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Wishing for you an wonderful, safe holiday season

Brethren we are fast approaching the end of another year and we should all be mindful of how swiftly the sands of time run! I hope that each of you have enjoyed your time of work and good fellowship within our Valley during this year and that each of us are preparing for a time of family gatherings as Thanksgiving and Christmas approach. We all have so much to be thankful for. Yet I am fearful for our Country like each of you. I see so many who feel “entitled” without having to work to contribute and who continually work at being “a victim”. Brethren as Masons we have always been ready and willing to help aid and assist those among us who are truly in need. You need not look further than next door to our S.R. Temple and view the good work being done by our S.R. Childhood Language Center. Look across the parking lot at our Acca Shrine and think about the wonderful help that we are providing to those young boys and girls who have severe injuries, burns or birth defects that our Shrine hospitals are able to repair.

Let us continue to be the bastions of hope for our Country, let us continue to bring in good men and make them better. Let us continue to bring in those same new Master Masons and make them Masters of the Royal Secret and Nobles in our Shrine, where they can all contribute to our great Fraternity.

I feel very blessed to be a member of our Gentle Craft, a Scottish Rite Brother and a Noble within our Acca Shrine, I know that each of you feel the same. Don't keep this away from a good Brother who may not be a member of either our Scottish Rite or Shrine, bring them in!

And now as I close, I thank you for all that you have done during the past year and thank each of you for greatly assisting me as I attempt to perform the role as the Personal Representative for our S.G.I.G., Illustrious and Most Worshipful James Dean Cole. It is truly an Honor and I pray that I have been able to serve each of you well!

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Brother Stuart, 33° IGH, Personal Rep.

Message from our Membership chair

Congratulations to Metropolitan No. 11 on Soaring Eagle award. They had the highest membership belonging to the Richmond Scottish current master of Metropolitan No. 11, was on Eagle on behalf of his Lodge. They have earned Lodge until our spring reunion. Will your Lodge



being the first winner of the traveling percentage of their Blue Lodge Rite. Worshipful Wade Evans III, the hand at our October stated to accept the the right to display the Eagle in their be the next to win this award?

With the Holidays coming up, we will be spending time with friends and family. Not only can we share with them the good times we have in the Scottish Rite, but invite them to join our organization. Our next reunion will be April 22, 2017. It will be in memory of Ill. George Abbott Page, 33°, IGH. Don't let our friends miss the opportunity because you don't have a petition with you. They can be picked up in the lobby or in the office at the Scottish Rite Temple, or you can print one off of our web site.

Whatever Holidays you celebrate, do it safely and reflect on all we have accomplished this year. When we come back in the New Year, bring with you some ideas of activities you would like for us to look into.

Charles Robinson, Jr., 32°, KCCH

General Secretary Postings

Our delinquent list is slowly shrinking. We now have 48 members who have not paid their 2015 dues. Unfortunately, this is almost double last year at this time. If you have some time, and would like to assist the Richmond Valley, we could use your help in contacting some of our delinquent members. Please call or stop in to make arrangements. Sometimes all it takes is a kind word, or a sympathetic ear to convince a brother to continue his membership in the Richmond Valley.

November brings the reception of our newly installed 172nd Grand Master of Masons in Virginia. Please call early and get your name on the list for attending dinner with the Grand Master.

RESERVATIONS FOR DINNER ARE REQUIRED BY NOVEMBER 21ST.

Remember that the Valley is dark in December. Our next Stated Meeting after November will be the election and installation of officers on January 23, 2017 at our annual meeting.

The office staff wants to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy holiday season as we celebrate Thanksgiving, Christmas and Hanukkah over the next few months.

DINNER TICKETS IMPORTANT NOTICE

In order to keep our meal cost at \$8 per person, you need to call in your dinner reservation one week before the Stated Meeting. There will be no permanent dinner list unless you have an annual dinner ticket. The 2017 ANNUAL DINNER TICKETS are on sale now. They may be purchased any time **before** the February Stated Dinner. The cost remains the same – 10 meals, an \$80 value, for a cost of \$72. That is one meal free.

Call or stop by the office. We accept cash, check or charge. Buy your tickets now so that you don't have to remember to call for a reservation every month. Remember – meal cost without a reservation is \$10 per person. If you have any questions, please call the office @ (804) 264-2050.

