



The Valley of Newport News Scottish Rite Quarterly Newsletter



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Valley Personal Rep - Ill. Jack L. Smith, 33° IGH

Greetings Brethren!

I am excited and optimistic as we close out 2016 and bring in 2017. We have had a great year with lots of activity, friendship and fellowship within our Valley. Together, working in harmony, we have made tremendous stride in meeting objectives and implement new programs beneficial to all. Our Lodge Officers are to be commended for the excellent manner they have conducted our Stated Meetings. The programs, short talks and presentations have been very informative and interesting. I commend our Venerable Master, Brother Patrick Murphrey, who also serves as our VMAP Chairman, along with the many sub-chairman involved with bringing VMAP 2016 to a successful conclusion. A meaningful task well done! We are also blessed to have many very talented leaders throughout our Valley, the Americanism Committee, Grounds, Education, Facilities Management, Kitchen, Publication, Committee on Work, Sound and lighting, and Finance are but a few of our Committees who have excelled this past year. I would be remiss if I failed to mention the dedication and devotion of our Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, who without question, keep our Valley running smoothly and efficiently. I am very proud to be a part of such a great group of Scottish Rite Masons. As we closed out 2016 our election of officers were held at our stated communication in December. The change in the installation from February to December puts our Valley in line with the rest of the Orient of Virginia. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at each and every stated meeting. 2017 promises to be as exciting as 2016, our Scottish Rite Fun nights will be held in January and April with different themes at each event. Get your tickets, come on out for some fun and fellowship.

Now, back to business, Portsmouth Valley will be hosting the Orient of Virginia Annual Conference in 2017, with our Workshop being held the last weekend in March in Richmond. For those of you who have never attended the Workshop I highly recommend that you make an earnest effort to attend. The speakers and programs selected for this occasion are very information. It will be held on a Saturday morning from 8:30 AM until noon with lunch being served at no cost to you. We will gather at the Newport News Scottish Rite Masonic Center and car pool to Richmond.

April will bring our Spring Reunion, an opportunity to introduce Master Masons to Scottish Rite Freemasonry. Our Membership Chairman has created several incentives for brethren who sign a petition for the Reunion. Let's work together to make this reunion the best yet.

In closing Brethren I would like to personally invite every Scottish Rite Brother reading this newsletter, to participate in your Valley. There are many activities, committees, and programs that I know would interest you. Your service and involvement would be beneficial to us all.

Thank you for your dedication to Scottish Rite Freemasonry and may God Bless each of you.

My sincere appreciation to all.
Ill. Jack L. Smith, 33° IGH

Valley of Newport News

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Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Virginia

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Personal Representative of the SGIG in Virginia

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Bro. Dale D. Jones, 32°
Venerable Master

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Newport News Council of Kadosh

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Ill. Harris Luscomb, III, IGH
Master of Kadosh

Knights of St. Andrew

Bro. Daniel R. Savage, 32°
Venerable Master

Our stated meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. A deliciously prepared Dutch Treat dinner is served at 6:30pm prior to all meetings w/e of July & August. The Ladies of the Scottish Rite meet at all meetings w/e of the July & August Stated meetings.

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**Please support your Blue Lodge, your
Scottish Rite and all other Masonic Bodies
you are a member of.
They all need your support.**

Upcoming Activities

January 24

Valley of Newport News Knights of St. Andrew
Annual Meeting 7:00pm

January 25

Valley of Newport News SR Stated Meeting
Dinner at 6:30pm, Meeting at 7:30pm

January 28

Mardi Gras Fun Night at the Valley of Newport News
6:00pm-9:00pm

February 22

Valley of Newport News SR Stated Meeting
Dinner at 6:30pm, Meeting at 7:30pm

March 22

Valley of Newport News SR Stated Meeting
Dinner at 6:30pm, Meeting at 7:30pm



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Venerable Master Lodge of Perfection - Bro. Dale D. Jones, 32^o

Brethren,

I want to take this opportunity to welcome each of you into 2017. As we enter this year, there will be new endeavors for us to explore. While working together we can make this happen. I would like to thank our 2016 Venerable Master Bro. Patrick Murphrey and his officers for their service to the Valley. Also, thank you to all committee members and chairs for your service this past year. You are a very important part of our brethren. Thank you for all you do.

