



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

7135 MAIN STREET, CLIFTON, VA 20124

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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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FROM THE EAST

JULY 2010



Our newest Master Masons: Brothers Michael Urbanek and Aaron Dennis.

LODGE BUSINESS

The stated meeting will be held at 7:30pm on July 1, 2010 at the Clifton Presbyterian Church. Dinner will be served from 6:30-7:15pm. Before lodge opens, a presentation will be made by Clifton-Fairfax Station Transition In Place Services, a local nonprofit that matches volunteers with local elderly folks to assist in providing housekeeping, transportation and companionship. This organization may provide Acacia Lodge with a good way to interface with the communities in which we're located.

Our lodge objectives and accomplishments during 2010 are:

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Fellowship/Meals JW
Finance Bill May, PM
Building W/M
Historic Don McAndrews, PM

SICK AND DISTRESSED

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

50-YEAR MEMBERS

William "Ed" Edward Ray PDDGM
George Carver
Douglas Detwiler
Robert Elliott
Woodrow Herring, Jr.

- complete the renovation of and addition to the lodge building. Construction of the addition has started, and renovation is expected to be completed in August;
- raise funds, such as by a pledge program, to pay off our loan from Columbia Lodge within 3 years. We will discuss this process after renovation of the building is completed.
- get at least 20 members to meetings lodge events who have not attended a meeting during the past year. We're behind on this one, my last count is 8.
- have more social events involving spouses and families. We have a picnic on 8-21 and a bus trip to NYC on 9-18; and
- reach out more to the Clifton community and be involved in at least one community project. We are parking cars for the Lions Club/Cruisers Car Show in September, selling food and drink at Clifton Day in October, hoping to join forces with Clifton/Fairfax Station Transition In Place Services to reach out to the elderly in our community and displaying the renovated lodge building during the Christmas Homes Tour in Clifton.

ACACIA BUILDING WORK

The building permit for our addition has not been issued yet but is close. We have retained a local contractor, hope to have the addition constructed by the end of July and to have our first stated meeting in the building in September. After completion of the addition, we will need to install toilet and sink fixtures, a water tank/bladder and a tankless water heater. **Any folks with the skills to do any of those things, please contact the Wm and volunteer your efforts.**

There will be work days on Saturday, July 10 (coordinated by SW New) and Saturday, July 17 (coordinated by JW Springer) from 9am-5pm. We really need to make a push to achieve the following:

July 10:

- Clean the building interior (sweep, vacuum, store excess materials in the shed, wash windows and bird poop off the second floor walls), run birds out of the attic (bring buckets, sponges and cleaning solvent) – 2 persons, 4 hours each
- install wire over gable end louvers (purchase wire and staples, bring cutting tool) – 1 person, 1 hour
- install, tape and mud drywall on the first floor framed wall for the closet and kitchen areas (purchase all materials) – 2 persons, 4 hours each
- patch the walls of the second floor hall and ready room with bead board and install bead board paneling in old chimney area of hall (materials on site) - 1 person, 3 hours
- prime the ready room walls (primer at lodge) – 1 person, 1 hour

July 17:

- Reattach, repair and caulk wall boards on second floor (this requires a pneumatic brad gun, wood on site) – 2 persons, 4 hours each (this is first thing a.m. work)
- brush paint the second floor walls, including hall and ready room (materials on site) – 3 persons, 4 hours each (this is afternoon work)
- prime and paint drywall on first floor (purchase 1 gal. water base primer) – 1 person, 2 hours
- paint remaining trim on first floor (materials on site) – 2 persons, 3 hours each

Please email or call the JW or SW to volunteer for these activities. They won't get done without your help, and it's important to do them on this schedule so we stay on track to get back meeting in the building as soon as possible.

ACACIA'S 2010 CALENDAR

The 2010 calendar is contained in this Trestle Board, as well on Acacia's website [www.acacia16.org]. We are having interesting speakers this year; please look ahead on the calendar. 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.

