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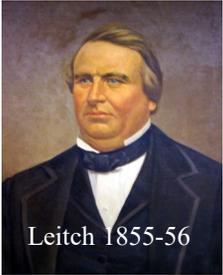
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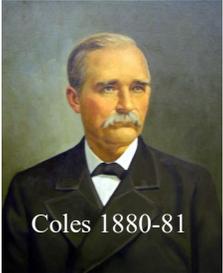
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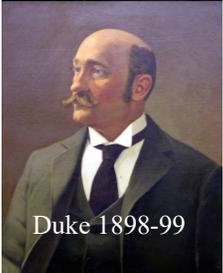
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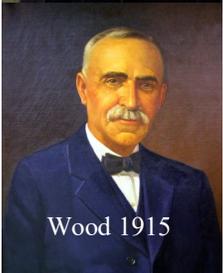
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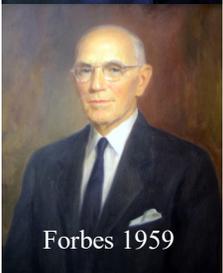
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MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

We had another great meeting in November. RW Bill Reinhold gave us a great talk on the Knights Templar. Did you know that a local Doctor at UVA was given a \$90,000 grant from the Knights Templar for research on an eye disorder? Masons are doing great things in this country!

We have had many traveling Masons visiting Widows Sons lodge this year. Many have moved to the area and have recently joined. This is good news. It's keeping our Lodge alive and healthy. If you haven't been to lodge recently we would welcome you with open arms.

December is elections. We have been blessed this year with many Brothers that would like to be involved with the business and rituals that we do monthly. If you would like to help out in any way please speak to any of our officers.

I'm looking forward to serving this lodge next year and in other capacities after that.

Can't wait to see everyone this month. We are having BBQ before the meeting at 6pm and I am very much looking forward to our Burns Dinner in January.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Jason A. Pattison

2023 Worshipful Master



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

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Master Mason Degree:</u>
Stephen R. Baird	12/06/1993
William L. Bickley	12/06/1955 (68 Yrs)
Stephen R. Christianson	12/08/2010
T.C. Dickerson, III	12/06/1966 (57 Yrs)
Michael A. Hayden	12/05/1972 (51 Yrs)
Jason P. Lynch	12/07/2006
Robert A. Murray	12/10/1999
William R. Nay	12/17/1992
James W. North, Sr.	12/05/1963 (60 Yrs)
Jason M. Parham	12/11/2014
Steven E. Price	12/07/2006
Daniel P. Price	12/12/2012
Jonathan M. Shelton	12/07/2006
Charles A. Via	12/06/1966 (57 Yrs)
Brian S. Weidman	12/04/2007

UPCOMING EVENTS



Widow's Sons' Lodge No. 60 Events:

Dec. 5th, 6:00 PM—WSL60 Officers Meeting at WSL60

Dec. 15th, 11:30 AM—Lee Lodge Fellowship Lunch, Los Panchos, Waynesboro, RSVP: Steve Young (540) 451-2191.

Dec. 18th, 7:00 PM— WSL60 Stated Meeting, Meal at 6:00 PM

Dec. 19th, 6:00 PM—Charlottesville Commandery No. 3 Meeting in Red Room, Meal between meetings.

Dec. 19th, 7:00 PM—Keystone Chapter No. 59 Meeting in Red Room



178TH GRAND MASTER OF MASONS IN VIRGINIA

MOST WORSHIPFUL JACK KAYLE LEWIS

THEME:
FREEMASONRY - BUILDING BETTER
LEADERS

MOTTO: EVERY MASON IS A LEADER!

A MASONIC CHRISTMAS POEM



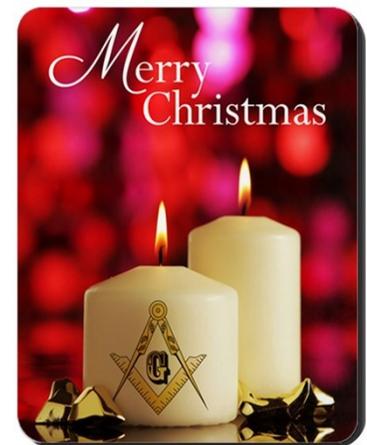
'Twas the night before Christmas at Freemason's Hall
Where the Lodge was busy and the orders were tall;
Reams from Grand Lodge, a notice of motion,
A ballot or two and a pause for devotion
To brethren departed of the months gone before,
Plus a candidate who would soon walk the floor.

