

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, OCTOBER 7th, 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 - Committee Reports – Guest Speaker Wor. Wilber Matthews, Varina Lodge 272.

Dress code: **Officer's & Members** – Coat & tie

*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!!*

Dates to Remember

October 9th: Masonic Home Family Day celebration...get there early, it's always well attended!

November 3rd – 6th: Grand Annual Communication at the Ramada Plaza Hotel Richmond West, 6624 West Broad St.

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

December 2nd: Our annual Memorial service will again be presented prior to opening the Lodge, and will be open to the public. Our Masonic widows and family members will be our honored guests.

December 4th: Public Installation of Tuckahoe's W.M. and officers for 2011, 10:00 A.M. at the Lodge, followed by a brief Called Communication for the purpose of opening a Lodge of Sorrow. Lunch will be provided in the Dining Hall.

Blood Drive schedule for 2011: February 26th at Tuckahoe, May 14th at Tuckahoe (with Glen Allen) and September 10th at Glen Allen.



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SUNSHINE:

The Junior Warden . . . and all Lodge Officers.

FUNERAL:

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

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Wor. Jack Cooke (H) 752-2117

BUILDING & GROUNDS:

Bro. Willy Hall. (H) 749-3687

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

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

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.L. 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,
R.E. Strauss, E. B. Irby, Jr., R. A. Wright,
R.A. Ledford

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

OCTOBER MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

638 Years of Masonic Service

Anderson, M.R.	38 th	Hanbury, E.C.	26 th	Moses, C.R., Jr.	26 th
Ballinger, A.O.	59 th	Hutchens, W.F.	46 th	Quinley, J.R.	37 th
Brown, H.S.	64 th	Johnson, C.P.	58 th	Scelia, K.R.	3 rd
Carpenter, R.W., III	24 th	Lawrence, W.H., Jr.	68 th	Sims, D.F.	11 th
Crouch, R.L., Jr.	2 nd	McClure, R.A.	10 th	Tucker, J.P., III	14 th
Dabney, J.A.	9 th	Meade, P.M.	10 th	Vassar, B.D.	9 th
Dickinson, B.P.	41 st	Messimer, M.H., Jr.	7 th	Watson, E.	10 th
Grove, J.R.	42 nd			Wright, D.E.	9 th

Our circle of concern....

Bro. Ernie Irby, continues to improve following bypass surgery in late August, Bro. Ben Petrone on the mend after recent surgery. Those who have been on this list for some time now still need our thoughts and prayers: Wor. Clawson Barbour, Bro. Kenny Roach, Bro. Ben Smith’s grandfather, Wor. Ronald Hoffman at the Masonic Home in Elizabethtown, PA, 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.

In Memoriam



Wor. Linwood Everett (Buddy) Stott
Entered Apprentice: 1-9-1958
Fellowcraft: 2-28-1958
Master Mason: 3-28-1958
Entered the Celestial Lodge 8-26-2010
50 year Masonic Veteran
Served as Worshipful Master in 1986

Bro. Paul Marshall Johnston
Entered Apprentice: 3-8-1963
Fellowcraft: 4-19-1963
Master Mason: 6-7-1963
Entered the Celestial Lodge: 9-15-2010
47 year member of the Craft

Bro. Charles David Peaco, III
Entered Apprentice: 10/10/1969
Fellowcraft: 11/21/1969
Master Mason: 2/20/1970
Entered the Celestial Lodge: 9-17-2010
40 year member of the Craft

FROM THE EAST: Barry C. Faison, Worshipful Master

October is here once again and we see the seasonal changes that it brings. With these changes, we also recognize that this year coming to a close. This is true in our personal lives and in our Lodge. This is a time for reflection, but it is also a time for planning. We can reflect on the events of the year – our successes and perhaps our failures and we can also begin to think about opportunities to make changes and to try “do better next time”.

As you think about your year, I want you to consider your life as a Mason, your obligation, and your Lodge. How active have you been? Do you come once in a while or rarely? When you don't come to Lodge, is it because you are under the weather and unable to attend; or is it because you have a host of other things to pick from and you chose one of them; or is it because, for some reason, you just don't want to be in Lodge. As you think about these questions, I encourage you to also consider what things might make you want to be more active. If they are important to you, they are probably important to other members as well. Share your ideas with one of the Lodge officers so we can use your ideas in future planning.

Our degree work is beginning to slow down, so I would like to remind you that we still have a Thursday Night class. Not only is this a great time to work on the catechism or practice the ritual, but it is also a time of fellowship. We intend to start on time, at 7:00 PM, and finish by 9:00 PM.

