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2016 Golf Outing & PEN/Faulkner Evening

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The team from Hiram-Takoma Lodge No. 10 "grinningly" accepts the SGIG Trophy for 2016. **L to R:** Len Proden, *SGIG*; Players Taylor Shaw, Chuck Shaw, Kyle Jacobs, Scott Jacobs; and Bud Michels, *Golf Chairman*.



The PEN/Faulkner Foundation appreciates the financial support of the DC Scottish Rite. **L to R:** Emma Snyder, *Executive Director*; Willee Lewis, *Executive VP*; Len Proden, *SGIG*.

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SGIG'S MESSAGE

It's time to shake off that summer lassitude and return to our Masonic work. Blue Lodges, the York Rite, the Eastern Star, the Shrine and especially the Scottish Rite are resuming their regular activities. As you review the Rite's calendar of upcoming events, you will notice that our Heads of Bodies have diligently prepared programs that are meant to inform and inspire. Their efforts have earned your support and attendance at our Tuesday meetings.



While our fall calendar is replete with outstanding programs and events, I should like to highlight in particular our Fall Reunion scheduled for November 11th and 12th. This happens to coincide with "Scottish Rite Day" on November 12th which will be celebrated jointly by the Northern Masonic

and Southern Jurisdictions of the United States in conjunction with many Grand Lodges. It is the first time the fraternity has held such a nationwide day of honor. This occasion is meant to be an enjoyable, inspirational and meaningful experience for our members. In partnership with MW Kenneth D. Fuller, Grand Master of Masons and the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, we are finalizing our plans to make this a very special Reunion.

Do you know a Master Mason ready to make the decision to seek more Light by petitioning the Rite? If so, please invite him to attend our Prospective Member Open House on Tuesday, September 27th and assist him in obtaining a petition

A Scottish Rite Day commemorative jewel (similar to the one pictured) will be presented to all those who receive the 32° in 2016. by contacting Walter R. Hoenes, our Director of Membership Services, at membership@dcsr.org.

I look forward to greeting you at our Tuesday meetings.



Illustrious Leonard Proden, 33° SGIG in the District of Columbia

GOLFERS COMPETE WHILE BENEFITING RITECARE



DCSR "Worker Bees" helping out at registration



The ladies from Liberty Mutual contributed to the success of our 2016 Golf Outing.

The 2016 DC Scottish Rite Golf Outing was held on June 16th at Hobbit's Glen Golf Club in Columbia, MD. One hundred fortythree golfers competed for a variety of prizes offered by DCSR and our Liberty Mutual sponsor, and a select few players with sanctioned handicaps vied for the 2017 Liberty Mutual Invitational to be held at TPC Sawgrass in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL.

The SGIG Cup, awarded to the DC Blue lodge team with the lowest score, was taken home by the Brothers from Hiram-Takoma Lodge No. 10 with a fifty-eight; while Brother Shawn Bartley, one of our DCSR Foundation Trustees, fielded his team of "ringers" to win the trip to Florida next year with a fifty-seven. Other prize winners included Bill Davis and Donna Moran for Closest to the Pin, and Tony Costello and Patricia Mallory for Longest Drive.



On their way to TPC Sawgrass. **L to R:** Shawn Bartley, Samuel Smith, David Green, Joel Duboff, with Bud Michels, *Golf Chairman*.

