



## Wisconsin Masonic Calendar

### JANUARY

- 3 George Washington 1776 Lodge No. 337 Open Installation of Officers, dinner at 6:00 p.m., 517 E. Beaumont Ave., Whitefish Bay.
- 3 Northwestern Lodge No. 105, Prescott, Installation of Officers, 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at County Point Restaurant.
- 5 Wisconsin Lodge No. 13 Installation of Officers (closed), 7:30 p.m., Northwest Masonic Center, 4315 N. 92nd St., Wauwatosa.
- 5 North Star Lodge No. 187, Star Prairie, Installation of Officers, 7:00 p.m., oyster stew and sandwiches following.
- 7 Oconomowoc-Hartland No. 42 Installation of Officers, 7:30 p.m.
- 7 St. Croix Lodge No. 56, Hudson, Open Installation of Officers, 4:00 p.m., potluck dinner to follow.
- 7 South Shore Lodge No. 3 Open Installation of Officers, 2:00 p.m., 790 N. Van Buren St, Milwaukee. Meal following.
- 7 Milwaukee-Harmony Lodge No. 261 Open Installation of Officers, 5:30 p.m., Northwest Masonic Center, 4315 N. 92nd St., Wauwatosa. Dinner afterward at Aliota's on Mayfair Road. Reservations requested, Bro. Lowell Scott, Secretary, (414) 961-1133 email pastmaster261@gmail.com.
- 9 Wauwatosa No. 267 Open Installation, Dinner at 6:00 p.m., 7515 W. National Ave., West Allis.
- 9 Buffalo River Lodge No. 252, Mondovi, Open Installation Officers, 7:30 p.m., lunch following.
- 10 Aurora Lodge No. 30 Open Installation of Officers 7:30 p.m. 517 E. Beaumont Ave., refreshments following. Contact Bro. Josef Pronnet at 262-790-9989.
- 10 New Richmond Lodge No. 195 Installation of Officers, 7:00 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m.
- 13 Grand Master's Florida Tour, Forest Country Club, 6100 Club Blvd. S. W., Fort Myers, Florida. See story on page 6.
- 14 Grand Master's Florida Tour, Deer Creek RV Golf Resort, 42749 Hwy. 27, Davenport, Florida. See story on page 6.
- 19 Lake Lodge No. 189, 10th Annual Robert Burns Table Lodge, Lake Masonic Center, 1235 E. Howard Ave., Milwaukee. For reservations please send a check in the amount of \$25 per person to: Junior Grand Deacon Don Hensiak, S74 W20710 Field Drive, Muskego, WI 53150. For more information email dhensiak@prodigy.net or call 262-682-4390. See story on page 7.
- 21-22 Statewide Secretaries Seminar in Madison, at the Madison Masonic Center. See story on page 14.
- 21 Ozaukee Lodge's sixth annual "Master's Feast", gather at 5:00 p.m., banquet at 6:00 p.m. Port Washington Masonic Center. See story on page 2.
- 21 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.
- 28 Wisconsin Scottish Rite Foundation's 5th Annual Wild Game Dinner, doors open at 4:00 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m. Open to all Sportsmen and Women. Buffet dinner, drawing, live and silent auctions, birds of prey demonstration, chainsaw wood carver Steve Higgins, games of skill and raffles. \$40 per individual, \$50 at the door. Sponsor's Table -- \$900 gets you a reserved table of eight individual tickets and a

significant gift valued at nearly \$500.00. For tickets contact Don at 414-258-8600. Get tickets by Jan. 15 to be eligible for Early Bird Prize Drawing. Humphrey Masonic Scottish Rite Center, 790 Van Buren St., Milwaukee. See flyer on page 17.

### FEBRUARY

- 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.

### MARCH

- 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.

### JUNE

- 1-2 168th Annual Communication, Madison Masonic Center.



Bro. David Hoffman, Master of River Falls Lodge No. 109, takes his oath of office on Dec. 20.

Photo by Bro. Milt Helmer

# THE WISCONSIN Masonic Journal

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## Dodgeville Masonic Center to Become Historical Museum



The Dodgeville Masonic Center was finished in 1928, it is the largest in southwest Wisconsin. The Brethren of the Lodge are now in the process of refurbishing it into a museum of Masonic history to benefit the Masons throughout Wisconsin and provide a safe depository for Masonic artifacts and documents.

Photo by Rich Rygh

### By Rich Rygh

Dodgeville Lodge No. 119 is in the process of refurbishing the Dodgeville Masonic center and making it into a historical museum. It is the intention of the Lodge to prepare the building with display cases, fixtures, book-

cases, picture frames, shelves, proper lighting, study tables and chairs. WiFi will be available along with computers for research. It is hoped to also have some type of access to historical information at the Grand Lodge level allowing Masons and other

Masonic bodies to do research. Many Masonic artifacts and documents of historical significance are stored in closets and attics in peoples homes and Masons and relatives are looking for a safe See **Museum** on page 5.

## At 103, Bro. Donald Krauss Still Active in Cassia Lodge



Bro. Donald Krauss plays the organ for Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf (left) and Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.

Photo by Rich Rygh

### By Rich Rygh

Bro. Donald Krauss has been the organist for Cassia Lodge No. 167 for many years, he is not sure how many but it has been more than 70. At 103,

born Nov. 11, 1908, he still drives to lodge and plays the organ regularly. He was raised in Cassia Lodge in 1932. He and his wife Pat live in Elkhart Lake. Bro. Krauss started playing a

piano accordion when he was a young boy. He said he and his father Bro. Arthur S. Krauss, a member of Austin Lodge in See **Bro. Krauss** on page 14.

## The Grand Master's Message:

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

Brethren,

As the month of January approaches, I think that we should feel very fortunate for the great weather that our "supreme architect of the universe" has provided for us so far this year (no offense snowmobilers). It has made travel throughout the state a lot more enjoyable.

The month of December has been a particularly rewarding experience for me, as I have had the opportunity to travel to several Lodges that I have not been privileged to visit before. This also means that I had the pleasure to meet Brothers and Ladies that I never had the opportunity to meet before. I cannot explain the joy that I feel inside every time I get the chance to share a conversation or just to spend time with Masons and their ladies throughout the State of Wisconsin and other Jurisdictions. The friendships that we develop will last a lifetime. Again I must say that Masonry unites men and Ladies from every walk of life. I hope that everyone reflects on the blessings of friendship and the people they have met through this great fraternity of ours.

This leads me to one of the greatest rewards of being your Grand Master. On December 22, our Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Michael A. DeWolf, our Masonic Journal Editor Rich Rygh and myself had the opportunity to travel to Plymouth and present a plaque to a distinguished Brother Mason for his long and dedicated service to the Fraternity. Brother Donald Krauss celebrated his 103rd birthday on November 11, 2011 and celebrated 79 years in our Masonic Fraternity on December 19, 2011. He has a long list of accomplishments to his resume. I know I enjoyed the stories he shared with us and he even played a few tunes on the organ for us before he had to leave for his next engagement for the day. He and his Lady were a joy to spend time with. Thank you for taking time out of your schedule to spend some time and share some history with us.

My wife Tammi and I had the pleasure to travel to Unity Lodge in Kenosha on December 3 to attend a benefit for one of my Officers, WB District Deputy Wayne Budwick who has recently lost his wife after a long battle with cancer. Bro. Wayne also suffered a heart attack just after her passing. The members of Unity Lodge and the surrounding area are to be commended on rising up and practicing the tenant of Relief for a Worthy Brother. Their compassion and willingness to help out when needed should be an inspiration and lesson for all of us. If we all practiced this simple act of kindness in our communities, people would take notice of what Masonry has to offer.

The Month of December started out with a trip to the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center in Milwaukee. My thanks to our MSA representative Charles "Chuck" Wallens for his hard work and for putting together a wonderful tour and dinner for my wife Tammi and I. The new addition to the hospital will be opening soon and it is a state of the art facility. Whenever I visit the VA hospital it reminds me more and more of the sacrifices that our military personnel have made for not only our country, but for each and every one of us. They have provided a way of life for us that we should be truly thankful for. My hat is off to all of you.

The Grand Lodge Officers have been very busy attending installations of officers throughout the state. We thank you for inviting us to your Lodges. I personally have installed 24 Lodges this month so far and have attended several others. The enthusiasm of the officers and Brothers is truly wonderful. I believe that Masonry is heading in the right direction. I would like to thank the lodges for their courtesies and understanding while trying to schedule all of these events. I know that with my work schedule and all the overtime it wasn't easy.

When we look ahead to next year, I would like to offer this thought. In the words of Andrew Y. McDonald "The customer is the boss". We have a great deal to offer to our communities, friends, neighbors, and families. We all know what the principles of Masonry are and the great moral lessons that we relay. Let's all go that extra step this year and make our world an even better place.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

Fraternally,  
Davey L. White Jr.



Davey L. White Jr.  
Grand Master

## On Our Cover

Masters for 2012 receive their oath of office from Grand Master Davey L. White Jr., during the joint installation of officers at the Darlington Masonic Center on December 20. From left: Stu Soper, Evening Star No. 64; Robert Lewis, Olive Branch No. 6; Marvin Engelke, Argyle No. 178; Scott Feldt, Smith No. 31; and Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley, Amicitia No. 25. See story on page 12.

Photo by Rich Rygh



## Warren Lodge donates \$4,000 to Potosi Rescue Squad

Warren Lodge No. 4, with matching funds from the Wisconsin Masonic Medical Foundation, donated \$4,000 to the Potosi Rescue Squad toward the purchase of two Stryker power assist cots for their ambulances. These cots will save injuries to rescue personnel caused from lifting patients. Front row (from left): Bro. Keith Turner, Master of Warren Lodge; Past Master Davey L. White Sr., Dan Yutzy; and Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. Back row: Sherry Yutzy; Bro. Shelly Schoville, Junior Warden; Bro. Roger Sedgwick, Secretary/Treasurer; Missy Kliebenstein and Tonya Leibfried.

Submitted by Carol Sedgwick

## Thoughts for the Journey

By Reverend David R. Ritchie, Grand Chaplain

They say that you are not really fluent in a language until you begin to dream in it. My sons, both Master Masons, kid me about the amount of "Mason Speak" that I use. "Mason Speak" is when words and phrases from our ritual and ceremonies creep into everyday situations. We will be in a non-Masonic situation speaking with non-masons when out comes that bit of ritual. It just seems the best phrase or right idea for the situation. Its not being used as an inside joke or even consciously. The ideas and phrases just become so ingrained that our minds simply adopt it and use it when necessary. It becomes a part of us. Most non-Masons will not recognize that it is there. The speaker unwittingly has gained the attention though of any Brother nearby.



