



## ACACIA LODGE No. 16 A.F. & A.M.

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STATED COMMUNICATION ON 1ST THURSDAY AT 7:30 PM

DINNER AT 6:30 PM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

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### 2010 Theme *Coming Home*

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### FROM THE EAST

JANUARY 2010



Your new officers were installed on a snowy December 5, 2009 at the Clifton Presbyterian Church. We took our respective oaths of office, surrounded by brethren, friends and family. Now we get to put those oaths into effect by serving you during 2010.

With your help, the lodge can accomplish a number of things during 2010, such as:

- completing the renovation of and addition to the lodge building by May;
- establishing a pledge program to pay off our loan from Columbia Lodge within 3 years;
- getting at least 30 members to meetings lodge events who have not attended a meeting during the past year;
- having more social events involving spouses and families; and
- reaching out more to the Clifton community and being involved in at least one community project.

I will have proposals for all of these and request your input and participation.

Several operating procedures will be put in place during 2010, such as:

- Signers of all petitions will be required to personally know their candidate, be mentors and participate in his Masonic education and catechism.
- Candidates will be required to attend at least one Acacia social function, i.e. pre-meeting

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Special Events/Outreach	SW
Fellowship	JW
Finance	Bill May
Building	W/M
Historic	Don McAndrews

**SICK AND DISTRESSED**

Please inform Brother New, the Secretary and the W/M re any sick and distressed.

dinner, and become known to members before their petition is voted on.

- Phones and communication devices will be turned off during meetings and used only to consult calendars and not to read, send or receive emails or text messages so as not to disrupt the lodge.
- Members will prepare and serve all meals, and stewards will set up and clean up.
- Members will be called and emailed concerning every lodge stated meeting.
- Officers will be expected to attend every stated and called meeting, unless they have a conflict.

Please let me know if you have additional suggestions for procedures that would assist the business of the lodge.

**LODGE BUSINESS**

The first stated meeting in 2010 will be held at the Clifton Presbyterian Church on January 7. **This will be our first meeting as your officers, and we would appreciate your support by coming to the meeting and the dinner preceding it.** Brother Springer and his family have volunteered to prepare the dinner (see the menu below under **FROM THE SOUTH**), and we should have great fellowship.

A resolution to amend the Bylaws to increase candidate fees was proposed at the November stated. Three of the six lodges in the Fourth District already charge \$300 or more for the petition and degrees. This proposal would increase fees for candidates to \$300 total, broken down as follows:

- \$75 for the degree of Entered Apprentice
- \$75 for the degree of Fellowcraft
- \$75 for the degree of Master Mason
- \$75 to accompany the application

This proposal will be voted on at our January Stated.

A budget for 2010 is included in this trestle board. Please give the WM your comments before the January stated meeting.

Meals during 2010 will be prepared and contributed by the brethren and their families and served by the stewards. We invite all family members who help prepare our meals to dine with us. Menu details will follow in each trestle board. Brethren have signed up for the following months:

<u>Brother</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Brother</u>	<u>Month</u>
Scott Springer	January	Brant Baber	July
Jim Pettorini	February		August
Bobby New	March	Rob Bunch	September
Dave Morris	April	John Lusk	October
Charlie Selby	May	Dan Jones	November
	June	Jim Kincheloe Jr.	December

**2009 GRAND LODGE**

Ten of our members attended Grand Lodge. Brother Baumbach was presented a Certificate of Merit award for his services to the craft at the Grand Annual Communication by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Jeffery E. Hodges.

**ACACIA'S 2010 CALENDAR**

The 2010 calendar is contained in this Trestle Board, as well on Acacia's website. The calendar on Acacia's website is kept up to date with any changes that take place after the Trestle Board has been published. Please call or send an email to any of the WM, SW or JW to inform us of any events you would like put on the calendar or any conflicts you see.

## MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

Conley Tilson 14 years

## Congratulations

### 50-YEAR MEMBERS

William "Ed" Edward Ray PDDGM  
George Carver  
Douglas Detwiler  
Robert Elliott  
Richard O. Hurt  
Robert L. Mitton  
Luis Pages, PDDGM  
Felix Pages  
Charles H. Rowell, PDDGM,

### HONORARY MEMBERS

William Ed Ray, Sr, PDDGM  
William C. Robinson, PM  
Charles H. Rowell, PDDGM

### LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

William J. Baumbach, II  
John S. Lusk, Sr, PM  
Conley S. Tilson, Jr.  
Luis Pages, PDDGM  
David Harrer  
Robert Bunch  
James G. Kincheloe III  
Manpreet Singh



## HOLIDAY PARTY

Due to snow, the holiday party was cancelled. There will be a Valentine's Dinner at Brant and Kathy Baber's house from 7-10pm on Saturday, February 13, 2010 for Acacia members and spouses/friends. **Please RSVP to the WM by phone or email.**

## ACACIA BUILDING WORK

Our architect has completed drawings for the addition. They now are being marked up for electrical, mechanical and plumbing, and should be submitted to the Clifton Architectural Review Board for approval by the end of January, and to the Fairfax County Building Department for plan review and approval by February. We anticipate the addition being constructed in the spring of 2010, the existing building being rewired by that time and the building being ready for use by the end of May 2010. It's been a long time comin'. Please note our building work days on April 3 and 17; we also will call work days earlier when weather permits.

## 4<sup>TH</sup> MASONIC DISTRICT CLASS

The Fourth Masonic District class will be held on January 20, 2010 at Haymarket Lodge @ 7pm. We need brethren to come to the class, especially our officers, to improve their Masonic proficiency.

## FRATERNAL VISITS

At least 5 of us will go to each of the following lodges for a fraternal visit on the following dates:

Jan. 12 – Dinner at Henry Lodge @ 6:30 pm, fraternal visit @ 7:30pm  
Jan. 26- Dinner at Mt. Carmel Lodge @ 6:30 pm, fraternal visit @ 7:30pm  
Feb. 1 – dinner at Herndon Lodge @ 6:30pm, fraternal visit @ 7:30pm  
Feb. 8 – dinner @ Haymarket Lodge @ 6:30pm, fraternal visit @ 7:30pm  
Feb. 10 – fraternal visit to Manasseh Lodge @ 11am, lunch @ 12:30pm

The WM will be going to all of these and wants the company of his brethren. **Please call or email the WM with your availability.**

## LODGE RITUAL PRACTICES

Lodge ritual practices will be held on the **second and fourth Mondays** of each month; the second Monday from 7-8:30pm, and the fourth Monday from 7:30-8:30 pm. Officers will meet on the fourth Monday from 6:30-7:30pm. The January and February meetings will be held at Henry Lodge; subsequent meetings will be held at Acacia Lodge. Please put these dates and locations on your calendars now. We will post any changes to the practice schedule in the calendar on the Acacia website and inform you by email and phone.

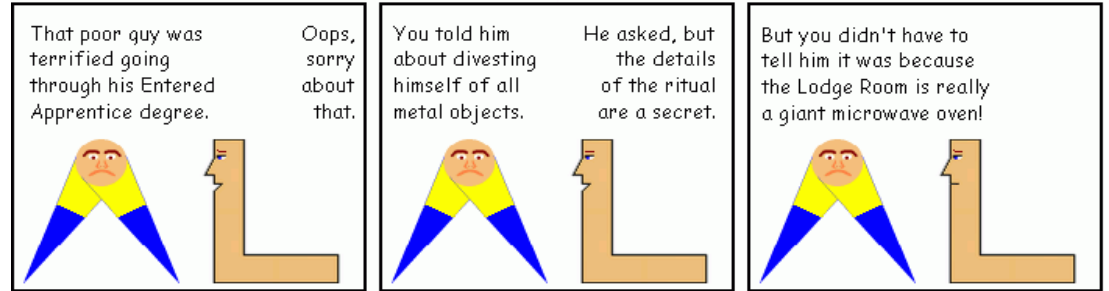
## DEGREE WORK

We will keep you informed of any degrees that are scheduled via e-mail, phone messages and on the calendar on the Acacia website. Unless you have a conflict, we expect all members, and especially our officers, to be at degrees. All degrees in January through May 2010 will be held at Henry Lodge, and degrees thereafter at Acacia Lodge. Dress will be sport coat and collared shirt, tie optional. Signers should be present for all lodge activities, including degrees, for their candidates.

## FROM THE WEST

Fraternal greetings and Happy New Year from the West. I want to express my gratitude to all that have assisted me in getting to this exciting new role as Senior Warden. I hope to continue as those that have preceded me, to provide Acacia 16 with leadership, fun and exhilarating times. We have a great and exciting year ahead with plans for a pool party at the home of Ralph Bartlett, in September an activities bus trip to NY City, Bowling Night and so on. Buckle up; the 2010 Acacia year is on its way!

