

## Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

VALLEY OF WASHINGTON, ORIENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, S.J.



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The Valley Washington minted 62 new Masters of the Royal Secret on November 12, 2016 at its Fall Reunion which was scheduled to coincide with the first ever national Scottish Rite Day as a joint observance by the Southern Jurisdiction and the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. The Reunion's schedule, which took place over two days, was specifically re-designed with the idea of creating a better than ever experience of the Degrees for our candidates while cementing a special and enduring partnership with the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia and its 43 constituent blue lodges. The three-score-and-two-member class was named in honor of the Grand Master, MWB Kenneth D. Fuller (32° KCCH).

"This special Reunion is named for our Grand Master and coincides with the 2016 Scottish Rite Day that honors and celebrates Scottish Rite Freemasonry in all Orients and States in the United States. The Valley of Washington continues to maintain a strong supportive relationship with the Grand Lodge here in our Nation's Capital and we will conclude our Reunion at the Washington National Cathedral in support of the Grand Lodge's Masonic Day of Thanksgiving (event)." So wrote Illustrious Leonard Proden, 33°,

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## 2017 OFFICERS INSTALLED

n February 4, the installation of the officers of the four bodies of the Valley of Washington took place at our 16th Street Temple. The principle officers for this year are:



#### Morgan P. Corr, 32° KCCH

Venerable Master Mithras Lodge of Perfection



**III. Fred W. Evans, 33°** *Wise Master* Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix



**Uzo E. Chukwu, 32° KCCH** *Commander* Robert de Bruce Council of Kadosh

Bradley D. Andrukitis, 32° KCCH

Venerable Master of Kadosh Albert Pike Consistory

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ur 2017 Scottish Rite year is off to a great beginning as the 147th Installation of Officers and Trustees is complete. If you were unable to attend this event in early February, it is available for viewing on our website dcsr.org. Ill. Charles S. Iversen, 33°, S.G.I.G. Emeritus, was the star of the evening as he assisted in the Installation Ceremony which was his 26th consecutive performance and he did not disappoint. Thanks to Ill. George R. Adams, 33°, G.C. for transitioning the outgoing and incoming Chieftains of the Knights of St. Andrew and presenting the past presiding



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

officers their jewel for their service to the Rite. The entire program for the night was smoothly managed by Ill. Jeffrey D. Russell, 33°, who served as Master of Ceremonies for this auspicious occasion. To all that contributed in making this a successful event—I am most appreciative of your outstanding efforts.

Our 2016 Heads of Bodies (Doug Cohen, 32° KCCH; Mark Polansky, 32° KCCH; Ill. Bud Michels, 33°, and Basil Mossaidis, 32° KCCH) have provided varied, interesting, and unique programs this past year. I would like to recognize them for a "job well done" as they continue to raise the standard of programming at our Tuesday meetings. Our newly installed 2017 Officers (pictured on page 1) have the responsibility to continue to provide a quality experience at each of their respective Tuesday meetings. Their collective priority is for each of our members to want to attend and participate in our Scottish Rite; so that each Master of the Royal Secret finds his experience worth the time and effort to attend and participate in our Tuesday meetings. To that end, please support their efforts.

Please check the calendar (page 12) for our upcoming meetings and events as many are open for family and friends. This listing is also available on website (dcsr.org), Facebook, and our mobile app. Keeping up with all the Masonic events and meetings in the DMV can be a challenge. In a jurisdiction of our size and assuming you are moderately active and involved in your Lodge, the Grand Lodge, the York Rite, the Shrine, the Eastern Star and other appendant bodies—it becomes difficult to fit it all into your schedule. Whatever your participation choices, never forget to practice and live the lessons of the Scottish Rite.

As always, thank you for being a Scottish Rite Mason.

# AMERICANISM & JROTC AWARDS PROGRAM Saturday, April 8th @ 5pm

## DC GRAND LODGE AND ALMAS SHRINERS ADVANCE VALLEY MEMBERS

### 2017 Grand Master of Masons: Most Worshipful Brother Roman Volsky, 33°

R oman Volsky was born in Odessa, Ukraine.

He graduated the Odessa Marine Engineering University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. After a brief period of service with the Soviet Navy, he worked as a chief power supply engineer at a Black Sea seaport, and later established a private publishing company in his hometown, managing it until December of 1990, when he immigrated to the United States and became a US Citizen.

