

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. Take due notice thereof.

The Craft at Labor

STATED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, JULY 7th, 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: Beef Bar-B-Q, baked beans, Cole slaw, dessert, and coffee/tea. Good summertime food!



7:15 P.M. - Open Master Masons Lodge – Our National Anthem, Bro. Dale Wright - Business - A 'nugget' "Salute to the Makers of our Flag" – Patriotic songs, Bro. Dick Turochy - Committee Reports – Close Master Masons Lodge

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

Our Years of Service

(468 Years of Masonic Service)

Atwell, H.L.	59 th	Lovern, W.B.	40 th	Reid, J.C.	39 th
Carr, C.M.	38 th	McKaig, J.C.	6 th	Roach, K.A.	6 th
Eades, R.C., Sr.	38 th	Mihalcoe, A.L.	26 th	Samuels, D.W.	43 rd
Jarrell, T.B.	30 th	Mihalcoe, A.L., Jr.	7 th	Simmons, G.M., Jr.	43 rd
Lane, A.J.	37 th			Williams, J.R.	56 th

Our Circle of Concern

Report any case of illness or distress promptly to the Junior Warden or the Master. 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. As new needs come to light we will add them to the web site, and they will be shared at the stated communication. A phone call or card is always appreciated to those on the list....and please remember them in your conversations with God.

Continue to remember [Bro. John Talbott](#) in service to our country (in Afghanistan) and [Joshua Davis \(RW Bob Carpenter's step-son\)](#) serving with "C" Troop, 183rd Infantry. He will be heading out around the end of July toward Iraq with his National Guard unit for a one year tour. [Bro. Ray Crouch's](#) shoulder surgery has been put off till the end of June. [Bros. Bernie Wright, Dick McClure](#) and [Kenny Roach](#) still need your thoughts and prayers as they continue recovering their health; as does [Bro. Ben Smith's Grandfather \(Wor. Ronald Hoffman\)](#) in the Masonic Home in Pennsylvania.

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

Brethren all:

Thank you to all who attended the June Stated Communication and Bro. Jeff Bush's Fellowcraft Degree and thanks also to those who were unable to attend but were with us in spirit.

Our schema for the July Stated Communication is two-fold. We will honor and pay tribute to the Independence we enjoy as Americans with a series of short presentations by Wor. Doug Messimer, Bro. Dale Wright and Bro. Dick Turochy. We will also honor and pay tribute to those indispensable Brothers who contribute to the success of the Lodge in 2011; some of which are highly visible while others joyfully perform their work from more hidden recesses.

Make plans to join us on July 7th, bring your appetite and your desire to enjoy your Lodge.

From the Secretary's Desk... Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.
Amos, What Seest Thou?

The passage of Scripture from Amos, Chapter 7, Verses 7 & 8, contains a reference to a Plumb Line. The verses talk about the Lord standing upon a wall made by a Plumb Line, Amos saw a Plumb Line, and the Lord set a Plumb Line in the midst of his people Israel. Why a Plumb Line in Masonry?

The Thesaurus defines 'plumb line' as: A cord from which a metal weight is suspended pointing directly to the earth's center of gravity; used to determine the vertical from a given point. Does this answer the question, 'Why a Plumb Line in Masonry?' No. Let's examine further.

Amos was a stalwart and rugged person. So keen was the insight of Amos that he was called the "prophet of social justice." He spoke a language which Masons, both operative and speculative, could understand when he used the Plumb Line to describe God's judgment. The Plumb Line is the symbol of uprightness of character, of integrity, of honesty, and fair dealing among persons, especially among Masons.

To plumb one's life and actions is to test them by the eternal laws of the Creator. We should set aside a moment each day to plumb our lives and to meditate on our habits and actions. Can you, as a Mason, honestly answer the following questions in the affirmative? Am I striving to measure up to the ideals of uprightness set forth in the teachings of Freemasonry and the Holy Bible? Is my life plumb in dealing with my fellow man? Do I practice fairness, honesty, and justice in all my dealings? If so, we have just answered the question, 'Why a Plumb Line in Masonry?'



Virginia Freemasonry...So good to be part of it !

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 * 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

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 * 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
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 R. A. Wright. 2001
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 H. H. Eades, Jr. 2006 - 2007
 M. H. Messimer, Jr 2008
 B. C. Faison. 2009 – 2010



ASSOCIATE PAST MASTERS

F. G. Martin, III, P.G.M. (344) 1989
 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

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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 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

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, and in the Lodge Library.

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... November 9-12



Another nugget from the Quarry... the 'Flag Salute' presented at the July Stated will be posted to the Tuckahoe 'Nuggets' page. Also, we have combined all of the 'Masonic Trivia' pages into one document and added 2 new pages of little known facts about the craft. The new material starts on page 26. Check it out!

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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