

1923 - 2011

Tuckahoe Lodge

No. 347

A.F. & A.M.



Chartered: February 14, 1923 by the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

*May the Glow of Masonic Wisdom
Light Our Pathways
Through Life.*



*May Logic and Reason Forever
Prevail Within The Grip of All
Freemasons.*

THE TRESTLEBOARD

Dear Brother,

The Worshipful Master requests your attendance at the following Communication of your Lodge to be held in the Tuckahoe Masonic Temple, Bethlehem and Dickens Roads, Richmond, Virginia. Any Master Mason who is a member in good standing of a Lodge recognized by the Grand Lodge of Virginia A.F. & A.M. is welcome at our meetings. Take due notice thereof.

STATED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3rd, 2011

5:45 P.M. - Stewards assemble in the Dining Hall

6:15 P.M. - Dinner in the Lodge Dining Hall, prepared by Chef Bro. Michael Perrella – Please invite your Lady to join us. The menu includes: home-made chicken parmesan, veggie, herb-roasted potatoes, dessert, and coffee/tea.

Note the earlier start time for dinner for this meeting.

7:15 P.M. - Open Master Masons Lodge - Business - Grand Master Chambliss' tiled District 15 town hall meeting

Dress code: **Officers - Tux, black accessories**

Members – Business suit, or coat & tie

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

(543 Years of Masonic Service)

Atkinson, E.F.	47 th	Johnston, J.K., Jr.	27 th	Pickels, K.B.	1 st
Bailey, S.A.	33 rd	Longfellow, D.C.	11 th	Sarate, D.C.	1 st
Barbour, C.D.	32 nd	Lyman, T.E., Jr.	36 th	Williams, N.J.	38 th
Blaylock, W.D.	47 th	Martin, K.F., Jr.	38 th	Wood, J.C.	57 th
Desmond, M.P.	14 th	Mason, J.L.	20 th	Wood, R.C.	58 th
Gallant, P.L.	28 th	McClain, W.C.	2 nd	Wright, D.L.	11 th
		McClintock, W.M.	42 nd		

Our circle of concern....

The following brethren were mentioned at the January Stated Communication and would enjoy a phone call or card. Our Tiler, [Wor. Clawson Barbour](#), is still recovering from some heart related problems. He had been in rehab at Beth Shalom, and [his wife Vann](#) is recovering from a recent fall at home. Our Assistant Tiler was absent from the meeting also. [Bro. John Gaywood](#) was tending to some health needs of his wife, [Dorothy](#). [Bros. Bernie Wright, Dick McClure, and Robert Clifton](#) are continuing to improve. [Rt. Wor. Buddy Bass](#) is recovering from hip replacement surgery. [Mt. Wor. James Wilkinson](#) was hospitalized recently following a heart attack and is home recovering. [Bro. John Talbot](#) is in the U.S. Army serving in Afghanistan. His unit has moved to another location in that country and is not able to answer email at this time. Be sure to check the January Trestleboard (page 5) for a list of some things we can do to support Bro. John.

Then there are those that have been on this list for quite some time and covet our thoughts and prayers: [Bro. Kenny Roach](#), [Bro. Jack Reid](#), [Wor. Ronald Hoffman \(Bro. Ben Smith's grandfather\)](#) at the Masonic Home in Pennsylvania, and [Bro. Terry Lyman](#). A phone call or card is always appreciated....and do remember them in your conversations with God.

Stated Communication: First Thursday of every month - Send Mail to: 10604 Joseph Court, Glen Allen, VA 23060-6490

On the Internet at: www.tuckahoelodge347.org

In Memoriam

Brother Thomas Lee Moore, Jr.

Entered Apprentice Degree: 10/20/1947

Fellowcraft Degree: 1/12/1948

Master Mason Degree: 1/23/1948

All degrees received in Pollock Lodge 502 (PA)

Affiliated with Tuckahoe: 1/2/1953

Entered the Celestial Lodge: 3/6/2010 (late notification)

A 62 Year Masonic Veteran

Brother Horace Smith Brown

Entered Apprentice Degree: 6/6/1946

Fellowcraft Degree: 9/5/1946

Master Mason Degree: 10/17/1946

All degrees received in Bowersville Lodge 595 (GA)

