

1923 - 2010



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 - Send Mail to: 10604 Joseph Court, Glen Allen, VA 23060-6490

On the Internet at: www.tuckahoelodge347.org

*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 hereby requests your attendance at the following Communications of your Lodge to be held in the Tuckahoe Masonic Temple, Bethlehem and Dickens Roads, 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 to attend our meetings. Take due notice thereof.

STATED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, AUGUST 5th, 2010

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

6:30 P.M. - Dinner served in the Lodge Dining Hall by Master Chef Whitley – Please invite your Lady to join us.

7:15 P.M. - Open Master Masons Lodge – Business – Presentation of 60 year pin - Committee Reports – Masonic Nugget
“What about Regular Masonic Steps?”

Dress code: **Officers & Members - Casual slacks and Tuckahoe shirts or open collared shirt, no jacket required.**

CALLED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, AUGUST 26th, 2010

6:30 P.M. - Work in the Master Mason Degree – Candidates Bro. Scott Patrick Davis and Bro. Steven Ray Mendenhall

Dress code: **Degree team: Coat & Tie - Members: Casual slacks and Tuckahoe shirts, or open collared shirt, no jacket required.**

***Masonic Recognition Day is the First Day of Every Month. Wear your Masonic pins and clothing.
Let others know that you are proud to be a Mason!!***

August 1st through 4th: The Reid J. Simmons Academy at Fork Union....an excellent educational opportunity that is well worth your time! If you haven't taken part in this academy previously, this is the time to attend.

September 25th: The third of our annual blood drives! This one will be held at Glen Allen Lodge, on Mountain Road.... come for breakfast at 8:00 am, and give some 'life' to someone else.

October 9th: Masonic Home Family Day celebration.

November 3rd – 6th: Grand Annual Communication at the Sheraton Richmond West, 6624 West Broad St, near I-64

November 19th: Tuckahoe will again confer the Past Master's degree on those brethren needing this degree before being elected to the office of Junior Warden of their Lodge.

After 2 years of using the Tuckahoe web page to post the Trestleboard and information for Lodge members and friends, we are still printing and mailing about 100 copies of the Trestleboard each month. We want to make sure that number is as small as possible in order to keep our expenses as low as possible. If you are presently receiving a printed copy of the Trestleboard but have access to the Internet or have an e-mail address, please let the Secretary know and we will send you a monthly email with a link to the Trestleboard. Help us reduce our mailing expenses.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN PERPETUITY...Have you seriously considered it? With a Tuckahoe dues increase scheduled for January 1st of 2011 it's a good financial move. It's a great way to financially support your Lodge, and you don't have to worry about paying dues every year. If you sign up before December the LMIP cost is \$1088 (\$960 if you're over 70 years of age)....if you wait till January the cost goes up to \$1328 (\$1152 for those over 70). No fuzzy math here...just some good sound advice. See the Lodge Secretary for details and the necessary forms. 'Time payments' are available.

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WORSHIPFUL MASTERS

* Deceased + Demitted X Suspended

* J.O. Harris1923-1924
* 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
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. 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
B. C. Faison 2009

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

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PLANNING:

Wor. R. Alton Wright, Wor. Herbert H. Eades, Jr., the Stationed Officers, and other selected members of the Lodge.

GREETERS:

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

INTERNET & COMMUNICATIONS:

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

HONORARY MEMBERS

Mt. Wor. F. G. Martin, III,
Mt. Wor. J. R. Quinley,
Rt. Wor. C. E. Whitley,
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.,
D. J. Bloomquist,
T. L. Moore, Jr.
H. S. Brown,

FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

Bros. 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,
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., R. L. Fagg, III, H. C. Jones,
L. E. Stott, R.E. Strauss, E. B. Irby, Jr.,
R. A. Wright,

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., *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, W.C. McClain, D.M. Messimer, M. H. Messimer Jr., J.D. Mize, *G. N. Pruden, J. T. Quinley, *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

