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Wisconsin Masonic Calendar

OCTOBER

2 Union Grove Lodge No. 288 Open House from Noon until 3:00 p.m., Union Grove Masonic Center, 1021 11th Avenue. Union Grove Lodge, Union Grove Chapter #71 OES, Scottish Rite, York Rite, DeMolay and Job's Daughters will be represented. Contact Bro. Clint, Cagle, Master, 262-886-6573, badbullcagle@wi.rr.com.

8 & 22 Valley of Eau Claire Scottish Rite Reunion, Ill. Theodore R. Lyons 33° Class.

9 Cassia Lodge No.167 Pancake Brunch, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 441 Smith Street, Plymouth. Cost: \$5-advance, \$6-at the door \$3-children 6-12 years old.

10 Wautoma Table Lodge Dinner served at 6:00 p.m., \$10.00 per person. RSVP 3 days before, call Bro. Robert Larsen 920-647-0201.

12 Valley of La Crosse Scottish Rite Banquet, honoring Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. and featuring a special presentation of the 16th degree. 6:00 p.m. at the La Crosse Masonic Center. Cost \$10.00, reservations are a must by October 5. Call Bro. Todd Wohliert at 608-385-1923. See story on page 6.

15 Janesville-Western Star No. 55, Pancake Breakfast, 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., 2322 E. Milwaukee St., Janesville.

15 Ozaukee Lodge's Annual Chili Cook-Off, set up and cooking 9:00 a.m. till noon, judging at 1:00 p.m., awards at 2:30 p.m. Port Washington Masonic Center, 504 W. Grand Ave. No charge for visitors, chili \$1.00 per serving. This is part of a fundraiser for the the Spina Bifida Association of Wis. See story on page 15.

15 District 8 Meeting, Franklin Lodge No. 16, Lone Rock. 9:00 a.m., door prizes and lunch to follow. Contact District Deputy Marc Steiber, 608-412-2629, marc.steiber@hotmail.com.

15 Masonic Brotherhood Council Monthly Breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Branded Steer Restaurant, 10950 W. Good Hope Rd., Oak Creek. Contact Bro. Mark Truesdell at Mark.Truesdell@gmail.com.

21 McKinley Lodge's All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry for the Waukesha County Food Pantry, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Adults, \$11.00; Seniors, \$10.00; Children 5-10, \$6.00; Under 4 free. \$1 off with a food pantry donation. McKinley Masonic Center, 4550 N. Pilgrim Road, Brookfield. Call Bro. Todd Jaremko 262-573-1567 for information.

21, 22, 28 & 29 Waukesha Lodge No. 37, Haunted House, 21 & 28, 7:00 p.m. till Midnight and 22 & 29 6:00 p.m. till midnight: Advance Sales \$10.00/person (until 10/20), at door \$12.00/person. Contact masonhaunt@gmail.com.

22 District 3 Meeting and Table Lodge. Meeting 9:00 a.m.- noon, Table Lodge at Noon. Rhinelander Masonic Center. Contact District Deputy John Tilley, 715-272-1295, jttilley@yahoo.com.

22 "Defense of the Ruffians", 6:00 p.m., Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301.

24 District 12 Meeting, West Allis Masonic Center, 7515 W. National Ave., in West Allis. A light dinner will be available at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. Contact District Deputy Robert Strader at rstrader@wi.rr.com for more info.

29 Valley of Green Bay Scottish Rite Reunion, www.scottishrite-greenbay.com/calendar.htm

29 Fond du Lac Lodge No. 26 Past Master's Dinner, 6:30 p.m., 500 Arndt St. Dinner cost \$12.00. RSVP Bro. Phil Kifer 920-904-4851.

29 Daughters of the Nile Style Show, benefiting the DON Foundation Convalescent Relief Account for the Shriners Childrens Hospitals. Social 11:00 a.m., lunch 12:00 noon, Style Show 1:00 p.m., Blackhawk Country Club, 3606 Blackhawk Drive, Madison. Cost \$22 plus a raffle will be held with 60 or more great items, tickets 6 for \$5 or 40 for \$20. Your check for reservations should be made to Antioch Temple No. 113, send to Alice Kaschel, S6462 Hwy PF, North Freedom 53951. Please indicate names of your group to sit together.

31 District 9 Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Fulton Lodge No. 69, Edgerton. Contact District Deputy Terry Brown, 414-429-5981, Tbrown@silgan-containers.com.

NOVEMBER

4 Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301 Centennial Table Lodge, 7:00 p.m., Northwest Masonic Center, 4315 N. 92nd St., Wauwatosa.

5 Valley of Green Bay Scottish Rite Reunion, www.scottishrite-greenbay.com/calendar.htm

5 Scottish Rite Valley of Eau Claire annual Wardens Workshop at the Eau Claire Masonic Center 9:00 a.m. and ending around 2:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Junior Grand Warden William Beetcher at wb_2014@wisc-freemasonry.org or 715-566-0350 by October 15th. See story on page 3.

5 George B. Wheeler Lodge No. 351, waffle breakfast, Eau Claire Masonic Center starting at 7:30 a.m.

5 McKinley Lodge's Ladies At The Table, 6:00 p.m. McKinley Masonic Center, 4550 N. Pilgrim Road, Brookfield. Cost, \$20.00 - Call Bro. Mike Gorgen 262-820-0812 for tickets.

10-12 Valley of Milwaukee Scottish Rite Reunion, www.humphrey-masonic-center.org/event-calendar.html

11-12 Valley of Madison Scottish Rite Reunion

12 Ozaukee Lodge Recognition Night, Kevin Hermening, former Iran hostage will speak. Port Washington Masonic Center, 504 W. Grand Ave. Gathering at 5:30 p.m., authentic German Dinner at 6:00 p.m. \$20.00 per person, reservations due Nov. 5. For more info email sgtguns@sbcglobal.net.

13 JW Chili Cook-off Competition, 4:00-7:00 p.m. Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301, Northwest Masonic Center, 4315 N. 92nd St., Wauwatosa.

DECEMBER

3 Waukesha Lodge No. 37, Breakfast with Santa, 8:00 a.m. till Noon. \$5/adult, \$3/child. Free photos with Santa. Contact brianreed129@gmail.com for more details.

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

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

JANUARY 2012

21-22 Statewide Secretaries Seminar in Madison. This seminar will be a two day event and include legal information, finance, electronic minutes and many other topics. This topics will be presented by professionals in various fields and will provide very valuable information to the secretaries. It will be worth 100 points toward the Lodge Excellence Award. More information will follow.

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Forest Lodge No. 130 Celebrates 150 Years



Bro. James Bitner, Master of Forest Lodge, gives a little history on Freemasonry at the table lodge following the reconsecration ceremony. From left, Grand Master Davey L. White Jr., James Bitner, Bro. Steven Peterson, Zor Shrine Potentate and his lady Mary Ellen.

Photo by Rich Rygh

By Rich Rygh

Bro. James Bitner, as Master of the Lodge, welcomed Brethren, families and friends to the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of Forest Lodge No. 130 on September 24, at the Wausau Masonic Center.

Grand Orator Keith D. Chamberlain, PGM, began the consecration ceremony of the Lodge with the following oration:

It is no small undertaking for any lodge to exist for 150 years and more. To survive, and more importantly to thrive, bears tribute to the men (and ladies) who seized the initiative and made the sacrifices necessary to insure a place in Masonic history for Forest Lodge No. 130.

Take just a moment to ponder the momentous happenings which have occurred over the past century and a half. The tragedy of war, the miracles of medicine and technology, inventions which changed the course of mankind for better or worse. This lodge has borne witness to all that and more.

Now take a moment to listen quietly for the footsteps, the laughter, and the softly spoken words which echoed through this building over the decades; as well as within the walls of the building which preceded it.

Feel deeply the sense of joy, the

warmth of kindness and the heart-felt sense of Brotherhood each member enjoyed in these rooms over those many years passed.

Voices and emotions, actions and ideals, vision and purpose are all a part of the journey which brought our gentle craft and your lodge through a century and a half of change to arrive at the place in time we celebrate this evening.

In the proceedings of the Grand Lodge Annual Communication held in Milwaukee on June 11, 1861 the committee on dispensations recommended that Forest Lodge No. 130 having, "Commenced work under the most favorable auspices", be chartered in Wausau with Bro. Eli R. Chase as its first Master, Bro. G. S. Judson as Senior Warden and Bro. John Irwin as Junior Warden.

Operating under dispensation at the time, Forest Lodge had 12 Master Masons with one Fellowcraft, four Entered Apprentices and six initiates awaiting degrees. Dues at the time were \$12.00 and there were 3,757 Master Masons in the entire State of Wisconsin.

The Grand Lecturer's Report given at the Annual Communication in 1862 speaks of Forest Lodge, noting, "New

London, Tomah and Forest Lodges I have found in good condition, comparing favorably with the older lodges in their knowledge of the work and in their general prosperity".

With the steady progression of time came the myriad of changes spoken of earlier, including the erection of a new Lodge Building in 1973, a milestone in the Lodge's history and a new beginning for its membership.

As we begin this ceremony of rededication, let us recall not only the efforts of those forward thinking individuals who began Forest Lodge No. 130's journey 150 years ago, but also those who today keep the fires of Freemasonry alive and viable, not only here in Wausau but throughout our state as well. By their labors, Freemasonry will continue to spread its message of Charity and Brotherhood to all who seek further Light.

See **Forest 150** on page 2.



Wausau Masonic Center, home of Forest Lodge No. 130, in downtown Wausau.

On Our Cover

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. reconstitutes the officers of Forest Lodge No. 130. From left: James Bitner, Master of Forest Lodge; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Grand Orator Keith D. Chamberlain, PGM; and Past Grand Master John W. Wilke.

