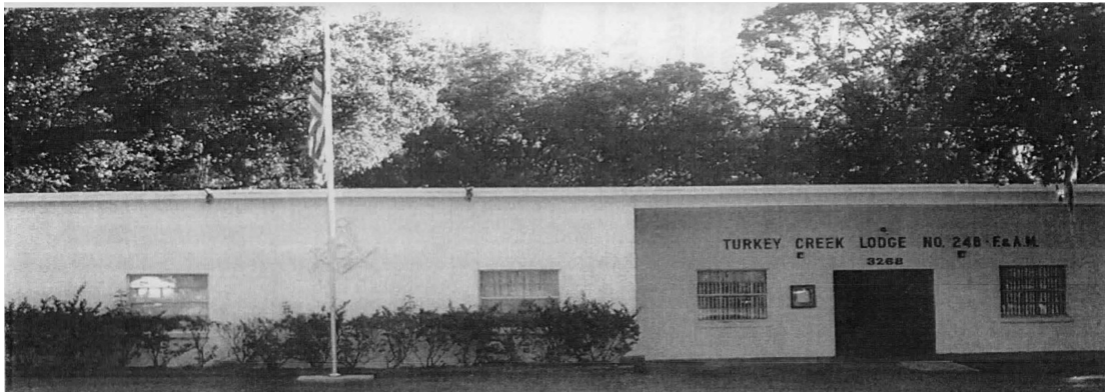


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Past Masters



W.A. Hooker, 1921-23*	A.O. Baynard, 1962	I.D. Vance, 1997
T.H. Bell, 1924-25*	K.H. Hinson, 1963*	C.L. Hill, 1998
W.M. Hartin, 1926-27*	W.T. Simmons, 1964*	L.R. Gillespie, 1999
H.C. Creemer, 1928-30*	W.W. Wingate, 1965	J.F. VanBrocklin, 2000
R.L. Sheffield, 1931-32*	L. Prichard, 1966	J.B. Sampson III, 2001
W.L. Armstrong, 1933-34*	S. Williford, 1967*	T.L. Steele, 2002
C.G. Ash, 1935*	J.H. Shiver, 1969*	S.T. Yebba, 2003
E.W. Simmons, Sr, 1936*	W.R. Gillespie, 1970	J.A. O'Hara, 2004*
O.E. Baynard, 1937*	J.B. Vanders, 1971	D. Atkin, 2005*
C.H. Farnsworth, 1938*	W.R. Gillespie, 1972	J. Cooper, 2006
J.A. Studstill, 1939*	C. Sheffield, 1973*	A. Hammell, 2007*
L.E. Swatts, 1940*	K.K. Johnson, 1974*	K.W. Minton, 2008
T.N. Gaskins, 1941*	M.B. Langford, 1975	John Barnes, 2009*
J. Mindedahl, 1942*	R.J. Morgan, 1976	Ray Manus, 2010
P.S. Tyson, 1943*	F.M. Jones, 1977*	Alan D. Lively, 2011
N.R. Henley, 1944*	T.E. Hinson, 1978	James B. Bryant, 2012
P. Blondalillo, 1945*	G.R. Langford, 1979	Robert C. St. John, Jr. 2013
R.C. Colson, 1946*	T.D. Bevlin, 1980	Robert L.T. Phillips, 2014
H.C. Ham, 1947*	G.H. Lipsey, 1981	
T.B. Brown, 1948*	R.L. Locke, 1982*	
T.L. Frierson, 1949*	G.D. Varnadore, 1983	
C.L. Carpenter, 1950*	B.H. Thornton, 1984*	
W.F. Smith, 1951*	M.E. Deshong, 1985*	
H.B. Whitehead, 1952*	W.H. Scott, 1986	
C.G. Pate, 1953*	H.B. Roberts, 1987	
J. Jenne, 1954*	L.J. Varnadore, 1988	
J.S. Griffin, 1955*	C.L. Karppe, 1989*	
J.W. Yates, 1956*	L.M. Lee, 1990	
J.C. Davis, 1957*	B. Joyce, 1991	
C. Thompson, 1958	R.M. Visconte, 1992	
E.W. Simmons Jr, 1959	M.E. Deshong, 1993-94*	
J.E. Evans, 1960*	B.W. Douglas, 1995*	
J.L. Hill, 1961	J.T. Robinson, 1996*	

** Deceased*

“Our Past Masters Are The Backbone Of Our Lodge”



From the East

Brothers and Sisters,

We are now halfway through the year. We have had our annual Andy Hammell BBQ that was well attended. We have also had other events that were well received. I hope to continue having different events throughout the rest of the year.

Grand Lodge is upon us once more and I am sure that the Craft's voice will be heard. I am looking forward to speaking for the Lodge and will have a report at our June meeting.

As we start planning family vacations and trips throughout this great nation please remember that Masonic tenet about helping others. Helping another member of the human family with anything no matter how small means a great deal to the recipient and just may be that gesture so desperately needed in their life. Please remember that God loves a cheerful giver and when you give, give because you can, not for any reward.

Every Tuesday you can find me at the Lodge from around 5:00PM until 6:30PM – 7:00PM (or later) depending on the Tuesday and what is going on. On the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays I would like to see Degree workshops, come on out and let us know what you would like to learn more about. Unless there is a degree coming up (like the Master Mason degree on Veteran's day (11/11)) we can go over whatever you would like. We will also be working on getting MLT brought to the Lodge and continue Master Mason 1,2,3 education.

The main charity this year is food banks and the homeless in Hillsborough County. Please bring in non-perishable food items (rice, canned goods, boxed potatoes, etc...) and we will get these out to Our Community.

In addition to food items please bring clothing/suitcases/book bags or something else. These items will go toward helping children entering the foster care system. Please read more about this charity by visiting this link: <http://itsmybag.cool/> or by visiting [ABS News about Its my bag](#).

Fraternally,

AJ Ahrens, Worshipful Master
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From the Secretary



Brothers,

Please come out and support our Lodge. Our Officers are working hard and there are many improvements that SW Cross, JW Fincher and SD Salter have made.

**Fraternally,
Gary Bryant, PDDGM
Lodge Secretary
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Grand Lodge convention 05/25 – 05/27
- Stated meeting 06/02
- FC degree 06/16/2015 | Family night
- Stated meeting 07/07
- Annie H. Schneider Eastern Star meetings 2nd and 4th Thursday
- District school of Instruction 3rd Monday @ Tampa 240
- Masters and Wardens 4th Friday @ Fellowship 265



Lodge News



Degree Team Members NEEDED! See W.: M.: Ahrens and W.: Phillips for training and positions.

Lodge Degree/Floor Work Practice
2ND and 4TH Tuesdays of the Month

Lodge mentor(s)

W.: Bob Phillips

W.: St. John

Remember Brothers it is the actions and spirit of ourselves that make a man a Mason