VALLEY of WASHINGTON ~ SPRING REUNION 2016



Front Row, L to R: Carroll Collins, *General Secretary*; Philip Palmer, Sr.; Messanvi Adjogah; Charles S. Iversen, *SGIG Emeritus*; Leonard Proden, *SGIG of Washington, DC*; George R. Adams; William T. Rule II; Scott Brown; Walter Hoenes. Row 2, L to R: Maurice Feghali, Gerald Innocent, Ziad Sahab, Joseph Zoghaib, Adam Tager, Kevan Schanberger, Wayne Brough, Chris Glakas, Paul Nsah Voundy, Joseph Kankeu, Gautier M. Barros. Row 3, L to R: Ghassan Paul Kebbe, Omar Salloum, Henri Nono, Sarkis Atanalian, Remond Safi, Patrick Flynn, Cary Cooper, Elie Samaha, Mikhael Maalouf, Robert Maalouf, Hanna Samaha, Georges Azar. Row 4, L to R: Dennis Apeti, Robert Liles, Christopher A. Brandon, Rafael Toledo, Tunc Tiryaki, Nour Al-Ayyash, Ziad Salloum, Arvin Singh, Adrien Degbey, Adrien F. Dansi, Francois-Xavier Dansi. Row 5, L to R: George Perez, Seth Silverman, Mosi Skerritt, Peter Massey, Khaled Derbas, Wayne Chen, David Filer, Xavier Marti, Jose Garcia Bocanegra, Alejandro Ruiz Laprida, Jack Campbell. ▲

VMAP UPDATE : DCSR BRINGS HOME the GOLD (EAGLE PLAQUE)

MAP is designed to provide every Scottish Rite candidate, member and leader in our Valley with a useful working tool for planning and promoting a well-rounded series of activities to engage and involve every Member in the life and work of our Valley. The 2015 VMAP Campaign was a great success for our Valley. As a result of the outstanding effort of so many of our Valley Members, we were awarded a Valley Membership Achievement Plaque at the Charlotte VMAP Workshop which was presented to us by the House of the Temple at our June Meeting of the Albert Pike Consistory, which will be prominently displayed at the Valley. I am delighted with the continued efforts and excellent participation by our members across all aspects of the Valley. While we are so pleased to receive this plaque of recognition, we recognize that the real achievement of VMAP is the betterment of our Valley through involvement, engagement and education. By implementing VMAP we have been able to enhance the Scottish Rite experience in the Valley of Washington.

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The Valley of Washington was one of several Valleys across the Southern Jurisdiction to be recognized by the Supreme Council for its outstanding efforts and achievements with VMAP implementation.

Members of our Valleys VMAP Committee

had the opportunity to travel to Charlotte, NC to attend the 2016 VMAP Workshop where the new requirements were unveiled. We met with many Valleys across the Southern Jurisdiction and we were able to compare and share ideas to enhance our Valleys. VMAP requirements are broken into 11 specific subject areas which cover the full scope of the Scottish Rite Experience. Many new ideas came out of this workshop and are already be implemented for our VMAP Program for the future.

During the past several months our Valley Members have continued to

value for our Members. Please continue to send us your ideas to further benefit our Valley by using VMAP.

For more information and to become empowered as a VMAP team member, contact Brother Bradley D. "Brad" Andrukitis 32° KCCH, at kitis007@aol.com.

For general information and resources about VMAP, and to sign up for the VMAP Working Tools e-newsletter, go to **scottishrite.org/ymap**/.

DCSR GETS MUDDY for a CAUSE

he 2016 Tough Mudder in Doswell, Virginia was a great success! Our team was a nice mix of DCSR members, prospective members and several ladies. The team size did not dilute the camaraderie one bit. In fact it felt even more inspiring and empowering to be so strong in numbers! The support from our spectators, including our SGIG and his lady, Barbara, was paramount as they cheered while we navigated the obstacles, helping one another. Everyone did a phenomenal job at giving all they had and getting muddy! Although the temperature was hot and the sun intense, I bet this was one of the most fun days all of us had in a while. Thank you from the whole team, for the opportunity to be a part of such a great event. We all truly hope to do this again soon!

Sincerely and fraternally, Bro. Dmitriy Minin, 32°



enhance the Scottish Rite Experience with a very successful Spring Reunion, our 2016 Scottish Rite Golf outing which supports our Scottish Rite Center for Childhood Language Disorders, our Annual PEN/ Faulkner event which Sally Quinn engaged in conversation with Pulitzer Prize winning novelist Geraldine Brooks and our Valley Members showed great support to the Celebrating the Craft Webcast at the House of the Temple with some of them even performing.

In the Fall our VMAP events will continue with our Fall Reunion, the Feast of Tishri and our Scholarship & Community Awards Program. You won't want to miss these.

