

**1923 -2021** 98 Years of Masonic Service



# 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 1,178th STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, MAY 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**ATTENTION, Brethren.** No meals or refreshments will be served before or after Lodge Meetings. All Masons must wear a facial covering at all times while in the Lodge building, practice social distancing, and hand washing protocol as necessary. By order of the Grand Master, attendance at Communications of Tuckahoe Lodge is limited to fifty (50) members.

**Dress Code for May: Coat & tie for officers and members.**

7:15 P.M. Open Master Mason's Lodge - Business - Educational Program - Close Master Mason's Lodge.

## *Counting the Years*

(494 years of Masonic Service)

Conrad, S.A.	43rd	Heltzel, W.R.	18th	Powers, D.A., III	43rd
Eades, R.C., Jr.	18th	Lapke, J.J., Jr.	6th	Smith, D.F.	15th
Ferraro, V.C.	2nd	Lee, W.G.	53rd	Speight, P.L.	9th
Gregory, J.P., III	8th	Linscott, M.A.	7th	Stankiewicz, S.V.	4th
Hartman, W.T.	49th	Martin, F.G., III	59th	Townsend, W.J.	54th
		Martin, K.E.	59th	Wray, N.E., Jr.	47th

## *Our Circle of Concern*

Please remember the following in your thoughts and prayers: Bro. Kenny Roach, 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 Robert Lloyd Clifton**

EA: 1/9/1987 FC: 2/20/1987 MM: 3/20/1987

Entered the Celestial Lodge, January 11, 2021

(Lodge notified 3/28/21)

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

As our communities are opening up and some restrictions lifted, I believe it is much safer and time to get back to work, attend lodge, come to our weekly ritual practice and get to see and be with each other again. Therefore, the Tuckahoe lodge officers and I are dedicating the month of May to reenergize and get everyone reacquainted and instill the regularity and sense of normalcy we have all missed and have a little fun as well.

This coming stated communication, I am excited to announce that our very own Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, *Douglas Vernon Jones*, will be visiting Tuckahoe. We will have plenty of room for everyone who wants to come out, so I expect a large turnout and capacity crowd on this special day. In addition, we will have an educational program named *“Bird Watching in Masonry*, presented by Wor. Mike Caro. Next month we’ll enjoy a program entitled *“Looking into the Eye of Providence”*, presented by our Senior Warden, David Dubois.

Additionally, I am very excited to announce that Tuckahoe lodge will be hosting an event that you and your family to not want to miss! Mark your calendars for Saturday May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12 noon. On this day (rain or shine) we will be holding *Rally Day* at Tuckahoes parking lot, lawn and pavilion, which will be a tailgate themed event, where food (grilled and smoked food etc.), fellowship and fun will be in plentiful supply. Live music will be performed, and all (appendant bodies, other lodges etc.) will be welcomed to partake. This day would be a great day to come out to lodge if you haven’t been in a while, EAT some great food and get reunited with those you have missed and have some time to renew and refresh your familiarity with the ritual. It will be a family reunion (after all we ARE family) and festival of celebration of the nearing end of this pandemic. I hope to see everyone there! More details to come. See you all soon!

**THE SECRETARY’S MEMORIAL DAY THOUGHTS**

**Rt. Wor. Bob Carpenter**



**What is Tuck-pointing?**

How many of us have even heard this term before? What is Tuck-pointing and how does it affect your daily life? If you are an Operative Brick and Stone Mason, you will recognize this term. It is the process of removing old mortar from between bricks or stones and replacing it with new mortar. But, how does it affect you as a Speculative Mason?

As Masons, we are taught to use the tools of Operative Masonry as the building blocks to build our lives upon. As an Entered Apprentice we are presented with the 24-inch gauge and the common gavel. These to teach us to divide our time and divest ourselves of the vices and superfluities of life.

As a Fellowcraft, we are presented with the plumb, square and level. These teach us to walk uprightly before God and man, square our actions and remind us we are walking on the broad level of time to that undiscovered country.

As a Master Mason, we are presented with the trowel. It is the tool used to spread the cement of brotherly love and affection and binds all of the previously presented stones to construct our Masonic character.

Now is an excellent time to undergo a little Masonic tuck-pointing. Relearn the degrees or help introduce them to others. Attend the degrees as presented by your Lodge, the Scottish Rite or the York Rite. The lessons become clearer when you participate. Let your brethren see the scaffolding around the structure of your Masonic character as you “tuck-point” your Masonic mortar.

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**DOES YOUR DUES CARD SAY 2021?**

Brethren, we continue to have several of our number delinquent in the payment of their dues. Let’s not be suspended. Your Lodge depends upon your dues payments. In this time of COVID-19, stay safe, stay healthy, but do not forget your Lodge. Please help to make sure your Lodge will still be able to meet your needs.

**ELECTED OFFICERS for 2021**

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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

**WORSHIPFUL MASTERS**

Table with 2 columns: Name and Year. Lists past Worshipful Masters from 1923 to 2021, including names like J.O. Harris, A. N. Revere, C. M. Selph, etc.



\* Deceased + Demitted X Suspended

HONORARY MEMBERS

Mt. Wor. F.G. Martin, III,  
Mt. Wor. J.R. Quinley,  
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., E.L. Walker,  
R.C. Turochy, J.H. Frye, W.J. Townsend,  
R.H. Word, W.G Lee, 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, \*W.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



*Don't forget, your gift to the Masonic Home of Virginia is tax-deductible.  
The Home needs your contribution more than ever.*

*Matters of Interest*

- \* Report any change of residence or e-mail address promptly to the Lodge Secretary.  
Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.  
10604 Joseph Court, Glen Allen, VA 23060-6490.
- \* Annual Lodge dues for 2021 are \$120, (\$107 if you are age 70 or older) and were due January 1st.
- \* Life Membership is available at 25 times your monthly 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 each Saturday, 9:00 AM at Tuckahoe Lodge.
  - \* Masters and Wardens meets 3rd Saturday, 8:30 AM at Tuckahoe Lodge or by ZOOM.
    - \*Richmond Lodge No. 10 meets 1st Tuesday, 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe.
- \* Virginia Court No.1, Order of Amaranth meets 2nd Monday 7:30PM at Tuckahoe (except July & August).
  - \* Areme Chapter No. 17, OES meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 7:30 PM at Tuckahoe (except July & August).
- \*The Scottish Rite Valley of Richmond meets 4th Monday 6:00 PM at Tuckahoe (except July & December)
- \* 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 Varina Lodge.
  - \* For other upcoming events visit the Grand Lodge website at: <http://www.grandlodgeofvirginia.org>