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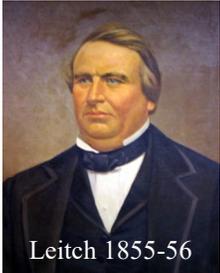
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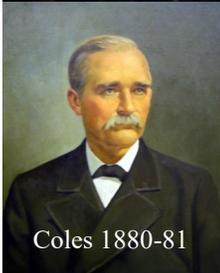
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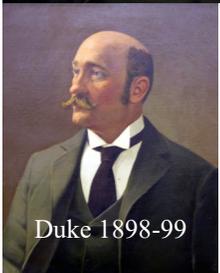
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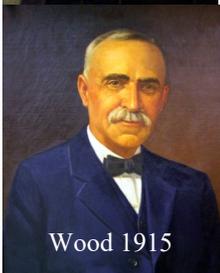
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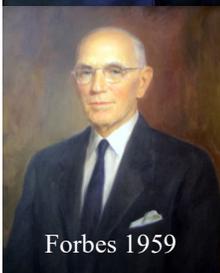
Coles 1880-81



Duke 1898-99



Wood 1915



Forbes 1959



Hodges 2009



Brethren, If you missed the July stated, you missed some mighty fine chili! I thought everyone who participated in the chili cook-off did an excellent job. I was dethroned by our Secretary Mark Chapman who took home the trophy this year. Thank you to Right Worshipful Bill Baskerville for judging the event.

During the stated, we elected Mr. Nick Ryder to receive the degrees and we have two more candidates to be voted on at next meeting. I'm excited to have all these new people coming into the lodge. But with all these new people, we need more catechism coaches. It shouldn't just be the same few people doing it over and over if we can help it. Anyone willing to assist in this please let me know. The program we had for the evening was presented by Right Worshipful Edmund Potter. He had an interactive presentation about some misconceptions from the American Revolution. I thought he did an outstanding job with the material! A very big thank you to RW Potter for coming all the way out here to do that for me.

On July 19th we passed Brother Brian Troung to the degree of Fellowcraft. Thank you to everyone who attended. Keep an eye out for the upcoming Master Masons degree. This young man did an amazing job with his entered apprentice catechism and will no doubt be ready with his Fellowcraft's catechism soon. But I should mention that he has one of the best coaches in the business. Right Worshipful Mike Griffin always presents a very strong candidate. Thank you for all your help Mike.

August 4th will be the one day conferral in Richmond.

August 14th the Grand Master makes his official visit to King Solomon's Lodge No 194. Right Worshipful Goldie Tomlin would like a good turn out to the event. If anyone is interested

in attending please let Goldie know so he can plan accordingly.

August 20th will be the last of our summer dress down days. The attire will be polo shirts. Right Worshipful Bill Bond will be providing the program for the evening.

September we will have another picnic at Brother Ed Creasy's farm. We will be sending out a flyer soon to let you all know the date and time.

Sincerely

Worshipful Christopher N. Bragg



July Speaker, RW E. D. Potter, who spoke on the "Men Who Gave Everything" during the American Revolution.



August Masonic Birthdays!
Wish a Brother
Happy Masonic Birthday.

Michael L. Arnold	8/30/2004
Alexander Banks,	8/26/1968
Robert L. Bishop, Jr.	8/29/2015
Stephen J. Blair	8/29/2015
Dale R. Blosser	8/29/1988
Joseph F. Brown, III	8/12/1992
Brian E. Campbell	8/28/1990
Robert M. Carlisle	8/18/1956
William W. Clark, Jr.	8/27/1951
James E. Craig	8/16/2008
David S. Davidson	8/7/1967
Harold W. Davis	8/4/1975
Steve E. Fetcho	8/27/2005
George P. A. Forschler	8/3/1967
Charles M. Hale, Jr.	8/9/1977
Robert A. Harrison, Jr.	8/19/1953
Robert A. Harrison, III,	8/27/2005
Jeffery E. Hodges	8/26/1985
Jason E. Hodges	8/27/2005
James E. Hollar	8/27/1984
Gregory D. Hosaflook	8/22/1998
Douglas D. Hudson	8/20/1951
Ian C. Kelly	8/27/2005
Patrick M. Kelly	8/27/2005
Boyd L. Knott	8/24/1970
Daniel T. LaPlume	8/27/2005
John C. Maddox	8/2/1971
Brady L. McLane	8/4/2004
Timothy B. Parent	8/27/2005
Stewart A. Plemons	8/29/2015
William F. Reinhold, III	8/26/1996
William E. Rose	8/26/1972
Larry B. Saunders	8/27/2005
Kent Schlusel	8/7/1990
Steven R. Thomas	8/28/2008
William D. Vincent	8/27/2005
M. Van Wilson	8/7/1990



UPCOMING EVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Widow's Sons' Lodge

Officer's Meeting, Monday August 13th 6:00 PM
 Loves and Fishes, Tuesday August 7th 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 de
 tails @ 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, Third 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 Au-
 gust 14th at 7:30 PM. Reception and dinner at 5:30 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