Affiliated with Tuckahoe: 10/7/1983

Entered the Celestial Lodge: 1/11/2011

A 64 year Masonic Veteran

FROM THE EAST: Stephen M. Przybyla, Worshipful Master

Brethren all: *Greetings from the East.* This month we have the pleasure of the company our Grand Master, Most Worshipful John Mason Chambliss, Jr., for a rather unique Masonic event. After what I am sure will be another fine dining experience courtesy of Chef/Brother Mike Perrella and enjoying some good Freemasonry in the Dining Hall, we will retire to the Lodge and receive MW Chambliss in the usual custom and ceremony of our Craft. After a very brief Business Meeting, MW Chambliss will conduct a Town Hall style meeting to discuss his vision for 2011 and will solicit questions, comments and input from the Brethren in attendance. Schedule February 3rd on your calendar and plan to take advantage of this rare and informative opportunity to interface with our Grand Master. Dinner will be served at 6:15; Lodge opens at 7:15. *Be there or be square!*

Highlights of January's stated Communication: A dinner of roasted pork loin, rosemary mashed potatoes, specially seasoned squash and loads of desserts were prepared and served by Chef/ Bro. Mike Perrella and his crew; I presented my remarks which included my intention to modernize the facility, my Budget for 2011 and several other key points applicable to the health and direction of 347; we circulated and signed an 8-1/2 x 11 card for Bro. John Talbott who is serving God & Country in Afghanistan and we are collecting the items listed in January's Trestleboard which will be shipped out after our February Stated Communication; a contest was announced to name our Dining Hall in honor of Rt. Wor. Clarence Whitley; Committee reports were brief but highlighted our February 26 Blood Drive; we concluded the business of the Lodge with the honor and pleasure of receiving Rt. Wor. Jack Cooke as our District Deputy Grand Master.

From the Secretary's desk: Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.

THE MASTER NEEDS HELP – YOUR HELP

There was an old story about a man who was given a vacant lot to use. He dug out the weeds, removed the stones and rubbish, plowed, planted, and cared for it until the stony weed patch became a thing of beauty.

One day a parson passed by and commented to the man who was working the land, that the man and the Lord had worked wonders with the vacant lot. The man agreed that, yes, he and the Lord had done a fine job. He told the parson that the parson should have seen all the weeds, rocks, and rubbish there was when the Lord had been looking out for it by himself.

There are lessons here for Masons. Freemasonry gives the Brother only the rough. It provides him the vacant lot, the implements, the seed – but it is up to the Brother to do the clearing, preparation, planting and caring for it.

The Master himself cannot make Freemasonry bloom in the Lodge, any more than the Lord was able to make the vacant lot bloom by Himself. Without the help of the Brethren, there will only be a lot strewn with stones and rubbish. There will be no beautiful plants with their roots covered with rich soil. Brothers must use their brains in digging for the beauty of Masonry.

Brethren will be astonished to see the pleasure which can be theirs by seeing that the soil of Masonry is cared for and productive. The seeds of Masonic wisdom will send shoots climbing upward, turning their blossoms toward the sun and bursting with beautiful flowers.

The Master has to have help – your help!!! Ask not what your Lodge can do for you – ask what you can do for your Lodge. Every member needs to pull together and support the work of our Lodge being set out by the Worshipful Master. Let's start now. Let's not procrastinate and say I'll wait till next month, or next year or even next week. Remember – tomorrow never comes. Today is the tomorrow that we talked about yesterday, and tomorrow today will be in the past.

Congratulations to our newest Master Mason – Brother Scott Davis who was raised on January 20th. You can start supporting the Lodge now by welcoming Scott into Tuckahoe's family.

By the way – Does your dues card say 2011? Please make sure your dues are paid to allow the Lodge to pay its obligations.

Mark your Calendar....

Blood Drive: 8am, February 26th at Tuckahoe (in memory of Mt. Wor. Albert Hugh Tignor)

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Bro. Steven R. Mendenhall Jr. Steward
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Bro. David A. Bass. Marshal
(H) 598-8680
Bro. Richard C. Turochy Musician
(H) 741-0660
Wor. Clawson D. Barbour Tiler
(H) 740-3529
Wor. Herbert H. Eades, Jr Assistant Treasurer
(H) 270-2215
Bro. Christopher P. McPherson Assistant Secretary
(H) 556-2436
Bro. John Gaywood Assistant Tiler
(H) 360-0244

COMMITTEES

TRUSTEES:

Wor. G. Wayne Boswell (H) 740-7608
Wor. J. Larry Mason (H) 741-5736
Wor. R. Alton Wright (H) 360-5598