Our own Junior Warden, when facing the crunch
Said" Let's call off and all go for lunch".
The Master replied, as Masters all do,
Intoned in a voice reserved for the few
"Before we partake of fellowship there,
Is a summons to read and a ballot to clear -
Not to mention the candidate quaking with dread
At the stories of whether the goat has been fed".

The Master, exhorting the brethren to work,
With a firm grip on the gavel, turned with a jerk
To the Secretary, putting shine to each lens,
Polishing both to a lustre, and reached for his pens.

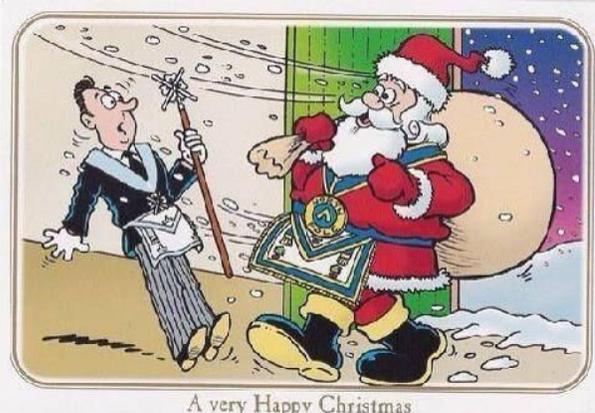
"It's half past the hour", the Master then winced
At the stuff left to do, and remained unconvinced
That the evening would go as smoothly as hoped
Since he'd gone to the trouble of "feeding the goat" "
Though the ballot's behind us and notice is gone,
Grand Lodge is finished, but the work still goes on."

The Inner guard knew, as the Tyler did too,
That knock, knock, knock was the right thing to do.
Sidebenchers slept soundly and were only stirred
When a crack of the candidate's knuckles were heard.
The slight groan that penetrated lips pursed
Appeared to the Deacon as just a light curse.



A MASONIC CHRISTMAS POEM

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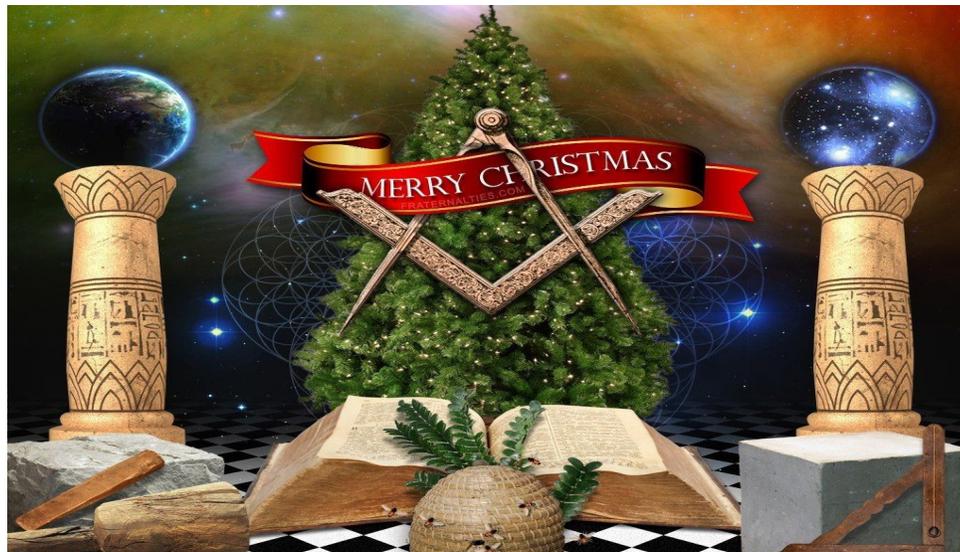


Onward they travel, the guide and the man,
Seeking truth and enlightenment wherever they can.
The secrets were given, the grip and the token
Obligations were offered, the words then were spoken.
Though never, not once, was one heard to gloat
As the Entered Apprentice never did meet the goat.

The evening now ended, the candidate clear,
Junior Warden entreats from the south us to hear.
The oath we looked forward to right from the start
"Happy to meet, and sorry to part".

Christmas had come to the members that night
As men came together under the light
Giving freely of time as a labour of love
As they bent to the task of the Most High above.

To Stewards, to Deacons, the Tyler and Guard,
The Wardens, the Master, who all work so hard,
To Past Masters steady, sidebenchers too
To Treasurer, Chaplain, the Director of Ceremonies who
Help carry the Lodge, year in and year out
To your family extended, a warm Christmas time
Thank the G.A.O.T.U, we've run out of rhyme!



