



President's Corner

It's hard to believe we are in early November looking at sunny days with temperatures in the 70s and exceptionally beautiful Fall colors. With the holiday season beginning in just a few weeks, it's appropriate to say... **Happy Thanksgiving** and an early **Merry Christmas** to **ALL** as this is our last *Highlights* of 2022.

We have had a full and very successful year! Our three quarterly meetings have been excellent and well-attended, especially our September Patrick Henry Leadership Awards Gala, once again held at a historic home venue - Dundee this year. We will begin planning for next year in January, bigger and better! Stay tuned.

Our Annual Meeting & Dinner is set for Tuesday, **December 6th at the Henry Clay Inn**. **Gordon Lohr** will give a virtual tour of the Pine Slash restoration. Get your tickets early as seating will go quickly. The easiest way to pre-register and purchase tickets is through our webpage. See the official announcement on page two in this *Highlights*, on our website and Facebook page.

It's time to **renew for 2023!** Our Membership-VP has updated the roster and noted those who have pre-paid 2023 dues as well as Life Members. If you receive a form, our records show that you are due to pay for 2023. Several have been overdue for some time; please renew to stay on our mailing list! Please contact Pam Hawkins at ph52@embarqmail.com if you have any questions.

Please, everyone note and pass on that we have changed the regular Historic Courthouse & Old Jail tour dates to the **2nd Thursday** of every month. In the Jail, we are currently displaying household and equestrian items from Fairfield and Powhite that were recently donated by Frances Gaines Alexander Bales & Martha Venable Alexander Duval. We also have a display of artifacts recovered from various sites in Eastern Hanover by Charlie Schmetzer and loaned for the exhibit.

I have announced to the Executive Committee (EC) that I will be retiring as President of the Society effective December 31, 2022, a year into my two-year term. **I am not leaving the Society altogether** but just realize I have run my course as President. No critical or health reasons, just "old age" is sometimes out-running me, and I have a bum knee to take care of in February. I have thoroughly enjoyed my years serving on our EC and especially as President. Working with great people has been a pleasure, and **WE** have gotten it done, kept the Society "in good stead" and "well-heeled."

Our current EC is talented and capable to keep us moving forward without missing a beat. I will stay in the background doing what I can as always, just not in a leadership capacity. And I will be accessible and stand ready to help. Please feel free to let me know how I can help you with any periphery things as I do now. I plan on remaining a person of contact on the website unless someone has a burning desire to list their contact information. And lastly, a big **THANK YOU** to all fellow EC members, past and present, members of the Society and friends. Hope to see many of you at our December 6th Annual Meeting.

Art Taylor



2022 Annual Meeting & Dinner

Tuesday, December 6 at 6:00 p.m.

**Henry Clay Inn
114 North Railroad Avenue in Ashland**

Pine Slash Restoration: A Virtual Tour

**N. Gordon Lohr
2022 Patrick Henry Leadership Award Recipient**

Enjoy a dinner buffet with salad, entrées, sides and dessert; cash bar.

Pre-registration and payment of \$30.00 per person must be received by November 23.
Seating is limited, so register early!

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