Photo by Rich Rygh

The Grand Master's Message:

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

Brethren,

The month of September is drawing to a close and the Lodges are busy planning and implementing programs they have laid out on their trestleboards. You can feel the excitement in the air. There is degree work going on almost everywhere. I believe Freemasonry is alive and moving in the right direction in Wisconsin. We are making great strides not only in the Blue Lodge, but also in our appendant bodies as well. Our numbers are still declining, but every year we draw closer to an actual gain. We all need to concentrate on Lodge programing and keeping our Brothers involved and interested. We also need to be much more thorough in checking out and contacting our Brothers who are in arrears with their dues. If we can cut down the resignations and suspensions for nonpayment of dues we will have an increase in membership sooner than expected. Keep up the good work.



Davey L. White Jr.
Grand Master

I have tried to be at the Grand Lodge office at least once a week to sign dispensations and bylaw changes. I am encouraged with the number of requests for bylaw changes allowing lodges to remain open all year. I know this is repetitious, but I believe it is important. Lodges need to remain open and be active to retain membership. It's very easy to get out of a routine, when you get a two month break it's easy to remain home when the Lodge reopens in the fall or spring. If your Lodge hasn't examined its bylaws for a number of years please do so as soon as possible.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Grand Lodge Office Staff. They make the transition of being Grand Master very easy. They are always willing to help and share their years of experience. We are truly fortunate to have the employees we have. Thank You.

I have had a wonderful month traveling to functions. I have just concluded visiting the Veterans hospital in Madison. The volunteers who donate their time are to be congratulated on a job well done. I was astounded by the number of volunteer hours logged during the last year. MWPGM Beecher Daniels and his representatives are working hard to give back as much as possible to those who have served our country in the several branches of our armed forces. As you know we have increased our monthly donations to our hospital representative by \$100.00 a month. If you have any extra time please consider volunteering at one of the hospitals, I'm sure they would appreciate any assistance you could provide.

The Grand Lodge Officers traveled to Wausau to help Forrest Lodge No. 130 celebrate their 150th year as a Lodge. We performed a reconsecration ceremony for them and enjoyed a fabulous meal along with ZOR Potentate Steve Peterson and his lady. The evening was filled with history and memories of years past. To have a Masonic presence in a community for 150 years is a great accomplishment. It takes great leadership and dedication from its members. My personal thanks to MWPGM John W. Wilke for assisting the current Grand Lodge officers in this great endeavor. We all had a great time.

Please continue promoting the tenants of our gentle craft.

Fraternally,
Davey L. White Jr.

Madison Lodge No. 5 Presents Grant to Benefit Local Youth

By Bro. Ron Webster

Masons have been and will continue to be active, positive forces in their communities. In July 2011 the Masons of Madison Lodge No. 5 sought to further this outreach by giving a community grant to a Madison area non-profit organization. The Brothers of Lodge 5 submitted a number of organizations for consideration. An interview committee was established and met with all submitted organizations. The Brothers voted and the organization Mentoring Positives was selected.

Mentoring Positives is a Madison based non profit organization founded by Will and Becky Green. Mentoring Positives works with at risk youth from 10 years old to 18 and seeks to build relationships with troubled youth, involve them in character formation groups and develop the youth into young men and women with established morals, purpose and self confidence.



Bro. Lamont Colucci, Master, presents the check to Will Green, founder of Mentoring Positives.



Photo by Tinch Photography

Shawano Lodge No. 170 Honors Ladies

The Shawano Masons held a Ladies at the Table dinner, at Mason Woods in Cecil, on September 15. The ceremony honored women who have contributed to our organization, to the Order of the Eastern Star, to the local community or to our Nation. Each of these Ladies were introduced and given a toast followed by an explanation of each of their accomplishments over the years. The Ladies are (from left): Ila Moede, a fourth generation Shawano resident and local historian; Lou Petters, nine time Worthy Matron of Eastern Star; Isabelle Tincher, a Past Worthy Matron and current Warder in Shawano's Eastern Star Chapter; RuthAnn Christensen, eight time Worthy Matron and current Worthy Matron of Shawano's Chapter; and Dr. Jerilyn Grignon "Doctor of Philosophy" is the Director of Teacher Education Dept. and Chair faculty for College of the Menominee Nation. Standing behind are Bro. Larry Sperberg, Master of Shawano Lodge No. 170 and District Deputy Christian Hirthe.

Submitted by Bro. George Tincher

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And now, to commemorate the auspicious occasion of Forest Lodge's 150th Anniversary, it is my singular honor to introduce the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin. Most Worshipful Bro. Davey L. White Jr.

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. proceeded to reconstitute the Brethren of Forest Lodge. The Lodge was uncovered by the Grand Stewards and a prayer was offered by Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie.

The Grand Master stated, "Expressions through symbols has always been one of the ways we learn to remember something dear."

The uses of the square, level

and plumb in speculative Masonry were explained.

The corn, wine and oil were poured upon the lodge. The corn as a symbol of the fundamental need for nourishment and the blessings of plenty; wine is not only refreshment, but denotes joy and gladness among friends and relatives; and oil not only used in ancient times for cooking and foundations for balms and lotions, but it was the source of light in the darkness, symbolically it represents peace and the concern and protection of those afflicted and in need.

The Lodge was declared reconsecrated by the Grand Master and the officers of Forest Lodge stood and took their oath of office.

The Grand Master thanked Bro.

Jesse Furrer, the organizer of the celebration and the Brethren of Forest Lodge for the invitation to perform the ceremony. He said, "There was no guarantee when this lodge started 150 years ago that it was going to be here today, . . . Brothers back then provided for you, Grand Lodge provided for you and it is your duty to provide for the next generation coming up. One of the goals that you have in the Lodge is to always leave it in better shape than when you inherited it."

The Grand Master complimented the Brethren on the fine job they have done in the past and the work being done preparing for the future.

See **Forest 150** on page 12.

Thoughts for the Journey

By Reverend David R. Ritchie, Grand Chaplain

As an Entered Apprentice we are charged with three great duties, to God, to your neighbor, and to yourself. I am going to focus on the duty you owe to your neighbor "to act upon the square and doing unto him as you wish he would do unto you". The Golden Rule. Simple manners.

Masonic folklore is filled with stories about that neighbor that was always there to help or brought food when needed or stopped to help when the car broke down along side the road. The child noticed the ring and later asked someone what it meant. That child is a Mason today. Today these stories are becoming rare. What happened?

Maybe we held a door open for a lady and where chewed out because "she didn't need any help, she could do it herself." So today the young mother with her arms full pays because of the rudeness of another. Maybe we contributed to a food drive and later saw the family at the store purchasing booze and cigarettes. So today our neighbors sit in want.

Maybe our car broke down and a hundred people went past without stopping. So today a young girl sits on the side of the road and becomes an easy mark for those of low character. We all have had bad experiences when we have tried to help. We are in our second or third generation that was taught as children "never talk to strangers." Many of these children still practice this as adults.

What can we do? It is incumbent on us to live and act to help our fellow man. Before you set foot in the lodge room you were asked if you desired "to be of service to your fellow creatures". In a conversation with the Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Iowa, Bro. Jack Butler, he pointed out "that we do not join the Masons, we become a Mason". We are Masons both in lodge and out. Too often we take personal credit for the things our lodges do, "The lodge gave out food baskets, I've done my part."

What we needed to do is the simple things. Do you greet your neighbors when you see them outside? Do you wave as you go past? Do you know your neighbor's name? What impression do you think will be made when the neighbor can't start his mower and you offer to help? Do you think his wife will remember the door held open? Do you think the struggling young couple down the street will remember who left the box of extra from the garden or grocery store? Do you think the older couple a few doors down would like a cup of coffee and a bit of conversation? Do you think these people in turn might notice your ring? Might they ask where you go on Wednesday nights or what those emblems are on your car?

That charge given to us as an EA says, "A zealous attachment to these duties will insure public and private esteem." Your neighbor will learn about masonry by watching a Mason, not from what is said on television or the internet. The Masons I know though will not do these simple thing to help the fraternity. Let me repeat the Masons I know will NOT do these things to help the fraternity. They will do them because it feels right. They know the joy of helping others.

We will have days when we break down on the side of the road and no one will stop. We will have doors closed in our face. We will have times when our gifts are taken for granted or abused. There will be times when people will be just plain rude and it would be easy to become just like them, but we won't.

We are Masons and that makes us different. In a world of darkness we have been brought to light, and that makes us different. It becomes second nature to help when and wherever we can. Not planned out, but where we find a need. The greatest gift we can give to our self is to help others. We live for the smile that crosses a weary or worn face and maybe we can pay back a little on all the kindness done to us. We might just find that when we work to fulfill our duty to our neighbor we are really fulfilling our duty to ourselves and to God.



Rev. David Ritchie
Grand Chaplain

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Question: I'm not sure how to wear my Masonic ring. When I look down at my hand; should the points of the compasses be toward or away from me? I've seen Brothers wear the ring both ways but which way is the "right way"?

Bro. Confused

Answer: This is a very common question, which can be confusing for all Masons. When wearing the ring as a new Master Mason, I was coached to wear the ring so that the Square and Compasses were orientated in the same position that I viewed them at the Altar when obligating. However, there are other interpretations that are just as convincing to turn the ring around and wear it the opposite way.

One of the best explanations was published in the "Montana Mason", May 1936.

You would not fly the American Flag upside down. So why would you wear your Masonic ring upside down. It stands to reason that the ring should be worn with the compass points pointing to the wearer when the hand is extended in its normal position.

On the flip side, what if we want to share Masonic Light with the world. Wearing the ring with the points away from the wearer enables the world to see I am a Mason and see that my actions reflect the good attributes of the Fraternity. Another twist is to wear the rings with points toward you until you became a Past Master. After becoming a Past Master, turn the ring around to display the compass points as they were displayed away from you when governing the Lodge.

