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A Wisconsin treasure came to light October 7 as the cornerstone of the former Grand Lodge building on Milwaukee's East Side was removed during a renovation project. Hidden behind was a sealed container. It was opened with permission of the building's owner. A few of the 40 items it contained are shown at left. See story at right.

— Images courtesy of Brother Sid Arthur, Ozaukee Lodge No. 17

An interesting day on the job – workers find time capsule in former Grand Lodge Office in Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE – When Brother Sid Arthur, a member of Ozaukee Lodge in Port Washington, went to work on Tuesday, October 7, little did he expect that this day held quite a surprise in store for him.

Brother Arthur, you see, owns a caulking business and was hired by Milwaukee Marble & Granite to do the caulking work on a building exterior renewal project on Milwaukee's East Side.

As it turned out, the building they were working on happened to be the former Grand Lodge of Wisconsin headquarters building located at 1123 East Juneau Avenue at the corner with Astor. The stone fascia of the building was being replaced by its present owner, Metropolitan Associates. The building served the Fraternity from 1955 until 1983 when our Grand Lodge offices were relocated to the Grand Masonic Center in Dousman.

During the process of removing one of the stones near the front right corner of the building, the owner of the marble and granite firm, Brother Paul Baldino, himself a member of Milwaukee-Harmony Lodge, discovered that there was a cavity behind it, covered by a rubber flap—and behind the flap was a copper box measuring 14 inches long, 9 inches in height and 8 inches in width, its top soldered in place.

This particular stone, obviously the building's cornerstone, carried the words, "Carl W. Hofmeister, Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin, A.D. 1955 – A.L. 5955" incised into its weather stained and mossy surface.

Suspecting rightly that this was likely to be something of Masonic significance.

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More MORI Training for Lodge Secretaries and Assistants Set

DOUSMAN – Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, has announced six more Masonic Online Registry Interface (MORI) training sessions for Lodge Secretaries. MORI is the new member database system adopted by your Grand Lodge.

Registration is limited to Lodge Secretaries or their Assistants. These brethren are asked to select one of the following dates and locations, and register via email at: <grandsecretary@wisc-freemasonry.org>. Secretaries can also register on-line by clicking on the MORI tab on the Grand Lodge web site <www.wisc-freemasonry.org>.

Please indicate the MORI training session you wish to attend in your e-mail. Classes run from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and include lunch. You will receive full details at the time of registration. Choose from the following dates and locations:

November 15 – Menomonee
November 22 – Tomah
December 6 – Lone Rock
January 17, 2009 – Rhinelander
February 7, 2009 – Milwaukee
February 28, 2009 – Madison

At this time 61 Secretaries or Assistant Secretaries are trained and registered for the system. **umj**

The Grand Master's Message:

By Brother John W. Wilke
Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin

The Five Senses: a lecture from the past expands understanding in the present...

Brethren:
The five senses are alluded to in the second section lecture of the Fellow Craft Degree, but are only briefly explained in today's lecture.

In times past, the lecture included an explanation of each of the five senses. That explanation helps us as Masons better understand how to use those senses in improving ourselves as well as those around us. The following is taken from an old Masonic Monitor of New York by R.W. Jeremy L. Cross, Grand Lecturer.

"Hearing is that sense by which we distinguish sounds, and are capable of enjoying all the agreeable charms of music. By it we are enabled the pleasures of society, and reciprocally to communicate to each other our thoughts and intentions, our purposes and desires; while thus our reason is capable of exerting its utmost power and energy. The wise and beneficent Author of Nature intended, by the formation of this sense, that we should be social creatures, and receive the greatest and most important part of our knowledge by the information of others. For these purposes, we are endowed with hearing, that by a proper exertion of our rational powers, our happiness may be complete.

"Seeing is that sense by which we distinguish objects, and in an instant of time, without change of place or situation, view armies in battle array, figures of the most stately structures and all the agreeable variety displayed in the landscape of nature. By this sense, we find our way on the pathless ocean, traverse the globe of the earth, determine its figure and dimensions and delineate any region or quarter of it. By it we measure the planetary orbs, and make new discoveries in the sphere of the fixed stars. Nay more: by it we temper and dispositions, the passions and affections, of our fellow creatures, when they wish most to conceal them; so that through the tongue may be taught to lie and dissemble, the countenance would display the hypocrisy to the discerning eye. In fine, the rays of light, which administer to this sense, are the most astonishing part of the animated creation, and render the eye a peculiar object of admiration.

"Of all the faculties, sight is the noblest. The structure of the eye, and its appurtenances, evince the admirable contrivances of nature for performing all of its various external and internal motions; while the variety displayed in the eyes of different animals, suited to their several ways of life, clearly demonstrates this organ to be the masterpiece of Nature's work.

"Feeling is that sense by which we distinguish the different qualities of bodies: such as heat and cold, hardness and softness, roughness and smoothness, figure, solidity, motion and extension.

"Smelling is that sense by which we distinguish odors, the various kinds of which convey different impressions to the mind. Animal and vegetable bodies, and indeed most other bodies, while exposed to the air, continually send forth effluvia of vast subtilty, as well in the state of life and growth as in the state of fermentation and putrefaction. These effluvia being drawn into the nostrils along with the air, are the means by which all bodies are smelled. Hence it is evident that there is a manifest appearance of design in the great Creator's having planted the organ of smell in the inside of that canal, through which the air continually passes in respiration.

"Tasting enables us to make a proper distinction in the choice of our food. The organ of this sense guards the entrance of the alimentary canal, as that of smelling guards the entrance of the canal for respiration. From the situation of both these organs, it is plain that they were intended by nature to distinguish wholesome food from that which is noxious.

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John W. Wilke
Grand Master

Named West Teacher of the Year in 2003-2004:

West Bend Mason Randy Reysen named one of West Bend's best teachers: receives prestigious 2008 Rolfs Foundation Award

Editor's Note: The following story is about a young teacher in West Bend, Randy Reysen. He has been named by students as "Teacher of the Year" at West Bend West High School in 2003-2004 and was this June named as one of four recipients of the school district's prestigious Rolfs Foundation Award for 2008. Teacher Reysen is also a member of West Bend Lodge. The following story detailing the award is being reprinted with permission. It appeared originally on the "School Scene" page of the June 24, 2008, issue of the Daily News, Washington County's Daily Newspaper.

Additional comments from an interview by the Editor follow at the conclusion of this story.

By Mitch Maersch
Daily News Staff

West Bend social studies and sociology teacher Randy Reysen said he uses the old saying, "Kids don't care what you know until they know you care."

His students know he cares and how much.

"He's helped me through some personal issues I couldn't have got through this year if it wasn't for Mr. Reysen," said West Bend West graduate Jessica Norgel.

Students don't necessarily have to come to Reysen. Often, he will come to them.

"If he sees you sitting in class and it looks like you're having a bad day, he'll talk to you," said West grad LeAnn Knuth.

"He'll pull you out of class if it's a big subject," said West grad Jason Onken. "He's one of the teachers I've met who took a genuine care in their students and tried to make

school a more productive place." He's also the only teacher Onken knows who sings love songs to students kissing in the hall. Onken quickly added Reysen can't sing.

That demeanor and caring beyond the classroom is why the three students nominated Reysen for one of the four annual Rolfs Educational Foundation teacher awards, and that's why he was ultimately chosen to receive one.

Peg Rolfs, who presented the Rolfs Foundation awards and conducted scholarship interviews said as many as half of the scholarship candidates mentioned Reysen helped them through school.

Reysen explained his philosophy: "You have to know your students enough to recognize the look on their faces to know something's not right," he said. "You have to offer yourselves up to them."

The farm boy from Beechwood knew enough in high school to go into teaching. As a junior, he served as secretary of Future Teachers of America. As a senior, he was president.

He declared his major early senior year.

"There's nothing else that I've ever wanted to do. I'm good on the farm but I'm not that mechanically talented," he said with a laugh.

In the classroom, he's Mr. Handyman.

"He knows so much outside his subject area," Knuth said. "I think I learned more in sociology to that one semester than I learned in that entire year."

"He shows you that he's a person. He tells you about his mistakes," Onken said.

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Bro. Randy Reysen, West Bend West High Social Studies Teacher

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cance, the box was removed, carefully opened and the contents photographed, again, with permission of the building's owner (the Grand Master and Grand Secretary were also involved in these decisions). And indeed the find was of significance, for it contained 40 items representative of Masonry in Wisconsin when they were deposited there on June 14, 1955, no doubt with the appropriate fraternal Grand Lodge dedicatory ceremony.

"This was really exciting," explained Brother Arthur, who photographed the contents before they were resealed in the original container. "I've been involved in Masonry for two years and this really makes the history of the Fraternity come alive," he said.