In 1995, he formed a full-service media and publishing firm, which serves the US government, private industries, and international clientele, providing printed and digital material in various languages. An accomplished linguist,

holding the highest certifications as an interpreter in the Russian language, Roman also provides linguistic services to Federal and State government agencies, courts, and the private sector.

Brother Volsky became a Freemason in 1997, when he was initiated, passed and raised in Benjamin B. French Lodge No.15 in Washing-

ton, DC, where he served as Master in 2004. He remains an active member of his mother Lodge and is involved in its many programs. Worshipful Brother Volsky is also an active member of The Colonial Lodge No. 1821, which awarded him their Fidelity Medal in 2014.

Most Worshipful Brother Volsky began his Grand Lodge service with appointments as Grand Sword Bearer in 2008, and Grand Marshal in 2009, following which, he was elected to the officer line as Junior Grand Steward in 2010. In 2012, he received the Valentine Reintzel Medal for Meritorious Service from the Grand Lodge.

Illustrious Brother Volsky is also active in the Scottish Rite's Valley of Washington, Orient of the District of Columbia, having served as the Venerable

Master of its Albert Pike Consistory in 2007. And that same year, he was coroneted as a 33° Inspector General Honorary of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite – Southern Jurisdiction.

Most Worshipful Brother Volsky and his wife Tatyana are the proud parents of two daughters.

### 2017 Potentate of Almas Shriners: Illustrious Sir Michael Gordon, 32°

Illustrious Sir Michael A. Gordon currently serves as the Deputy Corporate Informa-L tion Security Officer (CISO) and Director of Intelligence & Operations within Lockheed Martin's Corporate Information Security organization. In this capacity Mike is responsible for the overall Computer Network Defense of the Lockheed Martin computing infrastructure. He has nearly twenty years of experience in the information security field supporting the Defense Industrial Base, and has also been a security consultant for the Public, Health and Financial sectors. Brother Gordon has been engaging in ongoing activities with governments around the world to facilitate multilateral, cross-sector cyber security information sharing.

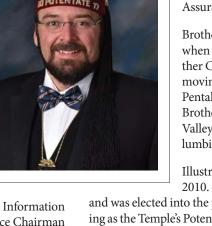
Brother Gordon was a founder of the Defense Security Information Exchange (DSIE) and has served as the organizations Vice Chairman of the Board since its inception. In this role he has taken a strategic oversight role of the organization's strategy and operations. Under Mike's leadership the DSIE was formally incorporated as the Defense Industrial Base Information Sharing and Analysis Organization (DIB-ISAO). He also sits on the Corporate Advisory Board for Cybereason Corporation. Brother Gordon holds an undergraduate degree in Engineering Physics and Masters in Technical Management from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He also holds a Masters of Business Administration (MBA) and a Masters of Information Assurance degree from the University of Dallas.

Brother Gordon became a Freemason in 2004, when he was initiated, passed and raised in Panther City Lodge No. 1183 in Fort Worth, TX. Upon moving to Maryland in 2009 he associated with Pentalpha Lodge No. 194 in Germantown, MD. Brother Gordon is also active in the Scottish Rite's Valley of Washington, Orient of the District of Columbia, where he joined in 2014.

Illustrious Sir Gordon joined Almas Shriners in 2010. He has held numerous appointed positions

and was elected into the progressive Divan where he is currently serving as the Temple's Potentate. He is very active in several of the Shrine's clubs and appendant bodies where he holds a variety of positions. Ill. Sir Gordon also serves as a member of the Imperial Public Relations Committee for Shriners International and also supports the Imperial International Development Committee where he is very active in the development of Shriners outside of the United States.

Illustrious Sir Gordon and his Lady Vanessa are the proud parents of their son Izaak.



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SCOTTISH RITE DAY IN DC STYLE



The Reunion participants enjoyed a lunch and fellowship during a break between the degree conferrals.

SGIG in the Orient of the District of Columbia, in his biannual message to the members of the DC Scottish Rite.

