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# Tuckahoe Lodge 347

A.F. & A.M.



**Chartered February 14, 1923, by the Grand Lodge of Virginia.**

*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 requests your attendance at the following Communications of your Lodge to be held in the Tuckahoe Masonic Temple, Bethlehem & Dickens Road, Richmond, Virginia. Furthermore, 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 at our communications. Brethren, take due notice thereof.

## *The Craft at Labor*

**OUR 1,128<sup>th</sup> STATED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017**

**Tuckahoe's 94<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!**

- 6:30 P.M. Dinner prepared by the Ladies of Areme Chapter of the Eastern Star. The menu includes: country style steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls and dessert.
- 7:30 P.M. Open Master Mason's Lodge - Ballot - Business - Nugget #90 - Official Visit of Rt. Wor. Stanley Katz, DDGM, 15-C- Close Master Mason's Lodge  
Dress Code: Officers: Tuxedo, Members: Coat & tie

**CALLED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, MARCH 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

- 7:00 P.M. Work expected in the Entered Apprentice Degree.  
Dress code: Officers and Members: Coat & Tie

**CALLED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, MARCH 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

- 7:00 P.M. Work expected in the Fellowcraft Degree.  
Dress code: Officers and Members: Coat & Tie

**CALLED COMMUNICATION - THURSDAY, MARCH 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017**

- 7:00 P.M. Work expected in the Master Mason's Degree.  
Dress code: Officers and Members: Coat & Tie

**Fraternal visit to Meridian No. 284 - MONDAY, MARCH 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

- 12:00 P.M. Lunch at MAHOVA dining hall.
- 1:00 P.M. Master Masons Lodge opens -Educational Program by Wor.'s Doug & Marshall Messimer  
Dress code: Coat & Tie

## *Our Circle of Concern*

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers: Bro. Joe Wegman, Wor. Barry Faison, Bro. D. Ray Holcomb, Bro. Rusty Davis, Bro. Gary Josey, Bro. Dan Sarate, Wor. Shirley Tuck, Bro. Hugh Major, Bro. Leon Story, Jr., Bro. David Sims and his wife Mary Lou, Bro. Chris McCombs, Bro. Zolton Phillips, Bro. David Bass, Bro. Gordan Roach, Bro. Kenny Roach, Bro. Earl Watson, Bro. Jack Reid, and Bro. John Gaywood and his wife, Dorothy.

## Counting the Years

(538 years of Masonic Service)

Ammon, C.S., Jr.	7 <sup>th</sup>	Irby, E.B., Jr.	61 <sup>st</sup>	Terry, W.S., Jr.	38 <sup>th</sup>
Clifton, R.L.	30 <sup>th</sup>	Lanier, M.S., II	44 <sup>th</sup>	Watts, D.F.	11 <sup>th</sup>
Cooke, J.G.	30 <sup>th</sup>	Mustian, W.T.	15 <sup>th</sup>	Webb, W.T.	7 <sup>th</sup>
Elicerio, J.P.J.M.	12 <sup>th</sup>	Stone, J.S.	53 <sup>rd</sup>	Wegman, J.B.	33 <sup>rd</sup>
Fadool, J.E.	41 <sup>st</sup>	Strauss, R.E.	58 <sup>th</sup>	Wetzel, E.C.	9 <sup>th</sup>
Farmer, G.J., III	35 <sup>th</sup>			Wood, A.E.	54 <sup>th</sup>

### *From the East... Wor. Thomas W. Voltz, Jr.*

Greetings. March is upon us and with it a visit from our Brother, Rt. Worshipful Stanley Katz. Rt. Wor. Katz is a long-time Mason who is well respected in the Masonic community and I hope we will have a good, strong turnout for his official visit. We are also expecting to ballot on a new applicant during our stated meeting. Assuming he passes the ballot, we will then be looking forward to work in the EA Degree the following week and then work in the Master Mason's Degree on week three for Brother T.J. Leonard. So, it will be a busy month and everyone's help is welcomed and encouraged. Thank you, my Brothers for your continued support and brotherly affection.

### *From The Secretary's Desk... Rt. Wor. Robert W. Carpenter, Jr.*



#### **DID YOU KNOW? DID YOU KNOW? DID YOU KNOW?**

There is a seven-acre site on Lake Metigoshe in the Turtle Mountains of North Dakota named 'Masonic Island'. It was originally named Park Island. In 1904, the island was owned by Brother V.J. Noble, who was a member of Tuscan Lodge No. 44 in North Dakota. He had purchased it from the government in 1899. With a dispensation from the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, and the permission of Brother Noble, the island was cleared in 1906 for the purpose of holding outdoor Masonic degree conferrals. Tuscan Lodge was joined by Westhope Lodge No. 74 for conferral of three Master Mason Degrees that year. The events were such a success that degrees were held annually for six consecutive years. When Brother Noble died, masons became interested in reviving the conferral of degrees on the island. On November 28, 1933, the Probate Court authorized the sale of the island with a deed to the North Dakota Masonic Foundation for the sum of \$277.25. It was dedicated by the Grand Lodge in 1934. Built in 1935, at the landing dock, is a flight of winding concrete stairs consisting of three, five, and seven steps that rise to the representation of a Lodge room. (The significance of the steps may be familiar to you.) An altar and officers' chairs were constructed of "beach stones and mortared cement".

It is a known fact that Masonic Island was probably the first place where visas to enter the United States were lifted for Masons of Canada during World War II by an agreement between President Roosevelt and Prime Minister MacKenzie, who were both Masons. The agreement stated that the Canadian Masons could enter the United States by boat from the north shore of Lake Metigoshe (Canada). As long as their feet never touched the shoreline of the lake in the U.S., and they landed only at Masonic Island when a meeting would be held, then they would not be in violation of wartime rules of entry.

