

ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF DARLINGTON, MARYLAND

STEPHENSON LODGE

No. 135
MAKING GOOD MEN BETTER FOR 144 YEARS



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A
look back
one hundred years
and **fifty years ago**
at Stephenson Lodge's
minutes to see what
we did back then.
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C E L E B R A T I O N O F T H E S T R A W B E R R Y

Stephenson Lodge will have its annual Strawberry Night this year on Wednesday, June 5th. Come join us as we celebrate the strawberry season this Spring with tons of good strawberry desserts featuring the ever present strawberries and ice cream.

After a very short Lodge meeting, we will enjoy the berries downstairs in the *Keith Thompson and Robert Miller Halls*. Be sure to bring out your friends and family to enjoy this occasion. We would love a large turnout for this and we invite all of the Brothers from

our neighboring Lodges to come and join us. We invite everyone to bring their families and we promise you won't go hungry after this event. We will have strawberries with, and without, sugar, ice cream, pies and all types of assorted strawberry-based desserts. This will be **casual dress*** for officers and members. This is one event you won't want to miss. It is also our last meeting before going dark before the Summer and a good opportunity to wish everyone a good Summer.

* dark long pants, shirt with collar, or polo shirt; no jeans or shorts

INSIDE: Current Events for Stephenson Lodge. The New Susquehanna Valley. Phoenix Royal Arch. & more



STEPHENSON LODGE

Line Officers for 2013

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	Mickey Hoffman
Musician	Vernon K. Stearn, PM
Marshal	Duane A. Duncan, PM
Ritualist	Duane A. Duncan, PM
Grand Inspector	Kevin Emery PM, GI

WORSHIPFUL MASTER

William A. Bridges, Sr.
3637 Anderson Lane
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410-935-3278

SECRETARY

Jerry R. Arnold, PM
3110 Tucker Road
Street, MD 21154
443-528-7895

A MESSAGE FROM

Our Worshipful Master

Brethren one and all,

As summer is close approaching, it's almost time to call the craft from labor to rest. However, Stephenson Lodge No. 135 still has a busy June schedule and I hope that all can attend the remaining meeting which is our annual Strawberry Night and is casual dress for my officers and brothers with special dispensation from our Grand Master.



During our time off this summer let us celebrate the good works that have been accomplished, the personal relationships that have been made and the old relationships that have been strengthened, the brothers that have been introduced to the fraternity, and let us look forward and anticipate our interest in the new and continued journeys that will resume in the fall.

Replenish your wisdom, restore your strength, arouse your curiosity, and stimulate your thinking but most importantly ENJOY YOURSELVES AND FAMILIES!!!!

Fraternally Yours,

Sincerely, William A. Bridges, Sr.,

Worshipful Master, 2013



A MESSAGE FROM

Our Deputy Grand Lecturer

Our next county School is Saturday June 1st 8AM to 10AM at Mt. Ararat Lodge. I plan to work on the Master Mason degree and short form raising.

I realize this is the same day as the Grand Lodge Family Day Picnic. I had this discussion with our Grand Master and since the School will be finished before the Family Day Picnic starts we have his blessings. You will have plenty of time to pick up your family and head to the Gand Lodge for some good food and fellowship.

Please spread the word. I look forward to a nice attendance.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Bill Richard, DGL



ABERDEEN LODGE

LOW VALE CONVOCATION

Saturday, September 21st

1PM Lunch • 3:15PM Opening

Mark Master & Past Master Degrees

JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Upcoming Fall Events



The Darlington Apple Festival will be October 5th-tStephenson Lodge will host an open house that day.

GRAND LODGE EVENTS

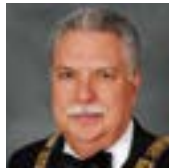


Grand Lodge of
A.F. & A.M. of Maryland
304 International Circle,
Cockeysville, MD 21030
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office@glmd.org

AND THE WINNER IS...

Semi-Annual Election Results

Stephenson Lodge had four representatives at the Grand Lodge Semi-annual Communications on May 18th., Worshipful Master, Bill Bridges, Ritualist, Duane Duncan, PM, Junior Warden, Rich Dolly, and Carl Lee, PM. The results of the day's election were as follows, Grand Master: Gerald E. Piepiora, Deputy Grand Master: Kenneth S. Wyvill, Jr., Senior Grand Warden: Richard P. Naegele, Junior Grand Warden: Randall L. Watson. Grand Secretary: Herbert Y. Holcomb, III, and Grand Treasurer: William E. Gyr. Also, our own Past Master Carl Lee is on the Board of Trustees.