The Valley actually brought in a total of 86 new members when one includes the 24 men who were initiated on October 8, 2016 in Naples, Italy as part of the Valley's American Military SR Bodies (NATO) club. Our Brethren in the armed services, either active or retired, treasure being part of the Scottish Rite family and relish the opportunity to gather annually for their own Reunion when they refresh old friendships and build new ones, before dispersing once again wherever their current deployments or vocations may take them.

The local Reunion class in DC was composed of a diverse group of men drawn from many lodges in the DC and the surrounding suburbs. With an average age of 38, the youngest candidate was 21 and the oldest was 80; over half of the class was aged less than 35 years. Nearly two thirds of the new class members returned to the first Valley meeting, which followed just two days after the Reunion, and participated in an educational program that expands on the degrees' conferral. Finding sufficient seating for everyone was a welcome challenge.

Feedback on our effort from the Reunion class members has been positive: "Dear Brother Walter: I wanted to thank you and all of the Brothers of the Scottish Rite who were responsible for carrying out the



amazing series of ceremonies last weekend in such an efficient and effective manner. I value them deeply and look forward to attending the College of Philosophy as well as the ceremonies in the spring to help better my understanding of the degrees. I've already begun reading a Bridge to Light, and look forward to understanding Morals and Dogma better. I really look forward to attending the

Article by III. Walter R. Hoenes, 33° Director of Membership Services

The Scottish Rite Day Commemorative Jewel

*Tuesday fellowship and meetings as often as I can and getting to know all the Brothers.*"

In response to an invitation to our next meeting, another new member wrote: "Brother Walter - It was an amazing experience I will never forget! I was so honored and really humbled to join the Valley on Scottish Rite Day as a part of this historic class. Thank you for your note – I can't wait to be back with all my new brothers."

Not to be outdone, another new member responded: "Dear Walter: Of course, I will be there. I can't think of any other place I'd rather be. You guys knocked my socks off with the Reunion last weekend, making me and each and every class member feel special and welcome. See you soon!"

In addition to the usual 14° gold ring, 32° black cap, copies of *Morals* and *Dogma* and *A Bridge to Light*, and Valley-specific swag, those Brethren receiving the 32° during 2016 have been presented with the distinctive jewel especially commissioned by the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction to commemorate Scottish Rite Day. Existing members who recruited at least two new members for this class were also presented with the jewel in recognition of their effort. The Southern Jurisdiction's handsome new challenge coin served as a final memento of this special day, in a special year for Scottish Rite Freemasonry.

At the conclusion of the 32° conferral, the new member class, the SGIG, and all the Valley's Reunion participants joined the officers and members of the Grand Lodge, with their families and friends, for an afternoon Masonic Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance at Washington's majestic National Cathedral. The angelic voices of the Girls' Choir of the National Cathedral School gave additional lift to the already elevated spirits of all who had come together on November 12th to celebrate the Valley and the first-ever Scottish Rite Day.

## KSA 2017 OFFICERS INSTALLED

n Saturday, February 18th, the Valley of Washington's Knights of St. Andrew, an internal service organization for 32° "black cap" members, installed new officers for the 2017 term, with Bro. A. Michael Goddard, 32° leading his fellow Knights as the new Chieftain.

#### PICTURED:

Front Row, L to R: Shannon L. Scott, Wuilder Aguero, Sergio Aleman-Soto, Michael J. Erickson, Michael C. Malinics, Oscar H. Viera Row 2, L to R: James Frederique, Larry A. Villegas-Perez, Michael Goddard – Chieftain, Timothy K. Houston Row 3, L to R: W. Jack Campbell, Jr., Earl N. Dale, Richard F. Drosin, Zak Alzaim, Andre T. Tia

# DCSR Spring Reunion May 12th & 13th

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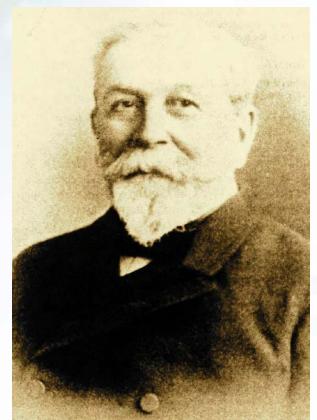
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## IN AND ABOUT THE TEMPLE: THE UNSINKABLE JOHN MILLS BROWNE

s part of the ongoing process to return artifacts important to the history of the DCSR to the walls of our Temple, you may have noticed the most recent addition opposite the SGIG's office. It is a portrait of Ill. John Mills Browne, 33°, SGIG from 1880 until 1889, his term of office being between those of Albert Gallatin Mackey and Albert Pike, two luminaries of Scottish Rite Freemasonry.

