

1923 - 2015



Tuckahoe Lodge 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 & Dickens Road, Richmond, Virginia. Furthermore, 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 communications. Brethren, take due notice thereof.

The Craft at Labor

OUR 1,107th STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, JUNE 4th, 2015

5:30 P.M. Open Master Mason's Lodge, under dispensation - Business - Close Lodge

Dress code: Officers and Members: **Summer Casual (Collared shirts, casual slacks...no shorts)**

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

6:30 P.M. - Dinner prepared Chief Chef Bro. Mike Caro and served by the Stewards. The menu includes:
Pork Loin, buttered noodles, dessert and beverage.

7:15 P.M. - Program: All present are welcome to enjoy '100 Years of Broadway'
presented by Capital Cabaret in the Lodge room

Counting the Years

(550 Years of Masonic Service)

Brooking, W.W., Jr.	33 ^r	McGonagil, J.C.	37 th	Turochy, R.C.	49 th
Cauthorn, W.A.	45 th	Nuckols, C.W., Jr.	19 th	Voltz, T.W., Jr.	5 th
Edmonds, W.A.	29 th	Otwell, G.I.	44 th	Williams, E.P.	19 th
Faison, B.C.	11 th	Peterson, R.J.	1 st	Wilmouth, C.M.	10 th
Giles, P.F.	59 th	Petrone, B.V., Jr.	37 th	Word, R.H.	48 th
Hassell, T.T., Jr.	40 th	Story, L.O., Jr.	19 th	Wright, R.A., II	1 st
Holcombe, D.R.	3 rd			Wyatt, N.B.	41 st

Our Circle of Concern

Bro. Bob Myers was recently in St. Mary's undergoing radiation therapy. Wor. Ben Petrone is in NORVA recovering from multiple surgeries due to a motorcycle accident, Rt. Wor. Rob Eades is recovering from recent hand surgery, Bro. Buddy Lanier is at home recovering from stent surgery, and Bro. Gordon Roach is recovering from shoulder surgery at home. Continue to remember Bro. Dick Turochy, Bro. Ray Crouch, Rt. Wor. Clarence Whitley, Bro. Mike Caro's father, Bro. Willie Hall, Bro. Lin Schwartz, Bro. Charlie Nuckols, Bro. David Sims, Bro. Kenny Roach, Bro. John Gaywood and his wife, Dorothy, Bro. Earl Watson, Rt. Wor. James Crowder, and Bro. D. Ray Holcomb.

Brother Raymond Christopher Wood

EA: 11/13/1952 FC: 1/15/1953 MM: 2/19/1953 Entered the Celestial Lodge: 4/30/2015

A 62 year member of the Craft

From the East... Wor. Carter S. 'Butch' Ammon, Jr.

Summertime is here, Brethren! June also marks the time when we can get a little comfortable in the hot summer months, by wearing our Tuckahoe golf shirts to our Stated Communication instead of a coat and tie.

Our Stated Communication on June 4th is going to be very special. We will be opening Lodge early at 5:30, take care of our usual business, and close Lodge. Then we will all enjoy a wonderful meal by our Junior Deacon and chef, Bro. Mike Caro, followed by the main event of the evening... Bro. Dick Turochy will be presenting a fantastic musical program with the Capital Cabaret entitled "100 Years of Broadway" under the direction of Ms. Bobbie Moore. Music, singing, and dance, all to famous Broadway show tunes! We will also have residents of the Masonic Home join us as we all enjoy the entertainment of the evening! Come on out on June 4th, as it will be an amazing evening full of wonderful music!

A reminder for next month - July - gather up your worn and tattered U.S. flags for our Flag Burning Ceremony that will be presented by the National Sojourners at the Stated Communication on Thursday, July 2nd.

Another reminder is a ways off, but will be very unique, as three Masonic Lodges will join together for a blood drive on November 14th. Glen Allen #131, Westhampton #302, and our own Tuckahoe #347. We will be the host Lodge with breakfast served at 8:00am on November 14th. If you can donate a pint of blood for a great cause, mark the date on your calendar!

In closing, we have a wide variety of activities during the upcoming months, and have a little something for everyone! Junior Warden's Night, Senior Warden's Night, Past Master's Night, and don't forget Brethren... We will be receiving the Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, Most Worshipful Reese Edward Carroll Jr., at our Stated Communication on Oct 1st. Come on out Brethren, and support all the activities of your Lodge. Have a safe and happy summer!

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

Wow! June already! The Masonic year is half over and we have so much left to accomplish. I'm sure Worshipful Butch has great plans for the remainder of this Masonic year.

However, let's look at the month of June. Two days stand out on the calendar. Flag Day and Father's Day. They are a week apart and both fall on a Sunday this year. Both are worthy of mention and since Flag Day falls on the 14th, we'll start with that one.

Writers and speakers have long strained their talents in attempting to present, with that special something, what we call Americanism. What exemplifies Americanism? Our Flag, the Fourth of July, Baseball, Apple Pie, Free Elections, the Right to Assemble, and many other great definitions.

Americanism, like our Masonic Fraternity, really deals with profound ingredients of the spirit – a basic decency, a certain faith, a belief in the quality of people, and a respect for the individual.

As we face the Flag of our Great Nation, each with our right hand over our heart, let us consider what our Flag really represents. It is just possible that the word F-L-A-G is an acronym for the words Faith, Love, America, and God.

