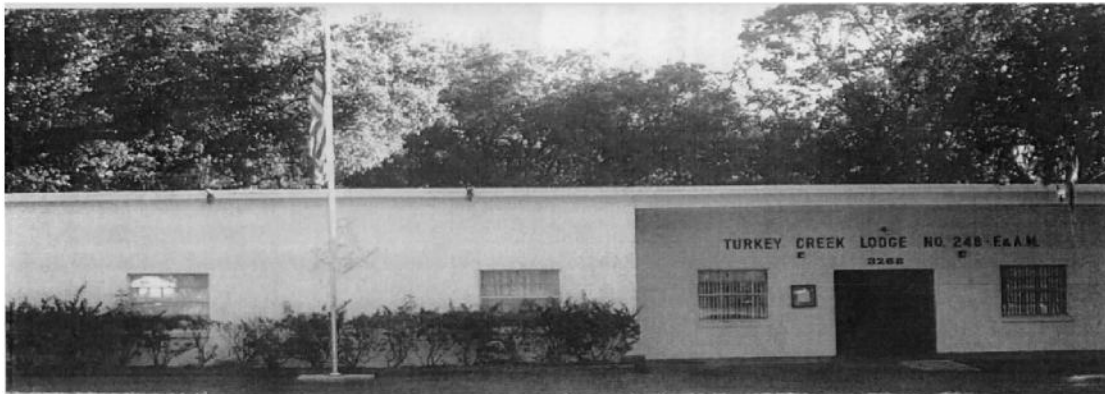


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Officers 2017

Worshipful Master John Fincher
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Senior Steward George Grosskopf, Sr ~ Junior Steward Taylor Clark
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*	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

My Brothers, I hope this message finds you safe and after hurricane Irma gave us a visit. It is now October and the holiday season is right around the corner and we plan on having some meals planned for family nights in next few months. We have been very busy this year with degrees and still have more to come including a Master Mason degree being put on at the new Zendah grotto facility in Plant City, it will be on October 6th, meal at 6:30, degree at 7:30 come join us in raising 2 brothers. October 3rd will be hosting the district deputy grand master on his official visit to our Lodge. We will also be having an Entered Apprentice degree scheduled October 24th. To wrap things up the Lodge is in dire need of someone willing to take on the secretary position for next year, the Lodge cannot function without one. If you are interested and willing please turn in your officer nomination form to W. Phillips before our November meeting.



Fraternally,

John Fincher, Worshipful Master
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From the West



Brothers,

I hope everyone made it thru Irma ok. There are many families who are not as fortunate. Let's keep them in our prayers. There are many functions coming up as the holidays draw closer. If you're looking for something to do, come on out. There are positions open for degrees and family nights to help out with. October 3rd is our official DDGM visit, come on out and show support for your Lodge.

Fraternally,

**Jonathan Childers
Senior Warden**





From the South



Brothers,

Please come out for our next family night on October 17th. We will be having pork stew provided by our Worshipful Master John Fincher. Please bring a side dish to go along with if you are able. The meal starts at 6:30. We would love to have you and your family come out for some good food and fellowship. If you would like to join us, but don't have means of transportation, please let one of us know and we would gladly make sure you are able to attend. We will be having a special presentation after the meal introducing and explaining the appendant body of the Zendah grotto.

Also, please keep in mind if you have any nominations for Officers for the upcoming year, you need to have them turned in to our secretary by the time the gavel falls at our stated communication in November. Remember your nominee has to agree to his nomination before it can be accepted.

Fraternally,

**Dennis Hall
Junior Warden**





From the Secretary



Brethren,

We are having our Official visit from R.:W.: Taylor on October 3rd, please come out and support our Lodge.

It is almost time to have all nomination forms in. These need to be on my desk no later than BEFORE the meeting in November to be considered for an elected position next year.

Thank you for the support that you have given me as your Secretary, I have announced that I will not be accepting any Officer position next year. If you are willing and able to take this task on please ensure your nomination has been turned in.

Fraternally and Zealously,



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



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 10/3 Stated Communication – Turkey Creek Lodge
- 10/27 Masters & Wardens – John Darling Lodge
- 10/16 District School of Instruction – Tampa Lodge, No. 240
- 10/17 Family Night – Turkey Creek Lodge
- 10/10 Degree Practice
- 10/24 Entered Apprentice Degree



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.: John Fincher W.: Ray Manus

Houston Tucker

George Grosskopf, 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 Bevlin
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,
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