In summary, it is important to remember that there is no approved or required manner, but I find the reasons for wearing it with the Compass Points toward you as making the most logical sense. Wear it to remind you of the manner in which you viewed the Square and Compasses while kneeling at the Altar. It will serve as a great reminder of your obligation and promises. Any person seeing the ring will recognize you as a Mason no matter which way the Compasses point. Always remember that when wearing that ring you are announcing to the world that you are a Mason. Make sure that your actions demonstrate that uprightness of character that should be in line with equality or meeting on the level, living an upright life by the plumb, and acting in all of your dealings by the square.

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 askhram@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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Fifth Generation Mason raised at South Shore

Bro. James Goodman Jr., Secretary/Treasurer of South Shore Lodge No. 3, and a very proud father, recently raised his son James Goodman III (a 5th generation Master Mason). With the exception of James Goodman Sr., four of the Bros. were raised in the Milwaukee area Lodges. Great Great Grandfather Gardner A. Goodman and Great Grandfather Gardner J. Goodman were both raised in West Allis Lodge No. 291 in the mid 1950s. Grandfather James Goodman Sr. was raised in Arizona's Mohave Valley Lodge No. 68 in 1986, Father James Goodman Jr. and Uncle Joseph Goodman was raised in then Kilbourn Lodge No. 3 (now South Shore Lodge No. 3) in 2000.

Submitted by Bro. James Goodman Jr.

Valley of Eau Claire to Host Annual Wardens Workshop

The Scottish Rite Valley of Eau Claire is hosting the annual Wardens Workshop and invites all Wardens and Senior Deacons to attend.

The program promises to be informative and helpful to you in preparing for your year as Master. The topics will be the Master's and Wardens' duties and responsibilities, the District Team's and Grand Lodge's role, Lodge Excellence Award, Lodge programming and communication and the code regulations for

lodges.

The Workshop will be held at the Eau Claire Masonic Center Saturday, November 5, starting at 9 a.m. and ending around 2:00 p.m. Come early and support George B. Wheeler Lodge with their waffle breakfast, starting at 7:30 a.m., then join us for the Workshop.

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NOTES FROM THE GRAND LECTURER

By Brother Kenneth C. Gorgen

My Brothers,

When the Three Great Lights are pictured, they are usually depicted with rays of light emanating from them. Symbolically that is true, because each component of these Lights should shed Masonic Light on us and direct our behavior; the Book of Laws is to rule and guide our faith, the square to keep our actions true and honest, and the compasses to teach us to keep our relationships true and proper with all mankind. Those are very important lessons for us that should not be ignored, but this overwhelming attention given to the Three Great Lights seems to overshadow the importance of The Three Lesser Lights.

If it were not for the Lesser Lights, the new Entered Apprentice would not be able to symbolically see the Great Lights. The Lesser Lights or burning tapers illuminate the Altar to focus his attention on what is displayed in front of him, and without them, the first object to be revealed to the new Entered Apprentice would not be visible. Remember, what is done in the Lodge room with the Great Lights depends upon the condition of the Lesser Lights. The Three Great Lights cannot be displayed or secured without the Lesser Lights in the active condition of being ignited or energized. Many Lodges have gone away from using candles in favor of electric lighting for the Lesser Lights and this is a good substitute, but please remember it is Masonically incorrect to use additional lighting, such as ceiling lighting directed at the Altar to shine on the Three Great Lights or to be used as an aid to the Three Lesser Lights. If your Lodge uses additional lighting, encourage it to change that practice.

It is interesting that such an important artifact of the ritual should receive such minimal attention. An explanation of the Lesser Lights is very brief in the ritual. The Master of the Lodge explains to the new Entered Apprentice that the Lesser Lights represent the Sun, Moon, and Master of the Lodge along with a short explanation of how these three objects are related. That's it. This brief explanation is only given in the EA degree leaving out the important symbolism that surrounds this important and indispensable component of our ritual. Let's take a closer look.

There are three burning tapers and the shape they form is a triangle. In fact, the only shape that can be formed with three straight lines having their ends connected is a triangle. The shape of the triangle, equilateral, right, or isosceles, is not important other than it is a triangle. The triangle is a geometric form that adds strength to constructions and symbolizes strength within our organization. The triangle has also been used in the past and is used in the present to symbolize deity.

In most Lodges the Three Lesser Lights form an equilateral triangle. This means that all sides of the triangle are equal and each angle is 60 degrees. The points of the triangle are orientated so that one is located in the South, one in the West, and one in the East.

The Southern point represents the sun. It gives light and warmth to the day and shares its beauty when it is in the South at midday. Our health, mentally and physically, relies on the sun. We cannot survive without the light generated by the sun. Sustainance for our survival comes from the energy of the sun. It is interesting that this point is in the Junior Warden's place. As the sun brings life to our planet, he also symbolically brings nourishment to the Craft as he superintends them during the hour of refreshment.

The point in the West represents the moon. The moon is not constant like the sun, but it does govern the night. Its light is dependent upon the sun. The moon is always present to illuminate the night, but it is only visible when the sun can shine its ever-present light on it. It fits that this point is in the Senior Warden's place. The Senior Warden's duty is to assist the Master when needed. Like the moon, he is basically invisible to the craft until the Master calls on him for assistance. He receives his light from the Master of the Lodge.

The last point of the triangle is in the East and represents the Master of the Lodge. The Worshipful Master does rule and govern the Lodge as the sun and moon rule and govern the day and night. He is admonished to govern his Lodge with regularity, which also symbolizes mimicking the regularity of the sun and moon. The Master's duty is to shine his light on his lodge. As written by an unknown author in a short talk bulletin, "... the inclusion of a symbol (in the Lesser Lights) of the Worshipful Master, as a giver of light, is to most of us neither fanciful nor absurd, but a logical carrying out of that Masonic doctrine which makes a Master a Giver of Light to his brethren." Wow! How many of us think of the Worshipful Master as a "Giver of Light" to his lodge?

Looking back into history and ancient documents, we can find much more about the Three Lesser Lights other than illuminating the Bible, Square and Compasses, and what it represents. There is much more than I can cover in this article. I have only scratched the surface, and I encourage you to investigate the subject much deeper. From the ritual part of the Three Lesser Lights, strive to remember that they should be the only illumination for the Three Great Lights, and that the Three Great Lights could not be seen or used without the gift of light from the three burning tapers. Remember what each taper represents and share that knowledge with the new initiates. He might be compelled to study it further.

As always, I wish you much success in your degree work. Be a ritual leader in your Lodge, learn a new part, and encourage others to do the same. Mentor the candidates with fierce abandon. 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 jkgorge@att.net or 262-691-0859

Sushi Cooking Demo

Three Pillars Wellness Connection holds cooking demonstrations about different foods once a month. This month guest chef Chaa Gallagher performed a hands-on sushi cooking demonstration and all the guests used chopsticks to sample their sushi rolls!



Cooking Demo guests picked out their favorite veggies for their sushi roll.

Guest Chef, Chaa Gallagher demonstrated how to make a sushi roll.



MasonWoods

MasonWoods recently celebrated their annual picnic and corn roast for the residents. They had a beautiful sunny day, and the lakeside setting always adds something special to the picnic. It is a good chance for everyone to mingle, laugh and, of course, eat good corn! With the autumn season just around the corner, many future activities will be planned for the indoors. The picnic was a day to cherish and think about during our cold days. As always, we invite you to come and see "our neck of the woods" in Cecil.



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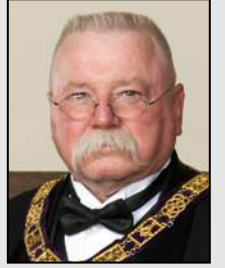
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The cost is \$10 per person and reservations are a must. RSVP by October 5 to Bro. Todd Wohlert at 608-385-1923.

The event is open to Scottish Rite Masons only.

Bro. Donald Rock Honored for 50 Years

Bro. Donald Rock was honored recently for 50 years of service to the craft. Bro. Rock was raised on January 21, 1961 in Benton Lodge No. 268. He was presented his certificate and pin by Bro. Joseph Thompson, Master of Olive Branch Lodge No. 6, and Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. Bro. Rock was incorrectly identified in the September issue.

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Wisconsin Rapids Lodge Honors Past Masters



Past Masters honored at Wisconsin Rapids Lodge, front row (from left): Gary McAllister; John Hein, P.G.M.; Tom Voight; John Natwick; Harley Bennett; and Ozzie Leiser. Standing: Jim Anderson; Jim Plahmer; Jeff Brewer; Jim Hanneman; Ted Lyons; Craig Carpenter, Master; and Curtis Frost.

Submitted by Bro. Craig Carpenter, Master

Wisconsin Rapids Lodge No. 128 met on September 21 to honor its Past Masters.

The festivities started with a steak dinner with all the trimmings followed by a stated communication.

The meeting was opened in the Master Mason degree with all thirteen chairs filled by Past Masters. Following the opening, Bro. Craig Carpenter, Master

assumed the East for a short business meeting after which, the the Lodge of Master Masons was closed and a Lodge of Entered Apprentices opened. All of the Lodge's Fellowcrafts and Entered Apprentices were then invited into the Lodge to enjoy the evening.

Certificates recognizing extended years of membership in the fraternity were presented. Most

notable was the certificate presented to Bro. Harley Bennett for having achieved 60 years in Masonry. He was raised in Zerah Lodge No. 159, Necedah, on June 29, 1951. He served Zerah Lodge as Master in 1964.

The Past Masters who opened the Lodge had a combined total of 486 years of service to Freemasonry.

