

*Masonic Education is
a lifetime journey*

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 Communications 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 1,117th STATED COMMUNICATION - **THURSDAY, APRIL 7th, 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 of the Eastern Star.

Roast Pork tenderloin with dressing, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, and apple crisp with ice cream. Please note: suggested donation for dinner is \$10.

7:15 P.M. Open Master Masons Lodge - Business – Nominations for DDGM and Alternate for 2018 - Educational Nugget #81 - Official visit of Mt. Wor. James Litten, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia - Close Master Masons Lodge.

Dress Code: Officers: **Tuxedos**

Members: **Business attire**

CALLED COMMUNICATION - **THURSDAY, APRIL 14th, 2016**

7:00 P.M. Work expected in the Fellowcraft Degree.

Dress code: Officers and Members: **Business attire**

CALLED COMMUNICATION - **THURSDAY, APRIL 21st, 2016**

7:00 P.M. Work expected in the Master Masons Degree.

Dress code: Officers and Members: **Business attire**

Counting the Years

(320 Years of Masonic Service)

Bates, G.G.	21st	Kandris, J.N., Jr.	3rd	Nuckols, C.W., III	16th
Davis, R.G.	11th	Keeton, R.R.	25th	Proffitt, F.E.	55th
Hughes, E.R.	47th	Major, H.E., Jr.	12th	Walker, E.L.	50th
Josey, G.L.	40th			Woolard, J.L.	40th

Our Circle of Concern

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

Brother Willian Snider Ferguson

EA: 6/11/1956 FC: 10/15/1956 MM: 11/26/1956 Entered the Celestial Lodge: 3/19/2016

Raised in Boykins Lodge No. 287, and affiliated with Tuckahoe in 2000.

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

Brethren, We are welcoming the Most Worshipful Grand Master and his officers this month. It's a great honor to have them all here and I hope the Lodge will provide a good showing of members and guests. If you can include your lady at dinner, please do so. Dinners are a little more "festive" now with the ladies' touch of the Areme Chapter Eastern Star providing our meals.

We had a great showing at Metropolitan Lodge #11 in March. At least nine of us were there to see Rt. Worshipful Stuart Cooke receive his fifty year pin, hear a great talk on the ladies of the Civil War and it's aftermath, and enjoy some terrific fellowship. The place was packed!

The lodge is continuing to reach for the Hillman Award and we have a new candidate for the degrees. Bro. David Edward Dubois was elected to receive the degrees at the March stated meeting and under went the EA Degree on the 24th of March. We look forward to Bro. Dubois becoming an active member of Tuckahoe and I thank all those Brethren who participated in the EA Degree to get him started.

Don't forget to check the Trestle Board's list of up coming events and keep in touch with your Brothers!

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

April. Wow, the Masonic year is almost half over. December, January, February, March, and now April. But – just what is April besides the 4th month of the Gregorian and Julian calendars? Its name is derived from the Latin word *aperit*, which means to open. April is considered to be the "opening" of the growing season. This is when everything gets blanketed with pollen every year. It is also believed that April is named after the Greek goddess, Aphrodite. It is one of four months with only 30 days. By the way, are any of the four consecutive? April starts on the same day of the week as July and ends on the same day of the week as December in common years. In leap years (such as this year) it starts on the same day of the week as January, while December remains the same.

Think about the fact that April is considered to be the "opening" of the growing season. Masonry is all about "opening". Opening its doors to Masons from all over the world. Opening its doors to the Petitioner seeking "light". Opening its doors to those in need of the services provided by its clinics and hospitals. Have you offered to open the door of Tuckahoe Lodge to a sojourning Mason, a Petitioner for the Degrees, or a child in need of assistance?

Brethren, I cannot stress enough the need to open your hearts, minds, and souls to those men who should be Masons, and are not. We must dedicate ourselves to helping Tuckahoe Lodge and Masonry within the Commonwealth of Virginia. You must seek out those men that are the future of Freemasonry. April is the beginning of our "growing season". It's the season to grow Masonry in Tuckahoe Lodge and in Virginia. Plant your seeds now and bring in the Petitions that will sprout from your efforts.

DOES YOUR DUES CARD SAY 2016?

Come out this month and greet our Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, MW James Edward Litten, as he makes an official visit to Tuckahoe Lodge. Remember -----

EVERY MASON SHOULD BE "SETTING A GOOD EXAMPLE".

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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* 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, E.L. Walker



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

April 7, Official visit of Virginia's Grand Master to Tuckahoe Lodge
April 14, Work expected in the Fellowcraft Degree, 7PM
April 20, DEO/DIW School of Instruction (FC) 6 PM, at the SRT
April 21, Work expected in the Master Masons Degree, 7PM
April 23, Scottish Rite Spring Reunion at the SRT
April 30, Bar-B-Que 'Lunch at the Lodge', 11AM till 3PM - the Jr. Warden has details
May 7, 2nd Annual Tuckahoe Golf Outing at Sycamore Creek - see Wor. Butch Ammon
May 18, DEO/DIW School of Instruction (MM 1st Section) 6 PM, at the SRT
June 5, Memorial Service, 3 PM, at the MAHOVA Chapel
June 15, DEO/DIW School of Instruction (MM 2nd section) 6 PM, at the SRT
July 14, LEO Educational Presentation at Metropolitan Lodge #11, 7PM
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
September 30, Family Fish Fry & More, 4-7 PM at the Pavilion...details soon !
October 8, Family day at the Masonic Home
October 15, Scottish Rite Fall Reunion at the SRT
November 9-12, Grand Annual Communication, Hilton Hotel, Short Pump

As Master Masons we practice the tenets of Freemasonry. While we may be totally unaware of other people in our surroundings, and we may not observe how other people react to our devotion to the Supreme Architect and to our Brothers, their widows and orphans, our actions are indeed delivering a message. We are conducting a true and faithful brotherhood by what we say, what we do, and how we treat our neighbors.

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>