Brother Browne was born in New Hampshire in 1831, graduated from the Medical School of Harvard University in 1852, and appointed an Assistant Surgeon in the United States Navy the following year. His first duty station was aboard the USS Warren, a stores ship anchored at Sausalito, CA. In September 1854, the Warren moved to Mare Island to serve as the residence of the first Commandant of the Navy Yard established there, Commander David Glasgow Farragut: Assistant Surgeon Browne became, in turn, the first medical officer at the Mare Island Navy Yard.



John Mills Browne, 33°, SGIG in DC, 1880-1889

John Mills Browne was made a Mason on June 3, 1852, in Philesian Lodge No. 40 at Winchester, New Hampshire, where he received all three degrees in one day under dispensation from the Grand Master because of his impending removal from the area for naval service. During his time in California, he affiliated with Naval Lodge No. 87 at Vallejo, California, where he was Master in 1870. He served as Grand Master of California Masons from 1874-1876, and was active in the Scottish Rite. Brother Browne was invested with the KCCH in 1872, coroneted Inspector General Honorary, 33° in 1876, and crowned an active member of the Supreme Council in 1880; whereupon he assumed leadership of the Rite in the District of Columbia.

According to a brief history of DC Scottish Rite Freemasonry, prepared in 1940 by Ill. William L. Boyden, 33°, for the dedication of the Temple at 2800 16th St NW, "under his (Browne's) administration, the Rite

made rapid strides." Among those being the constitution of a second Lodge of Perfection in Georgetown, and the acquisition of property and construction of the first permanent home of the DC Scottish Rite Bodies, their Cathedral at 1007 G St. NW.

As previously noted, Brother Browne's appointment as Surgeon General of the Navy came while he was serving as SGIG. Therefore, in August 1889, "in consequence of the pressure of his official duties as Surgeon General of the Navy, and the necessity of his frequent absence from the City ...he requested the Grand

Commander to relieve him of those duties as Inspector General." Brother Browne continued those official duties until he retired from office in 1893. He died on December 7, 1894 and interred at Arlington National Cemetery: the jewel of the 33° appears on his tombstone.



After subsequent service in survey vessels in the Pacific Northwest, Brother Browne received a promotion to Passed Assistant Surgeon in 1858, and saw service as medical officer on the USS Dolphin, and the USS Constellation during their missions of interdiction of ships involved in the slave trade. Commissioned Surgeon in June 1861, and assigned as senior medical officer on the USS Kearsarge, he was aboard when she sank the Confederate raider, CSS Alabama, in June 1864. Following the War, and returned to California, Surgeon Browne oversaw construction of the Naval Hospital, Mare Island, and from 1872 to 1875, served as Fleet Surgeon of the Pacific Fleet. His promotions had continued, and his next assignment was to Washington, DC, where he was President of the Medical Examining Board, a member of the Board of Visitors of the United States Naval Academy, and a representative to the 1881 Medical Congress in London. President Grover Cleveland



appointed him Surgeon General of the Navy on April 2, 1888, which office he held until May 10, 1893.

Article by III. Carroll J. Collins, 33° General Secretary

Browne's grave marker at Arlington National Cemetery

# AGAIN IN 2016!

In December 2016, we concluded our second year of participation in the Supreme Council's Valley Membership Achievement Project (VMAP). It's a natural time to reflect upon what the Valley has been able to accomplish by implementing the programs and requirements of this very worthwhile program.

Under the guidance of outstanding leadership and excellent participation by our members, the Valley successfully conferred two very successful Reunions during the year. The Fall 2016 Reunion (Kenneth D. Fuller, Grand Master Class) was held on Scottish Rite Day where we welcomed 62 new Scottish Rite Masons to our Valley. Prior to our Fall Reunion, under the direction of Scott Brown, 32° KCCH, the Valley hosted an outstanding Open House for prospective members and their families which peaked the interest of many who submitted petitions and are now our newest Scottish Rite Brothers from the Fall Class. Following the Fall Reunion, the new class enjoyed Fellowship with our Valley Leaders, Reunion participants and our Members at the National Cathedral as we joined the Grand Lodge of DC for their annual Masonic Day of Thanksgiving and Remembrance.

