

# Tuckahoe Lodge 347

## 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 1,110th STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd, 2015

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

6:30 P.M. - Dinner prepared by our Chief Chef Bro. Mike Caro, and served by the Stewards.

The menu is a "Leftover and Potluck night" with a primarily Italian focus, with iced tea, lemonade, and dessert. Presentation of the Grand Lodge 50 year Veterans pin to Rt. Wor. Clarence Whitley.

7:15 P.M. Open Master Mason's Lodge - Senior Warden's Night as Bro. Tom Voltz occupies the East - Business - Program: Wor. Jonathan Turner, 'My Brothers' - Close Lodge Dress code: Officers and Members: Summer Casual (Collared shirts, casual slacks)

# Counting the Years

		310 Years of Ma	sonic Service		
Clevinger, H.C.	43 <sup>rd</sup>	Elicerio, J.M.	30 <sup>th</sup>	McGavic, R.L.	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Collins, R.L.	43 <sup>rd</sup>	Gates, C.H., III	16 <sup>th</sup>	Mendenhall, S.R.	5 <sup>th</sup>
Eades, H.H., Jr.	52 <sup>nd</sup>	Lanier, R.S.	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Whitley, C.E.	50 <sup>th</sup>
		McClure, R.D.	26 <sup>th</sup>		

# Our Circle of Concern

Rt. Wor. Bob Carpenter is scheduled for a second cataract surgery in early September. Wor. Ben Petrone is in NORVA recovering from multiple surgeries due to a recent motorcycle accident, Bro. Zolton Phillips is taking dialysis treatments, and Bro. Gordon Roach has returned to work after recent shoulder surgery. Continue to remember Rt. Wor Clarence Whitley, Bro. Mike Caro's father, Bro. Willie Hall, Bro. Charlie Nuckols, Bro. David Sims, and Bro. John Gaywood and his wife, Dorothy. Those who have been on this list for quite some time still need our thoughts and prayers. A phone call or card is always appreciated....and please remember them in your conversations with God.

# Brother Frank James Trexler, Jr.

EA: 4/12/1957 FC: 6/14/1957 MM: 8/9/1957 Entered the Celestial Lodge: 7/26/2015 A 58 year member of the Craft

# **Brother Dewey Moring Lovelace**

EA: 10/16/1953 FC: 11/20/1953 MM: 1/8/1954 Entered the Celestial Lodge: 8/9/2015

A 61 year member of the Craft

# From the West... Bro. Thomas. W. Voltz, Senior Warden.

Brethren, Thank you for this opportunity to sit in the East. Brethren, we are closing out the summer. It's a summer that has brought us enough rain that everywhere you look the grass in people's yards is still green instead of burnt to a crisp. I take that as a sign for us to continue "watering the yards" for potential Masons.

Like the sign in the dining room says, "Some call them a cult. Some call them a secret society. I call them family." Spread the word about the good deeds we do; the fellowship we enjoy; and, the good men we are privileged to associate with because of Masonry. Keep an eye out for those possible applicants who will be worthy of the title of Brother in Masonry and will, in the future, aid us in moving forward with the greatest Fraternity in History.

Always be open to the Great Architect of the Universe showing you a good man who wants to be better. And when you see that man, let him know you are a Mason so that he may ask you questions and take his first step on the path that leads him to our door at the West Gate. Hope to see everyone on September 3.

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

## WHEN IS A MAN A MASON?

When he can look out over nature with a profound sense of littleness, and yet have faith, hope, and courage. When he knows deep down in his heart that every man is his equal in all things noble, divine, diabolic, and as lonely as himself, and he still seeks to know, forgive, and love his fellow man. When he knows how to sympathize with men in their sorrows — even in their sins — knowing that each man fights a hard fight against many odds. When he has learned how to be friends with himself and feels the thrill of old forgotten joy. When he hears the laugh of a little child, and he can be happy amid the drudgeries of life. When no voice of distress reaches his ears in vain and no hand seeks his aid without response. When he finds good in every faith that man helps to lay hold of higher things and to see majestic meanings in life, whatever the name of the faith may be. When he can look into the wayside puddle and see something besides mud, and into the face of the most forlorn and see something beyond sin. When he knows how to pray, how to love, how to hope. When he has kept faith with himself and his fellow man and with his God; while in his hand, a sword for evil and in his heart, a bit of song — glad to live, but not afraid to die.

In such a man, whether he be rich or poor, scholarly or unlearned, famous or obscure, Masonry has wrought her sweet ministry. So with his faith in the Lord and the Lord's help and guidance, such a man is indeed a Mason.

Brethren, we just had an inspiring presentation on membership. When was the last time you asked a friend why he did not belong to a Masonic Lodge? Tuckahoe Lodge needs your help, your friends, your family members, and your completed Petitions. Please help Tuckahoe to maintain its vibrant membership base and seek out your friends and neighbors today.

As a final thought, no message from your Secretary would be complete without asking you to check your dues card and make sure you have paid your 2015 dues. Tuckahoe Lodge relies upon your support to exist. Our records reveal that 17 of our brethren have not paid this year's dues. Have you?

