



### 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 1,114th STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, JANUARY 7th, 2016**

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

6:30 P.M. - Dinner served by the Stewards. The menu includes: garden salad, VA. Baked ham, green beans almandine, roast red potatoes, and yellow cake. Please note: beginning with the January dinner the *suggested* 'donation' for your meal is \$10 (or, what you feel you can afford).

7:15 P.M. Open Master Mason's Lodge - Business - Presentation of the Lodge budget for 2016 – Educational Nugget - Close Master Mason's Lodge Dress Code: Officers and Members: Coat & tie

# Counting the Years

#### 472 years of Masonic service

Crowder, J.H.	37 <sup>th</sup>	Franklin, H.E.	60 <sup>th</sup>	Strong, N.T.	43 <sup>rd</sup>
Davis, S.P.	5 <sup>th</sup>	Gilmore, J.S., III	33 <sup>rd</sup>	Talbott, J.H.	8 <sup>th</sup>
Evans, J.T.	9 <sup>th</sup>	House, M.A.	<b>61</b> <sup>st</sup>	Todd, J.B.	<b>21</b> <sup>st</sup>
Fagg, R.L., III	58 <sup>th</sup>	Matich, N.T.	34 <sup>th</sup>	Wood, F.S., Jr.	51 <sup>st</sup>
		Smith. S.C.	52 <sup>nd</sup>		

# Our Circle of Concern

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



# From the East... Wor. Thomas W. Voltz, Jr.

Brethren of Tuckahoe Lodge. Welcome to 2016! Thank you for the trust you have put in my ability to run Tuckahoe Lodge for this year. I look forward to, with the assistance of my fine group of officers, guiding the Lodge this year. I hope we will have a busy and productive year.

As a Lodge, we will pursue the Hillman Award for 2016. Our new Jr. Warden, Bro. John Kandris, has consented to take the reins for setting up a family picnic for the lodge in the Spring. Hopefully it will bring many family members and their friends out to enjoy good food and fellowship. Of course, we will also have a special ceremony for the burning of used flags during the Fourth of July week, along with our stated meeting and a traditional meal.

The District Deputy Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Richard E. Robinson, Jr., will be attending our February stated meeting and the Grand Master, Most Worshipful James Edward Litten, will be making an official visit in May. Please note these on your calendar and make every effort to attend. Most Worshipful Litten's theme this year is "Setting a Good Example" which I believe is greatly exemplified by the brethren at Tuckahoe.

As we consider the Brethren of Tuckahoe Lodge, let's remember to get out and about the business of finding those community members who would be good Masons and convince them, by setting a good example, that they would make good members of our lodge. Remember to reach out to our sick and distressed members to see if there is anything at all that can be done for them. Call Brothers that you haven't seen in Lodge in a while. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers; but, also, strive to be a part of their lives in whatever way your life allows. Happy New Year to one and all!

# From the Secretary's Desk... Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr. SOME THOUGHTS ON JANUARY

Have you ever stopped and thought about January? New Year's Day Resolutions, on average the coldest month of the year (in the northern hemisphere), National Thank You Month, Weight Loss Awareness Month, and many others too numerous to mention here.

January is the first month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. January in Latin is named after Janus, the god of beginnings and transitions. The name has its beginnings in Roman mythology, coming from the Latin word for door (ianua) since January is the door to the new year.

What else can be said about January? One thing that comes to mind, is a brand new Masonic Year. A new Worshipful Master. New officers. New ideas. New activities.

Let's examine these last thoughts just a bit and put them all together. It's an amazing, normal progression which takes place every year. A new Masonic year brings a new Worshipful Master, with his new officers, new ideas, and new activities.

What doesn't change every year? The membership of the Lodge is a constant year after year with additions and deletions. Are you ready take on the responsibility of being that constant factor within Tuckahoe Lodge? Are you ready to attend the meetings, participate in the activities, and offer your advice and counsel to the new officers?

I hope to see everyone at our January Stated Communication, ready to show their support for our new Worshipful Master, officers, ideas, and activities. Brethren – Tuckahoe Lodge needs you to participate, now more than at any time in the past. Please make a commitment to be present to offer your assistance and we will see you at our next Stated. (By the way, our Stated on January 7<sup>th</sup> is on Christmas Day. If you don't know how that works, call me.)

\*\*DOES YOUR DUES CARD SAY 2016?\*\*

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Wor. J. Larry Mason
Wor. Barry C. Faison
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VBS blood donation number: 1779
MASONIC HOME AMBASSADOR:
Bro. James P. Gregory, III, L.M.H.A
<u>FUNERAL:</u>
All Lodge Officers
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:
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#### **WORSHIPFUL MASTERS**

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* J.O. Harris	1923-1924
* A. N. Revere	1925
* C. M. Selph	
* P.L. Ruehrmund	
* N. C. Phillips	
* H. J. Perrin	1929
* M. H. Dicks	
* 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	
+ W. A. Rudasill	1939
* T. B. Towill	1940
* R. K. Allen	
* W. S. Brent, P.D.D.G.M	
* F. W. Biesecker	
* J. W. Mullins	
* G. G. Finney	
* J. H. Russell	
* W. R. Perkins	
* J. E. Kirk	
* J. G. Johnson	
* B .O. Baird	
* W. G. MacDonald	
* T. J. Rumley	
* R. D. Stahl	
* G. T. Taylor	
* F. G. Wood	
* R. S. Love	
* J. V. Elliott	
* H. O. Butler	
* 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
$X\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots$	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
W. M. McClintock	1994
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* 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	
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	2015
T.W.Voltz, Jr	2016



#### **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

<sup>\*</sup> 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., H.E. Franklin

#### **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 - C.E. Whitley

#### **FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS**

P.F. Giles, E.B. Irby, 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., C.E. Whitley



#### LIFE MEMBERS IN PERPETUITY

\* Deceased

# **Coming Events**

February 4, Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master for 15-C

February 20, District Leadership Conference at the SRT, 8-11 AM

April 1, The Grand Master's official visit to 15 A, B, & C, 6 PM, at the SRT

April 7, Official visit of Virginia's Grand Master to Tuckahoe Lodge

April 23, Scottish Rite Spring Reunion at the SRT

July 28-31, Reid J. Simmons Academy at the Best Western Inn, Waynesboro

# A message from Wor. Doug Messimer, your L.E.O.

Brethren, after a hiatus of several years, the Worshipful Master has asked me to return to the position of Lodge Education Officer. My plan for 2016 is to prepare a brief educational program for each Stated Communication...brief, as in 'just a few minutes'. I have begun preparing a new series of 12 nuggets called 'The 5 Minute Mason'. Each nugget will be filled with thought provoking topics about 'things we ought to know' to help us in our Masonic journey. The new nuggets will also be available on the Lodge web page.

I encourage each member to go online to the Grand Lodge web page and explore the 'Masonic Education' link. Review the details of the four online correspondence courses offered by the Committee, and commit to completing one or more of the courses on line during 2016. You can register and pay for the course (\$10) online as well.

Mark your calendar now... Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, is the District Leadership Conference at the SRT, 8-11 AM...Officers are expected to be present, and I hope to see you there.

# **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 2016 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 older). The Secretary has all the required 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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