J. E. Piepiora



K. S. Wyvill



R. P. Naegele



R. L. Watson



H. Y. Holcomb



W. E. Gyr


**GRAND MASTER'S
MASQUERADE BALL**
GRAND LODGE BALLROOM
JULY 27TH, 2013 + 6PM UNTIL 11 PM

A Formal Black Tie Event with Masks (no full costumes)
\$80.⁰⁰ per person

Hors D' Oeuvres served at 6:00 PM • Seating at 6:45 PM
Dinner served at 7:00 PM
Choice of Tenderloin of pork in a mango chutney sauce
OR Haddock (white fish) with tomato, capers in a white wine sauce
Open Bar
Best Female & Male Masks Contest
NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR

MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT BY
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FOOD FOR ALL

Annual Grand Lodge Family Day Picnic

The Annual Family Day Picnic will be held on Saturday, June 1st at the Grand Lodge in and around the George Hunt Pavilion. This event is our annual celebration with food, games for the kids and more. You may bring your family, children, friends, and neighbors. To help defray the cost of this wonderful event, we ask that all adults make a \$5.00 donation. Donation boxes will be placed at the head of the food service line. The only thing you'll want to bring are lawn chairs.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Summer Masonic Birthdays

Dodson Brown.....	June 1, 1949	64 yrs	Ted Roten	June 4, 1975	38 yrs
Williard Anderson, PM.....	June 18, 1958	55 yrs	Harold Kirk	June 18, 1975	38 yrs
Ed Campbell.....	June 5, 1961	52 yrs	Eddie Mullins.....	June 16, 1976	37 yrs
Donald Horton, PM.....	June 5, 1963	50 yrs	Ron Stearn, PM.....	June 3, 1978	35 yrs
Jesse Moxley.....	June 21, 1967	46 yrs	Charlie Ray Hunt	June 3, 1978	35 yrs
Larry Hurley, PM.....	June 17, 1970	43 yrs	Dan Dallas.....	June 3, 1987	26 yrs
Vernon Stearn, PM.....	June 2, 1971	42 yrs	Alexandru Manolea.....	July 21, 2007	6 yrs
John Cole.....	June 6, 1973	43 yrs	Jim Chason.....	July 21, 2007	6 yrs
Samuel Pearthree.....	June 6, 1974	39 yrs			

BE SURE TO READ

New Edict on Rights of Visitation from Grand Master Piepiora

RIGHTS OF VISITATION

There has been considerable debate regarding the rights of members and current dues cards for at least as long as I have been a member (and probably much longer).

Full right of membership is afforded to members carrying a current year's dues card.

These include:

1. Rights of visitation to home and other Lodges in Maryland
2. Ability to become a plural member of other Lodges in Maryland and dual membership of Lodges out of State (where allowed).
3. Entrance into Maryland Masonic Homes (providing medical and financial requirements are met).
4. Being able to belong to other appendant Bodies.
5. Holding appointed and elected offices within Lodges and the Grand Lodge.
6. Eligible for Grand Lodge Service awards.
7. Transfer of membership to other Lodges within/without our jurisdiction.
8. Receiving a Masonic Memorial/Burial service.

Without-question, the above list is not all inclusive, but indicates there are many rights and privileges. We also understand that those who do not keep up with their dues lose some, if not, all of their rights. (These are all found in the Constitution, Article XVI, Section 7 through 10)

A member is suspended when he is in arrears in his dues/assessments for more than one year (XVI.7.H). Those who find themselves in this category lose all of the above rights and privileges.

Where a brother has a dues card from the previous year only

- i.e. one who has not paid the current year's dues/assessments, still retains many of the rights and privileges above except that of visitation.

Therefore, as Most Worshipful Grand Master, I do hereby issue the following EDICT:

Effective immediately, a brother who does not possess a current year's membership card (having one only from the previous year), and although not yet suspended, is not considered to be "in good standing" (Article XVI.IO.I). He, therefore loses the right of visitation. At that point, he may visit a Maryland Lodge only upon invitation of the Worshipful Master. This also applies to all Masonic bodies where a current dues card is required for admission.

This does not affect visitations to other Lodges where a member of that Lodge may object to a visitor (XYL 1 O.I)

It is my hope that more of our members are conscious of staying current with their dues and expect that there will be no future controversy on this issue.

