



On December 20th Stephenson Lodge held its Annual Christmas Party. This year we opened the festivities to the Darlington community. We did have a neighbor stop by to enjoy the party. There was lots of food and drinks to partake. We opened our doors at 7:00pm and at 7:30 we held a short business meeting before joining our guests downstairs. We had sent personal invitation to the Worshipful Masters of all the Lodges in Harford and Cecil counties. We had it set to donate \$100 to each that showed up. Unfortunately, only Harmony Lodge's Tony Keen, PM was present to receive the donation for his Lodge. Everyone had a great and enjoyable evening and celebrated Christmas in a traditional setting.

# THIS MONTH'S COMMUNICATIONS

Our first Communication of the new year is scheduled for January 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is installation night and probably is the most exciting meeting of the year. Please make every effort to attend and help support the officers who will be in charge of the Lodge in 2018. We will be having a covered dish dinner that evening starting at 6:00pm. Bring your favorite dish to share.

Our second meeting will be held January 17th, and will be a special presentation on the History of Masonry. It will be an event you won't want to miss.

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## STEPHENSON LODGE TRESTLEBOARD











Twenty-five years ago, I accepted the nomination for Worshipful Master. I was nervous and apprehensive, wondering how the year would go. The challenges I had were daunting to say the least.

Now I face the same apprehensions, the same thoughts but different challenges.

But this year 2018, as well as in 1993, I know I have a strong support system behind me and I look forward to a very good year for everyone.

I would like to thank all the Brethren for the confidence and offers of support you have bestowed. I hope I can live up to the standards that the previous Worshipful Masters have set.

Needless to say myself and all of the line officers will need your support and participation to help celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> year of Stephenson Lodge No. 135. Expect a call from some one asking for your help. Lets make 2018 another great & joyful year. Thanking you in advance. Gen L, Burchette, W.M.

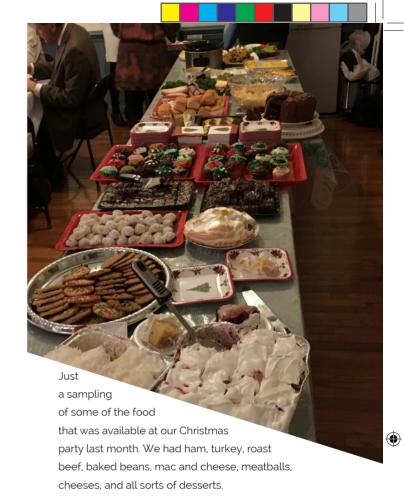
### **OUR OFFICERS FOR 2018**

Worshipful Master	Gen L. Burchette, PM
Senior Warden	Richard E. Dolly, Jr.
Junior Warden	Ron D. Smith
Secretary	Jerry R. Arnold, PM
Treasurer	Tony C. Collini
Senior Deacon	Mark A. Alexander
Junior Deacon	Buzz M. Vaughn
Senior Steward	Aaron K. Smith
Junior Steward	Gianni B. Migliaccio
Chaplin	Carl W. Lee, PM
Marshal	Duane A. Duncan, PM

Installation of these officers will be **January** 3<sup>rd.</sup> Make a new years resolution to support your Lodge by attending the meetings. Your officers put a lot of time in practicing and it's disheartening to them when no one is on the sidelines. Show your support and get involved with your Lodge again and meet our new officers. They are your Brothers.

#### **OUR JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Harold Kirk	January 2
Tony Vitak	January 7
Daniel Gonzalez	January 8
Harry Pomraning	January 9
Jesse Moxley	January 11
William Gamble	January 12
Donald Horton	January 14
Joseph Wilkowski	January 14
Jonathan Wright	January 14
Alan Walter	January 19
Larry Hurley	January 26



### SECRETARY

I currently have the 2018 dues cards and you can get yours by paying your dues of \$76.00. You should have your dues card for this year as soon as possible. Be sure to log into https://glmd.org and check your contact information. Check your preferences to get notices by mail, email, or both. If you need your membership number to log online, check your current dues card or contact me.

Jerry R. Arnold, Secretary