



**ACACIA LODGE NO. 16 A.F. & A.M.**  
**CHARTERED DECEMBER 11, 1877 MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 4.**  
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**7135 MAIN STREET CLIFTON VIRGINIA 20124**  
**STATED MEETING: FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH @ 7:30PM**

## **Clifton's Acacia Lodge Is Severely Damaged By Floods**

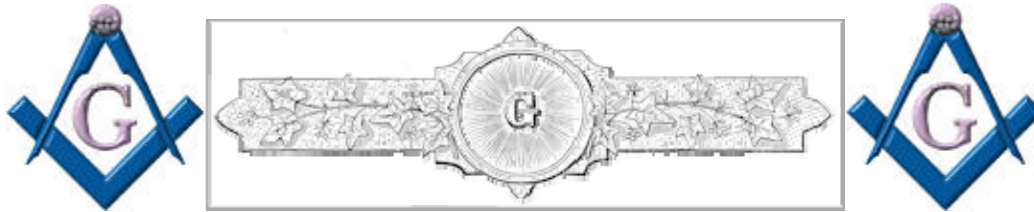
### **Natural Disaster Flood of 2006**

After four days of heavy rains in June, Popes Head Creek overflowed its banks and Acacia was in its path. The rushing water rose to near one and one-half feet. The water flowed under Acacia washing-out the dirt from around the foundation supports. This has caused Acacia to sink and lean to its side. Inside the water damaged the floors and walls. Acacia sat in pool of muddy Creek water for days.

### **History**

Chartered December 11, 1877, Acacia Lodge No. 16 held meetings at different locations in Clifton. In January 1903, Acacia contacted Mr. R. C. Hickey about purchasing the Mill property. The building was a working Saw Mill back in the late 1800's and at the time was back further from Main Street, near where the red barn now stands. The building was moved to its present location by a team of horses in June 1920. Acacia is listed with the United States Department of Interior National Park Service on the National Register of Historic Places, under File # 29-225-58 and is listed as 58 out of 63 locations on the Town of Clifton's inventory of historic places.





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### **For over 86 years**

The Town of Clifton Government and other Clifton Organizations, private and public groups have been dependent on the use of Acacia as a gathering place and meeting hall. Acacia is an icon and a very important integral part of the Clifton Community and could continue for another Century or more if we can save it from sinking and falling apart. The Clifton Community would not be the same without Acacia!

### **Our greatest need**

To save Acacia is a new foundation! In order to prevent flooding again and save Clifton's Historical Landmark for generations to come, a foundation that elevates the building above the "100 year flood" plain level will be necessary. **Unsolicited Donations Are Appreciated!**

For more information please visit our website at: [www.Acacia16.org](http://www.Acacia16.org) or contact:

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