



Tuckahoe Lodge



No. 347

A.F. & A.M.

Chartered: February 14, 1923 by the Grand Lodge of Virginia Stated Communication: First Thursday of every month

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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,

You are requested to attend the following Communication of your Lodge to be held in the Tuckahoe Masonic Temple, Bethlehem and Dickens Roads, Richmond, Virginia. Take due notice thereof.

STATED COMMUNICATION – Thursday, August 6th, 2009

5:45 P.M. - Stewards assemble in the Dining Hall

6:30 P.M. - Dinner, by 'Master Chef' Whitley, served in the Lodge Dining Hall - Our Ladies are always invited.

7:15 P.M. - Open Master Masons Lodge - Business - Committee Reports - Masonic Education 'Nugget' -

Officers and members dress: Collared shirts and casual slacks (Tuckahoe shirts, if you wish)

*All Master Masons who are members in good standing of Lodges recognized by the Grand Lodge of Virginia
A.F. & A.M. are welcome to attend meetings of Tuckahoe Lodge.*

Masonic recognition day is the first day of every month!

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 11th: It's the stated communication at Glen Allen Lodge No. 131, and our LEO, Doug Messimer, has been invited to present one of his 'educational nuggets'. Earlier this year Bro. Doug presented a rather intriguing bit of research and shared some personal insight on the controversial topic of 'Women in Masonry'. If you missed his original program here's an opportunity to hear it and discover that, yes, there really are female Masons..fascinating!

August 15th: Our in-coming Grand Master's Team, "The Colonials", has scheduled a series of Fellowship Banquets in different areas around the State. The Richmond area Fellowship Banquet is the 15th, 6:30 p.m. at the SRT. \$17.78 per ticket, a commemorative price, taken from the founding of our Grand Lodge. Please note: *The deadline for ticket sales is August 12th* so that the committee may have an accurate count to prepare for. Checks should be made payable to: Williamsburg Lodge #6 and note "Fellowship Banquet" in the memo line. Please send checks and names of those attending to: RW Tom Lasher at 121 Crown Point Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

September 19th: Our third blood drive of the year...we co-sponsor this one, and it's held at Glen Allen 131, on Mountain Road. They serve breakfast, and the drive begins at 8:30. If you can't make it that day, contact one of the many Virginia Blood Service locations to make arrangements to donate. Be sure to give them our Lodge donation number....1779.

October 10th: Masonic Home Family Day celebration. The WWII Veterans memorial plaque will be dedicated. Have you ordered your memorial 'paver' stone yet?

November 6th – 7th: The 231st Grand Annual Communication at the Sheraton West Hotel, 6624 West Broad Street, Richmond. The Committee on Work will hold classes of instruction and exemplification of the degrees on November 4th and 5th.

November 20th: Tuckahoe Lodge will again confer the Past Master's degree on those members and officers of sister Lodges who need this degree prior to installation as Junior Warden of their Lodge.

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PAST MASTERS

* Deceased + Demitted X Suspended

* 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. McK. 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
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* W. P. Gilliam, Jr..... 1989

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Bro. Lin Schwartz

INTERNET & COMMUNICATIONS:

Wor. Douglas Messimer, Bro. Ben Smith,
Bro. Nelson Pruden

G. W. Boswell.....1990
W. A. Edmonds.....1991
B. V. Petrone, Jr..... 1992
C. H. Hilgenhold..... 1993
W. M. McClintock..... 1994
J. Larry Mason..... 1995
* 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..... 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

ASSOCIATE PAST MASTERS

J. B. Wilkinson, P.G.M..... (207) 1959
F. G. Martin, III, P.G.M..... (344) 1989
G. H. Brooks..... (352 & 10) 6 times
J. R. Quinley, P.G.M..... (211) 1990
N. E. Vine..... (Charles River, MA) 1990
S. E. Tuck, Jr..... (207) 2002 & 2005
J. H. Crowder, P.D.D.G.M..... (177) 2004-05
W. R. Heltzel..... (10) 2008

HONORARY MEMBERS

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

SEVENTY-YEAR MEMBER

Bro. A. J. Drescher

SIXTY-YEAR MEMBERS

Mt. Wor. J.B. Wilkinson, Bros. W. H. Lawrence, Jr., J. F. Hayes, H. S. Brown, T. L. Moore, Jr.

FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

Bros. D. J. Bloomquist, W. G. Lee, A. O. Ballinger, H. L. Atwell, C. P. Johnson, R. C. Wood, D. M. Lovelace, 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, L. E. Stott, R.E. Strauss, E. B. Irby, Jr.

