



**Henry Lodge No. 57**  
**Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons**  
**Chartered December 15, 1869**  
**Stated Communication: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday @ 7:30 p.m.**  
**Dinner before Stated @ 6:30 p.m.**

## Trestleboard

**November 2007**

### From the East

Brethren,

We are on the eve of an exciting month in the life of our Lodge. It's a rare occasion when a Lodge can claim the honor of having one of its own installed as Grand Master, and we eagerly anticipate the installation of Right Worshipful Edmund Cohen, DGM, as Grand Master of Masons in Virginia on November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Grand Annual Communication in Richmond. We have planned a festive Homecoming for Brother Ed at our Stated Communication on November 13<sup>th</sup>. I hope that as many of you who are able will attend the Homecoming and help us celebrate the beginning of his Masonic year in the Grand East. Further details can be found under Notes and Announcements on page 3.

I wish to thank all the Brethren who have taken on several maintenance and repair jobs around the Lodge and grounds in preparation for the Homecoming. Among the things you will notice are the newly painted entrance railings, repairs to the entry walkway, repaired tiles in the Social Hall, newly painted storage sheds, and well trimmed shrubbery. Equal thanks go to the Homecoming Committee for its hard work in coordinating the several arrangements for this event.

While we anticipate November, I am happy to report that your Lodge was engaged in several activities in October. Nine of our members participated in a Fraternal Visit to Acacia Lodge where our Lodge Education Officer, Brother Kerry Kirk, presented an outstanding program on Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749-1832), a 50 year Mason and towering intellect, yet one who is relatively unknown in Masonry today. We also took the opportunity to claim the Traveling Gavel from Acacia that night.

Our October Stated Communication was well attended, and the Brethren were treated to another excellent program by our LEO focused on Founders Month, as well as hearing from Wor. Luis Pages, District MAHOVA Ambassador, on the founding of the Masonic Home. A good time was had by all, and a special thanks to Bro. Ian Campbell for another excellent dinner.

Five of us attended the MAHOVA Family Day in Richmond on October 13<sup>th</sup> where close to twelve hundred Masons and family members from across Virginia enjoyed a parade, good food and fellowship and perfect fall weather. If you didn't make it, you missed a good one. I am also pleased to report that we passed one more candidate to the Degree of Fellowcraft in October and held a Rusty Nail Degree for several Brethren who have not been able to attend Lodge for awhile.

The November schedule can be found on page 4. Note that we are planning a Fraternal Visit to Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4 on Saturday evening, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will be the last official visit of the Grand Master before the Grand Annual Communication, and I think it fitting that Henry Lodge be represented as he nears the end of his year of service in the Grand East. You will also find several important announcements on page 3 regarding November events.

Brethren, Masonry has afforded each of us the opportunity to make many friends as we serve the Craft. Apropos, an unknown author penned the following poem:

Make new friends  
 But keep the old.  
 One is silver,  
 The other gold.

I urge you all to observe Masonic Recognition Day on the first of the month and may the Supreme Architect continue to bless you and yours.

Fraternally,  
 Arleigh H. Rice, WM



## From the Secretary's Desk....

Within the next week, the Brethren will receive notice of their impending 2008 dues and assessments. The third and final incremental increase of Grand Lodge assessments (\$28.00) combined with the Henry Lodge dues (\$85.00), produces a total bill of \$113.00. Prompt remission of your dues will greatly assist your lodge in meeting its obligations.

In all probability, an adjustment to dues / degree fees will be addressed in the coming year following an in-depth study initiated this year by Worshipful Arleigh Rice. If you have given any thought to a Life Membership in Perpetuity, contact your Secretary who will be happy to provide you with a small packet of information that will aid you in making this decision.

Your dues only constitute a portion of your obligation to the Lodge in particular and Masonry in general. If within the length of your cable-tow, you should attend. Certainly, predictable funds and a budget are necessary for the operation of the Lodge, nevertheless, it is the Brother who attends, who becomes involved in community services, ritual, etc. that brings true Masonry to fruition.

