



*Stephenson  
Lodge*

ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF MARYLAND

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# TRESTLEBOARD

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## Our Worshipful Master Elect

**B**rethren one & all,

Brethren, on my installation evening I witnessed the greatest gift a man could ever receive, that was seeing every seat in my Lodge filled with my dear friends and brothers. Nothing will ever equal that night. I



am truly overcome by the overwhelming turnout of so many brothers from all over the state as well as the Grand Master, Past Grand Master and so many Grand Lodge officers. Thank you so much to all who attended.

They say you get back what you put in Masonry. This time it was true. I did, plus interest. I could fill this trestleboard over and over and still not be able to praise my devoted brothers enough for wonderful warmth they have made me feel,

Now, I must tell you, I will need the help from all good masons to make this year a success, As all Masters have done before me, I am looking forward to working with everyone. As I said before, give me your input and I will bring it to the attention of whatever committee it concerns, without revealing as to who I received it from, unless they want the brethren to know. This my solemn oath as a Worshipful Master and as a Master Mason. I will do my best to make you proud your Worshipful Master.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Omar Duncan, Worshipful Master



*The Most Worshipful Grand Master gives his warm wishes to the newly installed Worshipful Master. Photo by Greg Skinner*

### SPECIAL NOTICE

## Stephenson Holding Company Meeting Notice

The Stephenson Holding Company meetings will be held at 6:45 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month prior to our regular meeting. During this time we will:

- 1) Pay Utilities and
- 2) Create minutes for this meeting.

**ALL INTERESTED MEMBERS ARE  
WELCOME TO ATTEND!!!**

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

# FEBRUARY 2007 MASONIC CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

| SUNDAY | MONDAY             | TUESDAY               | WEDNESDAY             | THURSDAY            | FRIDAY                                    | SATURDAY                         |
|--------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 28     | 29                 | 30                    | 31                    | 1                   | 2   | <b>3</b>                         |
| 4      | 5<br>Aberdeen 187  | 6<br>Mt. Ararat 44    | 7<br>Regular Meeting  | 8<br>Esdraelon 176  | 9<br>Harford County School of Instruction | 10<br>Breakfast at Harmony Lodge |
| 11     | 12                 | 13<br>Susquehanna 130 | 14                    | 15                  | 16  | 17                               |
| 18     | 19<br>Aberdeen 187 | 20<br>Mt. Ararat 44   | 21<br>Regular Meeting | 22<br>Esdraelon 176 | 23  | 24                               |
| 25     | 26                 | 27<br>Susquehanna 130 | 28                    | 1                   | 2   | 3                                |

When are we doing degreework?

Look for these symbols.



Entered Apprentice Degree



Fellowcraft Degree



Master Mason Degree



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



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

## HARFORD COUNTY MASONIC LODGES



**Esdraelon #176**  
304 Main St.  
Cardiff, MD 21024  
2nd & 4th Thursday



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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

## February Communications for Stephenson Lodge

### First Meeting, February 7<sup>th</sup>

#### REGULAR BUSINESS

Starts at 7:30

### Second Meeting, February 21<sup>st</sup>

#### REGULAR BUSINESS

Starts at 7:30

A MESSAGE FROM

## Our Senior Warden

Please be aware that our lost revenue has been approximately \$3,500.00 due to the vacant office space. Our bank account is dwindling fast and order to build it back up, we need to aggressively pursue a renter for this space.

We must crawl before we can walk, so I suggest we start at the beginning. This means we place an “ad” for the office space and make sure that our asking “rent” be lower than surrounding businesses. I suggest that we ask \$350.00 per month. I realize that this is less than what we were receiving 18 months ago, but something is better than nothing. As time goes on, we can raise the rent based on building maintenance, cost of living, etc.

Fraternally yours,

Duane A. Duncan, PM

## 2007 Dues are Due

Please remember to pay your dues for 2007. The dues for this year is **\$48**. Dues should be paid before the beginning of the year.

The following brothers were suspended December 31st, 2006:

Lester S. Dorney

E. Lee Roy Davis.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

## Pusher Service

Perry Point VA Hospital is in need of volunteers to escort the disabled veterans to church. These veterans have fought to protect our country and it is now time to give a little back to them! If you are interested please contact Brother Stacy Hale at 410-499-7828 so he can coordinate this humanitarian effort with the VA hospital. I encourage all who are able,

**PLEASE GET INVOLVED!**



### Our dates for 2007

February 18      April 15

June 17          August 19

October 21        December 18

UPCOMING GRAND LODGE EVENTS:

## 2007 Regional Meetings

All meetings will start promptly at 9:00, with coffee and doughnuts being served at 8:00am. All WM and Secretaries are required to attend one meeting, All other brothers are invited.

Feb 3 Grand Lodge, Cockeysville, MD

Feb 10 Mt. Ararat, Bel Air, MD

Feb 24 Hagerstown Lodge, Hagerstown, MD

Mar 10 Cambridge Lodge, Cambridge, MD

Mar 17 Centennial Lodge, Upper Marlboro, MD



## 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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