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The **mission** of SSV, a nonprofit, nonpartisan, educational and advocacy organization, is to enable seniors to identify and articulate their viewpoints on the issues affecting all citizens of Virginia, to encourage knowledge of and active participation in the legislative process of government, and to disseminate information about the social, governmental, and educational institutions that offer support and assistance.



# **Senior Statesmen of Virginia**

The next meeting of the Senior Statesmen of Virginia will be held on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

at Westminster-Canterbury of the Blue Ridge Rotunda Room, 250 Pantops Mountain Road, Charlottesville, Virginia Public Safety How Safe Is Our Community

#### City of Charlottesville



Chief of Police Michael P. Kochis

Prior to being appointed Chief of Police, Michael Kochis was the Chief of Police for the Warrenton Police Department for three years after serving as a Commander with the Alexandria Virginia Police Department. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy for Law Enforcement Executives, and the Senior Management Institute for Policing through the Police Executive Research Forum.

Chief Kochis currently holds a Certified Public Manager designation from The George Washington University, a bachelor's degree in criminal justice administration, and a master's degree in public safety from the University of Virginia.

#### **County of Albemarle**



Colonel Sean Reeves

Colonel Reeves is the first AC Police Chief to have begun his local law enforcement career with the Department, as well as the first in ACPD history to be both a Veteran and a member of the Latin American community.

He has served the Albemarle community as a patrol officer, detective, SWAT team operator, Honor Guard member, Internal Affairs investigator, in several supervisory roles, and as a community liaison with the local Latin population. Prior to his promotion to Chief, Col. Reeves served as Deputy Chief of Police overseeing the Operations Bureau.

University of Virginia



Chief Timothy G. Longo, Sr.

Timothy J. Longo, Sr. was appointed associate vice president and chief of University Police in November 2019. In this capacity, Longo oversees the University Police Department, the department of Emergency Management, Clery Compliance and Youth Protection, Threat Assessment, and Safety and Security Systems and Technology. He brings more than 40 years of experience in law enforcement leadership and higher education to his role.

Longo previously served as Police Colonel/Chief of Technical Services for the Baltimore Police Department, and then as Chief of Police in Charlottesville for 15 years.

### Westminster-Canterbury of the Blue Ridge - Directions

Turn onto Pantops Mountain Road from Route 250 (Richmond Road). Tell the attendant at the gatehouse you are attending the Senior Statesmen program. For more detailed information, see directions and parking information on the SSV website: <a href="https://www.SeniorStatesmen.org/">www.SeniorStatesmen.org/</a>

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## In case you missed the June 14 meeting:

### **Senate District 11 Candidate Forum**







Your SSV partnered with The Center and the League of Women Voters Charlottesville Area to host the June 14 Candidate Forum for the VA Senate District 11 democratic primary election. The Auditorium at The Center was packed... as was the parking lot. Both ran out of space!

Dan Schutte, News Director and Anchor for CBS19, Newsplex, smoothly moderated the Forum. Candidates Senator Deeds and Delegate Hudson provided opening and closing remarks, with audience questions in between. Topics ranged from gun control to tenure in the Senate to mental health to economists to a woman's right to choose.



Strong differences were heard on the topic of continuing part-time legislators versus professional legislators, as well as the value of Senate tenure.

The primary election is June 20th. The audience was applauded for attending....and urged to vote!! The Daily Progress article on this event can be accessed here.

Membership in the SSV is open to all past and present citizens of the Commonwealth of Virginia. **Join now!** Annual dues are just \$20.00. Mail your check in the amount of \$20.00 (payable to "SSV") to Senior Statesmen of Virginia, P.O. Box 6591, Charlottesville, VA 22906, or visit this page of our website <a href="www.SeniorStatesmen.org/join/">www.SeniorStatesmen.org/join/</a> to join and pay by credit cards.

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# SENIOR STATESMEN OF VIRGINIA DONATES HISTORICAL RECORDS TO ALBERT AND SHIRLEY SMALL SPECIAL COLLECTIONS LIBRARY AT UVA

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Virginia -- A Central Virginia civic group is keeping Virginia history alive by donating its records to UVa. The records from the Senior Statesmen of Virginia preserve the civic life of Charlottesville and surrounding counties as shared through SSV programs over the past 27 years.

"The SSV Board is very pleased that our records will be maintained for the benefit of our community," said SSV Board President Sue Friedman. "Years and decades from now, those who come after us can learn of the challenges and opportunities that shaped our history."

Materials that become part of the Small Special Collections Library will be available for research by the public in the collection's reading room. To view any materials at the Small Library, researchers, including members of the Senior Statesmen of Virginia, would need to create a researcher account (https://virginia.aeon.atlas-sys.com/logon) and provide a photo ID at their first visit to complete their registration.

"This timely gift will be a wonderful addition to our collections that document local civic life," said Krystal Appiah, curator of the Albert and Shirley Small Special Collections Library. "We are thankful to the SSV for preserving local history."

SSV started in 1996 and is currently presenting 11 monthly programs per year at Westminster Canterbury of the Blue Ridge. Programs are free and open to the public.

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