It was particularly noteworthy



Past Grand Master John Hein presents Bro. Craig Carpenter, Master of Wisconsin Rapids Lodge No. 128, his first Proficiency Card.

to have Past Master John Natwick present to help open and close the Lodge. Bro. John is 98 years old, has been a Mason for 66 years, and was Master of the Lodge in 1951.

Bro. Craig Carpenter, Master, was presented his first Proficiency Card by Past Grand

Master John Hein.

The members were then treated to a slide show featuring pictures of the Lodge and its members covering the last 70 years. The Lodged of Entered Apprentices was closed in due form and harmony by the thirteen Past Masters.



Racine-Belle City Lodge receives special flag from Iraq

Capt. Mat Mount, recently back in the states on leave from Iraq, gave his father, Bro. Bill Mount, KYCH, Racine-Belle City Lodge No. 18, a flag which had flown over Joint Base Balad in Iraq on the day Osama Bin Laden was killed. Bro. Bill presented the flag to the Racine Masonic Temple Association to be placed in the archives. Racine Masonic Veterans, Bros. John Christensen and Dale Slaasted (left); and Bro. Dick Dale (far right); look on as Bro. Bill Mount presents the flag to Temple Association Representative Bro. Scott McClelland (center).

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News Events from the Lodges



Bro. Walter Marsh honored for 50 years

On August 14, Bro. Walter T. Marsh, a resident of East Troy, was presented an award recognizing his 50 years as a Freemason. Bro. Marsh became a Mason October 16, 1956 and is a member of Ferndale Lodge No. 506, Berkley, Michigan. Bro. Roy A. Hubler, Master of Laflin St. James Lodge No. 247, Mukwonago, made the presentation at the Lodge's annual All-Masonic Picnic to which members and friends are invited. The picnic was held at Bro. Hubler's home on Potter's Lake, East Troy.

Submitted by Bro. Jim Truesdell, Secretary/Treasurer



Grand Master visits Richland Lodge No. 66

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. honored Richland Lodge No. 66 by attending their August 18, stated communication. He was accompanied by Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie and Iowa's Past Grand Master Jack Butler. Past Grand Master Keith Chamberlain appointed Grand Master White to the Grand Lodge Line. To congratulate the Grand Master, he presented him with both a picture of GM White and his father at the time he took the oath of office and with a gavel made by Bro. Steve Davis, of Richland Lodge. Master Larry Ferguson honored the Grand Master by presenting him with a personalized cake.

In attendance were front row (from left): Brent Clausius; Tony Broadbent; Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.; Jack Butler, Past Grand Master of Iowa; Dick Brustman; Fuzz Spangler; and Milt Schott. Back row: Past Grand Master Keith Chamberlain, Howard Hansen, Jim Jewell, Master Larry Ferguson, Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie; Dave Druckery, Cecil Groves, John Garner, Bill Jewell and Charlie McMullen. Not pictured: Larry Hallett.

Submitted by Bro. Brent Clausius, News Hawk

MSA Band Concerts for Vets at King



Masons and ladies assist at the registration table, (from left): Shirley Soderbeck, Oshkosh; Elmer and Eleanor Wokosin, Oshkosh; Jim and Mary Szydel, Neshkoro; and Neil Starke, Wautoma.

By Bro. Tom Dowman

Forty-five Masons, volunteers and friends from a half dozen central Wisconsin cities gathered in the Quadrangle of the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King on a recent balmy Sunday afternoon to provide residents an outdoor "Concert in the Park" of big band swing music from the 1920s, 30s and 40s.

The residents enjoyed pie, ice cream and coffee and received Home Exchange Coupons and door prizes.

The concerts are jointly sponsored by the Masonic Service Association and the Service and Assistance Committee of the Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of Wisconsin.

The next Masonic Band Social

is scheduled to be held in the Marden Memorial Center on November 13, featuring a Dixieland band along with the Winnebago Land Barbershop Chorus.

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Green Bay conducts flag ceremony in remembrance of 9/11

On Sunday morning, September 11, 2011, Brethren from Green Bay representing many lodges in the area, conducted a flag ceremony in remembrance of all who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. Bro. Mike Belanger, Junior Deacon from Theodore Roosevelt Lodge No. 322, had the idea for the commemoration and led the group in prayer as a new flag was raised and then lowered to half staff. Pictured (from left): Mike Belanger, James S. Wade, Darren Jenerson, Gerald S. Brebner, John Sage and John E. Jahnke. Submitted by Bro. Gerald Brebner, Master



Bro. Lentz is "Mason of the Year"

Bro. Stu Lentz was named the River Falls Lodge No. 109 "Mason of the Year" during the lodge's regular communication on September 6. Past Master and Area Administrator Steve Schwartz is shown presenting the award to Bro. Lentz. In his remarks Schwartz cited Lentz's help in major lodge construction projects this past year.

Photo by Bro. Milt Helmer

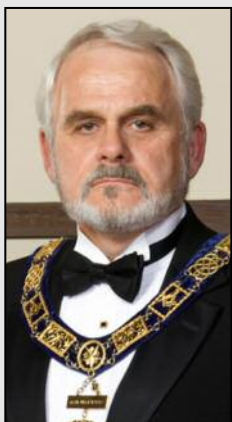
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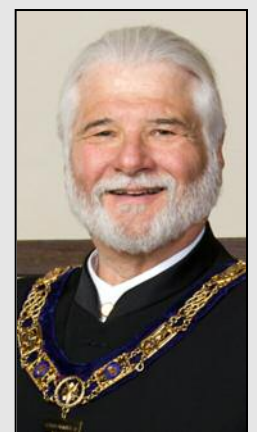
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Masons are Patriots

By Dennis V. Siewert

R.W. Deputy Grand Master

What two things do we not talk about in our Masonic Lodges? The answer is Religion and Politics. However, United States Freemasons helped form and maintain this great country of ours and have always answered the call to arms.

Recently I got a call from Brother Bob Roth, a retired Army Colonel, who serves us on a number Grand Lodge Committees. He asked me if I would like to represent my company and the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin on a Defense Department sponsored "Bosslift" to Naval Station Norfolk in Virginia. It was an opportunity to learn about the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), a Department of Defense (DOD) activity that supports employers who have or may have employees who serve in the National Guard or the Reserve Components of the various military services. Brother Roth said it would be a memorable trip and experiencing these citizen warriors at work supporting our national defense.

I said yes, and the next thing I knew I was getting my background checked, my security clearances done, and was packing a bag and heading for the military side of Mitchell Field in Milwaukee. I reported to the headquarters of the 128th USAF (Air National Guard) Refueling Wing for our security briefings. We flew out on Monday July 18, 2011 and were back on the ground in Milwaukee in the late afternoon of Wednesday, July 20th. Aboard two KC-135 tanker jets were seventy three (73) employers from around the state joined by fifteen (15) ESGR volunteers, one Navy Rear Admiral, and two Brigadier Generals from the Wisconsin National Guard. While on the way to the air station at the Base at Norfolk Virginia, the tanker refueled F16 Fighters.

It was a special flight, and I got to see the mid-air refueling done through a boom actually flown by the boom operator at the back of

the tanker, with the fighter jet about 35 feet away and all of us flying at hundreds of miles an hour. It was air ballet of a different sort. Note that the FAA considers any two planes within a mile of one another as a "near miss." That wouldn't work so well in this case.

The ESGR representatives filled us in about the work they are doing in Wisconsin and elsewhere. We learned that they are a group of volunteers with a few full time support persons doing the day to day coordination on project ranging from these bosslifts to working directly with employers to help find work for returning veterans and serving Reserve Component members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard. Yes, it's really a Department of Defense Activity, and there are about 4500 of these volunteers at work nationwide. The committee in Wisconsin is very busy right now, with the recent return of the 32nd Combat Brigade of the Army National Guard returning from Iraq. We learned, not without some surprise and discomfort that upwards of 30% of that force of more than 5000 soldiers came home without a job waiting for them. Yes, a few were students, but that just seemed wholly out of proportion to what we should expect for these men and women.

So part of the reason for this article is to let all Masons in Wisconsin know that if they have an opportunity to hire someone, that they should give thought to hiring a veteran or a serving member of the Reserve Component. I'll detail some contact information for you at the bottom of this article that will point the way for you. It would be a way for us to do our part to support that one percent of the population that is currently shouldering the entire defense of this nation for the benefit of the other ninety-nine percent of us.

We arrived Monday afternoon at the Naval Station Norfolk, the largest Navy installation in the world, with about 145,000 personnel assigned to the base. We checked into the Navy Hotel, fol-



An F-16 is refueled through a boom in mid-air by a KC-135. The F-16 is about 35 feet from the refueling plane. The KC-135 flies at 530 miles per hour at 30,000 feet and can take off with a gross weight of up to 322,500 lbs. Several planes were refueled enroute from Milwaukee to Norfolk, Virginia.

lowed by dinner and orientation. The Reserve Component forces are about fifty percent of the total fighting force and fully engaged in the fight. Some of those F16s we fueled could be headed to Southwest Asia. Much of what we observed was training of personnel in preparation for future deployments. You couldn't tell the difference between the reservists and the actives, and the level of morale, professionalism and complete commitment to protection of our way of life was on display.

The next day, Tuesday, we were kept busy visiting naval vessels. We boarded and toured the U.S.S. Mahan (DDG72), a Destroyer just back from deployment. We then toured the new, about to go on its maiden voyage, USS New York, LPD 21.

On the bridge, the Captain gave an interesting talk about his ship. Its hull and other parts of the ship are made from steel from the twin towers, salvaged after 9/11! The City of New York has "adopted" the ship, and there is memorabilia and gifts on display from the city and 9/11. This special craft designed to carry Marines, their personal gear and all of their equipment into combat.

