

# THE COLUMNS

## PLEASANTS LODGE #63 AF & AM

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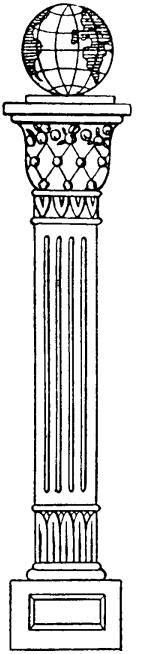
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Stated Meeting, Third Monday of each Month

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November 2010



Worshipful Master - Archer Davenport Livengood, Jr.

Senior Warden	Stuart Matthew Bain	Junior Warden	Sidney Warren Bush
Secretary	William Arthur Seymour, Jr.	Treasurer	Thomas Edward Purves
Senior Deacon	Fred Marion Burns	Junior Deacon	David Eugene Campbell, III
Chaplain	Charles Henry Stowe	Tiler	Kenneth Kay Robinette
Senior Steward	Stephen Kendrick Sprague	Junior Steward	Dewey Rickie Taylor

As you read this, "Thanksgiving", is drawing ever closer. This special time was first a gathering in celebration of the harvest and it took place in the autumn of 1621. In 1863, Abraham Lincoln became the first president to proclaim Thanksgiving Day and it was finally sanctioned by Congress as a legal holiday in 1941.

As this day approaches let us all pause to consider the things we are most thankful for. I am thankful for God's Love, for our religious freedom in America. I am thankful for improved health, both physical and mental. I am thankful for Doctors skilled in preserving and improving the quality of life. I am thankful I have learned that mental health is as important as physical health and that it should be monitored in the same way. I am thankful for Freemasonry as a society of friends and brothers and for the comfort expressed and felt as a member of this special group of exemplary men, whose origin and history goes back to antiquity.

As you read this please take a moment and reflect on this past year of your life and thank the Supreme Architect of the Universe for his many blessings.

As 2011 approaches, this is a good time to reflect on 2010. Pleasants Lodge has been the forerunner in the Commonwealth of Virginia for getting Child ID kits into the hands of parents. This year we completed 540 kits, which combined with last year's total of 479, gives us a grand total (since Worshipful Duffy Ferguson began this program here during his year in the East) of 1019. That's a lot of families! This does not include the work we did assisting other lodges in their programs as they have assisted us in ours. All in all a truly worthwhile effort and one that will continue next year in Brother Stuart Bain's year as Master of Pleasants Lodge. We have had continuity this year and thankfully it will continue as we all promised Wor. Brother Duffy. When he began this program last year in our lodge he wanted this program to be of prime emphasis both now and in the future. It has been and it will continue to be a priority.

From time to time in your life you may or may not come across a person variously described as irreplaceable or indispensable. Well, we've had one of those "critters" in Pleasants Lodge for quite some time. That person is our very own esteemed Brother Secretary, Bill Seymour. We all got some really bad news recently. Good news for Brother Bill...bad news for The Lodge. He and his Lovely Wife Sandy have sold their home and are heading up to Buckeye land to be near the kids and grandkids.

Since Brother Bill has been our Lodge Secretary: the accounts and records have been and are all in order. All audits conducted have been letter perfect. All correspondence and reports have been kept up, all minutes correct. Grand Lodge has been happy, I have been happy. Simply a hard job that has been well done. Thank you Bill.

In addition to his hard work here at Pleasants lodge doing his regular duties, he has assisted Past Master Worshipful Brother Duffy Ferguson in our active Community Child ID Program as District #22 Child ID Coordinator, done some fabulous cooking and other diligent work for the Lodge,

### Lodge Statistics as of Oct. 30, 2010 (for the year)

Demits Processed: 3 Suspensions: 3 Deaths: 5 Affiliated: 1  
Raised: 5 Restorations: 1

Honorary Members: 3 Life Members: 11 50 Yr. Members: 18  
Remitted Members: Hardship 2, Illness 1 Officers: 3

Current Lodge Membership: 141 plus 2 candidates, 0 petitioners

Total Dues Paying Members: 103

Initiated as Entered Apprentice  
Mark Anthony Gibson  
Brian Lee Thomas

Published Pleasants "Columns" Monthly News letter, published the 22<sup>nd</sup> Masonic District Directory, Treasurer of the Master Masons Association, published directories of several Kazim Units, Secretary of the South Atlantic Shrine Band Association, Temple Photographer, Editor of the Temple publication, *The Kazimer*, etc.

Good luck to you Bill and Sandy. I understand your new Ohio Lodge has already put you to work. We will remember you fondly, and hope you will do the same.

Archer Livengood  
Worshipful Master

### Secretary's Desk

#### PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF PHONE AND EMAIL ADDRESS FOR THE LODGE.

As I am moving out of the area, now scheduled for November 30 I can no longer devote the time needed as Secretary of Pleasants Lodge. To maintain continuity I have turned over everything to Wor. Duffy Ferguson, PM who will be filling in for the balance of the year. This is effective immediately and will allow Wor. Duffy time to understand the workings and to maintain a smooth transition until a new secretary is elected at our December Stated.

Let me take this opportunity to express my thanks to all those that have helped me these past four years as your secretary and to wish you all the success in the future. I will be joining a lodge in Orrville, OH (I've already been there and participated in the raising of two brothers) and will continue to help, aid and assist to the best of my ability.

Bill Seymour

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### Birthdays

Thomas Edward Purves	November 3	Roger Eugene Thomas, Jr.	December 2	Christopher Scott St. Clair	January 3
Eric Roland Spencer	November 6	David Lewis Swain	December 10	Roy Wilson Lynch	January 6
Alfred Kyle Tuck, Jr.	November 6	John Dickerson Nunn	December 11	James Richard Meredith	January 9
Kenneth Ray Robinette	November 10	David Andrew Cummings	December 11	Joseph Frank Huddleston, III	January 12
Hubert Ralph Lane	November 12	Paul Thomas Smith, Jr.	December 12	Charles Dunmore Fox, IV	January 12
Carl Allen Balderson	November 14	Francis John Nardi	December 14	Timothy Arnold Fitzgerald	January 17
Charles Wesley Hale	November 16	Carter Whitlow Radford	December 14	Mike Fries	January 17
Gerald Allan Pope	November 17	Jeffrey Roy Wendell	December 16	Clive Elyyn Rice	January 17
Adam McCulloch Williams	November 20	Max Cameron Johnson	December 24	Jeffrey Lynn Butler	January 19
Robert Tasker Carter, II	November 20	Archer Davenport Livengood, Jr	December 25	Daniel Gilbert Oakey	January 21
Richard Scott Millikin	November 21	Edward Lee Jewell, Jr.	December 27	Harry Robert Deaton, Jr.	January 29
William Holcomb Jennings	November 21	Kerford Aldin Key	December 29		
Robert Ira Price	November 22				
Taha Hasayn Bullock	November 22				
Sidney Warren Bush, Sr.	November 24				
James Winston Elliott	November 26				