

James E. Olmsted Ohio College Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis S.R.I.C.F.



Dear Fratres,

# Save the Date: August 30th - 31st, 2024

### The SRICF Midwest Regional Conference

### Holiday Inn Dayton / Fairborn

### 2800 Presidential Dr. Fairborn, OH 45324

We are delighted to extend an invitation to the inaugural Midwest Regional SRICF Conference, set to commence on August 30<sup>th</sup> - August 31<sup>st</sup> 2024. Throughout the conference Saturday Afternoon, August 31st, you can expect engaging presentations, enlightening discussions, and masterful ritual work; all condensed into one enriching day. We are especially honored to announce Piers Vaughan, a prolific author and Masonic scholar as our keynote speaker.

Please seize this opportunity to join us for what promises to be an exceptional event!

# Friday August 30th

**7:00pm - 11:30pm** The festivities will kick off Friday evening with an icebreaker social, featuring a premium scotch / bourbon tasting and fellowship.

# <u>Saturday August 31st</u>

12:00pm - 12:30pm	Registration
12:40pm - 1:00pm	Introduction / Opening Ceremony
1:10pm - 1:40pm	Paper I - Steve Morosko VII°: Internal Energy Among Different Cultures
1:40pm - 2:10pm	Paper II - Stanley Simons IX°: Is Rosicrucianism Compatible with Christianity or Mutually Exclusive?
2:10pm - 2:40pm	Paper III - Mike Doxsee VII°: Mysticism in 18 <sup>th</sup> Century Russia
2:50pm - 3:20pm	Paper IV - John Gilbert VII°: Not as Above, Not as Below
3:25pm - 4:10pm	Keynote Presentation by Junior Deputy Supreme Magus, Piers A. Vaughan IX°, KGC: Spiritual Healing
4:30pm - 5:30pm	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Conferral from James E. Olmstead Ohio College
5:45pm - 6:00pm	Announcement from the 2025 Host / Closing Ceremony
6:30pm - 8:00pm	Dinner Choice of (Salmon or Steak) / Festive Board
8:00pm - 11:30pm	Hospitality Room

### \*Event registration and hotel registration will be completed through links provided via a future email titled:

"SRICF: Midwest Regional Conference" This email will be sent out on:

June 20th, July 11th, July 30th, and August 16th.

### For assistance with registration, please contact:

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## Biography for RW Piers A. Vaughan IX°, KGC



Piers A. Vaughan was born in Brighton, England, and attended Brighton College, as well as Oxford and Cranfield Universities. He was an avid musician, singing in a local church, playing several instruments, conducting and composing; he was also a keen fencer, and enjoyed appearing in local plays. He even appeared as an extra in 'Star Wars' and 'Quadrophenia'! He received an MA in Psychology, before going on to complete and MBA and later an MA in Divinity, then worked in international banking in England, Germany and Switzerland, before settling in the United States in 1993.

His Masonic membership began in England in 1979, and he joined a number of Orders prior to joining St. John's Lodge No. 1, A.Y.M. in New York, where he has served twice as its Master and has traveled extensively with the Lodge treasure, President Washington's Inaugural Bible, giving talks on it in a number of States. He was Grand High Priest of New York State in 2014, and is Junior Deputy Supreme Magus in the SRICF, a 330 in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and has served in the East for the majority of Masonic Bodies. He has traveled extensively across the USA and in many countries abroad giving lectures on subjects ranging from history to symbolism and the esotericism of Masonic Study Society. An interest in 18th Century French Masonic Ritual has also led him to translate a number of important treatises and rituals into English.

He is also very involved in a number of Orders outside of Freemasonry, predominantly ones which are descended from European Esoteric groups, and is also Patriarch of the Apostolic Church of the Gold & Rosy Cross (ACGRC), a church descended from the Pre-Nicene Church of Richard, Duc de Palatine. He also possesses lines from the Order of the Pleroma, a group of pansophic rites handed down from John Yarker, as well as A. E. Waite's Fellowship of the Rosy Cross.

He is the author of "Renaissance Man and Mason" and "Enlightenment Man & Mason", "The Capitular Development Course", and has published translations of Louis-Claude de Saint-Martin's 1775 book "Of Errors & Truth", Papus' 1893 book "Elementary Treatise of Practical Magic" and a number of other seminal French esoteric books which can be found in amazon.com and on his occasional Blog rosecirclebooks.com.

Piers is a bishop in the Independent Catholic tradition; an Esoteric and Masonic lecturer and writer; an avid translator of old French texts; a traveler and a permanent student.

Yours in the Mxxxxx Cxxxxx,

VW Robert Lee Franks III VII° - Non Nova Sed Nove

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