825 Years of Masonic Service

Bloomquist, D.J. L.	60 th	Irving, E.C.	6 th	Rowe, R.J.	6 th
Bowen, F.E.	34 th	Ledford, R.A.	50 th	Stamey, D.L.	5 th
Bradford, G.W.	17 th	Lumpkin, J.M.	6 th	Stinson, R.W.	2 nd
Carpenter, R.W., Jr.	31 st	Lumpkin, R.D.	6 th	Stroud, R.C., Jr.	39 th
Childs, J.R.	8 th	Mawyer, H.K.	27 th	Thomas, A.C., Jr.	34 th
Dorsey, B.M., Jr.	35 th	McCoy, C.C.	55 th	Trexler, F.J., Jr.	53 rd
Drescher, A.J.	72 nd	Messimer, D.M.	34 th	Turner, J.H., III	10 th
Egeland, T.A., Jr.	2 nd	Pardoe, B.R.	2 nd	Wilkerson, B.H.	36 th
Farnor, J.R.	10 th	Quinley, J.T.	9 th	Wingo, J.F.	39 th
Gilmore, J.S., IV	6 th	Ralston, J.L.	30 th	Wood, R.P., III	6 th
Hodge, C.R.	53 rd	Reid, J.S.	36 th	Wright, J.A.	6 th

Our circle of concern....

[Wor. Marshall Messimer's](#) oldest son, [Breck](#), was airlifted to Jefferson hospital in Philadelphia following a seizure he suffered July 16th while on vacation. Breck has had several neurosurgeries in the past and this incident, while similar, is by far his most serious. [Bro. Scott Davis](#), has a 7 year-old niece. [Allyson Sowler](#), in Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. She has undergone surgery, now has an external mechanical heart, and is on the UNOS list for a heart transplant. [Bro. Graham Simmons](#), a resident of the Masonic Home, broke a shoulder in a recent fall.

Those who have been on this list for some time now still covet our thoughts and prayers: [Bro. Kenny Roach](#), [Bro. Jack Reid](#), [Wor. Clawson Barbour](#), [Wor. Ronald Hoffman \(Bro. Ben Smith's grandfather\)](#) [Bro. Terry Lyman](#), and [Mt. Wor. James Wilkinson](#). Take a moment and call or send a note, and do remember them in your conversations with God.

FROM THE EAST: [Barry C. Faison, Worshipful Master](#)

Brethren, The summer is in full swing now and as usual, it seems that the time we are supposed to set aside for rest and relaxation is more allusive than ever. I do hope this issue of the Trestleboard finds you and your family well and that you have been able to find some time to unwind. I am especially thankful for each of you who have made the time to participate in the events of the Lodge, especially helping with the degree work. June and July were busy and August will be as well. The degree work is an important part of the Lodge's responsibility and it is gratifying when we are able to accomplish the task with members of Tuckahoe handling the various parts.

In mid-July 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 14-17, with the exemplification of one of the degrees by the different line-officer classes each night. The individual classes did an excellent job and those in attendance had an opportunity to observe the degrees and discuss the finer points of how they should be done. Coming up in August is the Reid James Simmons Academy of Masonic Leadership that will be held at Fork Union Military Academy. This year is will be held from August 2 through August 5.

We had our second Blood Drive for this year on Saturday, July 17, 2010. We had good weather and a pretty good turnout considering that it is the summer. Those who attended were able to enjoy breakfast and fellowship, in addition to helping their fellow man by making a donation. We also know that a number of those who normally give at Tuckahoe had been or were planning to go to the Blood Service to make their donations. I don't have any statistics at this time, but we should have a report from [Wor. Marshall Messimer](#) at our next Stated on August 5th.

