



## Wisconsin Masonic Calendar

### DECEMBER

2-3-4 "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, presented by West Bend Lodge No. 138, 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Sunday Matinee at 2:00 p.m., 301 N. University Drive, West Bend. Tickets now on sale at [www.westbendchristmascarol.com](http://www.westbendchristmascarol.com).

3 Waukesha Lodge No. 37, Breakfast with Santa, 8:00 a.m. till Noon. \$5/adult, \$3/child. Free photos with Santa. Contact [brianereed129@gmail.com](mailto:brianereed129@gmail.com) for more details.

3 Installation of officers, 2:00 p.m., for Manawa Lodge No. 82, Clintonville Lodge No. 197, Mason-Woods Lodge No. 368 and Shawano Lodge No. 170 at the Manawa Masonic Center.

4 Pizza with Santa, 1:00 p.m., Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301, Northwest Masonic Center, 4315 N. 92nd St., Wauwatosa.

6 Kegonsa Lodge No. 73 Installation of Officers, 7:30 p.m.

6 Warren Lodge No. 4 and Melody Lodge No. 2 Open Installation of Officers. Platteville Masonic Center, 6:00 p.m. meal, installation at 7:00.

7 Prairie du Chien No. 8 and Fennimore No. 219 Installation at Prairie du Chien, 105½ E. Blackhawk Ave., Dinner at 6:30 p.m., installation at 7:30 p.m., public welcome.

9 West Allis Lodge No. 291 Installation of Officers, 7:30 p.m., 7515 W. National Ave, West Allis.

9-10-11 "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, presented by West Bend Lodge No. 138, 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Sunday Matinee at 2:00 p.m., 301 N. University Drive, West Bend. Tickets now on sale at [www.westbendchristmascarol.com](http://www.westbendchristmascarol.com).

10 Theodore Roosevelt Lodge sixth annual Holiday Dinner. Social hour 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m.

10 Scottish Rite Valley of Milwaukee Breakfast with Santa. 10:30 a.m., breakfast from 9:00-10:15 a.m. Featuring Tripoli Shrine Animals and Clowns, The Children's Theatre of Wauwatosa's "The Crying Princess & the Golden Goose". Adults \$10, 3-12 \$5. Reservations 414-276-4744.

10 Lake Lodge No. 189 Open Installation, 7:00 p.m., Lake Masonic Center, 1235 E Howard Ave, Milwaukee.

10 Independence Lodge No. 80. Open Installation, 3:30 p.m., dinner following, 7515 W. National Ave, West Allis.

10 Silas H. Shepherd Lodge No. 1843 December meeting, 10:00 a.m., Oconomowoc Masonic Center, 307 N. Lake Rd. Installation of officers following lunch. Contact Bro. William Krohn, Master, at [templardruid@gmail.com](mailto:templardruid@gmail.com) or 414-303-8657.

10 Marshfield Lodge No. 224 Ladies at the Table Dinner, 4:30 p.m. social, 5:30 p.m. dinner. Madrigal Choir to Sing. Choice of Chicken or Beef. Tickets \$10.00. RSVP Bro. Ken Olm 715-387-4957.

11 Zor Shrine Lunch with Santa, Zor Shrine Center, Madison at 11:00 a.m.

11 Dousman Lodge No. 315 Installation of Officers

12 Oregon Lodge No. 151 Open Installation of Officers, 6:30 p.m. dinner, installation at 7:30. For reservations email Bro. Jim Goldsmith at [2drbone@gmail.com](mailto:2drbone@gmail.com) or call 608-220-1934.

12 Bicknell Lodge No. 94, Brodhead, Installation of Officers, 7:30 p.m.

12 James M. Hays No. 331 Open Installation, 7:00 p.m., 790 N. Van Buren St, Milwaukee. RSVP Junior Warden Steve Rudie at [steven.rudie@gmail.com](mailto:steven.rudie@gmail.com).

13 Union Lodge No. 32 Open Installation of Officers, 7:30 p.m.

14 Freemasons Lodge No. 363 Open Installation, 6:00 p.m., 790 N. Van Buren St, Milwaukee.

14 Installation of Officers, dinner at 6:00 p.m. installation at 7:00 p.m. Nine Rivers Lodge, Eau Claire Lodge No. 112, George B. Wheeler Lodge No. 351 and Sanctuary Lodge No. 347, Eau Claire Masonic Center, 616 Graham Ave., Eau Claire.

14 Menomonie Lodge No. 164 Installation of Officers, 7:00 p.m. N5729 410th Street Menomonie.

15 Joint Installation of Officers, Iowa County Lodges: Dodgeville No. 119, Mineral Point No. 1, Linden No. 206 and Barneveld No. 319. Dodgeville Masonic Center, 6:30 p.m.

17 Wautoma Lodge No. 148 Installation of Officers, 10 a.m., 203 S. Scott St., Wautoma.

17 Masonic Brotherhood Council Monthly Breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Athens Family Restaurant (Hwy 100 and Silver Spring), 5547 North Lovers Lane Road, Milwaukee. Contact Bro. Mark Truesdell at [Mark.Truesdell@gmail.com](mailto:Mark.Truesdell@gmail.com).

17 Franklin Lodge No. 16 and Richland Lodge No. 66 Installation of Officers at Noon, Lone Rock Masonic Center, 227 S Oak St., public welcome.

17 Hathon Hale Lodge No. 350 Open Installation, 11:00 a.m., 790 N. Van Buren St, Milwaukee.

17 Damascus Lodge No. 290 Open Installation, 3:00 p.m., Lake Masonic Center, 1235 E. Howard Ave., Milwaukee.

20 Joint Installation of Officers: Smith No. 31, Argyle No. 178, Olive Branch No. 6, Amicitia No. 25 and Evening Star No. 64. Darlington Masonic Center 6:30 p.m.

21 Baraboo Lodge No. 34 Installation of Officers, 6:30 p.m. potluck, installation at 7:30.

27 Milton Lodge No. 161 Open Installation of Officers, bring a dish to pass turkey dinner at 6:00 p.m., installation at 7:30 p.m.

### JANUARY 2012

7 Oconomowoc-Hartland No. 42 Installation of Officers, 7:30 p.m.

13 Grand Master's Florida Tour, Forest Country Club, 6100 Club Blvd. S. W., Fort Myers, Florida. See story on page 14.

14 Grand Master's Florida Tour, Deer Creek RV Golf Resort, 42749 Hwy. 27, Davenport, Florida. See story on page 14.

21-22 Statewide Secretaries Seminar in Madison, at the Madison Masonic Center. See story on page 2.

21 Ozaukee Lodge's sixth annual "Master's Feast", gather at 5:00 p.m., banquet at 6:00 p.m. Port Washington Masonic Center. See story on page 2.

### FEBRUARY 2012

11 Grand Master's Arizona Tour, Briarwood Country Club 20800 N. 135th Ave., Sun City West, Arizona. See story on page 14.

### MARCH 2012

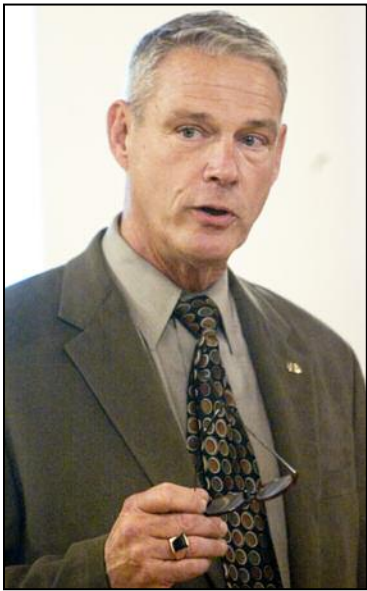
31 2012 Degree Competition at the Madison Masonic Center starting at 9:00 a.m. See story on page 3.



## Senior Grand Deacon Frank Struble Speaks on Change at District Meeting

By Rich Rygh

Senior Grand Deacon Frank Struble recently spoke on change at the District 9 Meeting. He asked the Brethren to set aside



Senior Grand Deacon Frank Struble

some of their thoughts and open their minds to new things. He asked them to think out of the box and think about Masonry as the gift it is to mankind.

He asked the Brethren to think about the world as it may or will be in the not too distant future. He offered a quote, "Success is lifetime of preparation followed by a nanosecond of opportunity."

Bro. Struble said, "That this fraternity is about to be presented with a nanosecond of opportunity and we have got to prepare for it. That the 'Golden Age' of Masonry is ahead of us and not behind us."

He also added a couple of truisms: history repeats itself and our biggest weakness in this fraternity is we have a tendency to whip a pulling horse. We find someone willing to do the work and we pull out the whip and put it to him. We will let 20% carry the rest of us. He stated that this has got to change.

Bro. Struble stated that, "The tide that is coming is a opportunity that has presented itself only a few times in Masonry. We have

had every surge in Masonry after a war. That is true after the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, WWI, WWII and the Korean War. But not the Vietnam War. Neither our fraternity or our society were ready for the return of the Vietnam Veterans." He said, "We have got to be ready this time."

What is about to happen now, Bro. Struble said is an opportunity for this fraternity, if we prepare for it. And we haven't got a lot of time to prepare.

A lot of Reserve, Guard and active men are coming back and are going to hit the streets. He said, "Are we willing to welcome them to our fraternity. I will tell you that the 'Brotherhood of Arms' is a very strong brotherhood. The 'Brotherhood of Arms' says I am used to this man in the foxhole with me helping to watch out. And when you get away from that, there is a vacuum. The men that are coming back from Afghanistan, Iraq and deployments overseas are all of a sudden going to find that they haven't got that support net anymore. There is nobody there to watch their back and I will suggest to you that the tenets of this fraternity, the strength and traditions of this fraternity make us better suited to watch each other's back than any other organization out there."

Bro. Struble said we must prepare for this opportunity. We have to look at how we do business, our buildings must be clean and painted and look inviting. We have got to get ready.

He said we all have men in our towns returning from overseas, he suggested ways to reach out to these returning veterans: the ESGR program, the state of Wisconsin is leading on this; we can contact the guard units, send them care packages, host job fairs in conjunction with our local Chamber of Commerce and use our Masonic Centers as a place to have them. When the units return we can invite them to our lodges for a dinner or breakfast.

