

Chickahominy Lodge No. 286 A.F. & A. M. Chartered February 16, 1905

Trestleboard January 2024



P.O. Box 464 7886 Richmond Road Toano, VA 23168 Stated Communication: 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 P.M. www.chickahominy286.org

Message from The Master

Brethren.

As we move forward into the new year, I hope that everyone enjoyed a very Merry Christmas surrounded by family, friends, and loving memories of one of our most holy holidays. January marks the beginning of a new year. The Officers and Lodge look forward to serving you in 2024. We enjoyed a very successful year in 2023. Though there were challenges, the Lodge grew ever stronger as a result. I was pleased to witness our Lodge meet all the various challenges as set forth by the Grand Lodge, and Most Worshipful Donald Ellis Strehle, PGM. Our new Grand Master, Most Worshipful Jack Kayle Lewis has a like set of goals for us this year, and I am confident that we will meet, if not exceed his expectations.

Our ritual differentiates Masonry from other Social and Fraternal Organizations. Last year's One Day Conferral was a stellar success. However, this accomplishment presented us the challenge to practice our ritual in earnest so that we are prepared to meet the inevitable challenge of bringing in new members and performing the work on our own. We have many excellent opportunities to attract potential new members. As is our desire to attract good men and make them better, forget not the many excellent occasions we have to accomplish this, for example, by inviting a prospective new member to our Social Breakfast, Lodge Breakfast, Spaghetti Dinner, or simply bring them to Lodge for dinner prior to one of our stated meetings.

Moving forward, your Lodge continues with many of our excellent and thriving programs. Our Blood Drive continues to thrive and grow ever stronger. Our recycling program, where recycled plastic is transformed into useful public benches for our surrounding community, continues to flourish as well. Our community beautification effort with Trash Pick Up continues to show our neighbors that we care, and improve our local roadway's aesthetics. We will remain committed to our youth by sponsoring a baseball team, and supporting our area's Eagle Scouts. We helped the Salvation Army with raising funds with our bell ringing efforts. Our Golf Tournament and Scholarship Fund stand ready for another red letter year. And perhaps most importantly, we continue to donate funds, materials, and Time to MAHOVA and many other important charities.

Our Community Breakfasts and Spaghetti Dinners are almost back to prepandemic levels. These are our largest fundraisers that directly support the lodge, and their importance cannot be overstated. More importantly, these are gathering opportunities which allow our surrounding community and Brethren to gather and enjoy fellowship, camaraderie, and a fine meal. As always, we are constantly searching for new ways to raise funds, and include

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NOTICES

DUES

2024 Dues Notices are being sent by e-mail monthly Paper copies will be mailed January 15, 2024

WARDEN'S TRAINING

Wor. Bob Cosby conducts Warden's Training at the Lodge on Wednesdays beginning at 6:00 p.m. but this training is available to anyone who desires additional training on virtually any topic. Please contact him for details.

GRAND VIEW

If you need assistance logging into Grand View or using the website please reach out to our Secretary for assistance.

Lodge Events, Dues, and other functions are available!

DISTRICT SCHOOL

Jan 2 – Mann Page (EA)
Feb 5 – Chickahominy (FC)
March 4 – Yorktown (MM1)
April 1 – Williamsburg (MM2)
May 6 – Mann Page (DEO)



Be part of a lifesaving journey

Donate Blood

2024 Stonehouse Presbyterian Church Thursday Blood Drive Schedule

CHICKAHOMINY LODGE NO. 286

January 18th
February 15th
March 21st
April 18th
May 16th
July 18th
August 15th
September 19th
October 17th
May 16th
November 21st
June 20th
December 19th

2023 - 566 Units of Blood at 12 Drives

OFFICERS 2024 Worshipful Master Christopher C. Wathen (Susan) 304-676-5795 Senior Warden Samuel J. Hay 757-508-2790 Junior Warden Robert E. Crossan (Cindy) 908-328-9170 Treasurer Jack C. van Leliveld (Stacy) 757-566-2278 Secretary Robert E. Cosby III 804-658-8965 Senior Deacon Jim J. Fryrear (Sonya) 757-871-2161 **Junior Deacon** Robert Eric Stauffer (Angel) 757-903-5536 Chaplain Harold W. (Bo) Bohannon, Jr. 757-784-1367 Tiler Z. Scott Florence 757-221-0926 **Senior Steward** James W. Grant. III (Jetta) 757-592-2640 **Junior Steward** Jonathan G. Wintsch 860-930-4453 Marshall Shane Shortt (Joni) 757-897-0817 LIW. LMC & DMC Robert E. Cosby, III 804-658-8965 **LEO** Dennis N. Manning 703-717-1997 **MAHOVA** R. Wayne Donahoe(Carolyn) 757-410-7965