My theme this year is “**YOU** are the Image of the Valley!” My hope is that we share that image with our brethren. I’m asking each of you to try to bring a member or members who haven’t been lately to our meetings. Perhaps their health or life busyness influenced their ability to not come regularly. Let’s make a concentrated effort to call and check on them. Invite them to a meeting and pick them up. I believe this is so important because they are part of this Valley, too. Let’s help ignite the Masonic spirit within all our brethren.

We have an exciting year in the works. We are planning our Spring and Fall Reunions. Brethren, please start talking to new brethren who may not be members in the Scottish Rite and see if any are interested in joining. They could come to our Spring Reunion. Also, a wonderful family picnic with food and fellowship and a Christmas party are in the works. We hope you can come out and join us! In closing, I would like to thank each of you for this honor to serve this year and to my officers for their help and assistance. Brethren, please remember that “**YOU** are the Image of the Valley!” Share it !

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Dale D. Jones

Assistant Valley Secretary - Bro. Paul E. Lubic, Jr., 32^o KCCH

The Newport News Scottish Rite Valley will be having a **Mardi Gras Scottish Rite Fun Night** on **Saturday, January 28th, 2017** from 6:00pm-9:00pm in our social hall. **Save the date on your calendar.**

It is open to all Masons and their guests. The cost for this fundraiser is \$10.00 per person and will include heavy hors d'oeuvres, dessert, iced tea, coffee, fun, music and dancing. The wearing of costumes is optional but encouraged! Beads will be provided to all that attend. Plan to come out and enjoy a night of food and fun with your fellow Masons.

The Scottish Rite office now has a "Call em' All" capability to inform our members of upcoming events, closings, etc. If you wish to be added to the call list, just send an email to nnsrtemple@verizon.net with your name and phone number, attention Paul Lubic. You can also call us (757-599-6617), or write us. It's that easy!

If you know anyone who is interested in renting a dining hall or auditorium, please have them call the office at 757-599-6617 and ask for Paul. The dining hall seats 350 and the auditorium seats 400. Renting our facility is one of our main fundraisers, and is very important to the financial well-being of our valley.

Paul E. Lubic, Jr., Assistant Secretary NNSR

Valley Membership Chairman - Bro. Joseph D. Myers, 32° KCCH

Greetings Brethren,

I hope you are doing well and have enjoyed the holidays. As we transition into 2017, please keep in mind the many planned events the Valley of Newport News will host throughout the year. Your participation at these events is key in maintaining a strong Valley. Your Valley is always looking for ways to best improve communications with you. Our goal is to inform all members when special events are approaching or for general last minute notifications that pop up from time to time. To help us keep a good (current) list, we request that you provide us with your email and phone number. We will have a separate email/phone number sign-up sheet available at our Scottish Rite Stated Meeting(s). If you can do this between Jan/Feb it is appreciated. Also, if by chance you are not able to make it to the monthly Stated Meeting, please call our Valley office at: 757 599-6617 or email at: nnsrtemple@verizon.net... Take care, we look forward in hearing from you!

Fraternally,

Joseph D. Myers, 32° KCCH
Membership Committee

Venerable Master, Knights of St. Andrew - Sir Knight Dan R. Savage 32°

Greetings Brothers!

I hope this message finds everyone in great health and spirits. As we begin the New Year 2017, I would like to express what an honor it has been for me to serve as Venerable Master of the Knights of St. Andrew. It was a truly enjoyable and fun experience that I will cherish throughout the many years to come.