An inventory letter enclosed within the time capsule identified the items placed in the cornerstone of the then "new" Grand Lodge headquarters, library and museum. The following items were recorded:

1. List of Grand Lodge Building Committee, appointed by Grand Master Carl W. Hofmeister pursuant to action taken at the 1954 Annual Communication of Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Wisconsin.
2. Copy of the Milwaukee Journal dated April 21, 1955, carrying a story of the proposed building and a picture of same.
3. Pictures of ground breaking ceremony.
4. Copies of the April, May and June 1955 issues of the "Wisconsin Freemason," official publication of the Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Wisconsin.
5. Copy of the 1954 official proceedings of the Grand Lodge Free & Accepted Masons of Wisconsin.
6. Copy of the 1955 revised edition of the Masonic Code.
7. Copy of the "First 100 Years In Masonry in Wisconsin 1844-1944."
8. Copy of the third edition revised

- 1945 Wisconsin Monitor.
9. Copy of the "Report of the Budget Committee" for the year 1955.
10. Copy of the Grand Master's Report to the 111th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Wisconsin, June 14,



Former Grand Lodge Building in Milwaukee

This is the former Grand Lodge of Wisconsin building located on the southwest corner of Astor and East Juneau on Milwaukee's East Side. The building is now owned by Metropolitan Associates. The cornerstone and time capsule described in the story were found at the left corner of the building. The contents of the capsule were photographed and some new items added before the container was returned to its location. A name plate will be placed on the inside of the building drawing attention to the existence of the capsule.

11. Copy of the "American's Creed."
12. Masonic Presentation Bible.
13. One three-volume set of "Introduction to Freemasonry" by Carl H. Claudy.
14. Copy of Wisconsin Masonic Foundation.
15. List of Regular Lodges 1954.
16. Copy of the Proceedings of Conference of the Masonic Grand Lodge Secretaries in North America for the year 1955.
17. Copy of the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America for the year 1954.
18. List of Masters and Secretaries of our 307 constituent lodges.
19. Copy of the Membership Recapitulation for the year ending December 31, 1954.
20. Copy of the form of the Annual Summary Returns for the year ending December 31, 1954.
21. A file of Masonic forms used by constituent lodges:
 - a. Petition for Degrees
 - b. Petition for Affiliation
 - c. Demit
 - d. Sample form of Lodge by-laws
 - e. 25-year certificate & card
 - f. 50-year certificate & card

- g. 50-year certificate (as a MM)
- h. Past Master's card
- i. Proficiency card
- j. Ritualist card
- k. Official membership card
- l. Copy of charter to form a new Lodge
22. Program for the 1955 Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.
23. Program of events and distinguished guests entertained by Grand Lodge 1955.
24. A set of Masonic Working Tools.
25. Replica of Washington Trowel presented to the Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Wisconsin February 22, 1926, by the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association.
26. Brochure of Masonic Home - 1940
27. Copy of application for admission to the Wisconsin Masonic Home.
28. Copy of Schedules of Schools of Instruction 1954-55.
29. Copy of the "Masonic Tidings" for the month of June 1955.
30. List of the Grand Lodge Office Staff.
31. Copy of the Milwaukee Sentinel - June 9, 1955.
32. Copy of Masonic Digest, Madison, Wisconsin - June 1955.
33. 1955 coins - 1 cent piece, 5 cent piece, 10 cent piece, 25 cent piece, 50 cent piece.
34. "The Master's Book" - by Carl H. Claudy.
35. Preparation Pamphlet
36. Interesting Facts About Freemasonry.
37. The Story of Freemasonry in the United States.
38. History of The George Washington Masonic National Foundation.
39. Masonic Apron
40. Collection of Publications by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin on Masonic subjects.

The inventory was signed by Paul W. Grossenbach, Grand Secretary, and dated in his hand on June 14,

1955. Brother Grossenbach was a member of Lafayette Lodge No. 265 and served as Grand Secretary from 1949-1966. Please see "Forward Freemasonry," Vol. II, page 384, for more on this dedicated and long-serving Grand Secretary.

Preserved for Posterity

The cornerstone, time capsule and contents will be kept in the building by the present owners, reported Grand Secretary Michael DeWolf, PGM.

The Grand Secretary explained that because of the construction schedule (the fascia replacement project described previously) speed was of the essence in returning the time capsule to its original location in the NE corner of the building behind a new marble panel.

A brass plate carrying the cornerstone information resides inside the building. "The owners have no

intention of removing any of this material," the Grand Secretary added. He said the decision was made to leave these items with the building because Grand Master Wilke felt that the time capsule has a significant historical purpose and should remain with the building for future generations to someday open and learn more about the Fraternity.

The Grand Master requested that copies and photos of the contents be taken and provided for our Grand Lodge archives. Before resealing the box a copy of the 2007 Grand Lodge Proceedings, a current copy of our Masonic Journal, photos of the Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers were added to the original contents. The box was then resealed and replaced within the building. The Grand Secretary also said that due to the construction timeline there wasn't time for any type of ceremony. **umj**

FIVE SENSES...*from page 1*

Everything that enters into the stomach, must undergo the scrutiny of tasting, and by it we are capable of discerning the changes which the same body undergoes in the different compositions of art, cookery, chemistry and pharmacy.

"Smelling and tasting are inseparably connected; and it is by the unnatural kind of life men commonly lead in society, that these senses are rendered less fit perform their natural offices.

Through this definition and explanation of the five senses, we now have a much better understanding of their importance to us as Freemasons. I encourage every Brother to search and study the several publications of the Craft. It will help us grow as Freemasons with the expanded light of knowledge.

Yours in Brotherly Love,
John W. Wilke, Grand Master



Hiram D. Fisher Lodge Raises Two Master Masons

Hiram D. Fisher Lodge No. 222 of Florence raised two members, Scott Sanders and Bruce Magolan, as Master Mason on September 16 at the Florence Lodge. Past Master Darryl Miller presided in the East. Pictured in front of Lodge members are brother Scott Sanders, PM Darryl Miller, and brother Bruce Magolan. - Submitted by Master Jim Moore

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West Bend Lodge's Third Santa Klaus Raffle & Dinner Is Set for December 11

WEST BEND – West Bend Lodge No. 138, West Bend, will hold its third annual Santa Klaus Raffle fund raiser on Thursday, December 11.

Building on the success of last year's event, ticket sales will be strictly limited to the first 150 persons who purchase tickets.

The raffle's Grand prize is \$1,000 cash. The second cash prize is \$500. A third prize is \$250.

In addition to these three cash prizes, there will be a silent auction featuring a wide variety of products, services and art. A 50/50 cash drawing will give attendees an additional opportunity to enjoy the evening and profit thereby.

Well-known West Bend woodworker, Brother Don Clement, will again have several of his handcrafted artisan bowls offered for bidding.

Offered also in the silent auction will be a 30-minute air tour of the scenic Kettle Moraine and West Bend lakes area.

Tickets are \$100 each and include two dinners, with a choice of two entrees: beef tenderloin or baked cod filets. There will be a cash bar.

The Santa Klaus III dinner and drawing will be held at the Clairemont Inn, 2520 W. Washington Street (Highway 33) in West Bend. Doors open at 6 p.m. with dinner beginning at 7 p.m. Dinner entertainment is planned.

Ticket sales will end on Wednesday, December 3. Tickets will be held at the door. Persons need not be present to win.

If you would like to attend, please contact Bro. Richard Slade, West Bend Lodge PM at 262-334-9180 to reserve your ticket. Checks are to be made payable to West Bend Lodge No. 138 and mailed to PO Box 422, West Bend, WI 53095.



An Ehle Family Affair at Waucoma Lodge

Brother Steve Ehle is pictured following receipt of his Master Mason Degree given in Waucoma Lodge No. 90, Evansville, in mid-October. Many family members assisted in the degree including (back row) cousin Robin G. Patterson who read the Charge, cousin Norman Patterson (Jr. Deacon), uncle Robin N. Patterson (Chaplain) and uncle Leon G. Patterson (Sr. Deacon). The front row features cousin Larry Patterson (Worshipful Master) and Brother Ehle who is now a Master Mason.

ED SEMINAR... from page 1 and may be downloaded from the Grand Lodge Web Site at <www.wisc-freemasonry.org>.

Also available under the Publications heading on the web site's home page are the complete Wisconsin Masonic Handbook and Masonic Code of Wisconsin. These two publications may be referenced on-line or printed out as needed.

Brethren are advised that in order to receive LEA points and course completion recognition, the completed correspondence courses accompanied by a check for the correct fee (\$4.50 per person per course) are to be mailed to the Grand Lodge Office in Dousman.

Those completing the courses and remitting the \$4.50 fee will receive a pin and certificate which will be returned by mail—and earn LEA points for your lodge in the process.

Start times for all seminars are as follows. Check-in will be from 8-9 a.m. and the seminar will begin promptly at 9 a.m. There will be a noon break for lunch. The cost of the meal is not included in the \$10 entry fee. Walk-in "Day-of" registration for the seminars will be \$15 per person. The seminars will conclude by 3 p.m.

Presenters will be members of the Grand Lodge Education Committee and other Grand Lodge officers. Junior Grand Warden Davey L. White, Jr., is committee chair.

