1923 -2022 99 Years of Masonic Service



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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 1,187 th STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022

ATTENTION: Masks and social distancing are no longer required while in the Lodge building. If, as a personal choice you wish to wear a mask, you may of course do so. Masks and hand sanitizer are available in the Lodge if you feel the need to use them.

- 6:30 P.M. Dinner in the Dining hall, prepared and served by the Ladies of Areme Chapter of the Eastern Star. The Menu includes: pork chops, potatoes, mixed vegies, bread and dessert. A donation of \$8 is requested.
- 7:15 P.M. Open Master Mason's Lodge Business Educatonal Program Close Master Mason's Lodge.

 Dress code for Officers and members: Tuckahoe shirt or collared shirt, casual slacks.

Counting the Years

(290 Years of Masonic Service)

Bailey, S.A.	44 th	Longfellow, D.C.	22 nd	Pickels, K.B.	12 th
Blaylock, W.D.	58 th	Mason, J.L.	31 st	Sarate, D.C.	12 th
Brown, J.E.	8 th	McClain, W.C.	13 th	Wood, J.C.	68 th
				Wright, D.L.	22 nd

Our Circle of Concern

Please remember the following in your thoughts and prayers: Bro. Victor Ferraro, Bro. James Wegman, Bro. John Talbott, Bro. Kenny Roach, Bro. Steve Stankiewicz, Wor. Gray Bradford, 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.

From the East...Wor. David E. Dubois

Brethren, the month of February is upon once once more, meaning that soon the bitter cold of winter will break and like the acacia that comes forth again, so too shall the Virginia springtime return.

I look forward to our work this coming year, and continuing to grow and develop our lodge. In closing, I would like to leave you all with a quote to think on, from Brother Charles Lindbergh of Missouri #243.

'Life is a culmination of the past, an awareness of the present, an indication of a future beyond knowledge, the quality that gives a touch of divinity to matter'.

I hope to see all of your smiling faces, and a few masks in lodge this coming Thursday evening

From the Secretary's Underground Pond...Rt. Wor. Bob Carpenter, Jr.



February comes from the Latin word 'februa', which means to cleanse. This month was named for the Roman Februalia, which was a monthlong festival of purification and atonement.

So how does February relate to "Presidents' Day?" The actual observed federal holiday, however, is officially called "Washington's Birthday". Neither Congress not the President has ever stipulated that the name of the holiday be changed to Presidents' Day.

So why do we call it Presidents' Day? It is just convenient. We get to include other Presidents in the birthday celebration. Lincoln's is also in February. Of course, one of the main influential reasons is all the 3-day retail store sales which are called "Presidents' Day Sales". This year, it will be observed on Monday, February 21.

However, let's look briefly at Worshipful George Washington. Washington was actually born on February 11 in 1731. Not on February 22, 1732, as it is now celebrated. His birthday changed when we changed the calendar from the old-style Julian calendar to today's new-style Gregorian calendar.

This would be a good place to mention a couple of the myths surrounding Bro. George. How about the cherry tree he chopped down and said "I cannot tell a lie. I did it with my hatchet." Washington didn't say this, and he actually never chopped down the tree. This was a fabrication by one of his biographers, Parson Mason Weems, in order to demonstrate Washington's honesty. And what about Washington's wooden dentures. They weren't, however, made of wood. They were made of hippopotamus teeth that had been filed down to fit into Washington's mouth.

So, the next time you talk about Wor. George Washington with anyone, remember you have some interesting tidbits to pass on.

Remember to support your officers. Your officers need you in attendance at our Stated Meetings. Call your officers – phone calls are not restricted. Neither are emails. Let them communicate with you how your Lodge is progressing and how much your interest in Tuckahoe is meaningful to them. Renew your friendships, maybe some you have forgotten. Let us welcome you to Tuckahoe Lodge No. 347, in person, by phone, or by email as we progress through our 99th year. Soon it will be 100 and I know you will want to be in Lodge for that momentous occasion. Remember, it will only happen once. As Walter Cronkite used to say, "What kind of day was it? A day like all days. Filled with those events that alter and illuminate our times. And YOU were there." AND YOU CAN BE!

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* L. A. Jackoway	1996
* C. H. Hilgenhold	
R. S. Lanier	1998
* D. G. Thomson	1999
* C. D. Barbour	2000
* R. A. Wright	2001
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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
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C. S. Ammon, Jr	2015
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R. L. Crouch, Jr	2018
M. J. Caro	2019
J. P. Gregory, III	2020-2021
D.E. Dubois	2022



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HONORARY MEMBERS

Mt. Wor. F.G. Martin, III, Mt. Wor. J.R. Quinley, Bro. J.S. Gilmore, III.

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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

52 LIFE MEMBERS IN PERPETUITY

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Coming Events

Official visits of Rt. Wor. Whit Hanscom for 2022

Feb. 01, 2022 - Richmond No. 10

Feb. 03, 2022 - Joppa No. 40

Feb. 08, 2022 - Glen Allen No. 131

Feb. 14, 2022 - Washington & Henry No. 344

Mar. 03, 2022 - Tuckahoe No. 347

Mar. 07, 2022 - Westhampton No. 302

Mar. 21, 2022 - Manchester No. 14

March 3 - Official visit of the District Deputy to Tuckahoe Lodge

April 9 - Spring Reunion at the SRT

TBA - Official visit of the Grand Master to Tuckahoe Lodge

June 11 - Official visit of the Grand Master to Districts 15A & B

August 12 & 13 - Reid Simmons Academy of Masonic Ritual at the SRT in Roanoke

The mission of Masonry is to open the window of the mind, letting the dim spark of reason within us meet and blend with the light of God, in whom there is no darkness. Once we take it to heart, it will help us to see God in the faces of our Brethren.

Matters of Interest

* Report any change of residence or e-mail address promptly to the Lodge Secretary.

Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.

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- * Annual Lodge dues for 2022 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, 8:00 AM at Tuckahoe Lodge.
 - * 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 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 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

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