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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., *W. R. Cosby, J. N. Culler, H. H. Eades, Jr., R. C. Eades, Sr., *C. L. Farmer, *William P. Gilliam, Jr., W. T. Hall, W. R. Heltzel, B. B. Hubbard, Jr., T. B. Jarrell, C. P. Johnson, D. M. Lovelace, *W. H. Lovern, Jr., T. E. Lyman, Jr., *F. G. Martin, Jr., J. L. Mason, D.M. Messimer, M. H. Messimer Jr., J.D. Mize, *G. N. Pruden, *W. Y. Roper, Jr., W. Y. Roper, III, D. W. Samuels, *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. Wright

* Deceased

AUGUST MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

792 Years of Masonic Service

Bloomquist, D.J.L.	59 th	Irving, E.C.	5 th	Rowe, R.J.	5 th
Bowen, F.E.	33 rd	Ledford, R.A.	49 th	Stamey, D.L.	4 th
Bradford, G.W.	16 th	Lumpkin, J.M.	5 th	Stinson, R.W.	1 st
Carpenter, R.W., Jr.	30 th	Lumpkin, R.D.	5 th	Stroud, R.C., Jr.	38 th
Childs, J.R.	7 th	Mawyer, H.K.	26 th	Thomas, A.C., Jr.	33 rd
Dorsey, B.M., Jr.	34 th	McCoy, C.C.	54 th	Trexler, F.J., Jr.	52 nd
Drescher, A.J.	71 st	Messimer, D.M.	33 rd	Turner, J.H., III	9 th
Egeland, T.A., Jr.	1 st	Pardoe, B.R.	1 st	Wilkerson, B.H.	35 th
Farnor, J.R.	9 th	Quinley, J.T.	8 th	Wingo, J.F.	38 th
Gilmore, J.S., IV	5 th	Ralston, J.L.	29 th	Wood, R.P., III	5 th
Hodge, C.R.	52 nd	Reid, J.S.	35 th	Wright, J.A.	5 th

Our circle of concern....

The following were mentioned specifically at our last stated communication. Some have current health issues or are recovering; others have life events or perhaps a crisis within their family. Take a moment and call or send a note, and do remember them in your conversations with God. It's part of your obligation... 'to ever remember a Brother's welfare as your own'. **Bro. Brent Lovern's** wife, Kay, was recently diagnosed with cancer and her Dr believes he was able to incise all of it, while Brent's sister, Debbie, continues her second regimen of chemo for pancreatic and liver tumors, and is scheduled for more tests. **Bro. Kenny Roach** continues to do well and hopes to be back at work in the barber shop in late August. **Bro. Jerry Fanning** is working part time with 'electrical stuff', and is doing well after his surgery. **Wor. Marshall Messimer** was in Dr's hospital recently to get a hi-tech peripheral installed (really, it's a pacemaker) to keep his heart ticking properly. He's recovering nicely. **Bro. Terry Lyman** fell at home and injuring his 'good leg', and as a result spent some time in Health South rehab in July. **Bro. Dick McClure** was to have begun his radiation and chemo treatments for cancer of the esophagus. Continue to remember in your prayers: **Wor. Chuck Hilgenhold's** wife, Jane, and **Bro John Gaywood's** wife, Dorothy. **Bro. Charles Hanbury** is recovering from some surgery he had in late July, and **RW Al Dranoff** received treatment for several blood clots in his lungs following his recent heart bypass surgery, and is back home now, doing much better.



In Memoriam

James Warren Hurt

Entered Apprentice - 09/07/1950

Fellowcraft - 01/30/1951

Master Mason - 05/01/1950

All degrees in Charlotte Lodge No. 290, Drakes Branch, VA.

Affiliated: Tuckahoe Lodge No. 347 - 01/04/2001

Died - 05/13/2009

Charles Thomas Morriss

Entered Apprentice - 07/29/1998

Fellowcraft - 11/19/1998

Master Mason - 12/17/1998

Master of Westhampton No. 302 – 2005

Affiliated: Tuckahoe Lodge No. 347 - 1/08/2004

Died – 07/09/2009



FROM THE EAST: Barry C. Faison, *Worshipful Master*

I hope this issue of the Trestleboard finds you and your family well. I know this is a very busy time for many of you. There are summer events and vacations, plus, you still have your regular schedule of activities and work, whether the job has a paycheck or not. Contrary to all of the “rest and relaxation” promises in television and magazine presentations, it seems like the summer months are actually a busier time of the year. That is why I am especially thankful for each of you who make the time to participate in the events of the Lodge.

