



## Wisconsin Masonic Calendar

### FEBRUARY

4 District 7, Area 2, School of instruction 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Lodi Valley Lodge No. Lodge 99, 114 First St.

6 Jefferson County Lodge No. 9 Tailgate Night, Beer & Brats w/OES 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., RSVP to jeffersonlodge9@gmail.com or call 920-674-6715.

7 Doric Lodge No. 356, stated communication with program on the early days of Doric Lodge, 7:00 p.m.

11 Grand Master's Arizona Tour, Briarwood Country Club 20800 N. 135th Ave., Sun City West, Arizona. See story on page 6.

11 Ivanhoe Commandery No. 24 Annual Homecoming and Inspection, 9:00 a.m., Lake Masonic Center, 1235 E. Howard Ave., Milwaukee. Ladies may attend 10:00 a.m. complimentary tour at Milwaukee Art Museum. Banquet will follow Commandery Orders, cost \$10.00. For reservations contact Gary Parker at 414-421-0314.

15 Milwaukee Valley Scottish Rite George Washington 20th degree. Dinner at 6:00 p.m., degree at 7:00 p.m. 740 N. Van Buren St. Scottish Rite Masons only. Contact Barb or Kathy at 414-276-4744.

18 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.

20 Valley of Madison Scottish Rite 20th Degree, dinner at 6:00 p.m., Madison Masonic Center. Reservations are a must, call Bro. David Mahoney, Secretary, at 608-256-2351.

21 Kegonsa Lodge No. 73, Stoughton, George Washington Dinner and 25 & 50 year service award night. 6:30 p.m. Contact Bro. Joe Mitchell at 608-566-3365.

21 Ozaukee Chapter #147 OES Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. \$8 in advance, \$9 at the door, children 4 and under free. Paczkis, king cakes, all-you-can-eat pancakes with fruit toppings, sausages and beverages. Information and tickets available from any OES Officer. Port Washington Masonic Center, 504 W. Grand Ave., Port Washington. Contact Carolyn Heatwole at 262-284-6515.

25 George Washington Dinner, Waukesha Lodge No. 37, 6:30 p.m. Cost \$15 per person. Menu: Shrimp, heart-bread and cheese, salad, slow roasted chicken breasts, green beans and baked potatoes; along with a surprise desert. RSVP with payment by Thursday, February 16 to Bro. Michael Vassar at m\_vassar@yahoo.com or phone 414-305-5259.

25 District 8 Area 3 School of Instruction, 9:00 a.m. Melody Lodge No. 2, Platteville. Lodges included are Warren, Melody, Fennimore and Prairie Du Chien.

### MARCH

10 District 8 Area 4 School of Instruction, 9:00 a.m., coffee and pastries at 8:00 a.m. Baraboo Lodge No. 34. Lodges included are Sauk Prairie, Baraboo, Reedsburg, Barneveld and Crescent Valley.

17 District 7 Meeting, Madison Masonic Center, 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Contact District Deputy Daniel Burkeland, district\_deputy7@wisc-freemasonry.org, 608-831-3599.

15 District 8 Meeting, Dodgeville Masonic Center, 6:00 p.m.

16 McKinley Lodge's All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry to benefit the Waukesha County Food Pantry, 5 to 7 p.m., \$11 Adult, \$10 Senior, \$6

Children 5 - 10, 4 and under free. \$1.00 off with non-perishable food donation. Carry-outs available. McKinley Masonic Center, 4550 Pilgrim Rd, Brookfield. Contact Bro. Todd Jaremko at 262-796-0782, email tjaremko@wi.rr.com.

17 District 8 Area 2 School of Instruction, 9:00 a.m., Argyle Lodge No. 178. Lodges included are Olive branch, Argyle, Evening Star, Smith and Amicitia.

21 Baraboo Lodge No. 34, Friends and Family Night, 6:30 p.m., speaker is PGM John W. Wilke. Meal will be corned beef, potatoes and cabbage too. Baraboo Masonic Center, 108 2nd Ave. Contact Bro. Brian Rich at brian.insurance@hotmail.com or phone 608-477-3289.

24 District 8 Area 1 School of Instruction, 9:00 a.m. Franklin Lodge No. 16, Lone Rock. Lodges included are Dodgeville, Franklin, Lindon, Richland and Mineral Point.

29 Ninth annual Combined Table Lodge between the Grand Lodge Free & Accepted Masons of Wisconsin and The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Free & Accepted Masons of Wisconsin, Inc., at the Prince Hall Masonic Center in Milwaukee 600 W. Walnut Street. See story on page 1.

29 Spring District 9 Meeting, location to be announced.

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

### APRIL

14 Ladies "Tea" at the Madison Masonic Center in support of the Scottish Rite Children's Dyslexia Center. Raffle at 10:30 followed by luncheon and entertainment. Contact engelm@tds.net or 608-523-4134 to donate or for information.

21 District 5 spring meeting. Details to follow.

### MAY

4 Robert Ross P.M. Memorial Table Lodge, Wisconsin Lodge No. 13. Social hour at 6:00 p.m. opening at 6:30 p.m., at the Northwest Masonic Center, 4315 92nd St., Wauwatosa. Reservations must be received by March 30. See story on page 3.

19 Rhinelander Lodge No. 242 3rd Annual "Walk for a Cure". The walk begins at 4 p.m. For more information, sign-up, or make a donation, visit [www.rhinelanderlodge242.org](http://www.rhinelanderlodge242.org) and click on the "Walk for a Cure" link or contact Dave Imlah at 715-892-2392 or Mike England 715-966-6894. See story on page 13.

## 168th Grand Lodge Annual Communication

June 1 and 2, 2012 - Madison Masonic Center

The host hotel will again be the Madison Concourse and Governors Club. You can make your reservations by calling 1-800-356-8293, make sure you tell them you are with the Grand Lodge Annual Communication to receive our corporate rate.

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FEBRUARY 2012

## Over 100 Lodges are Represented at 2012 Secretary Seminar in Madison

By Rich Rygh

Over 100 lodges were represented and several Treasurers, Masters and other officers were in attendance at the 2012 Statewide Secretary Seminar held at the Madison Masonic Center on January 21 and 22. Each Brother received a printed version of the Wisconsin Masonic Code and other informative handouts and forms. Time was allowed for networking between the officers during lunch and at the evening banquet.

Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, spent many hours planning a very informative program for the two days. There was time for questions to be asked and experts were on hand to answer them.

Past Grand Master James D. Cole of the Grand Lodge of Virginia spoke on tax issues for lodges. He covered important topics regarding tax exemption, I.R.S. reporting rules, filing of the Form 990, W-2s versus 1099 forms, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, what is and isn't taxable and many other issues pertaining to maintaining proper lodge records.

Cheryl Martin of the Grand Lodge Office went over important topics regarding service awards (60 year pins are now available), dispensations, lodge supplies and correspondence courses. She reminded the Brethren to use the new petitions which are available from the Grand Lodge Office.

Bro. Jesse Furrer explained our insurance coverage, what is covered, our responsibilities in establishing our property values and answered insurance questions from the Brethren.

Erika Miller of the development

See **Seminar** on page 2.



Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, opens the seminar on Saturday morning.

## Annual Combined Table Lodge March 29 at the Prince Hall Masonic Center

The ninth annual Combined Table Lodge between the Grand Lodge Free & Accepted Masons of Wisconsin and The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Free & Accepted Masons of Wisconsin, Inc., will be held on Thursday, March 29, 2012.

This year's event returns to the Prince Hall Masonic Center in Milwaukee where members of the two grand jurisdictions will join in Masonic fellowship and celebrate Wisconsin Freemasonry together. Their Grand Masonic Center is located at 600 W.

Walnut Street, Milwaukee. The 2011 event was held at Tripoli Shrine Temple, hosted by our Grand Lodge.

The evening will begin with a fellowship period at 6 p.m. This will be followed by the official opening ceremony at 6:45 p.m.

"The Ceremony of Seven Toasts" (wine and non-alcoholic wine will be offered) and dinner buffet will follow consisting of sliced beef and roasted chicken, vegetable medley, diner roll, dessert, coffee and tea. Our Prince Hall Brethren ask that

Masonic Dress (apron) be worn, and that Brothers bring their toasting cannons. Cannons will also be for sale.

After the Table Lodge is officially closed a social period and cash bar will be available to those who wish to extend the evening in fellowship.

This event will be conducted on the Entered Apprentice Degree and is therefore open to all Masons. Appropriate dress for the evening is a sport coat, shirt and tie or business suit. Grand Lodge Officers will be in tuxedos.

The cost of this event is \$25 per person and reservations must be received no later than March 1, 2012 at the Grand Lodge office in Dousman. Make checks payable to the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

Make your reservation soon since space is limited and there will definitely be a sellout. Confirmations will be communicated, so include contact information. Walk-ins unfortunately will not be permitted.

Please use the clip & mail registration coupon on page three. If a lodge wishes to submit a combined reservation and payment for multiple attendees, please list each individual's name attending.

## LEA Applications Due February 15

Lodge Excellence Award Applications need to be received by your District Deputy by February 15. The application can be downloaded from [www.wiscfreemasonry.org](http://www.wiscfreemasonry.org).

The qualifying dates are January 1 thru December 31, 2011.

Lodges achieving a minimum of 100 points will be recognized at the Annual Communication in June for their achievement.

LEA's were presented to 125 lodges last year.

This application must be turned into your District Deputy no later than February 15. Your District Deputies email address may be found on page two of *The Wisconsin Masonic Journal*. Secretaries can download the mailing address from MORI under Grand Lodge - Download Roster.

## The Grand Master's Message:

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

Brethren,

As I write this article, it is evident that winter in Wisconsin has arrived. The snow and ice are upon us once again. While it is beautiful in its own way, it offers a lot of concerns for our Brothers as they travel around our state practicing our Masonic Principles. Please take every precaution when out and about traveling to other lodges and state functions. Your health and safety are our main concerns.

I hope everyone has been enjoying a wonderful start to a Happy New Year. I feel the excitement in the air everywhere I travel. We have a great deal of enthusiastic young Masons who are full of great ideas. They, along with the seasoned veterans of the Lodges are working together to make Masonry more visible in our local communities. We cannot underestimate those important principles that our Masonic Ritual teaches us, how it unites the young and old alike. It forms a bond of friendship and brotherhood that I feel is as strong and meaningful as any I've come across. I commend the Lodges who have united together for one common goal, making good men better and improving their communities.

