



*Stephenson
Lodge*

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TRESTLEBOARD

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Stephenson Lodge now has a new Tyler's sword that is inscribed with Masonic symbols and the square and compass along with the letter G. It has a museum quality edge on it with a gold handle with red velvet inlays and a red gem-like top. It will hang beside the door for easy reach for the Tyler's use during Lodge.

Our Worshipful Master

Brethren one & all,

This year is off and running at a fast pace, and that's a good thing because we are always coming up with great new ideas for the Lodge, with plenty more to come. Stephenson Lodge has a sharp line this year they are full of ideas. This seem to be a perfect marriage. A majority of our line and members are ready to get involved whenever a call is made, and I want to thank everyone for that. That's the way it's suppose to be—TOTAL TEAMWORK—no one man can build a temporal building alone.



It's has been brought to my attention recently that some of our brothers are having **small talk** during the open meeting. They may think it is in a low tone, but it is my duty to inform them that such is not the case. In our lodge sound travels fast and easy. During the meeting, I would like everyone to keep silent unless called upon by the Worshipful Master or by the usual sign of the craft. That is the way it needs to be done, especially **during balloting, when there should be NO TALKING at all.**

We have a new line of officers and quite a few newly raised members who are eager to learn. It hard for them to hear what's going on when someone nearby is talking. As any Past Master can tell you, there's a lot to learn, but every minute

of it is worthwhile. Any Questions or concerns about this, please call me at 410-378-8696. I thank you very much for understanding. I hope to see everyone soon. Fraternally,

Duane Duncan PM WM

New Emblems on Wall

All of the members of Stephenson Lodge would like to extend our Senior Warden, Keith Thompson a big thanks for his great craftsmanship in making the SQUARE AND COMPASSES and the number 135 mounted on the front wall of the lodge. If a brother would turn his head to the left than back to the right again, that's how fast things are changing at Stephenson Lodge. We are so blessed to such talent within the Lodge..



The Masonic emblem now graces the right side of the wall in front of the Lodge. The number 135 is on the left side.

Please contact Bro. Carl Lee if you are interested in signing up to help with the refreshments for future meetings. Bro. Lee can be reached at 410-734-9483.



Our newest Entered Apprentice

Brother Richard Turkin II received his Entered Apprenticed Degree on February 20th.



CIVIL WAR!

COMING TO STEPHENSON LODGE

MAY 21, 2008

look for more details coming soon

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 2008 are:

April 20th June 20th
August 17th October 19th
December 21st



Look Who's One Hundred Years Young!

Brother Clifford Trott celebrates his 100th birthday on March 8th of this year! He became a Master Mason in 1945.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March's Communications for Stephenson Lodge

First Meeting, March 5th

PRESENTATION OF 25 YEAR AWARDS

Starts at 7:30

Presentation of 25 year pins to Bruce J. Flaughter PM (from last year), George Jacobs, Jerry R. Arnold PM, and Robert B. Thomas

Second Meeting, March 19th

POSSIBLE FIRST DEGREE CATECHISM & HISTORIC TALK

Starts at 7:30

The Lodge will open in the first degree and all Entered Apprentices are invited to perform the Catechism of that degree. Our Brother Dean Alban PM will give a talk on *Free Masonry and the Bush River Declaration Of 1775*.

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



103.7 on your dial

Snowy evenings? Wondering if Lodge is Cancelled?

Last year Stephenson Lodge was canceled twice due to inclement weather, once in the Spring and once in the Winter. From now on, when the weather looks bad, tune your radio to station **WXCY, 103.7 in Havre de Grace** to listen for closing announcements.

25 YEARS AGO 1983

The Worshipful Master in 1983 was Richard Pomraning and the three following brothers were raised that year:

George Jacobs on April 20, 1983

Jerry R. Arnold, PM on November 16, 1983

Bob Thomas, Jr. on December 21, 1983

See opposite page for presentations of 25 year awards on March 5th.



STEPHENSON LODGE'S

Line Officers for 2008

Worshipful Master	Duane A. Duncan, PM
Senior Warden.....	Keith J. Thompson, Sr
Junior Warden	Carl W. Lee
Secretary	Jerry R. Arnold, PM
Treasurer	Herman M. Gonzalez
Senior Deacon.....	Stacy C. Hale
Junior Deacon	Bradley P. Lankford
Senior Steward.....	Clinton Adams
Junior Steward	James H. Ohle
Tyler	Omar F. Duncan, PM
Chaplain	Oscar R. Baldwin, PM
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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