

INTERNET & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Wor. Douglas M. Messimer, *Co-Chairman*

Important information. You really need to read this!!!

My brethren, at our February meeting I presented a plan to begin bringing our communications with Lodge members into the 21st century. We now have a very clean looking, efficient, well designed and easy to navigate web site, thanks to our Senior Deacon, Bro. Ben Smith. (Kudos, Ben!) It is a fine looking site that has a lot of current information about our coming events, the monthly Trestleboard, a page devoted to Masonic Education, and many other interesting links. I strongly encourage you to visit the web site... tuckahoelodge347.org...mark it as a favorite on your PC, and make it a habit to check back often.

This brings me to the part of the plan regarding the Trestleboard (our monthly bulletin). We are faced with having to cut expenses for mailing the bulletin to over 340 names each month. This process has become a nearly \$300 burden each month on our Lodge budget. At the February Stated meeting we asked those present who would be willing to get information about the Lodge electronically to do one of two things...either visit the web site to get their Lodge bulletin, or give us an email address and we'll send it to them. We also gave those who don't have access to a computer or the Internet the option to have the bulletin delivered by the Postal Service, as in the past.

If you were not present at the February meeting, you now have the same opportunity to sign up for this service. You need to make a choice...(1)...send a message to (doug@messimer.net) if want to get your Lodge information on line or by email or, (2)... call our Secretary, Bob Carpenter at 264-2050 (office), 527-6543 (home), or if necessary send a written request to 10604 Joseph Court, Glen Allen, VA 23060, indicating that you need to receive the bulletin by US Mail.

Once we have your email address we will remove your name from the list of those now receiving it by US Mail. Our goal is to get the list of those requiring a hard copy of the bulletin down to fewer than 100 members, possibly as low as 60. This will not happen in just one or two months... but it is going to happen. So, we need your help in cutting Lodge expenses by using the Internet or email to get your bulletin. Do it now, please!

CHOOSE HOW YOU'LL RECEIVE YOUR COPY OF THE TRESTLEBOARD

- 1. The Best Way...**on line each month at tuckahoelodge347.org.
 - 2. A good alternative....**receive it by email...send your email address to: doug@ messimer.net.
 - 3. By U.S. Mail...**call the Lodge Secretary at 264-2050 (O), or 527-6543 (H) to let him know.
- Printing and mailing expenses are increasing. Help your Lodge cut expenses, and become more efficient with our communications.**

In Memoriam

LELAND ALAN JACKOWAY

Entered ApprenticeJuly 18, 1969
 FellowcraftAugust 15, 1969
 Master MasonSeptember 26, 1969
 Worshipful Master1996
 Died.....January 15, 2008

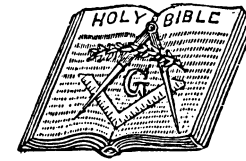
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Entered ApprenticeJanuary 12, 1962
 FellowcraftFebruary 16, 1962
 Master MasonMarch 23, 1962
 Died.....January 17, 2008

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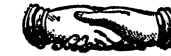


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MEETS FIRST THURSDAY EACH MONTH, BETHLEHEM AND DICKENS ROADS, RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

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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.*

TRESTLEBOARD

Dear Brother,

You are requested to attend the following Communications of your Lodge to be held in the Masonic Temple, Bethlehem and Dickens Roads, Richmond, Virginia.

STATED COMMUNICATION — Thursday, March 6, 2008

- 5:45 P.M.– Stewards Assemble
- 6:30 P.M.– Dinner prepared by "Sir Master Chef" Whitley - **Ladies Invited!**
- 7:15 P.M.– Open Master Mason's Lodge
General Business
Committee Reports
Program - Recognition of Blood Program Donors and Supporters
Dress for Officers - Tuxedo
Dress for Members - Coat and Tie