Your VMAP Committee will continue to work diligently to enhance our Valley and with your support our Valley will continue to thrive. Many thanks to each and every one of you.

By participating in and implementing the programs and activities of VMAP we have been able to make our Valley stronger, more successful and to provide an enhanced Scottish Rite experience and

2016 PEN/Faulkner Evening Features Prize-winning Author



This year's PEN/Faulkner Foundation evening was held on June 7th, and entitled "A Conversation with the Author." It featured Pulitzer Prize winner Geraldine Brooks being interviewed about her latest novel, *The Secret Chord*, by local journalist Sally Quinn. The book is a historical novel based on the life of the biblical King David, and the participants' discussion held the rapt attention of the almost capacity audience, whose enthusiasm at the subsequent question and answer session had to be curtailed so that all could retire to enjoy the buffet supper in the refectory.



The audience listens intently.



Sally Quinn attends to Geraldine Brooks as she reads a selection from *The Lost Chord*.

Scottish Rite Day is November 12th

n Saturday, November 12, 2016, Valleys from both the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions are partnering with many Grand Lodges to celebrate the Scottish Rite. It will be the first time the fraternity has held such a nationwide day of honor. In the nation's capital, Scottish Rite Day just happens to coincide with the Valley of Washington's Fall Reunion as well as the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia's annual Masonic Day of Thanksgiving and Remem-

brance. Our SGIG, Len Proden, 33° and the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in DC, Ken Fuller, 32° KCCH, are joining forces to make this day an enjoyable, inspirational and meaningful experience for our Scottish Rite members and all area Masons. Details about Scottish Rite Day and the D.C. Grand Lodge's Masonic Day of Thanksgiving and Remembrance will be announced sometime soon. In the meantime, SAVE THE DATE! ▲

IN and ABOUT the TEMPLE

A s I was considering a topic for my contribution to this issue of the *Progress*, I received a telephone call from a lady asking about our Scottish Rite Center for Childhood Language Disorders (SRCCLD). She wanted to know if it was still in operation, and how it was doing. I assured her that it was doing well, and that it provided help to between six and eight hundred children each year.

The caller then told me that the reason for her call was that, some years ago, she had created a living trust to honor the memory of her uncles who had been very active at our Scottish Rite, and that the SRCCLD was the beneficiary of that trust after her death. When I

asked the names of her uncles, she told me that their names were Mishel and Sulaiman Daoud.

The Daoud brothers were born in that part of Syria that is now Lebanon in the last decades of the nineteenth century: Sulaiman emigrated to the U.S. in 1892, and Mishel in 1901. Although they began their Masonic journeys in different Blue Lodges, Sulaiman was initiated, passed, and raised in Benjamin B. French Lodge No. 15, and Mishel, in St. John's Lodge No. 11, they both transferred their membership to Albert Pike Lodge No. 36 (now 33) upon its founding, with Sulaiman being the Charter Senior Warden.

But it is really upon the service of these men to the Scottish Rite that I wish to expound. As mentioned, both were very active, with Mishel advancing through the chairs in the Chapter, becoming Wise Master in 1944, and serving for many years as the Chairman of the Reception of Candidates Committee (Class Director). However, it is Sulaiman Daoud's service to the Rite that was truly remarkable, and remains unsurpassed to this day.

ILL. WALLY MOORE JR., 33°

After a lengthy illness, which he courageously fought, our brother, Illustrious Wally Moore advanced to the celestial lodge on August 16, 2016.

Adrian Wallace Moore Jr. was born in Southport, North Carolina on November 17, 1928 to the late A.W. Moore and Sadie Orr Moore. He was a graduate of Southport High School and North Carolina State University, where he received his B.S. degree in Horticulture in 1950. He served as a 1st Lt. in the Army Corps of Engineers during the Korean Conflict.

Illustrious Moore was a busy and successful businessman who suffered a life-changing accident in 2007. Initially paralyzed from a fall, through sheer will and determination he recovered sufficiently to remain active in business and civic affairs. He was a man who did

not know the meaning of "it can't be done." His optimistic outlook and appreciation for life was an inspiration to everyone who knew him.

