

Chronological record of the Scottish

1801

Organization of the Southern Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) at Charleston, South Carolina, on May 31. Shortly thereafter the Rite was conferred on individual Masons in Virginia. As early as February 20, 1788, A. Forst had been appointed Deputy of the Supreme Council in Virginia, and Joseph Myers had also influenced the Virginia situation to some extent.

1824

Establishment of the Grand Consistory of Virginia at Lynchburg on November 16, with James Penn as the leading spirit of the group.

1845

Revival of the Grand Consistory of Virginia (May 19), it having become inactive some years before.

1847

John Robin McDaniel made an Active Member of the Supreme Council, the first in Virginia.

1859

James Penn received the 33° from Albert Pike and became an Active Member of the Supreme Council, the second such member in Virginia.

1861

James Penn made Lieutenant Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction.

1866

James Penn transferred to the list of Emeritus Members of the Supreme Council.

1870

John Robin McDaniel made Lieutenant Grand Commander of the Supreme Council.

1878

John Lonsdale Roper elected an Active Member and appointed Deputy of the Supreme Council in Virginia and North Carolina. He was transferred to the list of Emeritus Members eight years later.

Revival of the Scottish Rite in Virginia. Libertas Lodge of Perfection established in Richmond. This body was first known as John L. Roper Lodge of Perfection.

1882

Grand Consistory of Virginia discontinued. Its place was taken by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Supreme Council in Virginia.

1885

(circa) Period of the Cerneau disturbances in Virginia.

1888

John Frederick Mayer elected Sovereign Grand Inspector General. He served until his death in 1919.

1900

The second revival of the Scottish Rite in Virginia started.

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1910

On March 14, 1910, the first meeting of the Washington Memorial Lodge of Perfection was held in the home of James M. Duncan. Bro. William Goheen LeHew was elected as the first Venerable Master. Their subsequent meetings were then held at the Masonic Temple in the City Hall of Alexandria.

1911

The Supreme Council meeting in 1911, issued the charters, dated October 16, 1911 to the Valley of Alexandria for the formation of: Washington Memorial Lodge of Perfection, Randolph Chapter Knights Rose Croix No. 3, Lafayette Preceptory of Knights of Kadosh No. 2 and Virginia Consistory No. 2

1913

The Valley of Newport News received their Charter for the Lodge of Perfection on October 21st and became the 5th active Valley in Virginia.

1919

Robert Shields Crump appointed Deputy of the Supreme Council in Virginia.

1921

Dedication of the Scottish Rite Temple in Richmond. Robert Shields Crump made an Active Member of the Supreme Council and SGIG in Virginia.

1923

Scottish Rite Masonry was organized in Danville, Virginia in April 1923 when 36 Scottish Rite Brethren signed an application for Letters Temporary requesting the formulation of the Danville Scottish Rite Bodies which was subsequently approved on May 7, 1923. Valley of Newport News received their Charter for the Chapter of Rose Croix on October 16th.

1928

Golden Jubilee of the Richmond bodies.

1929

During 1929, the Valley of Alexandria approved its first set of comprehensive bylaws. The Alexandria Fall Reunion, held Oct. 15-18, was the first conferral of Masonic degrees by any group in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. The Council of Kadosh and Consistory were chartered in Danville on October 22, 1929.

1947

The meetings of the Danville Bodies were held in the Blue Lodge room of the Masonic Temple in Danville. Eventually the Scottish Rite auditorium was built on 11th floor of the Masonic Temple with a Dedication Ceremony for the new auditorium being held on October 4, 1947. This coincided with the opening ses-

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Valley of Richmond had the names of their bodies changed from:

Libertas Lodge of Perfection
Pelican Chapter of Rose Croix
St. Omar Council of Kadosh
Dalcho Consistory

to

Richmond Lodge of Perfection,
Richmond Chapter of Rose Croix,

Richmond Council of Kadosh
and Richmond Consistory

1975

Charles E. "Ted" Webber was elected Lieutenant Grand Commander.

1981

Charles E. "Ted" Webber became an Emeriti Member of the Supreme Council and L. Douglas Delano (1976 Grand Master of Masons in Virginia) was appointed as the Deputy of the Supreme Council in Virginia.

1983

David Kruger was appointed as the Deputy of the Supreme Council in Virginia.

1985

David Kruger was made an Active Member of the Supreme Council and S.G.I.G of the Supreme Council in Virginia.

Valley of Roanoke named its Temple in honor of Charles E. "Ted" Webber.

1987

On January 10th, the cornerstone was laid for the Valley of Newport News Temple.

1988

In an innovative move during 1998, the Valley of Danville decided to take Scottish Rite "on the road" during the months of July and August when no Stated meetings are held in accordance with their by-laws. These meetings were held in locations, which are distant from Danville in order to allow their members in these areas to fellowship with Officers of the Lodge of Perfection without having to travel to Danville.

1990

Charles. E. "Ted" Webber passed away.

1999

The Orient of Virginia participated in a Statewide Spring Reunion named in memory of Valley of Alexandria member, Ill. Charles A. Sinclair. This reunion was the first conferral in the Southern Jurisdiction of the five obligatory degrees using the Revised Pike scripts.

2000

Valley of Newport News dedicated their new auditorium in January.