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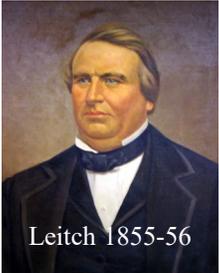
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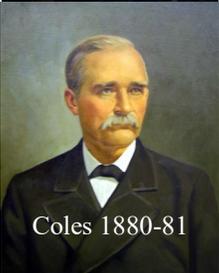
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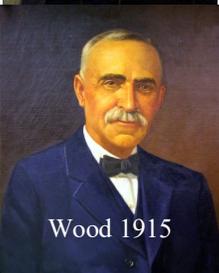
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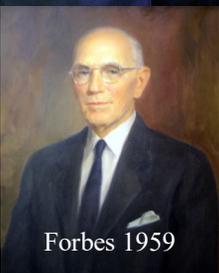
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My Brethren,

As we embark upon our next quarter of events, I thought I would first reflect upon our successes thus far and then focus on our remaining programs for the year and why we are taking this direction.

Success can be measured in a number of different means: how happy are your Brethren, how charitable are their actions, what is the focus of conversation in the Lodge, how are we responding to challenges experienced by those we walk the path of life with, etcetera. How do you think we would score in these areas of concern?

In January we had a most enjoyable stated meeting. I have heard from Brethren in the Lodge and our visitors who join us what an enjoyable time they experienced. Excitement was high and the efforts of our chef, R W Jim Dickerson, was amazing, but that is not the most significant thing to derive from the evening. We made great effort to celebrate the birthday of Brother Robert Burns and to enjoy haggis, why?

Consider this as a reason: you are celebrating the impact of a single, sometimes quite negatively -eventful life that has had and still has an effect upon the world's people. And the haggis, what's the big deal? Proof positive that what may be considered worthless waste can be used to sustain God's children. Seek to see the good in everything and everyone!

February's meeting introducing the Child Identification Program was a great success. We thank everyone who has contributed to our computer for their commitment to safeguarding the youth of tomorrow. There is no excuse for us to say we are building a better community if we sit idly by not using our resources to protect our greatest assets, our children.. Our Grand Master and those who preceded him understand the commitment the Craft must make to substantiate our reputation of building a better tomorrow by our actions today. This program is not to take the place of others offered by our Law Enforcement agencies but to compliment their efforts. We need to get into small groups like your child's or your grandchild's daycare or pre-school or a Sunday School class or just out on the Mall for a Friday After Five event. Just do something, one child at a time. We also ask that we commit ourselves to increase our commitment to our widow's by making sure everyone in the Lodge was a member of the Widow's Aid Fund. Are you? If so, great, if not why not?

Now, the District Deputy Grand Master, R W William Reinhold, presented to us the Grand Master's programs and invited all of us to attend the Official Visit of our Grand Master on June 17. Please find time in your year to join in for this event.

Our schedule for the rest of the years includes:

April's program - a visit from Edmund Randolph and discussion on Freemason's Hall May's program - a visit from MW Don McAndrews, Grand Master of Cryptic Mason of the District of Columbia, June's program - a visit from MW Loyd Davis, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Utah talking about Masonry moving Westward into Utah and other points to ponder, July's program will be our recommitment night when we will have a special program on the Master Mason's Degree, you won't want to miss that one, August's program - a visit from the Illustrious Potentate of ACCA Shrine, Illustrious James Duke on being a Shriner September's program - a visit from the Chairman of the Grand Lodge Of Virginia Committee on Blood Services, R W Steve Sanford, October's program - will be an outdoor Lodge/Pig Picking with a conflagration ceremony from the Jack Jouett Camp Heroes of 76 and a visit from Brother Sean Waterson, Development Director for the Masonic Home of Virginia, November's program - a visit from M W Vernon Stuart Cook but not as an official visit from the Grand Master but as a visit from the Scottish Rite Language Center and the Personal Representative for the Valley of Richmond Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

I leave you with one thought: "an eagle never knows how far it will fly until it spreads its wings." Find time to join in and spread your wings.

Sincerely and fraternally

Jeffery E Hodges, PGM

## 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  
James M. Landreth, April 5, 1976  
Peter-John Leone, April 25, 2012  
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



## Important Dates

- **WSL Officer's Meeting**, April 4th, 6:00 PM. (All Officers and Committee Heads should attend)
- **Alberene Lodge No. 277 Stated Communication**, April 11th, 7:30 PM.
- **King Solomon's Lodge No. 194 Stated Communication**, April 12th, 7:30 PM.
- **WSL Stated Communication**, April 18th, 7:00 PM.
- **Piedmont Stella Lodge No. 50 Stated Communication**, April 20th, 7:30 PM. *Please note; New Location, 72 Lambs Lane Stanardsville, VA*  
*Official Visit of the DDGM.* WSL Visitation.
- **WSL Officer's Meeting**, May 2nd, 6:00 PM. (All Officers and Committee Heads should attend)



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### Saturday, April 2nd:

- Bring a Friend Breakfast 7:00—10:00 AM, Families are Welcome.
- VACHIP Program, Bring your children or grandchildren and have them registered with our child identification and protection tool designed to give families a measure of protection against the ever increasing problem of missing children.
- Subordinate Lodge Officer Training program. All officers are expected to attend.

### Wednesday, April 13th

Masonic Little League Team, 1st game of the season. WSL to attend and support our team. Please assemble at 5:45 at the upper field at Pen Park.

### Friday, April 15th and Saturday, April 16th,

The R. R. Kennedy School, Lee Lodge. The session on the 15th will begin at 7:00 pm, and the session on the 16th will begin at 8:30 am. A breakfast will be served Saturday morning by Waynesboro Chapter No. 105, OES starting at 7:00 AM.

### Tuesday, April 19th, UVA Baseball vs Radford Outing.

Tickets are \$5.00. We will all it together in the left field bleachers and enjoy the game as a group. All Brethren, Wives, Families and Friends are welcome. Please contact the secretary before April 17th.

### Friday, June 17th,

The Grand Master's Official Visit to the 18th Masonic District, Fellowship Hall, Olivet Presbyterian Church, 2575 Garth Road.

### Friday, June 24th

Annual Table Lodge— There is a rumor that prime rib will be served. Cost is \$20.00 per person, \$5.00 of which is going to the Alzheimer's Association.

### Thursday July 28th through Sunday July 31st,

Reid J. Simmons Academy of Masonic Leadership at the Best Western Inn and Suites in Waynesboro. Contact the Secretary for info and registration form.



At February's Stated Communication, Wor. David T. Simpson & Wor. Jason A. Pattison presented the visiting Worshipful Masters, Wor. Rickard & Wor. Woo at the Altar. The Worshipful Master requested they continue to the East where they were saluted in the ancient manner.

A committee composed of RW Andrew D. Keller and RW William R. Bond, III retired and escorted the District Deputy Grand Master of the 18th Masonic District, RW William Frederick Reinhold, to the altar where he was introduced, welcomed and requested to continue to the East, where he was saluted in the ancient manner



A committee composed of RW Robert E. Simpson and RW Andy Keller presented RW Oakley C. Straley in the East where the Worshipful Master presented him his 50 Year Masonic Veteran's Emblem.

RW William Reinhold asked Brother Steve Fetcho, Lodge Blood Coordinator to approach the East where he presented him with the Jonas A. Levy award on behalf of Widow's Sons' Lodge for 2015.

**February Masonic Birthday**  
The Worshipful Master recognized William F. Reinhold for his 43 years as a Master Mason. .



**March Masonic Birthdays**

March Masonic Birthdays were recognized, RW William F. Baskerville, 31 years, Wor. Bruce Thompson, Jr., 62 Years.

The Worshipful Master welcomed RW William F. Reinhold in the East for his Official Visit to Widow's Sons' Lodge.

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

- RW Mike Hollar still on the mend from back surgery.
- Brother Gene Carpenter.
- Wor. Richard Cook recovering from a broken hip.
- Brother Donald Stoneburner.
- Brother Bobby Cameron back trouble.
- Yvonne Griffin wife of RW Mike Griffin who just lost her brother.

**2016 Dues**

Brethren,

Your dues are used to run your lodge and are now due for the 2016 year. If you have not as yet seen to this please attend to this when you can.

Brethren,

Our Masonic sponsored Little League Team's home opener is scheduled for Wednesday, April 13th at 6:00 PM at the upper field at Pen Park. If you would like to be a part of supporting our team, the Worshipful Master would like for us to assemble at 5:45 at the upper field at Pen Park.



Please see schedule below for other games.



**Bring a Friend Breakfast**

Brethren and guests enjoy breakfast with all the fixins at the Bring A Friend Breakfast on Saturday morning April 2nd.



**Bring a Friend Breakfast**

Chef Brother Ed Nafei fixes omelets to order for the brethren and their guests



**UVA Baseball**

Hey Brethren, how would you like to take in a UVA baseball game? WSL plans on assembling as a group when UVA takes on Radford on April 19th, 6:00 PM at

Davenport Field. We will all sit together in the left field bleachers and enjoy the game as a group. All Masons, Wives, Families and Friends are welcome. Tickets are just \$5.00 apiece. Please RSVP to the secretary before April 17th at H (434) 985-6171, C (434) 960-5162 or e-mail WidowsSons60@gmail.com.



**Masonic Little League Schedule**

Date	Time	Team	Field
4/13	6:00	Kiwanis Club	Pen Park Upper
4/16	2:30	Royals	Pen Park Upper
4/23	1:00	Athletics	McIntire Korbon Field
4/27	6:00	Astros	Pen Park Upper
4/30	2:30	Orioles	Pen Park Upper
5/7	2:30	Kiwanis Club	Pen Park Upper
5/11	6:00	Royals	Pen Park Upper
5/14	2:30	Mariners	Pen Park Upper
5/17	6:00	White Sox	McIntire Mullan Field
5/21	5:00	Tigers	McIntire Mullan Field

## The Lady of Freemasonry

Submitted by Bro. Mark Chapman



Elizabeth Aldworth “The Lady of Freemasonry” the daughter of Arthur, First Viscount Doneraile, Grand Master of Grand Lodge of Ireland 1740, and wife of Richard Aldworth of Newmarket Court C<sup>o</sup>.Cork..Esq. Born 1695; Died 1775. Initiated into Freemasonry in Lodge No.44 at Doneraile Court in Ireland A.D.1712.

When Elizabeth was a young girl, she hid in the room that her father occupied when he taught the Masonic Catechism and Rituals to other Masons. She thus learned all of the ritual and when she revealed her knowledge to her father; he made her a Freemason...what else could he do? Thus she was sworn not to reveal any of the ritual to others. Elizabeth’s life was filled with philanthropic work in orphanages, in widow’s shelters and in hospitals; and she is acclaimed as the only Freemason Lady in Ireland.



## Popovers



1 cup flour  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1 cup milk

2 eggs

Beat well until all is moist  
Do not over beat

Fill deep greased muffin tins 3/4 full.  
Bake at 400° for 45 minutes.

Ladies,

If you need help, a call or a visit, please do not hesitate to call a Mason in your area or an officer of the lodge as listed on the back page of this newsletter. We will do our best to help you.

## The Walk to End Alzheimer's

The Walk to End Alzheimer's is the world's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's programs, services and national research efforts. The Alzheimer's Association is the largest non-profit benefactor of Alzheimer's research; since 1982, the association has awarded more than \$300,000,000 to 2,100 research scientists worldwide. 1 out of 3 people knows someone with Alzheimer's disease. This disease is the largest unaddressed public threat facing the nation today...a disease that has no cure. Currently more than 5 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's, the sixth-leading cause of death and the second most feared health condition in the U.S. Masons in Virginia are partnering with the local Alzheimer's Association to improve the lives of people with Alzheimer's and their families. Help eliminate Alzheimer's disease by clicking on the following link and participate in our efforts to establish a world without Alzheimer's. Thank You.

[http://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2016/VA-CentralandWesternVirginia?team\\_id=327528&pg=team&fr\\_id=9362](http://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2016/VA-CentralandWesternVirginia?team_id=327528&pg=team&fr_id=9362)

## Monthly Garden Tip for April

Annuals can be planted in April, but be prepared to protect them from the frost until May 10. Plant azaleas. Choose them when they are coming into bloom to be sure of color. All the “Robin Hill” and “Glen Dale” strains do well in this area. They are hardy to 0 degrees.

Clematis should be planted where they receive 6 or more hours of sunlight. They grow particularly well in an eastern exposure. They like their heads in the sun and feet in the shade. The Montanas are vigorous and ideal for covering large areas. There are few clematis that appear to be successful in partial shade. The viticella varieties have smaller leaves and are said to be less susceptible to wilt. Dig a hole 18 x 18 inches deep. Fill the hole with loam, peat and compost. They should be planted 2 - 4 inches below the soil line to protect them from being cut by lawn mower or trimmer. Add 1/2 cup of bonemeal and 1/4 cup of lime and mix with soil. Feed clematis with bonemeal or 5-10-5, plus lime, twice a year.

Spring flowering shrubs, such as spirea and quince, should be pruned soon after blooming. Cut out 1/3 or more of old wood at this time, as well as spindly or out-of-line branches.

Cut all dead wood from lilacs and remove spent blossoms.

Start to pinch 1/2 in. of chrysanthemum tips from now until July and feed monthly with liquid fertilizer or

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