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS January 2024

NAME	BIRTHDAY	YEARS
Joseph L. Cobb	1/23/2014	10
Michael S. Jordan	1/5/2017	7
Paul D Kerr	1/30/2018	6
John Z. Luciano	1/28/2015	9
Ronald E. Meredith	1/11/2000	24
	TOTAL	<u>56</u>

JANUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 2 - District School - Mann Page

Jan 6 - Social Breakfast - Astronomical Pancakes 8:30 a.m.

Jan 8 – Williamsburg No. 6 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Jan 8 – Chickahominy Roadrunners – Westhampton Lodge No. 302

Jan 9 – Chickahominy No. 286 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Jan 13 – Monthly Breakfast 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Jan 15 - Yorktown No. 205 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Jan 16 - Mann Page No. 157 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Jan 18 – Blood Drive Stonehouse Presbyterian Church 1 – 6 p.m.

CHICKAHOMINY ROADRUNNERS

Remaining 2024 Schedule

January 9 – Westhampton Lodge #302
February 6 – Richmond Lodge #10
February 28 – Great Bridge Lodge #257 (GMOV)
March 5 – Willis V. Fentress Lodge #296
April 2 – Elizabeth Lodge #34
May 8 – Jefferson Lodge #65
June 13 – Lake Drummond Lodge #178
July 2 – McAllister Lodge #185
Aug 7 – Princess Anne Lodge #25
September 17 – Temple Lodge #9
October 21 – St. Tammany Lodge #5
November 7 – Berkley Lodge #167
December 5 – Churchland Lodge #276

Contact Bro. Jack van Leliveld for more information. treasurer@chickahominy286.org

JANUARY STATED MEETING

TUESDAY January 9, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.

DINNER @ 6:30 p.m.

This month's chef will be Dennis Manning

Scottish Beef Stew Haggis Fresh Bread

DEC 2023 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Attendance: 27 Members and 3 Visitors

Master thanked Mathew Wech and Helen Riley for preparing dinner

Masonic Birthdays – 3 Totaling 92 years
Wor. Wayne Donahoe received the Birthday Gift Card

Poinsettias were delivered to our Widows in December Supported the Women's Club Brunch on Dec 2 Supported the Christmas Parade on Dec 3 Next District School will be Tuesday Jan 2

Officers were elected for 2024 as noted on Page 2.

DDGM Candidate for 2025 was elected as Wor Greg Johnson DDGM Alternate Candidate for 2025 was elected as Wor Russ Jeffries

Lodge Memorial service was held for our deceased brethren.

Wor John Flannagan RW Jack Jones Wor Lanny Smith Bro Al Bills

Salvation Army Bell Ringing - Dec 14, 2023





Bringing Joy to our Community while supporting good causes

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the community in our efforts, while at the same time maintaining our good reputation. As we request assistance with our various programs this year, please consider lending a hand, or helping us with various logistical efforts.

Finally Brethren, Your Officers and I are pleased to serve the Lodge as we strive to have yet another successful year in Chickahominy Lodge. May the Supreme Architect bless us in all our efforts. May He bless you and your families with good health, prosperity, and ever increasing Love.

Fraternally,

Chris Wathen Worshipful Master

OPEN INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS DEC 16, 2023

Installing Officer Wor Lynn Howell
Installing Secretary Wor Wayne Donahoe
Installing Marshall Wor Russ Jeffries
Installing Asst Marshall Wor John Pouch
Installing Chaplain RW David Murray

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers for our 2024 Stated Dinners. The Sign-Up Sheet is on the bulletin board in the dining room.

Please consider putting one together.

The Lodge will reimburse you for your out-of-pocket expenses. Contact Wor Bob Cosby or Wor Chris Wathen if you have questions. Also remember that wives and potential candidates are always welcome to attend our dinners.

