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Jones Receives Don Reid Servant Award

Vernon "Rea" Jones was awarded Saturday night, January 21 at the Missions Dinner, the Donald P. Reid Servants Recognition Award for his servant's heart while serving in Goshen Association and his home church of North Pamunkey.

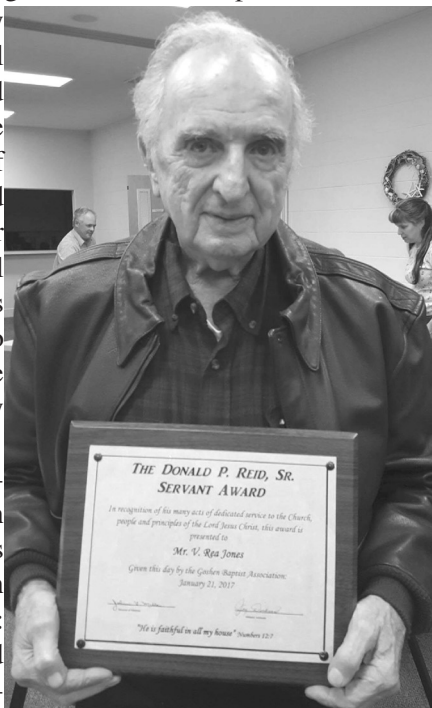
Rea was born September 20, 1930 in Charlottesville, Virginia. His parents were Helen Green and George Randolph "Rannie" Jones. He had one brother who is now deceased, William Randolph Jones.

Rea attended Unionville Elementary through the tenth grade and then completed high school at Fork Union Military Academy. In 1953, he graduated from Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, then known as VPI.

From 1953-1955, Rea served his country in the Army and then served with the Virginia Army National Guard from 1955-1988 with the rank of Brigadier General.

Rea surrendered his life to the Lord at North Pamunkey Baptist Church at age nine and was baptized in the Pamunkey Creek by Reverend Marshall Frazer. As he stood on a rock in the creek he slipped off the rock, it scared him but Rev. Frazer caught him and all was well. He has remained faithful to his Lord and home church these many years.

He married Margaret Ann on March 12, 1988. He has been blessed with three daughters: Susie and husband Al live in Hunts-



Sarah Reid, Don's widow, and Rachel Reid presented the plaque to Rea Jones as Tommy Dickens looks on.

ville, Alabama; Debbie and husband Jeff and Vicky and husband Ted live in Hanover County, Virginia. There are six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Rea is a farmer at heart. He loves the land and has enjoyed tilling the ground and watching crops flourish.

He has served at North Pamunkey Church over the years as Church Treasurer, Adult Men's Sunday School Teacher, Sunday School Director and Deacon. He presently serves as Church Trustee and for many years the Church Representative on the Goshen Advisory Council.

Rea has also served on various Goshen Association committees over the years. He has a keen interest in the Leland Madison Park and serves on our Property and Grounds committee. When he is called upon to serve, he always replies, "my age hinders me from doing many things but I will do my best." We have found that if he can't do the job physically, he will recruit someone to accompany him and the work is always accomplished.

His love for God, his family, and his church is always evident. He has served his fellow mankind through the Orange County Planning Commission, the Orange County Board of Supervisors and the Lake Anna Advisory Committee.

Congratulations Rea, and we thank you for your service.

Mission Opportunities

2017 Projects

The people of Goshen have three projects going on in the year 2017.

1) Support for six church planters in Yendi, Ghana to be working with the "More than Nets" project. It will cost \$360 each month to support all six. Churches and individuals are needed to volunteer to take a month each year until 2021 when the partnership ends. This is the same amount we were paying one church planter the past five years. Please note: Church planters on your check.

2) The people of Goshen are seeking to put two more concrete picnic tables at Leland-Madison Park. The cost for this project is about \$4000. Please note: Picnic tables on your check.

3) The volunteers of RuraLove have been overwhelmed by how much the ministry of RuraLove has grown and prospered. The volunteers are asking for a building fund to be set up for another building in which to house all the items which are for sale. And leave the items which go out to families in need in the current warehouse. This would allow more room to display items and make more money to go into helping the local families in crisis. So many local people come into RuraLove each week to shop and fulfill needs that they couldn't otherwise fill due to the reasonable pricing of the RuraLove Thrift Shop. RuraLove volunteers thank everyone for their support through prayer, donations of items, and monetary funds. Please continue to help this ministry grow. Please note: RuraLove building fund on your check.