As I have progressed through my Masonic and professional career, I have been taught to never embark onto a major undertaking without first invoking the blessing of Deity. The second, lesson is to remember to have fun and laugh. The first done in private and the second to be done with all of you.



Thanks again and I look forward to serving you as your Senior Warden.

## FROM THE SOUTH: *From Labor to Refreshment*

**January's Dinner:** *Lasagna, Garlic Bread & Caesar Salad*

**Dessert:** *Pie & Ice Cream*

**Food Prepared By:** *The Springer Family (Scott, Averill, Jonathan & Christina)*

## Famous Virginia Mason of the Month

*Admiral Richard E. Byrd (1888 – 1957)*

Born in Winchester, Virginia, Admiral Byrd's list of accomplishments and accolades are far too numerous to list here. Most people know him for his explorations of both the North and South Poles. He received his degrees from Federal Lodge #1 in Washington, D.C.

## FROM THE SECRETARY S' DESK

We are continuing to receive dues and most all cards have been sent out.

There are still a number of Brethren who have not supported the Lodge with their dues payments and we need you to do so, real soon.

I hope you had a great Holiday Season, and I hope to see you in Lodge in 2010.

LIVING PAST MASTERS		AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS	
1967-8	Gerald R. Bee	1999	Russell L. Williams*
1969	Herbert R. Martin*	2000	Clifton E. Mays
1971	Gary Stout*	2001	Leonard G. Mick
1975	Richard Wells*	2002	David C. Morris PDDGM
1979	Stewart Buckley, Sr.	2003	Troy S. Payne, Jr.*
1983	Cecil Facemire	2004	Luis Pages
1985	Roland W. Brendel	2005	George R. May*
1986-9	James Kincheloe, Jr PDDGM	2006	Scott R. Call
1990	William C. May	2007	Jon V. Shelton
1991	David Diamantes	2008	David R. Hill
1992	Joseph E. Bertoni*	2009	Joseph J. Jones
1993	David S. Potter*		
1994	William A. Tetrault, Sr.*		
1995	Dean M. Resch, PDDGM		
1996	Robert E. Healey*		
1996	John S. Lusk, Sr Pro-tem	1961	Charles H. Rowell, PDDGM
1997-98	John S. Lusk,	1981	William E. Ray, PDDGM
		1994	William C. Robinson
		2001	Donald L. McAndrews
		2003	David C. McAndrews

*\*Demitted from Acacia Lodge*

## 2010 CALENDAR

### January:

- 7<sup>th</sup> – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; Official Visit, DDGM
- 11<sup>th</sup> – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Dinner at Henry Lodge @ 6:30 pm, **fraternal visit** @ 7:30pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> – District Class @ 7pm
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - Master's & Warden's Breakfast @ Kena 9am – 11am
- 25<sup>th</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> - Dinner at Mt. Carmel Lodge @ 6:30 pm, **fraternal visit** @ 7:30pm

### February:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – dinner at Herndon Lodge @ 6:30pm, **fraternal visit** @ 7:30pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; Official Visit, DIW
- 8<sup>th</sup> – no ritual practice; dinner @ Haymarket Lodge @ 6:30pm, **fraternal visit** @ 7:30pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> – **fraternal visit** to Manasseh Lodge @ 11am, lunch @ 12:30pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> – Valentine's Day dinner for members and spouses at Babers' house, 7pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> – District Class @ 7pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

### March:

- 4<sup>th</sup> - Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; Official Visit, District MAHOVA Ambassador and DEO
- 6<sup>th</sup> - building work day, 9am-4pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> – District Class @ 7pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> – District Leadership Conference 8:30-11:30am Scottish Rite Temple; Grand Master Official Visit to District 4/54, 6:30-9pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 pm - 9:30pm, C.A. Sinclair Instructional School
- 27<sup>th</sup> – 8:30 am – 1:30pm, C.A. Sinclair Instructional School

### April:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; Official Visit, Masonic Membership Coordinator and District blood coordinator ; also annual commemoration of Oscar Scott Woody with Clifton Postmaster at dinner
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – building work day, 9am-4pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> - building work day, 9am-4pm
- 21<sup>st</sup> – District Class @ 7pm
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Bowling, 4-6pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

