

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 Communications of your Lodge to be held in the Tuckahoe Masonic Temple, Bethlehem & 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.

## *The Craft at Labor*

### **STATED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st, 2011**

**NOTE THE TIME CHANGE FOR THIS MEETING ONLY !!!**

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

**5:45 P.M.** - Open Master Masons Lodge – Rt. Wor. Rob Eades presiding - Business - Ballot – Close Lodge

**6:30 P.M.** - Dinner in the Lodge Dining Hall, prepared by Chef Bro. Michael Perrella – Please invite your Lady to join us. The menu includes roast beef, mashed potatoes, steamed broccoli, beverage, and dessert.

**7:15 P.M.** Following Dinner - Program – Bro. Francis Gary Powers, Jr. on the 1960 U-2 Incident, the need to preserve Cold War history, and how the Cold War impacted our lives today.

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

### **CALLED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th, 2011**

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

7:00 P.M. - Work expected in the Entered Apprentice degree

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

## *Counting the Years*

287 Years of Masonic Service

Clevinger, H.C.	39 <sup>th</sup>	Gates, C.H., III	12 <sup>th</sup>	McGavic, R.L.	19 <sup>th</sup>
Collins, R.L.	39 <sup>th</sup>	Harlin, E.F., Jr.	5 <sup>th</sup>	Mendenhall, S.R.	1 <sup>st</sup>
Eades, H.H., Jr.	48 <sup>th</sup>	Lanier, R.S.	18 <sup>th</sup>	Whitley, C.E.	46 <sup>th</sup>
Elicerio, J.M.	26 <sup>th</sup>	McClure, R.D.	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Williams, R.E., Jr.	12 <sup>th</sup>

## *Our Circle of Concern*

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.* As new needs come to light we 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.

It was great to see [Rt. Wor. Clarence Whitley](#) at the stated meeting in August. He continues his recovery from a recent heart attack. [Bro. Hugh Major](#) is temporarily in a local nursing facility for some rehab. [Bro. Earl Watson](#) is recovering from a stroke in mid-August. We received a wonderful letter from [Wor. Clawson Barbour](#). He and Vann are settling in nicely to their apartment in a Senior Center in Wilmington, N.C., but he misses the fellowship at Tuckahoe.

Continue to remember [Bro. John Talbott](#) in service to our country (in Afghanistan) and [Joshua Davis](#) (RW Bob Carpenter's step-son) just beginning a 400 day deployment to Iraq with his National Guard unit. [Wor. Chuck Hilgenhold](#), [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.

**Congratulations** to two of Tuckahoe's own who are being honored for their service to the Scottish Rite Valley of Richmond. **Wor. Herb Eades**, and **Bro. Dale Wright** are receiving their **KCCH** 'red hats' in September. Thanks for your service to Freemasonry!

***From the East...Rt. Wor. Rob Eades, presiding***

It is a genuine honor to again address you from the East. Worshipful Steve will be out of town in September and through no fault of your own, I will be filling in for him. Your officers and I have a great evening planned for you. We are honored to have with us Brother F. Gary Powers, Jr., Director of the Virginia Military Museum and founder of the Cold War Museum. He lectures internationally and appears regularly on the History, Discovery, and A&E Channels, as well as the Voice of Russia on the topic of the Cold War and his father's experience as a pilot of a spy plane that was shot down by the Soviet Union in 1960. This is an event you won't want to miss so please invite your wife, maybe even a friend to join you.

Special arrangements have been made to open the Lodge at 5:45 p.m. We will take care of necessary business and be ready to close the tiled portion of the meeting at 6:30. Dinner will follow in the Fellowship Hall prepared by our own Chef Brother Mike Perrella. After dinner our program will be presented in the Lodge room. There will be petition to ballot on during the tiled meeting, so please note the early hour for this Stated Communication.

