



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 1,122nd STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st, 2016

6:30 P.M. - Dinner prepared and served by the Ladies of Areme Chapter of the Eastern Star. The menu includes: Pulled Chicken Barbecue, Mixed vegetables, Scalloped potatoes, Rolls, Congealed salad, Fresh fruit and cookies. Suggested donation for dinner is \$10.

7:15 P.M. - Open Master Masons Lodge – Ballot - Business - Educational Nugget # 86 - Close Master Masons Lodge.

Dress Code: Officers and Members – Summer Casual – Slacks & collared shirt (no shorts)

CALLED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th, 2016

7:00 P.M. Work expected in the Entered Apprentice Degree.

Dress code: Officers and Members: Coat & Tie

Counting the Years

380 Years of Masonic Service

Clevinger, H.C.	44 th	Elicerio, J.M.	31 st	McClure, R.D.	27 th
Collins, R.L.	44 th	Gates, C.H., III	17 th	McGavic, R.L.	24 th
Eades, H.H., Jr.	53 rd	Irby, E.B. Jr.	60 th	Mendenhall, S.R.	6 th
		Lanier, R.S.	23 rd	Whitley, C.E.	51 st

Our Circle of Concern

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers: Bro. Gary Josey, Wor. Barry Faison, Wor. Shirley Tuck, Bro. Hugh Major, Bro. Leon Story, Jr., Bro. David Sims and his wife Mary Lou, Bro. Chris McCombs, Bro. Zolton Phillips, Bro. David Bass, Bro. Gordan Roach, Bro. Earl Watson, Bro. Johnny Bolson's son, Dawson, Bro. Jason Richardson's son Jase, Bro. John Gaywood and his wife, Dorothy, and Bro. Richard Collins and his wife, Marilyn.

Rt. Wor. William Young Roper, III

EA: 11/14/1969 FC: 11/21/1969 MM: 11/28/1969 Entered the Celestial Lodge 8/25/2016

Served as WM 1975 and 2014, and WM in No.297 in 2006, DDGM for 15-C in 1983

From the East... Wor. Tom Voltz

Happy September! I, for one, am looking forward to cooler temperatures and the fall colors that will be fast approaching. Masonically, it has already been a good year for Tuckahoe Lodge. We have made four visits to other lodges (three, in which Wor. Bro. Doug Messimer received due recognition for his delivery of a Masonic "Nugget") raised two new Master Masons, with two more in the works, had a great barbeque picnic for family and friends, had a wonderful turnout for the 4th of July Tuckahoe picnic and flag retirement ceremony, heard our Sr. Deacon, Bro. Mike Caro, deliver the Sr. Deacon's walking lecture for the Fellow Craft Degree for the first time, and enjoyed many Thursday night classes with great fellowship and learning.

Now we want to finish 2016 strong! Past Master's night is in October. Thursday classes will continue and, as previously mentioned, we will have some called communications to bring in new members. So, if you have any ideas, let me know. If you know someone who deserves to be a Mason, let's get him started. If you think you can put aside about an hour and a half on a few Thursday nights, come to the lodge and enjoy the class fellowship and learning. If you think it is the right time to make a deeper commitment and "get in line", let me know. If you have a lodge that you have always wanted to visit or where a friend of yours attends and you want to make a visit, let's put it on the calendar.

In the meantime, come to dinner at 6:30 on September 1st (Heck, come before 6:30 and, enjoy the fellowship for a longer period of time) and then stay for the meeting. Wor. Bro. Butch Ammon will be sitting in the East as a favor to me. I look forward to seeing *you* at the meeting.

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



September heralds the opening of our schools for another year of study and thought provoking instruction. Please watch out for our school children as you are driving around the area.

We are also looking at the ninth month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. Gee, time really flies when you are having fun. Our officers are looking forward to the completion of another Masonic Year. September, however, is one of four months with a length of 30 days, none of which are consecutive. September 1st is the start of meteorological autumn (or fall as many of us call it). This was originally the 7th month of the year in the Roman calendar when there were only ten months in a year. Some of the more well-known observances in September include: Labor Day (this year on the 5th), National Chicken Month, National Prostate Health Month, National Potato Month, the 75th Anniversary of the completion of Mt. Rushmore by our Masonic brother – Gutzon Borglum, and of course a remembrance of the 15th anniversary of 9/11.

On a different note – have you ever thought about the fact that God and Geometry begin with the same letter? What can we say about the letter 'G'? It is the initial of the Ineffable Name, certainly. Also, that of one of the noblest of sciences. But, why is it a secret? In many Masonic publications, the significance of the letter 'G' is represented only by stars. Of course, the ritual is secret, but the meaning of the letter 'G' should be the most gloriously public letter as it pertains to Freemasonry. If you take God out of Freemasonry, there is literally nothing left – a pricked balloon, an empty vessel, or a bubble which has burst. You can no more keep secret the idea that God is the very heart and soul of Freemasonry, than that He is the essence of all life. Spread the word of God while you spread the meaning of Masonry. Help your Lodge by bringing in new members who will be the life blood of the future of Tuckahoe Lodge.

I'll end with a question. Mentioned above is Mt. Rushmore. Four presidents are carved in the stone. Were any of them Masons? And if so, which ones?

As a final – 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 2016 dues. Tuckahoe Lodge relies upon your support to exist. Our records reveal that 26 of our brethren have not paid this year's dues. Have you?

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

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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, E.B. Irby, Jr

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

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,
R.C. Turochy



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

October 8, Family day at the Masonic Home

October 15, Scottish Rite Fall Reunion at the SRT in memory of Wor. Russel Alton Wright

October 29, Blood Drive at Tuckahoe, 8:30 Am till 12:30 PM

November 9-12, Grand Annual Communication, Hilton Hotel, Short Pump



Brethren, by a vote of the Lodge in August, the ladies of Areme Chapter No. 17, OES, have been offered a home here in Tuckahoe Lodge. They will consider our offer at their September stated meeting. If they accept our invitation the Chapter will begin holding their meetings in our facility in October, and would hold a rehearsal on the third Sunday afternoon of each month and their Stated Meeting on the evening of the third Monday of the month (except July & August).

Attention, Please!

Applications for the 2016 J. Ned Culler award must be submitted to the Lodge Secretary no later than the date of our October stated communication (10/6/16). Forms are available on line at:

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

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