Today, Masonic Island is being restored as a special historic location in the Turtle Mountains. The island lays claim to being the only spot in the area untouched by the fires and other disasters of nature which decimated old growths of oak trees and other flora and fauna. Because of the island's location in the center of the lake, it has some of the oldest trees and most unusual plants in the state.

#### **DOES YOUR DUES CARD SAY 2017?**

If your dues card does not say 2017, your name appears on my list of those members who have not paid their dues and are now delinquent. Dues are due and payable by January 1st of each year, and we now have 7 members of Tuckahoe Lodge who have not paid their 2016 dues and will be subject to suspension later this year. Please help your Lodge meet its financial obligations by fulfilling your obligation.

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\* 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  
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X . . . . .1969  
E. L. Walker . . . . .1970  
\* D. Williams . . . . .1971  
\* E. W. Oakley. . . . .1972  
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S. E. Tuck, Jr . . . . .(207) 2002 & 2005  
J. H. Crowder, P.D.D.G.M. . . . .(177) 2004-05  
W. R. Heltzel, P.D.D.G.M. . . . . (10) 2008  
\* Deceased + Demitted X Suspended

### SIXTY-YEAR MEMBERS

A.O. Ballinger, C.P. Johnson, J.C. Wood,  
M.A. House, J.R. Williams, R.F. Westbury, Sr.,  
H.E. Franklin, E.B. Irby, Jr

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Mt. Wor. J.R. Quinley,  
Rt. Wor. C.E. Whitley,  
Bro. J.S. Gilmore, III.

### J. NED CULLER AWARD

2011 - R.W. Carpenter, Jr.  
2012 - R.C. Eades, Sr  
2013 - D.M. Messimer  
2014 - \*R.A. Wright  
2015 - C.E. Whitley  
2016 - \*W.Y. Roper, III

### FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

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F.S. Wood, Jr., C.E. Whitley, E.L. Walker,  
R.C. Turochy, J.H. Frye



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C.P. Johnson, \*D.M. Lovelace, W.H. Lovern, Jr.,  
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D.E. Wright, D.L. Wright, \*R.A. Wright

\* Deceased

**March 2, DDGM Stanley Katz' official visit to Tuckahoe**

**March 4, 2017 Division Leadership Conference, 8 AM at the SRT**

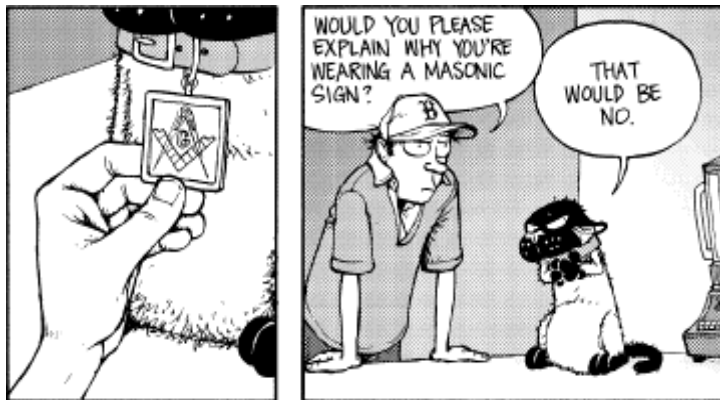
**March 15, DEO/DIW School, 6 PM at the SRT**

**March 27, fraternal visit and educational program at Meridian 284**

**April 6, Official Visit of M.W. Vernon Stuart Cook to Tuckahoe Lodge**

**The complete list of coming events is on the Tuckahoe web page at:**

**<http://tuckahoelodge347.org/lodgeContent/news/events.pdf>**



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### Matters of Interest

- \* Masonic Recognition Day is the first day of every month. Wear your Masonic pins and clothing proudly.
- \* Let the Worshipful Master, or any Officer, know if you need transportation to a Lodge meeting or event.
  - \* Report any change of residence or e-mail address promptly to the Lodge Secretary.
  - \* Annual Lodge dues for 2017 are \$100 (\$89 if you are age 70 or older)...Is your dues card current?
- \* A Life Membership in Perpetuity is \$1600 (\$1424 if you are 70 or older). The Secretary has all the required forms.
  - \* The Lodge Telephone Number is 804-234-4115, voice mail is available.
- \* Tuckahoe Masonic Class meets Thursday's at 7:00 P.M. (Wednesday, if degree work is scheduled for Thursday).
  - \* Richmond Lodge No. 10 meets 1st Tuesday, 7:00 PM at Tuckahoe.
  - \* St. John's Lodge No. 36 meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday. 7:15 PM at Tuckahoe.
  - \* Areme Chapter No. 17, OES meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 7:30 PM at Tuckahoe.
  - \* Robert Lewis Gibbs Class meets every Saturday, 7:00 PM at the SRT (except December).
- \* Masters and Wardens - 4th Saturday, 9:00am at Westhampton Lodge (except June, July, August, and December).
- \* Westhampton Chapter DeMolay, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays each month, 7:30 PM at Westhampton Masonic Temple.
  - \* Bethel 53 Job's Daughters, 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month, 7:30 PM at Westhampton Masonic Temple.
  - \* Richmond Assembly #10 International Order of Rainbow for Girls, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 7:30 PM at the SRT.
  - \* For other upcoming events visit the Grand Lodge website at: <http://www.grandlodgeofvirginia.org>

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