Rev. David Ritchie  
Grand Chaplain

The language of our ritual is filled with the language of the Bible, both old and new testaments. If Masonry does not place any one religion ahead of another, where did this language come from? Why are there definite Christian references in our work? Although I cannot know the minds of our Brothers long past, I do not think it was done to promote Christianity above any other religion. It was done instead like we slip into Mason Speak unwittingly and without malice. It was so ingrained, such a part of them that it came out in their writings. Why was this facet of life so ingrained in these men of this time?

At the start of the 1600's the vast majority of people were illiterate, books were expensive and the agricultural lifestyle made reading an unnecessary luxury. With the industrial revolution literacy became more important. The upper and middle classes learned to read. Children were taught to read with books or tablets known as "primers." These contained common phrases that the children were familiar with such as the Golden Rule and Ten Commandments. The advanced reader was then given a Bible to study from and encouraged to memorize as much of it as possible. Once suitable proficiency had been achieved the student then moved on to works such as Bunyan's "Pilgrims Progress" or Dante's "Inferno".

"Pilgrims Progress", as well as other encouraged works dealt with biblical or religious themes. "Pilgrims Progress" starts with a character named Christian leaving his home, the City of Destruction, and traveling to the Celestial City (also referred to as, "that which is to come"). The Celestial City rests atop Mt. Zion. Works of secular fiction were considered harmful to young minds so religious works were all that was really available.

By the end of the 1600's even though people could read, books were expensive. In England and America the vast majority of homes contained only one book, the Bible and it stayed that way until the end of the 19th century. So imagine if you will, your work for the day is done. You have no phone, no television, no radio, no automobile, no internet, and only one book in the house. What do you do for entertainment. You read from the same book the same stories that were read to you as a child and you are now reading to your children. The stories and the language becoming more and more ingrained with each reading.

Today words and phrases come into fashion and change meaning with the speed of the airwaves and internet. When our gentle craft was being formed the men who formed it may not have spoken the same language but they thought in the same language, a language which had been around for centuries, that of the Bible. When they wanted beautiful words or powerful words for our ritual they turned to were they had heard them before. When they wanted to express ideas so that all men could understand them they turned to a source all learned men of their time and culture understood. It was the same language they heard in their government, their churches, their businesses, and most every aspect of their lives.

They simply thought what they had been taught. They did not see the diversity of today, so in trying to reach all men in a language and pattern of thought everyone could understand they put in things that were Christian. Not because it was Christian, but because it was common.

Our ritual and ceremonies are beautiful and have such meaning and power. Shaped by so many men whose names have been lost to time, but whose ideas and words live on, shaping men today. Lessons from the heart written in a language of brotherly love.

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## Ozaukee Lodge's "Master's Feast"

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

Come and enjoy an evening of fellowship among Brothers, wives and friends along with a meal fit for a King and musical entertainment by "Some Highlanders" from Mequon.

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

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

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

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

# Ask Hiram?

askhiram@wisc-freemasonry.org

**Question:** Can a Past Master, at the request of the W.M. wear the apron of the office he is substituting for and that he has not been installed?

Bro. Pro Tem

**Answer:** Before I answer, I would like to clarify your question. The Master of the lodge could not be present at the degree, and he requested that a Past Master take the position of Master for the degree. In taking the office to perform the degree, you would like to know if being a Past Master, it would be appropriate to wear the apron and jewel of that office during the degree.

The aprons and jewels of a Masonic office are presented to the elected or appointed brothers during installation. These two artifacts identify him as the officer of that position and should never be worn by any Brother or Past Master who is not installed to that position for the current year. The apron and jewel are the officer's identification as the guy to go to for that particular office. Remember that the workmen were known and distinguished by the manner in which they wore their apron. In this case, an officer of the lodge is known by wearing the apron and jewel of that office. Let's take this one step further. If the Master of the Lodge was present at the degree, but could not do the required work, it would not be appropriate for him to relinquish his jewel and apron. No matter the reason, he is Master of the Lodge for that year and no other Brother should wear the jewel and apron of that office whether the installed officer is present or not.

If there is no officer installed in a position, and different Brothers pro tem that position for the year, the apron and jewel of that office remain in storage and are not worn. The office is vacant, and there is no one to wear the identifying clothing.

If a Past Master sits in for the actual officer, he should wear his Past Master's apron.

**Do you have a question about Freemasonry, such as the code, ritual, Grand Lodge Office, etc.? Then you need to ask Hiram.**

Please send your questions to askhiram@wisc-freemasonry.org or mail your question to the Grand Lodge Office, c/o Ask Hiram, 36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI 53118, and Bro. Hiram will receive them.

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## 50 Years of Masonic Service Becomes a Family Tradition



Bro. David Hess holding his 50 Year Certificate and a picture of his Father installing a young DeMolay Officer.

By Bro. Thomas Walton  
Newshawk

It seems as though every Lodge has that special Bro. who now is just a little slower of foot and just a little more tired than he used to be. Bro. David Hess of Janesville Western Star No. 55, kind of fits in that category, kind of.

Bro. Don Jones, Master, presented Bro. Hess his 50 Year Certificate and Pin at a Janesville Western Star Lodge meeting on December 12.

He was raised in Western Star Lodge No. 14 on July 6, 1961. Bro. Norm Burns mentioned that it is not often that a Bro. and his father both received 50 year pins. His father, Bro. Benjamin Hess was raised in Western Star Lodge No. 14 in 1926 and was a member for 52 years.

When I visited Bro. Dave I learned his Maternal Grandfather, Raymond Lee, was raised in Harmony-Whitfish Bay Lodge No. 142 in 1927. Bro. Lee enjoyed 57 years of fraternal service. As I reviewed his Masonic photo album we started talking more and he told me his Uncle, his dad's brother Frank, was raised in Iowa and was also a 50 year member.

They were all very active Masons within many Masonic Bodies. Bro. Hess told me that when he went through the chairs, the Master and he visited all the members of the Lodge. All of them! He said he learned so much history from these Bros., it was like a history class.

Bro. David Hess spent 23 years in the Navy and has visited Masonic Lodges throughout the United States and the world including Freemantle, Australia; Kingston, Jamaica (all servicemen participating); Rosa, Spain; and Paris, France.

Our senior Bros. are a treasury of knowledge, wisdom and history. We owe it to ourselves and our lodges to talk to these Bros. Find out what it was like back in their day and set our sights to move forward with the same enthusiasm they had. Times are very different, but the bonds of Brotherly Love should always remain. We have much to learn from this great generation and I am sure they are willing to share.

Western Star No. 14 and Janesville No. 55 merged in 1994. Our members are quite proud of Bro. Hess and his family heritage.

## Entries Due February 29 for Degree Competition

Deadline for entries 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.

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.

Attend and Support Your Lodge!

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

All lodge Secretaries have received entry forms by mail.

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

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

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

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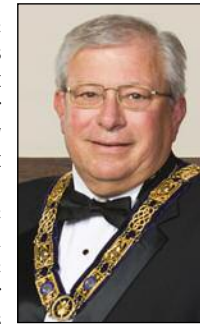
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## NOTES FROM THE GRAND LECTURER

By Brother Kenneth C. Gorgen

My Brothers,

Best wishes to all for a blessed and prosperous New Year. I am going to start out the New Year by discussing a very important part of the lodge room, the outer and inner doors and the tiling of these two objects. The tiling of the doors is another one of those areas that is given little thought, and usually, by necessity, guarded by a member of the lodge who is not aware of how to perform the duties of the Tiler. Tiling the doors is a very important duty, and the Brother, who must be a Master Mason, appointed or not, should make every effort to understand his duties and be present at every meeting.



Kenneth C. Gorgen  
Grand Lecturer

The Tiler is the communication link from the world outside the lodge room to the Master and members within the lodge room. Normally, the interruption during a meeting is a member wanting access to lodge after the meeting has started. These instances are very accurately covered in the ritual and cipher, but what about those times when the interruption is unusual. As an example, what should the Tiler do if an important message needs to be delivered to someone in the lodge while a degree is in progress? According to the cipher, the meeting should not be interrupted at this time. What action should be taken?

The purpose of the outer door is to admit members, visitors, and guests, and it is the only door by which they should retire. The outer door is guarded or tiled on the outside of the lodge room by the Tiler and on the inside of the lodge room by the Junior Deacon. It is important to understand that the Junior Deacon is the only officer allowed to open or close the outer door. If the Tiler decides to open or close the door, the action is not only incorrect, but also discourteous to the members sitting in the lodge room. Lodge members must feel at ease within the confines of a tiled lodge room. We can learn from the words of Brother Austin Harris, "As with all lodge activity we seek a high place, a valley, or a room where we can avoid cowans who seek our input, and be safe from the eavesdroppers so ready to kibitz and condemn". Now alone and relaxed we can imagine the next question, "What do you come here to do?"

We can only feel comfortable in this privacy when the doors of the lodge are closed. Therefore, the hard and fast rule for the Tiler is to not touch the outer door except to knock and alarm the Junior Deacon that something needs to be communicated to the Master or to notify the Junior Deacon that he is performing his duty, and he is never to hold the outer door open during a lodge meeting.

The Senior Deacon tiles the inner door from the inside of the lodge, and is the only officer to answer the inner door when an alarm is given. Only the Junior Deacon, Stewards, and candidates are allowed to pass through the inner door when lodge is open and in session. It is rude and discourteous to use the inner door for any other purpose except to admit a candidate for the degrees. The Senior and Junior Deacons are the only officers allowed to open or close the inner door while lodge is in session and during a degree. This door is also completely "hands off" for the Tiler, even for knocking.

The same rules for the inner door also apply during the second section of the Master Mason degree. Fellowcrafts or Ruffians should never use the inner door for entering or retiring from the Lodge room; the outer door is their only passageway.

A good rule for the Tiler; "Keep the Lodge room secure with the doors staying closed unless opened by the Junior Deacon. Also, a good rule for the Junior Deacon; "Never leave the outer door open unless giving or receiving information from the Tiler". In other words, communicate and close the door. Keeping these simple rules in mind, the lodge room will remain isolated from the outside.

There is something also important to remember about those communications at the outer door. Keep the information very simple and straightforward and do not complicate it with so much material that the Junior Warden needs to take notes. As an example, the message should not be confounded with several actions such as a Brother seeks admission, and there is a brown SUV in the parking lot with its lights on, and Brother Smith's wife called to pick up some milk on the way home. The Tiler needs to use good judgment in his communications and still get the messages delivered.

Oh yes, I never did answer the question above about what to do if an important message needs to be delivered to someone in the lodge while a degree is in progress, or how the Tiler should deliver the several messages mentioned above. I want you to figure this out for yourself. If you want, send me an email of your solution. I know what I would do, but discuss this with your officers and think about a good way to accomplish delivering these messages. Remember, the messages must be delivered, especially emergencies, but also remember the lodge in session should be isolated from the outside world.

This is also a great opportunity to plug the degree competition. It is March 31 and being held at the Madison Masonic Center. The deadline for entering is February 29, 2012. I hope to see you there.