Father's Day falls one week later on the 21st. Originating in 1910 in Spokane, WA, Father's Day did not become a national holiday until many years later. The idea for an official Father's Day celebration was the idea of a daughter whose attention was focused on a sermon on Mother's Day – two years after the first Mother's Day observance in West Virginia. She and her siblings were raised by their Father, and she felt that the hardships he had endured – as well as the unsung feats of fathers everywhere – should be recognized as well. A celebration was organized on the third Sunday in June 1910 and newspapers across the country carried stories about the observance.

Although not so quickly accepted as the celebration of Mother's Day, President Woodrow Wilson and his family observed Father's Day in 1916, and in 1924 President Calvin Coolidge recommended that the states hold their own Father's Day celebrations. The Congressional Record reveals the following entry: "Either we honor both our parents, mother and father, or let us desist from honoring either one. But to single out just one of our parents and omit the other is the most grievous insult imaginable." Eventually, in 1972 – sixty-two years after it was proposed – Father's Day was permanently established by President Richard Nixon.

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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

* 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. M. 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

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BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM:

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VBS blood donation number: 1779

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FUNERAL:

All Lodge Officers

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INTERNET & COMMUNICATIONS:

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Wor. Barry Faison, printing, mailing, database updates
Bro. Ben Smith, Webmaster Extraordinaire

W. M. McClintock. 1994
J. L. 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, P.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
+ S. M. Przybyla 2011
G.W. Bradford 2012 - 2013
W.Y. Roper, III, P.D.D.G.M. 2014
C.S. Ammon, Jr. 2015



ASSOCIATE PAST MASTERS

F. G. Martin, III, P.G.M. (344) 1989
J. R. Quinley, P.G.M. (211) 1990
S. E. Tuck, Jr (207) 2002 & 2005
J. H. Crowder, P.D.D.G.M. (177) 2004-05
W. R. Heltzel, D.D.G.M. (10) 2008
* Deceased + Demitted X Suspended

SIXTY-YEAR MEMBERS

A.O. Ballinger, C.P. Johnson,
D.M. Lovelace, J.C. Wood,
M.A. House

HONORARY MEMBERS

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

J. NED CULLER AWARD

2011 - R.W. Carpenter, Jr.
2012 - R.C. Eades, Sr
2013 - D.M. Messimer
2014 - *R.A. Wright

FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

J.R. Williams, C.C. McCoy, R.F. Westbury, Sr.,
H.E. Franklin, E.B. Irby, Jr, P.F. Giles, F.J. Trexler, Jr,
R.L. Fagg, III, R.E. Strauss, F.E. Proffitt, K.E. Martin,
F.G. Martin, III, A.E. Wood, H.H. Eades, Jr.,
S.E. Tuck, Jr., S.C. Smith, E.F. Atkinson,
W.D. Blaylock, J.S. Stone, F.S. Wood, Jr.



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, B.C. Faison,
C.H. Gates III, *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.M. Messimer, M.H. Messimer, Jr., J.D. Mize,
*G.N. Pruden, J.T. Quinley, K.A. Roach,
*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

Coming Events

June 7, Memorial Service, 3 PM at the MAHOVA Chapel

June 17, DIW/DEO Sr. Wardens: MM Degree 2nd section, 6 PM at the SRT

July 15 - 18, Robert Lewis Gibbs Area Ritual School at the SRT

July 30 - Aug 2, the Reid James Simmons Academy, at the Best Western Plus Waynesboro Inn

WHEREAS, there are circumstances when prospective candidates cannot be accommodated by the currently practiced degree process, and

WHEREAS, without disruption to the regular conferral of degrees in the Lodge, we can take good men and make them better, in a one-day conferral once every few years,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Reese E. Carroll, Jr., Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, do hereby establish and authorize **a Statewide One-Day Conferral Class to be conducted on August 29, 2015**, in Richmond at the Scottish Rite Temple, 4204 Hermitage Road. Registration begins at 7AM. Contact the Secretary of your Lodge for detailed information. Given under my hand and the Seal of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Reese E. Carroll Grand Master

October 10, Family Day at MAHOVA

November 4 - 7, the 237th Grand Annual Communication at the Hilton Richmond Hotel

November 14, Blood Drive at Tuckahoe, co-sponsored by No. 347, 302, and 131

BRETHREN – IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO ALREADY, PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES!

(a gentle reminder from the Secretary!)

Matters of Interest

- * Masonic Recognition Day: The first day of every month. Wear your Masonic pins and clothing proudly.
- * Let the Worshipful Master or any Officer know if you need transportation to a Lodge meeting or event.
 - * Report any change of residence or e-mail address to the Lodge Secretary.
- * Annual Lodge dues for 2015 are \$100 (\$89 if you are age 70 or older)...Is your dues card current?
 - * A Life Membership in Perpetuity is \$1600. The Secretary has all the necessary forms.
 - * 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 of Instruction - every Saturday, 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).
 - * DeMolay, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays each month, 7:30 P.M., at Westhampton Masonic Temple
 - * Job's Daughters, 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month, 7:30 P.M., at Westhampton Masonic Temple
- * For other upcoming events visit the Grand Lodge website at: <http://www.grandlodgeofvirginia.org>

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