I would like to thank all of the Sir Knights for the hard work and dedication they have shown our Valley over this past year and I want you all to know how much I truly appreciate your efforts, as I know the Valley does as well; I cannot thank you enough.

I would also like to remind the Brothers of the Valley that the Valley of Newport News is in need of your service for the upcoming year. You can help by volunteering for upcoming events such as fundraisers and Reunions or help by bringing in new candidates for membership from your respective Lodges.

In addition Brothers, if you have not been to a Stated Meeting recently, please make an effort to attend one as soon as you are able. For those who do attend regularly, please bring a member who may not have been to one in a while – we would love to see you! No matter what you do for our Valley, please do what you can to get involved because in the end, it is our members who make all the difference.

In closing, my family and I hope all of you had a very Happy Holidays and we hope you have a joyous, healthy and prosperous New Year!

Fraternally yours,
Sir Knight Daniel R. Savage 32°, Venerable Master



Valley Committees

Hospital Equipment Committee News:

As most of you know, your Valley accepts donated new and used hospital equipment such as wheel chairs, bedside commodes, bedside tables, walkers, shower chairs, canes, hospital beds, and so on. These items are cleaned up and repaired if possible and signed out to those who have a need. Brethren, there is quite a need these days in our community and the surrounding communities. Since this need has increased tremendously the last several years, we ask that you keep your committee and the services it provides in mind. Your Valley provides these items, at no cost, not only to individuals, but to physical therapists and home care specialists who service those who are not eligible for Medicare and are in need. Your Valley receives high praise for this service from its many clients and monetary donations occasionally. If you know of anyone who would like to donate any of these items, please send them our way. Likewise, if you or a family member or friend has a need for any of these items give us a call at (757) 599-6617 or stop in to see us. Our business hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

Committee Members are:

Edward Van Wilson, KCCH

Page S. Neale, Jr., KCCH

John Roger Ward, 32°

Golf Committee News:

2017 Annual Ill. William M. Johnson, 33° Memorial Golf Tournament

Brethren, it is not too early to start planning your 2017 golf tournament calendar so with that in mind we are including, in this newsletter, a copy of our golf tournament announcement and flyer so that you can make plans. The 15th Annual Ill. William M. Johnson, 33° Memorial Golf Tournament will be held at (NEW LOCATION: RIVERFRONT GOLF CLUB) on June 8, 2017. Additional brochures and announcements can be picked up at the Scottish Rite Office. Please come out and enjoy a great day of fellowship and fun. Bring you family members and friends. This tournament is our charity that supports the Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Language Center at Old Dominion University.

Golf Committee Chairs

Page S. Neale, Jr., KCCH

Richard A. Russell, 32°

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15th Annual



Ill. William M. Johnson, 33^o Memorial Golf Tournament June 8, 2017

Proceeds Benefit the Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Learning Center at Old Dominion University.

Make checks payable and mail to:
Tidewater Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc.
65 Saunders Road
Newport News, VA 23601
For Golf Course info visit:
<http://www.riverfrontgolf.com>

When: June 8, 2017
Where: Riverfront Golf Club,
5200 River Club Drive, Suffolk, VA
Time: 9:00am Shotgun Start
Cost: \$80 per player Fee includes Green Fees, Cart,
Range Balls, and Dinner!

Helping Children Communicate

Registration Form

Team Captain: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

My Foursome

1) Name: _____

2) Name: _____

3) Name: _____

4) Name: _____

Make checks payable & mail to:
Tidewater Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc.
65 Saunders Road
Newport News, VA 23601

Golf Course information available at:
<http://www.riverfrontgolf.com/>

Riverfront Golf Club

located at

5200 River Club Drive

Suffolk, VA 23435

Phone: 757-484-2200

Levels of Sponsorship

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less than \$149.00

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\$150.00

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\$250.00 (\$50/player)

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\$350.00 (\$30/player)

