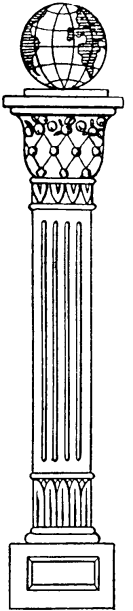


# THE COLUMNS

## PLEASANTS LODGE #63 Af & Am

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April 2014

	<b>Worshipful Master - Duffy Jerome Ferguson</b>		
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Senior Deacon	Timothy Morris Shepherd	Junior Deacon	Ronald A. Virt
Chaplain	Charles Henry Stowe	Tiler	Kenneth Ray Robinette
Senior Steward	Calvin Lucas	Junior Steward	Scott Christopher St. Clair



Greetings Brethren,

We were finally able to have our March stated. We postponed one week due to the snow, but we had a good turn out when we did meet. Now that spring is officially here maybe we have seen the last snow flake until this upcoming winter. Anyone who is inclined to sing "Let it snow" should probably refrain or risk bodily injury, we have seen enough.

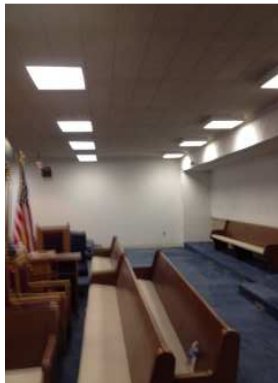
My nephew was initiated earlier this month, and we look forward to his upcoming degrees. In addition, we have two petitions to vote on in April, with the possibility of having two more for first reading so we will be busy the next few months with degree work, please come out and support your lodge and these individuals as they start their journeys in masonry. Our lodge is growing, please come be a part of it.

On Friday, March 28, we had the first Child Id program of the year at Herman Horn school, where we did 13 kids in about 2 hours. We have the Dogwood Festival coming up in April, please come out and help. The program for our April stated will be by Gary Flaskegard, the Child Id administrator for the state. Everyone involved with the program is encouraged to be in attendance. I look forward to seeing you in lodge soon!!

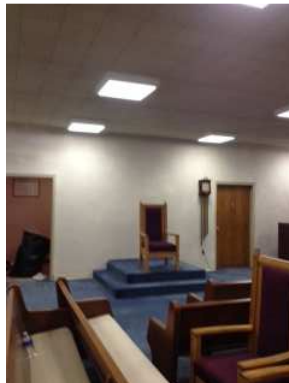
The renovations to the lodge room and office are finally taking place. Gone is the old and peeling wallpaper in the lodge room and nice clean painted walls are now done. The office has also undergone much needed cleaning, painting and carpet replacement. Come to lodge and see the improvements. Next stated is April 21, 7:30 PM as always.

Duffy

### Lodge Renovations



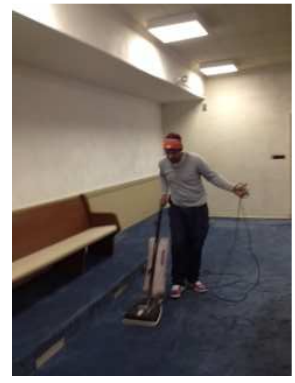
South to East



West



North



The all important Clean up

## From the West Gate



Greeting Brethren,

As always, I hope that this message finds you and your families doing well. We're sorry for last month's rescheduled stated meeting, it had to be moved with regards to inclement weather conditions. Nevertheless, it was still held and Wor. Sid Bush gave an excellent program on the Red Cross blood drive.

It has been another amazing month, and the 2014 Child ID program is gearing up for another incredible year! This April stated meeting will feature and host Gary Flasket, Child ID Coordinator for the Grand Lodge of Virginia. He will be explaining the importance of this program, our role in the program, how it works, and the expansion of its use for Alzheimer patients. As most of you may or may not be aware, Pleasants and Catawba Lodge's respectively, recently assisted Vinton Lodge with the first Child ID program of the year held at Herman L. Horne Elementary School in Vinton. It was a successful event indeed, we have been asked to return for the next family event. If any of you are available to attend or help at these events, please feel free to contact Michael Johnson at [sinister-rogue@yahoo.com](mailto:sinister-rogue@yahoo.com), or contact the Lodge Secretary for further information. As always, I will leave you with this parting though.