Gerald E. Piepiora – Most Worshipful Grand Master

THE COST OF MEMBERSHIP

You should have your **2013 Dues Card**

Stephenson Lodges Annual Dues	\$48.⁰⁰
Affiliated Member Annual Dues	\$25.⁵⁰
Petition	\$205.⁰⁰

You should have your 2013 card now. Those behind with only 2012 cards, are **not in good standing** and must submit their dues. New 2014 dues cards will be available in September.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 2013

- Stephenson Lodge Events
- County Lodges Events
- Grand Lodges Events
- Susquehanna Valley Lodge of Perfection (Mt. Ararat Lodge)
- Phoenix Royal Arch (Aberdeen Lodge)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 School of Instruction Stephenson Lodge 8:00 AM Darlington, MD
2	3 Aberdeen Lodge No. 187 (starts at 7:30PM) Aberdeen, MD	4 Mt. Ararat Lodge No. 44 (starts at 7:00PM) Bel Air, MD	5 Stephenson Lodge No. 135 (starts at 7:30PM) Darlington, MD	6	7	8 Esdraelon Lodge No. 176 Low Vale (starts at 10AM) See ad page 4
9	10	11 Susquehanna Lodge No. 130 (starts at 7:30PM) Have de Grace, MD	12	13 Esdraelon Lodge No. 176 (starts at 7:30PM) Cardiff, MD	14	15
16	17 Aberdeen Lodge No. 187 (starts at 7:30PM) Aberdeen, MD	18 Mt. Ararat Lodge No. 44 (starts at 7:00) Bel Air, MD	19	20 Susquehanna Valley Lodge of Perfection Mt. Ararat Lodge Bel Air, MD	21	22
23	24	25 Susquehanna Lodge No. 130 (starts at 7:30PM) Havre de Grace, MD	26	27 Esdraelon Lodge No. 176 (starts at 7:30PM) Cardiff, MD	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
See page 6 for Grand Lodge's Summer School of Instruction.						

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

June Communications

ONLY COMMUNICATION

JUNE 5TH (WEDNESDAY)

Opening in 3rd Degree • Lodge 7:30

Very Short Regular Business

Strawberry Night-Casual Dress



Summer School Of Instruction Schedule

The annual Grand Lodge Summer School of Instruction will be held during the months of July and August at various locations around the state. All Master Masons are welcome to attend. I strongly urge each Worshipful Master to encourage the officers and ritualist of his lodge to attend and participate in as many of these schools as possible. This year, sessions covering "Special Topics" have been included in the schedule in the Western Maryland and Eastern Shore Regions.

Dues cards must be presented at the door to gain admission. There is no charge to attend. Those who attend at least four sessions will be presented with a certificate acknowledging their achievement. I look forward to meeting and working with many of you this summer.

Fraternally, Paul H. Fishell, Grand Lecturer

ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE

- Tuesday, July 9th-7pm
Grand Lodge • *Cockeysville*
- Thursday, July 18th-7pm
Centennial Lodge No. 174
Upper Marlboro
- Thursday, August 8th-7pm
Wicomico Lodge No. 91
Salisbury
- Thursday, August 15th-7pm
Columbia Lodge No. 58
Frederick

FELLOW-CRAFT DEGREE

- Tuesday, July 16th-7pm
Grand Lodge • *Cockeysville*
- Thursday, July 25th-7:30pm
Centennial Lodge No. 174
Upper Marlboro

- Thursday, August 1st-7pm
Medairy Lodge No. 140
Williamsport

MASTER MASON DEGREE

- Thursday, July 11th-7pm
Centreville Lodge No. 180
Centreville
- Thursday, July 18th-7pm
Potomac Lodge No. 100
Cumberland
- Tuesday, July 23rd-7pm
Grand Lodge • *Cockeysville*
- Thursday, August 1st-7:30pm
Centennial Lodge No. 174
Upper Marlboro

SPECIAL TOPICS

- Tuesday, July 30th-7pm
Grand Lodge • *Cockeysville*
- Thursday, August 8th-7:30pm
Centennial Lodge No. 174
Upper Marlboro
- Thursday, August 22nd-7pm
Cambridge Lodge No. 66
Cambridge
- Thursday, August 29th-7pm
Hagerstown Lodge No. 217
Hagerstown



HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY



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DONALD HORTON

PAST MASTER
STEPHENSON LODGE 50 YEARS OF MASONRY
MAY 15TH 2013



A Look Back at our Records

What was happening 50 and 100 years ago in Stephenson Lodge

A REVIEW OF OUR ARCHIVED MINUTES



When I reviewed our archived minutes of 1963 for past Master Don Horton, I found many interesting facts recorded by our predecessors. The way they did business and handled degrees are somewhat different than today. Also, the meetings started and ended later than today's meetings. Here's a look at the summer of 1913 and 1963 to see what happened one hundred, and also fifty years ago in Lodge.



