

The Scottish Rite News

The Valley of Lynchburg, Orient of Virginia Devoted to the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry April 2024

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Monthly Meeting

A meeting of the Valley's Lodge of Perfection will take place on April 23, 2024

At the Lynchburg Masonic Temple

214 Lemon Drive Lynchburg, VA 24502

The meal will start at 6:30 P.M. and the meeting will start at 7:30 P.M.

Please join Longwood University's Speech Hearing and Learning Services for SCOTISH RITE DAY June 12, 2024 11:00 am - 1:00 pm Longwood Speech, Hearing and Learning Services 315 W Third Street Farmville, VA 23901 Lunch provided Questions: frankcfelongwood.edu

Longwood University has requested that we RSVP by May 1st. If you are planning on attending, please email Brother Heinrich at rtheinrich@verizon.net.

Announcements

After the Stated Meeting we will have the Installation of Officers of our Women's Club.

Remember our Spring Reunion will be held on April 27.

From the Venerable Master

Brother Michael G. Harrison, 32°

Brethren,

Our spring reunion is coming up and I ask for support for this event and help with some of the roles. It's been a huge struggle this year trying to pull this off. New members are the future of our existence. Without them this division of our fraternity will no longer exist.

S&F,

Michael Harrison, 32° Venerable Master Valley of Lynchburg

From the Personal Representative to the Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Virginia

Illustrious Brother James R. Bowyer, Jr., 33° I.G.H

Brethren,

I hope everyone had a great Easter. Want everyone to remember our Spring Reunion April 27,2024. In memory of Illustrious Lonnie Godfrey.

Come out and support our new Candidate's.

We will have a lite breakfast around 7:30 and start the degree's at 8:30. Lunchtime will also be served. Look forward to seeing everyone at our stated this Tuesday April 23.

Sincerely and Fraternally, James R. (Butch) Bowyer Jr., 33° I.G.H.

From the General Secretary

Illustrious Brother Raymond T. Heinrich, 33° I.G.H

The birds are coming back in town and April signals a green light to summer. If you have a petition for the Spring Reunion, please bring it to the April meeting or email it to me at rtheinrich@verizon.net.

The deadline for RSVPs for Longwood University's Scottish Rite Lunch is quickly approaching please let me know if you plan on attending.

Fraternally, Brother Ray

From the Prelate

Brother Curtis J. Diemer, 32°

Sick and Distressed from the Valley

Contact Brother Curtis J. Diemer, 32° for Additions call (804)399-6348 or email curt@diemer.us

 Bill Haden
 (434) 455-5903
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 (434) 834-5046

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 (434) 821-7615
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Women's Club Prayer List

Contact Lady Cristal Senger for Additions call (434)352-5665

Madeline Bush - 184 Buffalo Road Room 404, Finch Cottage, Clarksville, VA 23927

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Valley Almoner

Brother Percy (Will) W. Keatts, Jr. 32°

The Valley of Lynchburg's Almoner's Fund is a Scottish Rite Charity to provide financial relief to Masonic Brothers, their families, and Masonic widows in need.

If you or if you know of a Masonic Brothers, their families, and Masonic widows in need please contact our Almoner at (434)841-3907 or wilkeatts@yahoo.com



Knights of Saint Andrew

Brother Dwayne C. Ruff, 32°

If you would like to have the Knight's visit your Blue Lodge for a Scottish Rite program, please contact Brother Ruff at (252) 216-1576 or dwayneruff@icloud.com

The Knights of St. Andrew met and discussed what we could do the upcoming Spring Reunion we meet Friday morning at 10:00A.M. to set up for the reunion Saturday Morning.

Fraternally,

Brother Dwayne C. Ruff, 32°

Important Dates

Valley

The Spring Reunion is scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2024. The Reunion is going to be the Illustrious Lonnie L. Godfrey Memorial.

Orient of Virginia

Longwood University will be hosting Scottish Rite Day on June 12, 2024 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Supreme Council

2024 Rite Way Conference "Framing the Future"

As leaders of the Scottish Rite, we bear the responsibility of empowering the next generation to sustain and advance our Rite. This makes your participation in the 2024 Framing the Future Scottish Rite Leadership Conferences this spring vital.

Conference Dates and Locations are:

- April 5-6: Salt Lake City, Utah
- April 10-20: Kansas City, Missouri
- May 3-4: Jacksonville, Florida

For more information and to register go to the Supreme Council's webpage: https://scottishrite.org/

Scottish Rite Creed

Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere our ultimate goal.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, S.J., to improve its members and enhance the communities in which they live by teaching and emulating the principles of Brotherly Love, Tolerance, Charity, and Truth, while actively embracing high social, moral, and spiritual values, including fellowship, compassion, and a dedication to God, family, and country.

Valley Officers

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Illustrious James D. Cole, 33°, S.:G.:C.:	Sovereign Grand Commander
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Scottish Rite Women's Club Officers

Mrs. Elain Hatter	President
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Mrs. Marsha Gerhart	2 nd Vice President
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Mrs. Kay Godfrey	
Mrs. Barbara Henderson	Corresponding Secretary
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Please email the Valley Secretary Raymond T. Heinrich <u>rtheinrich@verizon.net</u> for updates and additions to the Newsletter.

The Valley's mailing address is: Lynchburg Scottish Rite Bodies P.O. Box 592 Concord, VA 24538

The Valley's webpage is <u>www.lynchburgaasr.org</u>, please forward any inputs or comments about the website to Brother D. David Davis, III, 32° <u>david@dddavis.net</u>.

