

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

Trestleboard October 2023



P.O. Box 464 7886 Richmond Road Toano, VA 23168

Stated Communication: 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 P.M.

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October Letter from the East

Warden's Night at our September Stated came off without a hitch. All rising officers performed their parts beautifully. Brother Chris Wathen ran the meeting with, what appeared to be, great confidence. He was truly regal sitting in the master's chair. Brother Sam Hay demonstrated his knowledge of the Senior Wardens duties and Brother Bob Crossan performed the opening and closing from the Junior Warden's Station flawlessly. Brother Jim Fryrear performed the duties of the Senior Deacon with confidence and Brother Eric Stauffer demonstrated his willingness to assume the Junior Deacon's position next year. Our Tiler for next year, Brother Jonathan Winsch, had a previous engagement and could not attend, but your Master assumed the Tiler's position outside the door giving him a fantastic view of the proceedings. He was most impressed as were the many attendees who spoke with the officers after the meeting. Chickahominy Lodge No. 286 will be in good hands for the future as long as we continue to recruit such dedicated line officers.

On a much sadder note, Brother Al Bills, long time Director of Chickahominy Lodge's Social Events, joined the honored brethren of the craft in that building not made with hands on September 13th. Masonic and Military Honors were presented on Saturday 23rd at the Williamsburg United Methodist Church. David Murray performed the Masonic Memorial. Your Master presented and explained the meaning of the evergreen, the Widow's Pin and Masonic Blue Slipper pin to his widow, Mrs. Jane Bills. We are draping the charter in his honor on October 10th at our stated meeting. There will be a short period for comments from the brethren about their impressions of Brother Al Bills. Your Master remembers Brother Al sitting in the north near the West Gate while he was Marshal. Brother Al would say he was watching him and trying to keep him straight. Eventually your master moved to the Junior Deacon position and Brother Al moved to the South-West to continue watching him. Brother Al always had a friendly smile and a kind word to say.

Also, Mrs. Carol Newman, Widow of Brother Bennie Newman, passed away on September 7, 2023.

Pocahontas Chapter No. 103 Order of the Eastern Star will be performing a play called "Pink Lodge" before the October meeting. This is a very entertaining representation of what the ladies of Pocahontas Chapter pick out of the Masonic Stated Meeting. You should attend to watch this presentation. You will be entertained, guaranteed.

October is Founders Month. As such, there will be a short presentation about the founding of The Grand Lodge of Virginia and The Masonic Home of Virginia.

We recognize that there are many Brethren who have stopped coming to Lodge Meetings. We active members miss you. You have talents and abilities that will assist our serving the community. Attending our Stated Meetings on the second Tuesday of each and every month is the only real way to know how your lodge members are involved in our community and how you may find your comfortable place in our organization. Get involved and be a Mason and not just a member. I remind you that mentorship only ends when the fire of curiosity is ignited, and the engine of research propels the Mason to discover how he can become a better Mason and thereby a better man.

NOTICES

DUES

Invoices for 2023 dues were mailed December 1, 2022. Second and Final Notices were mailed on April 3rd. No further notices will be sent. Please pay as soon as possible.

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.



Be part of a lifesaving journey.

Donate blood.

2023 Stonehouse Presbyterian Church THURSDAY Blood Drive Schedule

CHICKAHOMINY LODGE NO. 286

September 14th 2pm-7pm October 19th 2pm-7pm November 9th 2pm-7pm December 21st 2pm-7pm

OFFICERS 2023

Worshipful Master

E. Miles Riley, Jr. (Helen) 540-514-1780

Senior Warden

Christopher C. Wathen (Susan) 304-676-5795

Junior Warden

Samuel J. Hay 757-508-2790

Treasurer

Jack C. van Leliveld (Stacy) 757-566-2278

Secretary

Gregory Johnson 757-565-4577

Senior Deacon

Robert E. Crossan (Cindy) 908-328-9170

Junior Deacon

Jim J. Fryrear (Sonya) 757-871-2161

Chaplain

Harold W. (Bo) Bohannon, Jr. 757-784-1367

Tiler

Thomas V. Hardin (Debbie) 757-8792604

Senior Steward

Kenneth A. Shannon (Kim) 757-206-1015

Junior Steward

James W. Grant, III (Jetta) 757-592-2640

Marshall

Shane Shortt (Joni) 757-897-0817

LIW, LMC & DMC

Robert E. Cosby, III 804-658-8965

LEO

Robert Eric Stauffer (Angel) 757-903-5536

MAHOVA

Wayne Donahoe 757-344-8241

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS October 2023

Gilley	Paul W.	10/5/85	38
Gray	Charles.	10/8/79	44
Miller	James C.	10/12/98	25
Humrich, Jr	Robert	10/14/04	19
Jennings, Jr.	Walter R.	10/14/93	30
Raven	Graham	10/16/84	39
Bartholomay	Donald K.	10/18/86	37
Bunn	Derek J.	10/22/15	8
Wathen	Christopher C.	10/23/07	16
Lawrence	Robert L.	10/25/58	65
Howell	Robert L.	10/26/16	7

