

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 Communications of your Lodge to be held in the Tuckahoe Masonic Temple, Bethlehem and Dickens Roads, Richmond, Virginia. Take due notice thereof.

# The Craft at Labor

# STATED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 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 -The menu includes: Grilled boneless center cut pork chops, potato wedges, apple sauce, spinach, dessert, and beverage. Please invite your Lady to join us.

7:15 P.M. - Open Master Masons Lodge - Business - Committee Reports - Ballot - Program: The Holy Saints John, Wor. Corby Talton.

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

## CALLED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2011

6:15 P.M. - Light dinner served in the Dining Hall

7:00 P.M. - Work expected in the Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft Degrees - Candidate: Bro. Jeffrey Randall Bush Dress code: Officers and Members - Business suit, or coat & tie.

# Our Years of Service

Brooking, W.W., Jr.	29th	Hubbard, B.B., Jr.	25th	Story, L.O., Jr.	15th
Cauthorn, W.A.	41st	McGonagil, J.C	33rd	Turochy, R.C.	45th
Congdon, J.R.	41st	Nuckols, C.W., Jr.	15 <sup>th</sup>	Voltz, T.W., Jr.	1st
Edmonds, W.A.	25th	Otwell, G.I.	40th	Williams, E.P., Jr.	15th
Faison, B.C.	7th	Petrone, B.V., Jr.	33 <sup>rd</sup>	Wilmouth, C.M.	6th
Giles, P.F.	55th	Pruden, J.N.	15 <sup>th</sup>	Word, R.H.	44th
Hassell, T.T., Jr.	36th			Wyatt, N.B	37th

# Our Circle of Concern

The following brethren and family members would enjoy a phone call or card. Bros. Dick McClure, and Bernie Wright. Bro Ray Crouch is scheduled for shoulder surgery sometime early in June after a fall at home several weeks ago. Bro. Charles Nuckols was hospitalized recently with pneumonia. Bro. Joe Wegman's wife, Patricia, recently had knee replacement surgery at Henrico Doctor's, and is recovering at home. Elsie Hoy (widow of Bro. Wayne Hoy) has been accepted as a resident of the Masonic Home. We don't know exactly where in Afghanistan Bro. John Talbott is located, but he is in service to our country.....for that we are thankful. Be safe Bro. John. R.W. Bob Carpenter's stepson, Joshua N. Davis is a member of a National Guard unit that has been called up for deployment to Iraq. He was expected to leave for training in early June. Add him to your list of soldiers protecting your freedom.

Again this month the following brethren, who have been on this list for sometime now, still covet our thoughts and prayers: Bro. Kenny Roach, Bro. Jack Reid, and Wor. Ronald Hoffman (Ben Smith's grandfather) at the Masonic Home in Elizabethtown, 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

### Brethren all:

This month we celebrate our Patron Saints, the Holy Saints John, at our Stated Communication and I have invited Wor. Corby Talton to present the program. Wor. Corby is a captivating speaker who always provides an interesting twist to the "norm" and we look forward to his message with great anticipation. Why not devote some time in your busy schedule to attending Lodge on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and grant yourself an opportunity to learn a little more about our favored Saints and why they were selected by the Fraternity? Wor. Corby shared a small portion of his presentation with me and I'm sure all in attendance will be entertained and enriched by the experience.

We have a lot of new ideas in the Lodge lately that result in Brothers getting together on a different level. Basically, with the exception of our Tradition and Ritual, we have surrendered the dogma of the past and now strive to live in a different, creative moment and plan for our future in new and inventive ways. One such idea was born during the Grand Master's Reception when a small group of us were discussing aspects of the Lodge and what might interest our Ladies and families and entice them to join us for dinner once a month. After some sincere conversation and really great creative thoughts, Bro. Butch Ammon decided we should "Invite our Ladies to Dinner in June". Brethren, let's embrace this idea and extend it further—let's invite our wives and ladies to dinner on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, and let's also invite our families and friends. Let's live in the moment of Tuckahoe Lodge 347 as a warm and friendly place for family and friends to collect, enjoy a terrific meal courtesy of Chef/ Bro. Mike & make a few new friends.

Dinner is served at 6:15 sharp; Lodge opens at 7:15. Email me at <a href="mailto:sprzybyla@verizon.net">sprzybyla@verizon.net</a> or leave a message at 360.1644 and let me know that you plan on joining us for dinner...this will also help Chef Mike who wants to make sure he prepares enough fantastic fare for everyone.



## **How Long is Your Masonic Cable Tow?**

The Cable Tow is part of the uniform of a candidate in which he agrees to go to the aid of a Brother with all his power....if within the length of his tow. The length of the rope is symbolic of the first brother's abilities.

It is defined also as a cable's length, which is symbolically measured as 3 miles for an Entered Apprentice.

With its 2 ends, it binds a Mason to the Fraternity as well as bonds the Fraternity to the Mason.



Another nugget from the Quarry...

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## **HONORARY MEMBERS**

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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 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.
- \* Masonic Recognition Day: The first day of every month. Wear your Masonic pins and clothing proudly.

# **Coming Events**

15<sup>th</sup> District Masonic Memorial Service: Forest Lawn Cemetery....June 5, 3:00PM

**DEO-DIW School for Districts 15 A - B - C:** S.R.T....June 15. 6:00PM

R. Lewis Gibbs School of Instruction: S.R.T....July 20 - 23

**Reid J. Simmons Academy of Masonic Leadership:** Fork Union, VA...July 31 through August 3 Details and your registration form are available from the Secretary.

Grand Master's One-Day Class: S.R.T. .... August 27, 7:30AM

Blood Drive: At Glen Allen No. 131.....September 10, 8:00AM

MAHOVA Family Day: At the Home....October 8...always a great event!

233rd Grand Annual Communication: Ramada Plaza Hotel, I-64 & West Broad St...November 9-12



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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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