Bro. Struble said he recently turned in a petition for a disabled vet without a job, and this vet is looking for that vacuum to be

filled in his life. His wife is paying the fees for him because she believes he needs someplace where he can go to be with men that he can care about and spend time with.

Bro. Struble stated "Don't ever under estimate the power this fraternity has to turn people's lives around. We can do it."

He said everyone benefits from Masonry and we need to get more involved, we need all our Bros. pulling together.

He urged the Bros. to think about change, think about things differently.

Bro. Struble explained that these returning servicemen represent an opportunity for Masonry that we should be very excited about, but we must be ready, it isn't going to happen by itself. Our buildings must be looking good, our ritual must be sharp and impressive, we must offer what these men are looking for.

We must embrace change, he stated, we must be so incensed that this is going to happen that we don't think about bringing in one or two members, but we think about, more than tripling the number of Masons in this state. We need to find these men that are coming back into our community and we need to find their friends. Remember that good men flock with good men. When we find one good man that is excited about Masonry, he is going to bring in more men.

Bro. Struble said, "I want you to put out of your mind that we are going to get two new members this year, that we are going to get three more new members this year, . . . we must do what we have to do to triple the number of working Masons in your lodge that come to meetings, participate and develop programs. We need to do things differently, we need to put aside our old "lack luster" nonsense, dust ourselves off and become all that we can be in this fraternity. We need to let that spotlight shine on our fraternity, it deserves it. And it isn't just right for Masonry, it is right for our veterans, it is right for our country, it is the right thing to do."



Brethren listen to Senior Grand Deacon Frank Struble speak about change and the great opportunity before us - if we are ready. He spoke at the District 9 Meeting at Fulton Lodge No. 69, Edgerton, hosted by District Deputy Terry Brown.

Photos by Rich Rygh

## The Grand Master's Message:

By Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin  
 Brother Davey L. White Jr.

Brethren,

As December approaches and we prepare for Mother Nature to bring us another winter in Wisconsin, it reminds us that it is the time of year for election of officers in our local Lodges. A time for the young men of our Fraternity to move forward and continue their education and journey in Masonry, while the Past Masters and veteran members of the Lodges continue spreading their wisdom to those that wish to learn. It truly is an exciting time of the year for all Masons in the State. For all the outgoing Masters we thank you for your service and for providing your leadership to your respective Lodges. To the newly elected and soon to be installed Masters we thank you for your willingness to lead your respective Lodges next year. We look forward to working with you and helping to make all of your experiences be hopefully positive.



Davey L. White Jr.  
 Grand Master

Your Grand Lodge Officers will be busy traveling the State helping the Lodges with their installations of officers. It is one of the busiest times of the year and we appreciate all the invitations that we receive. It is one of the greatest honors we have as your representatives. It's a time to renew old friendships and a time to form new acquaintances and friendships. The true meaning of Brotherly Love shines brightly at this time of the year. We can never take for granted the number of people we would never have had the opportunity to share our lives with if it wasn't for this great Fraternity. We truly do meet men and ladies from every country, sect, and opinion. I know personally that I have been blessed with some great friendships that mean the world to me. Many people have touched my life over the course of my Masonic life and have helped me become the man I am today. As our Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Roger L. Magoon reminded us on his lapel pin. Masonry is "A WAY OF LIFE".

As the new Masters and Wardens take office I would like to remind them to become familiar with the Masonic Code of Wisconsin. It is important that you have an understanding of the laws and regulations of our State. Please take the Charges of your offices very seriously, as you are held accountable for your actions and decisions. Never forget the obligations you took in Lodge. Working together we can accomplish a great deal and move this Fraternity forward. One of the main goals of every Master or Grand Master should be to leave the state of the craft in a better position than they received it. This is why our Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Joseph B. Harker stressed to all his officers that we are a team and we will work together to accomplish our goals. I believe this method of leadership is working and paying dividends for our State.

Most of you have probably received the mailing concerning the Grand Masters appeal for this year. I wish to thank all who have contributed so far and hope that many more will find it in their hearts to support this great cause. Some of you may perhaps think it strange that I would choose the Masonic Journal for my appeal. Please let me explain. Believe me I realize that we are in a technological age and many of you would rather view the Journal on line. I have no problem with that. The thing we must remember is that the average age of Masons in the State of Wisconsin is 65 years old. Not that I consider that old in years, but it does mean that we have elderly members. Some of them are shut in or in Care facilities. We have an OBLIGATION to provide for and take care of our Brothers who may be at this time less fortunate than ourselves. I know for years I have been visiting Brothers in our local care facilities. The Masonic Journal is their link to the Fraternity; it lets them know what's happening throughout the State. I think they have earned our respect and deserve to be included in our thoughts and plans for the future. The Masonic Journal helps to accomplish this goal. Others like myself would rather have a written publication that I can look at and carry with me. The less time spent on a computer the happier my life is. Again thank you for your support of our great publication. If you happen to see a member of the Journal Board, Thank them for their hard work. I would again like to express my personal thanks to our Editor Rich Rygh, who does a phenomenal job.

For those of who celebrate the Christmas season, I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and to all a Happy New Year. May God bless you all.

Fraternally,  
 Davey L. White Jr.

### On Our Cover

The Ghost of Christmas Present and Ebenezer Scrooge look in on the Cratchit family and the ailing Tiny Tim in the production of Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol", Now playing at the West Bend Masonic Center. Tickets are still available. See more information on page 3 and photos on page 15.

Photo by Rich Rygh



## Lincoln Lodge hosts "Visit with Santa"

Lincoln Lodge No. 183, Menomonee Falls, hosted their annual "Visit with Santa" on Nov. 27. Past Master Larry Wegner Sr. and his wife Sue played Mr. and Mrs. Claus. The are accompanied in the photo by Lucy and Delia Stujenske.

Submitted by Bro. Stan Stujenske, News Hawk

## Ozaukee Lodge's Sixth Annual "Master's Feast" is January 21

Ozaukee Lodge's sixth annual "Master's Feast", hosted by Bro. David Tainter, will be held on January 21 at the Port Washington Masonic Center, 504 W. Grand Ave., Port Washington.

Come and enjoy an evening of fellowship among Brothers, wives and friends along with a

meal fit for a King and musical entertainment by "Some Highlanders" from Mequon.

Come and witness a medieval boar's head procession. Medieval apparel is encouraged.

Gathering is at 5:00 p.m. with the feast beginning at 6:00 p.m. Price is \$20.00 per adult, kids \$10.00.

For reservations contact Bro. David Tainter, 262-689-2848 or email dtainter@wi.rr.com. Reservations are limited to the first 100 people.

This event is not a fundraiser, or for any set purpose other than to promote friendship among brothers and friends. Guests are welcome.

## Thoughts for the Journey

By Reverend David R. Ritchie, Grand Chaplain

We are in that dark time of year when the sun rises late and sets so very early. The daylight is often blocked by heavy clouds threatening snow. We can often go a week without seeing the sun. The darkness of winter can weigh heavily on mind and soul. Science has shown that this time of year is the worst for stress and depression.

Yet, when the light wins out how beautiful it is. The sunlight glittering off hoarfrost or reflecting off the ground provide a brightness unequalled at any other time of the year. The full moon illuminating a snow swept landscape or the beauty of the stars on a crisp clear night make it worth standing outside on a winter's night. Most major religions have a celebration or holiday at this time of year. Celebrating not the darkness but the light that shines through it.



Rev. David Ritchie  
Grand Chaplain

As Masons we see our lodges as a place of light in a world of darkness. When lodges first formed it was the darkness of ignorance versus the enlightenment of knowledge that made us different. Today Masons are known for bringing a different light. The light of our charity. The light of our upright conduct. The light of friendship. These things make a world of difference in a world of darkness.

The darkness we face today is not one of ignorance but of high unemployment, more people living at or below the poverty line, long term illness, loneliness and living far from family.

A couple of months ago a brother contacted me, feeling that I had portrayed people harshly, and told me many stories of how people had treated him well. Most people do want to do good, but often do not feel they have the means or do not know how. As Masons we have been taught how to reach out.

We have been taught to remember a Brother's welfare when offering our prayers to Deity. It is an easy step to remembering your neighbor as well. We give to the relief of others as liberally as we can without material injury to ourselves. We know how important that friendly visit can be. So when nature is at both her darkest and her most beautiful, let your light shine.

Do not just deliver a food basket to a shut-in but give the gift of half an hour or an hour in conversation. You don't need to know what to say. Most often the shut in will do all the talking and with the occasional nod of the head, you just have to listen. Loneliness often creates a more gnawing hunger than an empty belly.

Start a conversation with that man in lodge whose Dad (or his children) live out of state. Send an email to a soldier or maybe a care package but don't forget his family. They are lonely and sacrificing a lot also. Today many have been made orphans by distance and the cost of travel.

A quick visit to a nursing home or hospital often will lift the spirit of the visitor as well as the visited. It feels good to help and find the darkness not so dark after all. As Masons we know that no act of kindness is ever wasted. Often beginning and ending with the offer of our right hand and someone sees on the other hand two of our three great lights displayed on a ring. Those Great Lights that for centuries have told the world what kind of men we are, and have shed their light on all corners of this world.

This festive season may you find joy and peace in the time you spend with your family, your friends and your creator. Whether in celebration of the solstice, the light in the temple, or the light that shown over Bethlehem, may God Bless.

Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie can be reached at hickorysprings@gmail.com or 608-776-2698.

### Fundraiser for District Deputy Wayne Budwick

Unity Lodge No. 367 is sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner on Dec. 3, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., 4320 Washington Road, Kenosha, to raise funds to assist District Deputy Wayne Budwick. Bro. Wayne's wife, Cheryl, recently passed away. She had been hospitalized on and off for the past several years. During this time he was her caregiver, and as such has not been employed.

Tickets are \$10.00 and are available from Bro. Craig Wepprecht, email-brewercraig13@gmail.com. Please RSVP with number attending to help plan the food preparation.

Anyone wishing to make a donation mail it to Bro. Wayne Budwick, 7847 49th Ave., Kenosha, WI 53142.

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## Statewide Secretaries Seminar

A Statewide Secretaries Seminar for all Secretaries and Assistant Secretaries will be held at the Madison Masonic Center in Madison on January 21-22. The host hotel will be the Madison Concourse and Governor's Club.

The object of this conference is

to help you be better enabled to support your lodge, and acquaint you with the tools and resources necessary to perform your duties.