Total Years: 328

Oct CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Oct 2 District School Mann Page No. 157 (MM1)
- Oct 5 Road Runners Warwick Lodge No. 336 7:00 pm
- Oct 7 Social Breakfast & MOHOVA Day 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Masonic District 57 has parking lot attendant & they need volunteers.
- Oct 8 Grand Lodge Service of Thanksgiving @ Acca Shrine Temple Richmond
- Oct 9 Williamsburg No. 6 Stated Meeting 7.30 p.m.
- Oct 10 Chickahominy Lodge Stated Meeting 6:30pm dinner, 7:30pm meeting
 - Oct 14 Monthly Breakfast 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
 - Oct 16 Yorktown No. 205 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
 - Oct 17 Mann Page No. 157 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
 - Oct 19 Blood Drive Stonehouse Presbyterian Church 1 6 p.m.
 - Nov 4 Social Breakfast
 - Nov 6 District School Chickahominy No. 286 (Election of Officers, +)
 - Nov 9 Blood Drive Stonehouse Presbyterian Church 1 6 p.m.
 - Nov 8-12 Grand Annual Communications location: Hilton Richmond Hotel & Spa, 12042 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia.
 - Nov 13 Williamsburg No. 6 Stated Meeting 7.30 p.m.
 - Nov 14 Chickahominy No. 286 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.

CHICKAHOMINY ROADRUNNERS

Remaining 2023 Schedule

September 18,2023 - Manchester Lodge No.14 October 5, 2023 - Warwick Lodge No. 336 November 16, 2023 - Bremond Lodge No. 241 December 14, 2023 - Sandston Lodge No. 216

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

OCTOBER STATED MEETING

TUESDAY OCT 10, 2023 @ 7:30 p.m.

DINNER @ 6:30 p.m.

Dinner Prepared By:

Miles and Helen Reily

Menu: Knockwurst, Sauerkraut, German Potato Salad, Apple Crisp

HIGHLIGHTS OF Sept 2023 MINUTES

- Thanks to Bro. Bob Crossan and his wife Cindy for preparing tonight's dinner.
- Present Proficiency Certificates
 - Brother Austin Westbury received his certificate
- Secretary's Report
 - Correspondence
 - The Hawaiian island of Maui terrible tragedy. Read Grand Lodge Communication.
 - Discuss the size of donation support for the Hawaii Disaster relief.
- **Brother Secretary Dues Report –** Invoices for 2023 were mailed on December 1st to all 116 Members. 70 owed dues. 60 have paid. 10 still owe.
- Presentations
 - Wor. David Coffey of Williamsburg Shrine Club presents the Shrine
 - Bro. Eric Stauffer presents program.
- Lodge Business
 - Bro. Chris Wathen:
 - Bro. Chris Wathen and Jim Fryrear are new Grandfathers.
 - August 12 Breakfast We collected <u>\$730</u> in receipts.
 - September 9 Breakfast We collected \$710 in receipts.
 - Discuss E. Tyree Mountcastle District School

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			10	from 286.		
	Sept. 6 th School, FC &	MM1:	21	attended,		
			6	from 286.		
\triangleright	Sept. 7 th School MM2:		18	attended,		
	•	•	9	from 286.		

- Next School October 2rd @ Mann Page 157 (MM1) Junior Warden & Tiler.
- MAHOVA Day is October 7th District 57 is parking cars need volunteers.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers for our

November and December 2023 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. Also remember that wives and potential candidates are always welcome to attend our dinners.

Wor. John Pouch has accepted the task of managing our social get togethers. (email: johngladys@mac.com)

We thank Bro. Al Bills for all of his time with managing social events and welcome Wor. John Pouch in his new role.

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	
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	

OTHER LODGES

OTTIER 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					

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

James O. Smith*

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

Albert E. Bills 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

Wor. Raymond W. Donahoe Wor. Paul W.Gilley RW Robert C. Wright

^{*}Denotes PDDGM & Year

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