A devoted Freemason, Illustrious Moore joined the DC Scottish Rite in 1955, when he was initiated a 32° Master of the Royal Secret. In 1963, he served as Master of Temple-Noyes-Cathedral Lodge No. 32 where he was a longtime member. In 1971, he was invested as a Knight Commander of the Court of Honor and in 1974 served as Potentate of Almas Shriners and later Royal Director of the National Court, Royal Order of Jesters. In 1991, Illustrious Moore was coroneted a 33°, Inspector General Honorary.

Illustrious Wally Moore Jr. is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Elizabeth Steuart Moore, of Bethesda, Maryland and two nieces.





Carroll J. Collins, 33° General Secretary

He received the degrees in the Scottish Rite in the Spring of 1910, and within the next fifteen years, was a Charter Member of the Camp Guard, served as presiding officer in all four bodies, and was a member of the Board of Trustees for a time. Brother Sol, as he was known, took an active part in many of the degrees before ultimately claiming "ownership" of the part of Zerubbabel in the fifteenth degree, which he performed for over fifty years, both in the Valley, and elsewhere in the Southern Jurisdiction. Apparently, though, all of the foregoing was not enough, for Brother Sulaiman Daoud came to be the Installing Officer for the new presiding officers starting in 1927,

and continued in that capacity until 1964!

In reading this brief description of the service given by some of our past Brethren, I hope that you will reflect on your service to the Rite. What have you done to assist the Valley of Washington in its operations, or to improve the Scottish Rite experience for all? Do you attend meetings regularly? Have you paid your dues, and done it in a timely manner? Do you support our public events? Have you stepped-up when there has been a call for volunteers? Have you, on your own accord, asked, "Is there anything I can do to help?"

We are always in need of support for a myriad of things, from the mundane of helping with some of the issues in our membership database, to the unheralded but important work of the stage crew, by "struttin' your stuff" as a presenter of a weekly program, or taking a speaking role in the dramatization of a degree. I am certain that there is a very diverse pool of experience and talent among our membership just waiting to be used for the betterment of the Valley of Washington, and the Scottish Rite in general. Please don't hesitate to do your part!

Those things that surviv immortal thoughts, our	e us – our works, our words, influences and the effects of the world that survives than	our our
Name/Degree	Date Joined Scottish Rite	Date of Death
Larry D. Dorrier, 32°		1/11/2015
Erwin M. Dreisonstok,	32°3/6/1956	6/17/2016
Michael G. Harring, 32	° 10/5/1943	4/16/2016
William R. Mahaffey, 3	2°5/7/1983	12/31/2015
Ill. A.Wallace Moore Jr.	., 33°10/4/1955	8/16/2016
John W. Randall, 32°		
Nathan H. Rosenberg,	32°10/24/1970	12/4/2015
Benjamin B. Surratt Jr.,	32°5/1/1992	11/26/2016
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WASHINGTON VALLEY RECOGNIZES EXCELLENCE in LOCAL JROTC CADETS

n Saturday, April 9th, the Valley of Washington hosted "A Star-Spangled Evening" as its 2016 Americanism Program. More than thirty JROTC cadets from a dozen DC high schools were honored with awards for their achievements in leadership and patriotism during the 2015-2016 school year. The cadets were accompanied by a number of parents or guardians, and friends, as well as the military science instructors from their various schools.

Major Terica Robinson (MIARNG) provided an inspiring motivational message based upon her own life experience, and our Brother LT Darren Moore (USNR) offered the charge to the cadets. A selection of patriotic music was the entertainment for the evening, and a sumptuous buffet supper was served after the program. 🔺



COL Martin Compton, USA (Ret.), receiving a donation from the DCSR, presented by LTC Robb C. Mitchell, 32° KCCH.



SGIG Emeritus Charles S. Iversen and Colonel Compton share a "smile moment."



The multi-service JROTC Color Guard readies for Presentation of the Colors.



DCSR Award recipients from the District of Columbia JROTC cadet corps.

