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The 145th Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc. SPRING CONFERENCE

Saturday
April 14, 2018
Room Cost:
\$89.00 + tax
Breakfast Included

Deadline to obtain rooms:
March 31, 2018

NOTE: Any room reservations made
AFTER March 31, 2018,
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Caverns at Natural Bridge,
a \$450.00 value.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Noon - 3:00 PM	Hospitality Room - Madison Room (2nd Floor)
1:00 - 2:30 PM	Executive Board Meeting - Jefferson 1 (1st Floor)
3:00 - 4:00 PM	Membership Meeting - Jefferson 1 (1st Floor)
6:00 - 7:00 PM	Blue & Gray Hour- Madison Room (2nd Floor)
7:00 PM	Dinner - Washington Hall (Enter from 2nd Floor at rear)

Pre-Paid VSP Alumni Registration Required.

*RSVP To The VSPA Treasurer Phyllis Allgood, No Later Than
April 4, 2018.*

Message from the President

As we begin the 45th year of the VSP Alumni, I want to thank you in advance for your support in helping make 2018 a great year. A successful Alumni body requires participation and contributions from its members. Considerable time and effort from each Board member are the ingredients for making our three meetings successful. Countless hours are spent in preparation for meetings, handling the dues, paying bills, and selecting the locations for meetings as well as attending to the many details required for the operation of this organization.

Our Mission Statement reminds us that the Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc., is an organization of retirees and former members, both sworn and non-sworn, formed for the principal purpose of fostering and maintaining our camaraderie through social gatherings and other events.

Staying in contact with our members and their families relative to their health and welfare is a duty the Alumni organization has undertaken. Ron Maxey has graciously accepted the position of Health and Welfare coordinator. He has had many years of experience in the position which dates back to 1998-2009. We owe many thanks to Lynn Rowles who has held this position from 2010-2018. She has served on the Board in various positions. Lynn, we owe you many thanks for a job well done.

Much gratitude must be given to John Rowles for his exceptional performance in providing an array of support which has helped make the Alumni a success. He has been a leader in establishing the Virginia State Police Museum committee and for getting the Museum approved as an IRS 501-c3 organization. He has served on the Alumni Board in several positions. Additionally he has served as Program Coordinator and *Grapevine* Editor. He still serves as our Records Custodian along with other duties. John, the Alumni members are indebted to you for the many hours you have contributed to making our organization a success.

For the calendar year 2018, a Nomination Committee consisting of John O'Neil, Howard Gregory, and Ralph Figgers, is seeking volunteers to fill the Alumni Board of Directors for 2019. Please contact any of these committee members to offer your services. Only through your support and stepping up to serve can the Alumni continue to grow and survive. All of us need to contribute to make its future a rewarding experience for all of us.

Contributions to the State Police Museum can be made by submitting a check payable to Virginia State Police Museum, 2484 Riverville Road, Gladstone, Virginia 24553. As noted above, this is a tax exempt donation. We will be working on updating the Alumni website in the near future, so please visit the site at virginiastatepolicealumni.com.

As we begin 2018, I wish you all the best and hope you will be able to attend the Alumni meetings. The dates are as follows: Spring Meeting – April 14th at Natural Bridge, Summer Meeting – TBD, Winter Meeting – December 8th at Williamsburg.

*Regards,
Art King
President*

The 144th Meeting and Dinner

The 144th Alumni dinner meeting was held December 9, 2017 at the Clarion Hotel, Williamsburg. All in attendance appeared to be in a festive mood and enjoyed seeing and visiting with old friends.

