



## WISCONSIN MASONIC HANDBOOK

### CHAPTER 22

#### AUTOMATING YOUR LODGE

Today, the world is communication oriented. The various means of communication, filing and managing information is changing at a breakneck pace. Today Brothers of your Lodge can reach for the cell phone on their belt and access the Masonic Code, records of the lodge, and yes, this Handbook in a matter of seconds. Masonic history, heirlooms, artwork, articles (pro and con) are at their fingertips. In short, the world is changing. We need to access all we can to not only keep up but assist our new candidates to make the decision that Masonry is right for them and a critical part of their development as men. The first place to start is with the administration of the Lodge. All lodges have been instructed to move their Lodge management and record keeping to the Masonic On-line Registry Interface (MORI). Each Lodge may have a Secretary and/or an Assistant Secretary trained and enrolled in this system. With it they can handle records keeping, dues cards, accounting, and a variety of other tasks in a single integrated system.

The WI Website has been often referenced in this Handbook. It serves as the pipeline for information flow from the Grand Lodge to constituent Lodges and from the Lodges to Grand Lodge. Explore this resource! Know what is contained on it and how you can tap into it.

Other wonderful tools are available like Skype for communication with out-of-town Brothers. Dropbox, messaging, Twitter, and Facebook are all being used by Lodges and Brothers. Become open to these advances and use them to move Masonry into the future. These tools do not diminish or change the face of Masonry, just how we do some tasks. Feel free to contact the Grand Secretary if you have questions.