FRED C. JONES
Worshipful Master
1913



SAMUEL W. SNYDER
Worshipful Master
1963

June 18, 1913

A stated meeting of Stephenson Lodge No. 135 A.F.&A.M. was held in the Lodge room in the town of Darlington, Country of Harford, and State of Maryland on the 18th day of June A.L 5913–W.D. 1913.

The following Brethren were present. F.C. Jones, W.M.; J.P. Gibson, S.W.; L. Webster Selfe, J.W.; J.T. Jones, Secretary; R.O. Thomas, Treasurer; Charles A. Chandlee, Tyler; Joel Silver, S.D.; D. Gilpin Wilson, J.D; Stanley Spencer; and brother W. Smith.

The minutes of the last meeting was read and approved. The committee on Dr. I. W. Tobias' petition reported favorably—the first degree of Masonry was duly conferred upon him.

An invitation to the Lodge was received from Bro. J. P. Gibson inviting the members to attend Divine Services at the Episcopal Church on Sunday, June 29 to which was accepted and members were asked to meet at the Lodge room at 10:30AM on that date.

No further business appearing, the Lodge closed in harmony and good order until next stated meeting or during the Master's will and pleasure.

James. T. Jones, Secretary

July 2, 1913

A stated meeting of Stephenson Lodge No. 135 A.F.&A.M. was held in the Lodge room in the town of Darlington, Harford Co., Md.

Present: F.C. Jones, W.M.; Rev. J.P. Gibson, S.W.; Lee Webster Selfe, J.W.; Harry Silver, S.D.; R. O. Thomas, J.D; Charles A. Chandlee, Tyler.

The Lodge was opened in the 3rd degree of Masonry for the dispatch of business. The 3rd degree was called off and the 1st degree opened. Brother I.W. Tobias, entered apprenticed was called and given the lecture of the first degree. Brother Tobias was then examined as to his proficiency. Entered Apprentice Lodge was closed and the craft resumed labor in the 3rd degree. A ballot on Brother Tobias application for the second degree being fair in the South, West, and East, was duly elected to received the second degree—which was duly conferred.

No further business appearing, the Lodge closed in harmony and good order until next stated meeting or during the Master's will and pleasure.

Harry Silver, Secretary, *pro. Temp.*

July 16, 1913

A stated meeting of Stephenson Lodge No. 135 A.F.&A.M. was held in the Lodge room in the town of Darlington, Country of Harford, and State of Maryland on the 16th day of July A.L 5913–W.D. 1913.

The following Brethren were present. F.C. Jones, W.M.; J.P. Gibson, S.W.; L. Webster Selfe, J.W.; J.T. Jones, Secretary; R.O. Thomas, Treasurer; P.M. Spenser, Charles A. Chandlee, Tyler; Joel Silver, S.D.; D. Gilpin Wilson, J.D; Stanley Spencer; and brother W. Smith. *[Included was a listing of various visitors]*

The Lodge was opened for the dispatch of business in due form. The minutes of the preceding meeting was read and approved.

Brother I.W. Tobias, being in waiting—was examined in the 2nd degree of Masonry—and was duly elected to receive the third degree—which was conferred upon him. The Lodge was called off for August and September.

No further business appearing, the Lodge closed in harmony and good order until next stated meeting or during the Master's will and pleasure.