Other members of the Education Committee this year are Craig Campbell, Deputy Grand Master; Joe Harker, Sr. Grand Warden; Michael Dewolf, PGM, Grand Secretary; Dennis Siewert, Sr. Grand Deacon; Dan Slavik, Jr., Grand Deacon; Bill Beetcher, Sr. Grand Steward; and Frank Struble, Jr. Grand Steward.

Attending brethren will receive a CD of the material presented. The CD also will contain a copy of our ritual cipher.

As an added bonus, the brethren attending will also receive a wealth of other educational and inspirational information.

Editor's Note: Because the November issue of the Masonic Journal went to press on October 22, the registration deadline for the seminar at Waukesha Lodge on November 1, Brethren are advised to confirm with the Grand Lodge Office that the seminar will be held as scheduled and has not been cancelled due to insufficient early registration. **umj**

NOTES FROM THE GRAND LECTURER By Brother Kenneth C. Gorgen

Master Yoda's Rule of Memorization

My Brothers:

"Do or do not. There is no try." If you are familiar with the Star Wars movies, you might remember Master Jedi Knight Yoda saying this to his young trainee Luke Skywalker. By now, if you have taken time to read my last two articles, you probably have a good feel for the importance we need to place on the ritual as being part of our Lodge's work.

In fact, it is so much part of who we are as Masons that Master Yoda's comment applies to us as Lodge members and especially to the Lodge officers regarding learning the ritual. It cannot be a matter of trying to learn it, but as a lodge officer, it must be that, "I will learn it."

Again, we can turn to the cipher for help. On page seven, there is a section entitled "Suggested Work Assignments." It is a schedule for chipping away at the memory work a little bit at a time. There is nothing more disheartening than to watch a Lodge struggle during a degree. Remember that our goal as Masons is to impart knowledge. How can we expect to impart that knowledge if we do not possess it ourselves? Each lodge officer needs to be prepared to perform the work that he has been assigned for the year, and my brothers, this also extends out to ritual that is performed in public such as the Masonic Memorial Service. Not only does the lodge need to be prepared to perform the service, but also to perform it well in order to leave a good impression with the family and public. I would encourage any lodge that is working its way back to ritual recovery to make sure that in the interim, only qualified Masons are used for putting on degrees and performing the memorial service.



Kenneth C. Gorgen
Grand Lecturer

Memorization of the ritual is possible...for anyone!

What about memorizing the work? There are some brothers who struggle, and in due time, give up. Let me assure you that the ability to memorize the ritual is not an easy task for most of us. However, there are very few people who do not hold the ability to memorize. If you have a hobby, think of the many steps in that hobby that you perform automatically. You were not born with that knowledge; you learned it and remembered it.

I'm a home brewer. Yes, I brew beer and I enjoy sampling the results of my hobby. I did not always have the knowledge, but I learned it by reading books, and then applying that knowledge in brewing over and over until it was locked in and I no longer needed to go to the reference books; I memorized the process. Repetition is probably the most important attribute for memorizing anything, not just the ritual. As a kid in grade school, I remember memorizing multiplication tables, and it was done by continual repetition.

We can take this one step further; if you can speak and understand English, you have successfully memorized an entire language, and you did it without any extra work. How is that possible? When you were learning to communicate with your parents, your focus was more on the process of getting Mom or Dad to know what you wanted so that you could hopefully enjoy the results.

Committing the Work to memory is a process.

Here's how to get started — it's easier than you think. The same goes for learning the ritual. Focus on the process, and results will surface. First learn to understand what is written. You are not initially learning words, but learning the thought. Take time to look up words that are not easily understood; our ritual is loaded with them. Understanding unfamiliar terms helps you understand the meaning of the statement.

Next, use some of your own "tricks" to aid your memory. One of the tricks that I use is to picture the words on the page, and this includes their location. I strive to set some small achievable goals such as having a particular paragraph learned by the end of the week. Sometimes that will only take about 15 or 20 minutes a night. As you are learning a part, keep referring back to the cipher to make sure that you have learned it correctly. Accuracy is important.

However, when all is said and done, repetition is the key to locking the words in their place. Once you have learned a piece, you must repeat it over and over to literally burn it into your memory. The beauty of this part of the process is that it does not take extra time, but can be done during any idle moment. As an example, when I have had enough of listening to the bad news of the day on the car radio, I turn it off and recite some ritual that I have recently learned. This only happens after I have learned that part.

In summary, memorizing the ritual does not need to be an impossible task, but it does need to be part of your lodge activities as an officer of the lodge. Remember Yoda's words, but with this further admonition: As a lodge officer, being able to perform in all the three degrees is definitely a "Do." There is no "Do not" or "Try."

Good luck in this endeavor, strive to learn the ritual, and then my brothers you will all see more Light.

Brethren, your comments or suggestions are always welcome. Contact Grand Lecturer Gorgen by e-mail at <jkrgorgen@att.net> or by phone at (262) 691-0859.

The Gavel Locator

Gavel, Gavel, Who's Got Your District's Traveling Gavel?

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Superior Lodge No. 236
- District 2**
Durand-Pepin Lodge No. 149
- District 3**
Park Falls Lodge No. 300
- District 4**
Washington Lodge No. 21
- District 5**
Valley Lodge No. 60
- District 6**
Evergreen Lodge No. 93
- District 7**
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- District 8**
Barnaveld Lodge No. 319
- District 9**
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- District 10**
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- District 11**
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Grand Master Wilke's Fund Appeal Jump-started With \$10,000 Lead Gift!

DOUSMAN – Watch your mailbox at the end of the month—the Grand Master's Appeal is on the way!

Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin, John W. Wilke, has chosen the Masonic Foundation Medical Fund as the beneficiary of his fundraising appeal this year.

The Medical Fund has been quite visible over the years, due to its matching grants program which provides dollars to purchase needed health, safety and rehabilitation equipment for Wisconsin communities.

One of the most popular pieces of equipment that the Foundation Board sees applications for, is the automatic external defibrillator or "AED." AEDs make it possible for the layman to attempt to revive an individual that has experienced sudden cardiac arrest. This type of equipment is a wonderful asset in schools, community centers and other buildings that experience high

public use.

The Masonic Medical Fund has been involved with providing matching funds for the purchase of AEDs since 1999, and over the past nine years, the Masonic Foundation has placed 625 defibrillators, which represents a financial commitment of more than \$1.3 million. We are especially proud of the fact that we have placed units in about 58 percent of Wisconsin's high schools, one of which had a recent life saving event.

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of Shawano Lodge #170 and the presence of an AED, Eric Swiecichowski, was able to be revived after experiencing a cardiac episode during an athletic practice at his high school. This is just one of several "saves" that have occurred because of units that Masons have worked hard to place. We have been told about saves in Chippewa Falls, Kenosha, and Milwaukee as well.

Reflecting on stories like these

makes the Foundation Board realize that we need to continue providing matching funds for the placement of these invaluable units. We have done so much good work already, the time is right to increase our funds and continue this program into the future.

It is our pleasure to announce that Brother Robert Mund has made a generous contribution of \$10,000 as a lead gift to Grand Master Wilke's fundraising campaign. Please consider giving generously to help this important cause. When the appeal arrives in your mailbox, please don't pass it over.

If you would like to send a gift directly to the Development Office for the Grand Master's appeal, please make it payable to the Wisconsin Masonic Medical Fund and mail it to: Wisconsin Masonic Charities Development Office, 36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI 53118. We look forward to a successful appeal. *wmj*

New Charitable Giving Opportunity in 2008-09

By Bro. William H. Barnes
Development Director
Wisconsin Masonic Charities

These turbulent economic times have resulted in Congress giving us a new charitable giving opportunity. The Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 contains a provision for an IRA Charitable Rollover.

This law allows individuals having an IRA or Roth IRA the ability to make a gift to charity of up to \$100,000.

The gift must be made directly from the trustee to the charity. The gift will not be included in taxable income and will satisfy the IRA owner's mandatory withdrawal requirement.

The donors must be 70 and one-half years of age, and the gift made to a qualified charity such as the

Wisconsin Masonic Home, Wisconsin Masonic Foundation, Service and Assistance Fund, or Soccer Foundation. The gift must be made in 2008 or 2009.

This method of giving is particularly helpful for those who do not itemize their deductions, high income donors who might lose some of their deductions, or individuals unable to deduct their contributions because of the 50 percent of AGI limitation.

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For more information or to discuss a tax wise gift, please contact William Barnes, Director of Development for the Wisconsin Masonic Charities at 800 242-2307 or write us at 36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI 53118.



Island City Welcomes Two New Master Masons

Above: On September 24, 2008, Island City Lodge No. 330 in Minocqua raised Kevin Nisen to the degree of Master Mason. Past Master Darrell Tamow (left) is shown congratulating Kevin Nisen (right) after the Degree. **Below:** On September 17, Island City Lodge raised Richard Bolgioni to the degree of Master Mason. Worshipful Master Jon Mundy is shown congratulating Brother Bolgioni (right) after the Degree.