Ike Iverson	Harry & Deborah Martin
Philip Godwin	Ronald Kranchick & Lucy Rowe
Ronald F. Forrest	Larry A. & Judy Johnson, Sr.
Clyde E. Davis	Lindsey & Linda Jett
Emmett M. Crocker	Melvin & Jimmie Hollowell
Robert H. Coats & Guest	Paul C. & June Hollandsworth
Deborah H. & Doug Woodward	Emmett G. & Annie Goin
Frank A. Williams & Martha Nemetz	Dwight Gochenour & Carol Sumner
Joseph N. & Beverly Tucker	George & Shirley Galo
Wayne Timberlake & Becky Neal	Dan A. Friel & Barbara Pressley
Lawrence E. Strickland & Janet Woods	Marshall & Pamela Forrest, Jr.
William J. Spinar, Jr. & James V. Custer	William & Judy Doyal
Terry B. Skeens	Warren & Cathy Desper
Zebulon & Hazel Saunders, Jr.	Robert J. & Connie Deeds
Ronald B. Saunders & Charlotte Rasnick	David & M. K. Copley
Jimmy E. & Doris Rexrode	Charles & Jane Compton, Jr.
Dan & Kathy Redifer	Ronnie & Ellen Campbell
John T. & Joyce O'Neil	Ronald & Jo Anne Byram
Douglas & Elsie Myers, Jr.	Robert Bumgardner & Guest
Robert M. & Ellin McCulloch	Eric & Susan Berge
Ronald C. & Anne Maxey	Richard & Phyllis Allgood
	James & Cora Adcock
	Michael Farmer, Dianne & Shannon

Any member attending the Winter Williamsburg meeting whose name is not listed above or whose Bank statement does not reflect a cancelled check, please notify Phyllis Allgood, the Alumni Treasurer.

Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc. General Membership Meeting
Williamsburg, Virginia
December 9, 2017

President Ron Kranchick called this meeting to order at 3:07 PM

The Pledge of Allegiance was made to the flag of the United States of America.

Bob McCulloch gave the invocation.

President Ron Kranchick was going to read the minutes of the last General Membership Meeting. Bob McCulloch made the motion to accept the minutes as printed in the Winter 2017 *Grapevine*. Terry Skeens seconded the motion. It was voted on and passed.

Dave Copley was going to review the Financial Report. Wayne Timberlake made the motion to accept the Financial Report as printed in the Winter 2017 *Grapevine*. Terry Skeens seconded the motion. It was voted on and passed. Dave Copley gave the balance of the \$23,217.14, compared to December 31, 2016 \$23,667.42.

President Ron Kranchick read the Health and Welfare Report.

Division Representative Reports – no reports.

The name of the new members voted on at the Executive Board Meeting earlier in the day were read:

Frank Barone
Gary Williams

Re-admission:
Michael Bolton

New Life member:
David Lee Powell

President Ron Kranchick announced the nominating committees' choices for the 2018 officers for the Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc.:

President – Art King
Vice President – Frank Williams
Treasurer – Dave Copley, who has decided he no longer wants to run for Treasurer
Secretary – Lynn Rowles
Executive Secretary – Phyllis Allgood, she's not going to be accepting that position
Sergeant at Arms – Bob McCulloch

First Division Representative – Open
Second Division Representative – Roger Mitchell
Third Division Representative – Frank Knott
Fourth Division Representative – J. B. Willis, who no longer wants the position because of health problems
Fifth Division Representative – Bill Corvello
Sixth Division Representative – Open
Seventh Division Representative – Ron Kranchick

So we have open at this time the Treasurer, Executive Secretary, First Division Representative and Fourth Division Representative. Do we have nominees from the floor? Mike Farmer nominated Wayne Timberlake for the Fourth Division Representative. Bob McCulloch seconded the nomination. Phyllis Allgood was nominated for Treasurer by Bill Doyle. Warren Desper seconded the nomination. Bob Coates nominated John Rowles for President. Whitey Gochenour seconded the nomination. Bob McCulloch nominated Ron Maxey for First Division Representative. Dave Copley seconded the nomination. Whitey Gochenour nominated Ronny Byram for Third Division Representative. Bob Coates seconded the nomination. Jim Rexrode nominated Cecil Handy as the Sixth Division Representative. Bob McCulloch seconded the nomination. No other nominations were made. The nominations were closed by Bob Coates, seconded by Bob McCulloch. Motion to close nominations was passed.

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Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc. General Membership Meeting
Williamsburg, Virginia
December 9, 2017

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Bob McCulloch passed out three by five cards to vote for President – King or Rowles. Dave Copley assisted. Lindsey Jett, Dan Redifer and John O’Neil counted the votes.