As always, I wish you much success in your degree work. Be a ritual leader in your Lodge, and be a motivating force in the New Year for your Lodge and candidate. Mentor the candidates with fierce abandon; keep your lodge out of chaos when alarms happen at the outer door. Your lodge will be proud of your efforts and then we will all see more Light.

Feedback and questions are always welcome. Contact Grand Lecturer Ken Gorgen at [jkgorgen@att.net](mailto:jkgorgen@att.net) or 262-691-0859

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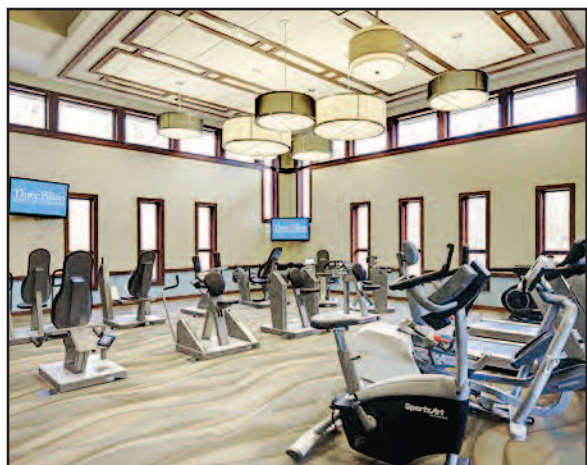
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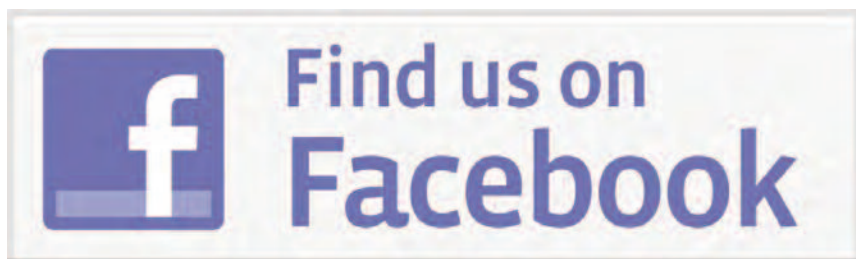
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the gains you have made in therapy by utilizing the Wellness Connection. As a community member, resident or staff member, your participation helps to maintain your strength, balance and mobility. Studies show that exercise and strength training help prevent falls and generally improve your health.

In only one year, the Wellness Connection has averaged **nearly 1,000 visits per month. That is quite an accomplishment!** Members have seen the benefits for themselves.



### MasonWoods

As the holidays come and go, we look back with fond reflections of the great gatherings that we are thankful to be part of at MasonWoods. The residents were invited to a "kick off to the holiday season" that was hosted by the staff as an appreciation to the people who make MasonWoods a great community. Entertainment, hors d'oeuvres and hot cider was enjoyed by all. The resident Christmas dinner followed a few weeks later with a special donation (a pot luck meal), of turkey, duck and capon. A sing-along of Christmas carols with a resident's daughter playing the piano and her husband leading the songs, ended the event. It was truly a festive time. As the new year abounds with expectations of peace, joy and good health, we wish you all the best for the new year from all of us at MasonWoods.



*Pictured is Midge and Dave Hallas enjoying the Christmas Dinner with their neighbors at MasonWoods.*

### Native American Drum Circle


Each month at the Masonic Center for Health & Rehab, we welcome Tim "Dancing Red Hawk" McIntosh, a Cherokee Spiritual Leader and a Consultant for Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care to lead our residents in a Native American Drum Circle. Native Americans and most of the indigenous peoples of the Earth have known for thousands of years that drumming is a powerful spiritual tool. Only in recent years, though, has the scientific basis come to light through numerous tests and experiments with drumming. There are many healing benefits to a drum circle. Some are deep, personal healings, some are physical healings, and some are for the community. Each month our residents actively join in with Tim on the pow-wow drum to play and sing ancient traditional songs, and allow the beat of the drum to bring healing to their body, mind, and spirit.



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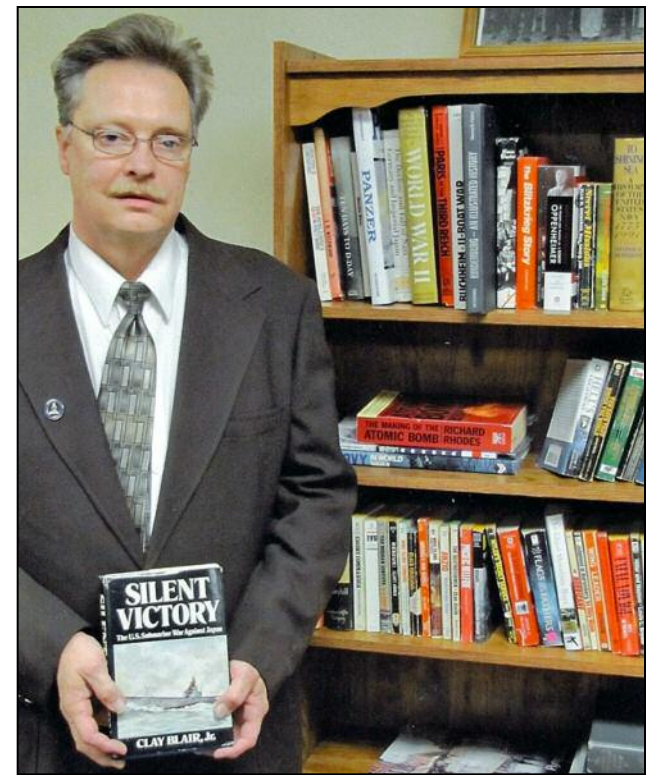
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**Tomah library on military history**

Junior Deacon Mark Charbonneau, Tomah Lodge No. 132, holds one of many books from the Lodge library that he established on Military history. He is seeking books and other media on the influence of Masonry in the Armed Services. He can be reached at 608-377-2374.

Submitted by Bro. Ken Kuhn

**Museum** from page 1.

place for these items so they will not be lost to future generations.

It is the wish of the Dodgeville Lodge to create and maintain the Masonic historical records of value which are available in southern Wisconsin and beyond. The Brethren know the value of preserving artifacts of the Masonic order and the museum will give Masons and their families a safe haven for those things they value and treasure.

All items received will be documented, logged in and photographed. Everything will be stored in a secured climate controlled environment and will be fully insured. Masonic code will be followed at every level. Those things that can be shared will be, and those of a sensitive nature will not. The intent is to maintain, preserve, learn and eventually teach what is learned.

The plan is to have traveling historical displays to be on loan to lodges for special occasions and have speakers available to speak on various historical topics.

The bylaws for the museum are being written at this time and outside input is welcome. A name has not yet been chosen.

The museum will be open during all Masonic and Order of Eastern Star meetings and special events. It will always be available by appointment to any Mason inside or outside Wisconsin.

Eventually when possible it will be open a day or two a month to the public for viewing and for any historian or related historical society searching for information. Schools and any organization interested in Masonic history will be welcome by appointment.

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

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

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

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

33837, 863-420-1839.

The tour will be in Arizona on Saturday, February 11 at Briarwood Country Club 20800 N. 135th Ave., Sun City West, Arizona. The coordinator is Bro. Paul "Yash" Handa, 18031 N. Conquistador, Sun City West, AZ 85375-5119, 623-680-9067.

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

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

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

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## Bro. Oscar Kraft Leaves \$160,728 to Wisconsin Masonic Charities

**By Bro. William Barnes**

Director of Development

Bro. Oscar Kraft was a Mason raised in 1947. He died in 2010 at age 96, but his generosity lives on.

Bro. Oscar started out at St. John's Military Academy at age 15. His first job was in the Foundry at Bucyrus Erie in South Milwaukee. He worked his way up to Plant manager, then into sales and engineering. In 1962 he started his own business making conveyor equipment for the Foundry industry. With his intelligence, inventiveness, and hard work, Bro. Oscar became a huge success.

He was a member of Glenn L. Humphrey Lodge No. 364 and lived at Three Pillars, Wisconsin Masonic Home for 16 years.

He loved his time at the Masonic Home with his only complaint that he did not get enough fruit! It did not go unheard, and the Development Office often came bearing fruit baskets.

Bro. Oscar's generosity began early and he had already made 30 gifts to the Wisconsin Masonic Charities before his death. But his real surprise was the 3 gifts from his Will and Trust.

He has provided \$80,364 for the Wisconsin Masonic Home Endowment Fund. Another gift of \$40,182 will provide scholarships for Three Pillars Employees to advance their skills. Finally he gave \$40,182 to the Wisconsin Masonic Medical Fund that will save lives with our AED matching

grant program, and CPR Anytime training.

Bro. Oscar has secured his Legacy of caring, by helping make the world better. He will be forever remembered.

Please consider establishing your Masonic Legacy by including the Wisconsin Masonic Home Endowment, or the Wisconsin Masonic Foundation Medical Fund in your Will or Trust.



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### Third Generation Master installed

Bro. Joseph E. Mitchell (right), a third generation Master, was installed as Master of Kegonsa Lodge No. 73, Stoughton, on Dec. 6. Bro. Mitchell, raised April 29, 2006, was installed by his uncle, Bro. Edward J. "Rusty" Mitchell (left), a Past Master of Shawano Lodge No. 170. His grandfather, the late Bro. Edward Charles Mitchell was Raised May 9, 1949 and served as Master of Clintonville Lodge No. 197 in 1974.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher

## Robert Burns Table Lodge January 19

Lake Lodge No. 189 is proud to announce its 10th Annual Robert Burns Table Lodge on Thursday, January 19, at Lake Masonic Center, 1235 E. Howard Avenue in Milwaukee.

The program will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 each.

The menu will consist of a fine Roast "Beast" Dinner. The Scottish delicacy Haggis will be prepared by Junior Grand Deacon Donald Hensiak. The Haggis will be served with its traditional fanfare including the "Address to a Haggis" written by

famed Scottish Poet and Masonic Brother Robert Burns.

Red and white wines will be served for the celebratory toasting. Commemorative Toasting Cannons imported from England will be available for purchase.

All Masons are invited to attend, EAs and FCs are welcome!

For reservations please send a check in the amount of \$25 per person to: Junior Grand Deacon Don Hensiak, S74 W20710 Field Drive, Muskego, WI 53150. For more information email dhensiak@prodigy.net or call 262-682-4390.



### Bro. Ullmann honored for 60 years

Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, recently presented Bro. Ralph Ullmann his certificate for 60 years of service on behalf of Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, Wauwatosa. Bro. Ullmann was raised in Wisconsin Lodge on Oct. 18, 1951.

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Bro. Leo Clark, Master of Camp Douglas Lodge, presents a \$650 check to Wyeville fourth grade students Brett Pierce and Emily Loveless, at left, and Cole Sharpe, right. In back row are Bro. Chuck Huffman, Warrens, chairman of the annual Sportsmen's Shoot event, Mary Beth Buswell, fourth grade teacher, and Wyeville Principal, Marlon Mee.