After lunch, we visited the Riverine Forces, and saw many different aspects of the close in Navy operations, to include the small vessels that do pirate and drug interdiction, IED bomb removal units, the Civil Affairs Units and Construction Engineers (the Seabees). The Reserve officers and sailors on site went out of their way to explain how they do the work for us in the Navy and also work with their civilian employers.

We then boarded buses and went to downtown Norfolk, VA, to visit their wonderful maritime museum featuring the Battleship Wisconsin, BB-64. We had an excellent docent (guided) tour throughout the ship. We were told the reason its not in Wisconsin is that the ship can't pass through the St. Lawrence Seaway, as the Eisenhower Lock is two inches too small. We also learned that the U.S.S. Wisconsin was able to make it through the Panama Canal as the locks are four inches wider than the beam of the ship.

Wednesday morning we visited the Air Wing at the Naval Station and got a close look at the reconnaissance planes that are assigned to aircraft carriers, as well as the latest version of the Navy's "Blackhawk" helicopters. It was an eye opener as well, and again, we were briefed well and treated better.

In what seemed like just a short while, we were back at the air base, loading the refueling jets, up in the air, and once again refueling. This time we got to see the Air Force's premier ground support aircraft, the A-10 "Warthog" get topped up. The Army veteran's on board really extolled the virtue of that plane.

It's been in the system for a while, but for those on the ground, fighting the ground war, it just keeps on giving and giving.

At dinner, Tuesday evening, I signed a "Statement of Support" for the members of the Reserve and National Guard on behalf of my business in Green Bay. I have spoken with our Grand Master, Davey White Jr., about my experiences. It is at his urging that I make this report to you my Brothers.

We believe that signing the "Statement of Support" is a wonderful way for Masons to show our Patriotism and Support for Our Troops. The Grand Master will be sending each Lodge in the state a letter urging lodges to sign a "Statement of Support". Brother Bob Roth and the ESGR volunteers will coordinate these efforts. It will have a positive impact on the morale of the service members in Wisconsin and it does get mentioned in what our volunteers call, "Pentagon Circles," which at the end of the day helps them get the few dollars they get from Uncle Sam to support their projects. Each Lodge will receive a framed "Statement of Support" to be displayed. Your Grand Lodge Executive Committee under the direction of the Grand Master is positive that by Lodges showing their support for our Troops, we will make Wisconsin Free Masons the first fraternal group to do so.

I urge each Lodge to use the News Hawk reimbursement plan to publicize your support in your area for this project. I also believe that returning military men will seek out Masonic Lodges for membership because of our support for them.

If you want to see what the ESGR is all about, check out their website at www.esgr.org. If there's any one of you that might like to learn more about the ESGR or its projects, contact Brother Bob Roth at broth2@wi.rr.com. Brother Bob will probably have the answer for you as he was the Employer Outreach Director for the ESGR in Wisconsin.

See **Patriots** on page 11.



An F-16 fighterjet flies just off the wing of the KC-135 after refueling. Several F-16s were refueled while the KC-135 was enroute to the air station at the Base at Norfolk, Virginia.

Patriots

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If you ever have a chance to go on a Military sponsored Bosslift, do it. You'll meet fellow countrymen and women doing the Nation's business at its best. What a powerful experience to be aboard ship and have military personal walk up to you and shake your hand and say, "Welcome aboard Brother", it just so happened I was wearing a shirt with the Square &

Compasses on it.

I would like to thank our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Davey L. White Jr. for letting me represent the Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of Wisconsin on this trip. It was an experience of a life-time. I learned so much about what military brothers are going through with employment issues following deployments from serving in active duty.



Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert aboard the KC-135.



Deputy Grand Master Dennis V. Siewert, Bro. Robert Roth and Bro. David Alderfer stand in front of a Black Hawk Helicopter at the Naval Air Station in Norfolk, Virginia.



Cockpit of the KC-135 tanker jet.



The Battleship Wisconsin at the maritime museum in Norfolk, VA. The reason the ship is not in Wisconsin is because it is unable to pass through the St. Lawrence Seaway, as the Eisenhower Lock is two inches too small.

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Waverly Lodge Promotes Run/Walk to Support Pancreatic Cancer Research



Waverly Brethren promoting the Run/Walk (from left): Bros. Dave Barton, Tim Kneeland, Matt Jackering, Craig Moore, Rich Moore, Kevin Lorenz, Craig Cloutier, Gary Vanden Heuvel. Volunteers not pictured are Bros. Kevin Reichenbach and Jonathan Bascue.

By Bro. Matt Jackering
Waverly Lodge No. 51, Appleton, participated in the 2nd annual 5K Beer Run/Walk for Pancreatic Cancer Research on September 10.

The event is the creation of Bro. Craig Moore of Waverly Lodge who lost his wife to pancreatic cancer last year.

This year, Waverly Lodge participated in many ways. First by encouraging it's members to participate in the 5K along with their families. Some who couldn't participate in the walk still registered

to show their support.

The second show of support was to provide a medical tent with staffing by Bro. Reichenbach who is a Paramedic and his wife Joy who is a Registered Nurse.

Waverly also sponsored the first three of six water stations along the walk by furnishing coolers, bottles of water and ice along with a smiling Bro. to hand out bottles and encourage the runners and walkers.

The Lodge also donated a check for \$1000 which was com-

bined with the other donations and registrations to be administered by the Lust-garten Foundation, www.lustgarten.org. The foundation, along with sponsorship from Cablevision, ensures 100% of every dollar goes directly toward pancreatic cancer research.

It's not too late to start planning for next year. The event operates online mostly through Facebook. Search for 5K BeerRun/Walk and look for the running beer mugs and "like" the group for future updates.

Forest 150 from page 2.

Following the ceremony everyone retired to the dining room for a meal, good fellowship and refreshment.

Emcee Jim Carlson, Senior Deacon, extended a welcome to all and introduced Master Jim Bitner.

Bro. Bitner gave a short talk on the history of Freemasonry and the uncertainty of the dates and origin of the Fraternity.

Bro. Roger Hancock, Secretary/Treasurer gave a history of the Lodge, going back to its beginnings in 1860 and receiving its charter in 1861.

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. was introduced by the Master. He thanked everyone for the invitation and the Grand Lodge Officers for their assistance. He commented on the fact that Forest Lodge at one time had 700 members. He said his lodge is in a community of 700 people.

The Grand Master spoke on what it takes to keep a lodge going for 150 years, and the need for youth, manhood and age in our lodges.

He referred to the words on Past Grand Master Keith B. Chamberlain's pin: Constant, Caring and Committed. He said in order to last for 150 years in a community this is what it takes. It is very important that each one of us does his part. The Grand

Master also referred to Grand Master John W. Wilke's pin, the beehive. Be industrious, be busy doing something at all times. You must be industrious and active in your community

The Grand Master also referred to his message, the tenets of Masonry: Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. He stated if a lodge practices these tenets they will never have a problem. He also thanked the ladies for their help and cooperation to allow Freemasonry to survive in Wisconsin since 1843.

Past Master Joe Barlow, toastmaster, proposed the toasts for the evening during the delicious four course meal.

Bro. Jesse Furrer received a round of applause for the tremendous job he did in putting this celebration together.

See photos on page 14.

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From your Brothers of
**Dousman
Lodge No. 315**
Dousman

Three Master Masons Raised at Shinin' Times Valley

By Rich Rygh

Brethren representing 12 lodges gathered at Shinin' Times Valley, Lyndon Station, for an open air lodge on August 27, by Oregon Lodge No. 151. Three Master Mason degrees were conferred adjacent to an 1830s log cabin on a secluded hill overlooking the valley and Dore Creek. Another recently reconstructed 1840s log cabin, is visible along the path up the hillside. Bro. L. Andy "Red Bear" Van Sickle an avid buckskinner and his wife Carolyn live at the entrance to the property. He shares the property with his fellow buckskinners, many of them Freemasons, by hosting a Rendezvous each year, the third weekend in September. Bro. Red Bear sets up the log cabin on the hill as a replica of a Dutch trading post.

Bro. Dennis Erfurth, Master of Oregon Lodge, opened the Lodge at 10:15 a.m. Many

of the Brethren were dressed in 1800s clothing of the fur trading era.

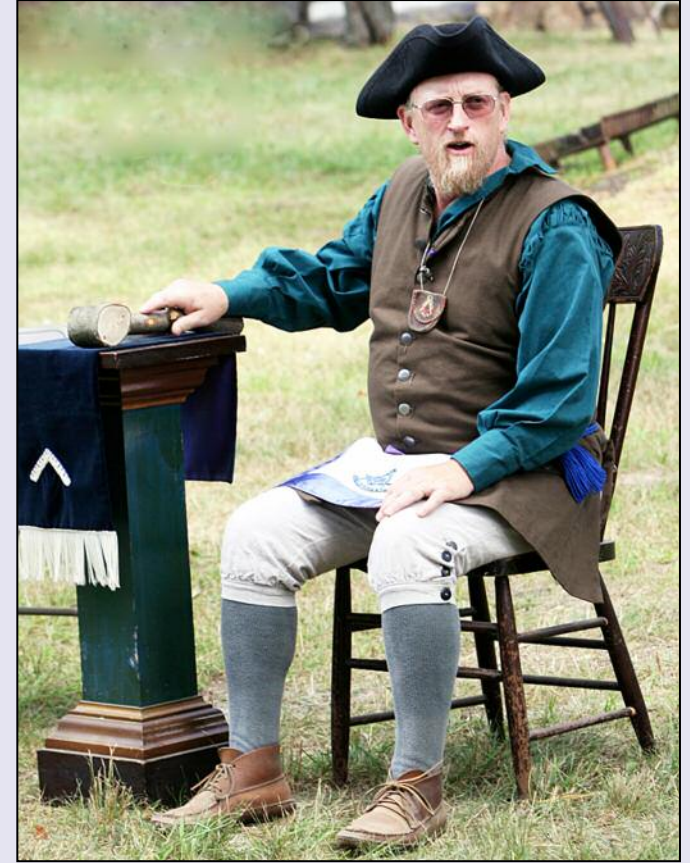
Past Master David Huston assumed the East and conferred the Master Mason Degree on Fellowcrafts Jon Fisher and Paul Martens of Oregon Lodge and Bro. Alex Ray of Dodgeville Lodge No. 119.