On Saturday July 18 we had our second Blood Drive for this year. The weather cooperated and I believe that those who attended enjoyed the fellowship in addition to helping their fellow man by making a donation. Based on the information I got from the Blood Service staff that day, we had 21 people donate and we actually were credited with 23 units donated. The final count will be higher because some of our regular donors were unable to come on Saturday but were going to give at the VBS facility. We will get the final count from Bro. Ronnie Childs at our next Stated on August 6.

Recently, brethren from Districts 15 & 16 had the opportunity to attend the Robert Lewis Gibbs Area Masonic Ritual School at the Scottish Rite Temple. The school had sessions each evening from Wednesday through Saturday, July 15-18, with the exemplification of one of the degrees by the different line-officer classes each night. This was a wonderful opportunity to observe the degrees and discuss the finer points of how they should be done. For those who were unable to attend, there is another education opportunity coming soon. The Reid James Simmons Academy of Masonic Leadership will be held at Fork Union Military Academy from August 2 through August 5. There are a number of events planned and those are further detailed below in the Upcoming Events section.

For our August stated, we will be having a presentation by two of our own – the “Brothers Messimer” as they are now being billed. They will be presenting an educational program about some unique and controversial ‘Anti-Masonic’ postage stamps. This will be a very interesting presentation and I encourage all who are able to attend and invite a Brother. If you need transportation, please let me or one of the other officers know.

Before I close this month, I want to draw your attention to our list of Sick & Distressed. Even though we have been able to report improvements from some of our brethren, the list seems to keep growing. This provides us all an opportunity to serve one another – make a visit, provide transportation, or deliver a meal. Even if you are unable to get out, you can make a phone call or send a card. Let’s make sure that none of our brethren ever feel forgotten.



The Secretary’s Corner: Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.

I hope that everyone is enjoying their summer vacations, reunions, golf matches, etc. It certainly has been hot and sticky and we should give thanks for our air conditioning. I hope you have enjoyed your rest and relaxation. Let us pause to reflect on our commitments of fulfilling whatever Masonic endeavors we hold true to our hearts. More importantly, get involved with the workings of your Lodge. Seek out your enlightenment. Fulfill your commitment by attending your Lodge meetings.

Many thanks to those who have already paid their 2009 dues. Unfortunately, we still have several brethren who have not seen fit to help the Lodge meet its expenses. Please check your dues card and make sure it reads 2009. Dues notices, as always, will be going out before the end of the year. Dues for 2010 will remain at \$68. For those 70 years of age and over, the dues are \$60. Now is a good time to consider that Life Membership in Perpetuity. It is \$1,088 for those under 70 and \$960 for those 70 years of age and older. Help yourself and help your Lodge. Tuckahoe Lodge will continue to receive your dues forever. What better way to leave a memorial in your name for your Lodge. Call me for the details. My numbers are on page 2 of the Trestleboard.

For those who are delinquent in their dues payments, and there are six (6) of you, Citations will be ordered in August. The Grand Master has sent each of you a letter, and I sincerely hope that you take it to heart and send in your dues payment. Each of you has had several notices concerning your dues, but if you have unforeseen circumstances that are prohibiting the payment, please let me know. If citations have to be issued, there is a mandatory additional amount added to your dues equal to the required postage for the certified, restricted delivery, return receipt notice.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER

- * Report any case of illness or distress promptly to our Junior Warden or any officer. *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.*
- * Report any change of residence or email address to our Secretary, Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.
- * Dues for 2009 are \$68.00, due and payable January 1st. Are your dues current?
- * If you need transportation to a Lodge meeting or event, please let the Worshipful Master or any Officer know.
- * Our Virginia Blood Services donation number is 1779.
- * The Lodge Telephone Number is 804-288-5166.
- * Tuckahoe Masonic Class meets Thursday's at 7:00 P.M. (or Wednesday, if degree work is scheduled Thursday).
- * Robert Lewis Gibbs Saturday Night Class meets every Saturday at 7:00 P.M. at the SRT except, in December, and the 4th Saturday when Masters and Wardens meet.
- * Masters and Wardens - Meets the 4th Saturday at Scottish Rite Temple, except in June, July, August and December.

Blood Drive stats: at the July 18th drive we received 21 units from a good mix of Masons and non-Masons, and some folks are still donating at the Richmond Blood Service locations. That's good, but we need to do better! Next blood drive is September 18th ...at Glen Allen 131.



Important Notice! If you have recently moved, or are planning to change your residence, you must notify the Lodge Secretary of your new mailing address. Also tell us if you change your ISP or e-mail address. We can't keep you informed if you don't update your information for our files.

Think 'Petitions' ...What about your co-worker, or the guy who sits in front of you at church, or the you man that recently moved into the house across the street. Have you asked him if he is a Mason? No?...why not?...it's easy. The good friend you've known for a long time might be our next Brother. Think.....Petitions!



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