#### By Bro. Leo Clark

Camp Douglas Lodge 272 recently donated \$650 each to Camp Douglas, Oakdale, Warrens, Wyeville and Necedah Elementary Schools.

Bro. Leo Clark, Master, said the funds were raised from two annual fundraising events - a

Sportsman's Shoot in Warrens and the Hunters' Night in Camp Douglas.

The donations are intended to assist in the purchase of needed equipment or supplies.

In addition, two gun raffle winners, Bros. Claire Walker, and son, Stephen, both of Tomah,

donated their guns back. The proceeds, \$500 and \$550, respectively, were given to New Lisbon and Camp Douglas Elementary Schools.

The Lodge also provides \$500 scholarships annually to area high school graduates to attend college or technical school.



### Clintonville Lodge provide bikes for kids

Officers and members of Clintonville Lodge No. 170 presented bicycles to Caitlin Huber and Lahrissa Kirvan on Saturday, December 17. The bicycles were prizes in the Lodge sponsored Make a Bike Wish write-in contest. Safety helmets were provided with each new bike. The contest was open to all boys and girls 8 to 11 years of age. Past Master Rusty Mitchell, stated that bicycles are also donated to church youth groups during the year. He said, "Several bikes are also distributed at Christmas time by Good Fellows to boys and girls in needy families. Our joint venture has rapidly drawn community support and will be continued next year". Bro. Vernon Beall, program chairman, said, "This program is not only timely of the Christmas season, it also emphasizes Mason's pledge of charity to our neighbors and community". Front row (from left): Caitlin Huber and Lahrissa Kirvan. Back row: Treasurer Danford Jesse, P.M.; Junior Deacon Mark Zachow; Past Master Edward "Rusty" Mitchell; and Senior Warden Joseph Urban, P.M.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher, Past Master

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# Honored for years of service



## Clintonville and Shawano Bros. honored for years of service

Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert honored Bros. from Clintonville Lodge No. 197 and Shawano No. 170 for years of service at their Installation of Officers on Dec. 3, in Manawa. Bro. John Bergacker, Clintonville, was honored for 55 years. Bro. Bergacker was raised in Clintonville Lodge on June 25, 1956. Bro. Howard Unrath, Shawano, was awarded his 60 year certificate. Bro. Unrath was raised on Oct. 10, 1951 in Myron Reed Lodge No. 297, Brookfield. He has served as Tiler for both Shawano and Clintonville Lodges. Bro. Lloyd Cady, Shawano, was honored for 55 Years. Bro Cady was raised on Nov. 8, 1956 in Rhinelander Lodge No. 242. He has served Shawano as Master in 1979. Bro. John Hill, Shawano was honored for 55 years. Bro. Hill was raised on May 28, 1956 in Shawano Lodge. Pictured from row (from left): John Bergacker, Howard Unrath, and Lloyd Cady. Back row: District 4 Deputy Christian Hirthe, Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert and District 6 Deputy Travis Lehrer.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher



## Bro. Alfred Audetat honored for 60 years

Bro. Alfred Audetat receives his 60 Year Service Award from Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. Bro. Audetat was raised in Lancaster Lodge No. 20 on May 4, 1951. He affiliated with Warren Lodge No. 4 on Nov. 12, 1996. Bro. Keith Turner, Master of Warren Lodge, is on left.

Submitted by Carol Sedgwick



## Bro. Fran Wiser honored for 50 years

Bro. Fran Wiser, Jefferson Lodge No. 9, received his 50 year Certificate from Bros. Alan Brawders, Master (left) and Arnold Brawders (right). Bro. Wiser was raised on March 10, 1961 in Billings Lodge No. 139, Fort Atkinson. He served Billings Lodge as Master in 1966.

Submitted by Bro. Alan Brawders, Master



## Bro. Robert May is 55 year Mason

Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, recently presented Bro. Robert May his certificates for 50 and 55 years of service on behalf of Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, Wauwatosa. Bro. May was raised in South Shore Lodge No. 3, South Milwaukee on Nov. 26, 1956. He affiliated with Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, Wauwatosa, on May 15, 2003.

Submitted by Bro. Jason Braatz, Secretary/Treasurer



## Bro. Wilbur Gorman is 75 year Mason

A group of Past Master's from Wisconsin Lodge No.13, Milwaukee, recently presented Bro. Wilbur Gorman his 75 year certificate. Bro. Gorman was raised on April 30, 1936 and is an Honorary Past Master of the Lodge. He will be 103 years old in March and resides at the Three Pillars Senior Living Communities in Dousman. Standing behind Bro. Gorman: Bros. Carl Brylski, Jason Braatz, Jim Antonucci and Donald Hamilton.

Submitted by Bro. Jason Braatz, Secretary

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# News Events from the Lodges



## Clintonville Lodge extends charity

Bro. Thomas Lederer, President of the Clintonville Good Fellows Association, receives a Christmas donation from Bro. Edward "Rusty" Mitchell (left), Master of Clintonville Lodge No.197. Freemasonry is an association of like-minded men who believe that community is formed and strengthened by acts of kindness and charity wherever there is a need. This simple act of generosity has been repeated for many years and Clintonville Masons are always honored to be of service to their community.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher, Secretary



## Bro. Powers is Shawano 'Mason of the Year'

Bro. Anthony Powers (left) receives the Shawano Lodge No. 170 "Mason of the Year" award from Master Larry Sperberg. The Award is in the name of Bro. Ron Campbell, a former District 4 Lecturer. Bro. Powers received the award at the open installation of officers on Dec. 3., for the fundraising he has done for the Lodge.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher



## Reedsburg Lodge honors Secretary

Bro. Joe Williamson, Master of Reedsburg Lodge No. 79, presents Past Master Kenneth Walter II a commemorative gavel, honoring him for his 15 years as Secretary of the Lodge.

Submitted by Bro Doug Bentley, Sec./Treas.

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## McKinley Lodge honors Ladies

McKinley Lodge No. 307, Brookfield, held it's annual Ladies at The Table Dinner to honor the ladies in their lives on November 5. Sixty-five people attended the dinner which was a tribute to women in Wisconsin sports. Pictured (from left): Erin Mayrand, Counselor Ryan Mayrand, Senior Warden Todd Jaremko, and Master James Lovett.

Submitted by Bro. Mike Gorgen, Past Master



## Bro. Boettcher, sons and grandson make "Freedom Flight"

USAF Veteran Bro. Raymond Boettcher, Past Master of Tomah Lodge No. 132, was awarded the "Freedom Flight" to Washington D.C. on September 17. His two sons Bro. Terry and Garry, both USAF Veterans and his Grandson Trog and his wife Andy who is currently serving in the USAF accompanied him. From left: sons Garry, Terry, Bro. Raymond, grandson Trog Boettcher and wife Andy.

Submitted by Bro. Kenneth Kuhn, Past Master

## 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.

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## Reedsburg Lodge honors Bro. Williamson

The Masonic Service Award is presented to Bro. Joseph Williamson of Reedsburg Lodge No. 79, in recognition of his extensive, lengthy, and consistent service to the lodge and the fraternity. Bro. Williamson was raised in 1989, became a ritualist & proficiency man and served as a District Lecturer in addition to serving as Master several times. This year's Master, Douglas Bentley pays homage to his tenured Bro. by saying, "Joe is our rudder. His influence keeps the Lodge moving in the right direction. We are very lucky to have a man so dedicated to our fraternity." In front: Past Master Joseph Williamson receives the Masonic Service Medal from Doug Bentley, Master. In back (from left): last years recipients Past Masters Kenneth Walter II, Greg Georgeson, Ronald Rasmussen, Bill Gant, and Rodney Seamans serve as an "Honor Guard" for the presentation.

Submitted by Bro. Doug Bentley, Master

# Lodges Install Officers for 2012



## Shawano Lodge No. 170

Officers of Shawano Lodge No. 170 were installed by Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert at a joint installation at the Manawa Masonic Center on Dec. 3. District 6 Deputy Travis Lehrer served as Installing Marshal and Installing Chaplain was Rev. Charles Daily. Front row (from left): Anthony Powers, Steward; Rev. Charles Daily, Junior Warden; George Tincher, Treasurer; Larry Sperberg, Master; and Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert. Back row: Danford Jesse, Chaplain; Karl Simonson, Senior Steward; Timothy Jones, Senior Warden; and Robert Gartzke, Junior Deacon. A delicious dinner prepared by Bro. Chris Miloca, Manawa, followed.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher



## Clintonville Lodge No. 197

Officers of Clintonville Lodge No. 197 were installed by Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert at a joint installation at the Manawa Masonic Center on Dec. 3. District Deputy Travis Lehrer served as Installing Marshal and Installing Chaplain was Rev. Charles Daily. Front row (from left): Thomas Lederer, Vernon Beall, Trustee; and Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert. Back row: Danford Jesse, Treasurer; Kevin Palmer, Junior Warden; and Joe Urban, Senior Warden. A delicious dinner prepared by Bro. Chris Miloca, Manawa, followed.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher



## Kegonsa Lodge No. 73

Officers of Kegonsa Lodge No. 73, Stoughton, were installed on December 6. Front row (from left): Mike Hietke, Senior Warden; Edward "Rusty" Mitchell, Installing Master; Joseph E. Mitchell, Master; Area Administrator Dwight Redders Jr.; Robert Markham, Junior Warden; Donald Diers, Chaplain; and Frank Gardner, Tiler. Back row: Mike Nelson, opening Senior Warden; Mark Nelson, opening Junior Warden; Doug Gronli, Senior Deacon; Leroy Huber; W. David Olson, Secretary/Treasurer; and Stefan Streitferdt, Junior Deacon.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher



## Chippewa Falls Lodge No. 176

The Officers of Chippewa Falls Lodge No. 176 were installed on Dec. 6. Front row (from left): District 2 Deputy Gary Stang, Installing Marshal; James Feno, Senior Deacon; Robert Koepsel, Junior Stewart, pro tem; Josh Anderson, Treasurer; Tom Stevens, Master; Steve Klein, Junior Deacon & Trustee; Travis Thatcher, Tiler; and Junior Grand Warden William Beecher, Installing Master. Back row: Senior Grand Deacon Frank Struble; Dick Kemo, Senior Stewart, pro tem; John Nebelsiek, Senior Warden; Les Paulson, Junior Warden; Tom Tomlinson, Trustee; Wally Moucha, Chaplain & 2011 "Mason of the Year"; and Fred Roycraft, Secretary.

Submitted by Bro. Dick Kemp, Trestleboard Editor



## Mason-Woods Lodge No. 368

Officers of Mason-Woods Lodge No. 368 were installed by Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert at a joint installation at the Manawa Masonic Center on Dec. 3. District Deputy Travis Lehrer served as Installing Marshal and Installing Chaplain was Rev. Charles Daily. Front row (from left): Harry Meyer, Chaplain; Herb Reichwald, Junior Steward; Fred Goering, Master; and Hugo Petters, Secretary. Back row: Oliver Tuell, Senior Deacon; Bill Cole, Senior Warden; Dave Hallas, Treasurer; and Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert. A delicious dinner prepared by Bro. Chris Miloca, Manawa, followed.