Your Grand Lodge officers and myself have started the year the same way we ended 2011, installing officers. The great thing about installing officers is we get to meet some prospective future leaders of our Fraternity. I know that as I travel I write down names and take business cards from various Brothers in hope that they may become Area Administrators and work their way up through the various Grand Lodge offices. Never underestimate what a little old fashioned hard work will do for you in this Fraternity. Believe me, we take notice and have put together a list of people to watch in the coming years. We also look for people who specialize in certain areas to serve on Grand Lodge committees, whether it would be finance, human resources, architecture, business or in other capacities. The Craft is continually evolving, while we do rely on a lot of Past Grand Masters for their wisdom and knowledge, we also know that we have to prepare our Fraternity for the future. We thank all of you for your willingness to serve and move this Fraternity forward.

I, along with my wife Tammi, Past Grand Master Michael DeWolf, and our director of development have just recently returned from our trip to Florida to visit our Brothers who reside there. We had the opportunity to honor several fifty year Brothers and present several Brothers with our new sixty year pins that we just started this year. It was a wonderful opportunity to meet our Brothers and their Ladies and to give them an update on our technology improvements and the projects we have put into place so far this year. I explained that a lot of what we have accomplished this year was actually started last year with Past Grand Master Joe Harker and the progressive line officers. The idea is to work together and work towards our goals together. No more implementing a new state of the art idea every year, just working together and picking up where the previous Grand Master left off. I believe it is paying dividends and we will accomplish a lot more as your elected and appointed officers. Special thanks to Past Grand Master Carl Wussow and Bro. Billy Brown for setting up these events in Florida.

We have just completed the first state wide secretaries training session in Madison. I must apologize for missing this wonderful event, but I had pneumonia and didn't want to infect anyone else. From all reports the training was a great success. The members who I have talked to said it was very informative and worth the time and cost to attend. I believe there were over 100 Lodges represented and close to 150 Brothers in attendance. Due to its success we are planning to make this an annual event. The details will be put together at our staff meeting and sent out to you in advance. Special thanks to our Most Worshipful Past Grand Master and current Grand Secretary Mike DeWolf and the Grand Lodge office staff for all their hard work putting this all together. More importantly we would like to thank the Lodges and the Brothers for attending and making this a huge success.

Many of you may have already received a Masonic Birthday Card in the mail. This is also a new program that has just started recently. We felt that we should give something back to our Brothers who support our great Fraternity here in Wisconsin. I would personally like to thank the Wisconsin Masonic Foundation Board members for supporting this program and also the development office staff for all of their work and assistance in making this program a reality.

With Brotherly Love,  
Davey L. White Jr.  
Grand Master



Davey L. White Jr.  
Grand Master

## On Our Cover

Lodge Secretaries listen to Past Grand Master James D. Cole of the Grand Lodge of Virginia speak on tax issues for lodges at the Statewide Secretary Seminar at the Madison Masonic Center on January 21. From left: H. Scott Paulson, St. Croix Lodge No. 56, Hudson; David Finley, Northwestern Lodge No. 105, Prescott; and David Akenson, River Falls Lodge No. 109.

Photo by Rich Rygh

# Seminar from page 1

office answered questions and gave information regarding scholarships, gift annuity plans, endowments and matching grants available from the Masonic Medical Fund. She also gave information on the AED and CPR Anytime programs.

Bro. Robert Gorsuch, Chairman of the Grand Trustees covered rules and responsibilities of lodge trustees.

Past Grand Master Keith D. Chamberlain spoke on the Lodge Excellence Awards and the importance of getting them turned in to your District Deputy by Feb. 15.

Alicia Darr gave the Brethren information pertaining to the Annual Reports and the Perpetual Membership Plan. She asked that on page 3 of the Annual Report addresses be included down through the Tiler. It is also important that the street address of the Lodge is used on page one, not a P.O. Box or the Secretary's address.

The Grand Secretary covered the duties of a Secretary, the

membership recapitulation process, certificate of elections, lodge minutes and preparing for the Annual Communication.

On Sunday morning Bro. Andrew Niebler explained tax issues and answered questions. He also covered 501(c)3 vs 501(c)10 requirements.

Bro. Pat Cholka gave a very informative talk on the MORI system and setting up Assistant Secretaries. He covered when and how to input information and the benefits of mail system to the lodges.

Brethren attending agreed the seminar supplied very valuable information to the new Secretaries as well as those having served many years. Trustees, Treasurers, Masters and other officers attending also felt it was time well spent.

Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, announced this will be an annual event and it is scheduled next year for Jan. 12, 2013 at the Madison Masonic Center.

See photos on page 21.

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### "WE SPECIALIZE IN PAST DUE RETURNS"

## Thoughts for the Journey

By Reverend David R. Ritchie, Grand Chaplain

As Masons we have a special tie to geometry and often this tie is coupled with the divine. Why do we as Masons see God's handiwork in mathematics? In the Fellowcraft charge we are told that geometry or Masonry is of a "divine or moral nature". Later in the same charge we are told that mathematics not only proves the "wonderful properties of nature" but that it also demonstrates the "important truths of morality." In the beautiful "G" lecture, again from the Fellowcraft degree, we are told that through geometry we can "trace nature through her various windings" and find out nature's most hidden secrets. From the same lecture we find that again through geometry we can discover "the power, the wisdom and the goodness of the Grand Artificer of the Universe. We can view with awe and delight the proportions of this vast machine." That sounds like a lot to expect out of geometry.



Rev. David Ritchie  
Grand Chaplain

If you were like me, geometry was one of those classes in school that you needed to get through, but with the theorems, proofs, and constructions, geometry was far from my favorite class. The only person who was ever excited was the teacher. So why as Masons are we so excited by geometry? Why do we view it as of a divine nature?

The answer is two fold. First when Speculative Masonry was beginning in the late 1600s, and early 1700s, man was unfolding the mysteries of nature and science at an unprecedented rate. This was the "Age of Enlightenment." The men of science and mathematics were looking to tie these new discoveries into their faith. The thing they rediscovered had been known to the ancient Egyptians, Romans, and Greeks. The Oriental cultures had been using it for centuries. It was used extensively by the great minds of the Renaissance. This discovery that seemed to tie everything together was a number. 1.618 represented by the Greek letter "phi."

This number, 1.618, is actually a ratio and is referred to as the golden ratio, the golden mean, the divine/golden section, the divine mean, or the divine proportion. There is a long equation and some in depth math that explain the number so I will let you look that up yourself. Dan Brown in his books talks about this divine proportion. The amazing thing about this number is where and how it shows up.

This divine ratio is found in architecture from the pyramids, statues, and tombs of Egypt, Chinese and Japanese temples and gardens, the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris and the Empire State Building in New York. The most famous example though is the Parthenon in Greece. The building contains hundreds of examples of this golden ratio throughout. The shape of the building is according to this ratio, the pillars, the space between the pillars, the statues that line the top, etc. . . . all conform to the divine mean. The buildings rated as the most aesthetic world wide are all examples of this ratio. So as builders, we as Masons should find this ratio intriguing, but where does the divine come in?

This same ratio is found in the way sunflower seeds align on the face of the flower, all the key features of a penguin, the branching of trees, the number of petals on a flower, the breeding of rabbits, plant growth, the alignment of the planets in our solar system, the chambers in a nautilus shell and the arms in a spiral galaxy. The list of where this ratio appears seems endless.

The human face contains hundreds of examples of the divine ratio from our smiles to the distance between the eyes to the chin, etc. The surprising thing is that the closer ones feature conform to this ratio the more beautiful or handsome the person is deemed. The further off this ratio the more homely. The human body contains thousands more. Dorfir's statue of Aphrodite, often deemed the masterpiece of feminine beauty is constructed almost perfectly with this ratio.

DeVinci, Michelangelo, Raphael, Turner, and Seurat all used the divine section to create their masterpieces of art. The keys on an organ or piano are laid out according to the ratio, the fingerboard on a guitar, musical scales, musical frequencies and most stringed instruments conform to the divine ratio. The perfect shape for a musical amplifier is a rectangle which is based on this ratio.

A cross section of human DNA contains at least ten instances of the golden mean.

For the Men of the Enlightenment the answer was obvious wherever God placed his hand the number 1.618, phi, or the divine proportion was left behind. Whatever the Grand Architect created, feathers on a bird, seeds in a flower or the arrangement of their petals, the beauty of the human face, the alignment of the planets and the stars themselves. Whatever the Grand Artificer of the Universe inspired, the Cathedrals and gardens, music, painting and sculpture, man was able to find this ratio. Like an architect draws up his building so the Grand Architect must have drawn up his plans for the flower, the nautilus shell, the human form, the planets, and the stars. God's beauty and blessing reflected in geometry. To study the liberal art of geometry was to study the divine nature of all things.

Today science has explained much of what was a mystery in the 1700s. The golden ratio is no longer held to be proof of God's existence or plan, but the sheer number of times it appears in things natural and man-made are staggering. It is with little wonder why our Brothers of this time found that by a study of this ratio, or geometry, "we discover the power, the wisdom and the goodness of the Grand Artificer of the Universe and view with delight the proportions which connect this vast machine."

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

## Attention Secretaries:

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February 15

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## Robert Ross Table Lodge May 4 at Wisconsin Lodge

Enjoy a terrific barbecue and an evening of fellowship at the annual Robert Ross Table Lodge, sponsored by Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, at the Northwest Masonic Center on May 4.

The event will be a barbecue again this year. Leave your tie at home and bring your bib.

Bro. Robert Ross, passed away on October 5, 2005 while he was the Master of Wisconsin Lodge No. 13. He left behind two young children; all proceeds will be donated to their education trust funds. Further individual donations may also be made and are greatly appreciated.

Social hour will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the opening at 6:30 p.m., at the Northwest Masonic Center, 4315 92nd St., Wauwatosa. The cost is \$25.00. Cannons will be for sale at the door. Wine and non-alcoholic beverages will be served.

The lounge will be open after dinner for a card game.

Reservations must be received by March 30. Contact Bro. Jeff Laven, jeff.laven310@gmail.com or 262-424-9267 or Bro. Bill Loftus, billygun67@yahoo.com or 262-470-4936. Checks should be made to Wisconsin Lodge No. 13 F. & A. M.

## Entries Due February 29 for Degree Competition

The entry deadline is February 29 for the 2012 Degree Competition to be held Saturday, March 31, at the Madison Masonic Center starting at 9:00 a.m. All lodge Secretaries have received entry forms by mail.

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

Last year the winning lodge and was Waukesha Lodge No. 37, second place was taken by

West Bend Lodge No. 138, and the Washington Lodge No. 21 Past Masters locked in third place.

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

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

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

Email your submissions to [wjmjeditor@wisc-freemasonry.org](mailto:wjmjeditor@wisc-freemasonry.org).

