



# VSPA GRAPEVINE

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SPRING, 2018

## The 145<sup>th</sup> 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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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.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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

***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 45<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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 8<sup>th</sup> at Williamsburg.

*Regards,*  
*Art King*  
*President*

## The 144<sup>th</sup> Meeting and Dinner

*The 144<sup>th</sup> 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
Ronald F. Forrest	Rowe
Clyde E. Davis	Larry A. & Judy Johnson, Sr.
Emmett M. Crocker	Lindsey & Linda Jett
Robert H. Coats & Guest	Melvin & Jimmie Hollowell
Deborah H. & Doug Woodward	Paul C. & June Hollandsworth
Frank A. Williams & Martha	Emmett G. & Annie Goin
Nemetz	Dwight Gochenour & Carol
Joseph N. & Beverly Tucker	Sumner
Wayne Timberlake & Becky	George & Shirley Galo
Neal	Dan A. Friel & Barbara Pressley
Lawrence E. Strickland & Janet	Marshall & Pamela Forrest, Jr.
Woods	William & Judy Doyal
William J. Spinar, Jr. & James	Warren & Cathy Desper
V. Custer	Robert J. & Connie Deeds
Terry B. Skeens	David & M. K. Copley
Zebulon & Hazel Saunders, Jr.	Charles & Jane Compton, Jr.
Ronald B. Saunders & Charlotte	Ronnie & Ellen Campbell
Rasnack	Ronald & Jo Anne Byram
Jimmy E. & Doris Rexrode	Robert Bumgardner & Guest
Dan & Kathy Redifer	Eric & Susan Berge
John T. & Joyce O'Neil	Richard & Phyllis Allgood
Douglas & Elsie Myers, Jr.	James & Cora Adcock
Robert M. & Ellin McCulloch	Michael Farmer, Dianne &
Ronald C. & Anne Maxey	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  
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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 14<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](http://www.varetire.org) or [vrs@varetire.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:rcmaxey@aol.com)**

**[www.virginiastatepolicealumni.com](http://www.virginiastatepolicealumni.com)**

## Mark Your Calendars!

Spring Meeting:  
April 14<sup>th</sup> at Natural Bridge

Summer Meeting – TBD

Winter Meeting  
December 8<sup>th</sup> at Williamsburg

### NOTICE

#### **VSPA Address:**

Virginia State Police Alumni, Inc.  
1920 Winterfield Road  
Midlothian, VA 23113

*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.*

#### 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**

### **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.*



### **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.

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**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.