– Submitted by Secretary Darrell Tamow



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– Sharon Wilke's Ladies Appeal – Here's How to Order Your Copy of "My Favorite Recipes from the Wild"

As Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin, Most Worshipful Brother John W. Wilke, takes great pleasure in introducing to the Craft his mother Helen Wilke's cookbook, "My Favorite Recipes from the Wild."

For many years John's mother Helen Wilke taught identification, harvest, preparation and storage of wild edibles, sharing and receiving wild-foods' knowledge with George Bachay, former outdoor writer for the Janesville Gazette, and Euell Gibbons, noted author, both experts in this field.

All proceeds from the sale of this book will go to Sharon Wilke's appeal for the 32nd Masonic Learning Centers for Children in Madison and Milwaukee.

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2008 Scholarship Awards

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Masonic Foundation, we would like to join Wisconsin Lodges in celebrating the 30th Anniversary of our Lodge Matching Grants Scholarship program. We are proud to report that 146 of the state's 186 Masonic Lodges, 78 percent, participated in this year's Matching Grants Scholarship Program, awarding 282 scholarships to outstanding graduating high school seniors. These scholarships represent \$213,450 in funding which will assist out youth in reaching their educational goals.

113 existing Perpetual Scholarships and some of our new Special Named Fund Scholarships also made awards to students this year. As always, each Lodge selected outstanding recipients for their awards, who were involved in high schools and communities and who have set sound goals for their futures. These students will pursue degrees in a variety of areas of study at public, private and technical schools in Wisconsin and beyond.

Thank you once again to each of the Masonic Lodges that awards scholarships on an annual basis. You keep our program strong.

For more information on how your Lodge can participate in the scholarship programs of the Masonic Foundation, please contact William H. Barnes, J.D., Director of Development at the Development Office at 1-800-242-2307, or via email at plannedgiving@gmail.com



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Lodge #113



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Memorial Scholarship



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Slinger HS
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Memorial Scholarship



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Masonic Lodge Scholarship



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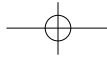
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Zack Stewart
Logan HS
La Crosse Lodge #190



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Amey HS
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Lodge #195



Alanna Warner
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New Richmond
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Clintonville HS
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Lodge #221



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Wauwatosa
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Wauwatosa
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Union Grove
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Ft. Winnebago Lodge #33
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Pardeeville High School
Ft. Winnebago Lodge #33
- Erin Porter
Pardeeville High School
Ft. Winnebago Lodge #33
- Alyssa Stuedemann
Waukesha West High School
Waukesha Lodge #37



River Falls Lodge Serves Pancakes at Moose Lodge

The Freemasons of River Falls Lodge No. 109 in River Falls served a breakfast at the Moose Lodge on Sunday, October 5. Pictured are members of the lodge and the River Falls EMT crew. Left to right is Mike Elliott, Past Master; Jim Wolfe, Worshipful Master; Steve Schwartz, Senior Warden; and River Falls EMT crew members Christy Rukamp, Riley Williams, Kevin Richmann and Laura Schacker. - Photo by Bro. Milt Helmer

FC Visitor at Excelsior From The Netherlands

Excelsior Lodge No. 175 in Milwaukee, was honored to receive a visit from Bro. Thijs de Wit, a Fellowcraft of Groot Nederland Lodge No. 18, The Hague, Netherlands, at our September 22, 2008 stated meeting. Pictured at left is Worshipful Master Dan Gerszewski (left) greeting Bro. Thijs (right). - Submitted by Joshua M. Armstrong



David R. Ritchie
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Thoughts for The Journey

By Grand Chaplain David Ritchie

“What made a “Good” man better 300-400 years ago makes a good man today.”

Recently, I was driving back from a high school cross country meet with some other parents when one of them asked me about the Masons. I warned them of the danger they were putting themselves in owing to the fact that I could go on for hours and feel that I had only scratched the surface. They said they were willing to risk it.

They asked the usual questions, talked about the usual shows they had seen on television, and told me the rumors they had heard concerning our gentle craft. One of them asked, though, about our origins and I explained our beginnings 300-400 years ago and our evolution before that. This was then followed by the question, “Is it still relevant today?” My answer was far from original, “Yeah, sure it’s still relevant. What made a good man 100, 200 or 400 years ago makes a good man today.”

The ideas of integrity, honor, helping those in need, a faith-centered life, brotherly love, respect, the idea of improving ourselves through education, and conversation with others all hold as true today as they did back then.

This conversation lead me to think that not only are our ideals relevant today, they will be relevant far into our future. The lessons that I am learning will still apply to my grandsons and their grandsons.

So often we see Masons as just our lodge room or local area, but Freemasonry is a global thing. Its span is enormous. Why? Because what we teach and what we practice holds true to all men. What makes a good man in rural Wisconsin makes a good man in urban or suburban Wisconsin. What makes a good man in Wisconsin makes a good man in Iowa, or California, or Mississippi. What makes a good man here makes a good man in Japan or Africa, or Europe.

Brothers, we have been given a gift by our Masonic forefathers, a trust, if you will. Not only is it our duty to uphold our practices and traditions but to pass them on. We have a duty to pass the light on to our neighbor today and to the young man a century from now.

There are many who would point to our declining enrollment as a sign of the end. But there are good men worldwide who are in darkness and searching for light. There will always be good men seeking to become better. We can provide it to those good men today by the examples we set, by the ideals we hold, and by the traditions we embrace. We can pass it on to the future by the Mason we make today and the one he makes tomorrow.

One hundred years ago the wheelwright, the cooper, and the blacksmith sought it. Today the computer tech, the truck driver, and the electrician seek it. Who knows what trades and occupations the future Mason may have, but they too will seek what we as good men have sought.

The future of Masons rests not in who we are as individuals but rests in what we are as a fraternity. Good men seeking to make ourselves better. A goal that knows no time, geographical, political or social boundary. A goal which is as relevant today as it was 400 years ago and will be 400 years from now.

Grand Chaplain Ritchie welcomes comments on his columns or suggestions for future topics from readers. He may be reached by phone at (608) 776-2698 or by e-mail at <hickorysp@yahoo.com>.



Rev. David Ritchie
Grand Chaplain

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TEACHER...*from page 1*

One was lecturing how a bill becomes a law. Reysen said he did that his first year in West Bend and never will again. He said Principal Pat Gardon helped change his philosophy on teaching.

"You're less of a teacher and more of a facilitator. The person in the room doing the talking is doing the learning and that should be the students," he said.

Now, Reysen sets up a mock U.S. Congress and has students vote on bills that cover hot political topics like physician-assisted suicide and teaching creationism.

Gardon said Reysen brings a fun attitude wherever he goes. "His rapport with students is as deep as his hearty laugh. He loves what he does and his exuberance, energy and enthusiasm are contagious," he said.

Reysen's colleagues echo those thoughts. "Students adore him. He goes the extra mile on their behalf," said Jackie Schmoldt.

"Students adore his class and that makes them work harder and achieve at a higher rate," said Tony Zappia. Reysen's influence stretches well beyond students.

"He is always focused on the students, and will stop at nothing to make them feel valued and prepared, as well as freethinking. Randy has been the largest influence on my career, and will continue to be," said social studies teacher Adam Inkmann.

Guidance Counselor Lois Pellegrini was amazed at Reysen's efforts to get each West class a float in the homecoming parade.

"I don't know how he did that. He was there until midnight most nights," she said. "He was exhausted but he was beaming."

Last month, Reysen helped West student government organize a concert to benefit the new Freedom Memorial at the Washington County Historical Society. It raised \$1,200.

"I've had students come and personally thank me," he said.

Reysen, who just had his second and third children with wife, Shana, said he is just getting started after eight years teaching. The Rolfs Award humbled him.

"It will take a few years, maybe a decade, to know if I'm deserving of that award," he said. "I have a lot to learn yet."

He's off to quite the start.

By Wm. Stonecipher, Editor Wisconsin Masonic Journal

Now you know something of Brother Randy Reysen and his role as a public school social studies teacher and student mentor.

We at West Bend Lodge first became acquainted with Bro. Randy when, as a student at UW-Oshkosh, he made the decision to extend his positive experience with college fraternities and become involved in Freemasonry. He petitioned Oshkosh Lodge No. 27 where he was initiated in 1996.

Upon graduation he accepted a teaching position at West Bend West

High School and went on to receive his Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degree in West Bend Lodge No. 138 one year later.

His grandmother, Vivian Reysen (93 years of age), whose father was a Mason in Fond du Lac, purchased a Perpetual Membership as a gift to her grandson so that he would be sure to enjoy a lifetime of Masonic involvement.

A farm boy at heart

Thirty-two year old Randy with his wife Shana and their three young children (3 year-old Macy and year-old (nearly) twins Aubrey and Zoey, make their home in the small Sheboygan County community of Beechwood, a small farming community known for the excellence of the cheese produced at the local cheese factory and summertime firemen's parade and picnic.