### May:

- 6<sup>th</sup> – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; Past Masters' nite; visit by MWPH Lodge Acacia #32
- 8<sup>th</sup> – building work day
- 10<sup>th</sup> – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> – Bring a Friend Nite, 7-9pm at Acacia Lodge
- 19<sup>th</sup> – District Class @ 7pm
- 24<sup>th</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

### June:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; Roll Call Night
- 14<sup>th</sup> – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> – District Class @ 7pm

18<sup>th</sup> – Ladies Night, time and place to be determined  
28<sup>th</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

**July:**

1<sup>st</sup> – Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm with Table Lodge; short sleeve shirts, shorts optional  
12<sup>th</sup> – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm  
21<sup>st</sup> – District Class@ 7pm  
24<sup>th</sup> – Tour of GW Memorial Temple  
26<sup>th</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

**August:**

1-4<sup>th</sup> – Reid Simmons School @ Fork Union  
5<sup>th</sup> – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; short sleeve shirts, shorts optional  
9<sup>th</sup> – no ritual practice  
18<sup>th</sup> – District Class@ 7pm  
21<sup>st</sup> – picnic at Barletts' house, 1-5pm  
23<sup>rd</sup> – no officers meeting or ritual practice

**September:**

2<sup>nd</sup> – Lodge on High Hill; dispensation required to move Stated  
6<sup>th</sup> – Labor Day Car Show Fundraiser  
9<sup>th</sup> – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm (under Dispensation)  
13<sup>th</sup> – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm  
18<sup>th</sup> – Bus trip to NYC for day  
24<sup>th</sup> – 7-9pm, Ed Ray Instructional School at Haymarket Lodge  
25<sup>th</sup> – 9am-3pm, Ed Ray Instructional School at Haymarket Lodge  
27<sup>th</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

**October:**

7<sup>th</sup> – Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm with Table Lodge; Step Up Nite  
9<sup>th</sup> – set up for Clifton Day  
10<sup>th</sup> – Clifton Day Fundraiser  
11<sup>th</sup> – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm  
14<sup>th</sup> – Fraternal visit to MWPH Acacia Lodge No. 32, Alexandria  
20<sup>th</sup> – District Class@ 7pm  
25<sup>th</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

**November:**

4-6<sup>th</sup> – Grand Communication; dispensation required to move Stated  
8<sup>th</sup> – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm  
11<sup>th</sup> – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm  
17<sup>th</sup> – District Class@ 7pm  
22<sup>nd</sup> – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

**December:**

2<sup>nd</sup> – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; Elections

## ACACIA #16 2010 OPERATING BUDGET

### INCOME

Annual Dues (101 X \$123.00)	\$	12,423	
Life Members (8 at various rates)		?	
Application Fees (10@\$75)	\$	750	
Degree Fees (8 @ \$225)	\$	1,800	
Clifton Auto Show	\$	1,500	
Clifton Day Food Sales	\$	1,200	
Contributions for meals	\$	<u>1,200</u>	average \$5 x 20 per dinner x12 dinners
Total	\$	18,873	

### EXPENSES

Acacia Phone Tree (\$35 per mo)	\$	420	
Building Maintenance	\$	500	
District Directories	\$	122	
Funeral Flowers	\$	250	
GL Annual Return (110x\$28)	\$	3,080	[note: 101 dues paying, 9 nonpaying, 8 LMIP]
Donations	\$	350	\$100 for GM charity
Lodge Insurance	\$	2,500	
Lodge Maintenance Supplies	\$	750	
Lodge Office Supplies	\$	600	
Lodge Refreshments/kitchen supplies	\$	600	paper products, utensils, coffee, tea, soft drinks
Candidate Paraphernalia		1000	name tags, bible/volume, apron
NOVEC	\$	2,000	\$1k current service,\$1k portion of cost of moving poles
PM Apron	\$	205	
Trestleboard	\$	400	postage for 50 @ \$.56/per monthly; copying and labor free
Table lodge @ 2 stated meetings	\$	900	catered, 2x 30 persons/\$15 per)
temporary toilet rental (\$45 mo. X 6)	\$	270	
Loan Payments (\$2,650 x 2)	\$	<u>5,300</u>	
Total	\$	19,247	
<b>PROFIT (LOSS)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(374)</b>	