Robert Burns Night

January 15th, 6:00 PM Meal
7:00 PM Lodge Meeting
Masonic Temple Dining Hall



BROTHERS, PLEASE JOIN WIDOW'S SONS' LODGE NO. 60 AT OUR ANNUAL ROBERT BURNS NIGHT SUPPER AS WE PIPE AND DRUM IN HAGGIS TO BE SERVED AND AS WE CELEBRATE THE FAMOUS MASONIC SCOTTISH BARD, ROBERT BURNS. COME IN YOUR KILTS IF YOU HAVE THEM!!!



Hello Brethren,
Our very own Wor. Mark Chapman has completed his Orders of the Temple Painting. The original is being displayed at the George Washington National Masonic Memorial in Alexandria, VA.

If you wish to purchase a copy of this wonderful painting, please contact Mark for ordering details. All print sales help to support the Knight Templar Eye Foundation.

Wor. Mark Chapman
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NOVEMBER PRESENTATIONS



First visit of DDGM10, R.W. Andrew Mellon “Mel” Sheridan, Jr. He was escorted to the altar, introduced, welcomed and approached the East and was saluted in the ancient manner.
L-R: WM and RW Mel Sheridan, Jr.

At the GAC, MW Donald Ellis Strehle presented a certificate to VA Lodges that achieved 10 or more activities in local community and the WM of WSL60 was congratulated for the achievement of WSL60 achieving 10 or more local community activities.

Left: WM Jason Pattison and 2023 DDGM10 RW Bill Hughes
Right: MW Strehle with WSL60 WM Jason Pattison



<= Bro. David Riddick was presented with a Masonic Bible from WM Jason Pattison upon his Masonic Proficiency Certificate receival.
L-R: WM Jason Pattison and Bro. Riddick

=> RW Bill Reinhold gave a presentation on the Knights Templar. Following the presentation, the WM and Secretary presented him with a print of the “Orders of Knighthood” by SK Mark S. Chapman
L-R: WM Pattison, RW Bill Reinhold, Wor. Mark Chapman

