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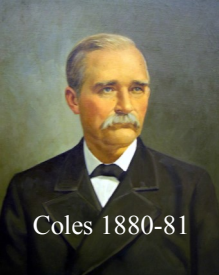
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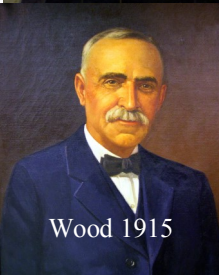
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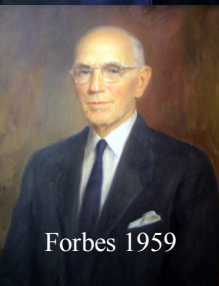
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Greetings Brethren,

I would like to thank Worshipful Ross Morland Master of Lee Lodge # 209 for his wonderful talk on Masonry's Candles at our August Stated Meeting. Also at our meeting RW James Friend Dickerson was presented the Master Builder's Award from the Masonic Home of Virginia for his generous contribution to MHOVA. A big thank you goes out to Brother Dickerson and all that contribute to the Masonic Home.

I am happy to announce members of Widows Sons #60 attended the One Day Conferral in Richmond. We are proud to welcome four new Brothers to our great fraternity. It was a great day of friendship and brotherhood. Thank you to all that attended and a very big thank you goes out to all the participants in the degrees.

Myself and the Officers of Widows Sons Lodge will be visiting King Solomon's Lodge 194 in Crozet on Tuesday, September 8th. Please join us if it within the length of your cable tow.

Just a reminder to bring a bag of non perishable items when you come to lodge. We have a barrel on the first floor for donations. All year it sparingly has donations in it. Let's make an effort to FILL this barrel up this month.

Dress for our September stated communication is again casual attire, for example golf shirts and dress slacks (no ties required). This will be the last month of "Summer Attire" It is my sincere hope that you will find it within the length of your cable tow to join your officers and me at our next stated communication on September 21st at 7:00 PM

Fraternally yours,

Jason Pattison

Worshipful Master, Widow's Sons' Lodge No. 60 A.F. &A.M.

**September Masonic Birthdays!**  
**Call a Brother and wish him a**  
**Happy Masonic**  
**Birthday.**



Stephen G. Brown	09/25/1995
P. Douglas Cheape, Jr.	09/06/1955
Ancel B. Davis, Jr.	09/20/1986
James F. Dickerson	09/01/1995
Craig M. Downing	09/01/1995
William K. Fields	09/20/1986
Lowell T. Hill, Jr.	09/02/2008
John E. Hopkinson	09/02/1982
Carlos E. B. McReddie	09/05/1984
Philip H. Nelson, Jr.	09/27/1999
Jason A. Pattison	09/16/2010
Richard A. Rohm, Jr.	09/18/2002
Michael Sheffield	09/12/1975
David T. Simpson	09/16/2004
Charles M. Ward	09/20/1986

**Important Dates**



- **King Solomon's Lodge No. 194 Stated Communication**, September 8th, 7:30 PM, **WSL Visit**.
- **Alberene Lodge No. 277 Stated Communication**, September 14th, 7:30 PM.
- **Piedmont Stella Lodge No. 50 Stated Communication**, September 16th, 7:30 PM.
- **WSL Stated Communication**, September 21st, 7:00 PM.
- **WSL Officer's Meeting**, October 5th, 6:30 PM.

**Important Notice**

Brethren, Your Lodge is in need of Brethren to be catechism teachers, if you would like to be the first inspiration in a candidates journey into Freemasonry, please contact me at the e-mail or phone below. It does not matter if you know how to do this and are a bit rusty, or have never done this and would like to learn how, your Lodge needs you.

If this is sounds like something you would like to do to help your Lodge, please contact the secretary by E-mail at **Widows-Sons60@gmail.com** or by phone at **(434) 985-6171**.

**Please Keep these Brethren in Your**  
**Thoughts & Prayers**  
**(Give them a call or send a card)**

- Brother Hank Booth, in UVA Hospital (4167A West) , recovering from an automobile accident.
- Brother Maury Kingman, also in UVA Hospital (3110A East).

**Charlottesville Food Pantry**

Thanks to all the Brethren that remembered to stock our Food Pantry barrel located in the Lodge hallway near the elevator. Your canned food donations help the young and old stretch their monthly low income. Any amount of food is welcome.



**YORK RITE NIGHT: October 30th**

Brethren,

Reserve on your calendars the date October 30<sup>th</sup>. A York Rite Night is being planned for Masons, their family, and friends. The event will feature several speakers knowledgeable of King Solomon's temple and their trips to the Holy Land courtesy of the Knight's Templar sponsorship. Details of the event are being planned for the event on the 30<sup>th</sup>; it promises to be an exciting step in your Masonic journey. For questions, contact the Junior Warden, Mark S. Chapman, (434)971-1332.



KS Temple Artist Concept



Worshipful Ross Morland, Worshipful Master of Lee Lodge No. 209, presented the program for the evening on Freemasonry's Candles.



Masonic Birthdays for August were recognized, present were; Bro. Rob Harrison (6), Bro. Kent Schussel (25), Bro. Steve Fetcho (10), MW Jeff Hodges (30) and Bro. Bob Harrison (62)



RW Russel G. Snodgrass approached the East where he made a presentation on behalf of The Masonic Home of Virginia of a Master Builders Award plaque to RW James Friend Dickerson for his generous contributions to the Masonic Home of Virginia.



Bro. Kent Schussel was presented in the East by RW Robert E. Simpson and Bro. T.C. Dickerson where he was presented his 25 Year Veteran's Emblem by MW Jeffery E. Hodges



Prior to the opening MW Bro. Hodges presented a 50 year veteran's emblem as a courtesy to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to Brother Thomas W. Baylor.