Their home is located about one mile from the "Reysen Shine" family dairy farm on County S.

Randy, who considers himself to be just a humble farm boy at heart, grew up on the farm and still helps out in summer when time permits.

Concerning the awards he has received as a teacher, Randy is very humble, as stated earlier.

He even goes so far as to admit that he is not entirely comfortable and somewhat embarrassed by the notoriety that has accompanied the Rolfs Award.

Brother Randy extends his interest in working with youth to helping with the DeMolay chapter that meets at the lodge in West

Bend where he is a Chapter advisor, and even though his activity has been limited due to his hectic schedule, he remains a staunch supporter of the Order's value to youth.

"I like being a 'Dad'" Randy said. "It's really a great program and being a father helps me be a better Dad."

Relates well with students

While taking pictures in Randy's third hour social studies class, it was readily evident that he has a special rapport with his students.

He moderated a class review of the debate between Vice President candidates Joe Biden and Sarah Palin before moving on to a discussion of county government.

"County government is like a teenager," he suggested, immediately capturing their undivided attention of his 17-year old mix of male and female students.

"County government provides services at the local level for the state of Wisconsin," he said.

"Just as you as a teenager have to do what your parents want, county government has to do what the state government tells it to do."

The discussion moved on to how county government funds its operation and Bro. Reysen again framed the topic in terms to which students could directly relate.

Going into what he described as his "Tax Rant," Randy brought up the \$75 marriage license "fee."

"Visualize a fee as a halloween costume for the word tax."



Teacher Doubles as Game Manager

Besides teaching five classes daily, Bro. Reysen is also the twin high schools' Game Manager. He is responsible for setting up the athletic facilities for West Bend East and West football games, East and West wrestling, and East boy's basketball. This means he is busy on average three late afternoons and evenings each week. Here Randy places yard markers prior to the start of a West Bend West football game. During the football season he is the Field Manager, being responsible for managing the personnel at the admission gate, making sure crowd control is provided, the announcer has everything required, that the field clock is ready to go and the sideline down marker and chains are placed. He also is responsible for putting the correct color of pads around the goal post supports (gold for East, Blue for West).

— Photos by Wm. Stonecipher, Wisconsin Masonic Journal Editor

"What about the \$100 student parking permit 'fee' and student activity 'fee' at \$30 a pop times 2,000 students equals \$60,000 per year rather than raise taxes."

As the class neared its end, students began stowing their gear in preparation to leave. "Hold it there, is this not Randy Reysen's benevolent dictatorship?" "Stop!" And the students obediently sank back into their seats as the buzzer sounded. "Now you can pack up."

Reaching out

After the students had left the room, we spent a few minutes discussing his approach with students.

When asked about discipline issues among the diverse and complex student personalities he deals with, Randy replied, "I don't have discipline problems. I haven't written a detention since my first year teaching."

"What's the secret to his effectiveness in relating to students?"

"At the beginning of the year I tell students that because West Bend sends me their best each year, I have an expectation of good behavior. This lays the foundation for next year's kids to act appropriately."

Noticing a beautifully framed award prominently displayed on his desk, I asked him about it.

The inscription read, "Voice Choice" Teacher of the Year Award, 2003-2004.

"I'm actually most proud of this award," Bro. Reysen said. "Voice" is the student government at the school and recipients of this award are selected solely by students."

About teaching, Randy has this to say: "It's an interesting career, that's for sure. Teaching is important, but so is the human contact."

The human touch: that's the secret to his success.

The Rolfs Foundation Award was presented in early June during a staff meeting at West Bend's high school, with his mother Trudy, father Marshall, brother Rob, and wife Shana and their children present.

The award process involved an application submitted by colleagues, selection committee investigation and student interviews. Four awards are presented yearly. The Rolfs Foundation is an outgrowth of Rolfs

family benevolence. The family founded Amity Leather Products, Inc., one of the nation's foremost names in women's leather handbags and men's wallets and accessories, and a major employer in West Bend.

As a closing note, Bro. Randy served as the Parade Grand Marshal

for the West Bend East & West High School Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 17.

We wish Bro. Randy continued success as a teacher and mentor to our youth. West Bend West students are fortunate to have him, and so is West Bend Lodge No. 138. **umj**



Teacher of Year Award

"I'm actually most proud of this award," Bro. Reysen said, as he displayed the Voice Choice Teacher of the Year Award he received for the 2003-2004 school year. "Voice" is the student government at the school. Recipients of this award are selected solely by students.



Tomah VA Medical Center Puts Mason-funded Swing-Glider to Good Use

Past Grand Master Rodney Paulsen and his Lady Virginia, observed the "Whisper Glider" in use recently at the Tomah Veteran's Administration Medical Center. Enjoying the unit is Brother Charles "Captain Bob" Minshall, a member of the Masonic Lodge in Rockford, Illinois.

— Photo by Ms. Laura Bishop, VAMC Volunteer Coordinator

PGM Paulsen's fund appeal swings on with Whisper Glider at Tomah VAMC

TOMAH – Grand Master of Masons, Brother Rod Paulsen chose to have the Grand Master's Appeal directed to provide funds to the four veteran's hospitals, namely the Veteran's Administration Medical Centers in Madison, Milwaukee and Tomah, as well as the Wisconsin Veteran's Home at King.

Due to the generosity of the members of the Craft, over \$20,000 was raised, with each of the four facilities sharing equally. The Tomah VAMC requested to use the funds to obtain the "Whisper Glider." Nursing staff personnel were trained to safely allow patients to access and enjoy the unit.

The unit was placed on a concrete pad within a secure area to provide for patient safety and comfort. As he viewed the unit and learned of the high usage, Past Grand Master Paulsen commented that he was so appreciative of the generosity of the members of the Craft, who contributed so willingly to allow the purchase of this device and the other benefits of his appeal.

By the smile on his face, Captain Bob enjoyed the glider and looks forward to many more outings.

— Submitted by Masonic Service Association Field Representative at the Tomah VA Medical Center, Brother Steve Hanson



Oconomowoc-Hartland Lodge Lake Country Golf Outing

On a beautiful July 21, well over 100 golfers participated in the 6th Annual Lake Country Masonic Golf Outing played at the Legends of Brandybrook in Wales. Brethren from four lodges participated in this event. This year's campaign theme was, "Pay It Forward," emphasizing the core belief in Masonry for need to do acts of kindness without looking for credit, knowing that a reward will come in the end of a life well given. The 18 hole event included free beverages on the course, door prizes, open bar, gourmet dinner with wine, and live and silent auction. The auction had over \$16,000 in prizes. Guest speaker was Past Grand Master Rodney Paulsen, accompanied by his lovely wife Virginia. He spoke on what Masonry meant to him. Due to the overwhelming success of this year's event, it was unanimously agreed to hold next year's event on July 20 at the same location. Anyone interested in participating in this event as a golfer or sponsor please contact either Bro. Tom Ewald at 262-201-4036 or Bro. Jack Holtz at 414-322-1995. You can contact the lodge's via its website at: www.lodge42.com in the coming months to find further information.

- Submitted by Brother Jack Holz, Oconomowoc-Hartland Lodge No. 42



Eau Claire Masons Help Scouts at Chippewa Valley Air Show

Members from the Eau Claire Wisconsin Masonic Temple, Sanctuary Lodge No. 347, Eau Claire Lodge No. 112, and George B. Wheeler Lodge No. 351 participated in the recent Boy Scouts of America sponsored 2008 Chippewa Valley Air Show by running a brat and drink stand. For participating, the lodges received a percentage of the proceeds from the food stands which went to the Masonic Angel Fund. Some of the people that worked at the food stand are from left to right, first row: Pete Walters, Steve Lasure. Second row: Greg O'Reilly, Jim Kent, Jerome Rundahl, Brad Brucker, Pete Thompson, Lary Ganske, Mike McCracken, Jon Hagness, Mike Meinke, Bill Mathie and Dick Mitchell.

- Submitted by Bro. Michael Meinke, Sanctuary Lodge Masonic News Hawk



Grand Master Wilke Visits Winneconne Lodge

MWGM John Wilke visited Winneconne Lodge No. 186 on Tuesday, September 9. In the photo, left to right, are: Grand Marshal Tom Tourville, District 6 Deputy Jeff Marquardt, Worshipful Master of Winneconne Lodge No. 186, Dick Nyback, and Grand Master John Wilke.

