

ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF DARLINGTON, MARYLAND

STEPHENSON LODGE No. 135

MAKING GOOD MEN BETTER FOR 144 YEARS



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A NEW BEGINNING



STEPHENSON LODGE

Line Officers for 2012

Worshipful Master William A. Bridges, Sr.
 Senior Warden J. Courtney Hart
 Junior Warden Richard E. Dolly, Jr.
 Secretary Jerry R. Arnold, PM
 Treasurer Thomas J. Boyle, PM
 Senior Deacon Keith Thompson, Sr., PM
 Junior Deacon Andrew Kucharek
 Senior Steward Mark Alexander
 Junior Steward William Bridges, Jr.
 Tyler Frank W. Fowler, HPM
 Chaplain Oscar R. Baldwin, PM
 Musician Vernon K. Stearn, PM
 Marshal Duane A. Duncan, PM
 Ritualist Duane A. Duncan, PM
 Grand Inspector Kevin Emery PM, GI

WORSHIPFUL MASTER

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 410-935-3278

SECRETARY

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 Street, MD 21154
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*May this new year find you
 Healthier and happier,
 Peaceful, content, satisfied
 Looking forward
 To fresh, revitalizing interests,
 A variety of pleasures,
 Interesting new people,
 material and personal successes
 To make this new year
 The best one yet.*

by Joanna Fuchs

A MESSAGE FROM

Our Wardens

We would like to thank all of the members of Stephenson Lodge for their confidence in us by electing us to our respective offices. We look forward to working with all of the line officers of 2013 of Stephenson Lodge as we continue our travels to the East. We realize that this year will entail much dedication to the Craft in learning our stations, duties, and the lectures. We will assist and support our Worshipful Master as he endeavours to make Stephenson Lodge a stronger, more dynamic Lodge for 2013. As the year progresses, we will become more accustomed to these new stations and duties and look forward to a great year.

A SPECIAL GIFT

US Flag

Presented to our Lodge from Brothers overseas that have received food from our Military Liaison Committee.



A MESSAGE FROM

Our Deputy Grand Lecturer

County school will be on January 5th from 8AM to 10AM at Mt. Ararat Lodge #44 in Bel Air. Officers are requested to attend. All Master Masons are welcome. Please spread the word.

A MESSAGE FROM

Our Worshipful Master

Brethren one and all,

It has been my pleasure and honor to serve in the East during this past year as Worshipful Master of Stephenson Lodge, No. 135. The election of line officers has taken place and our pillars of Strength and Beauty are well represented by brothers Courtney Hart and Richard Dolly respectively. Please give them and all the line officers your support and encouragement for their loyal commitment to the principles, practices and success of Stephenson Lodge. I am looking forward to our continued journey in 2013 with excitement and anticipation that we will travel together in unity.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year!

Fraternally Yours,
 Sincerely, William A. Bridges, Sr.,
 Worshipful Master, 2013



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2013

Stephenson Lodge Events
 County Lodges Events
 Grand Lodges Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 Mt. Ararat Lodge No. 44 Open Installation (starts at 7:00PM) dinner at 5:30PM Bel Air, MD ★	2 Stephenson Lodge No. 135 Installation (starts at 7:30PM) dinner at 6:15PM Darlington, MD	3	4	5 School of Instruction Mt. Ararat Lodge 8:00 AM Bel Air, MD
6	7 Aberdeen Lodge Open Installation No. 187 Aberdeen, MD	8 Susquehanna Lodge No. 130 Open Installation (starts at 7:00PM) dinner at 5:30PM at Mt. Ararat in Bel Air, MD	9	10 Esdraelon Lodge No. 176 Cardiff, MD	11	12
13	14	15 Mt. Ararat Lodge No. 44 (starts at 7:00) Bel Air, MD	16 Stephenson Lodge No. 135 Darlington, MD	17	18	19
20	21 Aberdeen Lodge No. 187 Aberdeen, MD	22 Susquehanna Lodge No. 130 Havre de Grace, MD	23	24 Esdraelon Lodge No. 176 Installation Dinner at Church Cardiff, MD ★	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2 ★ Grand Lodge performing the Installation of Officers

HARFORD COUNTY MASONIC LODGES ADDRESSES & MEETING NIGHTS



Mt. Ararat no.44
136 East Gordon St.
Bel Air, MD 21014
1st & 3rd Tuesday

Pete Hicks, II, WM
James W. Davidson, Sec



Susquehanna no.130
215 North Washington St.
Havre de Grace, MD 21078
2nd & 4th Tuesday

Mark Fayer, WM
John Ford, Sec



Esdraelon no.176
304 Main St.
Cardiff, MD 21024
2nd & 4th Thursday

Josh Mattlin, WM
G. Wilson Tharpe, Sec



Aberdeen no.187
20 North Howard St.
Aberdeen, MD 21001
1st & 3rd Monday

Dustin C. Casteel, WM
Ralph L. Perry, Sec

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT STEPHENSON LODGE

January Communications

FIRST COMMUNICATION

JANUARY 2ND (WEDNESDAY)

Installation of Officers for 2013

Dinner at 6:16 PM

SECOND COMMUNICATION

JANUARY 16TH (WEDNESDAY)

Opening in Master Mason Degree

Short meeting of Holding Company prior to Communication



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

January Masonic Birthdays

Robert Goad, Jr Jan 9, 1982 31 yrs.
 Jerry Waddell Jan. 25, 1986 27 yrs.
 William Caldwell, Jr..... Jan 17, 1990 23 yrs.
 Michele Fiore Jan 26, 1999 14 yrs.
 Omar Duncan. PM Jan. 19, 2000 13 yrs.

2013

Installation Covered Dish Dinner

On January 2nd, Stephenson Lodge will hold its annual Installation Dinner at the Lodge. All Master Masons are welcome to bring a dish and enjoy dinner prior to our Installation. We always have a ton of good food to share and the Lodge will be supplying ham for the main meat. Feel free to bring your favorite vegetable, potato, casserole or dessert.

For information about the other country Lodge's installation dinners, check the calendar found on the previous page. 🌀

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Christmas Party 2012

We held our annual Christmas Party at the Lodge on our last meeting of the year, December 19th. 🌀



Top: Dave Kraus, PM comments on how Keith Thompson, Sr., PM cuts pies.
 Middle & Bottom: The brothers and guests enjoy ice cream and cookies, pies and other goodies