Lunch, cooked over a wood fire, was served from the primitive outdoor kitchen.

The Brothers were raised by Bro. Chris Gans, of Waupaca Lodge No. 123 and Perseverance 1843 Lodge No. 366.

District Deputy Terry Brown participated in the degrees and extended the greetings of Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. He also presented the Grand Master's Pin to the New Master Masons and Brethren.

The Brethren extended their appreciation to Bro. "Red Bear" for hosting this very enjoyable day of degree work and fellowship.

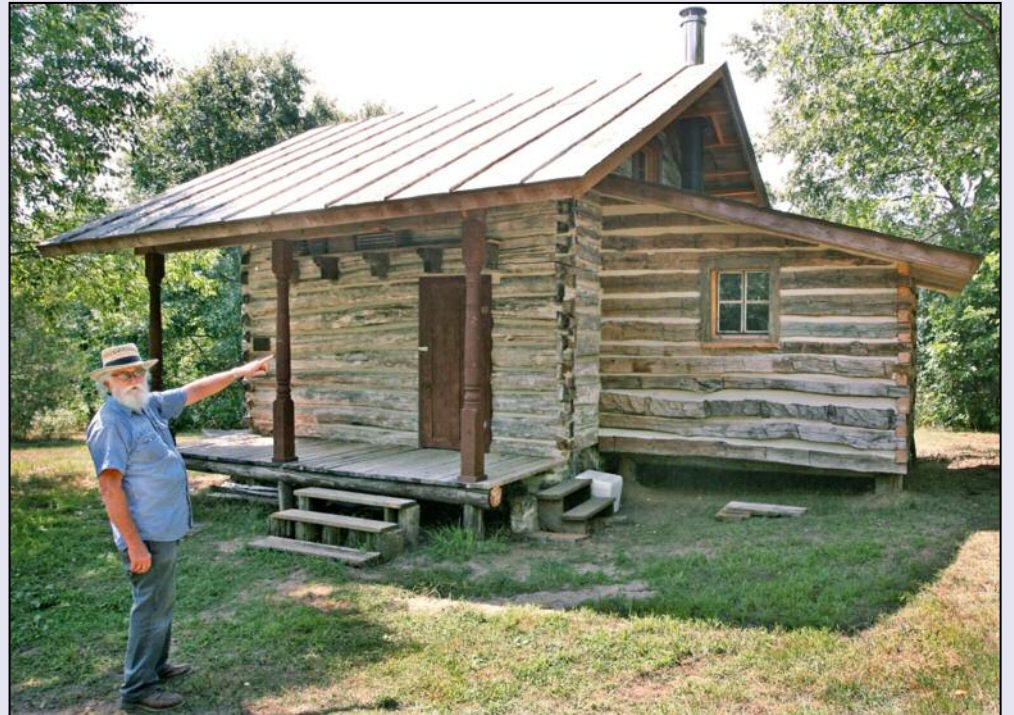


Bro. Chris Gans calls the Lodge to order at the beginning of the second section of the Master Mason Degree.



At left: Bro Dennis Erfurth, Master, opens the Lodge.

Photos by
Rich
Rygh



Bro. L. Andy "Red Bear" Van Sickle gives some history of the reconstructed log cabin from 1844.



Past Master David Huston begins the conferral of Bro. Jon Fisher's Master Mason Degree.



Bro. Don Haugen presents the historical account of the Master Mason degree.



District Deputy Terry Brown explains the Grand Master's Pin to the new Master Masons (from left): Alex Ray, Paul Martens and Jon Fisher.

Forest Lodge Celebrates 150 Years



Brethren and ladies enjoy good food and fellowship during the evening.



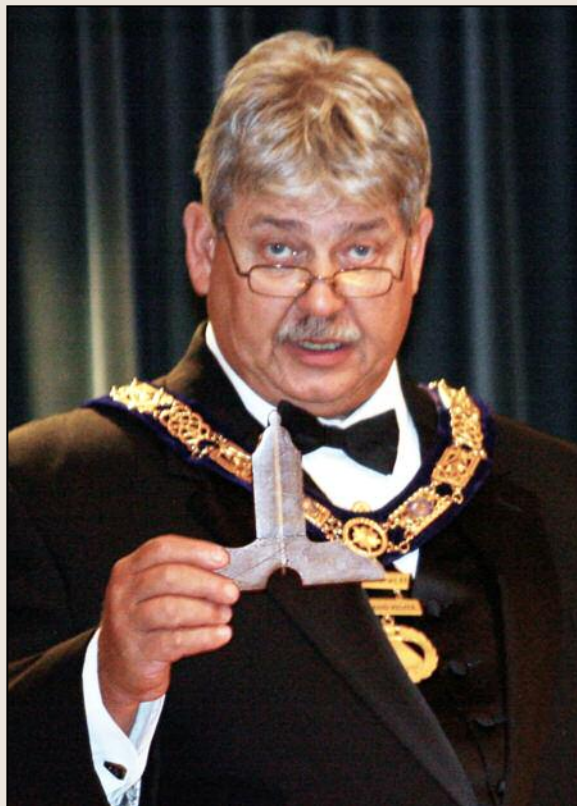
Toastmaster, Bro. Joe Barlow (right), proposes a toast during the Table Lodge Celebration and Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. (left) and Emcee Jim Carlson raise their glasses.



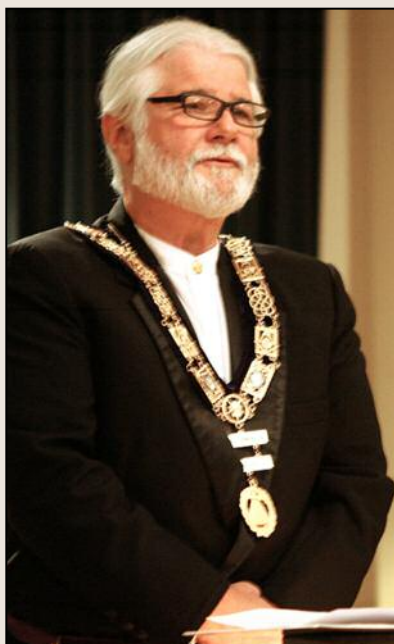
Sir Knights (from left): Ted Goeden, Tony Fondell, Peter Fischer and John Eldred of St. Omer Commandery #19 present the colors.



Bro. Jesse Furrer, planner and organizer of the celebration helps keep the cannons charged.



Past Grand Master John W. Wilke, acting as Senior Grand Warden, explains the use of the level in speculative Masonry.



Grand Orator Keith D. Chamberlain, PGM, addresses the Brethren and ladies.



Grand Chaplain David R. Ritchie, left, acting as Junior Grand Warden, pours the corn as an emblem of plenty.

See Story
on Page 1.



Bro. Roger Hancock, Past Master and Secretary/Treasurer, gives the history of Forest Lodge No. 130.

Photos by Rich Rygh

Waucoma Lodge Hosts Annual Picnic in Cooksville

By Rich Rygh

Great food and good fellowship provided a very enjoyable evening for Brethren and wives at the annual family picnic at Waucoma Lodge No. 90, Cooksville, on September 15. Area Administrator Dwight Redders, Master, prepared the brats; Area Administrator Robert Barnett Jr. prepared the burgers and everyone brought a dish to pass.

Grand Master Davey L. White Jr., complimented Waucoma Lodge for taking third place this year in the Lodge Excellence Awards. He said, "Taking third in the state for such a small community is a very big accomplishment." He added, "You function as Masons and do what Masons should do, they travel, they care about each other and they believe in the tenets of Masonry: Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth."

The Grand Master said "One of the simplest forms of charity that we have is just love of each other, just a simple handshake is showing an expression of love." He stressed the importance of following Past Grand Master J.B. Van Hollen's motto, "Get Back to Basics", all working together. When this happens we accomplish things like this picnic where we all feel at home. That is what the "Brotherly Love" aspect of Masonry is all about.

The Grand Master expressed his appreciation to the ladies for their encouragement and support of Masonic activities, he introduced his officers in attendance and thanked Waucoma Lodge for hosting the event and extending him an invitation.



Grand Master Davey L. White Jr. addresses the Brethren and ladies following the meal at the Waucoma Lodge annual picnic.



Bro. Bill Smith, 89 years young, an active member of four lodges in the area and the Zor Wranglers, listens to the Grand Master's message.



Area Administrator Dwight Redders, Master of Waucoma Lodge, prepares the brats and enjoys a conversation with Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.

Photos by Rich Rygh

Send your questions about Freemasonry to: askhiram@wisc-freemasonry.org.

Ozaukee Lodge Fundraiser to Benefit Spina Bifida Association

Ozaukee Lodge No. 17 will be holding a Fundraiser for the Spina Bifida Association of Wis. on Saturday October 15.

The day will begin with the Invitational Mason's Chili Cook-Off, set up and cooking 9:00 a.m. till noon, judging at 1:00 p.m. and awards presentation at 2:30 p.m.

An advance registration fee of \$10.00 is required to enter your "Finest Chili" and is due by October 10.

Send registration to Ozaukee Lodge No. 17, 504 W. Grand Ave., Port Washington, WI 53074.

There is no admission fee for visitors to the cook-off, chili will be \$1.00 per serving.