James. T. Jones, Secretary
Masonic Temple, Darlington, MD

June 5, 1963 A.L. 5963

A stated communication of Stephenson Lodge No. 135, A.F.&A.M. Darlington, Md. Was held on the above date with 15 members and 12 visitors present as per the register. Lodge was opened in due form in the Third Degree at 8:00PM with our W.M. Samuel Snyder presiding. The minutes of the last meeting was read and approved. The committee having reported on the petition of Mr. Carl Allen Stearn and Mr. Neil Edward Adkins, ballot was spread and Mr. Carl Allen Stearn and Mr. Neil Edward Adkins was duly elected to receive the degrees of Masonry. The following communications were received—from Aberdeen Lodge No. 187, Harmony Lodge, No. 52, Susquehanna Lodge No. 130 stating order of business and from Bro. W. Albert Caldwell a note of well wishes and from Bethel No. 55 I.O.J.D in regards to Installation of Officers to be held on Sat, June 15, 1963 at 8:00PM and notice of petition from Susquehanna Lodge No. 130 on Mr. Soren August Peterson, age 42, residence Have de Grace, Md. Bills were passed and ordered paid. There were no sick reported. The following Brethren volunteered for Perry Point Visitation: Bro. Deckman, Bro. Little, Bro. Bishop, and Bro Snyder. The W.M. reminded the Brethren of Church Services at Mt. Tabor Church on Sunday June 23, 1963 and also reported that Stephenson Lodge was represented at Grand Lodge Session held on May 21, 1963. The Master Mason Lodge was called off at 8:45PM and a F.C. Lodge was opened and PM Aaron Roland presented Bro. Donald Horton for examination in the catechism

of the F.C. degree. F.C. Lodge was closed at 9:00PM and labor resumed in the Master Mason degree and ballot was spread and Bro. Horton was duly elected to receive the Master Mason degree. Lodge was at ease at 9:10PM and labor resumed at 9:20PM and Bro. Horton was presented in the first section of the M. Mason Degree. This being Past Master Night the chairs were filled as follows: W.M. Gilbert Smith, S.W. Amos Little; J.W. Aaron Roland; Rex Bishop-Secretary as J.D. Samuel Snyder as S.D; and as stewards- W. Deckman and Ellis Price. Lodge was at ease at 9:50PM and labor resumed at 10:00PM and Bro. Horton was presented in the Second and Third Sections of the Master Mason Degree. Brother Snyder delivered the charge. PM Emery Rasnake presented Bro. Horton with a lapel pin in behalf of his fellow workers. Bro. Smith that the W.M. for the privilege of conferring the degree. The WM recognized visitors from Harmony Lodge No. 53 and Aberdeen No. 187, Susquehanna, No. 130 and Mt. Ararat No. 44.

There being no further business, Lodge was closed in due form in the Third Degree at 11:00PM. Refreshments were served.

Rex Bishop, Secretary

Masonic Temple, Darlington, MD
June 19, 1963 A.L. 5963

A stated communication of Stephenson Lodge No. 135, A.F.&A.M. Darlington, Md. was held on the above date with

12 members and 11 visitors present as per the register. Lodge was opened in due form in the Third Degree at 8:10pm with our W.M. Samuel Snyder presiding. The minutes of the last meeting was read and approved. The committee having reported on the petition of Mr. Ronald J. Maxwell, ballot was spread and Mr. Maxwell was duly elected to receive the degrees of Masonry.

The following communications were received—from Esdraelon Lodge No. 176 stating order of business and from Southern States regarding furnace plan. The bills were passed and ordered paid. It was moved and seconded to give the Secretary and Treasurer permission to pay bills through the summer and the motion carried.

The W.M. recognized visitors and also our Grand Inspector Bro. Austin N. Rowan. A dispensation from our Most Worshipful Grand Master Bro. Earnest L. Poyner was read, giving permission to confer the E.A. degree on Mr. Ronald J. Maxwell on the same night he was elected. Master Mason Lodge was called off at 8:45 and an E.A Lodge was opened and Mr. Carl A. Stearn was presented in the first section of the E.A. degree. Lodge was at ease and labor resumed and Mr. Neil E. Atkins was presented in the first section of the E.A. Degree. Lodge was at ease and labor resumed and Mr. Ronald J. Maxwell was presented in the first section of the E.A.

Degree. Lodge at ease and labor resumed and Mr. Carl Allen Stearn and Mr. Neil E. Adkins, and Mr. Ronald J. Maxwell were presented in the second section of the E.A. Degree. Bro. Gilbert Smith delivered the charge. E.A. Lodge closed at 11:00PM and labor resumed in the M.M. degree. There was no sick reported. The W.M. reminded the members of the Church Services to be held on Sunday, June 23, 1963 at Mt. Tabor Church. There being no further business, Lodge was closed in due form in the Third Degree at 11:10PM. Refreshments were served.