Photo by Bro. George Tincher



## Oregon Lodge No. 151

Officers of Oregon Lodge No. 151 were installed on Dec. 12, by Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. assisted by Grand Treasurer John A. Benedict, Installing Marshal and Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie, Installing Chaplain. The Lodge was opened in public form by Past Master Dennis Erfurth, Master; Past Master Mike Nelson, Senior Warden; and Past Master Mark Nelson, Junior Warden. Front row (left to right): Scott Magnusson, Senior Deacon; Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; James "Bone" Goldsmith, Master; Grand Treasurer John A. Benedict; Dennis Erfurth, Senior Warden; and David Huston, Chaplain. Second row: Jordan Dietrich, Junior Steward; Mike Nelson, Past Master; Don Haugen, Treasurer; Brad Staley, Junior Warden; Ed Showers, Tiler; Mark Nelson, Past Master; Ron Outhouse, Trustee and Paul Martens, Junior Deacon.

Photo by Rich Rygh

# Lodges Install Officers for 2012



## Hancock Lodge No. 229

Hancock Lodge No. 229, Ellsworth, recently installed their officers that will lead the lodge for the ensuing Masonic year. Front row (from left): Steve Broton, Senior Warden; Dan Fischer, Master; and Dan Sherry, Junior Warden. Back row: Past Master Charlie Webster, who served as Installing officer; Billy Penn, Senior Steward; Kevin Waltz, pro tem for Bruce Wigent, Junior Deacon; Jim Hines, Chaplain; John Reinkey, pro tem for Burt Larson, Tiler; Norris Berg, Secretary; Rick Swan, pro tem for Jerry Bristol, Treasurer; Frank During, Senior Deacon; Jeff Leonard, Junior Steward; and Jack Hofmeister, Installing Marshal. Not pictured are Past Master Bill Reed, Trustee and Milt Helmer, Lodge Counselor.

Submitted by Bro. Milt Helmer, Counselor



## Dousman No. 315 and Glenn L. Humphrey No. 364

Officers of Glenn L. Humphrey Lodge No. 364 and Dousman Lodge No. 315 were installed at a joint installation at Village Square in Dousman on Dec. 11. Job's Daughters Bethel #35 performed the "Living Cross" for the installation. Officers installed for Dousman 315 were as follows: Jim Johnson, Master; Butch Roehl, Senior Warden; Karl Buschhaus, Junior Warden; John Quaden, Treasurer; Terry Brown, Secretary; Russ Hays, Chaplain; Kevin Saenz, Senior Deacon; Dave Renly, Junior Deacon; Ken Warden, Senior Steward; Jim Adams, Junior Steward; Tom Maule, Tiler; Henry Pynakker, Counselor; and John Werner, Trustee. Officers installed for Glen L. Humphrey Lodge were: Art Michaels, Master; Wayne Koehler, Senior Warden; Bill Barnes, Junior Warden; Lowell Tainter, Treasurer; Al Berg, Secretary; Gerry Beier, Chaplain; Dave Engle, Senior Deacon; Marc Momsen, Junior Deacon; James Swanton, Senior Steward; Glenn Reinemann, Tiler; Henry Pynakker, Counselor; and Wayne Koehler, Trustee.

Submitted by District Deputy Terry Brown



## Reedsburg Lodge No. 79

Reedsburg Lodge No. 79 held its Installation of Officers on Dec 10. Front row (from left): Gil Welsh, Senior Deacon; Eric Wood, Junior Warden; Joe Williamson, Master; Rich Woolever, Senior Warden; and Bill Gant, Chaplain. Back Row: Douglas Bentley, Secretary/Treasurer; Bob Ott, Junior Deacon; Ken Walter, Counselor; Greg Georgeson, Tiler; and Bob Anderson, Senior Steward.

Submitted by Bro. Douglas Bentley, Sec./Treas.



## Silas Shepherd Lodge No. 1843

The 2012 officers of the Silas H. Shepherd Lodge No. 1843 were installed on December 10 at the Lake Country Masonic Center in Oconomowoc. District 12 Deputy Robert Strader installed the Officers, and the Installing Marshal was Henry Pynakker, District Lecturer. Pictured front row (from left): District 12 Deputy Robert Strader; William Krohn, Trustee; Jim Roberts, Tiler; Frank McKenna, Secretary; and Dan Bast, Master. Back row: J. Patrick Storrs, Trustee; Todd Krohn, Senior Warden; Jesse Chariton, Senior Deacon; Eugene Marcus, Chaplain; and Khristian Kay, Junior Warden.

Submitted by Bro. Daniel Best, Master



## Prairie View Lodge No. 95

Officers of Prairie View Lodge No. 95, Ripon, were installed on Dec. 13. Front row (from left): District 10 Deputy John Krinke; Wes O'Laire, Senior Warden; Kevan Nault, Secretary; Past Master Wes Wassell, Organist; and Steve Gerretsen, Chaplain. Second row: Larry Malchow, Treasurer; Lamont Colucci, Master of Madison Lodge No. 5, Installing Master; Past Master Loren Shaw, Senior Warden, proxy for Tim Aither; Bill Boutwell, Junior Deacon; Bruce Stephenson, Junior Warden; Past Master Jay Clarke, Installing Marshal; and Past Master Jim Barclay, Tiler. In back: Rick Coles, Master.

Submitted by Bro. Rick Coles, Master

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# Lodges Install Officers for 2012

## Five Lodges are Installed at Darlington

**By Rich Rygh**

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. installed the officers of Olive Branch Lodge No. 6, Amicitia Lodge No. 25, Smith Lodge No. 31, Evening Star Lodge No. 64 and Argyle Lodge No. 178 at an open installation at the Darlington Masonic Center on December 20. He was assisted by Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley as Installing Marshal and Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie as Installing Chaplain.

The Grand Master explained that it was a very special night for him to be installing the officers as Grand Master. He said he has had the opportunity for the last 16 years to represent this part of the state in the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin. He said he has been a member of the Grand Lodge for over a third of his life and has met many wonderful people, several from southwestern Wisconsin.

The Grand Master gave special recognition to Bro. Harold Beals for the great impression he made on him as a young Mason. He said the fine work he observed Bro. Beals do at a school of instruction

inspired him to go on and learn the ritual, he said he learned the whole book and become a Proficiency Man, District Lecturer, Grand Lecturer, District Deputy and went on to be where he is today.

The Grand Master also mentioned the late Bro. Bobby Thompson, who he said was also very influential in his life and touched the lives of many Masons present at this installation.

Grand Master White explained the importance of the great principles taught in Masonry and how the Masons of southwestern Wisconsin have never forgotten the basics and continue to practice them on a regular basis.

He reminded the Brethren that on the 18th of this month the Grand Lodge of the state of Wisconsin, established in 1843, observed its 168th anniversary. He said that Masonry in Wisconsin would not have been able to endure as it has, without the help and support of our ladies and extended his gratitude for everything they have done to allow us to survive.

The evening was followed by a meal and fellowship in the temple dining room.



### Smith Lodge No. 31

Smith Lodge No. 31, Monroe, front row (from left): Szvon Conway, Junior Deacon; Nicholas Baker, Senior Deacon; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Scott Feldt, Master; JR Boeck, Secretary/Treasurer. Back row: Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley; District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; Ron Boeck Senior Warden; and Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie.

Photos by Rich Rygh



### Olive Branch Lodge No. 6

Olive Branch Lodge No. 6, New Diggings, front row (from left): Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley, Senior Warden; Harold Beals, Steward; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Robert Lewis, Master; David Pedley, Junior Deacon; and Joe Thompson, Secretary/Treasurer. Back row: Kevin Germaine, Counselor; Robert Robbins, Chaplain; District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; Glenn Temperly, Tiler; Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie; and Josh Kearney, Junior Warden.



### Evening Star Lodge No. 64

Evening Star Lodge No. 64, Darlington, front row (from left): Dustin Thompson, Secretary; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Stu Soper, Master; Jerry Carpenter, Junior Deacon, Treasurer, Counselor; and Scott Soper, Junior Warden. Back row: Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley; Ben Ritchie, Senior Warden; District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie; and Ron Johnston, Steward.



### Amicitia Lodge No. 25

Amicitia Lodge No. 25, Shullsburg, front row (from left): Josh Jerry, Senior Warden; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley, Master; Kevin Baker, Senior Deacon; Francis Temperly, Tiler; Greg Roelli, Senior Steward. Back row: Larry Teasdale, Junior Warden; District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; Chad Teasdale, Junior Deacon; Steve Leitzinger, Trustee; Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie; David Leitzinger, Secretary/Treasurer; John Roelli, pro tem Chaplain; and Hendrik Britz, Junior Steward.



### Argyle Lodge No. 178

Argyle Lodge No. 178, front row (from left): Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Marvin Engelke, Master; and Bob Beech, Senior Deacon. Back row: District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie; JR Boeck, Senior Warden; and Karl Gant, Secretary/Treasurer.

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# Grand Master Installs Four Lodges at Dodgeville



## Mineral Point Lodge No. 1

Front row (from left): Ray Paynter, Steward; Craig Conklin, Senior Warden; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Arnold Chambers, pro tem for Royce Jones, Master; Andrew Davis, Junior Warden. Second row: Scott Rossing, Senior Deacon; Mark Paynter, Steward; Larry Mitchell, Tiler; and Orville Olson, Chaplain. Third row: District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley; Ross Pollock, Counselor; Bill Buckingham, Secretary/Treasurer; Jim Davis Junior Deacon; and Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie.



## Dodgeville Lodge No. 119

Front row (from left): Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Mark Jenks, Master; Tom Mueller, Senior Warden; and Leonard Pishion, Tiler. Second row: District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; Brian Pishion, Chaplain; Orville Olson, Treasurer; and Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie.



## Linden Lodge No. 206

Front row (from left): Scott Rossing, Junior Warden; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Bruce Bradley, pro tem for David Maughan, Master; Donald Barritt, Steward; and Stan Keeney, Chaplain. Second row: Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley; Stan Cutler, Junior Deacon; Bill Keeny, Treasurer; District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; and Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie.



## Barneveld Lodge No. 319

Front row (from left): Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Jeff Schoenfeldt, Master; Dave Gardner, Senior Deacon; and Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie. Second row: Junior Grand Steward Scott E. Pedley; District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber; Scott Komplin Junior Warden, Randy Massey, Secretary/Treasurer; and Don Komplin, pro tem for Rob Massey, Senior Warden.



**Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. installs the officers of Mineral Point, Dodgeville, Linden and Barneveld.**

Photos by Rich Rygh

The Officers of Mineral Point Lodge No. 1, Dodgeville Lodge No. 119, Barneveld Lodge No. 319 and Linden Lodge No. 206 were installed by Grand Master Davey L. White Jr., at a joint installation of officers following a dinner at the Dodgeville Masonic Center on Dec. 15.