As Masonic Education is an integral part of the Scottish Rite and VMAP we continue to offer programs to benefit our Members and our Candidates. Our newly made Scottish Rite Masons were presented with copies of *A Bridge to Light* and *Morals and Dogma* and encouraged to pursue further Light in Masonry by enrolling in the Master Craftsmen courses taught by Brother Walter Benesch 32°KCCH and/or the College of Philosophy taught by Ill. Brother Pierre Gaugard 33°. These programs are open to all Scottish Rite Masons. These are just some of the opportunities for Masonic Education in addition to presentations which are made at our Valley's stated as well as special communications.

Our Valley KCCH Club, under the direction of Chairman Marlon Curtis 32° KCCH, has been instrumental in Membership Engagement and Membership Retention. Our Valley Mentoring Program is an area that encompasses many of the VMAP achievements including New Member Engagement, Recruitment, Education and Reunion Experience. Each of our Red Cap Mentors was assigned one or more Candidates at our Reunions and will Mentor them throughout the year. The responsibilities of the Mentors include not only an introduction of our newly made Scottish Rite Brethren to our Valley and its Members but to find out their areas of interest and inform them of all the different aspects of the Scottish Rite and the many ways they can become and stay involved in the life of our Valley.

Our Valley continues to thrive in the area of Philanthropy and Public Image. In November, the Valley hosted our Education and Community Service Awards Program to recognize those who were award-ТΜ ed scholarships from the Valley and those who were recognized for their outstanding achievements in service to our community. The Education Committee's outstanding efforts came to fruition, as the Valley was able to provide scholarships to 19 very deserving students. The KSA, under the direction of Chieftain George Perez, 32° continues to do an incredible job of service and support to our Valley. The Outstanding Community Service Award was created in 2013 by the KSA and this year they were able to present the Award to five outstanding recipients from the DC Community. Our Scottish Rite Center for Child Language Disorders continues its outstanding work and the Members of our Valley are helping to make Christmas special for the children who utilize the Center's services by sponsoring a Rite Care Christmas Gift Drive. During the year, our Valley again sponsored our D.C. Scottish Rite Golf Tournament, a Ladies' Tea, a Tough Mudder team and continued to provide outstanding speakers and programs including a continued relationship with the PEN/Faulkner Foundation which has come to our Valley and presented forums and discussions on a variety of subjects with noted authors.

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

Early in 2016, we were so pleased to be recognized by the Supreme Council and to have been presented with the VMAP Award for 2015 for our superior accomplishments. I would like to thank all Members of the DSCR who continue to contribute to the betterment of our Valley. We are looking forward to the new requirements and goals that may be added to VMAP 2017.

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/ vmap/**.



Article by Bradley D. Andrukitis, 32° KCCH Director of VMAP

### **Brethren Behind the Scenes: Our Valley's Directors of Work**

recently came upon an undated paper presented to the Pythagoras Lodge of Research by Ill. Ralph H. Gauker, 33°, author of the centennial *History of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the District of Columbia*, entitled "Established facts about the sequence of Directors of Work in D.C." When I mentioned this find to the SGIG, he suggested that I bring it up to date as an article for the *Progress*.

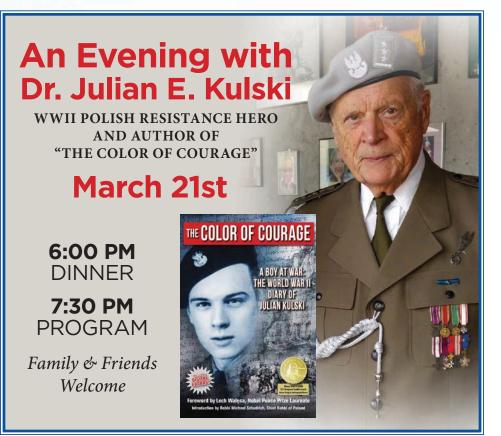
For those of you who are new to the Scottish Rite, the Director of Work is in overall charge of the presentation of degrees at our Reunions, and that position here at DCSR is currently occupied by Ill. William T. Rule II, 33°. Brother Bill has a Deputy, two Assistants, and five Degree Directors, one for each of the obligatory degrees required by the Supreme Council, to help him in this non-trivial undertaking. Additionally, he has the support of the Stage Crew, including sound and lighting, and the Master of Wardrobe for costumes and accessories.

