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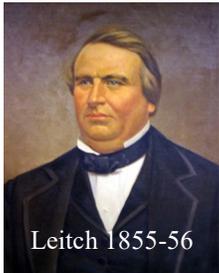
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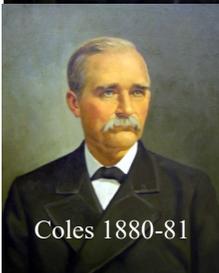
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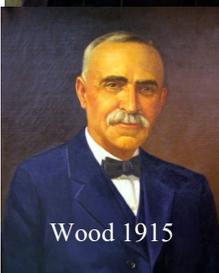
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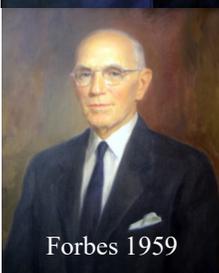
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Brethren, I'm really sorry I didn't get to attend our June stated. I was looking forward to showing off my newly acquired Ha-

waiian shirt. But I thank Worshipful Jason Pattison for filling in for me in the East. In the June Stated we voted in a new member to our lodge. And I'm excited that we will be voting on an additional two candidates for membership at next month's Stated. If anyone would like to help with degree work let me know. Initiating, passing and raising a new brother is very rewarding. The more brothers we have involved, the better the experience for the candidate. I hope that we can provide a good showing for our soon to be new brothers.

Table Lodge was very enjoyable! Everyone that delivered toasts and responses did an excellent job! Especially noteworthy were the remarks by Right Worshipful Phil Nelson who spoke about St. John the Baptist and Right Worshipful Bill Baskerville who talked about important military Masons throughout our American history....a big **THANK YOU** to both of them. The food for the evening was great! Right Worshipful Jim Dickerson smoked the brisket to perfection! And the officers came together and provided all the side dishes. Thank you to everyone who participated.

July 16th will be our annual chili cook-off! Make sure to let me know if you plan to enter your chili in the contest. We will be wearing patriotic attire for the evening Stated Communication. So a shirt with the American flag on it would be a good example.

July 19th we will be passing a candidate to the Fellowcrafts degree.

August 20th will be our last dress down month at our Stated Communication; the attire will be polo shirts.

Sincerely
Worshipful Christopher N. Bragg

2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off
6 p.m. before July 16
Stated Communication



**Bring your favorite
recipe to share...**



July Masonic Birthdays!
Wish a Brother
Happy Masonic Birthday

L. Mark Ascoli	07/27/1988
Peter J. Baber	07/10/2002
Mark A. Chandeysson	07/17/2008
Larry W. Claytor	07/15/1986
Robert A. Clore	07/24/1971
Andrew F. Conely	07/29/2006
Vestal Greer	07/29/2006
Jeffrey A. Kennedy	07/01/2009
David C. Merchant	07/28/2004
Richard K. Powley	07/24/1967
James L. Reinhold	07/28/1999
R. Lee Richards	07/19/1991
William Roberson, Jr.	07/24/1961
Barty L. Sorrells	07/22/2006
James D. Stoneburner	07/13/2005
R. Eric Thompson	07/24/2006
Peter R. Thorsen	07/21/1978
Paul Vereshchetin	07/29/2013
Ronald L. Webster	07/23/1984

UPCOMING EVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Widow's Sons' Lodge

Officer's Meeting, Monday July 2nd 6:00 PM
 Loves and Fishes, Tuesday July 3rd 6:00—8:00 PM. Lodge Member/ Volunteers meet at "Loaves and Fishes" Food Bank 2050 Lambs Road in Cville (Contact Bro. Stewart Plemons for details at 434-989-7903)

District Lodges

Alberene No. 277 Stated, 2nd Monday at 7:30 PM
 King Solomon's No. 194 Stated, 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 PM
 Widow's Sons' No. 60 Stated, 3rd Monday at 7:00 PM
 Piedmont Stella No. 50 Stated, 3rd Wednesday at 7:30 PM

18th District

Grand Master's Visit to King Solomon's No. 194, Tuesday August 14th at 7:30 PM. Reception and dinner at 6:00 PM.

Appendant Bodies

OES Queen Esther Chapter No. 14, 2nd Saturday at 10:00 AM
 Keystone Royal Arch Chapter No. 58, 4th Tuesday at 7:30 PM
 Charlottesville Commandery No. 3, 4th Tuesday at 6:00 PM
 Richmond Scottish Rite Bodies, 4th Monday at 7:00 PM

Grand Lodge

Dedication of Mt. Jackson Lodge No. 103 with Masonic ceremony, July 7, 2018 at 1:00 PM
 Statewide One Day Conferral, Saturday August 4th.
 James Stanley Johnson Golf Tournament, Thursday August 9th.
 Family Day at the Masonic Home Saturday October 13th.
 Grand Annual Communication, November 9th, 10th.

Historical Event

The Richmond Scottish Rite Bodies will be holding a fall Reunion on two days. On October 6, the 4th through the 31st degree will be conferred at the Richmond Scottish Rite Temple. On October 27th, the 32nd degree will be conferred at the House of the Temple in Washington, DC. The cost is \$300.00. If interested or need a petition, please see RW Harvey Fleshman, or RW Bob Simpson .



The Worshipful Master recognized those present with Masonic birthday's in June. Pictured L-R: Wor. Jason Pattison, Acting WM; RW Bill Bond, 43 years; Bro. David Goodwin, 22 years; RW Bud Hogan, 48 years; and Bro. John Williamson, 22 years.



“The New York Obelisk, a link to the ancient builders”

Is the title of an article in the Spring 2018 issue of The Plumblin, the Quarterly Bulletin of the Scottish Rite Research Society by Brother Bryan Godwin, 32°. The American “Cleopatra’s Needle” is also known as the “New York Obelisk.” It is a little known and ancient artifact that stands in the shadow of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, standing upon an unassuming hill named Greywacke Knoll. The Needle is the oldest erected structure in New York City. The Plumblin is available from the lodge library. Brother Godwin’s article includes the many Masonic tools hidden within the base, and how it was transported from Egypt to its final destination.. For the Masonic history student, this article is a must read. Springfield Lodge No. 217 has visited Widow’s Sons’ Lodge on at least three occasions to present a program on “Cleopatra’s Needle.”



Volunteers at the recent Food Pantry, Loaves and Fishes. Pictured L-R: Bro. Richard Hull; Bro. John Williamson; Ms. Cassandra Plemons, Stewart’s daughter; and Stewart Plemons. For information on the next volunteer event, see “Upcoming Events” on page 2.

Lodge Dues

Brethren, the Lodge dues will increase from \$117.00 to \$127.00 a year on January 1, 2019. If you have considered Life Membership in the lodge, please see the secretary NOW! Life Membership is sixteen times the annual dues. Yes it is a lot of money, but it can be paid in installments and on credit cards. If interested, this is a great time to do it.



The Worshipful Master presents the June speaker, RW Douglas V. Jones, the Grand Senior Warden, with a copy of the wall paintings. His remarks were outstanding, “The Sheep, The Sheep Dog, and the Wolf.”

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Table Lodge 2018

Above, RW Philip Nelson speaks on John the Baptist. Left, Wisdom, Strength and Beauty, SW Jason Parham, WM Nick Bragg, and JW Harry Walker. Right, RW Bill Baskerville talked on Masonry and the U. S. Military.

Well Done RW's Nelson and Baskerville!!