Junior Grand Steward Scott Pedley was installing Marshal and Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie was installing Chaplain.

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr., open the Lodge in public form assisted by Junior Grand Steward Scott Pedley and District 8 Deputy Marc Steiber.

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- I should not criticize what my fellow Freemasons do for Freemasonry unless I have a better suggestion and I am prepared to do it myself.
- I must remember that the fact that I bear the name, Master Mason or Freemason, is not enough. I must continue to be worthy of that honor.
- My fellow members and I are our Lodges and Freemasonry. Without our active support they cease to exist.
- My Lodge does me a favor by calling upon me. I am not doing the Lodge a favor by serving. It is both an obligation and a privilege to help the Lodge and Freemasonry in general.
- I should treat my fellow Freemasons with the same respect, honor, and understanding that I would like to receive from them.
- It is not a right to be a Freemason, it is an honor. I should respect that honor by abiding by all of the precepts of my Lodge, my Grand Lodge and Freemasonry as a whole.
- Whatever differences my fellow Freemasons and I may have, we are all bound together by the bonds of our loyalty to our Country, our families, the Lodge and Freemasonry.
- The willing Master Mason and his understanding family are the lifeblood of the Lodge and Freemasonry.

Southern California Research Lodge F. & A.M.  
 Ray Godeke, Personal representative. Santa Ana Valley of the Scottish Rite,  
 Scottish Rite News, October 2011



**Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. reads Century Award to Bro. Donald Krauss.**

Photo by Rich Rygh

Chicago, went into a store in downtown Chicago and walked out with the accordion with nothing down. He said the store owner also being a Mason said he new he would be paid.

As a young Mason Bro. Krauss sat in Lodge with a very old man who was one of the founders of the Lodge in 1867. He also sat in Lodge with his father. He said, "My uncles were also Masons, it is in the family."

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. and Grand Secretary Michael

A. DeWolf, PGM, traveled to Cassia Lodge on Dec. 22, to present Bro. Krauss his Grand Master's Century Award and honor him for beginning his 80th year of service to Masonry.

Bro. Krauss gets around very well and is very sharp with a great sense of humor. The Grand Master presented Bro. Krauss with his Grand Master's Pin and said, "It is a honor to be here." Bro. Krauss promptly informed him, "It is an honor for me to be here, I can tell you that!"

## Grand Master Issues Letter to Wis. Masons Regarding Withdrawl of Recognition of Shrine in Michigan

Brethren:

Following this correspondence you will find a copy of Michigan Grand Master Frederick E. Kaiser Jr.'s Decision to withdrawl Recognition of the Shrine in their Jurisdiction.

There have been a lot of rumors and speculation as to what has happened and I felt that since we share a common border it is important that you understand how this may pertain to you as Wisconsin Freemasons. Each Grand Jurisdiction is sovereign and can manage their affairs as they deem necessary. You will note that when we refer to the Grand Master, it is the "Grand Master of Masons in WI or MI or NY" etc. The key word here is in. When you sojourn in other Grand Jurisdiction you come under the jurisdiction of the seated Grand Master in that particular state, and as such you must adhere to their rules, edicts and decisions.

Therefore, please be aware that if you sojourn in Michigan you may not (1) attend any non public function of any Shrine in Michigan or (2) have any Masonic interaction of any kind with any Shrine organization in Michigan. The penalty of violation of this order is being subject to un-Masonic conduct charges being issued. The end result of this is; if you sojourn in Michigan and violate the order, un-Masonic charges may be filed. You could face reprimand, suspension or expulsion. Since our jurisdictions have mutual recognition Wisconsin would be obligated to honor the results as imposed by the Jurisdiction of Michigan.

Thank you in advance for your fine cooperation on this difficult issue.

Fraternally,  
Grand Master  
Davey L. White Jr.

### Letter from Grand Master Frederick E. Kaiser Jr., Grand Master of Masons in Michigan:

Subject: Withdrawal of Recognition of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine

Dear Brethren,

From our first charge as an Entered Apprentice, we are admonished to, "... conform with cheerfulness to the government of the country in which (we) live." Adherence to the law is also a fundamental expectation under our book of constitutions.

In July, acting under the authority granted me by Section 8.1.3.3 of Michigan Masonic Law, I expelled a brother for conviction of a crime punishable by incarceration of one or more years. An improper appeal of that expulsion was made to the Grand Lodge of Michigan, but the request was nevertheless referred to the appropriate committee for consideration. The committee's report will be presented to the brothers in Annual Communication convened on June 2, 2012, and the voting delegates will rule accordingly.

The expelled Mason, by action of Elf Khurafeh Shrine, headquartered in Saginaw, Michigan continues to be a member and Potentate of that Shrine. Elf Khurafeh's action to retain him was subsequently upheld by the Imperial Potentate. This situation exists despite the reputed requirement that a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (Shriner's

International) must also be a Mason in good standing.

Discussion was initiated with the Imperial Potentate, and counsel for the Imperial Shrine. The Grand Lodge of Michigan explained its position, and requested that the Imperial Potentate reconsider his decision, given information previously unavailable to him. Unfortunately for all concerned and with heavy heart, I must state that no modification of his position, nor of Elf Khurafeh Shrine's, has occurred.

Elf Khurafeh Shrine and the Imperial Potentate have failed to adhere to their own Shrine law, by retaining a nonMason in their ranks. They have also failed to honor their obligations under Michigan Masonic Law. Therefore, acting under §3.1 0.2.2 of Michigan Masonic Law, the Grand Lodge of Michigan hereby withdraws formal recognition of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (Shriner's International) as a Masonic organization in the State of Michigan. The relevant sections of Michigan Masonic Law are as follows:

§3.8.2: Any and all organizations, associations, or persons within the State of Michigan, professing to have any authority, power or privileges in Ancient Craft Masonry, not fraternally recognized by this Grand Lodge, are declared to be clandestine and illegal, and all Masonic inter-

course with any of them is prohibited.

§8.1.2.9: All Master Masons under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Michigan who hold membership in Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine are forbidden to attend tilled Shrine meetings when there is in attendance a suspended or expelled Mason.

It is therefore my order that no Mason who holds membership in a Michigan Lodge, or in a Lodge chartered by a recognized Grand Lodge who resides or sojourns in Michigan, may (1) attend any nonpublic function of any Shrine in Michigan or (2) have any Masonic interaction of any kind with any Shrine organization in Michigan. Furthermore, no Shrine function or activity will be afforded a special privilege not afforded any other unrelated organization that is allowed to use a building dedicated to Masonic purposes, or on the grounds of a building so dedicated.

Violation of these provisions by a Mason under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Michigan is punishable by charges of un-Masonic conduct. This ruling is to be read at your next regular communication and spread upon the minutes of your lodge.

Fraternally,  
Frederick E. Kaiser Jr.  
Grand Master

## Statewide Secretaries Seminar Reservations Due January 3

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

The object of this conference is

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

There will also be a special section for lodge Treasurers.

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



### Bro. Donald Reiff honored for 60 years

Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, recently presented Bro. Donald Reiff his certificate for 60 years of service on behalf of Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, Wauwatosa. Bro. Reiff was raised in Wisconsin Lodge on Oct. 27, 1949.

Submitted by Bro. Jason Braatz, Secretary/Treasurer

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# Open Installation at Darlington



Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. installs the officers of Olive Branch Lodge No. 6, Amicitia Lodge No. 25, Smith Lodge No. 31, Evening Star Lodge No. 64 and Argyle Lodge No. 178.



Secretaries and Treasurers are installed, from left: Jerry Carpenter, Traesurer, Evening Star Lodge; JR Boeck, Secretary/Treasurer, Smith Lodge; Dustin Thompson, Secretary, Evening Star Lodge; Karl Gant, Secretary/Treasurer, Argyle Lodge; Joe Thompson, Secretary/Treasurer, Olive Branch Lodge; and David Leitzinger, Secretary/Treasurer, Amicitia Lodge.



Bro. Dustin Thompson, Secretary of Evening Star Lodge listens to the Grand Masters message.



Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie displays the Compasses as the Grand Master explains its significance to the newly installed Masters.

Photos by Rich Rygh



Ronda Pedley photographs her son, David Pedley, as he is installed as Junior Deacon of Olive Branch Lodge.



Junior Grand Steward Scott Pedley, Installing Marshall, presents his son, David, with the jewel of his office as Junior Deacon of Olive Branch Lodge.

## Masonic Service Association Sponsors Social Event at King

By Bro. Tom Dowman  
MSA Representative

Winnebago Land Barbershoppers and a Dixieland Combo from the Oshkosh Area Community Band entertained members (residents) at the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King while other volunteers enjoyed the music, passed out Home Exchange Coupon door prizes and served up jumbo cookies, ice cream and coffee at a social sponsored by the Masonic Service Association and the Masons of Wisconsin recently.

More than 50 Masons and other volunteers from 10 central Wisconsin cities assisted with the program which is celebrating its 7th anniversary in service to the more than 700 residents at King.

Please contact Bro. Tom Dowman, MSA Rep., at 920-303-1444 if you have questions or want to help with the program.



### Masonic Charities

William H. Barnes, Director of Development

Wis. Masonic Charities, e-mail: erika@wisc-freemasonry.org

Erika Miller, Dev. Office Coordinator

## New Master Mason



### Bro. Robert Barbour is new Master Mason in Waverly Lodge

Waverly Lodge No. 51, Appleton, raised their newest Master Mason, Robert Barbour, on November 29. Pictured front row (from left): Bros. Matt Jackering; Dick Orr, PM; Robert Barbour; Rich Moore, PM; Derrick Basler; and Tim Kneeland, PM. Back Row: Bros. Chad Klitzke; Kevin Reichenbach, Jerome Enama, PM; Roger Hamilton; Jonathan Foster, PM; Eric Davidson; and Dave Barton.

Submitted by Bro. Matt Jackering



### Jobies annual caroling at Three Pillars

The Grand Bethel of Wisconsin held its annual caroling at Three Pillars in Dousman on November 26. There were about 30 Jobies and adults from all over the state that came to share this wonderful event with the residents. They did caroling in dining rooms and at the health care center. The music brought many smiles to the residents and the carolers.

Submitted by Sue Niggemeier



### Officers take oath of office at Dodgeville joint installation

The Officers of Mineral Point Lodge No. 1, Dodgeville Lodge No. 119, Barneveld Lodge No. 319 and Linden Lodge No. 206 take their oath of office during a joint installation of officers at the Dodgeville Masonic Center on Dec. 15. The officers were installed by Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.