- Submitted by News Hawk Mike Walter, Past Grand Treasurer

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Doric Lodge Honors 50-Year Members, New Master Mason

Doric Lodge No. 356 held a dinner meeting on Tuesday, October 7 honoring its 50-year members (picture at left). Dinner was followed by the regular business meeting including a ceremony honoring the 50-year members in attendance. Pictured left to right are: Worshipful Master Dale Holmen, Wilbur "Bill" Jones (53 years), Homer Ingraham (54 years), Don Tjugum (51 years), and recently raised Master Mason Chad Stendahl who was attending his first meeting since being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

- Submitted by Doric Lodge News Hawk Paul Hallingstad

News of the Lodges

Activities and events in lodges throughout Wisconsin

Bob McDowell of Wilmot Lodge 241 Awarded Daniel Carter Beard Scouter Award

By Bros. Michael Richards & Mike Wood, Wilmot Lodge 241

WILMOT – On September 22, 2008, Brother Bob McDowell was presented with the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award at Wilmot Lodge No. 241 in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments and dedication in service to youth through the Boy Scouts of America.

The award is composed of a Boy Scouts of America Masonic neck medalion and knot patch to be worn with the Scouting uniform as well as a certificate endorsed by the Grand Master of Wisconsin.

To be considered, a Master Mason must possess a combination of qualities in order to qualify for this prestigious award. These include strengthening the relationship between Freemasonry and Scouting, exemplifying the Scout law and Masonic virtues, assisting Masonic Lodges in forming units, developing Scouting units, and recruiting Scouting volunteers.

The award comes as a proud addition to Brother McDowell's numerous Scouting accomplishments. He

became an adult leader in Pack 583 in 2002, and was pivotal in starting Troop 583 in 2005 with five boys, and has now grown to be rechartered with 18 boys in 2008.

Brother McDowell has attended BSA's Lord Baden Powell University in 2005, 2006, and 2007, and also attended Five Star University of Scouting in 2007 and 2008.

In June 2007, Bob and his family went to Philmont Training Center for a week-long conference entitled "The Unit Commissioner-Meeting Unit Needs."

He has also attended Wood Badge for the 21st Century, Course C-21-05, and returned to Wood Badge as staff on Course C-21-07.

Bro. McDowell is currently working on his Doctoral Thesis in Scouting. Brother McDowell is currently wearing many hats in service to the Gateway District of the Southeast Wisconsin Council.

He serves as an Assistant District Commissioner, Unit Commissioner, and Scoutmaster for Troop 583, Committee Member for Troop 455, Pack Trainer for Pack 543, and has been a Merit Badge Counselor for 14 Merit Badges.

In addition to this impressive array of accomplishments, Brother McDowell has also been a recipient of the William D. Boyce New Unit Organizer Award.



Brother Bob McDowell, Wilmot Lodge No. 241, Wilmot, being presented the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award by Wilmot Worshipful Master Asa Worcester



Wisconsin & Illinois Masons Help "Raise the Roof" in Wilmot

Most Worshipful Grand Master John W. Wilke (second from right, standing) and members of Wilmot Lodge No. 241 at the July 26 "Raise the Roof Ride." Kneeling from left to right are Bro. Bill Hahnfeldt, Past Master Joe Garbacky, Master of Washburn Lodge No. 145 Jim Toal, Bro. Lou Johnson, Bro. Rich Gossling, Bro. Mike Richards and Past Master Steve Schaefer. Standing left to right are Bro. Art Sanchez, Sr., Past Master Bob Clampit, Bro. Bob McDowell, Worshipful Master Asa Worcester, Grand Master Wilke and Bro. John Japczyk.

Wilmot Lodge Hosts 1st Annual "Raise the Roof Ride" Fundraiser

By Bro. Michael Richards, Masonic News Hawk, With Bro. Mike Wood, Wilmot Lodge No. 241.

WILMOT – On July 26, 2008, Wilmot Lodge held its first annual "Raise the Roof" fundraiser in order to raise the funds necessary to replace the roof of the Lodge. Members of the lodge had been meeting every Tuesday night to plan the motorcycle ride since May 2008.

The roof has greatly degraded with time, and threatens the historic structure, which was built in the heart of scenic Wilmot in 1870. Even worse is the threat to lodge members and visitors. Large chunks of the original plaster have begun to fall from the ceiling and crash through the false ceiling tiles, sometimes landing in unoccupied seats. To add to the dilemma, an infestation of wildlife and vermin has created its own brand of hazards.

The maintenance of our lodge has slipped recently because of our continued commitments of support to the welfare of our community, but now, necessity has demanded that we turn our efforts toward the lodge building's preservation.

Fundraiser Assistance From Many Sources
Obviously, the need to improve the structural integrity of the lodge is great, but the support of our brethren, families, friends, and community has proven to be greater.

The lodge was honored by the support of Most Worshipful Grand Master John W. Wilke and other Grand Lodge officers at the fundraising event, as well as Worshipful Master Jim Toal of Washburn Lodge and his officers.

The CSCSU Great Lakes Chief Petty Officers' Association was the first contributor to the "Raise the Roof Ride." Genesis One Design donated and managed the website, www.wilmotfreemasons.com. Woodstock Harley-Davidson, McHenry Harley-Davidson, Racine Harley-Davidson, Bobby Rockets, Wilmot Auto, Rod's Packer Inn, Sailor Dan's, The Bunker, Mar's Trading Post Inn, Roof and Bricks Inn, and The Blue Overall Bar all provided donations for the raffle prizes.

The lodge was aided also by those who generously contributed their time and effort to guarantee our success, namely Jill Clampit, Noreen Nicolazzi, Norma Fox, Karen Lien (a lodge scholarship recipient) and the other lodge scholarship recipient, Raven Crezen and her mother; officers and members of Washburn Lodge No. 145, Bethel 76 Job's Daughters, Burlington, and Sir Gallahad Chapter DeMolay, also of Burlington.

The following lodges contributed monetarily to our cause. Wisconsin Lodges were Lincoln Lodge No. 183, Sussex; Myron Reed Lodge No. 297, Brookfield; Washburn Lodge No. 145, Bristol; and Wauwatosa Lodge No. 267, West Allis.

Lodges in Illinois that contributed were: Hellenic Lodge No. 1084, Glenview; Libertyville Lodge No. 492, Libertyville and Waukegan Lodge No. 78, Waukegan.

Musical talent was provided by Paul Allodi and Tony and the Affects.

Scenic Route Selected for "Dry" Ride
Over 50 riders and 30 passengers took part in the rally, which began and ended at Wilmot Lodge and covered over 90 miles of scenic countryside.

We started out in four separate groups from Wilmot Lodge No. 241, with four of our lodge officers leading the way, and headed out on a northwest route towards Elkhorn. From there we headed towards Whitewater.

Once in Whitewater, we set out on a northeast route towards Palmyra and then on to Mukwonago. Leaving there, we went through Mukwonago.

Our route took us south through Kansasville, Silver Lake and then back to our lodge in Wilmot, where entertainment, refreshments, and raffles were provided. The ride took approximately two and a half hours to complete.

All of our participants expressed how much they enjoyed the ride, and the fact that it was a "dry" event (no alcohol). All who participated expressed how they cannot wait until next year's "Raise the Roof Ride" Fundraiser.