There will also be a special section for lodge Treasurers.

Reservation deadline is January 3. Forms have been mailed to all lodge Secretaries.

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# Ask Hiram?

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**Question:** In the F.C. second section the five orders of architecture, the statement is made; "to the Greeks therefore, and not to the Romans, are we indebted for what is great, judicious and distinct in architecture." Architecture speculatively refers to building the inner man. What do the three distinct orders of Greek architecture allude or refer to?

Bro. Dennis

**Answer:** You ask a tough question. The number three is ever prevalent in our Masonic ritual, and in many areas outside of Masonry. It does not surprise me that the Five Orders of Architecture should eventually be reduced to a count of three.

An order in architecture is actually a classification, and for a pillar to be classified as one of the five, that pillar must meet the criteria of the appropriate order. Proportions and details identify the classical orders, and the column is the best way to recognize the different classes. In other words, use the pillar is a dead giveaway to identify the order in architecture being observed. The five orders are classed the Tuscan, Doric, Ionic, Corinthian, and Composite. There is much literature published on these classes and any person wanting to know more details can easily find it. I recommend that any Mason giving the Middle Chamber Lecture understand a little about the classes so that the lecture can be given in more of a teaching mode.

History credits the Greeks for the three original classes or orders, and this is reinforced in the Middle Chamber lecture, which identifies the ancient and original orders of architecture as the Doric, Ionic, and Corinthian.

There are several areas of Masonic ritual that refer to the Three Great Pillars. In an earlier lecture it is explained that the lodge is supported by three great pillars; wisdom, strength, and beauty, which relate to our three ancient Grand Masters; King Solomon, King Hiram, and Hiram Abif, and to the three principal officers of the lodge; the Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens. Early writers refer to the Three Great Pillars as the emblematic supports of the Masonic lodge; and the traditional history attaches considerable importance to the Three Pillars.

I feel that Atkins in his Prestonian Lecture explains it correctly. He writes, "In the explanation of the First Tracing Board we are told that the three great pillars are called Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty; but as we have no noble orders of Architecture known by the names of Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty, we refer them to the three most celebrated; the Ionic, Doric, and Corinthian. They are now explained as: the Master's, the Ionic, representing wisdom; the Senior Warden's, the Doric, representing strength; and the Junior Warden's, the Corinthian; representing beauty."

So when the Middle Chamber lecture is given, our indebtedness to the Greeks is tied to the speculative support of our organization, and these pillars, called by a different name, allude to the three governing officers of the lodge.

I find it interesting that the most unadorned pillar of the three orders, the Doric, represents the pillar of wisdom. The connection fits. Although, plain and unadorned, wisdom is a deep understanding of people, places, things, and our surroundings. It is different than knowledge. It might be considered that wisdom is the wise and appropriate application of knowledge. Wisdom can also be an understanding of a lack of knowledge. In either case, wisdom is plain and unadorned, but beneficial for the success of our Masonic organization and in our lives. It is not surprising that this plain and unadorned pillar should represent the Master of the Lodge.

In early lodges the appropriate floor pillar stood before the Master and each of the Wardens, but few lodges now continue this old custom. Today we have floor candlesticks, and in many lodges the actual candleholders are on Ionic, Doric, and Corinthian columns. The columns of the three Orders are also often found as pillars on the backs of Master's and Wardens' chairs, but there appears to be no uniformity in the Orders used. Three chairs made by Thomas Chippendale in about 1760, and owned by Britannic Lodge, No 33, can be seen in the museum at Freemasons' Hall, London; the Master's has Corinthian pillars, and both the Senior and Junior Wardens' have Ionic. Also in the museum are two large gilt Wardens' chairs; the Senior Warden's has Ionic pillars, and the Junior Warden's, Corinthian. Other examples of chairs have Corinthian pillars on the Master's, and Doric on the Wardens'.

Since the middle of the eighteenth century certificates have been issued to brethren. In the early days of non-operative masonry they were apparently written documents, but in 1756 the premier Grand Lodge issued engraved and printed certificates. Owing to the custom in the eighteenth century of destroying all written or printed Masonic matter, more especially the certificates of a deceased Brother, to prevent any information passing into the hands of non-masons, no very early example exists today. The 'Three Graces' certificate, which incorporated the Three Pillars, was first issued in 1757 and since that time, despite changing designs, all the pictorial certificates of the two rival Grand Lodges show the Three Pillars. In 1819 the United Grand Lodge first used a design with the Three Pillars in line across the certificate, forming two panels. This certificate is known as the 'Pillars Certificate', and, with modifications, is in use today

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## Cheryl Budwick Passed Away November 4

Cheryl Rae Budwick, age 57, wife of District 11 Deputy Wayne Budwick, passed away on Friday November 4, 2011 at Aurora Medical Center.

Cheryl was born on March 8, 1954 to Glenn F. and Audrey (Schmuck) Linde, Sr. in Elmhurst Illinois. On September 4, 1977 she married Wayne Budwick in Chicago, Illinois. She was employed for many years as a respiratory therapist and also for a short time as an Emergency Medical Technician.

Cheryl was a member of LaGrange Chapter #201 of Illinois, Order of the Eastern Star, and a dual member Pike Chapter #285 of Wisconsin where she served as Worthy Matron in 2007 and 2008.

She enjoyed quilting, basket weaving, ceramics and was also a great lover of dogs and was a member of the Medallion Rottweiler Club of DuPage County.

She is survived by her husband Wayne of Kenosha, her mother Audrey of Franklin Park, IL and her brother Glenn (Kathy) Linde, Jr. of Bensenville, IL. She is also survived by her nieces Kristine (Brad) Mitchell of Batavia, IL, Sarah (Cezar Marin) Linde of Elmhurst, IL and Erin Linde of Bensenville, IL and great nieces and nephews Meghan and Andrew Mitchell and Alexander and Annabel Linde-Marin. She was preceded in death by her father Glenn, Sr. in 2007.

Memorial services were held on Saturday, November 12 at 11:00 a.m. at First Christian Church, 13022 Wilmot Road, Kenosha.

## 2012 Degree Competition March 31

The 2012 Degree Competition will be held Saturday, March 31 at the Madison Masonic Center starting at 9:00 a.m.

Lodges will be competing in the second section of the Master Mason Degree. Opening, conferring, historical lecture, third section and closing are not part of the competition.

Any member of a lodge may participate and do any part. Current Grand Lodge Officers and District Lecturers are excluded.

All lodge secretaries have received entry forms by mail.

Lodges will be judged by District Lecturers and Grand Lecturer Kenneth Gorgen.

Deadline for entries is February 29.

It is very important to get your entries in as soon as possible to provide time for local elimination rounds, before the final competition, if necessary.

For more information contact Grand Lecturer Kenneth Gorgen at jkgorgen@att.net or phone 262-691-0859.

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## NOTES FROM THE GRAND LECTURER

By Brother Kenneth C. Gorgen

My Brothers,

"The 47th Problem of Euclid was the invention of our ancient friend and Brother the great Pythagoras; it teaches us to be general lovers of the arts and science". That's it; at least from the standpoint of the ritual. Wisconsin Masonic ritual leaves the rest of the story to research.

The 47th Problem or better stated as the 47th Proposition of Euclid is better known to us as the Pythagorean theorem. Euclid wrote thirteen books or elements and the 47th proposition is in the first element. However, Pythagoras is credited with the discovery before Euclid included it in his work. Some writings also show that the Egyptians had long used this mathematical principle long before Pythagoras, but Pythagoras is credited for proving the principle actually works.

The most important part of the Pythagorean theorem is that it is a mathematical way to find a perfect square in one corner of a right triangle. Remember the picture from the slide lecture.

The rule basically states that in any right triangle (that is a triangle with one square or 90 degree corner), the sum of the squares on the two sides that are adjacent to the square corner is equal to the square of the side that is opposite the square corner. In the case of the triangle pictured on the right,  $A^2 + B^2 = C^2$  (the 2 designates squared). Let's put some values to the letters. In our triangle above we will make side A equal to 3 feet long, side B equal to 4 feet long, and side C equal to 5 feet long.

When 3 is squared (multiplied by itself), it equals 9.

When 4 is squared, it equals 16.

If we add 9 and 16 together, the sum of the two values equal 25. It is exactly the same value of 5 being squared, which is 25.

Therefore, according to the Pythagorean theorem the angle next to sides A and B is a perfect square. Hence, the 3:4:5 ratio in a triangle is important in architecture because two of the sides will form a perfect square. Take a close look at the symbol for the 47th Problem of Euclid pictured on the right. Inside the 3, 4, and 5 block squares is the right triangle shown above.

To our ancient brothers of operative Masonry this became the basis for laying out the foundation for a building that had square corners. Two parallel lines were laid out to form the north and south walls of the building. The north line was marked out with 4 units of measure. Then the east line was laid out and marked with 3 units of measure. This line was then adjusted until the marks on the north and east lines were 5 units of measure apart. The result was a perfectly squared corner in the northeast corner of the building. I'll bet that's where they placed the first stone of the foundation.

The 47th Proposition of Euclid has allowed mankind to apply science and mathematics to architecture and nature. It is not an accident that the world and universe relates to this simple principle. It is the guiding hand of the Supreme Builder that gave us this tool to understand geometry and the assembly of his creation. Over time the theorem has enabled the ancients and enables modern society to construct designs, navigate the seas and stars, and develop current technologies. In our Masonic fraternity and ritual, it is a continual reminder of the perfect square. Not only to make us lovers of the arts and sciences, but to remind us of that perfect square, which is formed as we stand as a Master Masons. The first two degrees lay the lines of foundation within the candidate, but it is the third degree that sets the measure of the third side of the 3:4:5 triangle so that our actions and conduct are representative of the perfect square.

As always, I wish you much success in your degree work. Be a ritual leader in your Lodge, learn a new part, and encourage others to do the same. Mentor the candidates with fierce abandon; keep your lodge out of ritual chaos. Your lodge will be proud of your efforts and then we will all see more Light.

Feedback and questions are always welcome. Contact Grand Lecturer Ken Gorgen at jkgorgen@att.net or 262-691-0859

## Tickets Still Available to Attend West Bend's "A Christmas Carol"

There is still time to attend West Bend Lodge's full production of "A Christmas Carol" running through December 11 at the West Bend Masonic Center.