Richard O. Hurt
Robert L. Mitton
Luis Pages, PDDGM
Felix Pages
Charles H. Rowell, PDDGM
Art Sanders

HONORARY MEMBERS

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

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

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

LIVING PAST MASTERS

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

AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS

1961 Charles H. Rowell
1981 William E. Ray
1994 William C. Robinson
2001 Donald L. McAndrews
2003 David C. McAndrews

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. Meetings will be held at Henry Lodge though August; meetings commencing in September 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.

4TH MASONIC DISTRICT CLASS

The next Fourth Masonic District class will be held on **July 21 at Henry Lodge @ 7:15 pm**. We need brethren to come to the class, especially our officers, to improve their Masonic proficiency. At our last class, JW Springer sat as WM and did Acacia Lodge proud.

NEW MEMBERS

We look forward to having at least 10 new members during 2010 and have raised four thus far, with two coming up. Please remember that signers of all petitions will be required to personally know their candidate, be mentors and participate in his Masonic education and catechism. In addition, candidates will be required to attend at least one Acacia social function, i.e. pre-meeting dinner, and become known to members before their petition is voted on.

DEGREE WORK

Brothers Aaron Dennis and Michael Urbanek received their MM degrees on June 21. Brothers James Cole and Tom Winans are scheduled for a MM degree at 7pm on July 14 at Henry Lodge. Please come out to support them and your lodge. Signers should be present for all lodge activities, including degrees, for their candidates.

GREETINGS FROM THE WEST!

June was a stupendous month. Thanks to all that came out to support your lodge!

For a better understanding of our Lodge members, your officers sent out a survey in May to gather your opinions of Freemasonry in general and our Lodge in particular. To facilitate your response, we sent the survey with a stamped self-addressed envelope. Please feel free to include an additional page if you would like to elaborate on your response(s). For those that we have email addresses for, we sent the survey electronically. As your Senior Warden, I ask that you please take a few minutes to respond to this questionnaire. Your thoughts will hopefully give us valuable insight to ways the Lodge might serve you better. Please return these as soon as possible and thanks to all that have returned them so far.

Each month within my "Greetings from the West" section, I would like to take the opportunity to reintroduce you to one of our Acacia brothers. This month I would like to reintroduce you to Brother, Pete Queen. Pete was raised a Master Mason in 2008 at Acacia Lodge. Pete currently works as a Logistics Manager at Northern Virginia Community College. He has two children, one brother, and two sisters. Pete's favorite type of music for the morning is Rock & Roll, in the afternoon, Delta Blues or Southern Rock and in the evening, some good Jazz. His favorite song is "Dark Side of the Moon" by Pink Floyd. We asked Pete a few questions: "What three words would you use to describe yourself?" Pete answered, "Energetic, Humble, Determined." "How do you think your friends would describe you to someone who has never met you?" Pete answered "Organized, Serious, and a Go Getter". And finally when asked, "What is the strangest food you have ever eaten?" Pete answers "Kim Chi" Yum, Yum! Thanks Pete!

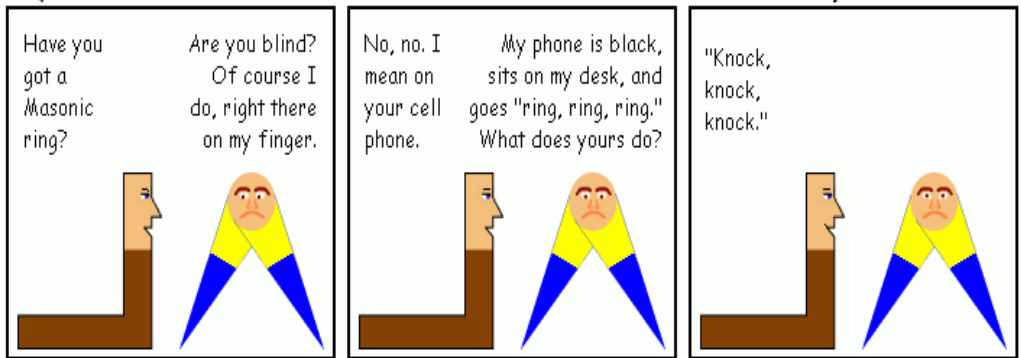
ENTERED APPRENTICES
Terence Paparella, Geoff Tressler