On August 3rd, MW Jeffery E. Hodges presented Brother William F. Tornrose his 50 year veteran's emblem on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

## The Cable Tow

The Cable Tow is explained as follows:

"I drew them with the cords of a man, with bonds of love."

Hosea, xi 4.

The Cable Tow is thus a symbol of the cord of bond of Love, which should unite the whole fraternity. Its length or the length of your Cable Tow is the sacrifice you are willing to make on behalf of your brethren. It is in your heart, not to be measured by miles. It is not gauged by distances, but by deed. It should correspond to the immensity of the monitorial lodge, and to do so should span the earth, touching wherever there is sorrow or distress.

In Masonry we have many symbols for the few grand principles upon which it is founded - Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. As we get away from the letter and discern the spirit, which lies behind, we have unfolded to us a new and intensely interesting science, and as we mould our lives upon our new understanding of Masonry, we become better Masons, and as a consequence better men.

## 2015 Charlottesville WALK to End Alzheimer's – October 24<sup>th</sup>

Brethren,

Reserve on your calendar the date October 24. Our Mason Team will be participating in a fundraising WALK downtown to support the Alzheimer's Association. Over 5 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's. The cost of caring for those with Alzheimer's and other dementias is estimated to total \$226 billion in 2015. Nearly 1 in every 3 seniors who dies each year has Alzheimer's or another dementia. Alzheimer's is the 6<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in Virginia...and there is no cure. To participate, contact the Junior Warden, Mark S. Chapman, 434.971.1332 or go online at [WWW.ALZ.ORG](http://WWW.ALZ.ORG) and click on WALKs in Virginia. Thank you.



## The Old Master's Wages

by M.W.Bro. Neil Neddermeyer

*I meet a dear old man today  
Who wore a Masonic pin,  
It was old and faded like the man  
Its edges were worn quite thin*

*I approached the park bench where he sat  
To give the old brother his do  
I said, "I see you've traveled east"  
He said, "I have, have you?"*

*I said, I have and in my day  
Before the all seeing sun  
I played in the rubble with Jubala  
Jubilo, and Jubalum.*

*He shouted, don't laugh at the work my boy  
It's good and it's sweet and it's true  
And if you've traveled as you said  
You should give these things a due.*

*The word, the sign, the token,  
The sweet Masonic prayer,  
The vow that all have taken  
Who have climbed the inner stair.*

*The wages of a Mason  
are never paid in gold  
but the gain comes from contentment  
When you're weak and growing old.*

*You see I've carried my obligations  
For almost fifty years  
It has helped me through the hardships  
and the failures full of tears.*

*I'm now losing my mind and my body  
Death is near but I don't despair  
I've lived my life upon the level  
And I'm die upon the square.*

*Sometimes the greatest lessons  
Are those that are learned anew  
And the old man in the park today  
Has changed my point of view.*

*To all Masonic brothers  
The only secret is to care  
May you live upon the level.  
May you part upon the square*

# FIRST GRAND MASTER IN AMERICA

## THE MASONIC REVIEW - 1857

HENRY PRICE, of Boston, Massachusetts, was the first Grand Master of Masons on the American Continent. In 1733, Lord Montague, Grand Master of Masons in England, having received a petition from a number of brethren "residing in New England," issued his commission to Bro. Henry Price, of Boston, constituting him Provincial Grand Master of New England. On receipt of the commission the brethren met in Boston July 30th, 1733, and organized a Provincial Grand Lodge, under the title and designation of "St. John's Grand Lodge," when the following officers were chosen and duly installed: Andrew Belcher, D.G.M.; Thomas Kennelly, S.G.W.; John Quano, J.G.W. A subordinate Lodge was immediately organized in Boston, by the name of "St. John's Lodge." Thus was Masonry, in an organized form, introduced into America, and which has since spread all over the United States, and throughout Canada. At different periods it has also been introduced into the Central and South American States, but the prevalence of Roman Catholicism has prevented it from taking firm root there, as Romanism has long been the determined and uncompromising enemy of Freemasonry.

Bro. Price resigned his office of Grand Master in 1736. How long he lived or when he died, we have no means of ascertaining. He was buried in the grave-yard in Townsend, in Massachusetts, and the place of his burial is still designated by "a tablet bearing an inscription which records important facts of his life." The Grand Master of Massachusetts, in a late communication to that Grand Lodge, suggests the propriety of removing his remains to the beautiful Cemetery of Mt. Auburn, near Boston, and erecting to his memory there "a substantial and appropriate memorial."

In the mind of every Freemason in the land, there can be no doubt about the propriety, nor should there be as to the duty, of the Grand Lodge to proceed at once to perform this task. Such a memento would be alike honorable to the memory of the first Grand Master in America, and to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. It should be done at once, and built of granite, plain but substantial, and the tablet above referred to placed within it. Then a delegation from every Grand Lodge in North America should, by invitation, be present at its dedication, and take part in the ceremonies. Let the whole Craft be represented there, that the united brotherhood may do homage to the first Grand Master of Masons in America.



# September 2015

## Masonic Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 <i>6:00 PM Widow's Sons Lodge Officer's Meeting Labor Day</i>	8 <i>7:30 PM King Solomon's Lodge No. 194 Stated</i>	9	10	11	12 <i>10:00 AM Queen Ester Chapyer No. 14, OES</i>
13	14 <i>7:30 PM Alberene Lodge No. 277 Stated</i>	15	16 <i>7:30 PM Piedmont Stella Lodge No. 50 Stated</i>	17	18	19
20	21 <i>7:00 PM Widow's Sons' Lodge No. 60 Stated</i>	22 <i>6:00 PM Charlottesville Commandery No. 3 7:00 PM Keystone Royal Arch Chapter No. 58</i>	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

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