## **ELECTED OFFICERS for 2015**

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## **APPOINTED OFFICERS for 2015**

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Bro. Jason M. Richardson	Jr. Steward

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 Rt. Wor. William Y. Roper, III.
 Marshal

 (C) 512-0537

 Bro. Richard C. Turochy
 Musician

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## **APPOINTED OFFICERS for 2015**

Bro. James A. Dabney
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Wor. Herbert H. Eades, JrAssistant Treasure
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Wor. Douglas M. Messimer Assistant Secretary
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#### **COMMITTEES**

## TRUSTEES:

Wor. G. Wayne Boswell	(H) 740-7608
Wor. J. Larry Mason	(H) 741-5736
Wor. Barry C. Faison.	.(H) 741-2331

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 Rt. Wor. Jack
 G. Cooke.
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 Rt. Wor. Robert
 C. Eades, Sr. (C.O.W. Division Lecturer).
 (H) 794-3661

 Rt. Wor. Robert
 W. Carpenter, Jr.
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**MASONIC EDUCATION:** 

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**BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM:** 

Wor. Butch Ammon, Jr. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . (C) 307-1488

VBS blood donation number: 1779

MASONIC HOME AMBASSADOR:

Bro. James P. Gregory, III, L.M.H.A.....(H) 741-8123

**FUNERAL**:

All Lodge Officers

LIBRARY & SPECIAL PROJECTS:

**INTERNET & COMMUNICATIONS:** 

Wor. Douglas Messimer, Trestleboard design/content Wor. Barry Faison, printing, mailing, database updates Bro. Ben Smith, Webmaster Extraordinaire

#### **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	
* J. W. Snedden	
* 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	
* 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	
* D. C. Laura	
* R. S. Love	1956
* J. V. Elliott	
	1957

* G. E. Wright, P.D.D.G.M	1959
* W. H. Lovern, P.D.D.G.M	
* W. Y. Roper, Jr, P.D.D.G.M	
* J. H. Shinault	
* G. A. Tuckwiller	1963
* E. F. McCune, Jr	
* R. D. Woolard	
* J. S. Gary, Jr	
* W. J. Haid, Jr, P.D.D.G.M	
* J. G. Clark	1968
X	
E. L. Walker	
* D. Williams	
* E. W. Oakley	
* P. D. Lawrence	
* G. F. Paul	
W. Y. Roper, III, P.D.D.G.M	
* J. N. Culler, P.D.D.G.M	
R. C. Eades, Sr., P.D.D.G.M	
* J. C. Lewit, II	
C. E. Whitley, P.D.D.G.M	
* O. J. Oaks	
D. M. Messimer	
D. A. Powers, III	
* J. McD. Wolf	
R. W. Carpenter, Jr. P.D.D.G.M	
* R. W. Carpenter	
* L. E. Stott	
T. B. Jarrell	
J. L. Woolard	
* W. P. Gilliam, Jr	
G. W. Boswell	
W. A. Edmonds	
B. V. Petrone, Jr	1992

W. M. McClintock	1994
J. L. Mason	1995
* L. A. Jackoway	
* C. H. Hilgenhold	
R. S. Lanier	
* D. G. Thomson	1999
* C. D. Barbour	2000
* R. A. Wright	
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	
B. C. Faison	2009 - 2010
+ S. M. Przybyla	
G.W. Bradford	2012 - 2013
W.Y. Roper, III, P.D.D.G.M	2014
C.S. Ammon, Jr	



## **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, F	P.D.D.G.M	(177) 2004-05
W. R. Heltzel, D	D.D.G.M	(10) 2008
* Deceased	+ Demitted	X Suspended

#### **SIXTY-YEAR MEMBERS**

A.O. Ballinger, C.P. Johnson, 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**

R.F. Westbury, Sr., H.E. Franklin, E.B. Irby, Jr,
P.F. Giles, 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., C.E. Whitley



#### LIFE MEMBERS IN PERPETUITY

\* Deceased

# **Coming Events**

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, 12042 West Broad Street, Richmond

November 14, Blood Drive at Tuckahoe, co-sponsored by No. 347, 302, and 131 November 20, Past Master's Degree 7 PM at the Lodge - Contact Rt. Wor. Rob Eades for details

# Attention, Please!

Applications for the 2015 J. Ned Culler award must be submitted no later than the date of our October stated communication (10/1/15). Applications should be submitted to the Lodge Secretary. Forms are available on line at:

http://tuckahoelodge347.org/lodgeContent/uploads/2014/06/Culler-Award-criteria-forms.pdf

The latest 'Nugget from the Quarry' is now available on the Lodge web site at: http://www.tuckahoelodge347.org/lodgeContent/nuggets\_2015/08%20August%20-%20Masonic%20Stones%20in%20the%20Washington%20Monument.pdf

# **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: <a href="http://www.grandlodgeofvirginia.org">http://www.grandlodgeofvirginia.org</a>
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