Pastor/Spouse Luncheon

If you are a minister in Goshen (senior pastors, retired, associates, and youth ministers) then you are invited to the annual Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, February 18 at noon at Mineral Baptist Church's fellowship hall. This is now a luncheon on a Saturday instead of a Monday night dinner. There is no cost for the luncheon but you must reserve your spot by calling 540.894.8440.

Used Bicycles

The employment Resource Council in Fredericksburg is seeking used bicycles and bicycle parts to train those in their vocational program to repair them. The refurbished bicycles are distributed to low-income families in the region. If you have a bicycle or parts that you would like to donate, contact Rod Kunkel at 540.854.7990. He is willing to transport the items to Fredericksburg.

Notice to Churches

Please include Goshenba@next.net to your church's email list for prayer concerns and event news blasts.

Projects for February: Children's Underwear for Standing Rock; layettes; Church planter support due

RuraLove - A ministry of Goshen Association to local families in crisis ~ 540.894.8440

Refrigerators, can openers, mops and brooms, small kitchenettes, TWIN, FULL, or queen mattresses (separates or sets - we'll match), bed frames, electric stoves, washing machines, dryers, good vehicles, etc. Please make sure all donations work properly and are clean with no holes.

Also NEED VOLUNTEERS for pick-ups and deliveries, and to help sort Mon. or Wed. mornings or another by appointment.

REMINDER: Requests should come from the church to help meet the needs in the community in the name of Jesus. Thus our motto "Neighbor Helping Neighbor" - meeting physical needs, developing trust through relationships and ministering spiritually. **PLEASE make sure to FOLLOW UP with families after they have been helped. This is key to making the most of opportunities to minister spiritually to families in crisis.**

Bethany Christian Services

Christ-Centered Crisis Pregnancy Center & Adoption Services
5610 Southpoint Centre Blvd., Fredericksburg 22407
540.743.5165

Fredericksburg Pregnancy Center

Empowering those facing unplanned pregnancy with hope and life-affirming choices. www.FredericksburgPregnancyCenter.org
1616 Stafford Ave. Fredericksburg, VA 22401 540.370.1800.

Hope House

Battered women's shelter for abused women and their children
902 Lafayette Blvd., Fredericksburg 540.371.0831

RuraLove Ministry Update

During the past month RuraLove helped churches minister to:

- 12 families with financial needs
- 6 families with household needs
- 1 family with whole house
- 2 families with medical



Open House at CrossRoads

February 17-18

RSVP by Feb. 5 to bshelton@crossroadsccc.com or call 434.277.8465

Trip to Israel

November 28-December 7

Cost \$2800 per person

\$300 due at registration, rest due in August

Registration and Brochures at Mineral Baptist Church

Led by Former Pastor Mike Durham

mrddld@verizon.net

or

540.223.0894, 540.854.8160

CHURCH NEWS

Craigs deacons are working through the “Blue Card” ministry where they fix and repair homes of families in need. So far they have fixed a roof and built a ramp.

Mechanicsville Youth invite you to the annual Valentine Dinner February 12 at 5 p.m. All proceeds support 2017 Virginia Impact. There is no charge for the dinner but donations are gladly received. 10200 Louisa Road, Gordonsville. For more information, call 540.832.3269.

Mineral Ladies Conference - Save The Date! All area ladies, Mineral Ladies Conference to be held Friday, March 24 and Saturday, March 25. The title is Reflecting God in Our World Today. It's a two day commitment with “break out sessions” on Saturday. There will be the guest speaker and author Nina Blevins, as well as special music on both days. Times: Friday 6:00-8:30 p.m. Saturday breakfast from 8:30-9:00 a.m. with conference 9 a.m. - noon.

Orange welcomes five new members by baptism. On Sunday, February 12 at 3 p.m. Orange will have an installation service for their new pastor, Rev. Alan Miller.

Wallers will be honoring the Scouts on February 5 with Scout Sunday where the Boy Scouts will run both Worship Services. On February 8 & 22 from 5-6 p.m., Wallers would like to invite everyone to join them for soup, bread, and dessert at the free community “Stone Soup Supper.” If interested in attending the church’s Valentine Dinner on Saturday, February 11, contact the office at 540.582.5703 for cost and details.