As I close this month, I want to remind you to consider all of your Brethren at Tuckahoe, especially those who are unable to attend Lodge and those you find on our list of Sick & Distressed. Both of these groups provide us with an opportunity to be of service to one another – make a visit, provide transportation, or deliver a meal. Even if you are personally unable to get out, you can make a phone call or send a note. Let's make sure that all our brethren feel a part of the Lodge fellowship no matter their circumstances, and more especially that no one ever feels 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 us 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.

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. These prices are in effect ONLY through the end of this year. 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 in the bulletin.

And now....FREEMASONRY IS A GIFT.....Part 2 of 3. Last month I talked about how Freemasonry came with no strings attached and was a gift to us all. Now, let's reflect briefly on the men you are bound to by the gentle ties of Brotherhood.

Consider 14 Presidents of the United States, Davy Crockett, Lewis and Clark, Charles Lindbergh, Omar Bradley, Audie Murphy, Arthur Conan Doyle, and Rudyard Kipling. I could go on and on. It is probably safe to say that some of these famous Brothers were not only good men, but also dedicated Masons.

Now consider the men you sit with in Lodge. Every time you attend a Lodge, you are met by men who are just as brilliant and talented as any of those I have listed. You sit with men who have freely given of their blood for you and this country, Brothers who are builders both materially and spiritually, and men who quietly and firmly set the example for being an honorable man. To all of these men, Freemasonry is and was a Gift!

Regardless of rank, title, or wealth, when you walk into a Lodge, you walk on the level with all your Brothers. Your achievements are met with a smile, a firm handshake, and a few heartfelt words of praise, thanks, and support. This, my Brethren, is Brotherly love. It was a gift to you by those good men who opened the door of Freemasonry when you came knocking.

Take a moment and reflect on all that you possess. You may recognize that the gift of Brotherly love within the Masonic family is one of your most valuable assets, and because it is, it is no great leap of reasoning to conclude that you owe Freemasonry.

Next month in the final part of this trilogy, we will reflect on how we can give back to Freemasonry.

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 e-mail address to our Secretary, Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.
- * Lodge dues for 2010 are \$68...is your dues card current? Annual dues will be \$83 beginning January 1st...possibly more, pending any Grand Lodge increases that may be approved in November.
- * 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, voice mail is available.
- * Tuckahoe Masonic Class meets Thursday's at 7:00 P.M. (or Wednesday, if degree work is scheduled Thursday).
- * Robert Lewis Gibbs Class meets every Saturday at 7:00 P.M. at the SRT except, in December.
- * Masters and Wardens - 4th Saturday, 9:00am at Westhampton Lodge, except June, July, August and December.



165th Grand Master of Masons in Virginia – Mt. Wor. William Earle Rorer, Jr.

World War II Veterans Monument At the Masonic Home of Virginia



Brick Paver Inscription Form

The World War II Veterans Monument located at the circle in front of the Masonic Home of Virginia is erected in memory and in honor of all persons who served during World War II. The monument is surrounded by brick pavers that can be engraved to honor specific Veterans of the donor's choosing, or to simply state the donor's name or a Lodge name which wishes to honor the sacrifices made in World War II. This is an excellent way to speak up for World War II Veterans and simultaneously support the Masonic Home.

Tax-deductible gifts to honor our Veterans and ALSO support the Masonic Home can be sent payable to the Masonic Home of Virginia with a memo entry of "World War II Monument". A tax-deductible gift of \$75.00 will allow the donor to have a brick paver engraved in memory OR honor of any person, Lodge, etc. Any gifts received without an inscription request will result in the donor's name being engraved on the paver.

Donors should complete the information below and mail or deliver to:

[Masonic Home of Virginia, 4101 Nine Mile Rd., Richmond, VA 23223-4916](#)

Donor Name _____ Lodge # _____
First Middle Last

Address _____
Street/PO Box City State Zip

Gift Amount: _____ Telephone _____
(Minimum gift for an engraved brick is \$75)

INSERT YOUR REQUESTED INSCRIPTION BELOW, ONE LETTER OR SPACE PER BOX:
