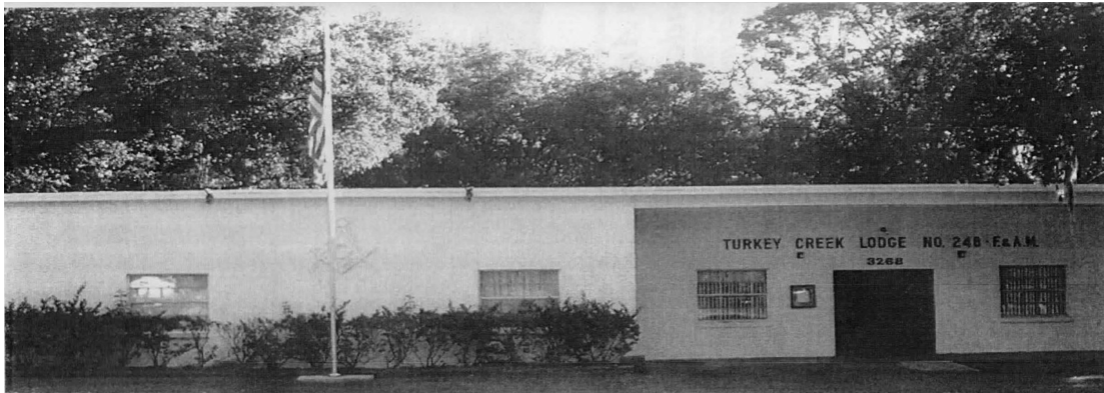


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Past Masters



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	Arthur J. Ahrens III, 2015
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,

July was busy for us, as the District Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Greg Wynn, made his official visit for Most Worshipful Grand Master Stanley L. Hudson. I would like to thank the officers and craft for their excellent participation. It was a busy night as we balloted 5 times that night. We added to our Masonic family 3 brothers. I am tentatively scheduling a Widows Night and Past Masters Night for October 18th. This will be on our regular Family Night. Lasagna, garlic bread and the fixings will be on the menu. I also want to give a heads up that During the month of October Annie H. Schneider Chapter #327, Order of the Eastern Star will be having their Annual Fish Fry (date undetermined). The Sisters of the Star always assist in every fundraiser our Lodge puts on. The craft needs to be equally supportive and help them.

Please do not forget Family Night, the 3rd Tuesday of each month. It is a joy seeing Brothers and their families in a non-meeting night setting.

**Fraternally,
Brice Cross, Worshipful Master
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From the West



Brothers,

We had a great meeting with the district deputy grand master this past month with some great fellowship. We also have some new members brother George Grosskopf sr., brother Houston Tucker and brother Charlie Tucker sr.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to join other brothers from our district on the 3rd Monday of each month at Tampa 240 lodge for district school of instruction. It can help you improve on ritual work as well as have great fellowship with the other brothers. Let me also invite you to join us in degree work, we can use your help, so come on out to the practices on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM, and give a little time to new brother as others have for you on your path in Masonry.

**Fraternally,
John Fincher
Senior Warden**



From the Secretary



Brethren,

I hope all are enjoying or have enjoyed their summer vacation. As we are coming up on the last summer holiday, Labor Day, I encourage each of you to be careful on the highways and look out for that driver that is not looking out for you.

If you haven't been to Lodge in a while, come out and see your Brothers. We would love to see you again.

**Fraternally,
W.: Robert Phillips, PM
Secretary
813.230.7682**

Masonic Minutes

“Try to understand men. If you understand each other you will be kind to each other. Knowing a man well never leads to hate and almost always leads to love.”

~Author – Who Am I ~

This quote was made by a famous Mason. Each month there will be a new famous Quote. I will not give you the author. Your mission is to find the name of the famous Mason for this quote and give it to the W.: M.: before the next meeting. At the end of the year the person who has the most correct answers will receive a reward. One stipulation, you have to attend that month’s meeting for your answer to count. Attendance has its privileges. As before, contact me at the Stated Meeting and give me your answer.