### Attention Lodge Secretaries . . . Watch Your Mail!

If it hasn't arrived already, you will shortly be receiving the 2012 Wisconsin Masonic Foundation Matching Scholarship Informational Packet. The Masonic Foundation's Board of Directors is pleased to announce that we will once again be offering a \$500 match per Lodge. Each Lodge Secretary will receive a packet with an informational letter, scholarship program brochure, scholarship applications and a school designation form. If you have any questions, please contact Erika in the Development Office at: 262-965-2200, or via email at [erika@wisc-freemasonry.org](mailto:erika@wisc-freemasonry.org). **The deadline for sending in your match will be April 1, 2012.**

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## Bro. Roy Hubler New Master of Laflin St. James



Bro. Roy A. Hubler

By Bro. Jim Truesdell

Secretary/Treasurer Laflin St. James Lodge No. 247, Mukwonago, installed their officers for 2012 on January 8. The open installation was held at the Masonic Center in Mukwonago. Many friends and family members of Masons participated.

Bro. Roy A. Hubler was installed as Master and Bro. Patrick G. Richards as Senior Warden. Other officers were also installed in an impressive ceremony. All then enjoyed a time of fellowship and a hearty lunch following the installation.

The website for the Mukwonago Masonic Center will be found at <http://laflinstjames.tripod.com>.

## Robert Ward Past Grand Treasurer Dies

Bro. Robert Walter Ward, 90, of Green Valley, Ariz., died peacefully Friday, Aug. 19, 2011, at La Hacienda nursing home at La Posada in Green Valley.

Bro. Ward was born Oct. 6, 1920, to Minnieola Stober and Carl Ward in Chicago, Ill. When he was 19, the family moved to Chetek and together they built and ran Pop Ward's Na-Wash-Kode Resort.

He served in the Army during World War II and married Dorothy Jean Bell on March 2, 1946, and they raised three children.

Bro. Ward was a 60 year member of Chetek Lodge No. 277. He was very active in the Lodge serving two terms as Master. He was a member of the Valley of Eau Claire Scottish Rite and was a member of the York Rite. Bro. Ward served the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin as Grand Treasurer from 1985-1989.

Following his retirement as city clerk of the City of Chetek he moved to Green Valley, Arizona, and continued to be very active in Masonic activities.

He is survived by a son William and two daughters Ruth and Jean. He was preceded in death by his wife Dorothy.

The family donated his Grand Treasurer's Apron and Jewel to the Chetek Lodge where it will be properly displayed along with his picture.

### Updated Lodge Excellence Award Applications and information

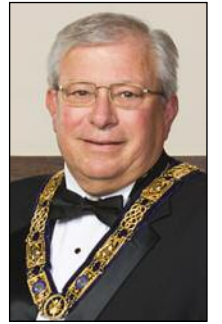
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## NOTES FROM THE GRAND LECTURER

By Brother Kenneth C. Gorgen

My Brothers,

I had three very good and well thought out responses to last month's article about the outer and inner door. Thank you to the three brothers that responded and I appreciate their feedback. One response asked about the Tiler being invited into the meeting and tiling from there. That is the Master's prerogative and also a nice benefit for the Tiler. As long as the lodge room is secure from the outside, this has historically worked. The other two responses can be summarized in two words, "common sense". Common sense requires some objective and critical thinking, because every possible situation cannot be addressed in the cipher. The Tiler needs to think about the situation before he jumps into activity, and a delay of a few seconds is not going to make a difference. Therefore, I side with all of these respondents, and agree that common sense must prevail while keeping in the back of your mind that the lodge room is to remain isolated from the outside during the time it is open. I am willing to keep this as an open forum and look forward to your comments.



Kenneth C. Gorgen  
Grand Lecturer

Let's get into some new business. I need to tell you about my Masonic New Year's resolution, which is not to be a lodge room backseat driver. I believe most of you are familiar with the term "backseat driver". Think about a time you were driving your vehicle, and the passenger in the seat next to you was giving directions on how to operate the car, about possible hazards, and general information that you already knew about operating an automobile. Sometimes scaring the living daylights out of you by yelling, "Watch out!" for a hazard that was already known to you. At times the information can be helpful, and then at other times the situation can be extremely annoying.

We also have what I call lodge room backseat drivers, and I will be the first to admit, because I do not want to be deemed a hypocrite, that I have done my share of backseat driving in the lodge room. A lodge room "backseat driver" is the Brother who offers prompting and advice during lodge and degree work. Most times it might be welcome, but there are times when prompting or explaining floor movements during a degree can interfere with the work or be embarrassing for the Brother who is stuck or made the mistake. Sometimes it is not just verbal prompting, but also with hand gestures, signaling, etc. I am sure that many of you are familiar with lodge room "backseat drivers". We Past Masters and proficiency men are very good at lodge room backseat driving, and proud to show our proficiency, even though what we blurt out might be completely incorrect.

Unwanted prompting, whether it is correct or not, can cause confusion within the lodge, confusion to the candidate during degree work, and be very annoying to the Brother being prompted. Remember that the Brother doing the work has his own style. He might be pausing for effect, to emphasize a point, or just gathering his thoughts and it would not be appreciated if you decide to blurt out the next lines during the pause.

I am going to offer some prompting tips:

- There should be a single prompter, perhaps one of the lodge's proficiency men. Have an alternate available in his absence, or . . .
- Have the secretary prompt from his position. If he needs the cipher open, so be it, but it should be the only open cipher in the lodge.
- The Master of the lodge should alert the members about prompting and who is the prompter
- It is only fair to the prompter to know when help is needed. Therefore the Brother that needs help should look toward or signal the prompter that help is needed.
- When performing the work be gracious and ask for help when stuck and don't worry about being embarrassed.
- If the prompter is helping with a lecture, pick a strategic spot to sit.
- Use common sense when helping. Sometimes parts are missed, but if it will not have an effect on the lessons being given, then let it go and don't embarrass the Brother.

With tactful prompting we will encourage new members to take on some of the ritual work and not be afraid of being embarrassed. They can be confident of having objective support while delivering the important message from the ritual. Coaching can always be done when lodge is closed and one-on-one.

As always, I wish you much success in your degree work. Be a ritual leader in your Lodge, and be a motivating force. Mentor the candidates with fierce abandon and 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 [jankengorg@att.net](mailto:jankengorg@att.net) or 262-691-0859

## Masonic Unity Reception for Deputy Grand Master June 16

A Masonic Unity Reception sponsored by the Peninsula Shrine Club and the Masons of Northeast Wisconsin honoring Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert will be held in beautiful Door County Wisconsin on June 16, 2012.

Receiving line and fellowship at 4:30 p.m., dinner at 6:15 p.m.

Mark your calendars now! Plan a weekend in Door County. Location and more complete information to follow.

Reservations will be limited to 250.

## We Thank You!

All of us at Three Pillars have been very fortunate to experience the benevolence of the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin, Order of Eastern Star. The Chapter supports many good causes through direct donations, scholarships and volunteer time. The Cheer Committee administers Cheer putting into action the time, talent, and treasure of the members of the Eastern Star.

In September of 2011, the Harvest Bingo Party was hosted in the Holz Pavilion, the bridge between Village on the Square and Compass Point. (Compass Point is Three Pillars assisted living area completed just 5 years ago, it has 75 apartments.) Refreshments were served to an enthusiastic group. Prizes were won and fun was had by all.

In the fall the Cheer Committee prepared for one of its' largest undertakings, the holiday celebration in December. Working closely with the Lifestyle and Activities staff at Compass Point, Riverside Lodge (Memory Care) and our Masonic Center for Health and Rehab each resident is interviewed and asked for 2 gift wishes. The Cheer Committee Chair, Jenna Gapinski, Gena Pontow and Jonda Johnson spent countless hours shopping for the special gifts, keeping the \$20 limit in mind. Once the gifts are purchased for the residents of all 3 residential areas, nearly 200 gifts are brought to the campus for sorting and wrapping.

The festivities were campus wide with holiday singing at Village on the Square (116 Independent Sr. Apartment Units) and the Masonic Center for Health and Rehab, followed by present deliveries - spreading joy throughout the afternoon and then dinner at Compass Point. Spirits were high and thanks plentiful. It was a wonderful day for everyone involved.

This month the St. Valentine's Day Celebration will be held on February 12th for the Riverside Lodge and Masonic Health Center and Rehab residents. Musical entertainment, a sing-a-long and refreshments will be offered.

On behalf of the Volunteer Board, staff and residents of Three Pillars we thank the Order of Eastern Star for all they have done, are doing and will do. You are appreciated!

## Virtual Grocery Store Tour

Betty Holloway; MNS, RD, CD from ProHealth Care brought the grocery store to Three Pillars! She had everyone in attendance virtually walking the aisles of a local grocery store to learn how to select heart-healthy foods from every section of the grocery store.

*(Betty Holloway is pictured to the right reading the ingredients on a yogurt package.)*



Visit our website [www.threepillars.org](http://www.threepillars.org) or find us on Facebook to see what is happening on the Three Pillars campus.

## MasonWoods

Pictured are Ed and Eleanor Farrell, new residents that moved to MasonWoods after selling their Appleton home. They knew about MasonWoods because Eleanor's sister and her husband have lived here for a number of years. According to Ed, "We wanted a place where we could leave yard work and snow shoveling to someone else, thus this move was perfect."

Ed is an active member of Heart of the Valley Senior Service Club, an organization that does many good things for the community. Each year they hold a Christmas party and raise funds to support their charitable works. The members donate raffle items and tickets are sold to raise money. Each year Ed makes a snowman for the raffle. "After moving to MasonWoods I was able to continue to make the snowman for the raffle in the well-equipped and heated workshop that is on the MasonWoods grounds. Since I have such a nice workshop I made several others, one is now outside greeting people at MasonWoods."



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## “Christmas Carol” Director Nancy Storrs Honored



Nancy Storrs, director and producer of West Bend Lodge's production of Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol" in 2010 and 2011 received a token of the lodge's heartfelt appreciation for her service to the lodge in making the annual fund raiser into the successful effort it has become. A plaque recognizing her dedication, passion and tireless commitment on behalf of Freemasonry, was presented January 7 by newly installed Worshipful Master Scott Baron. Nancy was recognized for promoting the lodge's increased presence and visibility in the community, enriching the culture and quality of life in West Bend through the production of "A Christmas Carol," and fortifying the continued ability of the lodge to function in the community. The "Christmas Carol" production is the lodge's most successful fundraiser and involved 38 cast members, 15 stage crew persons and 2 directors. A 2012 production is planned.

Photo by Wm. Stonecipher, PM



## Lodge donates "Care Bears"

Bro. Jay Custer, Secretary of Collins-Spring Valley Lodge No. 192, Baldwin, recently presented several "Care Bears" to Baldwin Police Chief James Widiker on behalf of the Lodge. The Care Bears are carried in the police cars and given to children at times of stress, such as motor vehicle accidents or domestic disturbances. Chief Widiker commented that he has given them to kids in the past and it calmed the kids very quickly.