The event is both a fundraiser and a community outreach effort by West Bend Lodge No. 138.

Masonic Lodge groups are en-

couraged to attend the show.

A new website, www.westbendchristmascarol.com, offers complete information on the show, directions to West Bend's Masonic Center, background on some of the actors, and photos from last year's production. Tickets can be purchased online.

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### Anchoring the Marketing Team

It is said that “change is constant” and we can all agree with that sentiment. While we’ve seen several new faces in the Marketing/Public Relations Department over the past 4 or 5 months everyone is settling in nicely. A great deal of the credit goes to the wonderful staff and residents of Three Pillars who have welcomed us warmly.

We are very fortunate to have a “lifer” on our team, Dawn Jones. She exemplifies what it means to be an employee of Three Pillars. Dawn came to Three Pillars in 1974 to learn how to become a nursing assistant at the infirmary. She was instructed by Dottie Mehlos, who is now a Three Pillars resident. She left in 1980 to help her husband Steve with their farm and raise their three children. She returned eight years later as a receptionist at the Wisconsin Masonic Home. In 1996 Dawn relocated to the Village on the Square, where she remains part of the week as the Client Relations Assistant. She recently assumed additional responsibilities working in the admissions department at Hickory Suites and the Health Care Center. We have been so blessed to have Dawn with us for 29 years...she is the Marketing Team’s anchor in so many ways.

When asked how she remains so enthusiastic and dedicated, Dawn shared, “I enjoy the friendships I’ve made over the years I have been on the Three Pillars Campus. The residents and staff members are truly family.”

Dawn is also our inspiration and historian as she and Steve have been in Eastern Star for 35 years. They are members of Rob Morris Chapter in Palmyra and the Dousman Chapter. They have been Past Matron and Past Patron many times, and are currently serving as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. Dawn served as Grand Adah of Wisconsin OES in 2002-2003 for the Precious Memories Session and Steve currently serves as Worshipful Master of the Palmyra Lodge.

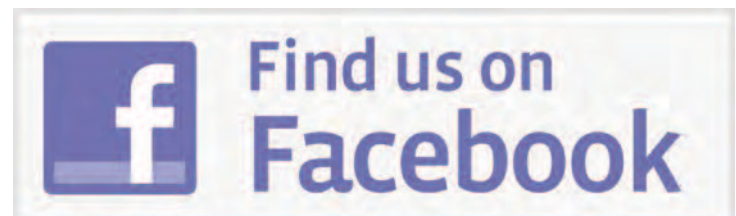
Change may be with us always, but we are fortunate to have the constant presence of Dawn Jones.

### MasonWoods

One thing that MasonWoods residents enjoy is a good meal. The Sausage and Sauerkraut meal sponsored by MasonWoods Lodge #368 has become an annual event at MasonWoods. The great thing about the meal is the sauerkraut is homemade right here in the MasonWoods kitchen by resident Jim Steingraeber and Lodge member Herb Reichwald. It starts out with heads of cabbage that are shredded and seasoned and put in sealed containers with a waiting time of approximately 5 weeks. That of course is the short version of the process. If you follow their process you will have some of the best sauerkraut you could eat, it is no comparison to the canned version you can buy at the store. All proceeds of the meal were given to the local food pantry.



*Shown dishing out the food are Bill Cole and Buck Tuell, both members of the MasonWoods Lodge.*



*Veterans pictured L to R: Al Berg, Frank Lecher, Bob Isakson, Simon Vitale and Bill Day.*

### Stars and Stripes Honor Flight

Five WWII Veterans from Three Pillars recently had the opportunity of a lifetime to go to Washington D.C. on the “Stars and Stripes Honor Flight.” This wonderful program was started by a physician’s assistant who treated WWII Veterans; the Honor Flight Network’s mission is to transport America’s veterans to Washington D.C. to visit memorials dedicated to their service and sacrifices. When the Veterans were asked about their day in Washington Bill Day said “It was an astounding and a very humbling experience.” “They took such good care of us,” stated Bob Isakson. Al Berg noted, “Whoever put this together should be thanked.” They all agreed that the Honor Flight was one of the most emotional days of their lives. We thank them for their service!

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## Grand Master tours Madison VA Hospital

Grand Master Davey L. White, Jr. recently met with MSA Representatives and toured the William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital in Madison. Front row (from left): Charles Rodefelf, Volunteer; Phyllis Rodefelf, Volunteer; Shirley Storkson, Volunteer; and Laverne Storkson, MSA Representative. Back row: Grand Marshal Terry Potter; Grand Chaplain David Ritchie; Doris Daniels, Volunteer; Past Grand Master Beecher Daniels, State Coordinator; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Tim Donovan, Chief of Public Affairs and Community Relations; and Keith Bednar, Chief of Environmental Management.  
Submitted by Bro. LaVern Storkson

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# Providing Thanksgiving Dinner is a Family Tradition at Reedsburg Lodge

**By Bro. Douglas Bentley**  
Master

For the last 25 years Reedsburg Lodge No. 79 has provided local senior citizens and others wanting some company on Thanksgiving, a free meal, fellowship, and homemade pie. This year the lodge served 158 meals.

The tradition began in 1986 when the lodge decided to continue the annual Senior Citizen Thanksgiving Dinner that had been sponsored by local restaurant owner Rosey Harden. From 1975 to 1985 Rosey's Dream provided a free Thanksgiving meal and fellowship to anyone that attended. After the restaurant closed, the Reedsburg Lodge and the OES Queen of Sheba Chapter "stepped up" to keep this worthwhile event going.

Bro. Greg Georgeson, Past Master, has participated for 22 years. He shares the opinion that while this event is offered by the lodge as a benefit to and for the community, the volunteers get as much out of the meal as our guests do. Master Doug Bentley agrees, "This is the most fulfilling and satisfying project in which I have ever participated. The

whole family has embraced the tradition, including my grandson Brady who helped serve this year."

This is not unusual, many of the Brothers bring the whole family. Bro. Ken Walter, Past Master, event chairman, and 22 year veteran, is always accompanied by his wife Annette and his son and daughter. Bro. Greg Georgeson has had his grand kids on the serving line for many years.

Past Master Bill Gant delivers meals with one of his daughters and her children before they go to celebrate with their family. Bro. Joe Williamson, Past Master and his two adult children always serve the carryout dinners.

"The exciting trend is that we have new members and their families embracing the Thanksgiving Dinner tradition," stated Bro. Doug Bentley.

According to Bros. Greg Georgeson and Ken Walter, there has always been enthusiasm and support for the dinner. The lodge has never even discussed stopping. It just would not be Thanksgiving without the Reedsburg Masonic Lodge Senior Citizen Dinner.



Normally the better the weather the lower the turn-out, but you couldn't ask for nicer weather and they had the largest attendance in many years.



Food, fellowship, and fun was the order of the day. About 90 meals were served with another 80 meals delivered or picked up.



There was a new face on the serving line this year. Brady Rist, grandson of Master Doug Bentley served the dinner rolls. "He attended last year and asked if he could help this time. He did a great job!" stated Grandpa Doug.

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Jennifer and Alex Wood (wife & daughter of Bro. Eric Wood) cut the wide selection of homemade pies donated for the Thanksgiving Dinner.

## New Officers for 2012



### Waucoma Lodge No. 90 installs officers

District Deputy Terry Brown installed the officers of Waucoma Lodge No. 90, Cooksville, on Nov. 17. Area Administrator Dwight Redders was Installing Marshal. Front row (from left): Glen Fairchild, Tiler; Robert Barnett Jr., Senior Warden; District Deputy Terry Brown; Robert Hanson, Master; Area Administrator Dwight Redders; and Robert Markham, Junior Warden. Back row: William Kayser, Senior Steward; Matt Hella, Senior Deacon; Brandon Elmer, Junior Deacon; Joseph Mitchell, Chaplain; David Sanner, Secretary/Treasurer; and LeRoy Huber, Counselor.

Photo by Rich Rygh

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# News Events from the Lodges



## Wautoma Bros. honored for Masonic service

Bros. Harry Krajcik and Neil Starke were awarded the Masonic Service Award by Wautoma Lodge No. 148 on October 24. This award recognizes members who have given dedicated and devoted service to their lodge. This award is especially proper for the member who, for many years, has labored for the good of his lodge without receiving special recognition. Front row (from left): Jon Barthel, Master; Harry Krajcik; Neil Starke; Ed Anderson; and Jim Szydel. Back row: Ray Asbjornson, Kevin Reilly, Richard Reilly, Clyde Holmes and Robert Larsen.

Submitted by Bro. Jon A. Barthel, Master



## Bro. Ray Vyvyan is 65 year Mason

Bro. Mike Palenik, Master of Dunedin Lodge No. 192, Dunedin, Florida, presents Bro. Ray Vyvyan with his 65 Year Certificate. Bro. Vyvyan is a member of Wisconsin Lodge No. 13. He was raised on April 19, 1946 in Wisconsin Lodge. Bro. Vyvyan, a resident of Dunedin, Florida serves as tiler of Dunedin Lodge.

Submitted by Bro. Jason Braatz, Secretary/Treasurer



## Cassia Lodge supports Stars and Stripes Honor Flight

Bro. Bob Krucky (holding check on right), Senior Steward of Cassia Lodge No. 167, Plymouth, presents a check for \$500 on behalf of the Lodge to Joe Dean, and members of the Cedarburg VFW. The money is to be used to help fund the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight for WWII Veterans.

Submitted by Bro. Tod Hellmann



## Bro. Stevens honored for 65 years

Bro. Ken Stevens receives his 65 Certificate of Service from Bro. Douglas Bentley, Master of Reedsburg Lodge No. 79. Bro Stevens was raised in Monticello Lodge No. 16, Monticello, Minnesota on June 26, 1946. He affiliated with Reedsburg Lodge on June 26, 1967.

