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Cuckahoe Rodge

No. 347

A. S. & 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. Take due notice thereof.

### The Craft at Labor

# STATED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, APRIL 7<sup>th</sup>, 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: Grilled Salmon, green beans, wild rice, dessert, and coffee/tea. Note the 6:15pm serving time. Suggested donation for the meal is \$8.
- 7:15 P.M. Program for the Ladies in the dining hall: Denise Dolan of Zoya Blue, a Richmond health & wellness
- 7:15 P.M. Open Master Masons Lodge Business Committee Reports Installation of Bro. John Gaywood as
  Tiler- Presentation of 50 year Veteran emblem to Bro. Floyd Proffitt Program 'open mic night'.

  Dress code: Officers and Members Business suit, or coat & tie

A note from Wor. Steve about our dinners at Lodge: If you know someone who needs to eat a healthy, hearty meal but perhaps cannot afford it, contact the WM and he will have Chef Mike P. prepare a 'to-go' plate for them. We'll write your name on the take-out box, you pick it up after the meeting and deliver it to a Brother or neighbor in need, etc. I need to know about this by the Monday before the Stated Communication so Chef Mike can plan accordingly. \$10.00 buys a very generous portion that should feed two normal appetites, but I must have your order by the Monday that precedes the Stated.

### SPAGHETTI DINNER – SATURDAY APRIL 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011

4:30 - 8:00PM - Spaghetti, meatballs, salad, bread & beverage, served at your table. Adults-\$8, children-\$3....take-out available. Tips donated to the S.P.C.A.

## Our Years of Service

(398 Years of Masonic Service)

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16 <sup>th</sup>	Josey, G.L.		Proffitt, F.E.	50 <sup>th</sup>	
55 <sup>th</sup>	Keeton, R.R.	-	Przybyla, S.M.	14 <sup>th</sup>	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Major, H.E., Jr.	/	Walker, E.L.	45 <sup>th</sup>	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Myers, R.L.	28 <sup>th</sup>	Winchester, P.C.	24 <sup>th</sup>	
42 <sup>nd</sup>	Nuckols, C.W., III	11 <sup>th</sup>	Woolard, J.L.	35 <sup>th</sup>	
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## Our Circle of Concern

The following brethren were mentioned at the March Stated Communication and would enjoy a phone call or card. Bro. Kenny Roach was in Lodge and is doing much better. Others specifically mentioned: Bros. Dick McClure, Bill Ferguson, Bernard Wright, Norman Williams, and Wor. Chuck Hilgenhold. Our Tiler, Wor. Clawson Barbour, and his wife Van are moving to a North Carolina retirement community that will be near family members. This move necessitates Wor. Clawson's resignation as our Tiler. Wor. Ron Hoffman's wife Amelia, passed away in late February after a brief illness (Wor. Ron is Bro. Ben Smith's, grandfather). The officers and brethren of Tuckahoe Lodge offer their sympathies to Bro. Tom Voltz and his family in the death of his father, Thomas W. Voltz, Sr., on Friday March 18th. Continue to remember Bro. John Talbott in service to our country on foreign soil.

Those who have been on this list for quite some time still covet our thoughts and prayers: Bro. Kenny Roach, Bro. Jack Reid, Wor. Ronald Hoffman (Ben Smith's grandfather) at the Masonic Home in Pennsylvania. A phone call or card is always appreciated....and please remember them in your conversations with God.

### From the East... Stephen M. Przybyla, Worshipful Master

It was great to have dinner and sit in Lodge with everyone during our March Stated Communication and especially with those of you who we haven't seen for a while. Every one of us is happy to see more and more Brothers trickling back into the Lodge to experience the remarkable precepts of our Craft. Freemasonry is a profound Institution that provides us an opportunity to create an atmosphere of true friendship, as well as a rich environment for a better learning experience and it becomes richer and richer with every Brother who enters the building.

Our April Stated Communication will include a presentation to Brother Floyd Proffitt for fifty years of Masonic service. Please be sure to join in this moment of Brother Floyd's and his family's history immediately after dinner.

We have two programs on April 7<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Denise Dolan of Zoya Blue (zoyablue.com) will present her spiritual based program to the ladies for practical wisdom for health and prosperous relationships, check out her website for additional info. This program is open to all ladies regardless of Masonic relationship, so invite your friends, coworkers and neighbors.

Our program in the Lodge will be "Open Mic Night". We will set up a microphone on the north side on the lodge room and everyone will be invited to enjoy a few minutes of personal expression. I know of one of our Brothers who plans to "rock-out". The mic will be open to everyone, music, song, poetry, jokes, story telling or just give us your dissertation on life. Regardless, come out and have a little fun.

