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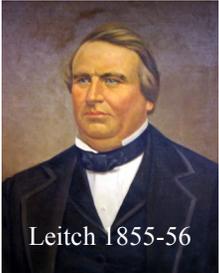
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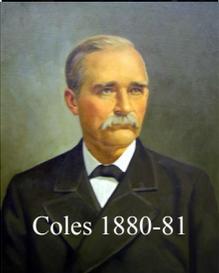
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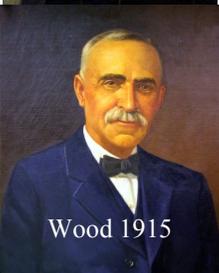
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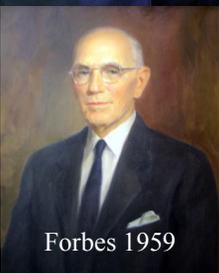
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Wood 1915



Forbes 1959



Hodges 2009



Brethren,

It's spring time and it's beautiful outside. It's also beautiful in our Lodge thanks to the wonderful art work now displayed in the Lodge room. If you have not been to lodge in awhile please come and behold the beauty of Brother Chapman's work.

The Lodge is again supporting the little league team. We are planning to attend as a group to show our support. Once we have the team schedule we will make an effort to show up with a large group of Brothers. If you want to attend please let me know.

MW Hodges is heading up a brotherhood project. We have close to 300 members in our Lodge. Including visitors we average less than 40 at every stated meeting. I hope by the time this message reaches you a brother has contacted you and personally invited you back to lodge. It's a new year and the officers and brothers welcome all with open arms

Upcoming events:

Area Ritual School at Lee Lodge #209 in Waynesboro April 17-18

Subordinate Lodge officer training April 29th all the Lodges in the district have been invited. You do not have to be an officer to attend.

St Johns day June 24th. It seems a long way away but it will be here before we know it. MW Jeffery Hodges will be our speaker. It will be a wonderful night as always.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Jason Pattison

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

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



- Daniel A. Albert, April 26, 1965
- Frank W. Bauer, April 17, 1985
- M. Wayne Biby, April 1, 1991
- Bobby Cameron, Jr., April 7, 1975
- Timothy J. Edwards, April 24, 1976
- William B. Fischer, April 27, 1964
- William C. Gentry, April 22, 1963
- Theodore M. Jones, III, April 30, 2008
- James M. Landreth, April 5, 1976
- Peter-John Leone, April 25, 2012
- Michael G. MacInnis, April 3, 2000
- Earl R. Morris, April 7, 1969
- Monte S. Parsons, April 2, 1992
- Harlan E. Phelps, Jr., April 5, 1977
- Ronald G. Ridge, April 26, 1965
- William S. Roudabush, April 21, 1958
- A. Fredrick Seaman, Jr., April 13, 1971
- Matthew C. Stimart, April 6, 2009
- Glenn R. Sweet, April 5, 1965



Brother Mark Chapman was thanked by the Worshipful Master, after his presentation regarding how the Lodge paintings were created.



Brother Jason M. Parham is congratulated by the Worshipful Master after successfully reciting his Master Mason Catechism.



March Masonic Birthdays recognized, L-R: RW William F. Baskerville, 30 years, WM Jason Pattison.

Important Dates



- April 10th, District Leadership Conference, Spring Presbyterian Church, Fishersville. Registration begins at 6:00 p.m.
- April 17th and 18th, R. R. Kennedy Area Ritual School for Districts 18 and 19, Waynesboro, 7:00 p.m. on the 17th and 9:00 a.m. on the 18th.
- May 16th, C.A. Whitted Area Ritual School for Districts 17 and 18, Scottsville.
- May 20th, Lodge in the Open, Piedmont Stella No. 50, Brother Bill Steo's Farm, 6:00 PM, Please see the secretary for directions.
- July 11th, Official Visit of the Grand Master to the 18th Masonic District, more info to follow.
- July 30th thru August 2nd, Reid James Simmons Academy, Best Western Hotel, Waynesboro. Please see the secretary for registration forms.