Submitted by Collins-Spring Valley Lodge

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# Grand Master Visits Brethren in Florida; Tours Arizona in February



**Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. speaks to the group in Davenport, Fla.**

Photo by Bro. William Barnes

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr., Grand Secretary Michael A.

DeWolf, PGM, and Director of Development Bro. William Barnes recently visited Brethren in Florida. They met with Brethren and ladies at the Forest Country Club in Fort Meyers on Jan. 13 and the Deer Creek RV Golf Resort, Davenport, on Jan. 14.

Bro. Bill Barnes gave a presentation followed by the Grand Secretary bringing the Brethren up to date on the ongoing refurbishing of the Grand Masonic Center in Dousman. Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. spoke on the state of Freemasonry in Wisconsin and presented 50 and 60 year pins.

The Grand Master will be visiting Brethren in Arizona on Saturday, February 11 at Briarwood Country Club, Sun City West, Arizona. The coordinator for this event is Bro. Paul "Yash" Handa, 623-680-9067.



## Davenport area Brethren receive service awards

The Bros. pictured above were honored for 50 and 60 years of service by Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. during his Florida tour and visit to Davenport. From left: Don Goodrich, Jerome Duncan, George Smith, Garold Michaelsen, Grand Master Davey L. White Jr., Al Krueger, John Van Hollen and Gil Smeiska. Bro. Goodrich was raised Dec. 26, 1949 in Menomonie Lodge No. 164. Bro. Duncan was raised in Mineral Point Lodge No. 1 on May 9, 1959. Bro. Smith was raised in Winneconne Lodge No. 186 on June 23, 1953, he served as Master in 1960. Bro. Michaelsen was raised in Pymosa Lodge No. 271, Atlantic, Iowa and affiliated with Marshfield Lodge No. 224 on June 4, 1973 and served as Master in 1976. Bro. Krueger was raised in Wauwatosa Lodge No. 267 on June 27, 1960, he affiliated with George Washington 1776 Lodge on June 29, 2001. Bro. John Van Hollen was raised in Chetek Lodge No. 277 on Sept. 1, 1959, he served as Master in 1972. Bro. Smeiska was raised in Wisconsin Lodge No. 13 on June 2, 1955, and served as Master in 1961, he affiliated with Nathan Hale Lodge No. 350 on Dec. 10, 1986.

## Bro. Phil Maas is Baraboo Lodge's "Mason of the Year"

By Bro. Brian Rich

Bro. Phil Maas, Past Master of Baraboo Lodge No. 34, was honored as "2011 Mason of the Year" at the recent lodge awards night.

Bro. Maas has done a great deal for the Lodge, helping with many projects too numerous to mention. He helped achieve the Lodge Excellence Award by traveling to other lodges and is always willing to assist with degree work.



Bro. Phil Maas

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## Fort Meyers area Brethren receive service awards

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. honored Bros. for 50 and 60 years of service during his recent visit to Fort Myers, Fla. From left: Bros. Jack Pointer, Anton "Sam" Arneson, Hugh Wyatt, Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. and Bro. Billy Brown. Bro. Pointer was raised in Commonwealth Lodge on Sept. 12, 1959. Bro. Arneson was raised in Barneveld Lodge No. 319 on October 24, 1950, he served as Master in 1956. Bro. Wyatt was raised on June 13, 1951 in Baraboo Lodge No. 32. Bro. Brown was raised in 1951 in Lawn Lodge No. 877, Chicago, Ill.

Submitted by Bro. William Barnes, Director of Development

## Where Are Wisconsin Masons Living?

By Bro. William H. Barnes  
Director of Development

As we prepare for the Grand Master's visits to Florida and Arizona it is natural to ask, "Where do Wisconsin Masons live?"

A study of our records shows that of the current 11,948 Wisconsin Masons, 1,170, nearly 10%, live or winter in 5 states.

Florida leads with 450 Masons, both Coasts are popular. Many reside on the west coast living from Fort Myers to Naples and in the St. Petersburg area.

Arizona is quite popular with 240 masons populating Sun City, Mesa and Tucson.

The flat land of Illinois is full of Wisconsin Masons, 247 live in the state, most just over the boarder in the Chicago suburbs and Rockford area. It is hoped that our Brother Bear fans understand that peace and harmony are the strength of our institution.

California has 127 Wisconsin Masons mostly enjoying the weather in Southern California and up in the East Bay Area of San Francisco.

Texas may be the largest of the 48 states, however with only 107 Wisconsin Masons it comes in 5th. Interestingly, there is a large population living on the boarder from McAllen to Brownsville Texas.

Regardless of where our brothers live, we share one thing in common. We were raised right here in a blue lodge in Wisconsin!

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### Bro. Cooksey is "Mason of the Year"

Bro. Darren M. Cooksey (right) was named 2011 "Mason of the Year" for West Bend Lodge No. 138 recently. The presentation to the newly installed Junior Warden on behalf of the lodge was made by 2011 Worshipful Master Omar I. Youssef in recognition of Bro. Cooksey's service to the lodge and work with West Bend Chapter, Order of DeMolay. He is the Chapter Advisor. Over the past two years Bro. Cooksey headed up the lodge's brat fry fundraising effort which has been a significant income producer. This past summer he organized five events for the lodge and three for the Chapter.

Photo by Wm. Stonecipher, PM



### New Master Masons at Warren Lodge

Warren Lodge No. 4, Potosi, raised Bro. Al Reynolds on Dec. 29. and Bro. Carl Price was raised on Sept. 1. Brethren and visitors for the Dec. 29 Master Mason degree are first row (from left): Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. and Keith Turner, Master. Second row: Harold Beals, Tom Swantes, Al Reynolds, Carl Price, Ken Meyer and Francis Reding. Third row: Harley Turner, Grand Marshal Jerry G. Potter, Bob Lewis, Grand Tiler Ronnie Jaacks, Area Administrator Dan Odeen and Larry Raymond. Back row: John Mest, Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie and Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley.

### Baraboo Lodge Family and Friends Night March 21

By Bro Brian Rich  
Master

Bring your family and a non-Masonic friend and come and enjoy an evening of fellowship and a great meal at the Baraboo Masonic Center on March 21. Baraboo Lodge No. 34 is hosting their annual Friends and Family Night at 6:30 p.m.

Past Grand Master John W. Wilke will be the speaker for the evening following a fantastic meal of corned beef, potatoes and cabbage (I mention cabbage last because it is not traditionally Irish, and my Senior Warden claims to be of Royal Irish decent).

Last year, four non-Masons were present and all four joined the Lodge. If you like corned beef and cabbage, this event is a must!

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Electa is using the "Mother in Red" fly for Mothers and Grandmothers.



Adah says try the "Blue Girlie" fly for Daughters, Granddaughters and Great Grand Daughters.



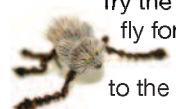
Martha is using the "Green Sister" fly for Sisters, and Sisters-in-Laws.



Ruth is using the "Yellow Lady" fly for Mothers-in-law and Sisters-in-law.



Try the "Monkey" fly for Sons and grandsons to the Blue Lodge



Esther is using the "Queen of the Waters" fly for Wives, Aunts and Nieces.



Don't forget that Brothers are "suckers" for pie and coffee.

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# Honored for years of service



## Waukesha Lodge honors Bros. for years of service

Waukesha Lodge No. 37 had a milestone year in 2011 for members celebrating momentous Masonic membership anniversaries. Service Awards were presented to the following Bros.: Charles Potter, 60 years, raised on Dec. 6, 1951; Charles Young, 70 years, raised on Dec. 12, 1941; Bob Winchell, 60 years, raised on October 4, 1951; Ed Reddington, 50 years, raised on Oct. 20, 1961 in Garfield Lodge No. 569, Hammond Indiana, affiliated with Waukesha Lodge on March 18, 1971; and Don Jones, 50 years, raised on Sept 6, 1961 in St. John's Lodge No. 20, Columbus, Indiana, he affiliated with Waukesha Lodge on Dec. 3, 2001. Unable to be present were Bros. Ralph Elwing, 60 years, raised on May 3, 1951; and Robert Illing, 60 years, raised on March 1, 1951. Pictured from left: Charles Potter; Charles Young; Bob Winchell; Michael Vassar, Master; Ed Reddington; and Don Jones.

Submitted by Bro. Eric Western, Secretary/Treasurer



## Bro. Young honored for 65 years

Bro. Willard Young, Eau Claire Lodge No. 112 receives his 65 Year Service Award from Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. at the annual joint installation of officers in Eau Claire on Dec. 14. Bro. young was raised in Eau Claire Lodge on Dec. 30, 1946. He served the Lodge as Master in 2001 and is currently the Treasurer.

Submitted by Bro. Milt Helmer



## Bro. Eugene Stuessy honored for 70 years

Brethren from New Glarus Lodge No. 310 recently traveled to the New Glarus Assisted Living Home to present Bro. Eugene Stuessy with his 70 Year Service Award. Bro. Stuessy was raised on June 5, 1941 in New Glarus Lodge. Front row (from left): Senior Warden Eugene Webber, Eugene Stuessy and Master Mike Mudrey. Second row: Secretary Don Rupnow, Brad Beal, Charles Schenkel, Art Marty and Carey Schneider.

Submitted by Bro. Don Rupnow, Secretary



## Bro. Earl Lehsl Honored for 60 Years of Sevice

Bro. Earl Lehsl was recently honored by Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, Milwaukee, for 60 years of service.

Bro. Lehsl was raised on Nov. 4, 1948 in Wisconsin Lodge.

Submitted by Bro. Jason Braatz, Secretary/Treasurer

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Bro. Earl Lehsl



## Bros. honored for 50 years of service

Bro. David Trianoski, Master of Acacia-Itasca Lodge No. 329, presented 50 Year Service Awards to Bros. Joe Horton and Ken Beyer, during the installation of officers on Dec. 10. Bro. Horton was raised on June 27, 1961 in H. H. Grace Lodge No. 324. He served the Lodge as Master from 1963-1965. H.H. Grace Lodge merged with Superior Lodge No. 236 on Dec. 22, 1968. He is a plural member of Acacia-Itasca Lodge. Bro. Beyer was raised on Jan. 27, 1961 in Acacia-Itasca Lodge and served the Lodge as Master in 1969. Pictured (from left): Bros. Ken Beyer; David Trianoski, Master; and Joe Horton.