Bob McCulloch passed out three by five cards to vote for Third Division Representative – Knott or Byram.

Art King was voted in as President, 22 to 13.

Lindsey Jett, Dan Redifer and John O’Neil counted the votes for Third Division Representative.

Frank Knott was voted in as Third Division Representative, 20 to 16. One extra blank card.

Bob McCulloch asked for a motion for all the amendments to the list and all the elected candidates to be accepted. Clyde Davis made the motion. Bob Coates seconded the amendments. The motion carried.

The elected officers for the 2018 Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc., are:

President – Art King
Vice President – Frank Williams
Treasurer – Phyllis Allgood
Secretary – Lynn Rowles
Executive Secretary – Open
Sergeant at Arms – Bob McCulloch

First Division Representative – Ron Maxey
Second Division Representative – Roger Mitchell
Third Division Representative – Frank Knott
Fourth Division Representative – Wayne Timberlake
Fifth Division Representative – Bill Corvello
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Wayne Timberlake made a motion to confirm the nominations. Bob McCulloch seconded the nominations. The motion passed.

Dave Copley advised the Spring dinner will be on April 14th at the Natural Bridge Resort.

Past President George Gallo did the installation of 2018 officers of the Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc. Division Representatives were called to the front. Ron Maxey, Wayne Timberlake, and Ron Kranchick came forward. The other Division Representatives were absent. Sergeant at Arms Bob McCulloch, Treasurer Phyllis Allgood, and Vice President Frank Williams.

Each of the above members has agreed to accept the nominations and agrees to serve.

Jim Rexrode made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Farmer seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 3:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Kranchick
President

Natural Bridge Historic Hotel & Conference Center

Saturday, April 14, 2018 • 7:00 P.M. • Buffet Dinner

Dinner Buffet

Sliced Roast of Sirloin with
Natural au Jus
Grilled Chicken Breast with
Parmesan Chive Cream Sauce
Smashed Roast Garlic Potatoes
Vegetable Medley
Seasonal Greens Salad with
Ranch and House Vinaigrette
Dressings
Fresh Baked Rolls and Butter
Coffee and Tea



\$42.00 per person

*(Includes Taxes / Gratuity /
Hospitality Room)*

DIRECTIONS :

**Natural Bridge Historic Hotel
& Conference Center**

Traveling Northbound on
I-81 take Exit #175. Follow
Route 11 to Hotel.

Traveling Southbound on
I-81 take Exit #180. Follow
Route 11 to Hotel.

Special Two Night Getaway Raffle: Two nights lodging with breakfast for two each morning
AND two tickets to the Natural Bridge State Park and Caverns at Natural Bridge,
a \$450.00 value.

Insurance Information

During a very sad and trying time, the following information is provided by the Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc. to the families of deceased members to hopefully assist with the necessary completion of paperwork. Should you have any questions or are in need of further assistance, please contact Art King, President at 804-794-2025, or one of the other officers of the Alumni.

For Department member spouses: If you need to know if you will continue to receive a portion of your spouse's retirement, you will need to call the Virginia Retirement System. You will also need to advise them if you wish to continue the insurance. If your spouse took 100% of their retirement, you will need to obtain insurance.

You will also need to obtain several copies of the Death Certificate, as most agencies will need certified copies to process any claims.

Social Security Benefits

Contact: www.socialsecurity.gov
Phone 1-800-772-1213

Family members may be eligible for Social Security survivor's benefits when a person getting benefits dies. You should make this call ASAP, as any checks received after the date of death, will most likely need to be returned or repaid. The same is true of the Retirement System payments.

Commonwealth of Virginia, Virginia Retirement System Life Insurance

Contact:
Minnesota Life, P. O. Box 1193, Richmond, Va. 23218-1193
Phone: 1-800-441-2258
Amount: Double salary, while working. After retirement, starting on January 1, following the first full year of retirement, coverage reduces

by 25% and each January 1 thereafter, until coverage reaches 25% of its value at time of retirement.

