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2007 STEPHENSON LODGE
LADIES'S NIGHT
IS A **HUGE SUCCESS**

see inside for details



Our Worshipful Master

Brethren one & all,

I hope all the Brethren & their families are doing well. They say time flies when you are having fun! This year has flown by and it has been a year I will never forget.



I would like to thank all the brethren for making this year a special one for me.

As always, Ladies Night was a true success. Brother Howie Damron traveled from the hills of Ohio to treat our ladies and Brethren to an evening of Masonic sounds. Brother Damron wrote every song and we especially would like to thank him for singing the all inspiring song “The Masonic Ring”. The song tells the story of a Father & Son being brought to light to help future generations to find out the rite.

I wish everyone a Safe, Healthy and Very Merry Christmas!

Sincerely and fraternally,

Omar Duncan, Worshipful Master

Please contact Bro. Keith Thompson, Sr. if you are interested in signing up to help with the refreshments for future meetings. Bro. Thompson can be reached at 410-836-1691.

Our Senior Warden

The Lodge has four new Entered Apprentices. We will need all the help we can get to help with the degree work. I also need volunteer’s the help teach the catechism. Please contact me and let me know or the worshipful master what’s your pleasure. We are all in this together, no one person call make everything work, so please jump in. Our Lodge is a great one and let’s keep it that way!

Thank you,

Duane Duncan PM

COMMUNITY HELP CHEST

On your next visit to the Lodge, bring a can good or non-perishable item or even a couple dollars, to help a local family with meals or bills. Your donations will make our Lodge visible in the Darlington community.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Stephenson Holding Company Meeting Notice

The Stephenson Holding Company meetings will begin in the northwest corner of the lodge promptly before 7:00pm. If interested, please have a seat in that section. During this time we will:

- 1) Pay Utilities and
- 2) Create minutes for this meeting.
- 3) Any topics of discussion that may arise during the course of a month other than regular business

ALL INTERESTED MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!!!

If you are a Lodge member, then you are also a Holding Company member.

UPCOMING STEPHENSON LODGE EVENTS:

Stephenson Lodge's Ladies Night

This year's Ladies Night was held on November 3rd at the Level Fire Hall. It was a great success and we actually had to add extra tables to accommodate everyone that came. The food was as good as always and fellowship was better than ever. The entertainment was Howie Damron who received a standing ovation (see top photo). Brother Damron sung many songs from his albums and afterward autographed CD for the guests.



HARFORD COUNTY MASONIC LODGES

These are the other local Harford County Masonic Lodges. We invite you visit any one of them on their respective Lodge night, listed to the right. Also listed is their address.



Mt. Ararat #44
136 East Gordon St.
Bel Air, MD 21014
1st & 3rd Tuesdays



Susquehanna #130
215 North Washington St.
Havre de Grace, MD 21078
2nd & 4th Tuesdays



Esdraleon #176
304 Main St.
Cardiff, MD 21024
2nd & 4th Thursdays



Aberdeen #187
20 North Howard St.
Aberdeen, MD 21001
1st & 3rd Mondays

AT OUR LAST MONTH'S MEEETINGS

Builder of the Year

On November 7, 2007 our lodge awarded Brother Keith Thompson the "Builder of the Year" award presented to him by Brother Duane Duncan, PM. Our lodge has progressed to a beautiful temple for all to see. Brother Thompson played an instrumental role in the many building projects we have had over the last few years. Without his knowledge and the knowledge of all of the other Brethren that helped along the way, these undertakings would have been almost impossible. Not one man can build a temporal building without good fellowship and teamwork. Thanks go out to everyone who participated in our many endeavors.



To Bro. Keith Thompson "A True Visionary" A person who know how to represent Stephenson Lodge #135. The Members of Stephenson Lodge #135 would like to congratulate you on this most prestigious award. This award is for your selfless acts towards the Lodge and your fellow Brethren. Your craftsmanship can never be surpassed if ever equaled to. Working so closely with you on the many "Special Projects" for our Temple in Darlington has been a great journey and I will personally cherish the memories of this journey for a lifetime. So, it is with sincere pleasure and a deep sense of honor to award you with a small token of our appreciation.

UPCOMING STEPHENSON LODGE EVENTS:

December Communications for Stephenson Lodge

First Meeting, December 5th

FIRST DEGREE

Starts at 7:30

The election of Line Officers for 2008 will be held on this evening. All Master Masons are encouraged to attend.

Second Meeting, December 19th

REGULAR BUSINESS

Starts at 7:30

Regular order of business. Christmas Party after a short meeting. Please invite your family and Friends for cookies and fun.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Practice Schedule

Practice schedules will be updated in January, 2008 and will be posted in the January Trestleboard.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Years to all of our Masonic family throughout the country around the world! From all of the 2007 line officers of Stephenson Lodge to you and your family & friends. Come to our Christmas Party on December 19th and bring your family and friends.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR OUR MEMBERS:

Pusher Service

Perry Point VA Hospital is in need of volunteers to escort the disabled veterans to church. If you are interested please contact Brother Stacy Hale at 410-499-7828 so he can coordinate this humanitarian effort with the VA hospital. **Our last date for 2007 is:** December 9.



DON'T FORGET IT'S TIME

2008 Dues are Due

Once again it's time for paying our dues. If you haven't paid for 2007 you need to get your dues in before the end of the year. **Total Due for 2008 is \$48.00.**



NEW PETITION

Another Knock at the Door

Mr. William Frank Custer, Jr. of Conowingo, Maryland has petition Stephenson Lodge. Mr. Custer, 52 is the owner of the Stone House Restaurant on Rockspring Road in Conowingo. Look for more information on Mr. Custer progress in Masonry in future trestleboards.



STEPHENSON LODGE'S

Line Officers for 2007

Worshipful Master	Omar F. Duncan
Senior Warden.....	Duane A. Duncan, PM
Junior Warden	Keith J. Thompson, Sr.
Secretary	Jerry R. Arnold, PM
Treasurer	Herman M. Gonzalez
Senior Deacon.....	Carl W. Lee
Junior Deacon	Stacy C. Hale
Senior Steward.....	<i>to be appointed</i>
Junior Steward	<i>to be appointed</i>
Tyler	Frank W. Fowler
Chaplain	James K. Johnson
Musician.....	Vernon K. Stearn, PM
Marshal	Charles D. Miller, PM
Ritualist.....	Duane A. Duncan, PM
Grand Inspector	William Dula, PM, GI

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