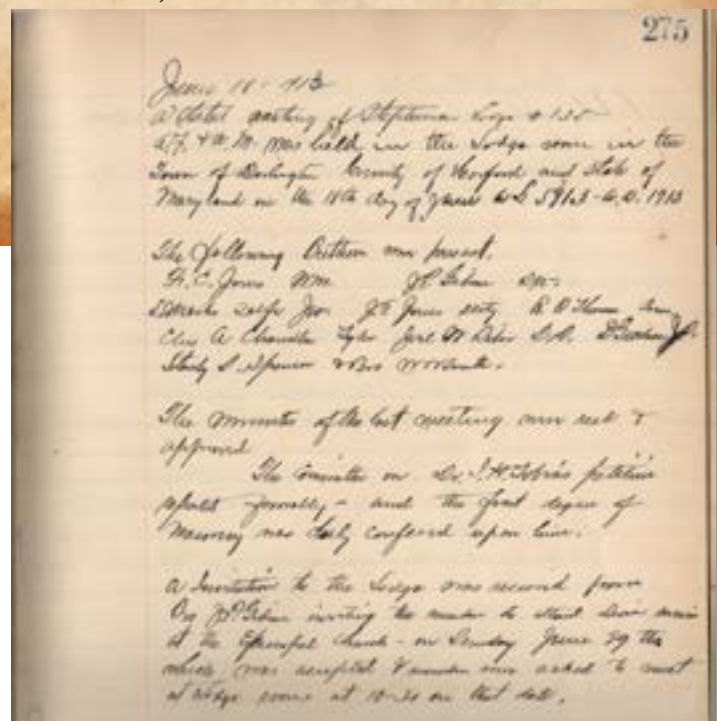
Rex Bishop, Secretary

Masonic Temple, Darlington, MD
June 23, 1963 A.L. 5963

A Special Communication of Stephenson Lodge No. 135, A.F.&A.M. Darlington, Md. was held on the above date with 10 members present. Lodge was opened in due form in the Third Degree at 10:00AM with our W.M. Samuel Snyder presiding for the purpose of attending Divine Services. The W.M. thanked all in attendance. The officers and members then proceeded to Mt. Tabor Church for Morning Services. Lodge was closed in due form in the Third Degree at 12:45PM.

Rex Bishop, Secretary

A note from the Secretary on archived minutes of Stephenson Lodge. We are fortunate to retain all written minutes of our Lodge since its inception. Minutes are the duty of the Secretary and provides a records of the events effecting the members and the Lodge in general. I am proud to be one of the Brothers who have held this office in Stephenson Lodge. If there is an interest, I'll try to provide more insight into our history with more articles reviewing 100 and 50 year old minutes. Remember that these minutes are all handwritten and can be very hard to decipher, especially old archaic or abbreviated names. As you can see by the image on the right, the original handwritten minutes for 1913.



"We know that **God** is everywhere;
but certainly we feel His presence most
when His works are on the grandest scale
spread before us." – *Charlotte Brontë*

ESDRAELON LODGE NO. 176

PRESENTS A

PAST MASTERS LOW VALE LODGE

IN "THE QUARRY"

JUNE 8th

10:00AM Sharp
Transportation provided to
the Quarry starts at 9:00AM
from The Six-M Company
at 1723 Atom Road,
Delta Pennsylvania
Handicap Accessible

*Come see Stephen Paul Mattlin, Bradley Kent Mattlin, Kenneth Ray Mattlin, Jr., and Larry Lanier Smith Raised in
the Master Mason Degree, surrounded by the natural beauty of the Quarry*

Casual dress, transportation to Quarry provided, straw bales for seating provided, lawn chairs welcome,
Pit Beef, Ham, Turkey and beverages will be provided at the conclusion of the Degree Work

For questions, concerns, or special needs for transportation contact: **Bill Mattlin** • 443-463-8668 • wmattlin@thesixmco.com
or **Josh Mattlin** • 443-324-1163 • jclongwood@gmail.com



Come out and support Esdraelon Lodge no.176 as they do the Low Vale Lodge at the Quarry. Casual dress and transportation is provided as is pit beef, ham & turkey following the degree. Bring lawn chairs if you like.

A new Valley is here!

SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY

Are you ready?



Scottish Rite Freemasonry • Orient of Maryland

Next Scottish Rite Susquehanna Valley meeting is June 20th. Come see what the excitement is. Parts are available, but going fast. There are still some DVD of the Open Installation and formation of the Valley available for \$20⁰⁰. Get your's while they last.