



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 1,116th STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, MARCH 3rd, 2016

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

6:30 P.M. - Dinner prepared and served by the Ladies of Areme Chapter #17 of the Eastern Star. A meal called "Impossible" chicken pot pie, with peas, stewed apples, rolls and dessert. Please note: The suggested donation for dinner is \$10.

7:15 P.M. Open Master Masons Lodge - Business - Ballot - Educational Nugget – A musical program by Bro. Dick Turochy, our Lodge Musician, and Wor. Butch Ammon who will take us on a 'sentimental journey' with musical selections from the 30's to the 50's - Close Master Masons Lodge.

Dress Code: Officers and Members: Coat & tie

Counting the Years

Ammon, C.S., Jr.	6th			Terry, W.S., Jr.	37th
Clifton, R.L.	29th	Lanier, M.S., II	43rd	Watts, D.F.	10th
Cooke, J.G.	29th	Mustian, W.T.	14th	Webb, W.T.	6th
Elicerio, J.P.J.M.	11th	Stone, J.S.	52nd	Wegman, J.B.	32nd
Fadool, J.E.	40th	Strauss, R.E.	57th	Wetzel, E.C.	8th
Farmer, G.J., III	34th			Wood, A.E.	53rd

Brother Coleman Drummond Figg

EA: 11/10/1967 FC: 2/9/1968 MM: 3/22/1968 Entered the Celestial Lodge: 2/15/2016

A 47 year member of the Craft

Our Circle of Concern

Please keep the following brethren in your thoughts and prayers: Bro. Chris McCombs, Bro. Zolton Phillips, Bro. Kenny Roach, Bro. David Bass, Bro. David Sims, Bro. Gordon Roach, Bro. Jason Richardson's Mother-in-law, and Bro. John Gaywood and his wife, Dorothy.

Please Note...

The Lodge phone number has changed. We have discontinued Verizon service (saving the Lodge about \$780 a year) and are now using a web based phone service (804-234-4115). Voice mail is available, and will be monitored regularly.

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

The Lodge is starting to get busy. This month we will start our visitations to other Lodges to work towards earning the James Noah Hillman Award. In this endeavor I will need to ask many of you to contribute in various ways. Visiting other Lodges will be one of the easier contributions you are able to make. Throughout the years that I've been a member of Tuckahoe, visiting other Lodges has provided me with many pleasurable moments. I was able to observe how they conducted their stated meetings, meet Brothers, both new and old acquaintances, and have a fine meal or two. I hope you will join me and the other officers in these visits. This month we will have another fine performance of music courtesy of Brother Dick Turochy and Wor. Butch Ammon, Wor. Doug Messimer will again present a fine "Nugget" for our continuing Masonic education, and a talk by Wor. Butch Ammon on the Blood Drive Program. Plus, we will have the second reading of a petition for the degrees, and the accompanying ballot. Also, as a reminder, the Grand Master will be making his official visit at April's stated meeting.

I also want to encourage everyone to make plans to attend our Thursday night classes. Not only do we review the catechisms and practice some floor work while having plenty of laughs, we nurture the feelings of brotherhood and, through our personal interactions, reaffirm that timeless message of Masonry: 'Behold how good and pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity'.

As an added bonus, we have confirmation that the ladies from the Eastern Star will once again be providing a terrific meal for us!!

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

Continuing with this year's theme of relating the months of 2016 to Masonry, we come upon the month of March. The name of March comes from the Latin Martius, the first month of the earliest Roman calendar. It was named for Mars, the Roman god of war, who was also regarded as a guardian of agriculture. It is one of seven months that are 31 days long. In the northern hemisphere, March 1st is the first day of meteorological spring. The March equinox, which marks the astronomical beginning of spring in the northern hemisphere, occurs this year on March 20th.

Easter this year falls on March 27th and is one of the moveable feasts. By moveable we mean that Easter can fall anywhere between March 22nd and April 25th. How does that work? It's really very simple. Easter is the Sunday following the full moon which falls on or after the previously mentioned equinox. If you check this year's calendar, the equinox being on March 20th and the full moon occurring on March 23rd, means that the following Sunday, or March 27th, is Easter.

So how does March relate to or have anything to do with Masonry? As was noted, Mars, for which March was named, was also the guardian of agriculture. Each and every one of us needs to be constantly aware of those good men around us who are not Masons. We each need to be actively involved in the agriculture of growing new Master Masons. March is a wonderful time to start bringing in those Petitions that will help to keep Tuckahoe Lodge from dying on the vine. Brethren, we need new members and the only way to cultivate those Petitions, is for you to get out ask your friends, neighbors, and family who are not Masons, "Why haven't you ever joined a Masonic Lodge?" Maybe those seeds will grow and the agriculture of March will bring a much needed crop for Tuckahoe Lodge.

Every Mason should be going out in the world, "Setting A Good Example".

DOES YOUR DUES CARD SAY 2016?

If your dues card does not say 2016, your name appears on my list of those members who have not paid their dues and are now delinquent. Dues are due and payable on January 1st of each year, and we now have 10 members of Tuckahoe Lodge who have not paid their 2015 dues and will be subject to suspension. Please help your Lodge meet its financial obligations by fulfilling your obligation.

ELECTED OFFICERS for 2016

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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
W. M. McClintock	1994
J. L. Mason	1995

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BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM:

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MASONIC HOME AMBASSADOR:

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FUNERAL:

All Lodge Officers

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Wor. Barry C. Faison, printing, mailing, database updates	
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* 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
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, P.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.,
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

*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.H. Crowder, *J.N. Culler,
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,
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

March 2, 17, 24 and 31, Ritual Class at the Lodge, 7 PM
March 10, Visitation to Metropolitan Lodge #11, Dinner 6 PM at the SRT
March 16, DEO/DIW School of Instruction, (EA) 6PM at the SRT
April 1, Grand Master's Official Visit to Districts 15-A, B & C, 6 PM, at the SRT
April 7, Official visit of Virginia's Grand Master to Tuckahoe Lodge
April 20, DEO/DIW School of Instruction, (FC) 6 PM, at the SRT
April 23, Scottish Rite Spring Reunion at the SRT
May 18, DEO/DIW School of Instruction, (MM 1st Section) 6 PM, at the SRT
June 5, Memorial Service, 3PM, at the MAHOVA Chapel
June 15, DEO/DIW School of Instruction, (MM 2nd section) 6 PM, at the SRT
July 20-23, Robert Lewis Gibbs Masonic Ritual School, at the SRT
July 28-31, Reid J. Simmons Academy at the Best Western Inn, Waynesboro
November 9-12, Grand Annual Communication, Hilton Hotel, Short Pump

If you have accumulated books of interest to Masons over the years, consider donating them to the lodge library when you're finished with them. We have multiple copies of some titles including major historical sets and encyclopedias. Masonic philosophy, spiritual growth, science, the liberal arts, history, and fiction – are all desired. Log on to the Tuckahoe web site for the current library inventory.

<http://tuckahoelodge347.org/lodgeContent/uploads/2013/07/library-masterlist-12-15.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 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 804-234-4115, 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).
- * Westhampton Chapter DeMolay, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays each month, 7:30 P.M., at Westhampton Masonic Temple
 - * Bethel 53 Job's Daughters, 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month, 7:30 P.M., at Westhampton Masonic Temple
- * Richmond Assembly #10 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:30 PM at the SRT
 - * For other upcoming events visit the Grand Lodge website at: <http://www.grandlodgeofvirginia.org>