Submitted by Bro. Doug Bentley, Master

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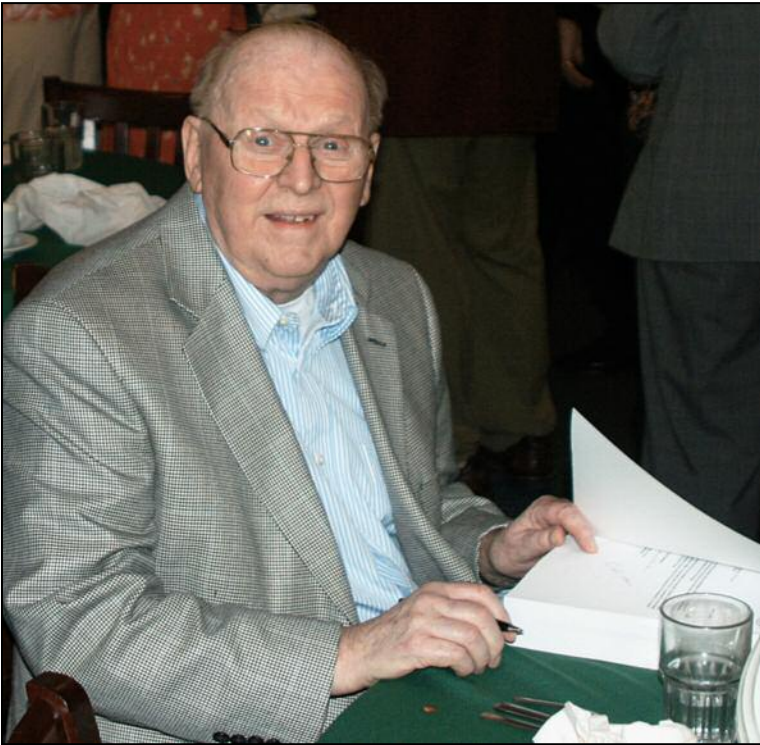


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# News Events from the Lodges

## Bro. Dick Larson Honored; Writes History of Lodge



A tribute honoring Bro. Dick Larson was held at Beaver Dam Country Club on October 9 to celebrate his 26 years as Secretary and Treasurer of Dodge County Lodge No. 72. He is a 32 year Mason raised on October 8, 1979.

Nearly 50 Masons, spouses and family members were in attendance. Rose Larson, Bro. Dick's wife, received a dozen roses to thank her for her support of her husband's efforts. Bro. Larson has been a continual source of inspiration, perseverance, and Brotherly Love not only to his brothers of the Lodge but to Masons throughout Wisconsin.

That perseverance was shown through the 834 page book written by Bro. Larson titled the "History of Dodge County Lodge No. 72". In commenting on his work Larson said, "After working for 10 years to come up with 200 pages on the history of the Lodge I wanted to add a little more, 600 pages later I had finished the book. He has attended nearly every Masonic meeting and event, spreading himself as the mortar which has held the Lodge together even in the most trying times.

Submitted by Bro. Eric Arthur



## Wisconsin Lodge honors Bro. Wisniewski

Bros. Carl Brylski (left) and Donald Hamilton, Past Masters of Wisconsin Lodge No. 13 present Bro. Edward Wisniewski with his 60 Year Certificate of membership in Wisconsin Lodge. Bro. Wisniewski was raised on April 20, 1950.

Submitted by Bro. Jason Braatz, Secretary/Treasurer

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## Richland Lodge honors Bro. Bill Brown for 60 years

Richland Lodge No. 66 recently presented Bro. William Brown with a certificate and a pin in recognition of 60 years of service to the craft. He was raised in Vincil Lodge No. 62, Cameron Missouri on Feb. 17, 1947 and affiliated with Richland Lodge on Jan. 5, 1983. Bro. Brown is seated in front. Presenters of the certificate and pin are standing (from left): Junior Warden Cecil Groves, Past Master Milt Schott, Master Larry Ferguson, and Past Grand Master Keith D. Chamberlain. Present but not pictured was Senior Warden Larry Hallett.

Submitted by Bro. Brent Clausius



## Shawano Masons help local food pantry

Forty-five turkeys were donated to the Shawano Safe Park Food Pantry and Safe Haven for the Holidays as part of the on-going mission of Shawano Masons Inc. a 501(c)(3) charity. Past Master Edward "Rusty" Mitchell, Shawano Lodge No. 170, delivered the turkeys on Nov. 11 to Don Warner of Safe Park as Shawano Mason's Charities continue to help families in need.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher

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# Ozaukee Lodge Provides CPR Anytime Kits for Middle School

**By Rich Rygh**

Ozaukee Lodge No. 17, Port Washington, recently presented Port Catholic Middle School with 100 CPR Anytime Kits. The lodge raised \$1,250 and a match of \$1,250 was provided by the Wisconsin Masonic Medical Fund for the purchase.

Training for the students occurred on Nov. 8 consisting of several sessions by grade level. The training was provided by Deb Miller, physical education teacher; and Ozaukee Master Sid Arthur; and Senior Warden Gary McClellan.

The Wisconsin Masonic Medical Fund is looking forward to the future participation of many lodges throughout Wisconsin in the CPR Anytime Program. Since 1999, the Medical Fund, in partnership with the lodges and Project ADAM, has placed over 600 AEDs in schools

and public buildings. The CPR Anytime Program is a logical extension of the AED placement program.

CPR Anytime is a self-directed learning program that was developed by the American Heart Association to increase CPR knowledge and awareness among the general public – those who do not traditionally attend CPR courses.

This program provides the students with the skills to save a life. Students who receive the CPR Anytime Kits are able to share lifesaving skills with their family and friends. Each kit includes: a personal, inflatable Manikin (Mini Anne); a CPR Anytime Skills Practice DVD; CPR reminder cards; and other accessories for the program.

Currently, almost 80 percent of out-of-hospital cardiac arrests occur at home and are witnessed



**Port Catholic Middle School physical education teacher Deb Miller begins the training. One hundred middle school students were trained as part of the program.**

Photos by Rich Rygh



**Student Elizabeth Karrels blows up Minne Anne in preparation for the training.**

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by a family member. Only 6.4 percent of sudden cardiac arrest victims survive. Even though the American Heart Association annually trains more than nine million people, the vast majority of people do not know CPR. If more people performed effective CPR immediately after someone suffers cardiac arrest, thousands more lives could be saved.

The Wisconsin Masonic Medical Fund encourages all lodges in the state to consider helping the middle school in their community get involved in this life saving program. The fund will match any amount raised, up to \$1250. The maximum match (a total of \$2500) will purchase 100 kits. Requests made of the Masonic Medical Fund, must be formally made by a Wisconsin Lodge, although funding can come from community partners.

Please contact Erika Miller in the Development Office for your Lodge to become involved. She will provide you with application instructions. Erika can be reached at 262-965-2200, or [erika@wisc-freemasonry.org](mailto:erika@wisc-freemasonry.org).

Bro. William Barnes, Director of Development for the Wisconsin Masonic Charities, is also available to make lodge presentations regarding this program. Bro. Barnes can be reached at 262-527-4294, or [plannedgiving@gmail.com](mailto:plannedgiving@gmail.com).



**Bro. Sid Arthur, Master of Ozaukee Lodge, explains the importance of using the palm of the hand for the CPR compressions to student Emma Meyer.**



**Ozaukee Senior Warden Gary McClellan teaches student Jake Schmit the proper placement of his hands on the chest of Mini Anne before starting the compressions.**

# DeMolay Honors Masons



## Grand Bethel exemplification

Grand Bethel of Wisconsin held its first exemplification in Wisconsin Rapids on October 29. They initiated Marissa Harnisch into Job's Daughters Bethel 78, Baraboo. In attendance was Junior Grand Warden William Beetcher, to support Grand Bethel. The girls are excited to have a new sister join this wonderful organization. Pictures from left: Grand Bethel Honored Queen Jennifer Niggemeier, Junior Grand Warden William Beetcher and Marissa Harnisch.

Submitted by Sue Niggemeier



Grand Commander Robert Lejewski administering oath to (from left): Bros. Robert Ott, Aaron Gretencord, Jan F. Talaga, District Deputy John Krinke, Senior Grand Warden Daniel Slavik, Junior Grand Warden William Beetcher and Bro. Philip Itzenhuiser.

By PGM Allan Iding  
DeMolay Executive Officer in  
Wisconsin

At an Honors Day Ceremony in October at the Racine Masonic Center, the DeMolay Legion of Honor, the highest honor that can be granted by the International Supreme Council Order of DeMolay, was conferred on eight Wisconsin men. Some 120 people attended the spanferkel (roast pig) dinner preceding the conferral of the degree.

These men were unanimously elected to receive the honor in June at the DeMolay International session in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The Legion of Honor is conferred for outstanding leadership in some field of endeavor or for success in fraternal life, including adult service to

DeMolay.

The Active Legion of Honor is conferred on a Senior DeMolay. The Honorary Legion of Honor is conferred on a Master Mason. No one may apply for this distinction, and a nominee has no knowledge of his election prior to action by the DeMolay Supreme Council.

Philip Itzenhuiser and Aaron Gretencord received the Active Legion of Honor. Bro. Itzenhuiser is a Past State Master Councilor of DeMolay in Wisconsin, a Past Master of Racine-Belle City Lodge No. 18 and the current Operations Coordinator for DeMolay in Wisconsin. Bro. Gretencord is a Senior DeMolay from Illinois, the Past Chapter "Dad" of Doric Chapter in West Allis and the Director of several Wisconsin DeMolay Conclaves.

The Recipients of the Honorary DeMolay Legion of Honor were Bros. William Beecher, John W. Krinke, Robert Ott, Daniel L. Slavik and John F. Talaga. R.W. Bro. Beetcher is a Past Master and the Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge. W. Brother Krinke is a Past Master of Waukesha Lodge, a Past Most Wise Master of the Wisconsin Chapter of Rose Croix, a Past President of the United Masonic Board for DeMolay in Wisconsin and the current Deputy for District 10 of the Grand Lodge. Bro. Ott is a Past Master, an

Advisor of Ringling Brothers DeMolay Chapter and an Area Administrator for the Grand Lodge. R.W. Bro. Slavik is a Past Master, a Past Director of the United Masonic Board for DeMolay in Wisconsin and the current Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge. Bro. Talaga is a Past Master of Freemasons Lodge, a Past Commander in Chief of the Wisconsin Consistory and a Past President of the United Masonic Board for DeMolay in Wisconsin.

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## Collins-Spring Valley Lodge donates turkeys

Collins-Spring Valley Lodge No. 192, Baldwin, has donated turkeys to local food pantries for the ninth consecutive year. They donated 20 turkeys each to Baldwin Food Pantry, Robert UCC Food Pantry and Spring Valley Food Pantry. Over the years they have donated over 6400 pounds of turkey to help the needy. Pictured (from left): Bros. Jeff Symes and Dave Jacobson; Roene Frederick, Roberts UCC Food Pantry; Carol Zevenbergen, Baldwin Food Pantry; Albert Peterson, Spring Valley Food Pantry and Bro. Ralph Thompson.