Brother Gauker's piece begins in 1904 with the appointment of Brother Francis Elton Sheiry as Director of Work by Brother Henry Ridgely Evans, then Venerable Master of Mithras Lodge of Perfection. At this distance in time, this seems somewhat remarkable given that Brother Sheiry had only joined the Rite in 1902, and so must have been particularly adept at dramatic presentations, or management thereof. In any case, by III. Carroll J. Collins, 33°, General Secretary

Brother Sheiry was the first and last person to bear the title until 1921. During the interim years, there were Degree Masters and Degree Directors, but no Director of Work. Interestingly, Ill. Henry Ridgely Evans, 33°, was an amateur student of magic, and acquaintance of Harry Houdini. Described as a "...hobbyist performer but... clearly a professional magic historian," he wrote and published a number of books on that subject.

A Standing Resolution, adopted in June 1905, assigned the three top officers of Mithras Lodge as "a committee on work with authority to appoint a Degree Master for one year." This selection method remained until 1909 when that right transferred to the newly formed Executive Committee. Still, it was not until January 1921 that the position was formally entitled Director of Work, and Ill. George Roscoe Davis, 33°, appointed thereto. As an aside, Brother Davis had been a distinguished scholar of Latin, Greek, and Mathematics while a student at The George Washington University, and was the sole recipient of a B.A. degree from that institution in 1895. He subsequently worked as an attorney at the Pension Bureau and the Treasury Department before going into private practice.

In December 1921, Ill. John Henry von Herrmann, 33°, succeeded Brother Davis as Director of Work, but his time in that position ended with



his sudden death by apoplexy in June 1922. At this point, Brother Gauker injected a bit of confusion into the line of succession. In his paper, he lists Brother Charles Barnum Hanford as following Brother von Herrmann, but in his History, he indicates that Ill. Frank Michael Roller, 33°, former Grand Lecturer, was next. Brother Roller was a well-known ritualist in the DC Masonic community, as well as in other local fraternal organizations, but the public at large was more familiar with the name of Brother Hanford. Attracted to the stage as a young man, he gained notoriety as a talented Shakespearean actor, and performed with some of the best in that genre during the last decades of the nineteenth century, including Edwin Booth. The high point of Brother Hanford's term as Director of Work may well have been his presentation of the 20th degree in May 1926 when he had eight DC Past Grand Masters and the Grand Chaplain in the cast. This was also Brother Hanford's last significant contribution to the Valley's dramatic work, as he died of acute appendicitis, made inoperable by his chronic cardiac asthma condition, on October 16.

The Executive Committee appointed Ill. John Carpenter Palmer, 33° as Degree Director after Brother Hanford's death, and the aforementioned Brother Roller as Assistant Degree Director. The position title reverted to Director of Work following the passing of Brother Palmer, and Ill. Evan Jones, 33°, acceded thereto. When Brother Jones died in an automobile accident in July 1951, the Executive Committee picked Ill. Frederic Barton Blackburn, 33°, to replace him. After a dozen years, Brother Blackburn resigned and Ill. Renah F. Camalier, 33°, Deputy of the Supreme Council for DC recommended Ill. Raymond Barton Harding, 33°, to the Executive Committee as his replacement. Brother Harding was to become the longest-serving Director of Work in DCSR history, performing thus from his appointment in 1963, until his death in June 1983.

With Brother Harding's death, Ill. William D. Jackson, 33°, who had been an Assistant Degree Director under Brother Harding, moved into the Director's role. In 1992, Ill. Kenneth M. Meyer, 33°, also an Assistant under Brother Harding, replaced Brother Jackson who, upon his retirement, received the honorific of Director of Work, Emeritus. From 1999 through 2001, Dan L. Frederick, 32° KCCH and Donald H. Larson, 32° KCCH, shared the position as Co-Directors. Ill. Roy E. Revis, 33° became Director of Work in 2002, and remained so until succeeded in 2007 by Ill. Charles W. Wagner, 33°. Our current Director, Ill. William T. Rule II, 33°, took over from Brother Wagner in 2014. 4

# Your Good Health Tip 10 Ideas to Help You Lose that Extra Weight

- 1. **Prior to going out to eat at a restaurant, have a protein shake or smoothie**. They not only taste great, but they'll also keep you feeling fuller longer, helping your to eat less at the restaurant.
- 2. Create a mantra "Nothing after 9." It means no meals or unhealthy food after 9 p.m. Plan your last meal or snack at a time when your body will utilize it before you go to sleep.
- 3. Anywhere you go, park on the complete other side of the parking lot. It's a quick power walk. And if you're carrying something back, then all the better! Unless it's a box of doughnuts...
- 4. **Have a cheat day.** Usually Friday is the best, because it's been a long week and everyone needs a break. Don't over-indulge, just eat something you usually wouldn't eat during the week.
- 5. **Put the salad dressing on the side.** Dip your fork in the dressing, then spear some salad. Because the dressing is on the bottom of the fork (tongue side), you won't miss out on any of the taste.

- 6. Always take the stairs. If you do the stairs a couple times a day, that's a step forward toward weight loss success.
- 7. **Get a partner.** As you motivate your partner to reach his/her prime weight, your partner will motivate you as well.
- 8. Don't just **drink a glass of water before** going to a party, drink a glass before every meal.
- 9. Keep a box of cereal bars or protein bars at your desk, and eat those for a snack instead of diving into the candy bowl that one of your officemates continually replenishes.
- 10. If you don't keep any junk in the house, you won't crave it as much. Out of sight, out of mind. Always read the nutrition info on anything before you buy it. If you have a craving for fast food, go to the restaurant's website and look up the fat and calorie content before you buy it.

# DC SCOTTISH RITE TOUGH MUDDER SATURDAY JUNE 10, 2017

FOR DETAILS, CONTACT BRO. RICHARD DROSIN at 202-821-9743 or zairetoffee@gmail.com

## **AMSRB NATO CLUB**



**APRIL 8, 2017:** 1100 Schwarzes Rob, 97359 Horblach **JUNE 10, 2017:** 

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SEPTEMBER 9, 2017: 1100 Schwarzes Rob, 97359 Horblach

**OCTOBER 7-8, 2017:** 2017 Scottish Rite Reunion, Vicenza, Italy, time and place TBD **DECEMBER 2, 2017:** Annual Meeting and Election of Officers with banquet. Time and place TBD.



### Sale O. Cera

## ILL. WILLIAM EARL BRIDGEGUM, 33°

January 4, 2017 marked the passing of our Brother, and long-time Chapter Trustee, Bill Bridegum. Born on July 16, 1935 in Berlin, Pennsylvania, Brother Bill came to DC, and served with the Metropolitan Police Department until his retirement in 1980. He began his Masonic journey on October 5, 1961, when he petitioned Chillum Castle Lodge No. 186 under the Grand Lodge of Maryland. Initiated, passed, and raised therein, Brother Bill joined Potomac Lodge No. 5 in 2003, where he celebrated his 50th Masonic anniversary on December 14, 2011.

III. Bridegum joined the DC Scottish Rite with the 1993 Fall Reunion class, and received the Honors of the 32° KCCH in 1997 and Inspector General Honorary, 33° in 2001. Elected as Trustee of The Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix in 2005, he served in that capacity until his passing.

Brother Bill was a regular attendee at our Tuesday night meetings as well as our friends and family events in company with his wife, Alma Jean. All who knew him will greatly miss his presence in our midst.





Those things that survive us – our works, our words, our immortal thoughts, our influences and the effects of our good deeds, are more to the world that survives than are we ourselves.