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<p>Bayfield Bayfield-Washburn Lodge No. 215 29 N. 2nd Street • 715-779-3174 (Sec) Meets Monthly, 1st Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. Meets All Year</p>	<p>Clear Lake Clear Lake Lodge No. 230 411 Third Ave. • 715-263-3033 Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Friendship Quincy Lodge No. 71 210 Main St. • 608-564-7144 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Linden Linden Lodge No. 206 618 Main St. • 608-623-2498 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Milwaukee Excelsior Lodge No. 175 1235 E. Howard Ave. • 414-744-4609 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July and August</p>	<p>New Richmond New Richmond Lodge No. 195 119 E. 2nd St. • 715-246-2144 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark June, July & August</p>
<p>Beaver Dam Dodge County Lodge No. 72 Best Western Campus Inn, 815 Park Ave. • 920-887-2530 • Meet 3rd Monday 7 p.m. - Dark July & August</p>	<p>Columbus Columbus Lodge No. 75 318 N. Ludington St. • 920-623-3705 (Sec) • Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m. Dark June, July & August</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>Lodi Lodi Valley Lodge No. 99 114 First St. • 608-592-4392 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Milwaukee Freemasons Lodge No. 363 790 N. Van Buren St. • 414-425-5166 Meets 1st Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Neosho Neosho-Mayville-Horicon No. 108 315 E. Schuyler St. • 262-354-0338 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>
<p>Beloit Morning Star Lodge No. 10 229 W. Grand Ave. • 608-362-6073 Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. 3rd Wed. only in July & August</p>	<p>Crandon Crandon Lodge No. 287 211 S. Lake Ave. • 715-478-2797 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark 4th Tues. in June, July & August</p>	<p>Grafton Victory Lodge No. 320 1645 Highland Dr., #2 • 262-376-9619 Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark June - August</p>	<p>Lone Rock Franklin Lodge No. 16 237 S. Oak St. • 608-583-4303 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Meets All Year</p>	<p>Milwaukee James M. Hays Lodge No. 331 790 N. Van Buren • 414-774-0366 (Sec) Meet 1st Mondays, 6:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Oconomowoc Oconomowoc-Hartland Lodge 42 307 N. Lake Road • 262-567-9898 Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>
<p>Berlin Berlin Lodge No. 38 128 E. Ham St. • 920-361-9778 (Sec) Meets 7 p.m. 2nd & 4th Thurs. Jan., Oct., and at 7 p.m. 2nd Thursday only, Nov. & Dec. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Crivitz Tri-County Daylite Lodge No. 218 918 Louisa St. • 715-854-3088 Meet 2nd Wednesday, 10 a.m. Dark January & February</p>	<p>Green Bay Des Peres Lodge No. 85 525 N. Taylor • 920-499-7265 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Madison Commonwealth Lodge No. 325 301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-0793 Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark June, July & August</p>	<p>Milwaukee Lafayette Lodge No. 265 790 N. Van Buren St. • 414-541-7139 (Sec) Meets 2nd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Oconto Pine Lodge No. 188 513 Superior Ave. • 920-378-5427 Meet 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Dark June, July & August</p>
<p>Black Earth Crescent Valley Lodge No. 97 1020 Mills St. • 608-795-4484 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Darlington Evening Star Lodge No. 64 433 Wells St. • 608-776-4213 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Madison Doric Lodge No. 356 85 S. Stoughton Rd. • 608-224-0855 (Sec) • Meet 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Milwaukee Lake Lodge No. 189 1235 E. Howard Ave. • 414-744-4609 Meet Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Omro Omro Lodge No. 168 160 E. Main Street • 920-685-2798 Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m. Dark January, February & March</p>
<p>Black River Falls Black River Lodge No. 74 314 Main Street • 715-294-2234 Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Delavan Southern Lakes Lodge No. 12 1007 S. Second St. • 262-728-6822 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Green Bay Theodore Roosevelt Lodge 322 525 N. Taylor St. • 920-490-9777 Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Madison Four Lakes Daylite Lodge No. 362 301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-2351 Meet 1st Mondays, 10 a.m. (except Sept. 2nd Monday) Dark July & August</p>	<p>Milwaukee Nathan Hale Lodge No. 350 790 N. Van Buren • 262-522-9872 (Sec) Meet 1st Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Onalaska Onalaska Lodge No. 214 330 Main Street • 608-783-6606 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark January & February</p>
<p>Bloomer Bloomer Lodge No. 281 2122 16th Ave. • 715-568-5152 Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Dark January & February</p>	<p>Dodgeville Dodgeville Lodge No. 119 200 W. Chapel St. • 608-935-3548 Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Green Bay Washington Lodge No. 21 525 N. Taylor St. • 920-494-5205 Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Madison Hiram Lodge No. 50 310 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-0793 Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark 1st Mondays, July - Labor Day</p>	<p>Mineral Point Mineral Point Lodge No. 1 310 High St. • 608-967-3396 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Oregon Oregon Lodge No. 151 210 Park St. • 608-535-9236 Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>
<p>Bristol Washburn Lodge No. 145 8102 - 199th Ave. • 262-857-7801 Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Dousman Dousman Lodge No. 315 214 Main St. • 262-593-2647 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Hartford Hartford Lodge No. 120 147 N. Rural St. • 262-673-2074 (Sec) Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Madison Madison Lodge No. 5 301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-0793 Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Meet 1st Thursday July & August</p>	<p>Minocqua Island City Lodge No. 330 7529 Hwy 51 South • 715-277-2810 (Sec) • Meet 1st Wednesday, 10 a.m. Meets all year</p>	<p>Oshkosh Oshkosh Lodge No. 27 204 Washington Ave. • 920-231-3410 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August</p>
<p>Brodhead Bicknell Lodge No. 94 302 1st Center Ave. • 608-897-8069 Meets 2nd Monday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Dousman Glen L. Humphrey Lodge No. 364 375 Hwy. 67 • 262-965-9390 Meet 2nd Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. Dark June</p>	<p>Hayward Keystone Lodge No. 263 10629 Main St. • 715-634-8735 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Manitowoc Manitowoc Lodge No. 65 810 Chicago St. • 920-484-4334 Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Mondovi Buffalo River Masonic Lodge No. 252 245 S. Franklin • 715-797-3261 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>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</p>
<p>Brookfield Elmbrook Lodge No. 354 4550 N. Pilgrim Rd. • 262-549-0923 Meets 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Hudson St. Croix Lodge No. 56 209 Locust Street • 715-377-0817 Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Marinette Marinette Lodge No. 182 1610 Main St. • 715-735-3315 Meet 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August</p>	<p>Monroe Smith Lodge No. 31 1613-1/2 Tenth St. • 608-328-4370 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Dark June, July & August</p>	<p>Lodge Listings are continued on page 12</p>



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| <p>Palmira
Palmira Lodge No. 68
125 N. 3rd St. • 262-495-4887
Meets 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Dark January & February</p> <p>Park Falls
Park Falls Lodge No. 300
521 N. 2nd Ave. • 715-762-4943
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark June, July & August</p> <p>Pewaukee
Pewaukee Lodge No. 246
126 Main St. • 262-367-4816 (WM)
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark June, July & August</p> <p>Phillips
Phillips Lodge No. 225
137 N. Lake Ave. • 715-339-3785
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark June, July & August</p> <p>Platteville
Melody Lodge No. 2
783 Enterprise Drive • 608-349-6021
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Plymouth
Cassia Lodge No. 167
441 Smith St. • 920-892-6336
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Portage
Fort Winnebago Lodge No. 33
111 W. Canant Street • 608-742-6468
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Meet 2nd Tues. July/Aug. Dark Jan/Feb</p> <p>Port Washington
Ozaukee Lodge No. 17
504 W. Grand Ave. • 262-294-9978
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Potosi
Warren Lodge No. 4
112 S. Main St. • 608-763-2719 (Sec)
Meets 1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Meets All Year</p> <p>Poynette
Poynette Lodge No. 173
Poynette City Hall, 105 Main, 608-635-4503 (Sec) • Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Prairie du Chien
Prairie du Chien Lodge No. 8
105 1/2 E. Blackhawk Avenue
608-325-4640 (Sec) • Meet 1st & 3rd Wed.,
7:30 p.m. • Dark July & Aug.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Prescott
Northwestern Lodge No. 105
132 N. Court St. • 715-262-5478 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Racine
Racine-Belle City Lodge No. 18
1012 Main St. • 262-633-6658
Meets 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Meets All Year</p> <p>Reedsburg
Reedsburg Lodge No. 79
213 E. Main St. • 608-524-2625
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Rhineland
Rhineland Lodge No. 242
23 E. Davenport St. • 715-277-2692 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark January & February</p> <p>Rice Lake
Blue Hills Lodge No. 234
225 W. South St. • 715-234-1888
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Meets All Year</p> <p>Richland Center
Richland Lodge No. 66
290 W. Union St. • 608-647-4487 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Meets All Year</p> <p>River Falls
River Falls Lodge No. 109
122 E. Walnut St. • 715-425-2333
Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Shawano
Shawano Lodge No. 170
201-1/2 S. Main St. • 715-526-3920
Meets 1 & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.
Dark January & February</p> | <p>Sheboygan
Sheboygan Lodge No. 11
411 St. Clair Ave. • 920-457-3111
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m.
Meets All Year</p> <p>Shell Lake
Shell Lake Spooner Lodge No. 221
28 Dobby Drive • 715-468-2251 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Meets All Year</p> <p>Shullsburg
Amicitia Lodge No. 25
127-1/2 Water St. • 608-965-3188 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Shullsburg
Benton Lodge No. 268
404 N. Virtue St. • 608-965-3575 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 8 p.m.
Dark January & February</p> <p>South Milwaukee
South Shore Lodge No. 3
1327 Marshall Ave • 414-294-9332 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 pm
Dark July & August</p> <p>Sparta
Valley Lodge No. 60
603 N. Court St. • 608-269-2616
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Star Prairie
North Star Lodge No. 187
Bridge St. • 715-248-3279
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Stevens Point
Evergreen Lodge No. 93
2854 Church Street • 715-344-2447
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Stoughton
Kegonsa Lodge No. 73
125 S. 5th St. • 608-873-9204
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>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</p> <p>Sun Prairie
Sun Prairie Lodge No. 143
152 N. Bird St. • 608-825-3925
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Superior
Acacia-Itasca Lodge No. 329
3117 N. 21 St. • 715-392-4984
Meet 1st & 3rd Fridays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Superior
Superior Lodge No. 236
1503 Bellinap St. • 715-392-1398 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Sussex
Lincoln Lodge No. 183
N64 W23624 Main St. • 262-251-3840
Meets 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Tomah
Tomah Lodge No. 132
520 E. Saratoga Street • 608-372-5507
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Union Grove
Union Grove Lodge No. 288
1021 - 11th Ave. • 262-878-9938
Meet 2nd Saturday, 8:30 a.m.
Meets All Year</p> <p>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</p> <p>Waterloo
Waterloo Lodge No. 63
300 Hendricks Street • 920-478-2048 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Meets All Year</p> <p>Waukesha
Waukesha Lodge No. 37
317 South Street • 262-542-6753
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>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</p> | <p>Waupun
Waupun Lodge No. 48
16 S. Madison St. • 920-324-3141
Meets 1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Wausau
Forest Lodge No. 130
130 First Street • 715-845-5198
Meet Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark June, July & August</p> <p>Wautoma
Wautoma Lodge No. 148
203 S. Scott St. • 920-787-7657 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 p.m.
Dark Jan. & Feb. - 4th Monday of Dec.</p> <p>Wauwatosa
Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301
4315 N. 92nd St. • 414-463-8390
Meet 4th Friday, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Wauwatosa
Lafayette Lodge No. 265
4315 N. 92nd St. • 414-463-8390
Meet 1st, 2nd & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July, August</p> <p>Wauwatosa
Wisconsin Lodge No. 13
4315 N. 92nd St. • 414-463-8390
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>West Allis
Day-Lite Lodge No. 358
7515 W. National Ave. • 414-257-9450
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 9 a.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>West Allis
Wauwatosa Lodge No. 267
7515 W. National Ave. • 262-250-1588
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>West Allis
West Allis Lodge No. 291
7515 W. National Ave. • 414-257-9450
Meet 1st & 3rd Fridays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>West Bend
West Bend Lodge No. 138
301 University Dr. • 262-338-3112
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m.
Meets All Year</p> <p>West Salem
Salem Lodge No. 125
101 W. Hamilton St. • 608-766-0930 (Sec)
Meets 4th Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Whitefish Bay
Aurora Lodge No. 30
517 E. Beaumont Ave. • 414-332-8460
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Whitefish Bay
Geo. Washington 1776 Lodge No. 337
517 E. Beaumont Ave. • 414-332-8460
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Whitewater
St. John's Lodge No. 57
226 W. Main Street • 262-473-5178
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Wilmot
Wilmot Lodge No. 241
30702 113th St. • 262-889-8181 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Winneconne
Winneconne Lodge No. 186
100 W. Main Street • 920-235-8094 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Wisconsin Dells
Dells Lodge No. 124
815 Oak St. • 608-254-8136
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>Wisconsin Rapids
Wisconsin Rapids Lodge No. 128
2321 2nd Ave. So. • 715-423-2770
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August</p> <p>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.</p> |
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Please call ahead before attending. The addresses listed are where the lodge meets and may not be correct for mail.