Submitted by Bro. Milt Helmer

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### Hayward

**Keystone Lodge No. 263**  
10629 Main St. • 715-634-8735 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Hudson

**St. Croix Lodge No. 56**  
209 Locust Street • 715-377-0817  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Janesville

**Janesville-Western Star No. 55**  
2322 E. Milwaukee St. • 608-752-3098  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Jefferson

**Jefferson County Lodge No. 9**  
617 Masonic Blvd. • 920-674-6715  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Kenosha

**Kenosha Lodge No. 47**  
807 - 61st St. • 262-657-7631  
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Kenosha

**Sunrise Lodge No. 359**  
807 61st St. • 262-694-7817  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 9:30 a.m.  
Dark July & August

### Kenosha

**Unity Lodge No. 367**  
4320 Washington Rd. • 262-657-5575  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### La Crosse

**Frontier-Badger Lodge No. 45**  
118 S. 8th St. • 608-782-1616  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### La Crosse

**La Crosse Masonic Lodge No. 190**  
118 8th Street So. • 608-385-1923  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Ladysmith

**Mystic Tie Lodge No. 280**  
705 E. 3rd St. N. • 715-532-7696 (Sec)  
Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Lake Geneva

**Geneva Lodge No. 44**  
335 S. Lakeshore Dr. • 262-248-9900  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Linden

**Linden Lodge No. 206**  
618 Main St. • 608-623-2143 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Lodi

**Lodi Valley Lodge No 99**  
114 First St. • 608-592-7111 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark August

### Lone Rock

**Franklin Lodge No. 16**  
237 S. Oak St. • 608-583-4303 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 8 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Madison

**Commonwealth Lodge No. 325**  
301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-271-5574  
Travel 1st Wed. & Stated 3rd Wed., 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Madison

**Doric Lodge No. 356**  
85 S. Stoughton Rd. • 608-770-2928  
(Sec) • Meet 1st & 3rd Tues., 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Madison

**Four Lakes Daylite Lodge No. 362**  
301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-233-3902  
Meets 1st Mon. - 2nd Mon. if 1st follows  
holiday wknd., 10 a.m. Meets All Year

### Madison

**Hiram Lodge No. 50**  
310 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-244-9468  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark 1st Mondays, June thru September

### Madison

**Madison Lodge No. 5**  
301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-0793  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Meet 1st Thursday July & August

### Manitowoc

**Manitowoc Lodge No. 65**  
810 Chicago St. • 920-793-3473 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Marinette

**Marinette Lodge No. 182**  
1610 Main St. • 715-735-9397  
Meet 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Marshfield

**Marshfield Lodge No. 224**  
402 W. 4th St. • 715-384-8646  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Medford

**Medford Lodge No. 217**  
150 S. Seventh St. • 715-748-6851 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark January & February

### Menomonie

## Waterloo Lodge and Marshall Boy Scouts Work as Team for Cleanup



Waterloo Lodge No. 63 recently worked with the Marshall Boy Scout Troop 76 in roadside cleanup on Highway 19 between Waterloo and Marshall. Afterward, over pizza, the group enjoyed a fraternal discussion of salient points of each group and their commonality. Future cooperative projects are being planned. Front row (from left): Blake Kelsey, Scout Dad; Garret Kelsey; Tyler Tweed; and Kristin Tweed, Scout Mom. Back row: Bro. John Haight; Bro. Josh Myren, Master; Steve Tweed, Scout Dad; and Scott Donovan.

Submitted by Bro. Mel Stark, News Hawk



## Lodges assist Sharing Center

Wilmot Lodge No. 241 and Washburn Lodge No. 145 held a food drive at two local area grocery stores on November 12 and 13, netting 2,700 pounds of food and \$670.00 that was then donated to The Sharing Center of Paddock Lake. This center feeds and clothes local residents who find themselves in dire circumstances. Pictured (from left): Fellowcraft Jim Penn and Bro. Bill Hahnfeldt of Wilmot Lodge; and Bro. Bill Shelley of Unity Lodge No. 367. Bro. Shelley is an honorary member of Wilmot Lodge.

Submitted by Bro. Mike Wood, Master, Wilmot Lodge



## Jefferson Masonic Center has AED

A memorial from the family of Bro. John Ward and matching funds from the Wisconsin Masonic Medical Fund were used for the purchase of an AED to be placed at the Jefferson Masonic Center. Pictured (from left): Mitch Behlke, Worthy Matron of Martha Chapter Order of the Eastern Star; Bette Ward, widow of Bro. John Ward; and Alan Brawders, Master of Jefferson Lodge No. 9.

Submitted by Mitch Behlke

### Wisconsin Masonic Charities

William H. Barnes,  
Director of Development

Erika Miller,  
Dev. Office Coordinator

erika@wisc-freemasonry.org

## Stated Communications (continued from page 12)

### Onalaska

**Onalaska Lodge No. 214**  
330 Main Street • 608-783-5606 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
2nd Thursday only, July & August

### Oregon

**Oregon Lodge No. 151**  
201 Park St. • 608-835-9236  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Oshkosh

**Oshkosh Lodge No. 27**  
204 Washington Ave. • 920-231-3410  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Owen

**Owen Lodge No. 317**  
713 W. Third St. • 715-229-2832 (Sec.)  
Meets 1st Monday at 7:30 p.m. & 3rd Mon. at  
11 a.m. • Dark July & August

### Palmyra

**Palmyra Lodge No. 68**  
125 N. Third St. • 262-495-4887  
Meets 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Pewaukee

**Pewaukee Lodge No. 246**  
126 Main St. • 262-367-4816 (WM)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August

### Phillips

**Phillips Lodge No. 225**  
137 N. Lake Ave. • 715-339-3785  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August

### Platteville

**Melody Lodge No. 2**  
783 Enterprise Drive • 608-349-6021  
Meet 1st Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Plymouth

**Cassia Lodge No. 167**  
441 Smith St. • 920-892-6336  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Portage

**Fort Winnebago Lodge No. 33**  
111 W. Conant Street • 608-742-6468  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark January & February

### Port Washington

**Ozaukee Lodge No. 17**  
504 W. Grand Ave. • 262-284-9978  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Potosi

**Warren Lodge No. 4**  
112 S. Main St. • 608-763-2221 (Sec)  
Meets 1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Poynette

**Poynette Lodge No. 173**  
Poynette City Hall, 106 Main, Call Sec. for time  
• 608-635-4503 Meets 1st Wednesday  
Dark July & August

### Prairie du Chien

**Prairie du Chien Lodge No. 8**  
105 1/2 E. Blackhawk Avenue  
608-326-4640 (Sec) • Meet 1st & 3rd Wed.,  
7:30 p.m. • Dark July & Aug.

### Prairie du Sac

**Sauk Prairie Lodge No. 113**  
580 Water St. • 608-544-2491 (WM)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July, August & 1st Mon. in Sept.

### Prescott

**Northwestern Lodge No. 105**  
132 N. Court St. • 715-262-5478 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Racine

**Racine-Belle City Lodge No. 18**  
1012 Main St. • 262-633-6658  
Meets 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Reedsburg

**Reedsburg Lodge No. 79**  
213 E. Main St. • 608-524-3281  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark January & February

### Rhineland

**Rhineland Lodge No. 242**  
23 E. Davenport St. • 715-277-2692 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark January & February

### Rice Lake

**Blue Hills Lodge No. 234**  
225 W. South St. • 715-790-1234  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Richland Center

**Richland Lodge No. 66**  
290 W. Union St. • 608-538-3173 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Ripon

**Prairie View Lodge No. 95**  
W14188 County Rd. KK. • 920-291-8800  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
Dark 4th Tues. Nov. & Dec., 2nd Tues. Jan.

### River Falls

**River Falls Lodge No. 109**  
122 E. Walnut St. • 715-425-6760 (Sec.)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Shawano

**Shawano Lodge No. 170**  
2324 E. Richmond St. • 715-526-3920  
Meets 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark January & February

### Sheboygan

**Sheboygan Lodge No. 11**  
411 St. Clair Ave. • 920-457-3111  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Shell Lake

**Shell Lake / Spooner Lodge No. 221**  
28 Dobby Drive • 715-468-7004 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
July & August

### Shullsburg

**Amicitia Lodge No. 25**  
127-1/2 Water St. • 608-965-3414 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### South Milwaukee

**South Shore Lodge No. 3**  
2703 S. Chicago Ave. • 414-840-3393 (Sec.)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 pm  
Dark July & August

### Sparta

**Valley Lodge No. 60**  
603 N. Court St. • 608-269-2616  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Star Prairie

**North Star Lodge No. 187**  
Bridge St. • 715-248-3279  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August

### Stevens Point

**Evergreen Lodge No. 93**  
2854 Church Street • 715-345-1846  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark January & February

### Stoughton

**Kegonsa Lodge No. 73**  
125 S. 5th St. • 608-873-9204  
Meet 1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Sturgeon Bay

**Henry S. Baird Lodge No. 174**  
31 S. 3rd Ave. • 920-493-3727  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Sun Prairie

**Sun Prairie Lodge No. 143**  
152 N. Bird St. • 608-770-2018 (Sec.)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Superior

**Acacia-Itasca Lodge No. 329**  
3117 N. 21 St. • 715-392-1398  
Meet 1st & 3rd Fridays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Superior

**Superior Lodge No. 236**  
1503 Belknap St. • 218-391-9877 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### Sussex

**Lincoln Lodge No. 183**  
N64 W23624 Main St. • 262-339-8985 (Sec)  
craigscampbell@wi.rr.com  
2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m. Dark July & August

### Tomah

**Tomah Lodge No. 132**  
520 E. Saratoga Street • 608-372-5507  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Union Grove

**Union Grove Lodge No. 288**  
1021 - 11th Ave. • 262-878-9938  
Meet 2nd Saturday, 8:30 a.m.  
Meets All Year

### Viroqua

**La Belle Lodge No. 84**  
118-1/2 S. Main • 608-637-7581 • Meet 1st  
& 3rd Wed., 7:30 p.m.; Meet 1st Wed. July,  
August & Dec. • Dark January & February

### Waterloo

**Waterloo Lodge No. 63**  
300 Hendricks Street • 920-478-2800  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Web: www.waterloomasonry.com

### Waukesha

**Waukesha Lodge No. 37**  
317 South Street • 262-542-6753  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Waupaca

**Waupaca Lodge No. 123**  
105-1/2 N. Main Street • 715-258-2208  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August

### Waupun

**Waupun Lodge No. 48**  
16 S. Madison St. • 920-324-3141  
Meets 1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Wausau

**Forest Lodge No. 130**  
130 First Street • 715-845-5198  
Meet Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August

### Wautoma

**Wautoma Lodge No. 148**  
203 S. Scott St. • 920-647-0201 (Sec.)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 p.m.  
Dark Jan. & Feb. - 4th Monday of Dec.