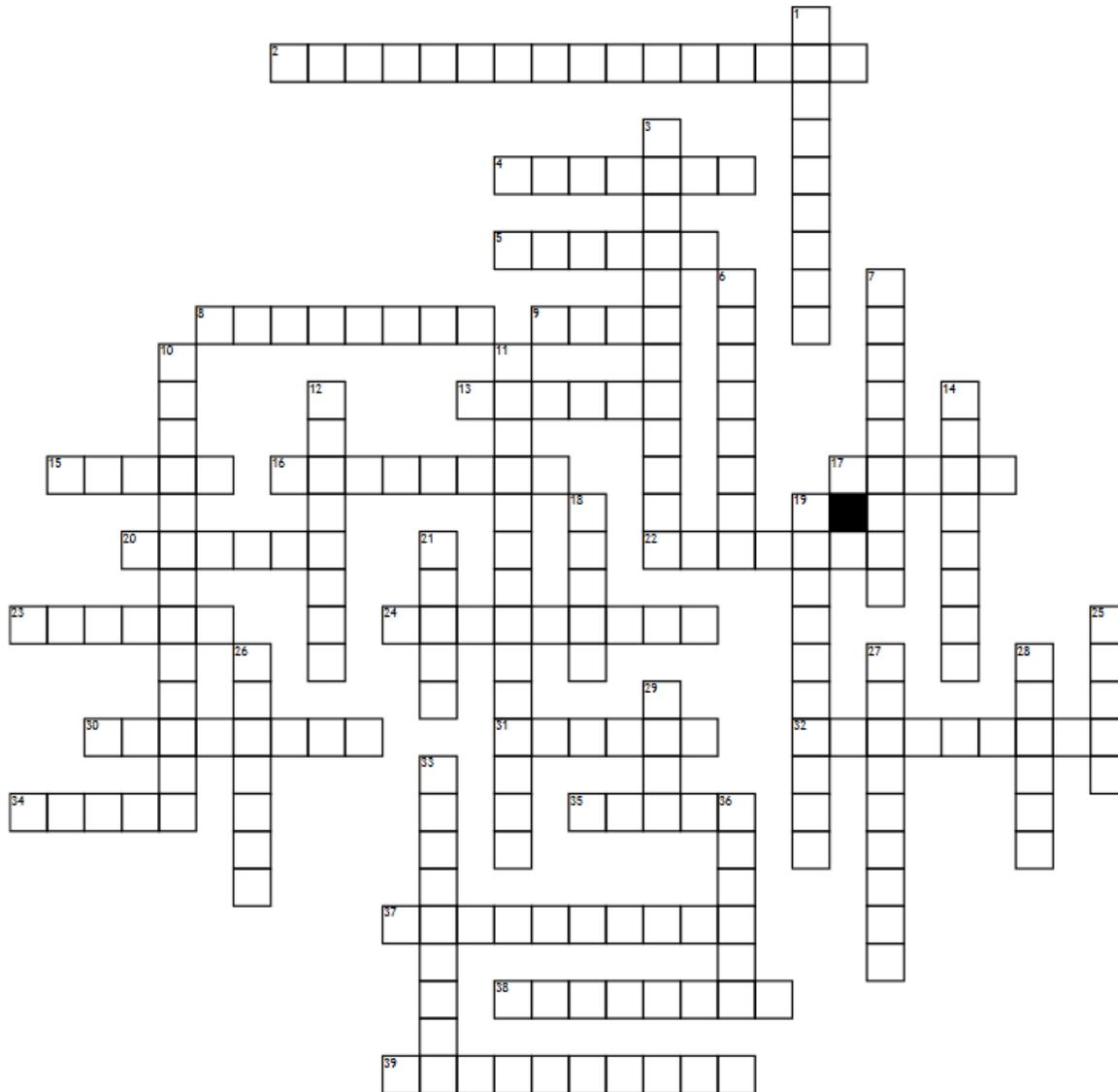


Elected Officers for 2023

Worshipful Master: Wor. Jason Andrew Pattison
Senior Warden: R.W. Mike Daniel Griffin
Junior Warden: R.W. Gregory Dean Hosaflook
Treasurer: R.W. James Friend Dickerson
Asst. Treas: R.W. Mike Daniel Griffin
Secretary: Wor. Mark Stephen Chapman
Asst. Sec: R.W. Robert Edward Simpson

Senior Deacon: Bro. Christian Dwight Manly Owens
Junior Deacon: Bro. Thomas Matthew Castellanos
Senior Steward: Bro. Henry Paul Hagenau
Junior Steward: Vacant
Chaplain: R.W. Philip Harding Nelson, Jr.
Tyler: Bro. John Coulter Maddox

MASONIC CROSSWORD



Across

2. Position of the SD in the Lodge
4. What were the Great Pillar Chapters adorned with?
5. Name the three grand principles
8. Name the three great pillars
9. How many inches in a Hands Breath
13. Name the Five Noble Orders
15. Name the three grand principles
16. What was the name of our PGM in 1994
17. Where are first prepared to be a Mason
20. Name the three great pillars
22. In what were FC's wages paid in
23. The interior of the Lodge is composed off
24. The interior of the Lodge is composed off

30. How many Ephraimites died on the banks of the Jordan
31. Name the three great pillars
32. The interior of the Lodge is composed off
34. On what do you place your hand
35. Name the Five Noble Orders
37. Name the Five Noble Orders
38. What were the Great Pillar Chapters adorned with?
39. Pendent to corners of the carpet are 4 Tassels what do they represent

Down

1. Height in Cubits of the Great Pillars
3. What were the Great Pillar Chapters adorned with?
6. Pendent to corners of the carpet are 4 Tassels what do they represent
7. Where is the rough ashlar placed

10. Name the three grand principles
11. How are our Lodges situated
12. How many Ephraimites died on the banks of the Jordan
14. What was the name of our PGM in 1994
18. How many constitute a lodge to make it perfect
19. Position of the SD in the Lodge
21. Name the Five Noble Orders
25. Senior Warden Wand Symbol
26. Pendent to corners of the carpet are 4 Tassels what do they represent
27. Pendent to corners of the carpet are 4 Tassels what do they represent
28. On what are you admitted
29. Position of the Column when lodge is at rest
33. Name the Five Noble Orders
36. Where is the rough ashlar placed

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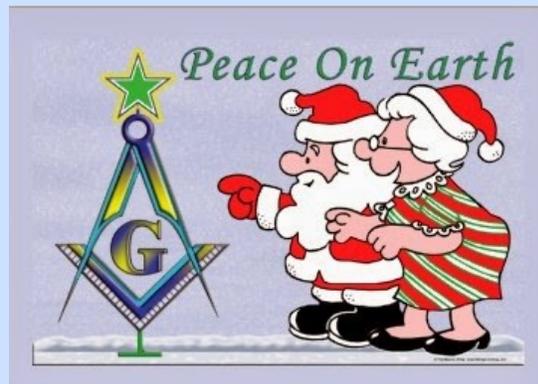
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2024 DUES

Brethren, it is that time of year again for us. The Lodge Secretary mails the 2024 Dues notices to all the members. Below is a link that allows members to pay online through the Grand View Website. If you do not have a profile created, contact the Lodge Secretary for more information.

https://va.grandview.systems/users/sign_in



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**KEEP
CALM
AND
PAY YOUR
DUES**