CALLED COMMUNICATION — Thursday, March 27, 2008

- 7:00 P.M.– Work Expected in the Master Mason's Degree

**Masonic
Recognition
Day on the 1st
of each month**



Virtue and Honor



DATES TO REMEMBER

- ***Tuckahoe Masonic Class**—Meets every Wednesday or Thursday at 7:00 P.M. except in the month of December. Renew and improve your Masonic Skills. Come out and support your officers.
- Robert Lewis Gibbs Saturday Night Class of Masonic Instruction** —Meets every Saturday at 7:00 P.M. at Scottish Rite Temple except in December and on the 4th Saturday when Masters and Wardens meet.
- ***Masters and Wardens**—Meets the 4th Saturday at Scottish Rite Temple. (No meetings in June, July, August and December)
- * **ALL OFFICERS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND.**

NOTICES

- Report any change of address to Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr., Secretary. Help reduce mailing expense.
- Dues for 2008 were due and payable January 1, 2008 in the amount of \$68.00.
- Report cases of Illness or Distress to our Junior Warden, Brother Barry Faison or any officer of the Lodge. Phone numbers are listed on the inside of this bulletin. *It is extremely important that you tell your spouse, a family member, or a friend to inform the Lodge if you are indisposed in any way.*
- The Lodge Telephone Number is 288-5166.
- If you need transportation to any Lodge Meeting or Special Event, please let the Worshipful Master or any Officer know. The Lodge's Blood Donation Number is 1779.

OFFICERS—2008

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Wor. J. Larry Mason(H) 741-5736
Wor. R. Alton Wright(H) 360-5598

MASONIC EDUCATION:

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Rt. Wor. Clarence E. Whitley(H) 288-6133
Wor. Clawson D. Barbour(H) 740-3529

MASONIC RITUAL:

Rt. Wor. Bob Carpenter, Jr. (L.I.W.)(H) 527-6543
Rt. Wor. J. Ned Culler(H) 750-1493
Wor. R. Alton Wright(H) 360-5598
Rt. Wor. Robert C. Eades, Sr., (D.I.W.)(H) 794-3661

BLOOD PROGRAM:

Bro. John T. Gaywood(H) 360-0244

BUILDING TEAM:

Wor. Herb Eades(H) 270-2215
Bro. Willy Hall(H) 749-3687

MASONIC HOME AMBASSADOR:

Bro. Byron B. Hubbard, Jr. (Dist. 15-C)(H) 270-1119

FUNERAL:

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Wor. R. Alton Wright(H) 360-5598

SUNSHINE:

Bro. Barry C. Faison(H) 741-2331
and all Lodge Officers

PLANNING:

Wor. R. Alton Wright, Wor. Marshall H. Messimer, Jr.,
Wor. Herbert H. Eades, Jr., and Bro. James A. Dabney

LIBRARY/SPECIAL PROJECTS:

Wor. Jack Cooke(H) 752-2117

GREETERS:

Wor. Clawson D. Barbour, Bro. Donald J.L. Bloomquist,
Bro. Dorman Watts, and Bro. Lin Schwartz

PAST MASTERS

* J. O. Harris1923-1924
* A. N. Revere1925
* C. M. Selph1926
* P. L. Ruehrmund1927
* N. C. Phillips1928
* H. J. Perrin1929
* M. H. Dicks1930
* R. C. Parks1931
† R. D. Powers1932
* Warner Pierce1933
* J. W. Snedden1934
* Dr. E. L. Copley1935
* A. E. Call1936
* J. M. Jennings, Jr.1937
* B. H. Bradley1938
† W. A. Rudasill, Sr.1939
* T. B. Towill1940
* R. K. Allen1941
* W. S. Brent, P.D.D.G.M.1942
* F. W. Biesecker1943
* J. W. Mullins1944
* G. G. Finney1945
* J. H. Russell1946
* W. R. Perkins1947
* J. E. Kirk1948
* J. G. Johnson1949
* B. O. Baird1950
* W. G. MacDonald1951
* T. J. Rumley1952
* R. D. Stahl1953
* G. T. Taylor1954