Last month’s Famous Masonic Quote was by none other than Brother Conrad Hahn.

Masonic Education

Freemasons, in affixing dates to their official documents, have a calendar peculiar to themselves, differing according to various Rites.

ORDER	TIME TO ADD OR SUBTRACT	NAME	ABBREVIATION	EXAMPLE	MORE INFORMATION
Blue Lodge	Add 4,000 years to the Christian era	ANNO LUCIS -YEAR OF THE LIGHT	A. L.	For A. D. 1930, it would be: A. L. 5930	This is not for the reason that they believe Freemasonry to be coeval with creation, but because of its symbolic reference to the Light of Masonry.
Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite	Add 3760 years to the Christian era	ANNO MUNDI, year of the world,	A.M	For A. D. 1930, 5690	The Jewish calendar is used. Sometimes the Hebrew year is used, which begins on the first of the month Tisri, corresponding to September 17th, V. E., using the initials A. H. ANNO HEBRAICO-Hebrew year.
Royal Arch	Add 530 to the Christian era	ANNO INVENTIONIS, the year of the Discovery.	A. I.	For A. D. 1930, it would be A. I. 2460,	Date from the year in which Zerubbabel began to build the Second Temple,
	Add 1913 to the Christian era	ANNO BENEFACIO	A.B.	For A.D. 1930 it would be A.B. 3843	Anno Benefacio is the "Year of Blessing" of Abraham by Melchizedek.
Royal and Select Masters	Add 1,000 to the Christian era	ANNO DEPOSITIONIS, the year of the Deposit.	A. Dep.	For A. D. 1930, it would be A. Dep. 2930,	When not using the common Masonic date, ANNO LUCIS, date from the year in which King Solomon's Temple was completed.
Knights Templar	Subtract 1118 from the present year.	ANNO ORDINIS, in the year of the Order.	A.O.	For A.D. 1930, it would be A.O. 812	Date from the organization of the order-A. D. 1118.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 09/06 Stated Communications
- 09/20 Family night

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Lodge News

Degree Team Members NEEDED! See W.: Robert C. St. John, Jr. for training and positions.

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

Lodge mentor(s)

W.: Robert L.T. Phillips

Catechism Instructors

W.: Ray Manus

John Fincher

Jonathan Childers

Committees

Committee	Chairman	Members
Finance	Bro. John Fincher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • W.: Larry Gillespie, • W.: Arthur J. Ahrens III, • W.: Robert L.T. Phillips, • Bro. Jonathan Childers
Vigilance	Bro. John Fincher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bro. Dennis Hall, • Bro. George Grosskopf
Health and Welfare	W.: Jack Holloway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • W.: Robert L.T. Phillips, • W.: Thurman Bevin
Petitions	W.:M.: Brice Cross	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bro. John Fincher, • Bro. Jonathan Childers, • W.: Ray Manus, • W.: David Mason
Masonic Education	Bro. John Fincher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • W.:M.: Brice Cross, • Bro. Jonathan Childers
Board of Relief	W.:M.: Brice Cross	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bro. John Fincher, • Bro. Jonathan Childers, • Bro. Jeff Dove
Charity	W.:M.: Brice Cross	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bro. John Fincher, • Bro. Jonathan Childers
Lodge Property	Bro. John Fincher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bro. Jonathan Childers, • Bro. Steven Skeen, • Bro. George Grosskopf
Investigating		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointed as needed
Catechism Instructors	W.: Ray Manus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bro. John Fincher, • Bro. Jonathan Childers
Lodge Mentor	W.: Robert L.T. Phillips	
Lodge Instructor	W.: Robert C. St. John, Jr.	
Attendance and Membership	W.:M.: Brice Cross	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bro. John Fincher, • Bro. Jonathan Childers, • W.: Robert L.T. Phillips
Transportation	W.:M.: Brice Cross	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bro. Dennis Hall, • Bro. Steven Skeen
Emeritus	Bro. Jeff Dove	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bro. George Grosskopf, • W.: Robert L.T. Phillips
Special Events Coordination		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointed as needed

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

