

FROM THE WEST - Wor. Jack Cooke, Senior Warden

Brethren, you have afforded me the privilege and honor to serve as your Senior Warden this year, and to preside in the East for our Stated Meeting in June, which has been designated as Senior Warden's Night.

I extend my personal and heartfelt invitation to each of you to attend this meeting and would be humbled to see a large attendance.

I have invited Ill. Donald Truslow, 33°, IGH, from the Scottish Rite to be our speaker, and he has graciously accepted. Bro. Don expects to present an interactive talk about our Fraternity. It is my hope that questions our newly raised Master Masons may have about the relationship between the Blue Lodge, Scottish and York Rites, and the Shrine can be asked and discussed, and more light gained about this great and amazing Fraternity.

As always, we can expect a delightful meal prepared by Sir Master Chef Clarence Whitley and, most importantly, enjoy having dinner with many of our ladies.

BLOOD DRIVE JULY 19, 2008

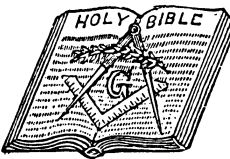
Bro. John Gaywood, *District 15C Blood Coordinator*

A combined maximum effort by Tuckahoe Lodge No. 347 and Glen Allen Lodge No. 131 Location: Tuckahoe Lodge No. 347 at Bethlehem and Dickens Roads, Richmond, VA, 8.30 AM to 12.30 PM

- All past contributors are encouraged to attend and donate during this 100% effort.
- Many brethren cannot donate due to various reasons (health, medications, and / or foreign travel), however, do make every effort to recruit a friend or neighbor to donate on your behalf.
- For anyone not able to attend on July 19th (vacations, out of town, business, etc.), please go to the Virginia Blood Service (VBS) at 2825 Emerywood Parkway, Richmond, VA - Be sure that VBS has our Lodge donation number (1779) so that Tuckahoe No. 347 can get credit for the donation.
- Finally, please remember that your one donation can save **THREE** lives!!!! An excellent contribution by our Lodge and for the community. This mid-summer time is a crucial time of the year for VBS - the supply must meet the demand - Let us do our part.

JUNE MASONIC BIRTHDAYS - (675 Years of Masonic Service)


Brooking, W. W., Jr. 26th	Hubbard, B. B., Jr. 22nd	Stone, F. T. 45th
Cauthorn, W. A. 38th	Johnston, P. M. 45th	Story, L. O., Jr. 12th
Congdon, J. R. 38th	McGonagil, J. C. 30th	Trent, G. E. 8th
Edmonds, W. A. 22nd	McKinney, G. L. 7th	Turochy, R. C. 42nd
Faison, B. C. 4th	Nuckols, C.W., Jr. 12th	Williams, E. P. 12th
Giles, P. F. 52nd	Otwell, G. I. 37th	Wilmouth, C.M. 3rd
Gilliam, W. P., Jr. 33rd	Petrone, B. V., Jr. 30th	Word, R. H. 41st
Hassell, T. T., Jr. 33rd	Prince, R. E. 37th	Wyatt, N. B. 34th
	Pruden, J. N. 12th	



Tuckahoe Lodge

No. 347
A. F. & A. M.


1923



2008

CHARTERED FEBRUARY 14, 1923
MEETS FIRST THURSDAY EACH MONTH, BETHLEHEM AND DICKENS ROADS, RICHMOND, VIRGINIA
SEND MAIL TO: 10604 Joseph Court, Glen Allen, VA 23060

*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, June 5, 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

Ballot

Committee Reports

Program – Ill. Donald S. Truslow, 33°, IGH will present an interactive program about the relationship of the Blue Lodge, Scottish & York Rites, and the Shrine

Dress for Officers & Members – Coat & Tie

**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.

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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. 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
* Warner Pierce 1933
* J. W. Snedden 1934
* Dr. E. L. Copley 1935
* A. E. Call 1936
* J. M. Jennings, Jr. 1937
* B. H. Bradley 1938
† W. A. Rudasill, Sr. 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, Jr., P.D.D.G.M. 1960
* W. Y. Roper, Jr., P.D.D.G.M. 1961
* J. H. Shinault, Jr. 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
† 1969
* E. L. Walker 1970
* Don Williams 1971
* E. W. Oakley 1972
* P. D. Lawrence 1973
* 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, II 1978
* C. E. Whitley, P.D.D.G.M. 1979
* O. J. Oaks 1980
* D. M. 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

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

Hayes, I. W. Kuper, H. S. Brown, T. L. Moore, Jr.

FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

Bros. D. J. L. Bloomquist, W. G. Lee, J. W. Hurt,
A. O. Ballinger, H. L. Atwell, C. P. Johnson, R. C.
Wood, D. M. Lovelace, J. G. Smith, J. C. Wood,

FROM THE EAST

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

Brethren, our well-attended Stated Communication for May began with Sir Master Chef Whitley’s preparation of an old favorite of mine –chicken pot pie like Mother used to make! Rt. Wor. Whitley and his stewards served the meal with their usual enthusiasm and efficiency.

A special program for our ladies featured the preparation of spring floral arrangements, which were then presented to several of the ladies as they departed. I’ve heard that the program was enjoyed by all.

Tuckahoe Lodge was honored by the personal visit to the Lodge of the Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, Most Worshipful Edmund Cohen. After receiving the Grand Master, our Tuckahoe singers presented “God Bless America” as the flag of our country was presented at the altar and properly saluted by all after a special reading by Wor. Doug Messimer.

The business of the Lodge included the presentation of Certificates of Appreciation from the Grand Lodge to two members who have been instrumental in the success of our blood program. Wor. Doug Messimer was presented with a Certificate for his outstanding efforts in acquiring media coverage for our activities, and Bro. Arthur Gregory received one for his leadership in developing joint blood drives. Both of these brethren have enhanced our results as well as providing an opportunity to work with other Masons who want to contribute to the welfare of our communities.

After a presentation of “A Nugget from the Quarries of Freemasonry”, entitled “What Came Ye Here To Do?” by our Lodge Education Officer, Wor. Doug Messimer, the Grand Master presented Bro. John T. Gaywood with his warrant from the Grand Lodge of Virginia to serve as the Blood Program Coordinator for District 15-C. Our congratulations to Bro. John on his selection. His enthusiasm and dedication will provide our District with the leadership needed for continued success.

The Grand Master opened his remarks with comments that were extremely complimentary to Tuckahoe. He cited our Lodge as “A perfect example of an **active** Masonic Lodge” and indicated he regularly views our website and finds it to be interesting, informative and well done. At the conclusion of his remarks the Grand Master was presented with a memento of our 75th anniversary in 1998, along with the token of this year’s 85th anniversary.

The June Stated Communication will be “Senior Warden’s Night” with Wor. Jackie G. Cooke (Wor Master of Tuckahoe Lodge in 2002 and 2003) presiding in the East. Wor. Jack’s remarks on his program are noted elsewhere in this “Trestleboard”.

Bring a friend and your lady. Support YOUR Lodge!

FROM THE SECRETARY’S DESK

Rt. Wor. Bob Carpenter, *Secretary*

Brethren, please remember that Life Memberships in Perpetuity are still available. AN LMIP not only guarantees payment of your dues each year while you are an active member of the Lodge, but also guarantees that the Lodge will continue to receive your dues after you have gone to the Celestial Lodge above. Please consider leaving your Lodge with a legacy for the future. The cost today for those under the age of 70 is \$1,088. Now is the time. If you have questions, please call me. (If you are age 70 or over, your amount is \$960.) Checks should be made payable to the Grand Lodge of Virginia Life Membership Fund and mailed to my address in the bulletin. I'll take care of the paperwork and forwarding it on to Grand Lodge.

Remember brethren, Freemasonry is a fraternity which stresses self development of the individual’s intellectual and spiritual nature. It teaches self-control and the development of insight. It teaches primarily through the use of symbols and allegory. It is the tradition of the fraternity that no one speak officially for Masonry so far as its meanings and interpretations are concerned. Each man interprets the symbols for himself.

Our obligations are real and are the things we promise to do or not to do. Promises made to God and all the Brethren of the Fraternity, in the name and presence of God and the presence of the Brethren. The penalties for breaking those promises are acknowledgments of the shame and pain any true man should feel at the thought he had broken his word. The decision to become a Mason is a decision to live at more than an animal level.

Are these promises real? Of course. Are the penalties real? Again, each man must interpret these for himself. Your journey through Freemasonry never really ends. As you grow in Masonic knowledge, you evolve in the practice of the Masonic virtues. Each man must answer one fundamental question: What does it mean to be a Mason, and how do I know when I have achieved that goal? There are no paintings on cave walls for reference. No journeys through caverns or over mountain peaks to lead the way. Once again, each man must find and interpret this self-awareness and self-understanding for himself. Good luck in your quest.

Please note your dues card. If it does not say 2008, you are delinquent. We currently have 7 members who fall into that category, totaling 144 years of Masonic service. Also, please support our upcoming annual fish fry on June 13th.

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

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