

Companions,

I am honored to serve our Chapter for the 2008-2009 Capitular Year. My goal for our chapter is participation and communication. Together our chapter will shine enthusiasm. Our chapter is blessed with many valuable members of the craft in general and capitular masonry in particular. Your participation is our most valuable asset. I challenged our companions to share their insight and wisdom at our stated convocations. Your High Priest, King and Scribe are seeking to increase membership and participation in this capitular year. The motto for the year is "Be A Part Of it". We only get from our chapter what we put into it.

The committee exploring the possibility of moving the meeting location of the chapter will be contacting every member living within 30 miles of Arlington. Please be prepared to tell them your thoughts about a possible move. We also want to hear from all Companions who wish to be a part of this discussion. You may do so by calling or e-mailing the Secretary, or Bulletin Editor.

Now is the time to make reservations for Grand Chapter on November 13-15 in Williamsburg. You may fill in reservation forms etc. by going to www.yorkrite.org and selecting VA in the Royal Arch box, or contact our secretary.

S&F

Mark A. Harford

“200 Years of Royal Arch Excellence”

Laugh of the month:

Ads Gone Wrong

For Sale: Eight puppies from a German Sheppard and an Alaskan Hussey.

Toaster: A gift that every member of the family appreciates. Automatically burns toast.

Fifty Year Members

John P. Funkhouser	1949
David H. Graham	1950
Elgin B. Kirby	1950
Henry J. Bausili	1952
Oscar L. Buchanan	1945
Robert A. Kelly	1949
Elwood S. Nichols	1949
William T. Guise	1950
James W. Brown, Jr.	1951
Robert L. Connor	1951
John E. Wise	1952
John G. Dudley Jr.	1953
Walter W. Cosby Jr.	1955
Wilbert Kahoun	1954
Cleveland F. Oliver	1955
James W. Smith	1956
Wallace D. Thompson	1956
James H. Banton Jr.	1958
Robert F. Brown	1958
Roland R. Russell	1958

From the editor:

Companions as I have stated previously, my access to less expensive copy services has come to an end. Previously I was able to make copies of, and fold the monthly newsletter for 5 cents, now it will cost 8-9 cents to copy and 2 cents to fold. We print 120 and mail 105 to 110 newsletters a month. (I am able to

hand distribute a few each month.) Currently 13 members receive copies via e-mail. We also post the newsletter to www.varorkrite.org **If you would like to join the electronic distribution, either via e-mail or thru the web, please contact me.** John Bullach
Editor

Trestle board

Remember, we serve refreshments at 6:30 before every meeting.

8 October Stated at 7:30.

5 November district School at Annandale Chapter. 7 PM.

12 November Stated at 7:30

14-15 November Grand Chapter in Williamsburg

Capitular Birthdays

OCTOBER

Robert B. Dix	1961
Lewis S. Carter	1966
Arthur L. Gore	1969
John L. Hayhurst	1981
Raymond M. Ridgeway	1981
William A. Wiggins	1981
John R. Stone	2002
Peter Terrill	2007

Did You Know

In 10 minutes, a hurricane releases more energy than all the world's Nuclear weapons combined.

The average life span of a major league baseball: 7 pitches.

"Go," is the shortest complete sentence in the English language.

It's physically impossible for you to lick your elbow.

It's possible to lead a cow upstairs...but not downstairs.

Almost everyone who reads this email will try to lick their elbow.

Educational point

To Read and Expound the Law:

A Man's Word Matters

A. The psalmist connected the integrity of a man's word with his place in God's house. A PSALM OF DAVID. *LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?* (PSALM 15:1)

B. The godly person speaks the truth from the heart. He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and *speaketh the truth in his heart.* (PSALM 15:2)

C. The godly person will not let his work hurt another person. *He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.* (PSALM 15:3)

D. The godly person cares more about his promise than about what it may cost him to keep that promise. In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoureth them that fear the LORD. *He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not.* (PSALM 15:4)

E. The godly person's word anchors life. *He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved.* (PSALM 15:5)

F. A believer's faithfulness calls to mind God's faithfulness. *Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.* (PSALM 55:22)

With thanks to: Dr. Edwin P. Elliott –PDDGHP (Manassas Chapter May 2005)

