

August 6, 2003

Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education and Publications

Summary of the Educational Classes at the
Reid James Simmons
Academy of Masonic Leadership

This years Reid James Simmons Academy of Masonic Leadership was held on Sunday, August 3, 2003 through Wednesday, August 6, 2003.

Five classes were offered along with two evening programs.

On Monday, August 4, 2003 the following classes and evening program were offered:

All Day

Masonic Leadership Program - Leadership Correspondence Courses I, II, III
Instructor: Right Worshipful Paul Sleeper

9:15 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

"Masonic Trials"

Instructor: Right Worshipful Edmund "Ed" Cohen
23 Brethren attended

10:45 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

"Master's Worse Nightmares"

Instructor: Worshipful James "Jim" G. Connal
20 Brethren attended

1:30 P.M. - 2:45 P.M.

"Planning Your Year in the East"

Instructor: Right Worshipful Edmund "Ed" Cohen
19 Brethren attended

3:00 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.

"Lodge Budgeting and Finance"

Instructor: Right Worshipful John M. Chambliss, Jr.
17 Brethren attended

6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

"Approaching a Candidate"

Program by: Worshipful John Shroeder
(Assisted by RW Paul Sleeper)
86 Brethren attended

The only derogatory comment being: "How come nobody told us the Leadership Correspondence Courses were available, I would have taken them years ago?"

On Tuesday, August 5, 2003 the following classes and program were offered:

All Day

Masonic Leadership Program - Leadership Correspondence Courses I, II, III

Instructor: Right Worshipful Paul Sleeper

The Brethren enrolled in 42 courses.

Eleven Brethren completed 20 courses.

Five of those Brethren completed all three courses.

Course I, 13 enrolled, 7 completed.

Course II, 16 enrolled, 7 completed.

Course III, 13 enrolled, 6 completed.

9:15 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

"Planning Your Year in the East"

Instructor: Right Worshipful Edmund "Ed" Cohen

11 Brethren attended

10:45 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

"Lodge Budgeting and Finance"

Instructor: Right Worshipful John M. Chambliss, Jr.

8 Brethren attended

3:00 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.

"Master's Worse Nightmares"

Instructor: Worshipful James "Jim" G. Connal

13 Brethren attended

1:30 P.M. - 2:45 P.M.

"Masonic Trials"

Instructor: Right Worshipful Edmund "Ed" Cohen

12 Brethren attended

6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

"The Virginia Craftsman"

Program by: Worshipful Keith A. Hinerman,

Secretary - Virginia Research Lodge No. 1777

61 Brethren attended

The total numbers of Brethren attending a class were as follows:

"Planning Your Year in the East"	030 Brethren
"Lodge Budgeting and Finance"	025 Brethren
"Masonic Trials"	035 Brethren
"Master's Worse Nightmares"	033 <u>Brethren</u>
SUB-TOTAL	123 <u>Brethren</u>

The total numbers of Brethren attending the evening programs were as follows:

"Approaching a Candidate"	086 Brethren
"The Virginia Craftsman"	061 Brethren
SUB-TOTAL	147 <u>Brethren</u>

The total number of Brethren in attendance at all classes and programs: 270 Brethren

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Summary of the Annual DEO/LEO Conference
Held from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. at the:
Reid James Simmons Academy of Masonic Leadership

The members of the Committee on Masonic Education, District Educational Officers, and Lodge Educational Officers were asked to meet with the Grand Provost for their third annual DEO/LEO Conference.

This year the annual conference focused on an educational meeting on "The Future of Masonic Education in Virginia."

The numbers of Brethren in attendance were as follows:

Committee on Masonic Education and Publications members:	04 Brethren
District Educational Officers:	03 Brethren
Lodge Educational Officers:	02 Brethren
Visitors:	10 <u>Brethren</u>
TOTAL	19 Brethren

An outline of the discussion led by the Grand Provost was as follows:

I) 2004 Reid James Simmons Academy of Masonic Leadership

- A) Evening Presentations
- B) Correspondence Courses

II) Responsibilities / Commitment

A) Responsibilities

1) Composition of the Committee on Masonic Education and Publications

- a) Grand Master
- b) Grand Provost
- c) Twelve Division Provosts
- d) One - Secretary / Statistician, Leadership Correspondence Courses
- e) One - Audio / Visual
- f) Fifty-seven District Educational Officers
(The above serve at the will and pleasure of the Grand Master)
- g) 324 Lodge Educational Officers (if they are all filled)
(The above serve at the will and pleasure of their Worshipful Master's)

2) It is the responsibility of the Worshipful Master to provide for continuing education of his Brethren.

3) Duties of the DEO's

- a) Officers
- b) Brethren
- c) Candidates

4) Duties of the LEO's

- a) Candidates
- b) Brethren
- c) Officers

III) Deputy Grand Master's expectations.

- A) COME & P meeting in June 2003

IV) Grand Lodge Officers - "Council on Administration"

V) Publications

- A) Process and "editing"
- B) LEO Manual
- C) Preparation for Master
- D) Expedite approval process

VI) Outline for qualifications to become Worshipful Master

- A) Required Certification? (As COW has with the "Warden's Certificate.")

VII) Educational Counterpart to the COW "Gold Card"

VIII) DEO's

- A) Executive Order No. 4
- B) Freedom
- C) Specific guidelines

IX) LEO's

- A) Influence on the Worshipful Master
- B) General education of the Brethren

X) Multi-District Conference

XI) Mini-conferences