



# 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 1,113th STATED COMMUNICATION - **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3rd, 2015**

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

**6:15 P.M.** - Dinner prepared by our Chief Chef Bro. Mike Caro, and served by the Stewards.

The menu includes: beef stew, noodles, salad, beverage and dessert

7:00 P.M. Following dinner, all present are invited into the Lodge room for Tuckahoe's annual Memorial Service and presentation of the 2015 J. Ned Culler Award for Masonic Excellence.

7:30 P.M. Open Master Mason's Lodge - Ballot - Business - Election of Officers for 2016 - Worshipful Master's remarks - Close the Lodge of Sorrow - Close Master Mason's Lodge  
Dress Code: Officers and Members: Coat & tie

### PUBLIC INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2016 - **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**10:00 A.M.** Presentation of Colors - Installation ceremony - Refreshments in the dining hall

Open Master Mason's Lodge - Open the Lodge of Sorrow - Close Master Mason's Lodge

## *Counting the Years*

7 years

Perrella, M.P. 7th

## *Our Circle of Concern*

Please keep the following brethren in your thoughts and prayers: Bro. Chris McCombs, Wor. Ben Petrone, Bro. Zolton Phillips, Bro. Kenny Roach, Bro. David Bass, Bro. David Sims, Bro. Gordon Roach, and Bro. John Gaywood and his wife, Dorothy. Bro. Art Gregory and his wife, Cora, have moved to the Masonic Home.



MW James Edward Litten, our 171st Grand Master



## *A Final Word From the East... Wor. Carter S. 'Butch' Ammon*

Brethren, as we take a moment to reflect on 2015, it has been an honor and a privilege to serve as Worshipful Master of Tuckahoe Lodge. We had a good year, albeit a little slow in membership growth, but we continued to work together harmoniously following the tenants of Freemasonry.

In a quick review, we received the District Deputy Grand Master for 15C, Rt. Wor. Bill Heltzel, at our March Stated Communication. May 2<sup>nd</sup>, we had our first golf outing at Belmont Golf Course. May 30<sup>th</sup>, we visited Fredericksburg #4 to observe Bro. John Lapke's raising to the sublime Degree of Master Mason. At our June Stated Communication, we were treated to a fantastic musical program by Bro. Dick Turochy and his group "Capital Cabaret". July 9<sup>th</sup>, we had a "road trip" down to South Hill #297 and visited their lodge. August and September were deemed Senior Warden's Night and Junior Warden's Night, respectively. At our October Stated Communication, we received the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Reese Carroll, and on October 8<sup>th</sup>, we initiated Bro. Johnny Bolson into the Degrees of Freemasonry. And finally, at our November Stated Communication, we were again treated to a musical program by Bro. Dick Turochy and me, performing individually and together as a singing duet.

I ask you to join us on December 3<sup>rd</sup> for our Stated Communication. Dinner will be served at 6:15pm. Following dinner we all will gather in the Lodge room for our annual memorial service and presentation of the 2015 J. Ned Culler Award. We will then open a Master Mason's Lodge and hear the annual reports from the Trustees, the Auditing Committee, and brief comments reflecting on the 2015 year. The Secretary will review the proceedings of Grand Lodge, and I will close the Lodge of Sorrow as my last official act.

Looking ahead to 2016, our new Officers will be installed in a public ceremony on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Please bring your friends and family, and join with us as we begin a new Masonic year.

My wife Margaret and I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! One final note: A joint Christmas Party with St. John's #36, Richmond Lodge #10, Westhampton #302, and Tuckahoe #347 will be held in Tuckahoe Lodge on the afternoon of Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm until 4:00pm. I will bring a variety of musical instruments to entertain the children by playing assorted Christmas Carols. If you play a musical instrument, feel free to join in! Hope to see you there! Fraternally, Wor. Butch

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

By the time you receive this Bulletin, you should have received your dues notice. Please help your Lodge by fulfilling your monetary obligation. Your dues are due and payable on January 1<sup>st</sup> for Masonic Year 2016. Please note that the dues are \$100. For those members 70 years of age or older, the dues are \$89.

### **Are you a Master Mason?**

"Grant that this candidate for Masonry may dedicate his life....." Where do we hear those words? In the Prayer at the Initiation of a Candidate, of course. You have all heard that prayer. Some of you many times over. Dedicate his life – how? One way mentioned is to become a true and faithful brother among us. Does that prayer accomplish that goal? Absolutely not! When he is raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason, does that accomplish that goal? Absolutely not! He has the title, the rights and the privileges, but he has not yet mastered the set of skills that will make him a Master Mason. He has a way to travel that will be extremely interesting, beset with many challenges, and over a period of years he may perchance meet, again and again, with a gentle awakening light.

Have you been beset by challenges, that over a period of years have provided you with a gentle, awakening light? Freemasonry teaches men to reach their fullest potential, and teaches good men to become better men. The building of that, which will help us to reach that potential, is never finished. Each brother needs to examine how he is helping to build the Fraternity. Please help brethren, Freemasonry can't do it by itself. Freemasonry needs YOU! Freemasonry needs your time, your talents, but most of all you and your family and friends who should be joining with us. A new year approaches, brethren, let's start out with a new outlook, new goals, and new Petitions.

I hope to see everyone at our December Stated Communication on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, and at our Open Installation on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. May you and yours have a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a very Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous New Year!

### ELECTED OFFICERS for 2015

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Rt. Wor. William Y. Roper, III. . . . . Marshal  
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Bro. Richard C. Turochy . . . . . Musician  
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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

### APPOINTED OFFICERS for 2015

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### COMMITTEES

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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:

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#### FUNERAL:

All Lodge Officers

#### LIBRARY & SPECIAL PROJECTS:

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#### BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

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#### INTERNET & COMMUNICATIONS:

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,  
J.C. Wood, M.A. House, J.R. Williams  
R.F. Westbury, Sr.

#### 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  
2015-

#### FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

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

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H.H. Eades, Jr., R.C. Eades, Sr., B.C. Faison  
\*C.L. Farmer, 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,  
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\*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

**Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Dinner served in the Lodge dining hall at **6:15 PM**. Following dinner, all Masons, their families and friends, are invited into the Lodge room for Tuckahoe's annual Memorial Service, and the presentation of the 2015 J. Ned Culler Award for Masonic Excellence to a deserving member of the Craft. The Master Mason's Lodge will open following these public programs.

**Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>**, at **10AM**, the officers for 2016 will be installed in a public ceremony, followed by refreshments in the dining hall.

*'Masonic Education is not just an exercise in scholarship — it's a voyage of personal discovery.'*

*....D.M. Messimer 2007*

### 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 (\$1424 if you are 70 or plder). 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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