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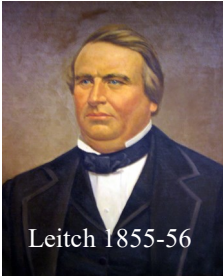
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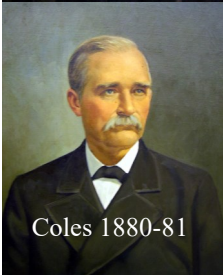
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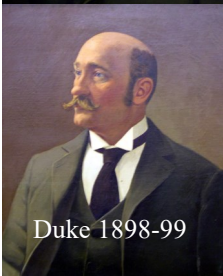
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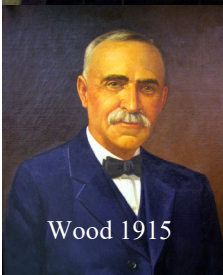
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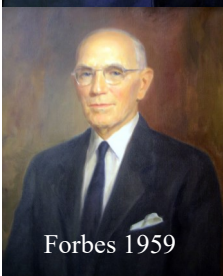
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MESSAGE FROM THE EAST:

Brethren,

Thanks for the big turn out for Burns Night, and I hope everyone had as much fun as I did! Also another big thanks to Brother Jim for cooking the haggis! I would like to keep the high turn out going this month for our DDGM official visit at February's stated meeting.

I would also like to take a moment to add on to my program's theme from Burns Night on the "Cable-Tow". I cannot express how important it is for everyone in the Lodge to search for how they can contribute to the up-keep, longevity and vitality of our Lodge. I have always liked the phrase that "there is no such thing as an impossible job, if you break it down into many small manageable tasks" and that is how we should view our contributions to the Lodge.

No brother's cable-tow will be stretched too tightly if everyone contributes their own manageable task. I just ask that every brother finds a way to use their own talents, and their own interests, for the good of the Lodge. I look forward to seeing everyone at the February stated.

Respectfully,
Worshipful Jason Parham



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

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Master Mason Degree:</u>
Samuel D. Caughron	02/24/1992
Michael Allan Haas	02/12/1979
George G. Hocker	02/03/1999
John T. Lawson	02/19/1958 (61 Yrs)
Lewis A. Martin, III	02/21/1979
Hollis T. Proffitt	02/23/1954 (65 Yrs)
William F. Reinhold	02/23/1973
Edgar S. Robb	02/08/1966 (53 Yrs)
Thomas F. Wilson	02/15/2011

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GRAND MASTER VISIT To The 10th
DISTRICT, MARCH 30th

The Grand Master's Official visit will be at Louisa United Methodist Church, 100 E. Main Street, Louisa, VA at 6pm. Tickets are \$25 and available from the WSL Secretary or DDGM10 . Ladies are welcomed.

DDGM Official Visit to WSL
February 18th, 7:00 PM

Brothers, please join us at Widow's Sons' Lodge #60 on February 18th for the Right Worshipful Arleigh H. Rice, Jr., District Deputy Grand Master of the 10th Masonic District's Official Visit for his presentation of Grand Lodge Events and the Grand Master's Plan for his year.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Widow's Sons' Lodge Events:

WSL Stated Communication: February 18th, 7:00 pm
District Deputy Grand Master Official Visit—see text below

10th District Masonic Lodges:

Day Lodge No. 58 Stated, 1st Thursday at 7:30 PM
Widow's Sons' No. 60 Stated, 3rd Monday at 7:00 PM
Murray No. 175 Stated, 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 PM
Waddell No. 228 Stated, 2nd Monday at 7:30 PM
Mineral No. 311 Stated, 3rd Thursday at 7:30 PM
Cabell No. 328 Stated, 1st Wednesday at 7:30 PM

GRAND LODGE EVENTS:

Division Leadership Conference: Waynesboro Bridge Christian Church, 1275 Goose Creek Road, Fishersville, VA February 9th (Saturday), Registration 9:00 am.

Grand Master's Visit to 10th Masonic District, March 30th—see text below



APPENDANT BODY MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

Eastern Star—Queen Esther Chapter No. 14:
 February 9th at 10:00 am

Knight Templars Commandery No. 3:
 February 26th at 6:00 pm

Keystone Royal Arch Chapter 58:
 February 26th at 7:00 pm

Shriners Piedmont Club:
 No meeting scheduled for February. Every other Month

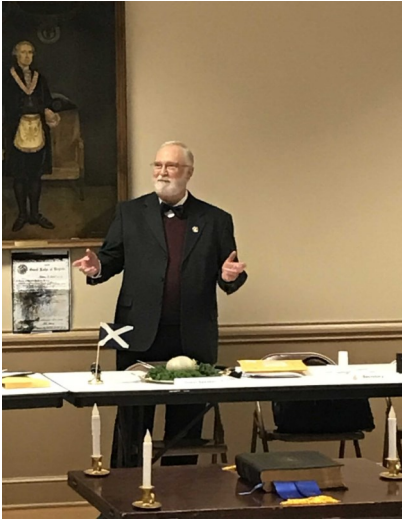
Order of Amaranth—Blue Ridge Court No. 8:
 February 1st at 6:00 pm

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Brothers, the next and closest DLC will be held at Waynesboro Bridge Christian Church, 1275 Goose Creek Road, Fishersville, VA (~30 min drive) on February 9th. Registration will begin at 9:00 am. This will be the closest one for our Lodge for this year.