Bob Carpenter, Jr., 33°, IGH, General Secretary



Richmond Scottish Rite Valley Clubs, or Associations, & KSA HAPPENINGS

Harold R Stephenson of Fork Union – President 2016-Eugene Goin 32° - no report

Fredericksburg S. R. Association – President 2016 –George Schneider, 32° - no report

Scottish Rite Woman's Club – President – Linda Absher

Dear Ladies,

Fall is here, along with chilly evenings and lots of leaves to rake. Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here before we know it.

I hope you have placed Monday, November 28th on your calendar. This will be our last SRWC meeting in 2016. Our own Stuart Cook, along with his wife Barbara, will be making his Official Visit to the Richmond Valley Scottish Rite, as Grand Master then. There will probably be several wives of the elected and appointed Grand Lodge Officers present, as well. As a bonus, Haxall Ward is planning a short program. It should be a very fun evening. Please remember to make dinner reservations.

Monday, January 23rd is our first meeting in January.

My wish for each of you is to enjoy all of the holiday activities with your family and friends. **HAPPY THANKSGIVING, MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Linda Absher, President, SRWC
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Knights of Saint Andrew



Knight Commander -2017

- no report

Chief Knight (Rappahannock Clan) - Hon. John Bradford "Brad" Mena, 32° KSA 2017 - no report

Jeremy Utt, 32°, KSA, Chief Deputy Knight 2017

Chad Tudor, 32°, KSA, Knight Bursar 2017

Chief Knight (Capital Clan) - Hon. Samuel Gomez, 32° KSA 2016

- no report

Chief Knight (Piedmont Clan) - Hon. Aubrey Fones, 32° KSA 2016

- no report

RICHMOND VALLEY UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Monday 21 - Richmond Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center 25 year anniversary

Wednesday 23 – Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday-Friday 23, 24, & 25 Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving

Thursday 24 – Thanksgiving Holiday

Monday 28 – Stated Meeting – Welcome Grand Master of Masons in Virginia

December

Wednesday 7 – Scottish Rite Guard Ladies Night

No stated meeting in December

12/23-26 SR office closed, observing Hanukkah and Christmas

12/30 - 01/2 SR office closed, New Year Holiday

JANUARY

Sunday 1 – New Year's Day

Monday 2 – SR office closed, National Holiday observed

Wednesday 11 – Honour Court

Monday 23 – Stated Meeting – Election and Installation

FEBRUARY

Monday 27 – Stated Meeting

Good news in the Valley

Saturday October 17, 2015 the Richmond Scottish Rite Bodies welcomed the below listed eight new Masters of the Royal Secret into our ranks.

Richard Raymond Carlton, Jacob Alan Crocker, Gerald Edmund Gee, Wayne Michael Pendergast, Alan Kim Webster, Gary W. Williams, Christopher Shawn Woodson, and Russell Alton Wright II.

When you see these Brothers please congratulate them on becoming 32° Scottish Rite Masons. Seek them out at our meeting, and make them welcome.



Shown on the left are three of the eighteen fifty year veterans that were recognized at the October stated meeting. Their names are listed below in alphabetical order -

Clayton L. Collins, James R. Pleasants, and David F. Saleeba, Jr. attended the stated.

Pictures by Brother Mike Atkins

The ***Traveling Double Eagle*** was presented to Metropolitan No. 11 for having the largest amount of candidates in the Fall Ceremonial. It will be open season for the Spring Ceremonial, load up and take it to your Lodge.

The 2017 Spring Ceremonial petitions are in the lobby, or go on line and get them in your Lodge. Bring the ***Traveling Double Eagle*** to your Lodge in the Spring!



Three Brethren from the Spring Reunion, and 3 from the Fall were in attendance at the October stated.

Commander of Kadosh 2016

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Brethren for their support this year. It has been a real honor to serve as ***Commander of the Council of Kadosh***. I look forward to serving the Richmond Valley in all of its endeavors in the future. I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a Happy New Year. Fraternaly,
Ronald Butler, 32° KCCH

September 2016, ***RDE*** is three years in existence. Thank you for helping to make this possible.

There will **not** be a distribution of the ***RDE*** in December as the Richmond Scottish Rite Valley is dark. Look for the next issue around January 16, 2017.

We wish you a **Wonderful Thanksgiving**, **Happy Hanukkah**, **Merry Christmas**, & a **Glorious New Year**.

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