We have a spaghetti and meatball dinner planned for Saturday, April 30. The dining room will be decorated to resemble an Italian restaurant, complete with checkered table cloths, music, and waiters. The price is very reasonable at \$8 per plate; \$3 for the kids. Take-out, drive- thru and quarts of sauce will also be available. Hope to see you there.

On behalf of the Officers, best regards to everyone and our wish for you this month is good health and happiness.

# From the Secretary's Desk... Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.

Spring – a time of renewal and reawakening. We should all think about our Masonry this spring and how this renewal and reawakening can help Tuckahoe Lodge. Just coming to the meetings is a step in the right direction. Many of you have not been to a meeting in many, many months. Let's all try to come back and renew our acquaintance with our Lodge and our brethren.

I guess if I didn't have delinquent dues to talk about, this message would be shorter. I wish that was the case. We have eleven of our brethren who are on the delinquent list. I'm sure you know who you are. Let's not let your Masonic career end with suspension. Please bring your dues current and help your Lodge with its obligations. Last month I promised to start examining Masonic Principles, so here goes.

### MASONIC PRINCIPLES

We know that Freemasonry was imported to our shores from England by the early founders of our country. They brought with them the Masonic Principles of love, brotherhood, morality, honor, integrity, concern for others, and many more, and wove them together into the fabric of our government, our institutions, and indeed, our entire culture.

Masons dominated the leadership of our country during the many years it took to mold it into a strong democracy. Many of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were Masons. We know of the reliance that Worshipful Brother George Washington placed on the officers under his command who were Masons. The cornerstones of our nations Capitol and the White House wee laid by the Masonic Fraternity.

This country was conceived in the womb of Masonic principles, and this has created a form of government and a way of life that is the envy of the world.

As Freemasons today, we are custodians of a bridge. We are the custodians of Masonic Principles which can help preserve freedom in the world. But Principles, in and of themselves, have no power to preserve anything. It takes people, let's read that as Masons, to put life and meaning into these Principles. It takes Masons bonded together in fellowship.

Remember – Tuckahoe Lodge is run by those who show up and practice these Principles. Be more than a couch potato. Show up and lend your support and voice your opinions. Be a leader among your brethren and a leader among men. Be that leader putting life into these Masonic Principles.

This year, 2011, and the years ahead will bring us many challenges. Economic as well as Masonic. Regardless of the economic pitfalls, our Masonry will continue to stand tall, but only if you practice the Masonic Principles. Now and for the future. Think of how far you have come. Has it been alone or are you bonded together in fellowship? Have you practiced the Masonic principles? You have only started the journey.

I hope to see everyone at the Stated Communication.

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* R. D. Stahl	·	1989	F. G. Martin, III, P.G.M (344) 1989	
* G. T. Taylor			J. R. Quinley, P.G.M (211) 1990	
* F. G. Wood		1991	N. E. Vine (Charles River, MA) 1990	
* R. S. Love	•		S. E. Tuck, Jr	
* J. V. Elliott	•	1993 1994	W. R. Heltzel(17) 2008	
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#### **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**

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

#### **FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS**

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R. C. Eades, Sr., \*C. L. Farmer, \*William P. Gilliam, Jr,
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C. P. Johnson, D. M. Lovelace, W. H. Lovern, Jr.,
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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

# **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 January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- \* 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.
- \* Masonic Recognition Day: The first day of *every* month. Wear your Masonic pins and clothing proudly.

## **Coming Events**

Spaghetti Dinner (w/meatballs, salad, bread, drink)

April 30<sup>th</sup> 4:30 till 8PM at the Lodge

Adults \$8, children \$3

**DEO-DIW Schools for Masonic Districts 15 A - B - C** 

S.R.T. April 20th,

May 18th,

June 15th.

Each session will be held at the Scottish Rite Temple in the 1st floor Lodge Room. DEO classes from 6-7 p.m., and the DIW ritual exemplifications from 7-9 p.m.

### **District Masonic Memorial Service**

Forest Lawn Cemetery June 5, 2011 3:00PM

R. Lewis Gibbs School of Instruction

S.R.T. July 20-23

**Reid J. Simmons Academy of Masonic Leadership** 

Fork Union, VA July 31 – August 3

**Blood Drive schedule for 2011:** 

At Tuckahoe (with Glen Allen) May 14, 2011 8:00AM

At Glen Allen September 10, 2011 8:00AM

**233**<sup>rd</sup> Grand Annual Communication

Ramada Plaza Hotel, Richmond November 7-13

For your convenience: printed copies of the Membership Roster of the Lodge, change of address forms for residence and email address, current issue of 'Coming Events', and The History of Tuckahoe Lodge are available on the desk in the Lodge Library. These documents are also available on the Tuckahoe home page.

Our Stated Communication: First Thursday of every month. 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.

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