Photo by Rich Rygh



## Warren Lodge Honors Past Masters

Warren Lodge No. 4 held their annual Past Masters' Night on November 9 at the Potosi Inn. Front row (from left): Keith Turner, Alfred Audetat and Davey White Sr. Second row: Dale Bird, Grand Master Davey L. White Jr., Francis Reding and Leonard Atkinson. Third row: Ron Jaacks, Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie, Dan Audetat and Roger Sedgwick.

Submitted by Carol Sedgwick

## John F. Kennedy and the Masonic Code of Wisconsin

The 1960 presidential race between Richard Nixon and John F. Kennedy is remembered because of the impact of television and the debates between the two candidates. However, each candidate had to be nominated by his party, and the Wisconsin presidential preference primary was particularly important to Kennedy and the other Democratic party candidates.

Someone mailed Grand Master Orrin Larrabee a paid political ad cut from an Oshkosh newspaper relating to Senator Kennedy's visit to that city. The ad told of a fund raising dinner, with the public invited at a moderate charge, to be held at the Oshkosh Masonic Temple on March 17, 1960. Larrabee issued a decision that a "Masonic Temple may not be used for a controversial political meeting nor for any meeting when the public is invited and a charge made." The meeting was not held at the temple.

In June, the Grand Master's decision was approved by the Grand Lodge. At the suggestion of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, the matter was subsequently considered by the Committee on Code Revision.

The following year, a new section was added to the Masonic Code of Wisconsin. While John F. Kennedy is given credit for numerous legislative acts, causing an addition to the Masonic Code of Wisconsin may be among the lesser known. The provision, which now appears as Section 64.02 of the Code, is: "A lodge is forbidden to use its lodge rooms or other parts of the temple, or permit anyone else to use them, for political meetings."

Taken from *Forward Freemasonry*. PGM Allan E. Iding, Editor.

### Address Changing?

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

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

email  
cheryl@wisc-freemasonry.org

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## Masonic Carpet Available

Around 1960, Verona Lodge No. 294 was given an old Masonic carpet from Mt. Horeb Lodge No. 228. This 100 plus year old carpet was constructed with a number of three foot wide panels sewn together to make a large carpet for the Lodge floor.



In 1967, Verona Lodge replaced this carpet. The 3 foot wide panels were disassembled and were then cut into 7 foot sections each with the emblems of all three degrees. The odds and ends were saved and, after 40 years, cleaned and repaired. They are now for sale. All proceeds, above expenses, will be donated to the Children's Dyslexia Center-Madison.

There are three 7 foot panels and one set of 3 smaller panels of all 3 degrees and 12 sets of 4 (coaster) mug rugs.

These would be great for your Lodge room or in your home!

This is an example of double weave which is sometimes known as double cloth. The fabric has two warp threads (1 red and 1 black) and 4 weft threads (2 red and 2 black) which can be pulled to the surface in a variety of patterns to make a

2 colored design.

If interested contact Bro. Mike Bovre at 608-827-6011.



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Meet 3rd Wed., 7:00 p.m.  
Dark July & August
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645 7th Ave.  
Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Appleton**  
Waverly Lodge No. 51  
315 S. Bluemound Dr. • 920-738-9220  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July thru September
- 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)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August
- Baraboo**  
Baraboo Lodge No. 34  
108 Second Ave. • 608-477-3289  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
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- Barnes**  
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7 p.m. Dark Jan., Feb. & March
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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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Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Black River Falls**  
Black River Lodge No. 74  
314 Main Street • 715-284-2521  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Bloomer**  
Bloomer Lodge No. 281  
2122 16th Ave. • 715-568-5152  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark January & February
- Bristol**  
Washburn Lodge No. 145  
8102 - 199th Ave.  
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Meets All Year
- Brodhead**  
Bicknell Lodge No. 94  
302 1st Center Ave. • 608-897-8069  
Meets 2nd Monday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Brookfield**  
Elmbrook Lodge No. 354  
4550 N. Pilgrim Rd. • 262-549-0923  
Meets 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Brookfield**  
McKinley Lodge No. 307  
4550 N. Pilgrim Rd. • 262-781-9907  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Brookfield**  
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4550 N Pilgrim Rd. • 262-780-0176  
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Dark July and August
- Burlington**  
Burlington Lodge No. 28  
325 N. Kane St. • 262-763-6290  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Cambridge**  
Social Lodge No. 245  
105 S. Spring St. • 608-423-7081  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July, August
- Camp Douglas**  
Camp Douglas Lodge No. 272  
211 Main St. • 608-427-6542 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Cecil**  
Mason-Woods Lodge No. 368  
N6446 Emery Ansonge Rd • 715-745-  
2943 (Sec) • 1st & 3rd Tues., 10 a.m.  
Dark January & February
- Cedarburg**  
Victory Lodge No. 320  
504 W. Grand Ave., Port Washington  
262-375-2931 (Sec) • 2nd Mon. 6:30  
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  
650 Bridgewater Ave. • 715-723-6341  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Clear Lake**  
Clear Lake Lodge No. 230  
411 Third Ave. • 715-263-3033  
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. • 920-296-3139  
(Sec) • Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August
- Crandon**  
Crandon Lodge No. 287  
118 S. Lake Ave. • 715-473-2741 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd Tues. Apr.-June & Sept.-Dec.  
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433 Wells St. • 608-776-4213 (Sec)  
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1007 S. Second St. • 262-728-6556 (Sec)  
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Dark July & August
- Dodgeville**  
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Meets All Year
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Dark July & August
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312 W. Fulton St. • 608-884-4250  
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Dark July & August
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Dark July & August
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Dark July & August
- Fennimore**  
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2025 12th St. • 608-822-4129  
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Dark January & February
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433 Central Ave. • 715-696-6308  
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Meet All Year
- Fond du Lac**  
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500 W. Arndt St. • 920-922-6012  
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Dark July and August
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109 United Way • 612-998-7901 (Sec.)  
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Meets All Year
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Dark July & August
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Dark July & August, 1st Mon. Sept.
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- Green Bay**  
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525 N. Taylor • 920-865-7637  
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
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  
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Dark July & Aug., roosevelt322.com
- Green Bay**  
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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  
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Dark July & August
- Hartford**  
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147 N. Rural St. • 262-670-4982  
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Dark July & August
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10629 Main St. • 715-634-8735 (Sec)  
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Dark July & August
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Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Janesville**  
Janesville-Western Star No. 55  
2322 E. Milwaukee St. • 608-752-3098  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Jefferson**  
Jefferson County Lodge No. 9  
617 Masonic Blvd. • 920-674-6715  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Kenosha**  
Kenosha Lodge No. 47  
807 - 61st St. • 262-657-7631  
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year
- Kenosha**  
Sunrise Lodge No. 359  
807 61st St. • 262-694-7817  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 9:30 a.m.  
Dark July & August
- Kenosha**  
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Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- La Crosse**  
Frontier-Badger Lodge No. 45  
118 S. 8th St. • 608-782-1616  
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Dark July & August
- La Crosse**  
La Crosse Masonic Lodge No. 190  
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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)  
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Meets All Year
- Lake Geneva**  
Geneva Lodge No. 44  
335 S. Lakeshore Dr. • 262-248-9900  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Linden**  
Linden Lodge No. 206  
618 Main St. • 608-623-2143 (Sec)  
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Dark July & August
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Dark August
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- Madison**  
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Meets All Year
- Madison**  
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(Sec) • Meet 1st & 3rd Tues., 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year
- Madison**  
Madison Lodge No. 5  
301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-0793  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Meet 1st Thursday July & August
- Madison**  
Hiram Lodge No. 50  
310 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-244-9468  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark 1st Mondays, June thru September
- Madison**  
Madison Lodge No. 362  
301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-233-3902  
Meets 1st Mon. - 2nd Mon. if 1st follows  
holiday wknd., 10 a.m. Meets All Year
- Manitowoc**  
Manitowoc Lodge No. 65  
810 Chicago St. • 920-793-3473 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Marinette**  
Marinette Lodge No. 182  
1610 Main St. • 715-735-9397  
Meet 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Marshfield**  
Marshfield Lodge No. 224  
402 W. 4th St. • 715-384-8646  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August
- Medford**  
Medford Lodge No. 217  
150 S. Seventh St. • 715-748-6851 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark January & February
- Menomonie**  
Menomonie Lodge No. 164  
N5729 - 410th St. • 715-235-2667  
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Mercer**  
Hurley Lodge No. 237  
5079 N. Hwy. 51 • 715-904-0400  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark December thru March
- Merrillan**  
Merrillan Lodge No. 279  
105 S. Main Street • 715-333-2083 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m.  
Dark Jan., Feb., March & 3rd Mon. Dec.
- Middleton**  
Middleton-Ionic Lodge No. 180  
7409 Franklin Ave. • 608-831-4418  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Milton**  
Milton Lodge No. 161  
508 Vernal Avenue • 608-754-2464  
Meets 4th Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Milwaukee**  
Damascus Lodge No. 290  
1235 E. Howard Ave. • 262-853-5631  
(Sec) • Meet 2nd & 4th Tues., Dinner  
6 p.m., Lodge at 7 • Dark July & August
- Milwaukee**  
Day-lite Lodge No. 358  
7515 W. National Ave. • 414-257-9450  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays  
Dark July & August
- Milwaukee**  
Freemasons Lodge No. 363  
790 N. Van Buren St. • 414-425-5166  
Meets 1st Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Milwaukee**  
James M. Hays Lodge No. 331  
790 N. Van Buren • 414-774-0366 (Sec)  
Meet 1st Mondays, 6:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Milwaukee**  
Lafayette Lodge No. 265  
790 N. Van Buren St. • 414-541-7139  
Meets 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Milwaukee**  
Lake Lodge No. 189  
1235 E. Howard Ave. • 414-744-4609  
Meet Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Milwaukee**  
Nathan Hale Lodge No. 350  
790 N. Van Buren • 414-421-6493  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year
- Mineral Point**  
Mineral Point Lodge No. 1  
310 High St.  
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark 3rd Mon. Dec. - 3rd Mon. March
- Minocqua**  
Island City Lodge No. 330  
7542 Hwy 51 South • 715-614-2476  
(Sec.) • Meet 1st Wednesdays, 10 a.m.  
Meets all year
- Mondovi**  
Buffalo River Masonic Lodge No. 252  
245 S. Franklin • 715-797-3261 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Monroe**  
Smith Lodge No. 31  
1613-1/2 Tenth St. • 608-558-9987 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August
- Mosinee**  
Mosinee Lodge No. 318  
607 13th St. • 715-693-0345 (Master)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Mukwonago**  
Lafin-St. James Lodge No. 247  
206 S. Main St. • 262-363-8926  
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Neenah**  
Appleton Lodge No. 349  
241 E. Wisconsin Ave. • 920-731-7355  
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Neenah/Menasha**  
Twin Cities Lodge No. 61  
241 E. Schuyler St. • 920-722-3611  
Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m.  
Dark August & September
- Neosho**  
Neosho-Mayville-Horicon No. 108  
315 E. Schuyler St. • 262-567-2354  
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- New Diggings**  
Olive Branch Lodge No. 6  
City Hwy W • 608-965-3122 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark January & February
- New Glarus**  
New Glarus Lodge No. 310  
207 6th Avenue • 608-527-2583 (Sec)  
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August
- New Holstein**  
Calumet Lodge No. 172  
2019 Washington St. • 920-894-2745 (Sec)  
Meet 2nd & 4th Monday, 7:00 p.m.  
Meets All Year
- New Lisbon**  
Juneau Lodge No. 103  
304 S. Adams St. • 608-565-7207  
(Sec) • Meet 1st & 2nd Thurs 7:30  
p.m.  
Dark July & August
- New Richmond**  
New Richmond Lodge No. 195  
119 E. 2nd St. • 715-246-2144  
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Dark June, July & August
- Neosho**  
Neosho-Mayville-Horicon No. 108  
315 E. Schuyler St. • 262 567-2354  
(Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Oconomowoc**  
Oconomowoc-Hartland Lodge 42  
307 N. Lake Road • 262-567-9898  
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark July & August
- Oconto**  
Pine Lodge No. 188  
513 Superior Ave. • 920-378-5427  
Meet 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dark December & January
- Oconto Falls**  
Oconto Falls Lodge No. 293  
170 N. Washington St. • 920-373-5747  
Meet 1st Mon. Sept. 2nd Mon., 7 p.m.  
Meets All Year
- Omro**  
Omro Lodge No. 168  
160 E Main Street • 920-685-2798  
Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m.

