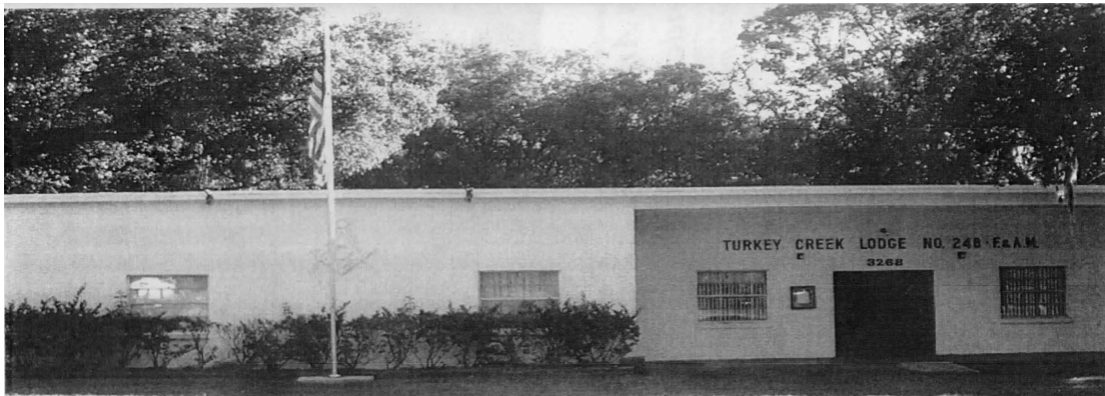


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~January 2017 Edition~



Officers 2017

Worshipful Master John Fincher
Senior Warden Jonathan Childers ~ Junior Warden Dennis Hall
Treasurer W. Larry Gillespie, PM ~ Secretary Robert L.T. Phillips, PM
Senior Deacon George Grosskopf, Jr ~ Junior Deacon Christopher Aronson
Senior Steward Charles Taylor ~ Junior Steward George Grosskopf, Sr
Chaplain Jack Holloway, PM ~ Marshal Arthur J. Ahrens III, PM
Tyler Kenneth Minton, PM



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*	Brice Cross, 2016
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,

Brothers, the year has wound down, elections have been completed, and I would like to thank the Craft for their confidence in me to represent the lodge as Worshipful Master. I hope to meet your expectations. I would like to congratulate the other officers in their advancement and welcome our new officers to the line. Installation will be January 7 at 5 pm please come out and show support for this year's leadership and have some good fellowship and great food.

Fraternally,

**John Fincher, Worshipful Master Elect
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From the West



Brothers,

As the year comes to a close, I'd like to thank the Ladies of the Eastern Star for their help this year. They made some delicious food for our meeting nights and have been readily available to assist with all of our fundraisers. I'd also like to thank all of the brothers who volunteered to make the main dish for family night. Our last family night for the year was on December 20th. I'd like to thank W.M. Cross for a great year and hope his travels brings him back to Turkey Creek. Congratulations to all elected and appointed officers for next year. W.M. Elect Fincher has some great plans and ideas for next year. Let's make it a great year. I hope everyone travels safe for the holidays. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Fraternally,
Jonathan Childers
Senior Warden Elect**





From the South



Brothers,

I would like to take this time to thank you all for voting me into the South as your Junior Warden for the 2017 year. If you have not noticed, there is a sign-up sheet in the dining room for the upcoming year for our family nights. If you can, and are able, please fill in the month you would like to prepare the main dish. I would like to see big turn outs this year in our family nights if your cable tow allows. We seem to have a lot planned this year and I look forward to working with each and every one of you. I also would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

**Fraternally,
Dennis Hall
Junior Warden Elect**





From the Secretary



Brethren,

You (the Craft) have elected a slate of officers to lead your Lodge during the new year. Installation of those officers will be on Saturday, January 7, 2017 at 5:00 pm. Please come out and support those officers, not only at installation, but throughout the year. This is your Lodge and the officers need and want your input.

The officers for 2017 are:

WM – John Fincher

SW – Jon Childers

JW – Dennis Hall

Treasurer – W.: Larry Gillespie

Secretary – W.: Robert Phillips

Chaplain – W.: Jack Holloway

Marshal – W.: Arthur J Ahrens

SD – George Grosskopf Jr

JD – Christopher Aronson

SS – Charles Tucker Jr

JS – George Grosskopf Sr

Tyler – W.: Kenneth Minton



Fraternally and Zealously,

W.: Robert Phillips, PM

Secretary

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1/3 Stated Communications
- 1/7 Installation of Officers for 2017
- 1/10 Degree Practice
- 1/16 District School of Instruction – Tampa Lodge, No 240
- 1/17 Family night
- 1/24 Degree Practice
- 1/27 Masters & Wardens – John Darling Lodge

<https://sharing.calendar.live.com/calendar/private/8475ca51-a587-4506-83d1-79f1e28124bc/f09a65b1-f35f-42ae-9433-709bd9e4221a/cid-636a2e106448b3b5/index.html>



Lodge News



Degree Team Members NEEDED! See W.: Arthur J. Ahrens. 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

W.: John Fincher

Houston Tucker

George Groskopf, Jr

Committees

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

