



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 1,108th STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, JULY 2nd, 2015

5:30 PM 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. - Family style picnic dinner prepared by Bro. Charles Hanbury, and his wife, Beth. The menu includes: Hot dogs, hamburgers from the grill, all the 'fixins', chips, baked beans, ice cream, iced tea, and lemonade.

7:45 P.M. - Program: Presentation of a Community Builder's Award in the Lodge room. Weather permitting the Sojourners will conduct a U.S. flag retirement ceremony outside near the pavilion.

Counting the Years

(379 Years of Masonic Service)

Bush, J.R.	4 th	Jarrell, T.B.	34 th	Reid, J.C.	43 rd
Caro, M.J.	2 nd	Lovern, W.B.	44 th	Roach, K.A.	10 th
Carr, C.M.	42 nd	McKaig, J.C.	10 th	Samuels, D.W.	47 th
Eades, R.C., Sr.	42 nd	Mihalcoe, A.L.	30 th	Williams, J.R.	60 th
		Mihalcoe, A.L., Jr.	11 th		

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. 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, Rt. Wor. James Crowder, and Bro. D. Ray Holcomb.

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

Happy 4th of July, Brethren! Our July Stated Communication on July 2nd will be in celebration of the founding of our great Nation. To assist with our celebration, our guests will be members of the National Sojourners, Ft. Lee - Richmond Chapter #72. They will perform the US Flag retirement ceremony with "echo taps" performed by Wor. Butch Ammon and Bro. Jim Gregory on trumpets.

We have received a Dispensation to open the Lodge early at 5:30pm to conduct our usual business, and then we will enjoy a fabulous meal prepared by Bro. Charles Hanbury and his wife Beth. The menu includes: hot dogs, hamburgers, baked beans, chips, and ice cream treats for dessert. Ice tea, lemonade, and soft drinks will be provided by the Lodge. After the meal, when the sun starts to set, we will all gather near the outdoor pavilion and join together as one and celebrate the founding of this great Nation that we call the United States of America!

I hope you will be able to attend this wonderful occasion, and will bring your family and friends with you! Be sure to mark your calendar – July 2nd Lodge at 5:30 pm, family picnic and program at 6:30!

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

Wow! The 4th of July already and here's another holiday. What do you think of when you think of Independence Day – the movie, freedom, fireworks, a baseball game, or a cookout (food)? Maybe a family get together or a neighborhood gathering? Let's, however, look at just one of these many fine activities. Fireworks!

Originally developed, as believed by most scholars, in the 2nd century B.C. in China, the loud explosions were perfect for frightening off spirits, celebrating weddings, battle victories, and eclipses of the moon. They were also used in religious ceremonies and later adapted for military use during the Middle Ages in the form of flaming arrows.

Their popularity in recent years has grown to spectacular effects of colors and sounds. Fireworks have evolved into an emotional experience that included choreographed music with precise launch timing to create a dazzling spectacle.

But that's enough of that. Now let's look at something entirely different. Think back to your school days. I hope you all remember what an "aphorism" is. Taken literally, it means a 'distinction' or 'definition'. Basically, it is a general truth, such as, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it". I recently ran across some interesting ones, and some are listed below (not all, however, as I am not including those relating to occupations or politicians). If anyone would like to know what they are, you are welcome to call me. Here goes:

*It's not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game.
We have enough "youth". How about a fountain of "smart"?
The original point and click interface was a Smith & Wesson.
A fool and his money can throw one heck of a party.
Money isn't everything but it sure keeps the kids in touch.
If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.
We are born naked, wet, and hungry. Then things get worse.
Red meat is not bad for you. Fuzzy green meat is bad for you.
Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.*

***BRETHREN, IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO, PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES!
WE HAVE MANY WHO ARE NOT LIVING UP TO THEIR OBLIGATIONS!
SEVERAL ARE ABOUT TO BE SUSPENDED!***

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WORSHIPFUL MASTERS

* 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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FUNERAL:

All Lodge Officers

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Wor. Douglas Messimer, Trestleboard design/content
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, J.R. Williams

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

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

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

August 29, Statewide One Day Conferral at the SRT

October 1, Official visit of the Grand Master to Tuckahoe Lodge

October 10, Family Day at MAHOVA

October 17, Fall one-day reunion at the SRT

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



At Gettysburg there are several monuments that depict or capture a "moment in time" an actual event that occurred during the battle. The Friend to Friend Memorial is one of those. The memorial depicts the meeting of two Masons, General Lewis Armistead, a brigade commander in Pickett's Division and union Captain Henry Bingham, staff aid to General Winfield Scott Hancock. Armistead was wounded during the southern attack on July 3rd, 1863 after crossing the stone wall at the now famous "Angle." Bingham, riding alongside the wounded General as he was being carried from the field, stopped to inquire who this wounded southern general was. Armistead himself responded, "General Armistead of the Confederate Army" and after some conversation with Bingham, the wounded southern General would pass several personal items to the Captain. These items included a watch and chain, spurs and a pocketbook. Bingham later delivered these items to General Hancock.

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).
- * For other upcoming events visit the Grand Lodge website at: <http://www.grandlodgeofvirginia.org>

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