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The Invisible

As we seek to follow our Grand Master's Proclamation to observe the month of October 2019 as Founders Day Month, one may ask: "Why do we honor the Founders of our Grand Lodge and in particular the Brethren who established the Masonic Home of Virginia?" One answer to this question is "Because they placed the Great Architect of the Universe at the center of every Masonic thought and action." Masons teach that the All Seeing Eye of GOD permeates our universe and the deepest recesses of our hearts and minds.

The Eye of God may appear in Masonic art with rays of light emanating from its eye and symbolizes both the watchful care of the Supreme Architect and the imparting of wisdom through the light of perception. The All Seeing Eye has ancient origins ... perhaps to the Egyptian Sun God, Horus. Regardless of its origin, Freemasons recognize this symbol as a valuable image of their craft and demonstrated their "watchful eye" upon those in need. The Founders established homes for the widows and orphans, they helped a brother mason through illness and financial loss, in summary; they saw the "invisible" people of their society and took action to help them.

Today, Freemasons "see" the disenfranchised individuals that the world easily ignores. They will feed the homeless neighbor at soup kitchens and food pantries; they will offer medical assistance to all children regardless of race, gender or religion at Shriner's hospitals, they will visit and support those forgotten individuals that are disabled, abused, wounded, or have dementia. The spirit of our Founders to see those in need is alive and well in Masonry today... for in God's eyes we are one.



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

Nama	Master Mason Degree:
Name:	
Simon C. Alexander	10/10/2012
Christopher N. Bragg	10/24/2013
Mark S. Chapman	10/01/2007
Richard D. Cook	10/28/1974
Jay L. Cotner	10/04/1989
Mike D. Griffin	10/30/1996
D. Mitchell Hofecker	10/16/1993
Richard L. Hull	10/23/2017
Earl V. Gorgensen	10/02/2013
Charles M. Long	10/25/1976
Charles E. Reinhold	10/28/1998
Patrick S. Rowe	10/26/2016
Christopher A. Ruffin	10/18/2012
George P. Scouras	10/09/1953 (66 Yrs)
Robert E. Simpson	10/15/1965 (53 Yrs)
Clyde D. Snoddy, Jr.	10/19/1996
Russel G. Snodgrass	10/25/1976
Joseph Seth Spivey, III	10/28/1985
Harry L. Walker, Jr.	10/03/2002
James C. Wood	10/15/1996
John D. Zero	10/28/1991

LODGE RITUAL CLASS

Brothers, the Lodge will be hosting Ritual Classes to learn ritual, floor work, catechisms, etc.

This months' classes will be on October 9th and 23rd (Wednesdays) at 6:00 pm.

For more information, please contact Wor. Nick Bragg.

Email: nick22882@gmail.com

22nd Annual Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center Golf Tournament

In Memory of Ill. George Page, IGH 33°

In Honor of Joyce Page

OCTOBER 4TH, 2019

Check-in at 8:30 am, Tee Off at 9:30 am

Sycamore Creek Golf Course

Manakin-Sabot, VA

UPCOMING EVENTS

Widow's Sons' Lodge No. 60 Events:

WSL60 Stated Communication: October 21st, 7:00 pm

WSL60 Ritual Class: October 9th and 23rd, 6:00 pm (see notes below)

WSL60 Officer Meeting: October 7th, 6:00 pm WSL60 FC Degree: October 15th, 6:00 pm

Lodge of Sorrow for Brother Thompson: October 5th, 3:00 pm

(see details below)

10th District Masonic Lodges:

Day Lodge No. 58 Stated, 1st Thursday at 7:30 PM Widow's Sons' No. 60 Stated, 3rd Monday at 7:00 PM Murray No. 175 Stated, 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 PM Waddell No. 228 Stated, 2nd Monday at 7:30 PM Mineral No. 311 Stated, 3rd Thursday at 7:30 PM

GRAND LODGE EVENTS:

MAHOVA Family Day—October 12th at 9am

Cabell No. 328 Stated, 1st Wednesday at 7:30 PM

Contact GL Phone: 804-222-3110

ANNUAL GRAND COMMUNICATION—November 8th—10th at Hilton Richmond Hotel & Spa in Short Pump, Richmond, VA; contact the Lodge Secretary for car pooling each day and for schedule of events. Tickets for the Grand Lodge Banquet are \$45 and must be purchased from the GL office before Oct. 28th.