### Wauwatosa

**Henry I. Palmer Lodge No. 301**  
4315 N. 92nd St. • 414-463-8390  
Meet 2nd & 4th Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Wauwatosa

**Wisconsin Lodge No. 13**  
4315 N. 92nd St. • 414-463-8390  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### West Allis

**Day-Lite Lodge No. 358**  
7515 W. National Ave. • 414-257-9450  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 9 a.m.  
Dark July & August

### West Allis

**Wauwatosa Lodge No. 267**  
7515 W. National Ave. • 262-250-1588  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### West Allis

**West Allis Lodge No. 291**  
7515 W. National Ave. • 414-257-9450  
Meet 1st & 3rd Fridays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### West Bend

**West Bend Lodge No. 138**  
301 N. University Dr. • 262-338-3112  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year

### West Salem

**Salem Lodge No. 125**  
101 W. Hamilton St. • 608-786-0930 (Sec)  
Meets 4th Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Whitefish Bay

**Aurora Lodge No. 30**  
517 E. Beaumont Ave. • 414-964-4080  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Whitefish Bay

**Geo. Washington 1776 Lodge No. 337**  
517 E. Beaumont Ave. • 414-964-4080  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Whitewater

**St. John's Lodge No. 57**  
226 W. Main Street • 920-650-5406  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Wilmot

**Wilmot Lodge No. 241**  
30702 113th St. • 224-627-6731 (Master)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Winneconne

**Winneconne Lodge No. 186**  
2 N. 1st Street • 920-582-7815 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Wisconsin Dells

**Dells Lodge No. 124**  
815 Oak St. • 608-254-8136  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Wisconsin Rapids

**Wisconsin Rapids Lodge No. 128**  
2321 2nd Ave. So. • 715-423-2770  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

### Silas H. Shephard

**Lodge of Research No. 1843**  
307 N. Lake Rd., Oconomowoc • 262-369-5481  
2nd Saturday  
March, June, September, December

### Armistead-Bingham

**Lodge No. 1862**  
Call Secretary at 815-623-8460 for next meeting  
date & location g2minime@aol.com  
Meets 5th Saturdays, 1 p.m.

To list your lodge contact  
Diane Igl,  
diane@wisc-freemasonry.org  
262-965-3979

# Kevin Hermening Speaks at Ozaukee Recognition Night



A full dining room was on hand to enjoy the authentic German meal and listen to Kevin Hermening.

**By Rich Rygh**

Bro. Sid Arthur, Master of Ozaukee Lodge No. 17, welcomed a full dining room to their Recognition Night at the Port Washington Masonic Center on Nov. 12. Bros. John Arnold, Harvey Oates and Emil Schneider were recognized for 25 years of service and Bro. Lynn Robinson was recognized for 50 years.

The Chef, Bro. Erwin Wuehr announced the menu for the evening, prepared by he and his wife Denise. It was an authentic

German dinner consisting of pancake soup with an authentic German pretzel, a cucumber salad and blue cabbage. The main course was a sampler platter consisting of weiner schnitzel, leberkäse, knochwurst and apfelkuchen for desert.

Kevin Hermening, an American held hostage for 444 days at the US Embassy in Iran from 1979 through Inauguration Day 1981, was the guest speaker.

As a young 20-year old Marine, having risen to the rank of Sergeant E-5 just 15 months

after entering bootcamp, he was sent to Tehran along with three other men from his Marine Security Guard Class in August 1979.

On November 4, 1979 he was taken hostage as the 27 acre compound was overrun and remained in captivity for 444 days.

Hermening recounted the interrogations, beatings, torture, days of solitary confinement and mock executions the hostages endured. He told of one soldier that spent 425 days in solitary confinement.



Past Master Mark Flack (left) is speechless after receiving the "Mason of the Year Award" from Master Sid Arthur.

The hostages were released on Inauguration Day, Jan. 20, 1981.

Hermening has been to 45 countries throughout the world and 47 of our states. He has spoken to many many groups and in 435 of the 438 high schools in Wisconsin. He was not allowed to speak in the three high schools in Madison because of a rule not allowing anyone in military uniform to speak in their schools.

He said he likes to speak in front of groups because this is the only way he knows on a one to one basis to come before people and thank them for having not forgotten about them while they were held captive. He said, "You wrote letters to us, you prayed

for us, then you welcomed us home."

Hermening has over 60,000 cards of support and cards welcoming him and the hostages home.

Bro. Sid Arthur presented a check for \$500 from Ozaukee Lodge to Kevin Hermening for the Wounded Warrior Project in which Hermening is very involved. The Project exists to honor and empower wounded warriors who incurred service-connected injuries on or after Sept. 11, 2001.

Past Masters present were introduced and recognized and Past Master Mark Flack was honored as Mason of the Year.

Photos by Rich Rygh



## Wisconsin Masons Support Vets

November 5 was a special day. It was the 48th Annual Veterans Day Parade and Day of Honor celebrated in Milwaukee and it was a day of Masonic Brotherhood between Grand Lodge of Wisconsin Lodges, Prince Hall of Wisconsin Lodges and veterans who may or may not have been Masons. It really did not matter.

The Masons were there to honor all veterans and show their support. Prior to the parade, Masons gathered in front of Major Goolsby's on Kilbourn to serve donuts, fruit, snacks, coffee and hot chocolate to veterans who were participating in the parade. In addition to serving, the Masons present had the opportunity to talk to and receive thanks from the veterans. The Brothers moved to the corner of Prospect and Mason Streets after serving refreshments to view the parade and show additional support for our veterans.

It was a cool day with a strong wind blowing but the warmth of friendship and Brotherly Love was truly evident. The majority of Masons present belong to the Masonic Brotherhood Council which meets the third Saturday of every month for breakfast, fellowship and Brotherly Love. There are no dues, no formal organization, no officers; just Masons getting together as Masons and Brothers. The next meeting for any Bros. wishing to attend is Dec. 17 at 8:30 a.m. at Athens Family Restaurant (Hwy. 100 and Silver Spring), 5547 North Lovers Lane Road, Milwaukee. For reservations contact Bro. Mark Truesdell at Mark.Truesdell@gmail.com.

The Masonic Brotherhood Council intends to make this an annual event and hopes it continues to grow.

Submitted by Bro. Lowell Scott

See more photos on page 18 of the web edition at [www.wisc-freemasonry.org](http://www.wisc-freemasonry.org)



Kevin Hermening tells his story of the 444 days in captivity at the US Embassy in Iran.

## Grand Master to Visit Florida and Arizona in Jan. and Feb.

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. will be visiting Florida and Arizona along with Director of Development William Barnes in January and February.

The 2012 tour will begin on Friday, January 13, at Forest Country Club, 6100 Club Blvd. S. W., Fort Myers, Florida. The coordinator for this event is Bro. Billy Brown, 271-2 Lenell Rd., Ft. Myers, FL 33931. Before Dec. 1, 270-362-8180 after 239-463-3361.

Saturday, January 14, will be at Deer Creek RV Golf Resort, 42749 Hwy. 27, Davenport, Florida. Past Grand Master Carl Wussow will be the coordinator, he can be reached at: 111 Laurel Oak Pass, Davenport, FL 33837, 863-420-1839.

The tour will be in Arizona on Saturday, February 11 at Briarwood Country Club 20800 N. 135th Ave., Sun City West,

Arizona. The coordinator is Bro. Paul "Yash" Handa, 18031 N. Conquistador, Sun City West, AZ 85375-5119, 623-680-9067.

All visits begin with an 11:00 a.m. gathering and cash bar, followed by a luncheon.

A presentation from Director of Development, Bro. William Barnes and Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin, Davey L. White Jr. will follow.

All luncheons will have a \$15 non-refundable reservation fee made payable to the Wisconsin Masonic Foundation.

Advertise in the  
**Wisconsin Masonic Journal**  
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262-965-3979  
Email: [diane@wisc-freemasonry.org](mailto:diane@wisc-freemasonry.org)

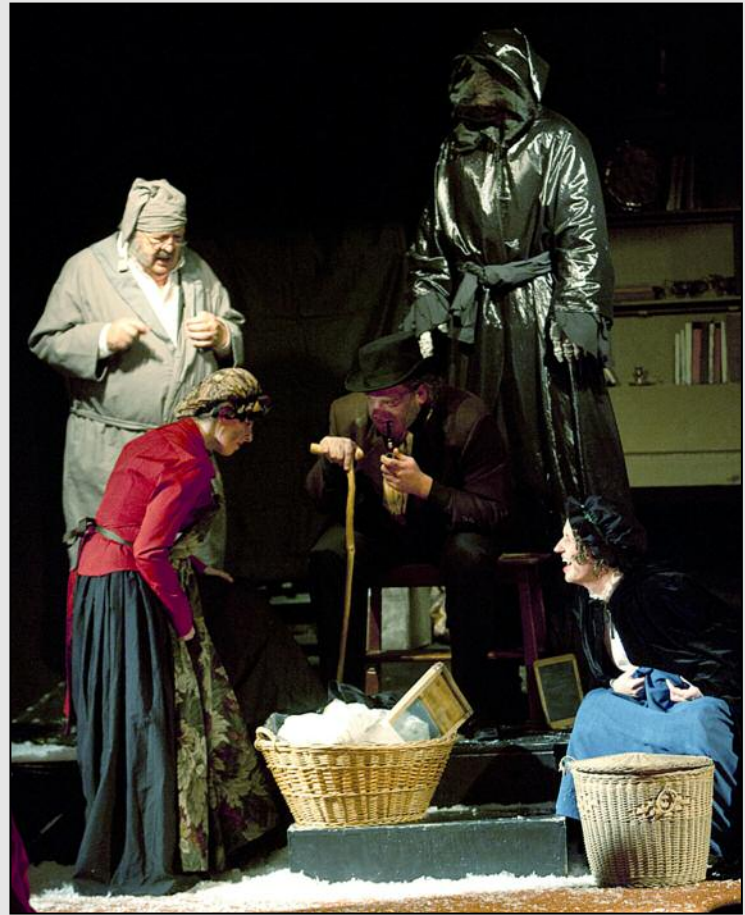
# WEST BEND LODGE'S "A CHRISTMAS CAROL"



For ticket information see page 3

Photos by Rich Rygh

Marley's Ghost, played by Scott Stenstrup, visits Ebenezer Scrooge, played by Dan Robertson.



The Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come, played by Bro. Terry Groth, West Bend Lodge, shows Scrooge what the future may bring. Front from left: Bailey Mahnke, West Bend DeMolay Chapter Sweetheart, as Mrs. Dibler; Ben Popies as Old Joe and Jeani Slaymaker as the Charwoman.



Mrs. Fezziwig, played by Kate Worth, wife of Bro. Jay Worth and Vince Marolla as Mr. Fezziwig.



Scarlett Spagna as Ghost of Christmas Past visits Old Scrooge to show him the "shadows of things that have been".



Carolers - in front: Laren and Chloe Podlipski, in back: Emily Groth, daughter of Bro. Terry Groth; and Victor Serrano.



"God Bless us, one and all and a Very Merry Christmas", says Tiny Tim, played by Owen Damkot, held by Narrator, Bro. Jack Bridich.

## New Master Masons



### Bro. Jordan Dietrich is new MM

District Deputy Terry Brown pins the Grand Master's Pin on Bro. Jordan Dietrich as Dennis Erfurth, Master, looks on. Bro. Dietrich was raised on Past Masters' Night, Nov. 10, in Oregon Lodge No. 151.

Photo by Rich Rygh



### Northwestern Lodge raises funds for scholarships

The Brothers of Northwestern Lodge No. 105, Prescott, assembled for a photo at their fall pancake breakfast on October 30 at the United Church of Christ dining room. Pictured (from left): Steve Schwartz; Larry Fischer; Dave Finley, Master; Jim Shortreed; Mike Elliott; Gary Melstrom; Dennis Donath; Dan Finley; and Jaime Peterson. The breakfast was held to raise funds for scholarships and their building fund.

Submitted by Bro. Milt Helmer.



### New Master Mason at River Falls

Bro. James Graham, Master of River Falls lodge No. 109, pictured with Bro. Ed Swenson, raised on Nov. 15.

Submitted by Bro. Milt Helmer

## Promote Your Lodge Events

Send information on your upcoming lodge events to *The Wisconsin Masonic Journal* for a story promoting the event and to be included in the calendar.

Send items by the 15th of the month previous to the event. Email to [wmjeditor@wisc-freemas.org](mailto:wmjeditor@wisc-freemas.org) or mail to Wisconsin Masonic Journal, Rich Rygh, Editor, 5823 Madsen Circle, Oregon, WI 53575.

Support Your Lodge!

### Traveling Gavel

<b>District 1</b> Acacia-Itasca Lodge No. 329	<b>District 7</b> Lodi Valley Lodge No. 99
<b>District 2</b> Collins-Spring Valley No. 192	<b>District 8</b> Amacitia Lodge No. 25
<b>District 3</b> Forest Lodge No. 130	<b>District 9</b> Oregon Lodge No. 151
<b>District 4</b> Crivitz Lodge No. 218	<b>District 10</b> Prairie View Lodge No. 95
<b>District 5</b> Merrillan Lodge No. 279	<b>District 11</b> Unity Lodge No. 367
<b>District 6</b> Quincy Lodge No. 71	<b>District 12</b> Nathan Hale No. 350

Please check with the Master of the lodge listed before scheduling a trip to claim the Traveling Gavel. It may already have been claimed by or delivered to another lodge.



### River Falls Past Master receives LEA

Area Administrator and Past Master Steve Schwartz is shown receiving his bronze plate and congratulations from Bro. Dave Hoffman for earning the 2011 Lodge Excellence Award during his year as Master of River Falls Lodge No. 109.

Submitted by Bro Milt Helmer

**Theodore Roosevelt Lodge #322**



Invites you to our Sixth Annual "Holiday Dinner" At the N.E.W. Masonic Center Saturday, December 10, 2011 - Social Hour 5:30pm Dinner 6:30pm

Roasted Chicken & Pit Ham	Sweet Corn
Creamy Coleslaw	Milk, Coffee
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Dinner Rolls & Butter
Herb Bread Stuffing	Assorted Dessert Bars

Cost: \$8.00 per person

Kids 12 & under free (be sure to include name, age and indicate girl or boy). All kids 12 & under will be receiving a gift from Santa after dinner!

Please RSVP by December 5th - Send payment and list of those attending. Make checks payable to: Roosevelt Lodge - 525 North Taylor Street - Green Bay, WI 54303



**You are cordially invited to the Masters Feast**

**Saturday January 21st, 2012**  
Gather: 5:00 p.m. Feast 6:00 p.m.  
**Port Washington Masonic Center**  
504 West Grand Avenue

**Musical Entertainment by**  
"Some Highlanders from Mequon"

Adults \$20	Limited
Kids \$10	Seating
(12 and Under)	

**For Reservations Contact:**  
David Tainter 262-689-2848 or Email [dtainter@wi.rr.com](mailto:dtainter@wi.rr.com)

**Medieval Dress Encouraged**

## Introduce Your New Master Masons to the Ashlar Award

The Ashlar Award Program was developed by the District Deputies of the Grand Lodge. It shares some of the character of the Grand Lodge of Iowa Ashlar Award.

The Ashlar Award was conceived to encourage lodges and particularly new Master Masons to properly mentor new candidates and to more swiftly involve new Master Masons in lodge activity. By serving as a mentor, the new Master Mason will develop a stronger bond with the lodge as well as with the new candidate.

It is recommended that the activity of completing the Ashlar Award Program be conducted by a three member team. The team will consist of an experienced Master Mason (Past Master, Counselor or other), a new (or relatively new) Master Mason and a new candidate. It is intended that the new Master Mason is the actual leader and mentor and that the experienced Mason assists and serves as a resource.

Earning the Ashlar Award consists of completing a flow chart of activities designed to encourage proper completion of the Wisconsin Program, as well as returning the new Master Mason to lodge for participation in lodge events and activities. It is hoped that this program will help both the newest candidate and the newly raised Master Mason to become active participants in their lodge and to make them feel welcome as integral members of the lodge.

The "target" of the Ashlar Award is the newly raised Master Mason. The award consists of a certificate and a "Perfect Ashlar" Pin that is earned by the new Master Mason for serving as a mentor. The experienced Master Mason assisting on the team is also entitled to the award if he has not received one. The award can only be earned once. The new candidate who is being mentored does not receive the award. It is hoped that after he is raised and examined in the MM posting that he will be part of a team that mentors the next candidate.

For more information and an Ashlar Award Application go to the Grand Lodge website at [wisc-freemasonry.org](http://wisc-freemasonry.org).

**E-mail your Lodge news and calendar items to**  
[wjeditor@wisc-freemasonry.org](mailto:wjeditor@wisc-freemasonry.org)

### Will a Secretary Go to Heaven?

If a secretary writes a letter, it is too long.  
If he sends a postcard, it's too short.  
If he doesn't send a notice, he is lazy.  
If he attends a committee meeting he is butting in,  
If he stays away, he is a shirker.  
If he duns the member for dues, he is insulting.  
If he fails to collect dues he is slipping.  
If he asks for advice he is incompetent.  
If he does not he is bullheaded.  
If he writes his reports complete, they're too long.  
If he condenses them, they are incomplete.  
If he talks on a subject, he is trying to run things.  
If he remains quiet he has lost interest in meetings.  
If he goes on an errand and someone comes to the office, he is taking time off from work and never does his job.  
If the phone rings and he doesn't pick it up he is never there.  
If he picks it up on the first ring he has nothing to do but listen for the phone to ring.  
If it rings a few times, he is trying to look important.  
Ashes to ashes, dust to dust; if the others won't do it, the Secretary must.

The Virginia Masonic Herald, Summer 2011. Closing poem at a talk by Bro. Alan W. Adkins, Grand Secretary of Virginia.

## Shawano Picnic Area Wildlife

**Bro. George Tincher, a Past Master and 52 year member of Shawano Lodge No. 170, photographed these white-tailed deer and turkeys in the Shawano Lodge Picnic area behind the Masonic Center in Shawano.**



### Address Changing?

Remember to notify your lodge secretary or the Grand Lodge Office of your change of address.

**Grand Lodge**  
**F. & A. M. of Wisconsin**  
**36275 Sunset Drive**  
**Dousman, WI 53118**

email  
[cheryl@wisc-freemasonry.org](mailto:cheryl@wisc-freemasonry.org)

### Promote your Lodge Events

Send information on your upcoming Lodge events to *The Wisconsin Masonic Journal* to be included in the calendar.

### Wisconsin Masonic Charities

William H. Barnes,  
Director of Development  
[erika@wisc-freemasonry.org](mailto:erika@wisc-freemasonry.org)

Erika Miller,  
Dev. Office Coordinator

### River Falls Halloween Party Assists Food Shelf



Bro. Michael and Deborah Wilson of River Falls, along with Bro. Steve and Paula Schwartz and members of a fraternity from the University, joined forces to sponsor another successful Halloween Haunted Trail on October 31 at the Wilson home in River Falls. The annual event helped bring in 304 lbs. of food and 2 checks equaling \$100. The money will give the River Falls Community Food Shelf \$800 in buying power. Pictured above at the start of the trail are (from left): Deborah Wilson, husband Michael Wilson, Steve and Paula Schwartz and Railee and Lee Anna with their mom Laura Lacoursiere. At right accepting the gifts from Steve Schwartz, Past Master of River Falls Lodge No. 109 and Senior Deacon Michael Wilson is Rick Pechacek (left) of the food shelf.

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# 48th Annual Veterans Day Parade and Day of Honor

Photos by Bro. Lowell Scott

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