MASONIC RITUAL:

Rt. Wor. Robert C. Eades, Sr. (D.I.W. 15A & C). (H) 794-3661

MASONIC HOME AMBASSADOR:

Bro. Byron B. Hubbard, Jr. (D.M.H.A. 15-C) (H) 270-1119

BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM:

Bro. David A. Bass. (H) 598-8680

FUNERAL:

Wor. R. Alton Wright. (H) 360-5598

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Rt. Wor. Jack Cooke (H) 752-2117

ADVISOR TO THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER:

Wor. Barry Faison. (O) 344-3128

GREETERS:

Bro. Ray Crouch (SD). (H) 270-7344
Bro. Butch Ammon (JD). (H) 754.2930

KITCHEN & DINING:

Chef & Bro. Mike Perrella. (C) 203-490-9713

INTERNET & COMMUNICATIONS:

Wor. Douglas Messimer, Bro. Ben Smith, Bro. Nelson Pruden

WORSHIPFUL MASTERS

* Deceased + Demitted X Suspended

* J.O. Harris 1923-1924
* A. N. Revere. 1925
* C. M. Selph 1926
* P.L. Ruehrmund. 1927
* N. C. Phillips 1928
* H. J. Perrin 1929
* M. H. Dicks. 1930
* R. C. Parks. 1931
+ R. D. Powers 1932
* W. Pierce. 1933
* J. W. Snedden. 1934
* E. L. Copley. 1935
* A. E. Call. 1936
* J. M. Jennings. 1937
* B. H. Bradley. 1938
+ W. A. Rudasill. 1939
* T. B. Towill. 1940
* R. K. Allen. 1941
* W. S. Brent, P.D.D.G.M. 1942
* F. W. Biesecker. 1943
* J. W. Mullins. 1944
* G. G. Finney. 1945
* J. H. Russell. 1946
* W. R. Perkins. 1947
* J. E. Kirk. 1948
* J. G. Johnson 1949
* B.O. Baird. 1950
* W. G. MacDonald. 1951
* T. J. Rumley. 1952
* R. D. Stahl. 1953
* G. T. Taylor. 1954
* F. G. Wood. 1955
* R. S. Love. 1956

* J. V. Elliott. 1957
* H. O. Butler 1958
* G. E. Wright, P.D.D.G.M. 1959
* W. H. Lovern, P.D.D.G.M. 1960
* W. Y. Roper, Jr, P.D.D.G.M. 1961
* J. H. Shinault 1962
* G. A. Tuckwiller. 1963
E. F. McCune, Jr 1964
* R. D. Woolard. 1965
* J. S. Gary, Jr. 1966
* W. J. Haid, Jr, P.D.D.G.M. 1967
* J. G. Clark. 1968
X 1969
E. L. Walker 1970
* D. Williams. 1971
* E. W. Oakley. 1972
* P. D. Lawrence. 1973
* G. F. Paul. 1974
W. Y. Roper, III, P.D.D.G.M 1975
* J. N. Culler, P.D.D.G.M 1976
R. C. Eades, Sr., P.D.D.G.M 1977
* J. C. Lewit, II. 1978
C. E. Whitley, P.D.D.G.M 1979
* O. J. Oaks. 1980
D. McK. Messimer 1981
D. A. Powers, III. 1982
* J. McD. Wolf. 1983
R. W. Carpenter, Jr. P.D.D.G.M. 1984
* R. W. Carpenter. 1985
* L. E. Stott. 1986
T. B. Jarrell 1987
J. L. Woolard 1988
* W. P. Gilliam, Jr 1989
G. W. Boswell. 1990

W. A. Edmonds. 1991
B. V. Petrone, Jr 1992
C. H. Hilgenhold 1993
W. M. McClintock. 1994
J. Larry Mason. 1995
* L. A. Jackoway. 1996
C. H. Hilgenhold 1997
R. S. Lanier. 1998
* D. G. Thomson. 1999
C. D. Barbour 2000
R. A. Wright. 2001
J. G. Cooke, D.D.G.M. 2002 - 2003
R. C. Eades, Sr., P.D.D.G.M 2004
J. T. Quinley. 2005
H. H. Eades, Jr. 2006 - 2007
M. H. Messimer, Jr 2008
B. C. Faison. 2009 - 2010