I'm very excited to have Brother Powers with us in September, and to try out this format for the evening. I know the ladies will not only enjoy joining us in the Lodge room for the program, but not having to drive separately or to wait around afterwards as well. I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Sincerely and fraternally, Rob Eades

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

Happiness is a choice and Freemasonry not only teaches us to enjoy life and serve mankind, but exists for that very purpose.

In a Peanuts cartoon by the late cartoonist Charles Schultz, Lucy asks Charlie Brown, "Why do you think we were put on this earth?"

Charlie answers, "To make others happy."

Lucy replies, "I don't think I'm making anyone happy," and then adds, "but nobody's making me very happy either. Somebody's not doing their job!"

We, like Lucy, are so sure that happiness is a matter of getting something that we ask not what we can do for others, but what others can and should do for us.

As Masons and by following the teachings of Masonry, we know that helping people is one of our primary obligations to the world and to our Brethren.

As it is human nature to want and feel that we need more, the problem is that the quest for more is endless because we can always add more to whatever we have. As a result, the Lucy's of the world often live in an "if only" world that keeps them one step away from happiness. "If only I could get this raise, make this sale, pay off my debts, or win this game, I'd be happy."

Abraham Lincoln understood that happiness is essentially a way of looking at one's life. "A person is generally about as happy as he's willing to be," he said. Thus, we're more likely to experience happiness if we realize it's not just getting what we want; it's learning to want what we get.

Think about it and strive to live with happiness and joy for the world in which you live and within our exceptional fraternity of Freemasonry. Ask yourself, "How can I apply this to my Masonic life?" Attend your Lodge meetings and reacquaint yourself with the principles and teachings that will make you, and all of your Brethren, happy. Remember, happiness is a choice and Freemasonry is a choice. Put them together and enjoy life while serving mankind.



Here's a tip.....If you are looking for Masonic lapel pins, coins, Masonic military items, and other jewelry there are literally several hundred sites to check out on the web. Having done business with 'more than several' of them, I highly recommend the following site. Its called rtj's Junqueyard....don't let the name fool you, the site is run by a PM from a Tidewater area Lodge, who now resides in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Bro. Dick James provides excellent customer service, quality pins at reasonable prices, and offers fast turn around on your order. Check it out at: <http://gbp.net/rtj/>. Doug Messimer, PM

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### *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 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*

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

**Stated Communication:** October 6...Past Master's Night

**MAHOVA Family Day:** At the Home....October 8...get there early, it's always well attended!

**Stated Communication:** November 3...Bro. Gray Bradford presides for Junior Warden's Night.

**233<sup>rd</sup> Grand Annual Communication:** Ramada Plaza Hotel... November 9-12.

**Past Master's Degree:** November 18...7:00PM - Tuckahoe will again confer this degree on those Brethren requiring it for election to the office of Jr. Warden in their Lodge.

### **Did You Know?....**

In the clay grounds between Succoth and Zeredatha, Hiram Abiff cast all the sacred vessels for King Solomon's Temple, as well as the pillars for the porch. This site, about 35 miles NE of Jerusalem, was selected because the clay there was very tenacious, perfect for making bronze castings. Even into the 19th century this clay was being used by jewelers to reproduce small pieces of brass and jewelry, using a technique that has not changed in nearly 4000 years.

A wooden model of the piece to be cast is made, exact in all its proportions. This is placed in a box with clay packed tightly around it. The mold is then separated, the model removed and a small channel is cleared, and the heated metal slowly poured in, filling all the void areas. When cooled the clay is removed and the casting cleaned up and smoothed, ready to take its place in the overall sculpture. The temple pillars were an exceptional example of casting skill, as they were hollow, with the sides 4" thick, 27 feet high and 18 feet in circumference, or thereabouts. Dimensions may vary, but the basic size remains incredible, as was the undertaking that produced them.



.....another nugget from the quarry.

Our Stated Communication: First Thursday of every month. On the Internet at: [www.tuckahoelodge347.org](http://www.tuckahoelodge347.org)  
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