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SUMMER DEGREEWORK

Three brothers receive their Master Mason degree in the heat of the Summer this year. On July 21st, the officers of Stephenson Lodge met to confer the Third degree on bothers Harry James Ohle, Alexndru Manolea and James Russell Chason. The Worshipful Master requested a special dispensation from the Grand Master to hold the meeting in July. Below is a photo of the officers and the newly raised brothers. 1-Brother Chason, 2-Brother Manolea, & 3-Brother Ohle.



Our Worshipful Master

Prethren one & all,

I hope everyone had a great summer with there loved ones and friends, with enjoyable memories that you'll never forget.

I for myself, I've been on one heck of a roller coaster this summer. Having a not



planned medical issue come up, that seems to be taking too long render, I want to thank everyone who came to visit me at the hospital and stopped bye the house, the wonderful cards and phone calls kept my spirits up high. It's good to know that the brothers are their for you .

MASONS-WHAT A GREAT FRATERNITY. I hope to see all when I can. I would also like to say, the lodge and myself are very PROUD to have 3 new Master Masons within our temple. It's great to see our Lodge grow and still growing. Sincerely and fraternally,

Omar Duncan, Worshipful Master

Darlington Apple Festival



Saturday, October 6th is our Apple Festival. All Brothers are urged to attend. Only teamwork can make this as successful as in previous years. It is the one time of year that we

deal with the general public on such a large scale.

A MESSAGE FROM

Our Senior Warden

The lodge has had a busy summer, we raised three new masters masons, plus we have 4 new petitions on the secretary's desk. 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.

Proud Dad & Granddad

Brother Ryan Alban is a proud dad and Past Master Dean is the happy grandfather in this recent photo of three generations of the Alban family. The new addition to the family is Connor Ryan Alban. Who knows? He may be a future Mason.



UPCOMING STEPHENSON LODGE EVENTS:

Officer's Practice Dates

September 10 September 17 September 24 October 1 October 15 November 5

Stephenson Lodge's Ladies Night

This year's Ladies Night will be held on November 3rd at the Level Fire Hall. Check with any officer to get your tickets to this event. The menu will be similar to last years. Come to this event and

show your support to the ladies behind the scene that help and assist our Lodge with it's events throughout the year.



HARFORD COUNTY MASONIC LODGES

Note that we have decided to eliminate the Masonic Calendar. We were not getting enough timely information from our sister lodges to make it practical or useful.



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

A REPORT FROM

Our Treasurer

Herman Gonzalez presents his treasurer's report each meeting about the financial condition of the Lodge and of the Holding Co. Here is his report at the end of May.

STEPHENSON LODGE, No. 135

Balance forward	\$3,487.94
Plus adjust. by bank	0.00
Plus deposits	66.00
Total funds avail.	3,553.94
Less expenses	(273.37)
CURRENT BALANCE	\$3,280.57

Also, from the Stephenson Holding Company our treasurer has these reports.

STEPHENSON HOLDING COMPANY

Balance forward	\$4,371.14
Plus adjust. by bank	00.00
Plus deposits	00.00
Total funds avail.	4,371.14
Less expenses	(78.67)
CURRENT BALANCE	\$4,292.47

BUILDING FUND/MONEY MARKET

Balance forward	\$21,530.14
Plus adjust. by bank	00.00
Plus deposits	27.45
Total funds avail.	21,557.59
Less expenses	00.00
CURRENT BALANCE	S

Total for all accounts above is: \$29,135.63

UPCOMING STEPHENSON LODGE EVENTS:

September & October Communications for Stephenson Lodge

Only Meeting in September 19th

REGULAR BUSINESS

Starts at 7:30

All those who qualified will stand the Master Mason examination.

First Meeting, October 3rd **REGULAR BUSINESS**

Starts at 7:30

All those who qualified will stand the Master Mason examination. Balloting on new petitions

Second Meeting, October 17th **FIRST DEGREE**

Starts at 7:30

All those who are found worthy will receive the EA degree.

Petitions for Masonry

Stephenson Lodge has received a petition from Mr. Matthew Edward Vinson from Elkton, Maryland. Mr. Vinson, 30, works for the Tri-M Corporation as an Electrician.

Stephenson Lodge has received a petition from **Mr. William Arthur Bridges, Jr.** from Congowingo, Maryland. Mr. Bridges, 28, works for the Camber Corporation as an Quality Technician.

Stephenson Lodge has received a petition from **Mr. Michael Scott Harkins** from Darlington, Maryland. Mr. Harkins, 47, works for the Exelon Nuclear as an Welder.

The Worshipful Master has appointed investigation committees and plan on balloting on Oct.3.

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 dates for 2007 are:** October 21, and December 18

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.

UPCOMING GRAND LODGE EVENTS:

2007 Grand Lodge Events

Harvest Home Day

Saturday, October 6, Maryland Masonic Homes

Trip to Mt. Vernon, VA

Saturday, October 27, Bonnie Blink 9:30 am departure Cost \$20 for members reservations needed by Oct 15th

Grand Master's Banquet

Friday, November 16, Grand Lodge Building

Annual Communications

Saturday, November 17, Grand Lodge Building

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STEPHENSON LODGE'S

Line Officers for 2007

Omar F. Duncan
Duane A. Duncan, PM
Keith J. Thompson, Sr.
Jerry R. Arnold, PM
Herman M. Gonzalez
Carl W. Lee
Stacy C. Hale
to be appointed
to be appointed
Frank W. Fowler
James K. Johnson
Vernon K. Stearn, PM
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