Update on Master Craftsman Courses

he Master Craftsman classes will be starting up again in September. The sessions on the Scottish Rite Degrees will be held on the 2nd Tuesdays of each month while the sessions on the Symbolic Lodge will be held on the 4th Tuesdays (except when special programs are scheduled). All sessions are in the Library from 6:45 pm to 7:15 pm to allow for a brief break before



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the meetings. These are outstanding Masonic educational opportunities. Even non-Masons may take the courses. To sign up contact Carroll Collins, DCSR Secretary. Each course costs \$35. The Symbolic Lodge Course requires the purchase of Ill. Arturo de Hoyos' edition of Pike's Esoterika. You can join at any time. The Master Craftsman Courses are part of the VPAM program which gives credit to yourself and your Valley. Upon completion a certificate and pin will be awarded and recognition given in the meetings.

The first few months of the Scottish Rite sessions will focus on the variations of the degrees between the Southern and Northern Jurisdictions. The Symbolic Lodge programs will explore papers developed approximately 40 years ago which may shed more light on the meaning of the Craft. Course quizzes may be turned in any time in the office or in person.

Walter Benesch, 32° KCCH 🔺

15 Foods That Stain Teeth Battling dingy teeth? Here's some good advice from Dr. Philip Gentry:

- 1. COFFEE. Your morning cup of Joe might be a necessity, but coffee contains dark pigments and healthy, but acidic, polyphenols and tannins that can lead to staining and discoloration. Plus, coffee also is very acidic, and acidic foods lead to tooth decay.
- 2. TEA. Tea has stain-causing tannins. If you sip tea throughout the day, avoid Earl Grey and choose a lighter-colored variety such as an herbal or green tea. To fight against tea stains, research published in the International Journal of Dental Hygiene says to add a little milk to your cup. The casein in milk was found to significantly prevent and reduce tea-induced stains.
- 3. RED WINE. Those same troublesome tannins exist in your favorite glass of vino, too. Try pairing your glass of Pinot Noir with a handful of almonds to help counteract staining. The act of chewing hard foods like nuts can help scrub away plaque from teeth and mitigate staining. Swish out your mouth with water immediately after drinking wine.
- 4. BERRIES. Blueberries, raspberries, and strawberries are very healthy and packed with antioxidants, but due to their darker hues, berries will stain your teeth. Eat berries, but brush right after.
- 5. CURRY. Although the exotic spices taste amazing, those yummy yellow and red spices also tint your teeth, thanks to their deep pigmentation. The best way to prevent staining here is to make curry an "every once in a while" treat. Your smile will thank you.
- 6. HARD CANDIES. Hard candies like Jolly ranchers might be one of the worst foods for your teeth. They are both sticky and acidic. Choose non-sticky dark chocolate instead.
- TOMATO SAUCE AND KETCHUP. Anything that can stain your clothes can stain your teeth. Tomatoes also are acidic. Brush after your spaghetti and meatballs.
- 8. CHERRY AND CRANBERRY JUICE. All fruit juice puts your teeth at risk of discoloration, especially when the fruits are richly pigmented like cherries or berries. Not to mention the fact that fruit juice is often high in sugar, which can act as a breeding site for bacteria in your mouth and lead to more dental damage and discoloration.
- 9. SODA. Regular and diet soda are very acidic to the body and, as a result, are damaging to your dental health. Drinking plain water is the best choice for your teeth. Drinking through a straw may help a little.

Your Good Health Tip

- 10. BALSAMIC VINEGAR AND SOY SAUCE. Salads are healthy for you, but that balsamic may do a number on your teeth. Not only is balsamic dark in color, but it's rather sticky and will latch onto teeth, which can lead to staining if it's not brushed away soon after eating. Avoid too much soy sauce, it stains and contains too much sodium anyway.
- 11. BEETS. Whether you enjoy them in your morning veggie juice or consume them whole, beets can be incredibly staining to the teeth. Brush your teeth after eating beets. You also can try pairing them with foods that are less damaging to your mouthlike cheese! Studies show that cheese can reduce acids in the mouth.
- 12. POPSICLES. Popsicles may be lower in calories than other dessert options, but due to their sugar content and fruit juice base, they will stain your teeth. Chew sugarless gum instead to increase your saliva production, which helps to neutralize and counteract those acid attacks.
- 13. GATORADE. Some research suggests sports drinks are even more harmful to your smile than sodas. Researchers from New York University found that excessive consumption of these types of drinks can weaken and damage the tissue in your teeth because of a combination of acidic components, sugars, and other additives.
- 14. GRAPES. If wine will turn your smile dark, then you better believe its main ingredient will do the same. Grapes are deeply pigmented fruits and may cause staining when eaten often. Brush after eating grapes.
- 15. LEMON. Hot water with lemon in the morning has become popular with celebrities. But citrus fruits like lemons or limes are highly acidic and can erode the enamel on your teeth—in turn, revealing yellow dentin tissue below. Avoid acids, drink water.



