

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 1,170th STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2020**

**ATTENTION, Brethren.** No meals or refreshments will be served before or after Lodge meetings for the foreseeable future, by order of the Grand Master.

7:15 P.M. Junior Warden's Night, Bro. Jon M. Lumpkin, presiding - Open Master Mason's Lodge - Business - Vote on recommendation for DDGM and alternate for 2023 - Speaker: Wor. Paul Rinko - Close Master Mason's Lodge

**Dress Code for Officers and members for September and October:** Casual slacks, and collared or Tuckahoe shirt. By order of the Worshipful Master, all Masons must wear a facial covering at all times while in the Lodge building, practice social distancing, and hand washing protocol as necessary.

### *Counting the Years*

325 Years of Masonic Service

Clevinger, H.C.	48 <sup>th</sup>	Gates, C.H., III	21 <sup>st</sup>	McGavic, R.L.	28 <sup>th</sup>
Collins, R.L.	48 <sup>th</sup>	Lanier, R.S.	27 <sup>th</sup>	Mendenhall, S.R.	10 <sup>th</sup>
Eades, H.H., Jr.	57 <sup>th</sup>	McClure, R.D.	31 <sup>st</sup>	Whitley, C.E.	55 <sup>th</sup>

### *Our Circle of Concern*

Please remember the following in your thoughts and prayers: Bro. Jerry Fanning, Wor. Mike Caro, Bro. Bruce Bullington, Bro. Kenny Roach, Rt. Wor. Clarence Whitley and Mary, Bro. Steve Stankiewicz, Wor. Gray Bradford, Bro. Walter Brooking, Bro. Dan Sarate, Bro. David Sims and Mary Lou, and Bro. Jack Reid.

Contact the Junior Warden, or any Officer, if you are in need of assistance.

### *Called to the Celestial Lodge*

#### **Brother Alfred Edwin Wood**

EA: January 11, 1963 FC: February 15, 1963 MM: March 22, 1963. All degrees received in Tuckahoe Lodge.

Entered the Celestial Lodge on August 2, 2020. Bro. Ed was a 57 year member of the Craft.

*From the West...Bro. Jon M. Lumpkin, Junior Warden*

As the summer starts to come to a close, we prepare to watch our environment change into the fall. Each season brings regular change we are used to. The ebbs and flows of the environment as we journey around the sun.

I think about all the changes we have seen this year. This pandemic has changed our everyday lives. Things that seemed so important at work or in life suddenly went away as we navigated how to keep our loved ones safe. We are also having strong conversations on equal rights for all. One line I keep coming back to during these times has been "Every human being has a claim upon your kind offices. Do good unto all".

Freemasonry looks a lot different these days. Changes to our rituals that we spend significant time learning to improve ourselves with, the lack of meals shared around a table, to our distancing and masks. Also, the many opportunities we have met in different ways, virtually.

Change is natural. For a fraternity that is rooted in its history, it's honestly one of the things we all use to continuously change ourselves - to become better fathers, sons, husbands, men.

After months apart, going back to lodge to me seemed so unnatural. But that all quickly changed as we saw each other's smiling eyes (since we couldn't see faces), and I remembered why I love this fraternity.

I also thought about what's next, a question I see a lot at work and in life. One thing I think about is the real life connections we have all made with each other at Lodge, and how to share that with others. I think about how many of us have lived through change, and always strive for something more. As we can start meeting more often and in larger numbers, we are going to have an opportunity to continue to grow our lodge, which in of itself brings growth and change. I feel that many great men are out there that are looking for that new connection or something more real, especially as we have been 'locked down' during these times. Reach out to those good men, and show them what Freemasonry looks like in action. We can help that man improve himself, as I am sure he can bring something to help us improve ourselves as well.

I wish you and yours a happy and healthy time. I am very excited this month for my first time ever in the East, and excited to see our Lodge lit up again.

**FROM THE SECRETARY'S DEPTH OF HIS BRAIN CELLS**

**RW Bob Carpenter**



Most of us can recite the 'Lord's Prayer' or the 'Pledge of Allegiance', although some of us may need a little help from time to time. Yet, I found it easy to memorize ritual spoken during a Stated Meeting. I guess we all can remember our ABC's. Then there are other things like our social security number, names of our family members or the 'National Anthem'.

More and more Lodges, and many appendant bodies of Freemasonry are finding it increasingly more difficult to confer the work. The human brain is a marvelous device. We all need to put it to better use lest we lose the ability to memorize our ritual.

We have all seen officers in our Lodge dependent upon the whispered prompts of well-meaning brethren. However, the problem arises when two well-meaning brethren whisper the different prompts for the same words. This should never occur. One brother should be designated to make all assists necessary.

As our membership increases in age, various brain slips are bound to occur. Diseases such as strokes, Alzheimer's, dementia, multiple sclerosis, or even Parkinson's can strip our brethren of their mental sharpness.

We should strive to do ritual by smooth memorization as much as possible. However, we must remember that there is room for all members to improve themselves in Masonry and still cultivate brotherhood. Let us all continue to work on our memorization and encourage our members to attend, even if they have suffered some loss of mental sharpness.

Our records reveal that 18 of our brethren have not paid this year's dues. Have you?

**ELECTED OFFICERS for 2020-21**

Wor. James P. Gregory, III (Jemma) ..... Worshipful Master  
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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

**COMMITTEES**

**TRUSTEES:**  
 Wor. G. Wayne Boswell ..... (H) 740-7608  
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**MASONIC RITUAL:**  
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**BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM:**  
 Wor. Butch Ammon, Jr., District A Blood Coordinator.... (C) 307-1488  
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**MASONIC HOME AMBASSADOR:**  
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 Bro. Ben K. Smith, WebMason (E) bsmith@tuckahoeLodge347.org  
 Wor. Douglas M. Messimer, Trestleboard design/content  
 Wor. Barry C. Faison, printing, mailing, database updates  
 Bro. Jonathan M. Lumpkin, social media

**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

\* 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 ..... 2016-2017  
 R. L. Crouch, Jr..... 2018  
 M. J. Caro..... 2019  
 J. P. Gregory, III ..... 2020-2021



\* 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,  
H.H. Eades, Jr., S.C. Smith, 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, W.A. Cauthorn

**ASSOCIATE PAST MASTERS**

F. G. Martin, III, P.G.M. . . . . . (344) 1989  
J. R. Quinley, P.G.M. . . . . . (211) 1990  
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***

**October 3**, One day conferral at the SRT.

**October 17**, Richmond Scottish Rite Fall Reunion.

**November 7**, The Grand Annual Communication will be shortened to a half-day session, with limited attendance, at the Hilton Hotel.

Because of the disruption of Masonic activities due to Covid-19, the current line officers of the Grand Lodge of Virginia have decided to continue in their present positions through 2021. The officers of Tuckahoe Lodge have voted to do the same. Current Lodge officers and committee assignments will continue in force through the year 2021. Therefore, there will be no election and installation of officers in December of this year.



Meriwether Lewis' Masonic Apron.

***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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 Washington & Henry Lodge.
- \* 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>