NAME / DEGREE	SCOTTISH RITE	DATE OF
Joseph Baluch, 32°	1/29/1977	8/7/2016
Wilbur W. Blair, 32°	6/16/2007	1/1/2016
William E. Bridegum, 33°	11/19/1993	1/4/2017
Charles W. Chaillet, 32°	10/24/1970	9/22/2016
William E. Chaney Jr, 33°	10/28/1978	10/7/2016
Jack Golomb, 32°		
W. Frederick Gore, 33°	5/17/1996	12/5/2016
Walter D. Graham, 32° KCCH	5/7/1996	11/21/2016
Thad M. Gregg, 32°	10/8/1963	8/8/2015
Harold E. Harriman, 32°	11/8/1991	11/23/2016
Henry S. Heflin, 32°	4/8/1970	10/10/2016
Robert H. Helfrich, 32°	1/30/1971	3/31/2015
Albert B. Hitt, 32°	5/15/1998	3/9/2016
Gerald Lastfogel, 32°	3/26/1968	12/18/2016
Corson Wesley Long, 32°	10/28/1978	12/16/2015
Paul C. Low, 32°	4/20/1990	5/28/2016
Thomas W. Maydian, 32°	1/26/1974	10/23/2016
Donald A. Myers, 32°	11/3/1973	12/14/2015
Charles L. Newcomer, 32°	11/5/1983	6/8/2015
Ralph V. O'Dell, 32°	4/4/1972	2/21/2016
John Stanley Samperton, 32° KCCH	4/4/1972	10/4/2014
Nicholas J. Vassos, 32°	10/18/1966	7/3/2016
Felix H. Walker, 32°	4/18/1993	10/28/2016
Marion Knight Warner, 32°	3/20/1979	12/17/2016
Ray S. Wilcox, 32°	6/16/2001	11/13/2015
Milton Williams, 32°	3/3/1959	11/5/2016
Paul D. Wills, 32°	4/22/1977	8/5/2016

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## SCOTTISH RITE CALENDAR MARCH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2017

MARCH				
07	Mithras Lodge of Perfection 7:30 PM - Members Only			
14	<b>Remembrance &amp; Renewal Ceremony</b> Event postponed to March 28th due to inclement weather.			
21	<b>An Evening with Dr. Julian E. Kulski</b> 6:00 PM – Dinner / 7:30 PM – Program Family & Friends Welcome	ij		
28	Remembrance & Renewal Ceremony 6:00 PM - Dinner / 7:30 PM - Ceremony Family & Friends Welcome	Ħ		
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04	<b>Mithras Lodge of Perfection</b> 7:30 PM – Members Only			
08	Americanism/JROTC Awards Program 6:00 PM - Family and Friends Welcome	ij		
11	<b>Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix</b> 7:30 PM - Members Only			
18	<b>Robert de Bruce Council of Kadosh</b> 7:30 PM - Members Only			
25	Albert Pike Consistory 7:30 PM – Members Only			
MAY				
02	Mithras Lodge of Perfection 7:30 PM - Members Only			
09	<b>Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix</b> 7:30 PM - Members Only			
12	SPRING REUNION Registration - 4:00-5:15 PM Recess to Saturday - 9:15 PM			
13	SPRING REUNION Class Reconvenes; light breakfast - 8:00 AM Reunion concluded with Feast of the Consistory (By Invitation Only) - 6:00-7:30 PM			
16	<b>Robert de Bruce Council of Kadosh</b> 7:30 PM - Members Only			
20	<b>Celebrating the Craft</b> (House of the Temple Event) - 7:30 PM			
23	Albert Pike Consistory 7:30 PM - Members Only			
29	Memorial Day DCSR Temple Closed			

JUNE		
06	<b>PEN/Faulkner Program</b> Family & Friends Welcome	ij
10	<b>Tough Mudder Event</b> JOIN US! Advance Registration Required	
12	<b>DCSR Golf Outing</b> All Welcome to Register for a Foursome	
13	<b>Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix</b> 7:30 PM - Members Only	
20	Robert de Bruce Council of Kadosh 7:30 PM - Members Only	
27	Albert Pike Consistory 7:30 PM – Members Only	
JULY		
4	Independence Day DCSR Temple Closed	
AUG	UST	
20	Scottish Rite Biennial Session	
21	Scottish Rite Biennial Session	
22	<b>33rd Degree Conferral</b> 33° Members and Candidates Only	
SEPT	EMBER	
04	Labor Day DCSR Temple Closed	
05	Mithras Lodge of Perfection 7:30 PM – Members Only	
09	KCCH Investiture Ceremony 10:30 AM – Family and Friends Welcome	Ħ
12	<b>Evangelist Chapter of Rose Croix</b> 7:30 PM - Members Only	
	Robert de Bruce Council of Kadosh	



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