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## Traveling Gavel

<b>District 1</b> Acacia-Itasca Lodge No. 329	<b>District 7</b> Lodi Valley Lodge No. 99
<b>District 2</b> Sanctuary Lodge No. 347	<b>District 8</b> Evening Star Lodge No. 64
<b>District 3</b> Forest Lodge No. 130	<b>District 9</b> Fulton Lodge No. 69
<b>District 4</b> Crivitz Lodge No. 177	<b>District 10</b> Prairie View Lodge No. 95
<b>District 5</b> Decora Lodge No. 279	<b>District 11</b> Unity Lodge No. 367
<b>District 6</b> Wis. Rapids Lodge No. 128	<b>District 12</b> Nathan Hale No. 350

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Lake Ave. • 715-339-3785 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark June, July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Platteville</b> <b>Melody Lodge No. 2</b> 783 Enterprise Drive • 608-349-6021 Meet 1st Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Meets All Year</p> <p><b>Plymouth</b> <b>Cassia Lodge No. 167</b> 441 Smith St. • 920-892-6336 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Mondays, 7:00 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Portage</b> <b>Fort Winnebago Lodge No. 33</b> 111 W. Conant Street • 608-742-6468 Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark January &amp; February</p> <p><b>Port Washington</b> <b>Ozaukee Lodge No. 17</b> 504 W. Grand Ave. • 262-284-9978 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Potosi</b> <b>Warren Lodge No. 4</b> 112 S. Main St. • 608-763-2221 (Sec) Meets 1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Meets All Year</p> <p><b>Poynette</b> <b>Poynette Lodge No. 173</b> Poynette City Hall, 106 Main, Call Sec. for time • 608-635-4503 Meets 1st Wednesday Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Prairie du Chien</b> <b>Prairie du Chien Lodge No. 8</b> 105 1/2 E. Blackhawk Avenue 608-326-4640 (Sec) • Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Wed., 7:30 p.m. • Dark July &amp; Aug.</p> <p><b>Prairie du Sac</b> <b>Sauk Prairie Lodge No. 113</b> 580 Water St. • 608-544-2491 (WM) Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July, August &amp; 1st Mon. in Sept.</p> <p><b>Prescott</b> <b>Northwestern Lodge No. 105</b> 132 N. Court St. • 715-262-5478 (Sec) Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Racine</b> <b>Racine-Belle City Lodge No. 18</b> 1012 Main St. • 262-633-6658 Meets 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m. Meets All Year</p> <p><b>Reedsburg</b> <b>Reedsburg Lodge No. 79</b> 213 E. Main St. • 608-524-3281 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark January &amp; February</p> <p><b>Rhineland</b> <b>Rhineland Lodge No. 242</b> 23 E. Davenport St. • 715-277-2692 (Sec) Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark January &amp; February</p> <p><b>Rice Lake</b> <b>Blue Hills Lodge No. 234</b> 225 W. South St. • 715-790-1234 Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Meets All Year</p> <p><b>Richland Center</b> <b>Richland Lodge No. 66</b> 290 W. Union St. • 608-538-3173 (Sec) Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Meets All Year</p>	<p><b>Ripon</b> <b>Prairie View Lodge No. 95</b> W14188 County Rd. KK. • 920-291-8800 Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. Dark 4th Tues. Nov. &amp; Dec., 2nd Tues. Jan.</p> <p><b>River Falls</b> <b>River Falls Lodge No. 109</b> 122 E. Walnut St. • 715-425-6760 (Sec.) Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Shawano</b> <b>Shawano Lodge No. 170</b> 2324 E. Richmond St. • 715-526-3920 Meets 1st &amp; 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark January &amp; February</p> <p><b>Sheboygan</b> <b>Sheboygan Lodge No. 11</b> 411 St. Clair Ave. • 920-457-3111 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. Meets All Year</p> <p><b>Shell Lake</b> <b>Shell Lake / Spooner Lodge No. 221</b> 28 Dobby Drive • 715-468-7004 (Sec) Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Shullsburg</b> <b>Amicitia Lodge No. 25</b> 127-1/2 Water St. • 608-965-3414 (Sec) Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>South Milwaukee</b> <b>South Shore Lodge No. 3</b> 2703 S. Chicago Ave. • 414-840-3393 (Sec.) Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Mondays, 7:30 pm Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Sparta</b> <b>Valley Lodge No. 60</b> 603 N. Court St. • 608-269-2616 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Star Prairie</b> <b>North Star Lodge No. 187</b> Bridge St. • 715-248-3279 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark June, July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Stevens Point</b> <b>Evergreen Lodge No. 93</b> 2854 Church Street • 715-345-1846 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark January &amp; February</p> <p><b>Stoughton</b> <b>Kegonsa Lodge No. 73</b> 125 S. 5th St. • 608-873-9204 Meet 1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Sturgeon Bay</b> <b>Henry S. Baird Lodge No. 174</b> 31 S. 3rd Ave. • 920-493-3727 Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Sun Prairie</b> <b>Sun Prairie Lodge No. 143</b> 152 N. Bird St. • 608-770-2018 (Sec.) Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Superior</b> <b>Acacia-Itasca Lodge No. 329</b> 3117 N. 21 St. • 715-392-1398 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Fridays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Superior</b> <b>Superior Lodge No. 236</b> 1503 Belknap St. • 218-391-9877 (Sec) Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Meets All Year</p> <p><b>Sussex</b> <b>Lincoln Lodge No. 183</b> N64 W23624 Main St. • 262-339-8985 (Sec) <a href="mailto:craigscampbell@wi.rr.com">craigscampbell@wi.rr.com</a> 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Tomah</b> <b>Tomah Lodge No. 132</b> 520 E. Saratoga Street • 608-372-5507 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Union Grove</b> <b>Union Grove Lodge No. 288</b> 1021 - 11th Ave. • 262-878-9938 Meet 2nd Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Meets All Year</p> <p><b>Viroqua</b> <b>La Belle Lodge No. 84</b> 118-1/2 S. Main • 608-637-7581 • Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Wed., 7:30 p.m.; Meet 1st Wed. July, August &amp; Dec. • Dark January &amp; February</p> <p><b>Waterloo</b> <b>Waterloo Lodge No. 63</b> 300 Hendricks Street • 920-478-2800 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Web: <a href="http://www.waterloomasonry.com">www.waterloomasonry.com</a></p> <p><b>Waukesha</b> <b>Waukesha Lodge No. 37</b> 317 South Street • 262-542-6753 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p>	<p><b>Waupaca</b> <b>Waupaca Lodge No. 123</b> 105-1/2 N. Main Street • 715-258-2208 Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark June, July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Waupun</b> <b>Waupun Lodge No. 48</b> 16 S. Madison St. • 920-324-3141 Meets 1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Wausau</b> <b>Forest Lodge No. 130</b> 130 First Street • 715-845-5198 Meet Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Dark June, July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Wautoma</b> <b>Wautoma Lodge No. 148</b> 203 S. Scott St. • 920-647-0201 (Sec.) Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark Jan. &amp; Feb. - 4th Monday of Dec.</p> <p><b>Wauwatosa</b> <b>Henry I. Palmer Lodge No. 301</b> 4315 N. 92nd St. • 414-463-8390 Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Friday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Wauwatosa</b> <b>Wisconsin Lodge No. 13</b> 4315 N. 92nd St. • 414-463-8390 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>West Allis</b> <b>Day-Lite Lodge No. 358</b> 7515 W. National Ave. • 414-257-9450 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Mondays, 9 a.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>West Allis</b> <b>Wauwatosa Lodge No. 267</b> 7515 W. National Ave. • 262-250-1588 Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>West Allis</b> <b>West Allis Lodge No. 291</b> 7515 W. National Ave. • 414-257-9450 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Fridays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>West Bend</b> <b>West Bend Lodge No. 138</b> 301 N. University Dr. • 262-338-3112 Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Meets All Year</p> <p><b>West Salem</b> <b>Salem Lodge No. 125</b> 101 W. Hamilton St. • 608-786-0930 (Sec) Meets 4th Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Whitefish Bay</b> <b>Aurora Lodge No. 30</b> 517 E. Beaumont Ave. • 414-964-4080 Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Whitefish Bay</b> <b>Geo. Washington 1776 Lodge No. 337</b> 517 E. Beaumont Ave. • 414-964-4080 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Whitewater</b> <b>St. John's Lodge No. 57</b> 226 W. Main Street • 920-650-5406 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Wilmot</b> <b>Wilmot Lodge No. 241</b> 30702 113th St. • 224-627-6731 (Master) Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Winneconne</b> <b>Winneconne Lodge No. 186</b> 2 N. 1st Street • 920-582-7815 (Sec) Meet 2nd &amp; 4th Tues., 7 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Wisconsin Dells</b> <b>Dells Lodge No. 124</b> 815 Oak St. • 608-254-8136 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Wisconsin Rapids</b> <b>Wisconsin Rapids Lodge No. 128</b> 2321 2nd Ave. So. • 715-423-2770 Meet 1st &amp; 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July &amp; August</p> <p><b>Silas H. Shephard</b> <b>Lodge of Research No. 1843</b> 307 N. Lake Rd., Oconomowoc • 262-369-5481 2nd Saturday March, June, September, December</p> <p><b>Armistead-Bingham</b> <b>Lodge No. 1862</b> Call Secretary at 815-623-8460 for next meeting date &amp; location <a href="mailto:g2minime@aol.com">g2minime@aol.com</a> Meets 5th Saturdays, 1 p.m.</p>
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