Remember, your brothers are there to help, aid, and assist you. All you need do, is ask them for good counsel. However, and most importantly, remember that your family members are there too! Your spouse and children are your greatest strength, be thankful..and remember to thank them often. No one is ever truly replaceable.

## Secretary Sez



My Brothers,

Despite many requests and reminders there are still a number of you that have not paid your dues for 2014 and a few also for 2013. Per the Methodical Digest all dues are due by Dec. 31 for the ensuing year. The lodge must make payment of the Grand Lodge assessment each year in January for the members of record as of Dec. 31. Please make arrangements to pay your dues immediately as members who have not will be subject to suspension at our April 21 Stated Communication. As always, should you be in a position that paying your dues would be a hardship please contact the Master or the secretary. Remember, my brother, we have all pledged to help, aid and assist those making proper application of such. YOU must let us know your situation. Remember that should you be suspended from the Lodge that you will automatically be suspended from all other Masonic bodies regardless if you are current with that body.

Fraternally,  
Sid Bush, Secretary

## Birthdays

Robert Glen Bishop	April 2	Ronald Wirt	June 10	Matthew Howard Gregory	July 3
James Hardie Lawrence	April 11	Donald Dean Gates	June 14	Glenn Warren Dillard	July 7
Curtis Neil Dickerson	April 24	Barry Dale Light	June 15	Scott Ronald Geddes	July 7
William Arthur Seymour, Jr	April 26	Major Nicholas Reed	June 17	Louis Kerford Campbell	July 8
Jerry Wayne McMillan	April 29	John Robert Gibson	June 26	Wayne William Wise	July 9
				James Robert Staggs	July 10
				Billy Estil Frazier	July 14
				Jeffrey Scott Purves	July 19
				Todd Franklin Hearp	July 22
				Raymond Carter Cox	July 24
				David Price Maxey	July 25
				Duffy Jerome Ferguson	July 28

# MASTERS FROM 1965 to 1984

(From 100 Years in the Roanoke Valley, William T. Watkins)



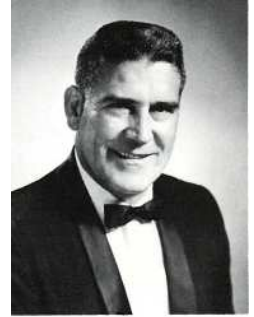
W.A. Sizer  
1965



C.C. Perna  
1966



J.K. Ring, Jr.  
1967



R.O. Patsel  
1968



J.M. Tbler  
1969



S.C. Palmer, Jr.  
1970



Troy Gardner  
1971



H.J. Hagan  
1972



L.O. Gates  
1973



B.C. Moulse, Jr.  
1974



J.L. Craft  
1975



J.M. Scearce, Jr.  
1976



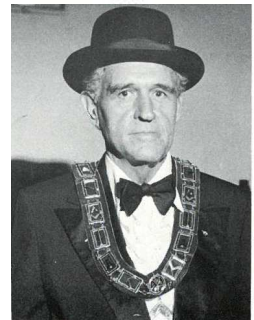
W.P. Leech  
1977



J.H. Hubbard  
1978



B.J. Rhodes  
1979



R. Jack Wood  
1980



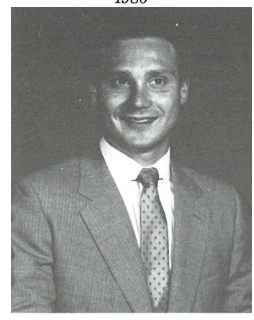
C.A. Balderson  
1981



Louis B. Rambo  
1982



R.S. Lipes  
1983



T.A. Fitzgerald  
1984