State Police Retirement Benefits:

Virginia Retirement System

P. O. Box 2500 Richmond, VA 23218-2500

Phone: 1-888-827-3847, www.varetire.org or vrs@varetire.org

For notification of death and to request information on future spousal benefits.

Virginia State Police Death Benefit Fund

Sworn/Uniform members only

Contact: Wells Coleman and Company, LLP

3800 Patterson Ave., Richmond, VA 23221-2000

Att: Virginia State Police Death Fund

Phone: 804-358-1150

Amount: \$30,000., after retirement: \$500.

Virginia State Police Association Life Insurance

Contact: Virginia State Police Association

6944 Forest Hill Ave.

Richmond, VA 23225

Phone: 804-320-6272

Amount: \$5,000. At age 70, benefits reduce by 50% of original amount to \$2,500. At age 75, benefits reduce an additional 25% of the original amount to \$1,250.

Virginia State Police Association

Phone: 804-320-6272

Any questions about membership.

Health and Welfare Update

Report by Ron Maxey

Since the last report in the VSPA Grapevine dated Winter 2017, we have sent cards to the following members and their families:

Lloyd Hough – fell and broke 5 bones in his foot
Roger Grimmett – His wife passed away
Dave Powell – had a massive heart attack
Vern Jones – had more surgery and then suffered a stroke
Nannie Weaver – broke her hip and had surgery
Reba Whitt – had her shoulder replaced
Martin Orfila – was in auto accident and is in hospital
Johnny Furlough – had a heart valve replaced
Cora and James Adcock – Cora's mother passed away
Gerald Massengill – had surgery and is recuperating at home
Lonnie Craft – had back surgery
Bill Corvello – had surgery
Shirley Godwin – had both corneas replaced
Irvin T. Amadeo – has prostate cancer and had gall bladder surgery
Frank Duffy, Jr. – battling several health issues
Susan Barbour – had kidney surgery
Bob Tavenner – his daughter-in-law passed away
James Adcock – recovering from having a pacemaker implant
Donnie Richardson – recuperating at home from heart related issues
Katherine Craft – hospitalized with a rare blood disorder
Walter Creekmore – dealing with cancer and is in hospice care

A card was sent to the family of Charles L. Fraley, Jr., who passed away on Nov. 17, 2017. A \$100.00 donation was made to the Narrows Athletic Fund, Inc. at the request of the family.

A card was sent to Mrs. Phyllis Maness and her siblings, daughter of Phillip B. Marlow who passed away on Nov. 28, 2017. A \$100.00 donation was made to the Virginia State Police Association at the request of the family.

A card was sent to Mrs. Page Bowman, wife of T. Michael Bowman, Jr. who passed away on Dec. 1, 2017. A \$100.00 donation was made to the Almost Home Pet Adoption Center at the request of the family.

A card was sent to Mrs. Nannie Weaver, wife of Carlisle W. (Charlie) Weaver, who passed away on Jan. 3, 2018. A \$100.00 donation was made to the Virginia State Police Association.

A card was sent to Mary Haley, wife of Thomas A. (Tom) Haley who passed away on Jan. 9, 2018. A \$100.00 donation was made to the Shriners Hospital for Children c/o Acca Temple, Richmond, Va. at the request of the family.

A card was sent to Sharon Bolen, wife of Roy Bolen who passed away on Jan. 21, 2018.

In the event you know or hear about a member being ill or his/her family being in need of expressions of special thoughts, please contact your Division Representative or Ron Maxey. Ron may be reached at 1-804-270-3154 or by e-mail at rcmaxey@aol.com.