Submitted by Bro. Don Miller, Secretary



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# News Events from the Lodges

## Omro Lodge No. 168 Once Again has Designs Drawn on the Trestleboard



This photo was taken by Omro Lodge No. 168 Entered Apprentice Christopher James on Dec. 12, following closing of the Lodge of Entered Apprentices. The Lodge is again growing after dwindling to 20 members. From left are Bros: Greg Senger, Oshkosh Lodge; Ken Gorgen, McKinley Lodge, Grand Lecturer; Steve Labus Oshkosh Lodge; Scott Baron, West Bend Lodge; Eric DeGroot, EA; Bill Loehrer, West Bend Lodge; Don Huncke; Terry Groth, West Bend Lodge, Area Administrator; Larry Wright; Jerry Potter, Grand Marshal; Christopher James, EA; J. Patrick Storrs; Kevan Nault, Prairie View Lodge; John Hoef; Larry Malchow, Prairie View Lodge; Jerry Schrankler, Fond du Lac Lodge; Kyle Grahn, Berlin Lodge; Mark Arend, Dodge County Lodge; and John Krinke, Waukesha Lodge, District 10 Deputy.

**By Bro. J. Patrick Storrs**  
Several years ago during my tenure as District 10 Deputy, the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin redistricted its constituent Lodges into the twelve districts we have today. As a result of this one of my new Lodges was Omro Lodge No. 168. They were the only lodge not represented at the fall district meeting. My directory of lodges told me that they met at 7:00 p.m. on the second Mondays and were dark during January, February and March. Omro Lodge was quickly penciled into my calendar for the second Monday of December.

I arrived there just in time to make what I thought would be the stated 7:00 p.m. opening. The stairway to Omro's lodge room is long and steep. When I finally arrived at the summit, I was greeted by silent portraits of past Grand Masters adorning the anteroom walls along with relics of beloved Masonic memories from a century ago. The only other living person in the building was Bro. Larry Wright who sat quietly behind his secretary's desk working on his report. Bro. Larry informed me that he always opened the Lodge at 7:00 on the stated night just in case. He didn't expect anyone else to show up that evening - and if I didn't mind, there was a training meeting at the fire station he would really like to attend. I promised to be back for the next meeting in April!

The climb up those stairs in April seemed ominously familiar. I was relieved to see at least three

Masons gathered near the East. I immediately recognized Bro. Larry who was speaking with a spry elderly gentleman whom I soon learned was Illustrious Bro. Raymond Hoef. The other bear of a man I discovered to be Bro. Hayes son, John. They announced with a modicum of pride that they were "it", the last of the active members of Omro Lodge No. 168 and that they had been persevering this way for quite some time. They informed me that the Lodge roster had dwindled to 20 members, 12 of whom lived out of state and that only six resided within 50 miles of Omro. They informed me that they had considered consolidating with nearby Winneconne Lodge No. 186, but had given up on that idea when it became clear that "those stubborn Brothers" would refuse to move their lodge to Omro. There was obviously work to be done in Omro!

In an attempt to stimulate activity and to facilitate opening and closing a lodge, Past Grand Master Roger Magoon, Past Grand Treasurer James Hayes and I all took plural memberships in Omro Lodge. We held friend's dinners, hosted open houses, sponsored concession stands during Omro's Oktoberfest and visited neighboring Lodges. The increased activity did not bring a single candidate to our door until Ill. Bro. Hayes announced that he had been speaking with the youngest son of his landlord and that a petition would be coming. Courtesy work in performing the degrees was negotiated with Oshkosh Lodge No. 27 and West Bend Lodge No. 138. Soon after the raising, our new Brother's brother petitioned the Lodge and we thought we had finally turned the corner and were starting to build some momentum. Sadly, it was not to be. Our newest Master Mason went off to college in Mequon where other activities captured his interest. His candidate brother moved to Oregon where Oregon Lodge No. 151 gave him his degrees. Meanwhile, Ill. Bro. Hayes began

showing signs of his 91 years and our plural members recognized that the ship was sinking and ceased making the drive on the second Monday of the month to attend our meetings. Omro Lodge was back to holding stated communications with three members present.

This past summer, after several years of unsuccessful attempts at running a concession stand during Omro's Oktoberfest, the Lodge decided to team up with the Omro Historical Society who maintains a museum in the first floor of the building where the Lodge meets. The museum is always open during Oktoberfest and generates a continuous stream of people through its doors during the event. The Historical Society agreed to let the Lodge set up a table in the back of the museum where they would sell strudel and coffee to museum goers and offer tours of the lodge room upstairs. This must have been in accordance with the Supreme Architect's plans because our next communication brought petitions for affiliation from the 2010 AirVenture MM exemplar and from the current Grand Marshal. We were now able to fully staff the strudel and coffee concession as well as conduct lodge tours. The Grand Master and the District Deputy each showed up to lend their assistance as well! The strudel sales were a stellar success but the real victory was twenty-five tours that were conducted through the Lodge and the genuine interest of the public in Freemasonry and Omro Lodge.

To date, two petitions have resulted from the Oktoberfest Lodge tours. On December 12, with the help of may area Masons, the first initiations of this century were performed in Omro's lodge room for two genuinely enthusiastic young men. Omro Lodge is not going dark this winter for the first time that anyone can remember. There are designs on the Trestleboard and the workmen are happily at labor.



## Families enjoy Ozaukee's "Master's Feast"

A full lodge room of Masons, their families and friends; most in medieval dress, enjoyed Bro. David Tainter's fine cooking and an evening of good fellowship at the sixth annual "Master's Feast" on Jan. 21. Bro. Tainter hosts the event on behalf of Ozaukee Lodge No. 17 at the Port Washington Masonic Center.

The meal, certainly fit for a king, was served by Job's Daughters, Port Washington; and West Bend Order of DeMolay. The menu included beef stew, chicken, corn on the cob, potatoes, beer, cider and wine. A very fine bread pudding with lemon or raspberry sauce was served for dessert.

Pictured above: Bro. Lowell Tainter and his wife Pat enjoy a card trick by juggler Pinkerton.

See more photos on page 16.

Photo by Rich Rygh



## Father and sons are principal officers

A father and his two sons are the Master, Senior and Junior Wardens at Chetek Lodge No. 277. Bro. Andy Hodges, in the center, is the Master, on the left is his twin, Senior Warden Adam Hodges and on the right is his father Alton Hodges, Junior Warden.

Submitted by Bro. Alton Hodges, Junior Warden

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# Lodges Install Officers for 2012



## Black River Falls Lodge No. 74

Officers of Black River Lodge No. 74 were recently installed. Front row (from left): Bill Galster, Junior Steward; Jack Long, Tiler; Dave Holen, Senior Warden; Dan Drews, Master; Gene Hoyme, Senior Deacon; and Bruce Harmer, Junior Warden. Back row: Merlin Anderson, Treasurer; Elmer Simonson, Secretary; Don Koxlien, Junior Deacon; and Ken Artis, Chaplain. Not Pictured: Don Pomeroy, Senior Steward.

Submitted by Bro. Dan Drews, Master



## Doric Lodge No. 356

Officers of Doric Lodge No. 356 were installed on Dec. 20, at the Doric Masonic Center in Madison. Pictured front row (from left): Eric Pantano, Senior Deacon; Ward Nottestad, Senior Warden; Mitch Custer, Master; Dan Bradford, Junior Warden; and Shane Brath, Junior Deacon. Back row: Richard Moen, Counselor; Dale Holmen, Trustee; Dean Holmen, Trustee; Fred Liedel, Chaplain; Bill Winge, Treasurer; Greg Corey, Secretary; Peter Erslund, Tiler; and Scott Graham, Trustee. The year 2012 marks the 50th year of Doric Lodge's Charter. Master Mitch Custer and his officers have planned some Doric history presentations to commemorate this special year.

Submitted by Bro. Paul Hallingstad, Past Master, Newshawk



## Prairie du Chien Lodge No. 8

The officers of Prairie du Chien Lodge No. 8 were installed on December 7, by Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. assisted by Junior Grand Steward, Scott Pedley, Installing Marshal and Grand Chaplain Dave Ritchie, Installing Chaplain. The Lodge was opened in public form by Past Master Marc Steiber. Officers installed for 2012 are front row (from left): Joel Arnold, Chaplain and Trustee; Matthew Johnson, Junior Deacon; Kersten Rocksvold, Tiler; Bob Obmascher, Junior Warden pro tem; Mike Stoehr, Master; Ken Meyer, Senior Warden; Monte Steiber, Secretary/Treasurer; John Wachter, Senior Steward; and Lowell Ahrens, Junior Steward. Back row: District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber, Senior Deacon; Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Junior Grand Steward E. Scott Pedley; and Dan Odeen, Counselor.

Submitted by Bro. Monte Steiber, Secretary/Treasurer



## La Crosse Lodge No. 190

La Crosse Lodge No. 190 recently installed their officers for 2012. Front row (from left): Keith Williams, Senior Warden; Rich Gray, Counselor; Jordan Merchlewitz, Chaplain; Scott Hiser, Master; Dave O'Neill, Junior Warden; and Chris Walmsley, Senior Steward. Back row: Bruce Klubertanz, Trustee; Don Fiscus, Tiler; Jim Winters, Trustee; Todd Wohlert, Secretary/Treasurer; and Chet Knaptan, Junior Deacon.

Submitted by Bro. Martin Callaway



## Fort Winnebago Lodge No. 33

Fort Winnebago Lodge No. 33, Portage, officers for 2012 were installed on Dec. 27. Area Administrator Dale Holman was Installing Master assisted by Bro. Richard Preston, Master of Poynette No. 173, Installing Marshal. Front row (from left): Anthony DePetro, Junior Deacon; Michael Oganezov, Treasurer; George Mork, Chaplain; Harold Carpenter, Master; James Swan Sr., Senior Warden; and James Swan Sr., Secretary. Second row: Brad Macfarlane, Counselor; Jeff Little, Senior Deacon; Michael Statz, Junior Warden; Donald Force, Senior Steward; and Jon Longfield, Junior Steward. Third row: Installing Master Dale Holman and Installing Marshal Richard Preston.

Submitted by Bro. James Swan Sr., Secretary



## South Shore Lodge No. 3

Officers of South Shore Lodge No. 3, South Milwaukee, were recently installed by Junior Grand Deacon Donald W. Hensiak; assisted by District 12 Deputy Robert Strader, Installing Master; Area Administrator Curt Compagna, Installing Chaplain; Area Administrator Pat Cholka, Senior Warden; and Past Master Robert Miksch, Junior Warden. Front row (from left): Past Master Ed deeds, Organist; Junior Grand Deacon Don Hensiak; Alan Edlebeck, Master; District 12 Deputy Robert Strader; James Goodman III, Junior Warden; and Past Master Byron Borck, Chaplain. Back row: Area Administrator Curt Compagna; Past Master Robert Rohleder, Senior Steward, Past Master Robert Miksch; Past Master Larry Neldner, Tiler; Past Master James Goodman Jr., Secretary/Treasurer; Area Administrator Pat Cholka; and Past Master Rich Allen, Junior Steward. Not Pictured: Past Master Dan Moshinski, Senior Warden; Past Master Mike Neldner, Senior Deacon; and David Geffen, Junior Warden.

