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Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons
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December 2009 From The East

Brothers and Friends of Henry Lodge,

As we approach the time of year when we traditionally reflect on the past and look forward to the future, I can say it has indeed been a pleasure and honor to serve as Worshipful Master of Henry Lodge. We have accomplished many things during 2009. Among them are:

- A family event most months that included:
 - Visiting Mt. Vernon, The Fairfax City Museum, and The Marine Corp Museum at Quantico
 - A tour of the Harley-Davidson Factory in York, PA
 - Two visits to The Masonic Home of Virginia with donations of CD players by the Brethren and books by the Fairfax Assembly IORG supported and sponsored by Henry Lodge
- Outstanding attendance at District Leadership and Ritual Schools
- Dinners for the Lodge wives and Hope Chapter #73 OES
- Presentation of Eagle Scout Certificates by Grand Master Hodges
- A trip to Alaska by three Past Henry Lodge Masters and myself
- Lodge education presentations at every meeting by our LEO
- Online Lodge calendar and e-mail distribution of the Trestleboard
- New chairs for the Lodge Officers

These activities did not go unnoticed. Henry Lodge again was awarded The James Noah Hillman Memorial Award recognizing Lodge accomplishments, The Seymour James Levy Award for blood donations, and was one of only five Lodges in the Commonwealth to be awarded Grand Master Hodges' Traveling Trowel Award. Our Senior Warden has plans to accomplish even more, and I would encourage your support.

In closing, I ask that you keep the needs of others in yours thoughts and deeds. Please support the Marine Corp Toys-4-Tots program by bringing an unwrapped toy to the 8 December meeting. Also, one of our Brethren is currently deployed in Iraq. He has asked for a care package for his soldiers (himself plus 6) consisting of socks, baby wipes, shaving cream, and personal hygiene items. We will collect the items at the 8 December meeting and ship them out shortly thereafter.

Have a safe and joyful Holiday Season. See you at the Lodge Officer installation on 12 December and in Lodge during 2010.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Harold



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Henry Lodge Masonic Family
 Fairfax Assembly #3 IORG
 1st and 3rd Thursday
 Hope Chapter #73 OES
 1st Friday
 Fauquier Chapter #25 RAM
 1st Wednesday

December Masonic Birthdays

Leonard Carter	12/20/60
Lefton Foltz	12/05/64
Edmund Cohen	12/07/76
Fredrick Kolb	12/07/82
Dallas W. Brumback, Jr.	12/05/00
Ian P. Campbell	12/09/04

From The Secretary's Desk

Last month an oblique reference was made to the ‘obligation’. For what ever reason, a poem by Robert W. Service (The Cremation of Sam Magee) recently popped into my mind and the following passage took on new meaning: “Now a promise made is a debt unpaid and the trail has its own stern code”. Our “promise made” became a “debt unpaid” at the altar and that debt is only retired by our daily adherence to and application of our obligations. We have been enlightened and at the same time admonished by the “stern code” of the penalties of our obligations. Yes, we have a difficult and dangerous path to travel, but remember my Brother....

The winter solstice is rapidly approaching. Looking into antiquity we see that for thousands of years mankind has celebrated this heavenly event, recognizing that the shortest day of the year was upon them and that light would begin to increase in the days following, bringing springtime and new growth; that the harsh days of winter would soon be forgotten and this was a time to celebrate.

Whether we celebrate Christmas, Hanukah or any of several traditions, we should be thankful for all that we have. Keep in mind that, as happens every year, we will enjoy a new Light in Masonry, watching it grow in intensity, knowing that the cycle will be repeated again and again as we are swept along by each succeeding winter solstice.

Let's all try to have our dues brought up to date by the end of the Masonic Year.

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

Honorary Members

Robert J. Campbell
 Leonard Carter
 Edmund Cohen
 Roger Firestone
 William E. Ray, Sr.
 Donald M. Robey
 Charles H. Rowell
 Delbert E. Sheads

Living Past Masters

1960 Eugene B. Kenyon
 1971 Kenneth Haines
 1972 Robert Campbell
 1977 Delbert E. Sheads
 1979 Marvin Hubble
 1980 Miles R. Woolever
 1981 Richard Reedy
 1982 Edmund Cohen
 1986 Allen Batson
 1987 Edwin Carpenter
 1988 Alexander Constant, Jr.
 1989 Robert Huss, Jr.
 1992 Lynn Boerger
 1993 Leonard Carter
 1994 Harold J. Hodges
 1995 Moe L. Aitel
 1996 Bobby G. Bell
 1997 Thomas G. Evans
 1998 Thomas R. Wickman
 1999 James D. Hawkins
 2000 Paul R. Kulp
 2001 Robert B. Williams
 2002 Ralph W. Smith, Jr.
 2003 Harry E. Sanders
 2004 Russell L. Williams
 2005 Dallas W. Brumback, Jr.
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 2007 Arleigh H. Rice
 2008 David J. Stringfellow

50-Year Members

Carliss M. Fox
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 Robert M. Rupert
 Donald L. Uffinger, Sr.
 Jesse R. Williams
 Kenneth A. Long

From The West

Brethren & Friends,

Wow, what a year! With Worshipful Harold's guidance, we achieved every award available, and had a great time doing it. As we enter the Holidays, I hope you all find time to relax and visit family because I too have a busy year planned.

2010 will find us traveling from New York to Tennessee with many stops in between. We also will be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of both the George Washington National Masonic Memorial and Boy Scouts of America.

Happy Holidays!! Chris

2009 Henry Lodge Events**December**

- 1 Called Fellowcraft Lodge 7:00 PM**
- 2 Fauquier Chapter Royal Arch (at Henry Lodge), 7:30 PM
- 3 Rainbow, 7:30 PM
- 4 Hope Chapter #73 OES, 8:00 PM
- 8 Henry Lodge Stated Communication – Dinner 6:30 PM, Social Hall program 7:10 PM, Meeting 7:30 PM**
- 12 Henry Lodge Officer Installation 2:00 PM**
- 17 Rainbow, 7:30 PM

January 2010

- 6 Fauquier Chapter Royal Arch (at Henry Lodge), 7:30 PM
- 7 Rainbow, 7:30 PM
- 9 Rainbow Installation, 2:00 PM
- 11 Officer Meeting and Ritual Practice, 6:00 PM**
- 12 Henry Lodge Stated Communication – Dinner 6:30 PM, Meeting 7:30 PM**
- 16 Hope Chapter #73 OES, 2:00 PM
- 20 District Ritual School**
- 21 Rainbow, 7:30 PM
- 22 Movie Night, 7:30 PM
- 28 Rainbow Board, 7:30 PM
- 30 A.D. Smith Lodge of Research, 10:00 AM (Fraternal Visit)**

February 2010

- 1 Officer Meeting and Ritual Practice, 6:00 PM**
- 3 Fauquier Chapter Royal Arch (at Henry Lodge), 7:30 PM
- 4 Rainbow, 7:30 PM
- 5 Fraternal Visit to Manassah Lodge, 7:30 PM**
- 5 Hope Chapter #73 OES, 8:00 PM
- 9 Henry Lodge Stated Communication – Dinner 6:30 PM, Meeting 7:30 PM**
- 13 Tour George Washington National Masonic Memorial, 10:00 AM**
- 17 District Ritual School, 7:00 PM**
- 18 Rainbow, 7:30 PM
- 25 Rainbow Board, 7:30 PM



Grand Master Hodges presenting the Traveling Trowel Award to the Masters of the five winning Lodges in the Commonwealth of Virginia.