ASSOCIATE PAST MASTERS

J. B. Wilkinson, P.G.M. (207) 1959
F. G. Martin, III, P.G.M. (344) 1989
G. H. Brooks. (352 & 10) 6 times
J. R. Quinley, P.G.M. (211) 1990
N. E. Vine (Charles River, MA) 1990
S. E. Tuck, Jr (207) 2002 & 2005
J. H. Crowder, P.D.D.G.M. (177) 2004-05
W. R. Heltzel. (10) 2008

HONORARY MEMBERS

Mt. Wor. F. G. Martin, III,
Mt. Wor. J. R. Quinley,
Rt. Wor. C. E. Whitley,
Bro. J. S. Gilmore, III

SEVENTY-YEAR MEMBER

Bro. A. J. Drescher

SIXTY-YEAR MEMBERS

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Bros. D. J. L. Bloomquist,
W. H. Lawrence, Jr.,
W.G. Lee

FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

Bros. H. L. Atwell, C. D. Bailey, A. O. Ballinger,
D. J. Bloomquist, J. B. Datig, R. L. Fagg, III,
H. E. Franklin, P. F. Giles, C. R. Hodge, M. A. House,
E. B. Irby, Jr., C. P. Johnson, H. C. Jones,
D. M. Lovelace, C. C. McCoy, E. F. McCune, Jr.,
V.H. Newell, R. E. Strauss, F. J. Trexler, Jr.,
R. W. Weitzel, R. F. Westbury, Sr., J. R. Williams,
J. C. Wood, R. C. Wood, R. A. Wright



LIFE MEMBERS IN PERPETUITY

H. L. Atwell, C. D. Bailey, C. D. Barbour,
G. W. Boswell, *R. L. Boswell, Jr., *R. L. Boswell, Sr.,
*G. F. Burnley, *A. H. Campbell, R. W. Carpenter, Jr.,
*W. R. Cosby, *J. N. Culler, H. H. Eades, Jr.,
R. C. Eades, Sr., *C. L. Farmer, *William P. Gilliam, Jr.,
W. R. Heltzel, B. B. Hubbard, Jr., T. B. Jarrell,
C. P. Johnson, D. M. Lovelace, W. H. Lovern, Jr.,
T. E. Lyman, Jr., *F. G. Martin, Jr., J. L. Mason,
W.C. McClain, D. Mck. Messimer,
M. H. Messimer Jr., J. D. Mize, *G. N. Pruden,
J. T. Quinley, *W. Y. Roper, Jr., W. Y. Roper, III,
D. W. Samuels, *J. G. Smith, *A. H. Tignor, Jr.,
S. E. Tuck, Jr., *D. E. Wettstone, J. C. Wood,
R. C. Wood, D. E. Wright, D. L. Wright,
R. A. Wright,

* Deceased



A mini-nugget from the Quarry...

**Sadly, some people may spend their entire lifetime wondering if they've made a difference in the world.
But, members of the Craft who *live* Masonry daily don't have that problem. Doug Messimer, PM**

MATTERS OF INTEREST

- * Report any case of illness or distress promptly to the Junior Warden or any officer. *It is extremely important that you tell your spouse, family member, or a friend to inform the Lodge if you are indisposed in any way.*
- * Report any change of residence or e-mail address to our Secretary, Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.
- * Lodge dues are \$83.00 per year (70 years of age or older, the dues are \$72) and were due and payable January 1st.
- * If you need transportation to a Lodge meeting or event, please let the Worshipful Master or any Officer know.
- * Our Virginia Blood Services donation number is 1779.
- * The Lodge Telephone Number is 804-288-5166, voice mail is available.
- * Tuckahoe Masonic Class meets Thursday's at 7:00 P.M. (or Wednesday, if degree work is scheduled Thursday).
- * Robert Lewis Gibbs Class meets every Saturday at 7:00 P.M. at the SRT except, in December.
- * Masters and Wardens - 4th Saturday, 9:00am at Westhampton Lodge, except June, July, August, and December.



If you have accumulated books of interest to Masons over the years, consider donating them to the lodge library when you're finished with. We have multiple copies of some titles including major historical sets and encyclopedias. Masonic philosophy, spiritual growth, science, the liberal arts, history, and fiction – are all desired. Log on to the Tuckahoe web site for the current library inventory.



Mt. Wor. John Mason Chambliss, Jr. - The 166th Grand Master of Masons in Virginia