Chili will be judged on the following criteria: aroma, color, consistency, taste and aftertaste. The judging will begin at 1:00 p.m. with celebrity judges, people choice voting and public tasting.

We have one of those Texas Guys running the Chili Cook-off. Making it hot, make sure you like it, you will be asked to try your own Chili.

An afternoon fundraiser will begin at 2:30 p.m., everyone is welcome and prizes will be awarded. Burgers, brats, hot-dogs, and beverages will be available. There will be a main raffle with awesome prizes and 50/50 raffles will be held throughout the day.

All proceeds will go to the Spina Bifida Association of Wis. Spina Bifida is the number one permanently disabling birth defect.

For additional information, please contact Dave Tainter at dtainter@wi.rr.com. or 262-689-2848.



Mineral Point Lodge No. 1 picnic

Brethren, families and friends enjoyed the annual picnic hosted by Mineral Point Lodge No. 1 on July 17. Submitted by Bro. William Buckingham, Secretary

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Brethren:

As many of you know Wisconsin has adopted a Concealed Carry Law. After November 1st, 2011 those who have submitted the proper paperwork and have received a permit from the Department of Justice will be able to carry weapons concealed, as well as open, in Wis. I have been asked numerous times what the position of the Grand Lodge is on this issue.

Our position is and has always been that weapons are not allowed in the lodge room unless a Brother is in the employ of an agency that requires him to be armed at all times in the execution of his job. For those who are licensed to Carry, the lodge may consider the purchase of gun lockers with locks to allow a Brother to secure his weapon prior to entering a lodge room.

If you have additional questions on this issue contact the Grand Secretary at 262-965-2200 Ext. 807.

Fraternally,
Grand Master Davey L. White Jr.



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Job's Daughters Jamboree at Green Lake

By Dorothy Cigale

President - Jamboree Board

The weekend of August 19, 20 & 21 found some 300 Job's Daughters, Council members, parents and others enjoying Jobie Jamboree at Green Lake Conference Center. This year our Supreme Guardian Bobbi Høglund; Associate Supreme Guardian Randy Hansen; Miss International Job's Daughter Brianna Richards; Supreme Bethel Honored Queen Kristi Frazier along with Bro. Bill Beecher, Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin attended this event.

The activities for the weekend included the Grand Bethel Meeting, Miss Wisconsin Job's Daughters Pageant, Talent show, Jamboree Jog, karaoke, kick ball games, "silly" sports and crafts and very little sleep.

The Jamboree Jog took place at

6:15 a.m. on Saturday morning and benefitted our philanthropic project HIKE. Some eighty persons either ran or walked the 2.1 mile path through the grounds or cheered at the finish line.

The Talent Show composed of even-numbered Bethels was very entertaining. Bethel #76 (Burlington) won first place with their skit titled "Follow The Purple Brick Road". Bethel #6 (Milwaukee) took second place with their skit "An Awesome Wicked Life Of A Jobie" and Bethel #32 (Green Bay) received third place with their skit titled "Reception Adventure...Whee!"

The Pageant on Saturday evening was exciting and impressive. Nine daughters competed for the title of Miss Wisconsin Job's Daughters. Jessica Flack of Bethel #60, the retiring Miss Wisconsin Job's Daughters and Maddie Harycki of Bethel #19,



Winners of the Jamboree Jog, first through tenth place, from left to right: Colleen Athy, Bethel #6; Caitlyn Cigale, Bethel #6; Kelly Engbring, Bethel #44; Mary Workman, Bethel #22; Sierra Lisiecki, Bethel #76; Megan Nowakowski, Bethel #6; Clare Burtard, Bethel #76; Angela Marinez, Bethel #76; Sarah Korducki, Bethel #76 and Noelle Chagnard, Bethel #76 along with Jessica Korducki, Bethel #76 the Wisconsin Youth HIKE Coordinator.



Three new leaders for Job's Daughters (from left): Grand Bethel Honored Queen Jennifer Niggemeier, Bethel #53; Miss Wisconsin Congeniality 2011-12 Samantha Bachman, Bethel #78 and Miss Wisconsin Job's Daughters 2011-12 Emily Dyer, Bethel #76.

Brethren Enjoy Golf-Dinner Outing and Benefit Children

By Paul Hallingstad, Newshawk

The third annual Zor/Scottish Rite Golf-Dinner Outing was held at Dodge Point Country Club on August 25. A total of 49 golfers and 48 diners thoroughly enjoyed themselves with pleasure and good fellowship on a beautiful summer afternoon. Zor Potentate Steve Peterson, and Commander-in-Chief of the Madison Consistory Jon Grinde provided some words of wisdom for the diners. Noble Keith Krinke was Master of Ceremonies for Humor and Silent Auction Prizes.

Paul Hallingstad won the low gross trophy with a score of 79 and Jim Stelsel made the lowest handicap score and a trophy with a score of 68. Additional golf prizes were awarded to Tom Hildenbrandt and Steve Peterson with a handicap score of 70.

The purpose of the outing was not only to enjoy the game of golf and break bread with friends and brothers but to also make a significant contribution to the Madison Children's Dyslexia Center and Zor Patient Transportation Fund.

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Additional thanks go to our regular hole sponsors, Thompson's Top Hat Chimney Cleaning, Joe Thompson; Dodgeville Lodge No. 119, John Metcalf; and Billy the Clown, Larry Hanson.

Thanks to all the Brothers, Nobles, and friends who contributed prizes for our silent auction.

The total contribution of sponsors and the silent auction added up to \$1935. The Zor Patient Transportation Fund and Madison Children's Dyslexia Center will share the proceeds.

Thanks to Jay, Helen, and Chef, Bro. Matt Drennan at Dodge Point Country Club for providing a fun time, great venue, and great meal for our event.

Get ready for next year's outing. Watch for the date and put it on your must do calendar.

the retiring Miss Wisconsin Congeniality exceed the Pageant. All candidates represented their Bethels superbly. When the envelopes were opened and the winners known, the following girls were presented: Erin Athy of Bethel #6, third runner-up; Larissa Allison of Bethel #22, second runner-up; Shana DeBoer of Bethel #27, first runner-up and Emily Dyer of Bethel #76 as Miss Wisconsin Job's Daughters 2011-12. Samantha Bachman of Bethel

#78 was named Miss Wisconsin Congeniality.

Grand Bethel Installation was held on Sunday morning after the church service. Renee Simon, retiring Grand Bethel Honored Queen presided as the installing officer. Jennifer Niggemeier of Bethel #53, Brookfield, was installed as Grand Bethel Honored Queen for 2011-12. Many Masonic dignitaries were in attendance and were impressed with the work of the daughters.

Yes, all of the above happened on this weekend - plus much more! Jobies and adults will tell you that it is the greatest weekend for Job's Daughters in Wisconsin. And they plan to attend in 2012 on August 17 through 19.

A big thank you to the members of the Jamboree Board and other volunteers for making this weekend a success.

Photos by Bro. Russ Provencher

Kevin Hermening,

former Iran Hostage,

to speak at

Ozaukee Lodge Recognition Night

on November 12

Mark your calendar NOW!

You won't want to miss this!

Port Washington Masonic Center
504 W. Grand Ave Port Washington, WI 53074

Gathering at 5:30pm Authentic German Dinner at 6:00pm
Presentation to follow
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Reservations due by November 5, 2011
For more information email sgtguns@sbcglobal.net

Reservations with remittance to:
Sid Arthur 404 Hickory Dr. Fredonia, WI 53021

Name _____
Attending _____ x \$20.00 = _____ (enclosed)



Stated Communications

for the Traveling Mason in Wisconsin

Adams

Adams Lodge No. 332
148 S. Grant • 608-403-1954 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark January & February

Albany

Albany Lodge No. 36
205 N. Water St. • 608-862-3227
Meet 3rd Wed., 7:00 p.m.
Dark July & August

Antigo

Antigo Lodge No. 231
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. • 715-977-0872 (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.
Meets All Year

Barnes

Barnes Lodge No. 365
City. Hwy. N • 715-372-4957 (Sec)
Meet 2nd Tues. - 4th Tues. in June only
7 p.m. Dark Jan., Feb. & March

Barneveld

Barneveld Lodge No. 319
108 S. Jones St. • 608-445-0445 (Sec)
Meet 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Bayfield

Bayfield-Washburn Lodge No. 215
29 N. 2nd Street • 715-747-6965 (Sec)
Meets Monthly, 1st Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
Meets All Year

Beaver Dam

Dodge County Lodge No. 72
Best Western Campus Inn, 815 Park
Ave. • 920-210-1412 • Meet 3rd
Monday 7 p.m., Meets All Year

Beloit

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

Berlin

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

Black Earth

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

Black River Falls

Black River Lodge No. 74
314 Main Street • 715-284-2521
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

Myron Reed No. 297
4550 N Pilgrim Rd. • 262-780-0176
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
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 Valley 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.
Meets 4th Tues. Mar.-May & July-Oct.