**Ralph W. Smith, Jr., P.M.**  
Secretary

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## Notes and Announcements....

**Henry/Acacia Joint Breakfast:** Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> marks the resumption of our joint breakfasts with Acacia Lodge at Henry Lodge. Come on out around 9:00 a.m. for a delicious breakfast and good Masonic family fellowship. Note that there will be a Henry Lodge planning meeting in the Lodge Room commencing at 9:45 a.m.

**Rainbow Grand Cross of Color Observance:** On Thursday, 15 November, Fairfax Assembly No. 3, IORG will conduct the Grand Cross of Color Observance at the Lodge. All who have received this award are invited to attend. A potluck dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

**Rainbow Movie Night:** This event originated from an offer made by Cherrydale Lodge No. 42 to our Fairfax Assembly Rainbow Girls. The girls decided to turn it into a family event by having a movie night at Henry Lodge on Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> sponsored by Cherrydale Lodge. Further information will be distributed via e-mail when the details are finalized. The movie is expected to be one of the Superman series. This event is open to members and families of the Lodge, the OES, and appendant youth organizations and will be a prospect opportunity for Fairfax Assembly No.3. Put it on your calendar and plan on enjoying some good fellowship.

**Grand Master's Homecoming:** Plans are proceeding apace for Rt. Wor. Ed Cohen's Homecoming on Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, at the Lodge. A social will be held commencing at 5:30 p.m. followed by a catered dinner at 6:30 p.m. and opening of Lodge at 7:30 p.m. This will be an Official Visit for our newly installed Grand Master. All Henry Lodge Officers and those serving on the committee attending the Grand Master will wear tuxedos or dark suits and ties. Ticket cost for the dinner is \$10.00, and tickets can be purchased from the Line Officers, Secretary, Rt. Wor. Bill Sheads, or Wor. Clesson McDonald. Tickets will not be sold at the door, so we encourage you to contact one of these Brethren in advance if you plan on attending as there is a maximum seating capacity in the social hall.

**November 2007**

1	(Thursday)	7:30 PM	Fairfax Assembly IORG
2	(Friday)	8:00 PM	Hope Chapter OES
3	(Saturday)	<b>9:00 AM</b> <b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Henry-Acacia Breakfast at Henry / 9:45 – HL Officers Planning Meeting</b> <b>GM OV to Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4 (Henry Fraternal Visit)</b>
4	(Sunday)	2:00 AM	Daylight Savings Time Ends
7	(Wednesday)	7:30 PM	Fauquier Chapter RAM
7 – 11	-----	-----	<b>Grand Lodge in Richmond, VA</b>
13	(Tuesday)	<b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>Henry Stated / Grand Master’s Homecoming / 5:30 Social, 6:30 Dinner (ticket required)</b>
15	(Thursday)	7:30 PM	Fairfax Assembly IORG / Grand Cross of Color Observance / 6:30 Potluck Dinner
21	(Wednesday)	<b>7:15 PM</b>	<b>District School (Henry)</b>
27	(Tuesday)	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Called Communication for MM &amp; EA Proficiency &amp; FC Degree</b>
30	(Friday)	6:00 PM	Rainbow Movie Night at Henry (see announcement on page 3)

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6	(Thursday)	7:30 PM	Fairfax Assembly IORG
7	(Friday)	8:00 PM	Hope Chapter OES
8	(Saturday)	11:00 AM	Acacia Lodge Officers Installation at Henry / 10:00 AM Installation Practice
10	(Monday)	7:00 PM	Fairfax Assembly IORG Advisory Board Party at Andrea Costanzo’s home
11	(Tuesday)	7:30 PM	Henry Stated / 6:30 Dinner (Program: TBA)
15	(Saturday)	2:00 PM	Henry Lodge Officers Installation / 12:00 PM Installation Practice
20	(Thursday)	7:30 PM	Fairfax Assembly IORG