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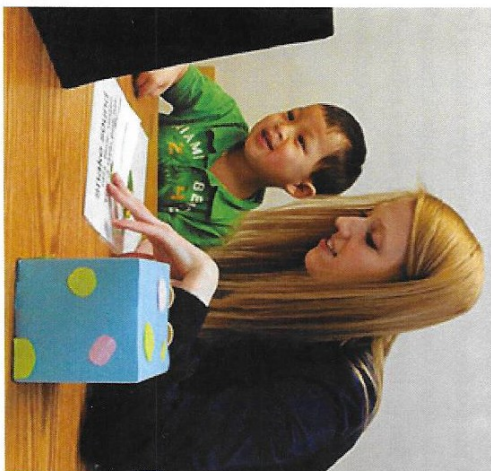
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poppy414@verizon.net

15th Annual

Ill. William M. Johnson, 33rd
Memorial Golf Tournament

June 8, 2017



*Some of the Children you support by playing
in our Charity Golf Tournament !*

2016 Venerable Master Lodge of Perfection - Bro. Patrick C. Murphrey, 32° KCCH

Brethren, it has been my honor and privilege to serve you this past year. I'd like to thank the officers of the Lodge of Perfection and all the members of the Valley for their support and assistance. I know it is always risky to single people out for thanks for fear of leaving someone out who is deserving of recognition. However, I did want to express gratitude to certain Brothers who were exceptionally helpful to me this year. Thank you to Illustrious Brother Donald C. Moyer, 33° IGH and his staff for providing wonderful meals prior to our Stated Communications. Our pre-Stated Dinners are a special opportunity for us to break bread together, and complimented by the music provided by Brother Steven Dowd, 32° KCCH, are a valuable part of the Newport News Scottish Rite experience. Also, I'd like to thank Brother Daniel R. Savage, 32°, Venerable Master and the members of the Knights of St. Andrew for their help, support and assistance. My gratitude is expressed to Brother Brian R. Croteau 32° KCCH for always being willing to research and present an education program when asked and for your assistance with conducting our Scottish Rite Master Craftsman: Symbolic Lodge group class. And, finally, special thanks to our Valley Secretary, Illustrious Brother Adrian L. "Pete" Eure, 33° IGH and our Personal Representative to the SGIG, Illustrious Brother Jack L. Smith, 33° IGH for their mentorship, support and assistance this past year. Our Valley is a large organization (500+ members) and has many Brothers that serve it in a variety of capacities and sometimes one Brother is serving in multiple roles and/or assisting in multiple ways. Most work quietly or "behind the scenes" not seeking recognition for their efforts, but serving others for the sake of serving and helping to make the Valley of Newport News a special place and a little better each day. For this, I thank you for your efforts. Congratulations to our new Venerable Master, Brother Dale D. Jones, 32° and the new officers of the Lodge of Perfection as well as the other bodies of the Valley of Newport News. I wish them much success as we enter a new year for our Valley.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Patrick

During the 2016 Fall Reunion, the class of new members of the Scottish Rite were asked to vote on the best degree performance of the degrees presented.

**And The Winner of the "New Member's Choice" Award is:
*The Cast of the 29th Degree***

Joseph D. Myers 32° KCCH	J. Richard Rawls 32° KCCH	R. Vincent Mundie 32° KCCH
Tommy DeBose 32°	Hilton R. Maney 32°	Manuel Lacerda 32°
Brian R. Croteau 32° KCCH	Nicholas Raffaele 32° KCCH	Daniel R. Savage 32°
James H. Gareau, 32° - Sound/Light		
James E. Lassiter, 33° IGH -Wardrobe/Stage Crew		
G. Thomas Mainwaring, 33° IGH- Wardrobe/Stage Crew		