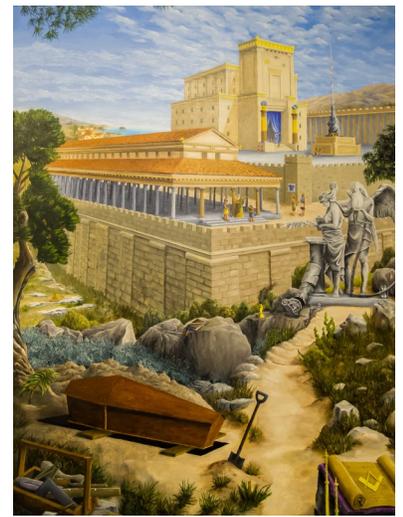
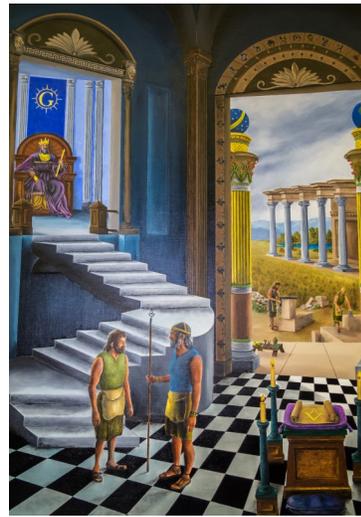
**Robert R. Kennedy, Jr., Area Masonic School
 18th & 19th Masonic Districts
 Lee Lodge No. 209, Waynesboro**

April 17th, 7:00 p.m., Entered Apprentice Degree,
 Team from the 19th Masonic District

April 18th, 9:00 a.m., Fellow Craft Degree,
 Team from the 18th Masonic District

Master Mason Degree,
 Team from the 18th and 19th Masonic Districts

Breakfast is being served on Saturday April 18th by the Eastern Star in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 7:00 am.



Brethren, If you have not been to lodge in a while and have not seen the beautiful artwork on our North wall you are missing quite a treat. The last piece of artwork, portraying the Master Mason's Degree was unveiled at our March Stated Communication. Widow's Sons' Lodge is so fortunate to have such talent in our Lodge as our Junior Warden, Brother Mark Chapman. Do yourself a favor and visit your Lodge and see the lovely artwork hanging in your lodge. I promise you will not regret it. Above are pictures of the artwork in the order they are displayed.



It was a tale of Masonic men surrounding a campfire in the Old West, at night, discussing the Fraternity and its teachings. One old man listened patiently, and finally spoke up:

'I can tell you more about Masonry in a little example than some of the great Masonic philosophers can in books. Everybody stand up, and gather in a circle around the campfire.'

They did that.

'Now, everybody hold hands with the man next to him.'

They did that, too.

'Now, what do you see, looking ahead?'

'The face of a Brother Mason through the flames.'

'What do you feel in front of you?'

'The warmth of the fire, and the comfort it brings on a cool night.'

'What do you feel at your side?'

'The warm hand of a Brother.'

'OK. Now, drop the hands, and turn around.'

They did so.

'Now, what do you see, looking ahead?'

'Complete darkness.'

'What do you feel, looking ahead?'

'A sense of loneliness, of being alienated.'

'What do you feel at your side?'

'Nothing at all.'

'What do you feel on your backside?'

'The warmth of the fire.'

'So it is with Masonry,' said the old man. 'In Masonic gatherings, you can feel the warmth of Masonic interaction, you can see the face of a Brother through the light Masonry brings to you, and you can always feel the warm hand of a Brother. When you turn away from Masonry, and are out in the world, you see darkness, feel alienated and alone, and do not feel the warm hand of your Masonic Brother.'

But Masonry, and the warmth and light it brings, are just a turn away from you.'

-- Unknown



Brother Mark Chapman pictured in front of his latest painting of the Master Mason's Degree.

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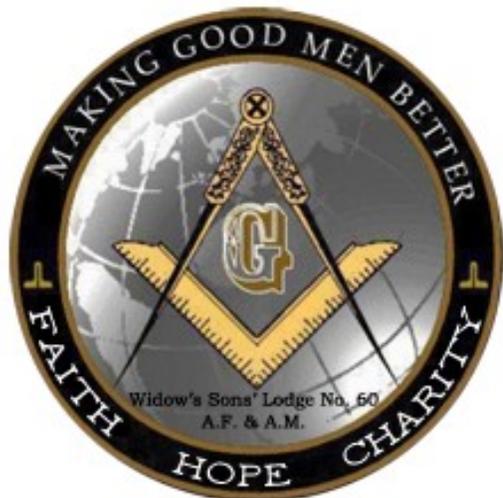
Are you unable to attend Lodge due to transportation problems? If this is the case, please contact the secretary by phone at; (434) 985-6171 or E-mail at; WidowsSons60@gmail.com so transportation can be made to get you to and from Lodge. We would love to have you join us!

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