Crivitz

Tri-County Daylite Lodge No. 218
918 Louisa St. • Sec. 715-856-6425
Meet 2nd Wednesday 10 a.m.
Dark January & February

Darlington

Evening Star Lodge No. 64
433 Wells St. • 608-776-4213 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Meets All Year

Delavan

Southern Lakes Lodge No. 12
1007 S. Second St. • 262-728-6556 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August

Dodgeville

Dodgeville Lodge No. 119
200 W. Chapel St. • 608-935-3548
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Meets All Year

Dousman

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

Dousman

Glen L. Humphrey Lodge No. 364
375 Hwy. 67 • 262-490-5497
Meet 2nd Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.
Dark June

Durand

Durand-Pepin Lodge No. 149
203 W. Main St. • 715-672-8052 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Eagle River

Eagle River Lodge No. 248
610 E. Division • 715-891-6116
Meet 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Meets All Year

Eau Claire

Eau Claire Lodge No. 112
616 Graham Ave. • 415-832-7759 (Sec.)
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Eau Claire

George B. Wheeler Lodge No. 351
616 Graham Ave. • 715-832-7759
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August

Eau Claire

Sanctuary Lodge No. 347
616 Graham Ave. • 715-835-1778
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August

Edgerton

Fulton Lodge No. 69
312 W. Fulton St. • 608-884-4250
Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Ellsworth

Hancock Lodge No. 229
400 High Point Dr. • 715-273-4339
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Evansville

Union Lodge No. 32
104 W. Main St. • 608-882-6087 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Fennimore

Fennimore Lodge No. 216
2025 12th St. • 608-822-4129
Meet 2nd & 4th Wed. 7:30 p.m.
Dark January & February

Florence

Hiram D. Fisher Lodge No. 222
433 Central Ave. • 715-696-6308
Meet 2nd Wed., 6:30 p.m.
Meet All Year

Fond du Lac

Fond du Lac Lodge No. 26
500 W. Arndt St. • 920-922-6012
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July and August

Frederic

Landmark Lodge No. 244
109 United Way • 612-998-7901 (Sec).
Meets 2nd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Meets All Year

Friendship

Quincy Lodge No. 71
210 Main St. • 608-853-1768 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August

Galesville

Decora Lodge No. 177
16794 S. Main St. • 608-582-4130 (Sec)
Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m.
Dark July & August, 1st Mon. Sept.

Glendale

Milwaukee-Harmony No. 261
Jewish Comm. Center • 414-961-1133
6255 N. Santa Monica Blvd. Whitefish Bay
1st & 3rd Tues. 7:30 p.m., Dark July & August

Grafton

Victory Lodge No. 320
504 W. Grand Ave., Port Washington
414-659-5205, Meet 2nd & 4th Mon.,
6:30 p.m. Dark June-August

Green Bay

Des Peres Lodge No. 85
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
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Dark July & Aug., roosevelt322.com

Green Bay

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

Greenfield

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

Hartford

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

Hayward

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

Hudson

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

Janesville

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

Jefferson

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

Kenosha

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

Kenosha

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

Kenosha

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

La Crosse

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

La Crosse

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

Ladysmith

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

Lake Geneva

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

Linden

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

Lodi

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

Lone Rock

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

Madison

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

Madison

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

Madison

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

Madison

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

Madison

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

Manitowoc

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

Marinette

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

Marshfield

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

Medford

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

Menomonie



River Falls Lodge receives scholarship donation

Bro. Jim Graham, Master of River Falls Lodge No. 109, receives a check from Kristin Loney of the First National Bank of River Falls. The bank partners with the local lodge in helping them present scholarships for graduating seniors.

Photo by Milt Helmer



Prescott Masons hold successful steak fry

The Masons of Northwestern Lodge No. 105, Prescott, held their first fall Steak Fry on September 16 to raise funds for scholarships. Shown are two members of the kitchen brigade, left to right, Bro. Don Eggers and Bro. Dave Finley, Master. Bro. Eggers is well known for his famous rhubarb cake, served at every steak dinner sponsored by the lodge. The next Steak Fry will be held on September 30 at the lodge at the corner on Court Street in Prescott.

Photo by Bro. Milt Helmer



Euclid's 47th problem presentation

Bro. Mike Vineburg (left) and Mike Perez recently gave a presentation on Euclid's 47th problem and its relationship to Freemasonry at Madison Lodge No. 5.

E-mail your submissions to wmjeditor@wisc-freemasonry.org.

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Onalaska

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

Oregon

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

Oshkosh

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

Owen

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

Palmyra

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

Pewaukee

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

Phillips

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

Platteville

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

Plymouth

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

Portage

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

Port Washington

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

Potosi

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

Poynette

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

Prairie du Chien

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

Prairie du Sac

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

Prescott

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

Racine

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

Reedsburg

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

Rhineland

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

Rice Lake

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

Richland Center

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

Ripon

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

River Falls

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

Shawano

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

Sheboygan

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

Shell Lake

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

Shullsburg

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

South Milwaukee

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

Sparta

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

Star Prairie

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

Stevens Point

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

Stoughton

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

Sturgeon Bay

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

Sun Prairie

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

Superior

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

Superior

Superior Lodge No. 236
1503 Belknap St. • 218-391-9877 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August

Sussex

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

Tomah

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

Union Grove

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

Viroqua

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

Waterloo

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

Waukesha

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

Waupaca

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

Waupun

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

Wausau

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

Wautoma

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

Wauwatosa

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

Wauwatosa

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

West Allis

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

West Allis

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

West Allis

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

West Bend

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

West Salem

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

Whitefish Bay

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

Whitefish Bay

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

Whitewater

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

Wilmot

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

Winneconne

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

Wisconsin Dells

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

Wisconsin Rapids

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

Silas H. Shephard

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

Armistead-Bingham

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

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New Master Masons



Bro. Benjamin Baumgardner is new MM

La Belle Lodge No. 84 raised Bro. Benjamin Baumgardner at an outdoor lodge Saturday, August 13. The scenic farm belongs to Bro. Bill Krueger in De Soto. Bro. Sean Kline, Master, observes as Bro. Benjamin's father Bro. David Baumgardner (right) helps with the degree work.

Submitted by Bro. Todd Wohlert



Bro. Neil Stanley is new MM at Blue Hills Lodge

Blue Hills Lodge No. 234, Rice Lake, raised Bro. Neil Stanley on Aug. 22. First row (from Left): District Deputy Gary Stang, Past Grand Master Herman A. Friess and Neil Stanley. Back row: Master Harlan Dodge, Junior Grand Warden William Beetcher and Junior Steward Steve Nispel.

Submitted by Bro Harlan Dodge, Master

Please e-mail your submissions to
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Princess Ellah Chapter #1 OES Celebrates 116 Years

The members of Princess Ellah, Chapter #1, Order of the Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliation, held its 116th Anniversary Celebration, at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel, in Brown Deer, on Sept. 24. The theme for the evening was "Women and Men of Excellence." The keynote speaker was Thelma Sias, Vice President of Local Affairs, WE Energies Corporation, Milwaukee office. Princess Ellah, #1, is the oldest African American body of the Order of the Eastern Star in the state of Wisconsin. The Order has received numerous proclamations and observations from Governor Scott Walker to the White House, in observation of this historical milestone.

In the early 1800s, in Milwaukee, there was a Masonic lodge of the Prince Hall Affiliation known as Widow Son's Lodge No. 25. They were under the jurisdictional leadership of Illinois Grand Lodge Widow Son's Lodge for the benefit of mothers, wives, daughters, sisters and widows desiring to become Masonically known. They were sponsored by an Eastern Star chapter under the jurisdiction of Eureka Grand Chapter of Illinois.

This new chapter was known as Princess Ellah, Chapter #22, which was constituted on August 15, 1895. Their Matron and Patron were referred to as Royal Matron and Royal Patron. The first Royal Matron of Princess Ellah was Sister Minerva Hawkins and the first Royal Patron was Brother L. H. Palmer. Together, Sister Hawkins and Brother Palmer, worked in concert with the other charter members from five cities in Wisconsin: Milwaukee, Racine, Waukesha, Green Bay and Oshkosh.

These early years showed frequent mobility of Princess Ellah's membership to many outlying states. However, the greatest of the growth of the membership was concentrated in pioneering the state of Wisconsin. In 1915, there were numerous changes for the benefit of progress. The membership grew; activities were organized, such as a dinner dance fundraiser, by invitation, which costs 50 cents to attend. These

sort of special events permitted Princess Ellah to move to better meeting facilities; the first of which was located at what is now 407 E. Wisconsin Ave., in downtown Milwaukee. It was a small room over the old T. A. Chapman's women's apparel department store. The rent was \$32.00 annually; monthly meetings were held three nights per month. In 1915, it was actually fashionable for ladies to sit around a potbelly stove and to bring their own firewood, which was 25 cents a bundle. Ladies did not always have to light the flame on the gaslights, but the ladies in Princess Ellah did, and paid the monthly gaslight bill of 24 cents. Those cold and chilly nights required wraps and throws for added warmth for the legs and laps. Princess Ellah later moved to another meeting location on 7th & Walnut Street.

The year was 1951, which began a new era for Princess Ellah, Chapter #22. Sister Mayme Williams' history is the most colorful of all our Worthy Matrons. She was a Matron of Princess Ellah when Unity Grand Chapter was organized. She moved the chapter from 7th & Walnut Street (from a third floor, in a shabby cold building) to the present location at 1218 W. North Ave., where heat and electric lighting was provided. Sister Williams surrendered the charter of Princess Ellah, #22 to Eureka Grand Chapter and received a new charter from Unity Grand Chapter, of Wisconsin. This change brought about the formation of Princess Ellah, Chapter #1, as they are now known, they are the First Chapter of the Prince Hall Affiliation organized in Wisconsin.

Through the years, the members have had their joys, misfortunes and successes. Princess Ellah, Chapter #1 is grateful that they are able to continually contribute to their favorite charities. Princess Ellah, Chapter #1, Order of the Eastern Star, is an outstanding contribution to Unity Grand Chapter, to their community, the city of Milwaukee and state of Wisconsin.

They know that God has led them step by step.



VALLEY OF LA CROSSE

SCOTTISH RITE Banquet

Honoring MWGM Davey White Jr.



Wednesday, October 12th - 6 pm

La Crosse Masonic Center

Event will feature a special presentation of the 16th degree, a table lodge with wine, and a banquet.

This event is open to SR members only.
 \$10 per person. Reservations a must!

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