October's stated meeting will focus on Founder's Day. Our own district Home Ambassador, Bro. Butch Hubbard, will be on a cruise that evening, but I have arranged for a guest speaker. Our program will be delivered by Wor. Wilber Matthews, Past Master of Varina Lodge #272. The title of his presentation is “*Founder's Day – When, How and Why our Founder's Day Came About.*” I encourage you to attend the meeting and bring a brother with you, especially one who has not been in a while.

Again Brethren, I want to remind you about our list of Sick & Distressed and those brethren who do not attend Lodge. Also remember the families of our recently departed Brothers. A listing of our sick and distressed is on the Lodge website. Please remember them with your prayers, cards, email, and phone calls.

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

Brethren, 10% of our Tuckahoe's members have not paid their dues for 2010. Please check your dues cards and make sure it has 2010 imprinted on it. If not, please remit your dues as soon as possible. Our brethren who have not paid their dues owe over \$1,500 collectively. That would go a long way toward paying our bills. Remember, brethren, dues are due and payable on January 1st of each year.

Our Grand Annual Communication will soon be upon us, and the Craft will be electing a new Grand Master to serve from November to November. Grand Lodge is open to all who have a valid dues card. If you have never been to Grand Lodge, consider attending one of the two days, either November 5th or 6th at the Ramada Plaza Hotel Richmond West. Take advantage of the fellowship and educational aspects of a Grand Lodge Session. Get involved! Participate! You won't be disappointed. And now **The Search for the True Secret Word of a Master Mason**

Part One – “The Groundwork”

At the beginning of his Masonic career, each candidate is instructed that Freemasonry is a beautiful system of morality, veiled in allegory, and illustrated by symbols; each symbol teaching a moral lesson. Our degrees teach and constantly remind us of our duties to ourselves and our fellow creatures. Our Lodges are opened with a prayer and our degrees teach and constantly remind us of our duties to ourselves and every human being.

The Entered Apprentice Degree teaches us to extend charity to all. Not just material charity, but that noble charity of mind and spirit that inspires us to help every other human being who is in need. We are reminded to act with Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence, and Justice.

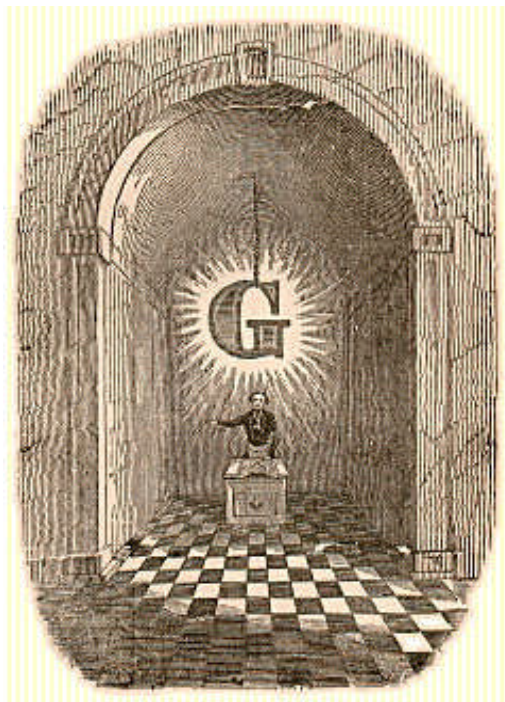
The Fellowcraft Degree instructs us to engage ourselves in the pursuit of knowledge, not just during the degree, but always. It encourages us to study the liberal arts and sciences, which lead to an enlightened mind. We are taught that Masonry is universal, extending its benevolence throughout the entire terrestrial globe. By freeing our hearts and consciences from all prejudices we are taught that we will earn, not be given, wages of spiritual nourishment, refreshment, and joy.

The Sublime Degree of Master Mason goes even further. It is called “sublime,” that is “elevated in thought,” “inspiring awe,” because it teaches us of our further duties to each other and, indeed, to all humankind. The true, mature Mason understands that these duties are not exclusive to us, but apply to all persons in every situation. We bind ourselves to each other only as a starting point from which the real Mason travels onward. The Degree of Master Mason, however, comes with a warning. It conveys that we must guard against the worst ruffians of our natures and oppose them, even to death, if we hope to be placed as living stones in the “House not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.” We must act. We may not just hope.

Stay tuned next month for Part Two – “How Do We Obtain the True Secret Word of a Master Mason?”

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 are \$68.00 annually, and were 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, 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.



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**The October educational 'Nugget from the Quarry' entitled
'Our American Flag.....Symbol or Icon?'
is available online at the Tuckahoe Web page.**

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