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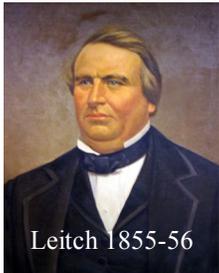
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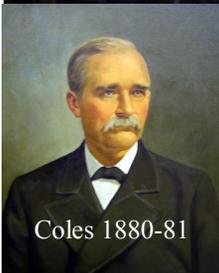
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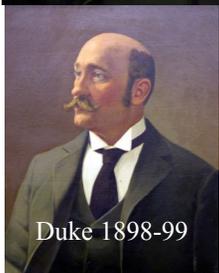
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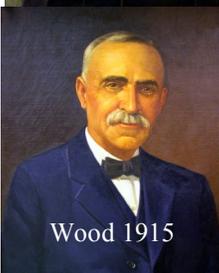
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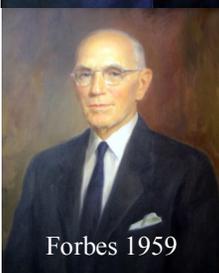
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Greetings Brethren and Friends,

Visiting and conducting our April Stated Communication at the Scottish Rite House of the Temple in Washington, DC was a wonderful experience. We are so thankful to MW Jim Cole for helping arrange the trip and making it a successful adventure. Masons from nine Virginia and Maryland lodges attended. One doesn't often get the opportunity to tour and to hold lodge in a replica of one of the seven wonders of the ancient world (Mausoleum at Halicarnassus or Tomb of Mausolus) and this trip left many lasting impressions on us. Wor. S. Brent Morris 33° presented a fantastic program on Scottish Rite Masonry and if you haven't read his book: "A Complete Idiot's Guide to Freemasonry", then be sure to check it out of our lodge library.

The theme of our May 15th Stated Communication continues with a presentation on the art and history in a lodge not too far from us: Winchester Hiram Lodge No. 21. Visitors from this Lodge will be presenting a program at WSL60 on the history of their lodge and the murals painted on their walls in 1868. Many of the masonic themes portrayed in the murals were duplicated in the WSL60 oil paintings, and I will be traveling to Winchester to make a presentation on our oil paintings at their Stated Communication on May 9. I welcome my lodge brethren in joining me for this visitation.

Before opening our May Stated Communication, Lodge members are encouraged to attend a banquet meal prepared by Wor. David Simpson and to be a part of the presentations that our Lodge gives annually to honor Eagle Scouts and Student Scholastic Achievements. We have invited to dine with us the recipients of the Grand Master's Eagle Scout Awards and of the WSL60 Scholarships. They and their families will be honored during our meal time activities beginning at 6 p.m. A special donation will be collected before the meal for the Boy Scouts (contact Bro. T.C. Dickerson for details). In one sense, supporting our youth is much like supporting lodge artwork in that it leaves behind an expression that touches the lives of future generations to follow.

Our Lodge agenda for June is very busy too (consult Upcoming Events section of the newsletter on page 2 for details). Let me know if you'd like to be more active in your Lodge....there are plenty of important gratifying activities to do. *"Today is the only day. Yesterday is gone."*

**Sincerely and Fraternally,
Wor. Mark S. Chapman**



May Masonic Birthdays!
Wish a Brother
Happy Masonic Birthday

Geoffrey Springer	05/25/1996
Eddie O. Creasy	05/24/1982
John D. Fisher	05/04/1987
J. Leonard Hartman	05/05/1959
Carl E. Hollar, Jr.	05/17/1974
Andrew D. Keller	05/28/1997
Joseph L. Lane	05/04/1981
James K. Anas	05/04/1970
Yale S. Landsberg	05/25/1977
A. Clayton Coleman Jr.	05/02/1977
James W. Stafford	05/15/2014
George Wm. Estes*	05/29/1967
William N. Park	05/16/1995
James E. Shifflett	05/05/1986
Ray Willis Sites	05/23/1966
Paul H. Wood	05/01/1961
Carl W. Stankwitz	05/05/2011
Ahmed Nafei	05/24/2010
John R. Leavell	05/30/2001
Robert J. Mariano	05/10/2004

*** 50 Yr Member**

2017 Dues *There are some Brethren that have not as yet paid their 2017 dues.*

Notices have been sent out. Please see to this.... Your Lodge needs your \$117 dues in order to run efficiently as well as have interesting and exciting programs.

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Several Brethren have not as yet paid their 2016 dues. Alas, you are now in arrears as of January 1, 2017.

UPCOMING EVENTS!MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

May 2 ... WSL60 Officer's and Committee Chairmen Meeting 6:30 P.M.; Meal 6 P.M. Afterward Fellowcraft Degree Ritual Practice with David Simpson

May 9 WSL60 visitation to Winchester Hiram Lodge No. 21; WM brief on WSL60 oil paintings inspired by the Hiram Lodge room murals.

May 12 Grand High Priest Royal Arch Mason Official Visit to 18th District @ 6 p.m.; Culpeper Masonic Lodge, 209 E. Davis St. Culpeper, VA (Cost \$20; RSVP to Andy Keller)

May 15 WSL60 Stated Communication 7 P.M.; Meal 6 p.m. before Stated in dining room Eagle Scout Award Presentation and Lodge Scholarship Awarded ; during our Stated at 7 p.m. Winchester Hiram Lodge No. 21 program on their famous Murals

May 23.... Knights Templar Commandery #3 mtg at 6 p.m. followed by meal, then Royal Arch Masons Keystone Chapter #58 mtg at 7p.m.

May 25... Fellowcraft Degree Ritual Practice with David Simpson at WSL60 at 6 p.m.

June 3... WSL60 Members attend our Masonic Lodge sponsored Little League Baseball Team game at McIntyre Korbon Field Park. They will be playing the Yankees at 9 a.m.

June 6 ... WSL60 Officer's and Committee Chairmen Meeting 6:30 P.M.; Meal 6 P.M. afterward Fellowcraft Degree Ritual Practice with David Simpson

June 16 Grand Master's Official Visit to the 18th Masonic District; Ivy Creek Methodist Church, 674 Woodlands Road, Charlottesville, VA 6pm (RSVP to DDGM RW Goldie Tomlin)

June 19 WSL60 Stated Communication 7 P.M.; Meal 6 P.M. Guest Speaker: Brother Mark Day presentation of George Washington's Masonic Obligation.

June 22 ... Fellowcraft Degree Ritual Practice with David Simpson at WSL60 at 6 p.m.

June 24 WSL60 Table Lodge. Celebration of 300th Anniversary of Freemasonry with Grand Lodge of London in 1717 AD, Guest Speaker: Brother Luke Wright, member of the United Grand Lodge of England and Wales.

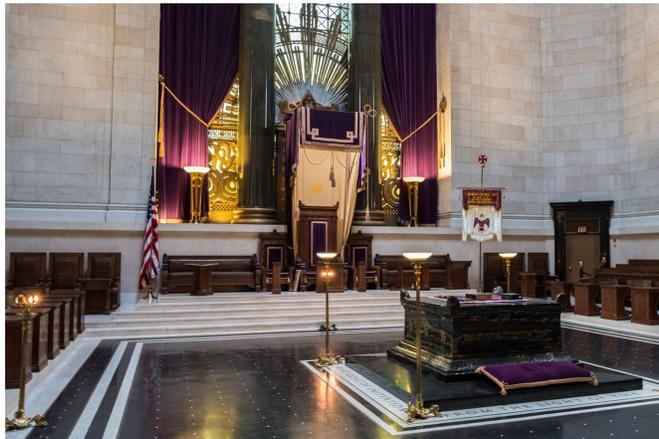
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**Brethren that participated in the WSL60 visit to
The Scottish Rite House of the Temple in Washington, D.C.**



The House of the Temple Exterior



**The House of the Temple Interior where
WSL60 conducted Stated Communication
on April 22, 2017**



**The Holy Books of Other Religions on
The Altar in the House of the Temple**



A Committee composed of MW Jeffrey E. Hodges, 33° and RW Robert E. Simpson, 33° presents Wor. S. Brent Morris, 33° WM Patmos Lodge No. 70, Ellicott City, MD, at the Altar prior to being received in the East and saluted in the ancient manner



Wor. S. Brent Morris, 33° speaking to the Brethren about Scottish Rite Masonry



Wor. M. S. Chapman presenting Wor. S. B. Morris with a print of WSL60's circa 1800 Floor Cloth



Bro. Kent Schlüssel presenting a brief Masonic Education Moment on The Regius Manuscript



Wor. M.S. Chapman presents Bro. Stewart Plemons (JD) with a LMIP lapel Pin and certificate from the Grand Lodge of VA



**Bro. Stephen Blair examines a book in one of several Masonic libraries at The House of the Temple
Other resources include the Robert Burns and the Albert Pike collections/museums**



Attendees at Robert R. Kennedy, Jr. Area Masonic Ritual School at Lee Lodge #209 on April 14-15th.

Special Thanks to RW Bill Bond (Secretary) and RW Bob Simpson for taking the photos.

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