

Vergers' Guild of the Episcopal Church

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Summer, 2010



TRIP TO HEREFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND - JUNE 2011

A trip to visit Vergers in Herefordshire, England, June 8 to June 14 has been planned specifically for the Vergers of the Walter Mace Memorial Chapter of the VGEC. You need to arrive in England (London) the morning of June 8th and you leave on the 15th of June. You take a train to Hereford which takes about 3 hours. The trip cost is \$1400. This does not include transportation from the U.S. to Hereford. You can early to sightsee or stay after to do the same.

On October 7th of this year the trip becomes open to all Vergers in the Episcopal Church, all Vergers of the national Guild. You therefore need to submit a deposit of \$250. by October 5th to hold a spot on the trip. Send to:

Richard Evans, 309 Fannin Drive, Hewitt, TX 76643

Make your check out to Walter Mace Memorial Chapter, VGEC

WELCOME TO A NEW VERGER

Susan Lafitte was invested as the first Verger at St. Bartholomew's parish in Hempstead, Texas on Sunday June 27th at 10am. Dick Evans, the president of the Mace Chapter of the Vergers' Guild of the Episcopal Church assisted Dick Johnson, Susan's mentor from Trinity Episcopal Church in The Woodlands, Texas. This investiture was also significant in that it was a news item on the Web page of our national guild.

YOUR LEADERSHIP FOR THE COMING YEAR

The following are your officers for 2010-2011, Term of Office follows name

President – Richard V. Evans, June 2009 to June 2011 Vice President – Robert Askew, June 2010 to 2012* Secretary/Treasurer – Vyonne Carter-Johnson, June 2010-2012* Communications Officer – Tim Wade, June 2009 to 2011 Training Officer – Mark Marmon – 2009 to 2011 Webmaster – Anna Goza

*Elected June 26, 2010, St. Mark's, Houston

THANKS TO A DEDICATED OFFICER

Joe Sturdevant completed his two year term as Vice-President of the Chapter. He has served in other capacities earlier and we honor him for his great and timely leadership in our Chapter.

WALTER MACE CHAPTER BADGES

Our Chapter Training Officer, Mark Marmon, has created a badge that while looking like our regular badge, has the "Walter Mace Memorial Chapter" on it. These badges are being sold for \$5. each and may be purchased from Mark, mcubed@usa.net.

UPCOMING MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 25th, St. Alban's Church, Austin

11819 IH 35, South, Austin Texas 78747 (Precise directions in next mailing)

Program: Carol Barnwell, DOT Director of Communications, will present:

"A VISIT TO HEREFORDSHIRE: Past and Future"

Fee: \$10. for lunch

Thursday, October 7 to Sunday October 10, National Cathedral, Washington D.C.

22nd National VGEC Conference

If you plan to attend, please make your reservations ASAP. It appears that quite a few of our Walter Mace members are planning to attend. More information is on page 2 of this newsletter.

Saturday, November 6th, Grace Episcopal Church, Houston (formerly St. Georges and St. Patrick's)

4040 W. Bellfort, Houston

Program: Walter Stuart – former Treasurer of the National Guild

"THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE VERGERS' GUILD"

Details to follow

Saturday, April 30^o 2011 (Saturday AFTER Easter) Site TBD

ANNUAL TRAINING MEETING

Upcoming National VGEC Conferences

Mark your calendars and plan to attend:

The 2010 National VEGC Conference—October 7 thru 10 at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C.. This meeting will be held in conjunction with the 31st Annual National Acolyte Festival on Saturday, October 10, 2010. Information on this conference will be available in a few months on the National VEGC website www.vergers.org.

Conference Hotel

Embassy Suites Washington D.C. - at the Chevy Chase Pavilion 4300 Military Road NW, Washington, District of Columbia, United States 20015 (202) 362-9300

Fax: (202) 686-3405

And in 2013, the 25th Anniversary of the National VGEC, the conference will be held in Nashville, Tennessee.

Annual Dues

Annual dues are \$20.00. Please make your checks payable to: Walter Mace Memorial Chapter VGEC and send to:

Vyonne Carter-Johnson, St. George's & St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Membership Committee — Walter Mace Chapter —VGEC, 4040 West Bellfort St., Houston, TX 77025

You do not have to pay dues to be an affiliate member of our Chapter, however you must pay dues to vote in elections or serve as an officer of the Chapter. Dues assist the Chapter with several expenses, such as the booth fee at Diocesan Council, and handouts and speakers fees for our seminars and meetings, as well as postage for the newsletter.

Newsletter

The Chapter newsletter is posted on our website at www.texasvergers.org and e-mailed to all members who have given us their e-mail. If you want a copy mailed to you, please contact our Communications Officer, Tim Wade at twwade@gmail.com or by phone 832-651-6308. Please provide your name and complete address.

Web sites

Our two Verger WEB sites have been updated and renewed. The guilds site is very colorful and has all the information you need for the year.

www.vergers.org - National Guild

www.texasvergers.org - Walter Mace Memorial Chapter

Contact Information

We are constantly trying to keep your contact information up to date so that we are able to keep you informed of all activities within our Chapter. Please notify the Communications Officer, Tim Wade at twwade@gmail,com, whenever there is a change in your address, phone number or e-mail.

Thanks!

Officers

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