Thank You Notes

From Impact Virginia! Orange

To the Goshen Baptist Association;

May God continue to bless all of you. My house is so much warmer this winter thanks to loving angels of God. In Jesus Name, I give thanks.

May God bless all of you for all you have done for me.

Love You All!

G. Hill

Louisa, Virginia

A big thank you to Shelby Jones, Youth Minister of Oakland Church and the three young men who volunteered at RuraLove on Martin Luther King Day. You did a great job and you are greatly appreciated.

New Address for Hats and Scarfs

Tidewater Transportation Ministries
c/o Calvary Baptist Church
2117 London Boulevard
Portsmouth, VA 23704
attn: George Brisbane
757.404.0666

2016-2017 Ministry Action Budget Receipts

Church	December	Year	GMO
Antioch	227.35	899.21	
Berea			
Blue Ridge Shores	282.03	718.30	
Church of Comforter	67.37	308.37	
Craigs			
Crossroads CC		252.95	
Cordero De Dios			
Dogwood	281.00	1,228.95	
Elk Creek			
FBC, Louisa	200.00	200.00	323.80
Gordonsville		7,304.57	
Hebron	400.00	600.00	
Louisa	1,148.52	2,882.76	
Mechanicsville	751.26	2,620.68	
Memorial Col.			
Mine Road	280.00	560.00	
Mineral		5,375.00	
Mount Gilead	339.70	1,177.85	
Mount Hermon			
New Hope	1,000.00	1,000.00	
North Pamunkey	383.11	1,442.02	
Oakland		1,685.00	
Orange	466.11	1,107.43	
Perkins			
Rhoadesville		1,450.00	
Shady Grove			
Smyrna			
South Anna			
St. Mark	500.00	500.00	
Thornburg			
Trinity	100.00	300.00	
Waldrops		300.00	
Waller	346.21	806.29	
Zoar	591.33	1,773.99	
Others	2,000.00	3,758.00	
12/31/16	9,363.99	3,891.03	323.80

Candy & Gum Bags

Goshen will be collecting candy & gum bags again this year for the Trucker and Seafarers Ministry along the Eastern Shore. They will be due at the April Mission Celebration. Here are some helpful hints to make packing easier on the volunteers. Use **ONLY** sandwich sized zipper bags packed with individually wrapped hard candy and two packages of gum.

Iron Sharpens Iron

One day men's conference for men 13 and over

2-25-17 in Fredericksburg

3-11-17 in Roanoke

4-01-17 in Richmond

Noblewarriors.org

Ministry to Roma People at Ruth School - Romania
www.project-ruth.org or contact Brittany Garton:
email: Garton.Brittany@gmail.com

South India - Dr. & Mrs. Kunjumon Chacko, P.O. Box 11,
Vadavathoor P.O, Kottayam, Kerala, India 686010
email: chackos@sancharnet.in www.preciouschildren.org

Living Hope Community Centre News - South Africa (Living Hope makes a difference in the lives of those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS in the deep south of Cape Town in the Name of Jesus Christ.) www.livinghope.co.za

Door of Hope - South Africa (Christian Orphanages which place abandoned children) www.holeinthewall.org.za
Arise Ministry Group - South Africa www.arisemg.org.za

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February

February Birthdays & Anniversaries

1/1-3/31 John on Sabbatical Jan. 1 until March 31

2 Minister's Breakfast GMC 8:30 a.m.
12-19 Focus on WMU Week
13 Goshen Ministry Assistant Meeting
18 Pastor/Spouse Appreciation Luncheon Noon
Mineral Baptist Church

01	Riggins Anniversary	Retired
05	Linda Terry	Retired
09	Terry Green	Antioch
11	Teresa Kessler	Louisa
11	Kincheloe Anniversary	Trinity
11	Tom Everett	Mineral
13	Dickens Anniversary	Ministry Assistant
14	Amy Lester	Thornburg
19	Barbara Ellington	Church of Comforter

GMC= Goshen Ministry Center, 587 Mica Road, Mineral

If you're new to ministry in Goshen please let the office know the birthdays and anniversary of your family. goshenba@nexet.net or call 540.894.8440.