BURNS NIGHT SUPPER

January 21st, 2019



RW Bill Bond, acting in capacity as Knife Bearer during the piping of the haggis, gave a presentation during the Haggis cutting entitled, "Ode to the Haggis". His pronunciation was on spot and his delivery was spectacular.



A Big Thanks to RW Jim Dickerson and the 2019 Officers for the delicious meal at the Burns Night Supper and the preparation of the Haggis!!!

Wor. Mark Chapman (Bagpiper), Bro. William Reichert (Drummer) and Bro. Eddie Creasy (Haggis Bearer) marched in the Haggis with bagpiping and drumming.



Wor. Mark Chapman , Bro. William Reichert and Bro. Eddie Creasy getting in uniform for the Haggis presentation for the Burns Night Supper and giving a great performance to some bagpiping and drumming.



Appendant Body of the Month!

Greetings Brothers,

In this month's Appendant Body, I will be giving a little talk about the York Rite, or also known as, the American Rite. The York Rite is one of the two main appendant bodies of Freemasonry, alongside the Scottish Rite. The York Rite is one of the oldest of Masonic Rites and has been here in the U.S. with the oldest documented evidence conferring the Royal Arch Degree in Fredericksburg Lodge #4 in Fredericksburg, VA on December 22, 1753.

There are three parts, or sections, of the York Rite: The Chapter, the Council and the Commandery. The Chapter confers the Degrees of Mark Master, Virtual Past Master, Most Excellent Master and Royal Arch. These degrees are called the Capitular Degrees and helps to give a more complete story of Masonic symbolism. Brothers within the Chapter are known as Companions.

The Council consists of the Select and Royal Master Degrees. These degrees help to complete the Master Mason and Royal Arch Degree. These are known as the Cryptic Degrees. In Virginia and West Virginia, the Chapter and Council are combined together and the Capitular and Cryptic Degrees are all under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter and are taken in the order of Mark Master, Past Master, Select and Royal Master, Most Excellent Master and Royal Arch. There is an extra honorary degree within the Cryptic Degrees called the Super Excellent Master and is considered the most dramatic and spectacular of all Masonic degrees.

The final part is the Commandery. The Commandery does not contain or confer degrees, but has orders. They are as followed: the Order of the Red Cross, the Order of Knight of Malta and the Order of the Temple. Completing all of these orders confers the title Knight Templar on brothers and they are known as Sir Knights. The Order of the Temple is called the crowning glory of York Rite Masonry and is often said that "All Christian Masons should be Knight Templars". This is one part of Masonry that requires a Christian Faith for participation.

The York Rite is a beautiful collection of degrees and orders and gives profound meaning to symbols and history. The Chapter and Commandery of Charlottesville has some great Companions and Sir Knights. If you would like more information about this system, feel free to reach out to them.



Chapter



Council



Commandery

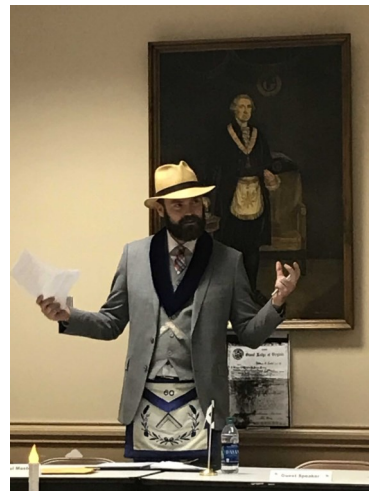
JANUARY STATED PRESENTATIONS



Wor. Jason Parham presented Bro. Bobby Cameron, Jr. with a Grand Lodge Certificate of Appreciation for his long service of 34 years as Widow's Sons' Lodge's Tyler.



WM Jason Parham presenting Bro. T.C. Dickerson with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Grand Master for his faithful and long service to the Fraternity as Widow's Sons' Lodge Marshal. Also present were RW James F. Dickerson and Wor. Mark S. Chapman.



Wor. Jason Parham gave an inspiring presentation on the Cable-tow and talked about what the Cable – tow is, where it came from and how it relates to Lodge Membership and activities.

Elected Officers for 2019

Worshipful Master: Wor. Jason Michael Parham
Senior Warden: Bro. Harry Lee Walker, Jr.
Junior Warden: Bro. Eddie O'Hare Creasy
Treasurer: RW Mike Daniel Griffin
Secretary: Wor. Mark Stephen Chapman

Senior Deacon: RW. Gerald William "Bud" Hogan
Junior Deacon: Bro. Adam Lee Buffington
Chaplain: RW Philip Harding Nelson, Jr.
Marshal: Bro. Anthony Curtis Schienschang
Tyler: Bro. Bobby Cameron, Jr.



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FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

Front— Bro. Harry Lee Walker, Jr. (SW), Wor. Jason Michael Parham (WM),
Bro. Eddie O'Hare Creasy (JW)

Back— Bro. Bobby Cameron, Jr. (Tyler), RW Mike Daniel Griffin (Treas), RW
Philip Harding Nelson, Jr. (Chap), RW Gerald William “Bud” Hogan (SD), Wor.
Mark Stephen Chapman (Sec), Bro. Anthony Curtis Schienschang (Mars), Bro.
Adam Lee Buffington (JD)