Submitted by Bro. James Goodman Jr., Secretary/Treasurer

# Lodges Install Officers for 2012



## TriCounty Daylight Lodge No. 218

Officers of TriCounty Daylight Lodge No. 218, Crivitz, were installed on Dec. 11, by District 4 Deputy Christian Hirthe. Front row (from left): Charles Fick, Senior Deacon; Carl Greene, Secretary/Treasurer; Dale Paust, Junior Warden; Robert Cook, Senior Steward; and Duane Swanson, Chaplain. Back row: Richard Zahorik, Master; John Moe, Counselor; Derek Miller, Junior Steward; Walter Schlenvogt, Tiler; and Robert Burmek, Senior Warden.

Submitted by Sue Morrison



## River Falls Lodge No. 109

The Bros. of River Falls Lodge No. 109 installed their officers for 2012 at a special open installation and Christmas Party on December 20, at the River Falls Masonic Center. Shown in their official officers photo are (from left), front row: Mike Elliott, Senior Warden; David Hoffman, Master; and Michael Wilson, Junior Warden. Back row: Past Grand Master Charles E. White, Installing Officer; Mike Jacobson, Senior Deacon; Fred Benson, Counselor; Jerry Brandt, Treasurer; Dave Ackenson, Secretary; Lennie Austin, Junior Deacon; Blair Conklin Junior Steward; Tracy Carlson, Chaplain; Past Master Dave Vold, Installing Marshal; and Jim Wolfe, Tiler. Officers missing from the photo are: Steven Schwartz, Installing Chaplain; Peter Stauner, Senior Steward, and Second Chaplain Joseph Moelter.

Photo by Bro. Milt Helmer



## Franklin Lodge No. 16 and Richland Lodge No. 66

Franklin Lodge No. 16, Lone Rock, and Richland Lodge No. 66, Richland Center, held a joint installation of its 2012 officers on December 17. Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. was the Installing Master assisted by Past Grand Master Keith D. Chamberlain, Installing Marshal. A dinner and fellowship followed the ceremony. Front row (from left): Fuzz Spangler, Richland Chaplain; Butch Rossing, Franklin Senior Deacon; Scott Rossing, Franklin Master; Charlie McMullen, Franklin Tiler; Tony Broadbent, Richland Senior Deacon; Milt Schott, Richland Junior Warden; Brent Clausius, Richland Junior Deacon; Cecil Groves, Richland Senior Warden; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Past Grand Master Keith D. Chamberlain, Richland Secretary/ Treasurer; John Garner; and Dave Druckrey, Franklin Senior Warden. Back row: District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; Howard Hansen; Past Grand Master John W. Wilke; Larry Hallett, Richland 66 Master; Bud Bernhagen, Franklin Junior Deacon; Herman Kaldenberg, Franklin Counselor; Larry Ferguson, Richland Senior Steward. Present but not pictured: Bros. Rollie Spencer, Franklin Secretary/Treasurer; and Tom Tourville.

Submitted by Bro. Brent Clausius, Junior Deacon, Newshawk



## Eau Claire Lodge No. 112

Officers of Eau Claire Lodge No. 112 were installed Dec. 14, at the Eau Claire Masonic Center. First row (from left): District 2 Deputy Gary Stang; Dustin Larson, Junior Deacon; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Jon Shimoda, Master; Joshua Eddy, Junior Warden; and Tom Christiano, Counselor and Trustee. Second row: Matt Chromey, Senior Steward and Trustee; David Larson, Junior Steward; James Fenno, Senior Deacon; David Balow, Secretary; and Willard Young, Treasurer.

Submitted by Bro. Milt Helmer



## Chetek Lodge No. 277

Officers of Chetek Lodges No. 277 were installed Dec. 26, by Past Grand Master Herman A. Friess at the Blue Hills Masonic Center. Front row (from left): Andy Hodges, Master; Adam Hodges, Senior Warden; and Alton Hodges, Junior Warden. Back row: Mike Peterson, Senior Steward; James Meacham, Senior Deacon; Robert Arneson, Tiler; and Senior Grand Deacon Franklin Struble.

Submitted by Bro. Alton Hodges, Junior Warden



## Sanctuary Lodge No. 347

Officers of Sanctuary Lodge No. 347 were installed Dec. 14, in Eau Claire. From left: District 2 Deputy Gary Stang; Dan Walters, Junior Steward; Greg O'Reilly, Master; David Larson, Senior Deacon; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Ross Johnson, Senior Warden; and Alen Mazuk Junior Warden.

Submitted by Bro. Milt Helmer

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## Union Grove Lodge No. 288

Officers of Union Grove Lodge No. 288 were installed at an open installation of officers on Dec. 17 by Past Grand Master Joseph B. Harker. Front row (from left): Richard "Rick" McNabb, Chaplain; Christopher "Chris" Foreman, Junior Deacon; Steve Knight, Master; Past Master William "Tom" Wampler, Senior Warden; Past Mast George Winget, Junior Warden; and Area Administrator James "Jim" Wetzal, Installing Marshal. Second row: Past Grand Master Joseph B. Harker; Past Master Clinton Cagle, Senior Deacon, Trustee 2014; Past Master John "Skip" Kovach, Secretary/Treasurer; Past Master Jack Nelson, Installing Chaplain, Trustee 2013; Past Master Andrew "Pete" Abbott, Tiler, Trustee 2012. John Graba, Senior Steward, was not present.

Submitted by Bro. Skip Kovach, Secretary/Treasurer



## Waverly Lodge No. 51

Officers of Waverly Lodge No. 51, Appleton. Front row (from left): Elliot Collier, Counselor; Chad Klitzke, Junior Deacon; Robert Barbour, Junior Steward; Kevin Reichenbach, Senior Warden; David Barton, Master; Matt Jackering, Junior Warden; and Past Master Jonathan Foster, Secretary. Back row: Kevin Lorenz, Trustee; Derrick Basler, Tiler; E-Ben Grisby, Senior Steward; Past Master Rich Moore, Chaplain; Eric Davidson, Senior Deacon; Past Master Jonathan Bascue, Trustee.

Submitted by Bro. Matt Jackering, Junior Warden



## Waupaca Lodge No. 123

Officers for Waupaca Lodge No. 123 were installed on Dec. 27 by Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, assisted by District 3 Deputy John Tilley, Installing Marshal. Front row (from left): Dennis Lear, Secretary/Treasurer; Peter Studley, Junior Deacon; Donald Gans, Junior Warden; A. Chris Gans, Master; Kim Heltemes, Senior Warden; James McPherson, Senior Deacon; and Bill Woolsey, Tiler. Not Pictured: Mark Reschenberg, Trustee.

Submitted by Bro. A. Chris Gans - Photo by Bro. Scott Magnusson



## Wilmot Lodge No. 241

On December 20, Past Master Bill Hahnfeldt installed the Wilmot Lodge No. 241 officers for 2012. Front row (from Left): Bill Labovitz, Senior Warden; Kevin Mech, Junior Deacon; Brian Vogt, Master; Matt Boss, Senior Steward; Harry Schippers, PM; and Tim Nedzweckas, Junior Steward. Back row: Joe Garbacky, PM; Bill Hahnfeldt, PM; Dwayne Van Wie, PM; and Todd Gorsuch, Senior Deacon.

Submitted by Bro Mike Wood, Secretary



## Wautoma Lodge No. 148

The 2012 officers for Wautoma Lodge No.148 were installed on December 17, with the ceremonies beginning at 3:00 p.m. Bro. John S. Jenks was installed as Master. Bro. Richard Reilly, P.M. was Installing Master; Bro. Kevin Reilly was Installing Marshall; Bro. Neil Starke was Installing Chaplain; and Mary Lou Reilly, O.E.S. was Installing Organist. The flag was presented by Oshkosh Commandery #11 K.T. Front row (from left): Jim Szydel, Tiler; Bill Moll, Senior Deacon; Jon Barthel, Past Master; John Jenks, Master; Harry Krajcik, Senior Steward pro tem; Don Gold, Junior Deacon; Back rows: Tom Williamson, Chaplain; David Leistra, Senior Warden; Kevin Reilly, Installing Marshall; Bob Larsen, Secretary; John Kind, Junior Warden; Richard Reilly, Counselor; Clyde Holmes, Treasurer; and Keith Wohlfert, Junior Steward.

Submitted by Bro. John Jenks, Master



## Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301

On December 10, Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301 had a public ceremony for the installation of its officers for the 2012 Masonic year. Past Master Patrick D. Cholka was Installing Master and Past Master Khristian E. Kay was Installing Marshall. First row (from left): Walter Wooley, Junior Steward; Past Master John F. Wackman III, Master; Past Master Bryan Johnson, Tiler; and Lee Wackman, Chaplain. Second row: Rodney Van Tassel, Junior Warden; Arthur Karos, Junior Deacon; Steven Holmblad, Senior Warden; and Dale Van Dyke, Senior Steward. Back row: Richard Fisher, Senior Deacon; and Past Master Jack L. Jones, Secretary/Treasurer.

Submitted by Bro. Khristian Kay, Past Master

# Lodges Install Officers for 2012



## Keystone Lodge No. 263

Officers of Keystone Lodge No. 263, Hayward, were installed on Dec. 8. Front row (from left): Steven Hale, Tiler; Jason Berkner, Junior Deacon; Kevin Fischer, Senior Warden; Ryan Hoag, Master; District 1 Deputy Travis Hand, Installing Marshal; and David Acheson, Junior Warden. Back row: Past Master Al Heinkel, Trustee; Dale Baker, Senior Deacon; Dennis Zajac, Chaplain; John Sigafus, Secretary; Past Master Kingman D. Loomis, Installing Master.

Submitted by Bro. Kevin Fischer, Senior Warden



## Cassia Lodge No. 167

Cassia Lodge No. 167, Plymouth, held its installation of officers on Dec. 19. Front row (from left): Don Krauss, Organist; Tod Hellmann Master; Ken Hellmann, Installing Master and Junior Deacon; Dave Elmer, Senior Warden; and Norbert Meyer, Chaplain. Back row: Joe Morgan, Senior Deacon; Tom Vanderkin, Treasurer; Aubrey Heape, Junior Warden; Robert Krucky, Tiler; and Mike Meyer, Senior Steward.

Submitted by Bro. Ken Hellman, Junior Deacon



## Tomah Lodge No. 132

Past Grand Master John Wilke installed the officers of Tomah Lodge No. 132 on December 8 assisted by Bro. Tom Tourville as Installing Marshal. Front row (from left): Harry Smith, Counselor; Don Roscovious, Master; Past Grand Master John Wilke; Scott Hurd, Senior Steward; Johnston Bell, Secretary/Treasurer; and Mark Charbonneau, Junior Deacon; Back row: Senior Grand Deacon Frank Struble; Thomas Johnson, Junior Steward; Tom Tourville; Dean Baumgarten, Senior Deacon; Jesse Long, Trustee; Chas Calhoon Trustee; Ken Kuhn, Tiler; and James Arena Chaplain.