* F. G. Wood1955
* R. S. Love1956
* J. V. Elliott1957
* H. O. Butler1958
* G. E. Wright, P.D.D.G.M.1959
* W. H. Lovern, Jr., P.D.D.G.M.1960
* W. Y. Roper, Jr., P.D.D.G.M.1961
* J. H. Shinault, Jr.1962
* G. A. Tuckwiller1963
E. F. McCune, Jr.1964
* R. D. Woolard1965
* J. S. Gary, Jr.1966
* W. J. Haid, Jr., P.D.D.G.M.1967
* J. G. Clark1968
†1969
E. L. Walker1970
* Don Williams1971
* E. W. Oakley1972
* P. D. Lawrence1973
* G. F. Paul, Jr.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, II1978
C. E. Whitley, P.D.D.G.M.1979
* O. J. Oaks1980
D. M. Messimer1981
D. A. Powers, III1982
J. McD. Wolf1983
R. W. Carpenter, Jr. P.D.D.G.M.1984
* R. W. Carpenter1985

L. E. Stott1986
T. B. Jarrell1987
J. L. Woolard1988
W. P. Gilliam, Jr.1989
G. W. Boswell1990
W. A. Edmonds1991
B. V. Petrone, Jr.1992
C. H. Hilgenhold1993
W. M. McClintock1994
J. Larry Mason1995
* L. A. Jackoway1996
C. H. Hilgenhold1997
R. S. Lanier1998
* D. G. Thomson1999
C.D. Barbour2000
R. A. Wright2001
J. G. Cooke2002 - 2003
R. C. Eades, Sr., P.D.D.G.M.2004
J. T. Quinley2005
H. H. Eades, Jr.2006 - 2007

ASSOCIATE PAST MASTERS

F. G. Martin, III, P.G.M.(344) 1989
G. H. Brooks(352 & 10)
J. R. Quinley, P.G.M.(211) 1990
N. E. Vine(Charles River, MA) 1990
C. T. Morriss(302) 2005
J. H. Crowder, P.D.D.G.M.(177) 2004-05
*Deceased †Demitted ‡Suspended

F. Burnley, C. P. Johnson, R. C. Wood, D. M. Lovelace, J. G. Smith, J. C. Wood, C. D. Bailey, M. A. House, F. L. Elmore, Jr., J. R. Williams, C. C. McCoy, R. F. Westbury, Sr., H. E. Franklin, J. B. Datig, E. F. McCune, Jr., R. W. Weitzel, P. F. Giles, C. R. Hodge, F. J. Trexler, Jr., W. R. Westbury, Jr., R. L. Fagg, III, H. C. Jones

FROM THE EAST

Marshall H. Messimer, Jr., *Worshipful Master*

Our February Stated started off with RW Sir Master Chef Clarence Whitley's meat loaf dinner and as always it was a great way to start a Masonic evening! RW Whit and his stewards are to be commended for their efforts for Tuckahoe Lodge. Two of our guests were the Worshipful Masters of Washington & Henry No. 344 and Woodland Heights No. 345, Wor's V. Stuart Cook and James A. Hall, respectively, representing two of the Lodges who share our Charter date of February 14, 1923. Our MAHOVA Ambassador, Bro, Byron B Hubbard, Jr., was recognized and congratulated on his appointment as the Masonic District 15-C MAHOVA Ambassador. Wor. Douglas M. Messimer spoke on the efforts of the Bulletin/Web Site Committee to reduce our expenses related to the printing and mailing of the "Trestleboard". Bro. John T. Gaywood, our Blood Program Coordinator, was congratulated for our 4th annual blood drive in memory of MW Albert Hugh Tignor, Jr. A new committee I have established - the Library/ Special Projects Committee is chaired by our SW, Wor. Jackie G. Cooke. Wor. Jack outlined the plans for relocating the library and for the refitting and refinishing of the Lodge furniture. Bro. Ray Lindquist, District Education Officer, was introduced and gave an outline of educational opportunities available in the near future and then presented an enlightening brief on why our Deacons carry staffs. Wor. Douglas M. Messimer presented "A Nugget from the Quarries of Freemasonry" entitled "I will always ... WHAT???", and then provided the Brethren with a history of the Lodge since 1923 and related our Charter date to significant events in history. RW J. Ned Culler was then presented with the first commemorative token of our 85th anniversary. The token has a gold rim, then a circle of dark blue with a gold inscription of the Lodge name and location surrounding a lighter blue circle featuring a gold square and compasses with a dark blue "G" in the center. On the reverse is gold lettering marking the "85th Anniversary 1923-2008" with a trowel below the inscription. All those present received a token.