CHICKAHOMINY LODGE 286 LIVING PAST MASTERS

<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Murray T. Rowe	1977	
Harvey C. Latta	1981, 87	
Albert W. Brady	1982	
William E. Duer	1988, 89	
Mark Hockaday	1995	
Robert C. Wright	1997	*2000
William S. Patterson, Jr.	1998	
Henry S. Branscome	1999	
James C. Miller	2000, 03	*2004
Robert W. Parke	2005	*2008
Paul W. Gilley	2006, 07	*2006
Robert Humrich	2008	
James O. Smith	2010	
Raymond W. Donahoe	2013	
Joseph A. Rose	2014	*2020 & 2021
Harold W. (Bo) Bohannon, Jr.	2015	
Z. Scott Florence	2016	
Gregory B. Johnson	2017	
Thomas V. Hardin	2018	
Russell F. Jeffries	2019	
Bruce W. Burkett	2020	
Robert E. Cosby, III	2021	
Robert L. Howell	2022	
E. Miles Riley	2023	

OTHER LODGES

OTTIER EODGES									
William F. Perdue	#215	1969	*1981	**1991					
William E. Rorer, Jr.	#6	1976	*1981	**2010					
John G. Pouch	#5 (DC)	1985							
Theodore B. Holm	#237	1990							
Graham Raven	#8784 (UK)	1990, 2002							
	#9700 UK)	2017							
Paul W. Gilley	#157	1991, 2015	*2006						
Theodore B. Holm	#54	1998							
Glenn Roxy Gwynn	#6	2001							
Charles E. Hinson	#88	2001,09,10	*2005						
James C. Miller	#6	2003	*2004						
Robert E. Lee	#88	2004							
Thomas W. Mears, Sr.	#157	2005	*2011						
Geo. A. Hollingsworth, III	#241	2005							
Ronald E. Meredith	#776 (PA)	2005 & 06							
Robert E. Ramirez	#86 (CO)	2006							
Geo. A. Hollingsworth, III	#6	2007							
John R. Howerton	#7	2015							
Benjamin F. Clark, Jr.	#7	2016							

LMIP's (Life Members in Perpetuity)

Stephen W. Anderson* William A. Ayers, Jr. Princes E. Baker* Harold W. Bohannon, Jr. Henry S. Branscome, II Bruce W. Burkett Gerald E. Burks* Patrick L. Clayton Robert E. Cosby, III Holly R. Crockett George Dimitrov* Raymond W. Donahoe James M. Faucett Zachary Scott Florence William S. Ford* Stephen W. Foster Paul W. Gilley James W. Grant. III Thomas V. Hardin Samuel J. Hav Charles E. Hinson George A. Hollingsworth, III Burton T. Holm Theodore B. Holm William E. Honsinger Robert L. Howell Russell F. Jeffries Walter R. Jennings, Jr. Gregory B. Johnson Jack G. Jones* Tommie F. Karns* Kyle C. Littlefield Robert J. Long* William R. McCleary James M. Miller* Robert W. Parke William S. Patterson, Jr. John G. Pouch Charles R. Reeves E. Miles Riley, Jr. Thomas E. Robards Joseph A. Rose

Kenneth A. Shannon

LMIP's (Continued)

Shane E. Shortt
Victor A. Shumaker*
James O. Smith*
James W. Smith*
Jack C. van Leliveld
Harry C. Wager (In Memory Of)*
Matthew G. Wech
Robert C. Wright
Richard L. Zick

*Deceased

SEVENTY YEAR MASONS

Frank J. Shaffer Wor. Theodore B. Holm

SIXTY YEAR MASONS

Robert L. Lawrence MW William F. Perdue

FIFTY YEAR MASONS

David C. Mershon MW William E. Rorer, Jr. Wor. Murray T. Rowe, Jr.

HONORARY MEMBERS

Wor. Theodore B. Holm MW William F. Perdue Wor. Graham Raven (UK) MW William E. Rorer Jr.

TRUSTEES

RW R. Cleve Wright RW Paul W. Gilley Wor. R. Wayne Donahoe

^{*}Denotes PDDGM & Year **Denotes PGM & Year

