

# Valley of New Bern Bagpipe



## Eddie Strickland Memorial Reunion

The fall reunion is named after brother Edward A. Strickland, Jr. 33 Degree. For those who knew him Eddie was a motivating force around the Temple. Eddie knew no strangers and always had a kind word and a warm smile for everyone.

This will our first reunion in our new location. Bobby and the Strategic Planning Committee have been extremely busy adapting the various degrees to our new space and storage constraints. This new format is promising to provide a better learning environment for the candidates. The comments we have heard from the trial runs we have had in the LOP is that the audience feels more involved and like participants in the degree work. The reunion schedulae can be found on our website: <http://www.scottishritenewbern.org/Index.php>

Since this is the first time in this new environment you patience and understanding is earnestly solicited. We are going to need all hands to make this run as smooth as it can. There is going to be much more logistics involved with moving and setting up props, costumes, and

### Upcoming Events

#### LOP Meeting

October 12, 7:30PM.

November 9, 7:30PM

Join us for dinner at 6:30PM

#### Eddie Strickland Memorial Reunion

October 16 & 17

#### Christmas Open House

December 13, 2 - 4 PM

York Rite Temple Building

Family Members and Guests are encouraged to attend.

### Allegiance . . .

The several Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, sitting in the Valley of New Bern, Orient of North Carolina, acknowledge and yield Allegiance to the Supreme Council of the Thirty-Third Degree, the Mother Supreme Council of the World, whose see is at Charleston,

scenery. Help out when you can.

## Strategic Planning Committee

During the last couple of months the strategic planning committee has been hard at work updating the organizational chart and assigning duties under the new Valley VMAP program. There is much work to be done and we need volunteers in many areas. If you have a couple of hours a week on which you could work on Scottish Rite projects, **THE VALLEY NEEDS YOU!** Contact the Valley Secretary and volunteer.

## Double Eagle Medals

*For those who have registered and qualified, Double Eagle Medals will be presented at dinner at the Reunion on Saturday October 17, 2015. For those who have not yet enrolled or completed the points tally sheet, both forms can be found on the Valley Web Site. [Click Here](#)*

## Thought for the Month

*We as Masons are taught to be "quiet and peaceable citizens". To satisfy this requirement the state demands that we spend a minimum twelve years in formal education. This is supposedly to be able to live a productive life of approximately seventy to eighty years. That's a ratio of one year's education for every eight years of life expectancy. Most of us believe in some form of eternal life in the hereafter. How is it then that we believe that one hour on Sunday mornings is adequate for such an event? Have you considered how*

in the State of South Carolina, of which Ronald A. Seale, 33°, is Grand Commander, 33°, William B. Brunk, 33°, is SGIG in North Carolina, and William L. Dill, 33°, is Chairman, Inspector General's Advisory Conference of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of New Bern, Orient of North Carolina.

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*little time you may be spending in preparing yourself for eternity? Just a thought!*

## *Silent Auction*

*The reunion is right around the corner on the 16th & 17th of April. Don't forget your silent auction item. Now more than ever your donations are needed to help defray costs. Please bid on those items you are interested in.*

## *Editor*

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