FELLOWCRAFTS
James Cook Cole, Tom Winans

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

<u>Brother</u>	<u>Years</u>
Clyde Delancey, Jr.	13
Gregory Hall	5
Karl Rodriguez	23
James Winter	16

CONGRATULATIONS BRETHREN



Happy July and hope to see you soon!

SW Bobby New

FROM THE SOUTH: *FROM LABOR TO REFRESHMENT*

July Dinner: The Best KFC has to offer (since no one volunteered for July)

Brethren have signed up to prepare dinner for the following months:

<u>Brother</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Brother</u>	<u>Month</u>
John Lusk	August	[your name here]	October
Rob Bunch	September	Dan Jones	November
		Jim Kincheloe Jr.	December

We still need a dinner contributor for October; please support your lodge and pitch in. Call or email the JW to volunteer.

Famous Virginia Mason of the Month

Ernest Borgnine (1917 - Present)

Born Ernest Effron Borgnino on January 24th, 1917, in Hamden, Connecticut, Borgnine is an icon of film and television. He has appeared in over 100 feature films and dozens of television series, and won a Best Actor Oscar for his performance in "Marty". He is probably best known for his role as Lt. Commander Quinton McHale in the popular 60's show "McHale's Navy". He spent four years, beginning in 1946, honing his acting skills at the famous Barter Theatre in Abingdon, Virginia. It was during this time that he petitioned Abingdon Lodge No. 48 and became a Master Mason. He has remained very active in the craft throughout his life. He is a 33 Scottish Rite Mason in the Southern Jurisdiction and serves as the Honorary Chairman of a program to support the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center in Richmond.

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2010 CALENDAR

July:

1st – Dinner @ 6:30-7:15pm; **presentation by Clifton-Fairfax Station Transition in Place Services**; Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm
12th – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm
21st – District Class @ 7:15pm
26th – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

August:

1-4th – Reid Simmons School @ Fork Union
5th – Dinner @ 6:30-7:15pm; **7:15-45 pm address by Jim McIntyre, former Director of OMB, on federal financial issues**;
Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; short sleeve shirts, shorts optional
9th – no ritual practice
18th – District Class @ 7pm
21st – picnic at Bartletts' house, 1-5pm
23rd – no officers meeting or ritual practice

September:

2nd – Lodge on High Hill; Stated meeting moved by dispensation
6th – Labor Day Car Show Fundraiser
9th – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm (under Dispensation); 60 year Celebration for Bro. Doug Detwiler;
presentation by RW Luis Pages on Cuban Masonry
13th – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm
18th – **Bus trip to NYC for day**
24th – 7-9pm, Ed Ray Instructional School at Haymarket Lodge
25th – 9am-3pm, Ed Ray Instructional School at Haymarket Lodge
27th – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

October:

7th – Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; Step Up Nite for Officers
9th – set up for Clifton Day
10th – Clifton Day Fundraiser
11th – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm
14th – **Fraternal visit to MWPB Acacia Lodge No. 32, Alexandria**
20th – District Class @ 7:15pm
23rd – 4th District Festive Board, CBA barn property
25th – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

November:

4-6th – Grand Annual Communication
8th – ritual practice, 7-8:30pm
11th – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm (under Dispensation)
17th – District Class @ 7:15pm
22nd – officers meeting, 6:30-7:30pm; ritual practice, 7:30-8:30pm

December:

2nd – Dinner @ 6:30pm, Acacia Stated @ 7:30pm; Elections