~ In Memorial ~

*Charles L. Fraley, Jr.
November 17, 2017*

*Phillip B. Marlow
November 28, 2017*

*T. Michael Bowman, Jr.
December 1, 2017*

*Carlisle W. Weaver
January 3, 2018*

*Thomas A. Haley
January 9, 2018*

*Roy Bolen
January 21, 2018*

NOTICE ABOUT UPDATES

Any changes to your name, address, telephone or email needs to be sent to:

Directory Coordinator

George Galo

P. O. Box 545 • 205 Meadowlane Point
Lancaster, Virginia 22503

AND

Treasurer

Phyllis Allgood

208 Melonie Drive
Chesapeake, Virginia 23322

*Also Please Notify Ron Maxey so the
Health and Welfare Section
can be updated.*

1-804-270-3154 or rcmaxey@aol.com

www.virginiastatepolicealumni.com

Mark Your Calendars!
Spring Meeting:
April 14th at Natural Bridge

Summer Meeting – TBD

Winter Meeting
December 8th at Williamsburg

Virginia State Police Alumni
*******ANNUAL DUES NOTICE*******
\$25.00 per year

Member _____ Amount _____

For Year _____ Date _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
VIRGINIA STATE POLICE ALUMNI
 Mail to Treasurer: Phyllis Allgood
 208 Melonie Drive • Chesapeake, Virginia 23322

**** Dues are due: **January 1, of each year.**
Cut out and mail, maintain a copy for your files!
Virginia State Police Alumni Dues Payment Slip**

NOTICE
VSPA Address:
Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc.
1920 Winterfield Road
Midlothian, VA 23113

Donations to the VSP Museum

The Virginia State Police Museum and Learning Center has incorporated and now has IRS 501©3 status. Donations are tax deductible in accordance with IRS regulations. The long range goal is to construct a separate building to house and display the history of the Department. This can only be accomplished with your support. Donations may be mailed to:

Virginia State Police Museum and Learning Center
2484 Riverville Road, Gladstone, Virginia 24553.

To donate articles Call 434-933-8029 or 804-520-1836.

The Virginia State Police Alumni now has a separate web site for the Alumni. Information is basic at present. Many thanks to Kathee Gladden, for helping make this possible. Website coordinator is Art King.



PRE-PAID REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY APRIL 4, 2018

Send Form to: Phyllis Allgood, 208 Melonie Drive, Chesapeake, VA 23322

Print Name: _____ **Number in Party:** _____

I plan to attend the Spring Meeting in Natural Bridge, Virginia. Enclosed is my check payable to VSPA in the amount of \$ _____ for _____ people who plan to attend the Hospitality Room and Dinner @ \$42.00 per person. If you bring guests please list their names.

2018 Dues - \$25.00 yr. _____

I understand that I must make separate room reservations with Natural Bridge Historic Hotel & Conference Center: 15 Appledore Lane • Natural Bridge, VA 24578
 Phone: 1-540-291-2121 or 800-533-1410

Full refunds are not granted for cancellations made after April 4, 2018.
The Alumni must guarantee payment for all meals that day.

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EXECUTIVE BOARD 2018- Elected Officers

President Arthur D. King
Vice President Frank Williams
Secretary Arthur D. King (Acting)
Treasurer Phyllis Allgood
Sergeant-at-Arms Robert McCulloch
Executive Secretary David Copley

DIVISION REPRESENTATIVES

Division I Representative Ronald C. Maxey
Division II Representative Roger W. Mitchell
Division III Representative Frank Knott, Jr.
Division IV Representative Wayne Timberlake
Division V Representative William Corvello
Division VI Representative I. Cecil Handy
Division VII Representative Ronald Kranchick

Appointed Positions

Trustees Ronald Kranchick, Willie Craft, Terry Skeens
Agent to State Corporation Commission Arthur D. King
Records Custodian John Rowles
Health & Welfare Committee Ronald Maxey
Program Coordinator Arthur D. King
Editor of the *Grapevine* Arthur D. King
Membership Directory Coordinator George A. Galo
Membership Committee Vice President and
Division Representatives
Audit Committee Jerry Barbour, Terry Skeens
Nominating Committee John O'Neil, Ralph Figgers,
Howard Gregory

~ Colonel Flaharty Retires ~



Colonel Flaharty says goodbye after 42 years of service.



Past Superintendents and Colonel Settle (the new Superintendent - pictured on the right in uniform) join Colonel Flaharty in celebrations of his retirement on Friday February 2, 2018.