Submitted by Bro Ken Kuhn, Tiler



## Northwestern Lodge No. 105

The officers installed to lead Northwestern Lodge No. 105, Prescott, in 2012, assembled for a photo on January 4. Front row (from left): District 2 Deputy Gary Stang, Installing Marshal; Dave Finley, Secretary/Treasurer; Dan Finley, Senior Warden; Mike Elliott, Master; Jim Shortreed, Junior Warden; Steve Schwartz, Chaplain; and Junior Grand Warden William Beetcher, Installing Officer. Back row: Jamie Peterson, Senior Deacon; Jack Ewing, Junior Deacon; and Gary Melstrom, Tiler.

Photo by Janine Elliott



## George B. Wheeler Lodge No. 351

Officers of George B. Wheeler Lodge No. 351 were installed Dec. 14, in Eau Claire. From left: District 2 Deputy Gary Stang; Jerry Spies, Secretary/Treasurer; Scott Thomson, Master; Kevin LeQue, Senior Deacon; Mark Hink, Trustee; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Josh Sudbrink, Junior Deacon; Steve O'Rourke, Tiler; and John Berthold, Junior Warden.

Submitted by Bro. Milt Helmer



## Oconto Falls Lodge No. 293

Officers of Oconto Falls Lodge No. 293 were recently installed. Front row (from left): Leland Nicholas, Stewart and Counselor; Jason Richardson, Treasurer; Jon Bornemann, Senior Warden; Zachary Jensen, Master; Christopher Young, Junior Warden; Ralph Papesch, Chaplain; and James VanDeHey Jr., Trustee. Second row: Mike Angus, Senior Deacon; Nicholas Pichette, Junior Deacon; Terry Richardson, Secretary; Mike Werner, Tiler; George Thomsen, Junior Steward; and Tom Shallow, Senior Steward.

Submitted by Bro. Terry Richardson, Secretary

## Plans for 3rd Annual "Walk for a Cure" are Underway

Rhineland Lodge No. 242 is beginning plans for the 3rd Annual "Walk for a Cure" on Saturday, May 19, 2012. The event is a 60 mile walk from the Rhineland Masonic Lodge to the Wausau Masonic Lodge and is open to anyone. The walk begins at 4 p.m. All proceeds will be donated to the Relay for Life in support of the fight against Cancer.

No matter who you are, there's a place for you at "Walk for a Cure". Each dollar you raise will help save lives. "Walk for a Cure" is open to anyone who wishes to take part. You can walk 1 mile, 5 miles, 20 miles, or the full 60 miles, whatever works best for you. This is not a contest, or a race, it is a family fun event open to all skill levels.

This is your opportunity to not only honor cancer survivors and remember people we have lost, but also to raise funds and awareness to help save lives. Your support can help create a world where cancer can't claim another year of anyone's life. You are helping create a world with less cancer and more birthdays!

To date, the "Walk for a Cure" has raised more than \$9,000 towards the fight against Cancer. Won't you join us in the fight?

For more information, sign-up, or make a donation, visit [www.rhineland-lodge242.org](http://www.rhineland-lodge242.org) and click on the "Walk for a Cure" link or contact Dave Imlah at 715-892-2392 or Mike England 715-966-6894.

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### Bro. Karos receives "Mason of the Year"

Bro. Arthur Karos (right), Junior Deacon, receives the "Mason of the Year" award from John F. Wackman III, Master of Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301. This award is presented annually to a Brother Mason who epitomizes the highest standard of friendship, fellowship, service to the Craft and Brotherly Love. The Brother receiving this award has demonstrated a willingness to serve, not only his individual Lodge, but Masonry in general through his conduct and actions. His dedication and service to his Lodge, and the fraternity in general, should stand as an example of conduct to be emulated by his Lodge Brothers. This Brother stands out among his peers at almost every level in life, and thus is truly deserving of these accolades which we have chosen to bestow upon him. It goes without saying that the "Mason of the Year" award is one of the highest honors any Mason, in any Lodge, can ever receive. Congratulations Bro. Arthur Karos, from all of us at Henry L. Palmer Lodge.

Submitted by Bro. Khristian Kay, Past Master

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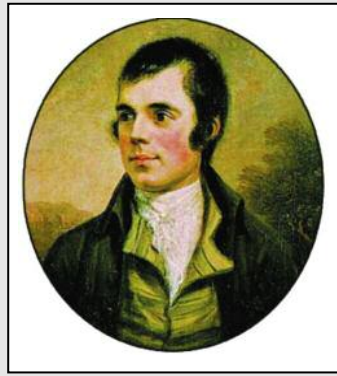
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# Robert Burns Table Lodge



Senior Grand Deacon Don Hensiak recites the "Address to a Haggis" by Bro. Robert Burns.



**Robert Burns**  
1759-1796

Brethren from the south eastern part of the state enjoyed an evening of fellowship and good food; and learned a few lessons in Masonic history at the annual Robert Burns Table Lodge on January 19 at the Lake Masonic Center in Milwaukee.

Brethren were asked to keep Bro. Robert "McBob" Rubner in mind. He was a big part of the Robert Burns Table Lodge – he passed away last year just after the event.

Junior Grand Deacon Donald Hensiak, Past Master of Lake Lodge No. 189, emceed the 10th annual Robert Burns Table Lodge.

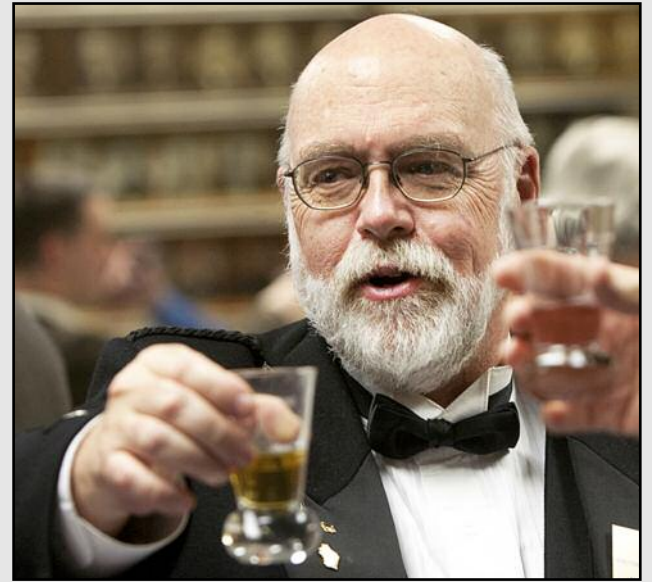
The menu consisted of a fine roast "beast" dinner topped off with the Scottish delicacy Haggis, perfected and prepared by Bro. Hensiak.

A Haggis is a very old Scottish dish, which combines meats, spices and oatmeal to create a very rich, unusual, but delicious feast.

The Haggis was served with its traditional fanfare including the "Address to a Haggis" written by famed Scottish Poet and Masonic Bro. Robert Burns.

Bro. Robert Burns lived from 1759-1796 and was a song writer and poet, often regarded as the national poet of Scotland.

One of his well know songs is "Auld Lange Syne".



Bro. Andy Willett, Southern Lakes Lodge, joins in a toast.



The Haggis is piped into the dining room by Bro. Shawn Athy, followed by Bro. Austin Chisholm carrying the crossed bottles of Scotch.

Photos and story by Rich Rygh



Senior Warden Brad Bingheim carries the honored Haggis as it is piped through the dining room.



Brethren go through the buffet line taking sizable portions of the Haggis in the foreground.



Everyone had a great evening of good food and fellowship.

# Ozaukee's "Master's Feast"



Brethren, families and friends enjoy the feast, refreshment and fellowship.



Bro. David Tainter, planner, chef, greeter and emcee, provided an unforgettable evening of family fun for all in attendance.



Baker Metz poses for a photo by his mom, Bethel, as dad, Michael Metz looks on. His sister Olivia, helped serve the feast, she is member of Job's Daughters Bethel #60 .

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story on  
page 9

Photos by Rich Rygh



John Baron puts on a sword show for his father Bro. Scott Baron (lower right), Master of West Bend Lodge No. 138.



Little Emma Brath enjoys the evening with her father Bro. Shane Brath of Doric Lodge No. 356.



Juggler Pinkerton provides entertainment throughout the evening.



Jobies and DeMolays served the food and refreshment. They pause for a group photo.



## District 2 Traveling Gavel on the move

The Traveling Gavel in District 2 was recently delivered to Chippewa Falls Lodge No. 176 by the Brethren from Sanctuary Lodge No. 347, Eau Claire. However, Brethren from Eau Claire Lodge No. 112 were also in attendance to capture the gavel. In the lower photo Sanctuary No. 347 delivers the gavel to Chippewa Falls Lodge. From left: Don Olds; Greg O'Reilly, Master; Tom Stevens, Master of Chippewa Falls; Steve Lasure; Lane Schroeder; Dan Walters; and Richard Mitchell. In the upper photo Eau Claire Lodge claims the gavel from Chippewa Falls Lodge. Front row: Dustin Larson, Jon Shimoda, Master; Tom Stevens, Duane Badman and Dave Balow. Back row: Josh Eddy, Ralph Glenz, David Vogel, Les Paulson and Jim Fenno.

Submitted by Bro. Tom Stevens, Master



## “Cheesehead Hat” Presented to Bro. Knight



**Bro. Steve Knight**

Past Master Clint Cagle brought a big smile to the face of Bro. Steve Knight, Master of Union Grove Lodge, when he presented him with a “Cheesehead Hat” at their installation of officers on Dec. 17.

Submitted by Bro. Skip Kovach,  
Secretary/Treasurer

## Promote your Lodge Events

Send information on your upcoming Lodge events to *The Wisconsin Masonic Journal* to be included in the calendar. Send them by the 15th of the month previous to the event.

Email [wmmjeditor@wisc-freemasonry.org](mailto:wmmjeditor@wisc-freemasonry.org) or mail to Wisconsin Masonic Journal, Rich Rygh, Editor, 5823 Madsen Circle, Oregon, WI 53575.

