

1923 - 2020



Tuckahoe Lodge 347

A.F. & A.M.



Chartered February 14, 1923, by the Grand Lodge of Virginia. District 15-A

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*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. 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 any of our communications. Brethren, take due notice thereof.

The Craft at Labor

OUR 1,167th STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, March 5th, 2020

- 6:15 P.M. Dinner by the Ladies of Areme Chapter of the Eastern Star. The menu includes: Bar-B-Que, mac & cheese, green beans, cornbread, cake and ice cream.....\$8 donation. Following dinner a Youth program presented by Bethel 53 of Job's Daughters, in the Lodge room.
- 7:15 P.M. Open Master Mason's Lodge - Business – Educational Program -Ballot - Official visit of the District Deputy - Close Master Mason's Lodge.
Dress Code: Officers: Tuxedo
Members: Coat & tie.

CALLED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, March 12th, 2020

- 7:00 P.M. Work expected in the Entered Apprentice Degree.
Dress Code: Officers and Members: Coat & tie

Counting the Years

(621 years of Masonic Service)

Ammon, C.S., Jr.	10 th	Farmer, G.J., III	38 th	Stone, J.S.	56 th
Clark, J.W.	53 rd	Feineis, R.S.	2 nd	Strauss, R.E.	61 st
Clifton, R.L.	33 rd	Irby, E.B., Jr.	64 th	Terry, W.S., Jr.	41 st
Cooke, J.G.	33 rd	Lanier, M.S., II	47 th	Webb, W.T.	10 th
Elicerio, J.P.J.M.	15 th	Leonard, T.P., Jr.	3 rd	Wegman, J.B.	36 th
Fadool, J.E.	44 th	Mustian, W.T.	18 th	Wood, A.E.	57 th

Our Circle of Concern

Please remember the following in your thoughts and prayers: Bro. Ed Wood, Bro. Kenny Roach, Rt. Wor. Clarence Whitley and Mary, Bro. Steve Stankiewicz, Wor. Gray Bradford, Bro. Walter Brooking, Rt. Wor. James Crowder, Bro. Dan Sarate, Bro. David Sims and Mary Lou, Bro. John Gaywood, and Bro. Jack Reid. Please notify the Jr. Warden, or any line Officer, if you are ill or indisposed.

From the East...Wor. James P. Gregory, III

Greetings brethren! I hope everyone is having a great year thus far! Tuckahoe is certainly off to a great start this year as we, as a lodge have been very active in our weekly classes, attending Masters and Wardens, visiting other lodges and active in our community. Just recently we participated in contributing 8 bikes for the year from our lodge to our neighboring Johnson Elementary school. 2 of the bikes will be provided to a very deserving young boy or girl who demonstrates outstanding responsibility each quarter. Not only were the children elated and beyond excited to receive such a great reward, our lodge was given a huge shout out and thankyou from the entire student body! I am very pleased that we have supported and will continue to support our Masonic youth and have them visit Tuckahoe. As our lodge visits other lodges in our district and beyond, I would like to invite ALL members to join our lodge officers at these meetings. We need to get out there and show our support as we always have and take pride in being Tuckahoe Lodge members and most importantly, Masons.

This stated communication, I am excited to have the Job's Daughters join us and present a program immediately after dinner and before we open the lodge to receive Right Worshipful William Bryan Wichelman, Sr. our District Deputy Grand Master of Masonic District 15A. Please come out and join us for his official visit to Tuckahoe Lodge. I would like to see a large turnout for this occasion. See you soon!

A Tidbit from the Secretary's Pot of Golden Thoughts *Rt. Wor. Bob Carpenter*



MASONIC SYMBOLISM IN OUR DEGREES

Guess what? It's already March and the year is $\frac{1}{4}$ gone. I want to talk briefly about the Masonic symbolism in our degrees. **BUT FIRST! LOOK UP!** That pot of gold is still hanging around. The leprechauns have not gotten it yet. It is there for the taking, brethren. All we need from you are completed Petitions for the Degrees. You can thereby lay claim to a portion of the pot of gold as you witness the creation of a new brother in Tuckahoe Lodge. Ask me how you can ask that friend of yours. But now, on to the symbolism.

In the Entered Apprentice's Degree, we are symbolically born out of darkness into the light of moral truth and duty, out of a merely physical into a spiritual world. Symbolically, we enter into a new environment, as the child does at birth, with a new body of motive and law, taking vows to live by the highest standard of values.

In the Fellowcraft Degree, it is presumed that we are entering on an advanced stage of life, where we are face to face with serious labors and struggles, and the dominant note of the Degree is self-improvement. Its symbolism teaches us that virtue is always to be our primary consideration, and that no knowledge or success purchased at the sacrifice of morals, honor or integrity, is of abiding value.

In the Master Mason's Degree, we are symbolically brought into the presence of the Deity. It is the Holy of Holies, the most Sublime Degree in Masonry. The allusions of this Degree are not only to the inner chamber of King Solomon's Temple, but to the inner chamber of each Brother's life, calling upon him to make it a fit dwelling place for the Deity.

This brethren, is the start of a series on our symbolism, leaving no doubt that Freemasonry rests on God, lives in God, and that it can be made a powerful influence in leading Brethren both in thought and attitude towards God.