Congratulations

Officers of the Valley of Newport News Scottish Rite 2017



Newport News Lodge of Perfection

<i>Venerable Master</i>	Bro. Dale Jones, 32°
<i>Senior Warden</i>	Bro. Page Neale, KCCH
<i>Junior Warden</i>	Bro. Richard Rawls, KCCH
<i>Orator</i>	Bro. Joe Myers, KCCH
<i>Almoner</i>	Ill. Harold Joyner, IGH
<i>Secretary</i>	Ill. Adrian Eure, IGH
<i>Assist. Secretary</i>	Bro. Paul E. Lubic, Jr., KCCH
<i>Treasurer</i>	Ill. Gerald Burks, IGH
<i>Assist. Treasurer</i>	Bro. Richard Rawls, KCCH
<i>Prelate</i>	Bro. Joey House, 32°
<i>Master of Ceremonies</i>	Bro. Bill Rorer, KCCH
<i>Expert</i>	Bro. Vince Mundie, KCCH
<i>Assist. Expert</i>	Bro. Van Wilson KCCH
<i>Captain of the Host</i>	Bro. Bruce Edwards, KCCH
<i>Tiler</i>	Bro. Nick Raffaele, KCCH



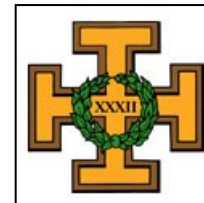
Newport News Chapter of Rose Croix

<i>Wise Master</i>	Bro. Page Neale, KCCH
<i>Senior Warden</i>	Bro. Richard Rawls, KCCH
<i>Junior Warden</i>	Bro. Bruce Edwards, KCCH
<i>Orator</i>	Bro. Brian R. Croteau, KCCH
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<i>Master of Ceremonies</i>	Bro. Nick Raffaele, KCCH
<i>Expert</i>	Bro. Gene Monroe, 32°
<i>Assist. Expert</i>	Bro. Bill Rorer, KCCH
<i>Standard Bearer</i>	Bro. Dan Savage 32°
<i>Guardian of the Temple</i>	Bro. Jesse Hutcheson, 32°
<i>Tiler</i>	Bro. Manuel J. Lacerda, 32°



Newport News Council of Kadosh

<i>Commander</i>	Bro. Van Wilson, KCCH
<i>1st Lt. Commander</i>	Bro. Gerald Frey, KCCH
<i>2nd Lt. Commander</i>	Bro. William Overby, KCCH
<i>Chancellor</i>	Ill. James Freeman, IGH
<i>Orator</i>	Bro. Page Neale, KCCH
<i>Almoner</i>	Bro. Harold Joyner, KCCH
<i>Recorder</i>	Ill. Adrian Eure, IGH
<i>Assist. Recorder</i>	Bro. Paul E. Lubic, Jr., KCCH
<i>Treasurer</i>	Ill. Gerald Burks, IGH
<i>Assist. Treasurer</i>	Bro. Richard Rawls, KCCH
<i>Master of Ceremonies</i>	Bro. Patrick Murphrey, KCCH
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<i>Draper</i>	Bro. Bill Rorer, KCCH
<i>1st Deacon</i>	Bro. Bruce Edwards, KCCH
<i>2nd Deacon</i>	Bro. Nick Raffaele, KCCH
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<i>Bearer of White Standard</i>	Bro. Steve Vaughn, 32°
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<i>Lt. of Guard</i>	Bro. John R. Ward, 32°
<i>Sentinel</i>	Bro. Richard Bennett, 32°



Newport News Consistory

<i>Master of Kadosh</i>	Ill. Harris Luscomb, III, IGH
<i>Prior</i>	Bro. Page Neale, KCCH
<i>Preceptor</i>	Bro. Richard Rawls, KCCH
<i>Chancellor</i>	Bro. Joe Myers, KCCH
<i>Minister of State</i>	Bro. Bruce Edwards, KCCH
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November 11, 2016

Bro. David Rocky Conner 32^o
November 13, 2016



**Our Departed
Brethren
Their spirit to God,
their memory in
our hearts.**