Dr. Philip A. Gentry, DDS Fellow, Academy of General Dentistry Dean's Faculty, Advanced Education in General Dentistry Department of General Dentistry, University of Maryland School of Dentistry Private Practice in Arlington, Virginia



DCSR OPEN HOUSE on Sept 27th

The DC Scottish Rite will be hosting an Open House beginning at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, Sept. 27th. Please think about Master Masons in your Lodges, etc. who would make great Scottish Rite Masons and invite them to attend the Open House with you.

This event will serve as a kick-off of our recruitment effort this season culminating with our Nov. 11-12 Fall Reunion and national Scottish Rite Day on Saturday, Nov. 12th . For further information, contact Walter Hoenes at membership@dcsr.org.

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Scottish Rite Calendar



September *through* November 2016

September 2016

6	Mithras Lodge of Perfection	7:30 PM
13	Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix	7:30 PM
20	Robert de Bruce Council of Kadosh	7:30 PM
27	PROSPECTIVE MEMBER OPEN HOUSE – SCOTTISH RITE DAY KICK-OFF	6:00 PM

October 2016

4	Mithras Lodge of Perfection	7:30 PM
11	Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix	7:30 PM
18	FEAST OF TISHRI	7:00 PM
25	Albert Pike Consistory	7:30 PM

November 2016

1	Mithras Lodge of Perfection	7:30 PM
8	Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix	7:30 PM

Fall Reunion & Scottish Rite Day

Friday, Nov. 11th

Registration 4:00-5:15 PM
Recess to Saturday 9:15 PM
Saturday, Nov. 12th – Scottish Rite Day

15	Robert de Bruce Council of Kadosh	7:30 PM
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DC SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE 2800 16th Street NW Washington, DC 20009 Tel: 202-232-8155 Fax: 202-483-8169 Website: dcsr.org DUES NEWS

In August, the mailing of dues statements for 2017 will begin, and if you are not current, you will notice that the amount due is starting to increase significantly. On July 5th, the membership folks at the Supreme Council did their annual data rollover to prepare for the new dues year, which means that the 2017 dues were added to the amount that you are already in arrears to come up with the total that you currently owe. For example, if you have not paid for 2015 and 2016, and add the amount due for 2017, it brings the total to \$240.00. If you are an annual member, you will receive a new membership card rather than a sticker upon receipt of payment.

We depend on your dues both to pay the yearly per capita assessment to the Supreme Council, and to mitigate some of the expenses associated in providing you with the quality Scottish Rite experience for which the Valley of Washington is known. Your failure to pay is, therefore, a disservice to your Brethren, as it means that they are underwriting the cost of *your* Scottish Rite benefits. Please bear in mind that timely payment is just as important so that the Valley can avoid the extra expense of sending multiple requests for payment.

YOU MAY PAY IN A NUMBER OF WAYS:

- Respond to the statement via U.S. Postal Service with a check or credit card information.
- Click on "**Payments**" on the left side of the **dcsr.org** homepage to use PayPal or a credit card.
- Go to the Supreme Council website, **scottishrite.org**, click on the "**PAY YOUR DUES**" tab at the top right, and if you do not already have access, create a username and password to access the Scottish Rite Member Portal. Once there, click on the "**MY DUES**" tab at the top to pay.
- Pay in person at the DCSR Temple by cash, check, or credit card. ▲

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