My thanks to Brother, The Rev. Joseph Johnson for his contributions to this and the following articles in this series

DOES YOUR DUES CARD SAY 2020?

If your dues card does not say 2020, your name appears on my list of those members who have not paid their dues and are no longer current. Dues are due and payable by January 1st of each year, and we now have several members of Tuckahoe Lodge who have not paid their 2019 dues and will be subject to suspension later this year. Please, ...Please, ...PLEASE help your Lodge meet its financial obligations by fulfilling your obligation.

ELECTED OFFICERS for 2020

- Wor. James P. Gregory, III (Jemma) Worshipful Master (H) 741-8123 (C) 814-3769 (E) jamesgregory3@msn.com
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WORSHIPFUL MASTERS

- * J.O. Harris1923-1924
- * 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

COMMITTEES

TRUSTEES:

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BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM:

- Wor. Butch Ammon, Jr., District 15-A Blood Coordinator. . (C) 307-1488
- Red Cross Blood Donation # 1779

MASONIC HOME AMBASSADOR:

- Bro. James P. Gregory, III, L.M.H.A (H) 741-8123

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CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION -2023:

- Wor. Barry Faison, Bro. Jonathan Lumpkin (co-chairs). All Line Officers, and other Brethren appointed at the will and pleasure of the Worshipful Master.

FUNERAL:

- All Lodge Officers



* Deceased + Demitted X Suspended

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
2016 - *W.Y. Roper, III
2017 - G.W. Boswell
2018 - H.H. Eades, Jr.
2019 - B.C Faison

SIXTY-YEAR MEMBERS

C.P. Johnson, J.C. Wood, M.A. House,
R.F. Westbury, Sr., H.E. Franklin,
E.B. Irby, Jr., R.E. Strauss

FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

K.E. Martin, F.G. Martin, III, A.E. Wood,
H.H. Eades, 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,
J.H. Frye, W.J. Townsend, R.H. Word, W.G Lee,
J.W. Clark, J.R. Grove, E.R. Hughes

ASSOCIATE PAST MASTERS

F. G. Martin, III, P.G.M. (344) 1989
J. R. Quinley, P.G.M. (211) 1990
J. H. Crowder, P.D.D.G.M. (177) 2004-05
W. R. Heltzel, P.D.D.G.M (10) 2008

51 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.,
R.W. Carpenter, III, *W.R. Cosby, J.H. Crowder,
*J.N. Culler, D.E. Dubois, H.H. Eades, Jr.,
R.C. Eades, Sr., B.C. Faison, J.A. Fanning,
*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.,
J.M. Lumpkin, *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, B.K. Smith,
*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. Wrightt
* Deceased

Coming Events

- March 12, Work expected in the Entered Apprentice Degree, 7 PM
- March 18, DEO/DIW School, 6 PM at the SRT
- April 15, DEO/DIW School, 6 PM at the SRT
- April 25, Richmond Scottish Rite 1-day Spring Reunion
- May 7, Grand Master's official visit to Tuckahoe Lodge
- May 20, DEO/DIW School, 6 PM at the SRT
- June 7, District 15-A & B Memorial Service, 3PM at MAHOVA
- June 17, DEO/DIW School, 6 PM at the SRT
- July 15-18, R. Lewis Gibbs School, 6 PM at the SRT
- August 14-15, Reid Simmons Academy, SRT in Roanoke
- September 26, Official visit of the Grand Master to Districts 15-A & B (TBD)
- October 10, MAHOVA Family Day
- October 16-17, Richmond Scottish Rite 2-day Fall Reunion
- November 4-8, Grand Annual Communication at the Hilton Hotel, Glen Allen



The Handshake is one of the most powerful gestures between people. In business it symbolizes closure, affirmation and a contract. It also symbolizes warmth, friendship, trust, and honor. Members of the Masonic fraternity have stretched forth their hands to all men, using the handshake as an act of brotherly love, relief, truth and a general concern for others. The purpose of Freemasonry is quite simple; to strengthen character, promote respect for others and to help those in need.

Matters of Interest

- * Report any change of residence or e-mail address promptly to the Lodge Secretary.
- * Annual Lodge dues for 2020 are \$120, (\$107 if you are age 70 or older) and were due January 1st.
- * Life Membership is available at 25 times our annual dues (\$3,000) see the Secretary for details.
 - * The Lodge Telephone Number is 804-234-4115, only voice mail is available.
- * Tuckahoe Masonic Class meets Thursday's at 7:00 P.M. (Wednesday, if degree work is scheduled for Thursday).
- * Lewis Gibbs Memorial Class meets Saturday, 9:00 AM at the SRT (except 3rd Saturday, and in December).
 - * Masters and Wardens meets 3rd Saturday, 8:00 AM at SRT (except December).
 - * Richmond Lodge No. 10 meets 1st Tuesday, 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe.
 - * Areme Chapter No. 17, OES meets 3rd Monday, 7:30 PM at Tuckahoe (except July & August).
- * Westhampton Chapter DeMolay, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays each month, 7:30 PM at Westhampton Masonic Temple.
 - * Bethel 53 Job's Daughters, 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month, 7:00 PM at Westhampton Masonic Temple.
 - * Richmond Assembly #10 International Order of 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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