At our March Stated Communication, we will recognize those Brethren, and others, who have contributed to the success of our blood program. All donors and supporters will gather for dinner and a recognition ceremony. Our Lodge program will be "A Nugget from the Quarries of Freemasonry". At our April Stated Communication, we will receive the District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District 15-C, RW Samuel E. Dunn. A special musical presentation by the James River Trio, under the direction of Lodge Musician, Bro. Richard Turochy, is scheduled for our ladies after the evening meal.

The Grand Master has authorized a one-day conferral class on Saturday, August 16, 2008, at the Scottish Rite Temple, to assist those good men who will make good Masons but whose circumstances do not allow them to spend the time required by the normal degree process. In Tuckahoe Lodge, any petition to receive the Degrees at the one-day conferral must receive its' first reading no later than our July Stated Communication. While the one-day conferral is not meant to be an every year occurrence, it does provide an opportunity to accommodate good men whom otherwise may not be able to receive the Degrees. There will still be no solicitation. If you know of a good man who may fall into the above category, please inform me or any of the Lodge officers.

BLOOD COMMITTEE AT WORK

Bro. John T. Gaywood, *Chairman*

Despite the threat of a typical "clean out the bread and milk" shopping day, our January 19th blood drive was successful, in that we were able to achieve 21 registrations for the Lodge, and credit for 19 units donated. This number was supplemented with the donation of 8 units at the Blood Service bringing our total to 27 units. A very good beginning for 2008.

My thanks to the valiant efforts and support from Bro. Ronnie Childs and, of course, Ms. Hilda Tignor. The hot breakfast on this cold morning was enjoyed by everyone - thanks to RW Clarence Whitley.

Our next blood drive is on July 19th, and we will be combining with Glen Allen No. 131 at our building. Plan on donating on this date and be sure to bring a friend or neighbor with you.

MARCH MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

(591 years of Masonic Service)

Bassett, W. R.1st
Clifton, R. L.21st
Cooke, J. G.21st
Elicerio, J.P.J.M.3rd
Fadool, J. E.32nd
Farmer, G. J., III26th
Figg, C. D.40th
Hall, W. T5th

Harlin, M. E.1st
Hilgenhold, C. H.24th
Lanier, M. S., II35th
Mustian, W. T.6th
Powell, B. B., Jr.34th
Price, D. G.7th
Richardson, E. T.37th
Schrimsher, E. F.29th

Stone, J. S.44th
Stott, L. E.50th
Strauss, R. E.49th
Terry, W. S., Jr.29th
Vidrick, R. L.25th
Watts, D. F.2nd
Wegman, J. B.24th
Wood, A. E.45th

HONORARY MEMBERS

Rt. Wor. C. E. Whitley, Rt. Wor. J. N. Culler, Bro. J. S. Gilmore, III, Mt. Wor. F. G. Martin, III, Mt. Wor. J. R. Quinley

SIXTY-YEAR MEMBERS

Bros. A. J. Drescher, W. H. Lawrence, Jr., J. F. Hayes, I. W. Kuper, H. S. Brown, T. L. Moore, Jr.

FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

Bros. S. C. Krausse, D. J. L. Bloomquist, W. G. Lee, J. W. Hurt, A. O. Ballinger, H. L. Atwell, G.