WALK to End Alzheimer's—October 26th, 2019. 9:00 AM at IX Art Park, 522 2nd Street, SE, Charlottesville, VA. You can register online at www.ALZ.org or contact the Lodge Secretary (Phone: 434.227.6702).

53rd Annual Miss Virginia Job's Daughter Pageant—Nov 30th, at 7pm. Doubletree Hotel, Williamsburg, VA.

APPENDANT BODY MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

Eastern Star—Queen Esther Chapter No. 14:

October 12th at 10:00 am

100th Year Celebration of Queen Esther Chapter #14, O.E.S—December 14th, 12:30 pm. All Masons and Families invited to attend.

Knights Templar Commandery No. 3:

October 22nd at 6:00 pm

A meal is served between Commandery and Chapter Meetings

Keystone Royal Arch Chapter 58:

October 22nd at 7:30pm

Shriners Piedmont Club:

No meeting scheduled

Order of Amaranth—Blue Ridge Court No. 8:

October 4th at 6:00 pm

SEPTEMBER STATED PRESENTATIONS

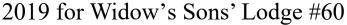


WM Jason Parham requested the following brothers to approach the East to recognize their Masonic Birthdays (left to right): Bro. Carlos E. B. McReddie (35 years), WM Jason Parham, Wor. Jason A. Pattison (8 years).



RW William Hughes presented a program on his personal experiences in the Vietnam War. Lodge members thanked him for sharing his thoughts and for his military service. After the presentation, WM Jason Parham presented RW Hughes with a Lodge Polo Shirt as a gift for his presentation.

Photos from the Annual Family Day Picnic









LODGE OF SORROW

Brother Bruce Thompson will have a Memorial Service with Masonic Rites at Hill and Wood Funeral Home located at 15075 Spotswood Trail, Ruckersville, VA 22968, on October 5th at 3:00 PM. Brother Thompson was an honorary member of Widow's Sons' Lodge #60 and was made a Master Mason on March 6th, 1954, at Charleston No. 153, WV.

Brother Charles Burr Goddin passed away on September 18th, 2019. He was 86 years old (b. Nov. 25th, 1932) and a native of Charlottesville, VA. He was made a Master Mason on December 6th, 1960 in Widow's Sons' Lodge #60 and served as Worshipful Master in 1967. Bro. Goddin was active in Royal Arch Masonry and the Knights Templar Commandery, and he was a member of the Charlottesville Volunteer Fire Company. Charles served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was plumbing and heating salesman for 35 years with the Noland Company.

"His Spirit to God; His Memory in our Hearts, His Body to the Earth.

Elected Officers for 2019

Worshipful Master: Wor. Jason Michael Parham Senior Warden: Bro. Harry Lee Walker, Jr. Junior Warden: Bro. Eddie O'Hare Creasy

Treasurer: RW Mike Daniel Griffin Secretary: Wor. Mark Stephen Chapman Senior Deacon: RW. Gerald William "Bud" Hogan

Junior Deacon: Bro. Adam Lee Buffington Chaplain: RW Philip Harding Nelson, Jr. Marshall: Bro. Anthony Curtis Schienschang

Tyler: Bro. Bobby Cameron, Jr.

Return Service Requested



DATED MATERIAL PLEASE PROCESS

Hiram's Journal

Widow's Sons' Lodge No. 60 Tumblers

Brothers, tumblers for Widow's Sons' Lodge No. 60 are available for purchase for \$20 each.

Contact the Lodge Secretary if you want one or to pick up your order.

Membership Directory

Brothers, the Grand Lodge has approved a company to contact Masons under the Grand Lodge of Virginia to provide a Membership Directory to those interested in receiving it.

Letters have been sent out from the Grand Lodge with information regarding the Directory and information on how to take part of the Membership Directory.

Brethren are under NO obligation to purchase a directory (the Lodge Secretary has purchased one for our library). However, a publication containing your contact information and Masonic history may be useful to others