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## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner



*Flip, Flip, Hooray!*

*Flip, Flip, Hooray!*

*Flip, Flip, Hooray!*

February 21st 5:00 - 8:00pm

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## Traveling Gavel

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Dark July & August

## Antigo

**Antigo Lodge No. 231**  
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Dark July & August

## Appleton

**Waverly Lodge No. 51**  
315 S. Bluemound Dr. • 920-738-9220  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
www.waverly51.org • Meets All Year

## Argyle

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104 E. Milwaukee St. • 608-523-4717  
Meet 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

## Ashland

**Ancient Landmark No. 210**  
220 Sixth Ave. West • 715-682-2909  
1st Wed., 7 p.m., Dark Jan. & Feb.  
ancientlandmarklodge210@gmail.com

## Baldwin

**Collins-Spring Valley Lodge 192**  
790 Main St. • 715-928-0001 (Sec)  
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Dark June, July & August

## Baraboo

**Baraboo Lodge No. 34**  
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7 p.m. Dark Jan., Feb. & March

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Meet 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

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29 N. 2nd Street • 715-747-6965 (Sec)  
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Meets All Year

## Beaver Dam

**Dodge County Lodge No. 72**  
Best Western Campus Inn, 815 Park  
Ave. • 920-885-2628 • Meet 3rd  
Monday 7 p.m., Dark June-Aug.

## Beloit

**Morning Star Lodge No. 10**  
229 W. Grand Ave. • 608-362-6073  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
1st Wed. only in July & August

## Berlin

**Berlin Lodge No. 38**  
124 E. Huron St. • 920-361-9774 (Sec)  
Meets 7 p.m. 2nd & 4th Thurs. Jan.-Oct., and  
at 7 p.m. 2nd Thursday only, Nov. & Dec.  
Dark July & August

## Black Earth

**Crescent Valley Lodge No. 97**  
1020 Mills St. • 608-795-4484 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

## Black River Falls

**Black River Lodge No. 74**  
314 Main Street • 715-284-5667  
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Dark July & August

## Bloomer

**Bloomer Lodge No. 281**  
2122 16th Ave. • 715-568-5152  
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Dark January & February

## Bristol

**Washburn Lodge No. 145**  
8102 - 199th Ave.  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
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## Brodhead

**Bicknell Lodge No. 94**  
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Dark July & August

## Brookfield

**Elmbrook Lodge No. 354**  
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Dark July and August

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Dark July & August

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**Social Lodge No. 245**  
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Dark July, August

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2943 (Sec) • 1st & 3rd Tues., 10 a.m.  
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## Cedarburg

**Victory Lodge No. 320**  
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p.m. • Dark July & August

## Chetek

**Chetek Lodge No. 277**  
216 Morrison St. • 715-924-4245 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August

## Chippewa Falls

**Chippewa Falls Lodge No. 176**  
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Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

## Clear Lake

**Clear Lake Lodge No. 230**  
411 Third Ave. • 715-263-3101  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August

## Clintonville

**Clintonville Lodge No. 197**  
N4435 Hwy D • 715-754-5250  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark January, February & March

## Columbus

**Columbus Lodge No. 75**  
318 N. Ludington St. • 920-623-3524  
(Sec) • Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m.  
Dark June-August

## Crandon

**Crandon Lodge No. 287**  
118 S. Lake Ave. • 715-473-2741 (Sec)  
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## Crivitz

**Tri-County Daylite Lodge No. 218**  
918 Louisa St. • Sec. 715-854-2111  
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## Darlington

**Evening Star Lodge No. 64**  
433 Wells St. • 608-776-4213 (Sec)  
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Meets All Year

## Delavan

**Southern Lakes Lodge No. 12**  
1007 S. 2nd St., 7 p.m. • 262-728-6556  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mon. Jan.-June & Sept.-  
Nov., 4th Mon. July-Aug. 1st Mon. Dec.

## Dodgeville

**Dodgeville Lodge No. 119**  
200 W. Chapel St. • 608-574-9075  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Meets All Year

## Dousman

**Dousman Lodge No. 315**  
214 N. Main St. • 414-429-5981  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
3rd Tuesday only July & August

## Dousman

**Glen L. Humphrey Lodge No. 364**  
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Meet 2nd Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.  
Dark June

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Dark July & August

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Meets All Year

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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

## Green Bay

**N.E.W. Daylite Lodge No. 360**  
535 N. Taylor St. • 920-499-7265  
Meet 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m.  
Dark July & August

## Green Bay

**Theodore Roosevelt Lodge 322**  
525 N. Taylor St. • 920-490-9777  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.  
Dark July & Aug., www.roosevelt322.com

## Green Bay

**Washington Lodge No. 21**  
525 N. Taylor St. • 920-499-7265  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

## Greenfield

**Damascus Lodge No. 290**  
1235 E. Howard Ave • 262-853-5631  
Meet 2nd Tues., Spec. 4th Tues. 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

## Hartford

**Hartford Lodge No. 120**  
147 N. Rural St. • 262-670-4982  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August

## 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.  
Meets All Year

## Jefferson

**Jefferson County Lodge No. 9**  
617 Masonic Blvd. • 920-674-6715  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 p.m.  
Meets All Year

## 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 3rd Thurs., 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. • 608-782-1616  
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. Lake Shore Dr. • 262-949-8523  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 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**  
227 S. Oak St. • 608-583-4303 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 8 p.m.  
Meets All Year

## Madison

**Benjamin Franklin Lodge No. 83**  
Visitors call ahead 608-438-1648  
Weds., stated 2nd, guest/brother meet 4th.  
www.franklin83.org • Dark July & August

## 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. • 608-831-8946  
Meets 1st Mon. - 2nd Mon. if 1st is  
holiday wknd., 10 a.m. Meets All Year

## Madison

**Hiram Lodge No. 50**  
310 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-209-4312  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark 1st Mondays, July thru September

## Madison

**Madison Lodge No. 5**  
301 Wisconsin Ave. • 262-903-3770  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark 1st Thursday July & August

## Manawa

**Manawa Lodge No. 82**  
520 N. Bridge St. • 920-596-0937  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mon., Dinner 6 p.m.,  
meeting 7 p.m., Dark 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. • 71



### Installing Officers at Milwaukee-Harmony

Bro Lowell Scott, Installing Master, and District 12 Deputy Robert Strader, Installing Marshal, enjoy the fellowship at the installation of officers of Milwaukee-Harmony Lodge No. 261 on Jan. 7.

Submitted by Bro. Lowell Scott, Secretary

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**Omro Lodge No. 168**  
160 E. Main Street • 920-685-2798  
Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m.  
Dark January, February & March

### Onalaska

**Onalaska Lodge No. 214**  
330 Main Street • 608-386-8230 (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 (Sec)  
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, 2nd Tues., July-  
Aug., 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.  
Meets All Year

### Potosi

**Warren Lodge No. 4**  
112 S. Main St. • 608-763-2221 (Sec)  
Meets 1st Thursday, 6:30 p.m. lunch,  
7:30 p.m. meeting. 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. • Meets All Year

### 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. • 608-415-2325  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark January & February

### Rhineland

**Rhineland Lodge No. 242**  
23 E. Davenport St. • 715-362-3080  
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 and 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**  
207 Bridge Ave. • 715-246-6258  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August

### Stevens Point

**Evergreen Lodge No. 93**  
2854 Church Street • 715-344-2447  
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, 6:30 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. • [www.lincolnlodge.org](http://www.lincolnlodge.org)  
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2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m. Meets All Year

### 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. • 262-878-1494  
Meet 3rd 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](http://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 • 715-258-6198  
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. - last Monday of Dec.

### Wauwatosa

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

### Wauwatosa

**Wisconsin Lodge No. 13**  
4315 N. 92nd St. • 262-939-2985 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark June & July

### 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 2nd & 4th 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 Thursdays, 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 Fox River Rd. • 224-627-6731 (Master)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
2nd Tuesday only 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](mailto:g2minime@aol.com)  
Meets 5th Saturdays, 1 p.m.



**Bro. Mike Elliott receives hat from wife Janine**

Bro. Mike Elliott, Master of Northwestern Lodge No. 105, Prescott, is presented his Master's Hat by his wife Janine during his installation. Junior Grand Warden William Beetcher (right) installed the officers on Jan. 4.

Submitted by Bro. Milt Helmer

**Breakfasts Begin at Hancock Lodge**



**Baraboo Bros. Ring Bell for Salvation Army**

Bros. Paul Erickson (left) and Aaron Kujak, Baraboo Lodge No. 34, ring the Salvation Army bell at Viking Express store in Baraboo. These Bros. stepped forward from the Lodge to assist the Salvation Army. Coordinator Pat McFee said the Salvation Army had a 40% reduction in Bell ringers this year.

Submitted by Bro Brian Rich, Master, photo by Bro. Phil Maas, P.M.



Hancock Lodge No. 229, Ellsworth, held their first pancake breakfast of the year on Jan. 15 at the Ellsworth Masonic Center. Top photo: Jody Woodington with breakfast organizer Past Master Dennis Donath as Bro. John O'Keefe looks on. At left: One of the regulars at the Hancock Lodge Pancake Breakfasts is Eastern Star Member Bea Steltzner of Ellsworth, she is with her son-in-law, Joel Cruz of Prescott.

Photos by Bro. Milt Helmer

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Robert Ross, P.M. passed away on October 5, 2005 while he was the Worshipful Master of Wisconsin Lodge No. 13. He left behind two young children; all proceeds will be donated to their education trust funds. Further individual donations may also be made and are greatly appreciated.

**R.S.V.P. must be received by March 30th.**

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Cheryl Martin clarifies which petitions are to be used for prospective members.



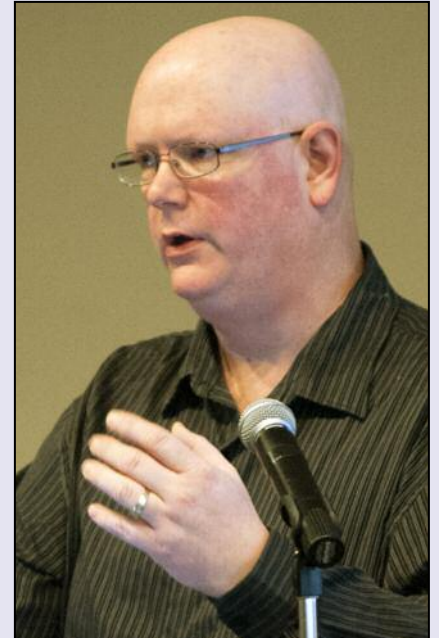
Past Grand Master James D. Cole of the Grand Lodge of Virginia speaks on tax issues for lodges and I.R.S. requirements.



Erika Miller gives information on the AED and CPR Anytime programs.



Grand Orator Keith D. Chamberlain, PGM, reviews the Lodge Excellence Award requirements.



Area Administrator Pat Cholka presents user tips for MORI.



Bro. John Winters, Secretary of Bicknell Lodge No. 94, Brodhead, catches up on some email.

# Secretary Seminar 2012

See story on page one.

Photos by Rich Rygh



Bro. Jesse Furrer answers questions on insurance coverage.



Over 100 lodges were represented at the seminar, another is planned for January 2013.