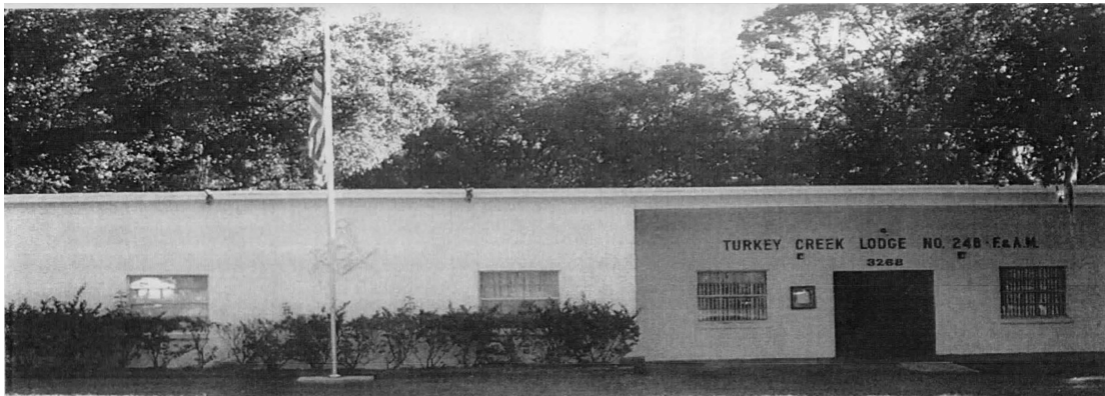


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~May 2017 Edition~



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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*	J.R. 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,

We had a lasagna dinner fund raiser and on April 9th and we made over \$550.00 to go towards our roof fund. I would like to extend a much deserved thank you to those that helped with the event. We will be having the Andy Hammil Memorial Picnic at Edward Medard Park on Turkey Creek Road on May 20th, and I would love to see you attend.

There will also be an Entered Apprentice degree on May 9th for two new candidates joining the our lodge. It would be great to fill the lodge and show them some support as they get on their way in their Masonic career. May 29-30 will be Grand Lodge in Orlando. Bros. Jon Childers, Dennis Hall, and W.: Bob Phillips will be joining me in attendance.

Fraternally,

**John Fincher, Worshipful Master
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From the West



Brothers,

Thank you to everyone who helped with the lasagna fundraiser. On May 20th, we are holding the Andy Hammel Memorial picnic at Medard Park. Hope everyone can attend. Please remember May 28th thru the 30th is Grand Lodge.

Fraternally,

**Jonathan Childers
Senior Warden**





From the South



Brothers,

A big thank you to all who helped and donated to our Lasagna fundraiser for our roof fund. If you missed it, you missed a delicious meal!

Come on out for our family night on the 18th. Our main dish will be provided by Brother Houston Tucker, which will be either a ham or chicken dish. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share with everyone. Feel free to bring friends and family as this is a great way to fellowship with one another. It's also a great way to introduce someone to Freemasonry and let them know who we are and what we do.

Fraternally,

**Dennis Hall
Junior Warden**





From the Secretary



Brethren,

A big “Thank You” to those who participated in or donated to the Lasagna Dinner roof fundraiser on April 9th. I’m not sure that I have received all the bills or money/donations yet but it appears that the Lodge will have a net profit of approximately \$550.00 to apply to the roof fund.

I attended a Grand Lodge seminar on Circumscribe on April 8th in St Petersburg. Once the bugs are eventually worked out of the new system and the proper information is communicated to the Lodge Secretaries in a timely manner, it looks like a promising system. Right now, it is still a bit of a challenge. Production of the new permanent ID cards resumed on March 7th and will be mailed to the Lodge Secretary when they are completed. I, in turn, will be sending the new cards to those members who are in good status (i.e.: 2017 dues paid.) From what I observe on the Circumscribe web site, many of you will receive your new, permanent membership card without a picture on it, as you have not set-up your Circumscribe account and submitted a picture. If you decide later that you want your picture on your ID Card, you will pay \$5.00 for the new card. Brethren, if you are having difficulty getting logged in to Circumscribe, please give me a call or go to the November 2016 Trestle Board for instructions, located here (<http://turkeycreeklodge248.org/TrestleBoards.html>). For those who may be wondering, I am not permitted to submit your picture for you. If you so desire, you can come to the Lodge prior to a Stated or Called Communication and I will assist you in logging on to the system and assist you in getting a picture submitted. **DO NOT** expect to come in to the Lodge 5 minutes before the start of a communication and expect to do it then, as I will tell you to come back at a later time.

Fraternally and Zealously,

W.: Robert Phillips, PM
Secretary
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 5/2 Stated Communications
- 5/9 Entered Apprentice Degree
- 5/15 District School of Instruction – Tampa Lodge, No 240
- 5/16 Family night
- 5/19 Masters & Wardens – John Darling Lodge
- 5/23 Degree Practice

<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 Grosskopf, Jr



Having Been Raised to the Sublime
Degree of a Master Mason,
You Are Now a Representative of
Our Gentle Craft.
Carry Yourself Well.

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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