Grand Lodge

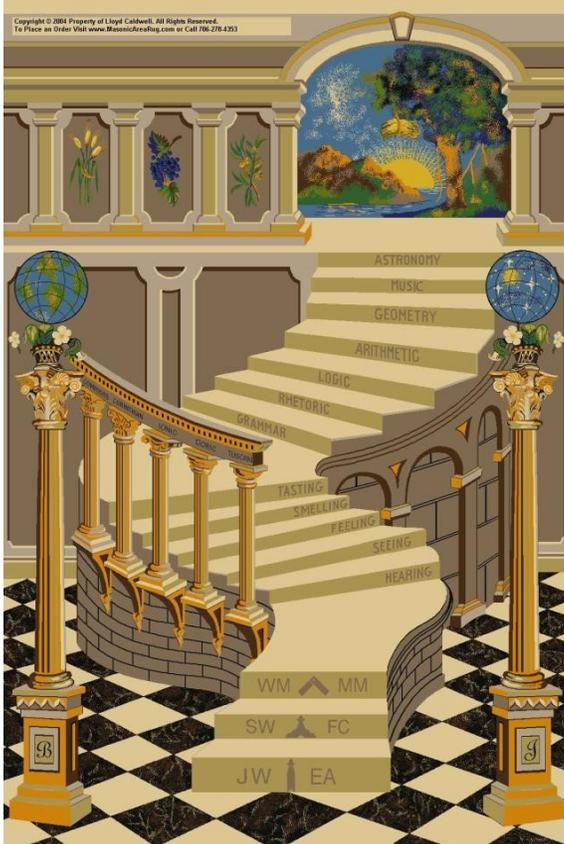
Statewide One Day Conferral, Saturday August 4th.
 James Stanley Johnson Golf Tournament, Thursday August 9th.
 Family Day at the Masonic Day, Saturday October 13th.
 Grand Annual Communication, November 9th, 10th.



Yes, there are men,
 women and children
 who go to bed hungry
 each night. As Ma-
 sons, we can help by
 bring cans and non-
 perishable food to lodge. They can be
 placed in the barrels near the elevator.

2018 Walk To End Alzheimer's
October 20, 2018 (Mark Your Calendar)
9:00 a.m., at IX Art Park
522 2nd Street SE, Charlottesville, VA
Please contact Wor. Mark Chapman to
sign up

Three, Five, and Seven Steps, by Rt. Wor. Allen E. Roberts



You began your symbolic journey to the Middle Chamber by climbing three steps. These were representative of the three Stationed Officers of the lodge, the Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens. This assured you that you were not traveling alone. You were being assisted by the Craft everywhere. Then, too, you had God with you. Three is symbolic of Deity. You have become a vital part of the Mystic Tie that is Freemasonry.

The five steps are symbolic of the Fellowcraft Degree as a whole. It takes five to hold a Fellowcraft's Lodge; there are five Orders of Architecture; Geometry is the fifth science; there are five Human Senses, and so on. But the points that were stressed to you were their representation of the orders of architecture and the human senses.

You learned that the Doric, Ionic, and Corinthian were the original orders of architecture. These were invented by the Greeks. The Romans added two, the Tuscan and the Composite. But there must be much more than pillars in the art of architecture. Buildings are erected stone by stone. The stones must be chipped away until they are suitable for use. Properly mixed cement must be used to hold them together. But first of all there must be a plan, a goal to reach for.

The symbolism is evident. There are five orders of architecture, signifying there are many plans a man may follow to build his Spiritual Temple. You are free to select your goals without any interference from Masonry. But Masonry does want you to choose wisely. Don't build aimlessly.

Freemasonry is a well-rounded plan for living. Without the five senses, a man couldn't live as a man. He couldn't plan. He couldn't learn. He can get along without one or two, provided he makes those that are left more sensitive.

But there is another factor that helps man use his senses in his relations with life. That's his mind, or soul, or spirit. Through his mind and senses man acquires knowledge. Through them he seeks education. And it's the seeking of knowledge and education that is stressed throughout the Fellowcraft Degree.

You are taught that the seven Liberal Arts and Sciences are Grammar, Rhetoric, Logic, Arithmetic, Geometry, Music, and Astronomy. All of these, and more, the Mason should understand. But Masonry stresses the need for knowledge in the fifth science—Geometry. In the Seventeenth Century these studies were regarded as the basic curriculum of a liberal education. Concepts have changed. Astronomy is interrelated with mathematics and physics. Other sciences such as electricity, chemistry, and biology were unknown when the Masonic ritual was born.

Because the ritual has remained the same doesn't mean that you should. You must grow. You can't stand still. Why not consider all methods of communication as a part of Rhetoric and Grammar? Logic, a method of reasoning? Arithmetic and Geometry visualized as all science? Music as all sweet and harmonious sound, all poetry, beauty, art, nature? Astronomy, a study of all that's beyond earth? Taken all together, the practice of the truest brotherhood?

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Chili Cook Off 2018. Pictured L-R: RW Bill Baskerville, Judge; Wor. Nick Bragg, second place; Wor. Mark Chapman, first place; Brothers Will Reichert and Harry Walker, tied for third place.



**The Real Winner!
Susan Chapman**