

# Chickahominy Lodge No. 286 A. F. & A. M. Trestleboard



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: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:30 P.M.  
[www.chickahominy286.org](http://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 pre-pandemic 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 18 <sup>th</sup>	July 18 <sup>th</sup>
February 15 <sup>th</sup>	August 15 <sup>th</sup>
March 21 <sup>st</sup>	September 19 <sup>th</sup>
April 18 <sup>th</sup>	October 17 <sup>th</sup>
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	November 21 <sup>st</sup>
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	December 19 <sup>th</sup>

**Dec 2023 we donated 53 Units of Blood**

## 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 (Dawn) 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

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### MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

#### January 2024

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
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>

### CHICKAHOMINY ROADRUNNERS

#### **Remaining 2024 Schedule**

January 8 – 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](mailto:treasurer@chickahominy286.org)

### 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 2 – 7 p.m.

### 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

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## DEC 2023 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

**Attendance:** 27 Members and 3Visitors

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

Installing Secretary

Installing Marshall

Installing Asst Marshall

Installing Chaplain

Wor Lynn Howell

Wor Wayne Donahoe

Wor Russ Jeffries

Wor John Pouch

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.

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## CHICKAHOMINY LODGE 286 LIVING PAST MASTERS

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

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		

\*Denotes PDDGM & Year

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## 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. Hay  
 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



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