great meeting on April 29 with a speaker on Essential Oils. It was very educational and informative to learn which oils will help with certain situations.

Our next meeting will be Monday, May 20 because of the Memorial Day holiday. The slate of officers will be installed at the dinner meeting by the Venerable Master. We are looking forward to another great year of exciting activities.

We will not have a meeting in June, but we will be a part of the Education Festivities at the dinner meeting with the announcement of our scholarship recipient!

Robyn Hilton,

Secretary

#### FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

III. Bob Carpenter, 33°

Please check your dues card. If it does not say 2019, you are delinquent in the eyes of the Supreme Council. Without a 2019 dues card, you cannot attend tiled Scottish Rite functions. At this time, we have 66 members who have not paid last year's dues, are delinquent, and in danger of being suspended. Your dues are important to the Valley as they keep our doors open. Dues for those 66 members equates to \$9,900 to help our budget.

Memorial Day is fast approaching and will soon be upon us. Every brother should stop and reflect on our past and present commitments to our nation, the world, and ourselves. Remember that we would not be living as we are, were it not for the sacrifices of the men and women of our armed

forces. Today, we must pray that they will all be safe, wherever they may be, and that those overseas will return safely home.

#### "REMEMBER THE MAY STATED MEETING HAS BEEN MOVED TO MAY 20."

June is our annual Education Night Program. Your support for our educators and our leaders of tomorrow will be greatly appreciated.

As a reminder, there is no meeting in July, so your Scottish Rite office wants to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy summer vacation season.

# ANNUAL RITE CARE PILGRAMAGE TO JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

Our annual trip to James Madison University for the RiteCare observance is scheduled for Tuesday, July 9, 2019. All who are interested in attending must call the office no later than June 27, 2019. We have to provide a count to the University. If you have never been to observe the JMU program in the past, please consider attending this year. It is always a very informative program. Wives are encouraged to attend.

Details concerning dress and times for the observance are still being worked out and will be announced at a later date.

Driving directions are: Take Exit 245 off I-81 and go west on Port Republic Road for .6 miles. Turn right onto S. Main Street and go .5 miles. Turn right onto East Grace Street and the parking garage will be on your right in .3 miles. JMU will bus us to the school site. Another reason we must provide a head count.

If your name is on the list to attend, you will be notified of any changes to the schedule. Updates will also appear in the Richmond Double Eagle. Please remember to call the office to register for JMU.

### MAKE YOUR RESERVATION NOW! SCOTTISH RITE MEETING SCHEDULE

#### **RICHMOND VALLEY COMING EVENTS**

2019

MAY Sunday 12 – Mother's Day Monday 20 – Stated Meeting NOTE THE DATE CHANGE Monday 27 - Memorial Day Holiday Office Closed JUNE Sunday 16 - Father's Day Monday 24 – Stated Meeting **SCOTTISH RITE MEETING SCHEDULE SCOTTISH RITE MEETING SCHEDULE** \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Monday, May 20, 2019 NOTE THE DATE CHANGE 5:30 PM - Guard Meeting 6:00 PM - Business Meeting 7:00 PM – Dinner (\$8 with a Reservation, \$10 without) Program – "Ocracoke Lighthouse and the Old Salts" Ray McAllister "RESERVATIONS REQUIRED"

Monday, June 24, 2019
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6:00 PM – Business Meeting
7:00 PM – Dinner (\$8 with a Reservation, \$10 without)
Program – Education Night
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### NO MEETING IN JULY

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