Quarry Notes

William L. Stonecipher, Editor

• **MSA Offers New "Further Light" Booklet** – The Masonic Service Association of North America has introduced a new educational aid to acquaint new Master Masons with certain aspects of the Masonic Fraternity that they might otherwise not glean from the ritual or posting.

Authored by Brother Jim Tresner, "Further Light...Helpful Information for New Master Masons," is a new 50-page digest that, as the promotional material says, is, "The perfect handbook and guide for the new Master Mason-offering a wealth of helpful information in an easy-to-read format on many Masonic subjects."

Brother Tresner is a highly respected author who holds a Ph.D. in Communications and lives in Oklahoma. His books include *Vested in Glory: The Regalia of the Scottish Rite, Albert Pike: The Man Beyond the Monument; From Sacrifice to Symbol: The Story of Cornerstones and Stability Rites; The Craft's Noisy: Composers who were Freemasons;* and, with Robert G. Davis, *A Shared Spirit*. It will be remembered that Brother Tresner was the featured speaker at our 2001 Grand Lodge Annual Communication in Eau Claire when Most Worshipful Stephen D. Willett was Grand Master.

After reading through the complimentary copy of "Further Light" sent to me courtesy of MSA for the purpose of review, it became clear that here in Wisconsin we are truly fortunate to have the excellent historical material that is included in our very own Wisconsin Program.

In saying this I do not mean to discount the value of the excellent information conveyed in "Further Light," but the information that is presented to our new members at each step of their journey into Masonry through our Wisconsin Program covers much the same ground, only differently.

I say "differently" because there are some aspects of each approach that offer slightly different information concerning the esoteric and historical underpinnings of Masonic lore. To say that one or the other historical accounts is superior would not be fair to the spirit in which information is presented. Each has valuable information to impart.

The contents of "Further Light" are organized into three broad categories: General Background, The Three Degrees, and Afterward. Of special interest to me was the discussion of the nature of "The Quest" aspect of the fraternal ritual journey of the candidate contained within the degree structure of Freemasonry. Included in the General Background section are brief discussions of topics such as the Ritual and its evolution, an explanation of the Obligations and Penalties, a further explanation of the three Degrees, how to respond to questions about the Craft, information on Concordant or Appendant Bodies, and much more.

As Grand Master Wilke remarks in the close of this month's Grand Master's Message, "I encourage every Brother to search and study the several publications of the Craft. It will help us grow as Freemasons with the expanded light of knowledge."

Single copies are priced at \$5.00 each plus \$3.00 Shipping & Handling. Copies of "Further Light" may be ordered from the Masonic Service Association of North America, 8120 Fenton Street, Suite 203, Silver Spring, MD 20910-4785. Their phone is: 301-588-4010 • Fax: 301-608-3457 • Email: <msana@ix.netcom.com>. Quantity discounts are available.

• **Ed Seminar Cancellation** – That the October 4 Masonic Ed Seminar in Eau Claire was cancelled due to insufficient early registration by the September 24 deadline is truly unfortunate. Think of all the present and future lodge officers in the northwest quadrant of Wisconsin — Junior and Senior Deacons, Junior and Senior Wardens, and future Worshipful Masters — who have missed out on this opportunity to benefit from the material which would have been presented.

So that readers may understand why the first Masonic Ed Seminar was cancelled, it has been established that 15 prepaid registrants are necessary by the registration deadline in order for a seminar to be held. A decision is subsequently made as to whether or not the seminar will occur. In the case of the seminar in Eau Claire, money from the half-dozen or so early registrants was returned.

The same criteria will be used to determine whether or not the seminar at Waukesha Lodge will go forward. The registration deadline for this second seminar is October 22, the same day this November issue went to press, too late to report on whether this seminar will be held as scheduled or cancelled.

• **Address Changes & M.O.R.I.** – The Masonic Online Registry Interface (MORI) is now the only method of keeping member addresses current as the Grand Lodge Office, according to Grand Secretary Michael DeWolf, PGM. The Fraternity's former database system is now discontinued. The change took place at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, October 21.

Also, MORI is now able to produce a single Detailed Member Report for a lodge's entire membership reflecting all of the changes made to member records. Until now MORI did not permit this, but it now does.

Grand Secretary DeWolf indicated that at this time 61 secretaries and assistants have been trained in MORI, and many more will be trained through the six training sessions which have been scheduled over the next four months. They are open to all secretaries and designated assistants.

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**A Message from Mary Millard -
Director of Fraternal Relations**

Another season.....

November is just around the corner and so is my favorite holiday. I always like to reflect on the blessings of the year at this time. The smell of Fall, the trees in full color, and everyone anticipating cold weather; we are in a time of change again. Take a moment to think about changes that have happened in your life this past year. Have you lost a loved one, taken on a new job, had a change in your health, or moved to a new location? Any one of these can be a joyful change or it may be a sad change that you need to work through. I am so thankful that Three Pillars is here for our seniors. Many of them do not look forward to the "change of address" but find that it is necessary. But I am happy to say that most of our residents will tell you that they should have moved sooner. I encourage all of you to come and visit and see for yourself what Three Pillars has to offer. Just give us a call and we can schedule a tour.

Knitting Group



The Village on the Square Knitting Group meets over 80 times a month for the Artistic Friendship Group in Doubsman to help them with their fund raiser to go Disney World in Florida. Pictured above is (L-R) Elaine Witt, Debra Gluski, Jane Tolymann, Arlyle Wemmel, Ruth Runhold, Wilma Schuyler, accepting the hats, Rebecca McKnight.

Blessing of the Hands

A simple prayer ritual of Blessing of the Hands was offered to caregivers at the Masonic Center for Health and Rehab during staff appreciation week in August.



Pastor Ruth is assisting the hands of Barb Carstens with olive oil and reminded all recipients of the many ways their hands serve as instruments of God's love and compassion for our residents.

Did you know there is a new resource for Wisconsin Masonic Seniors?



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As part of Wisconsin Masonic Home's continuing Outreach Program, we now offer this Resource Guide Website which includes a set of internet links to help you with your basic questions about senior care issues.

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and click the "Pillars Plus Wisconsin Senior Resources" link.



As summer comes to a close at Mason Woods, it opens the door to a new, bright and colorful world. The fall colors came alive with their entire splendor, reds, yellows and gold, a sight to behold.

Just because the weather is turning colder, it doesn't mean the activities have come to a halt. We had our Harvest Dinner, planned by the residents, a Box Lunch Auction, a Sausage Dinner (put on by the Mason Woods Lodge) along with many other activities.

Now is a perfect time to come up North and see the colors. And while you are here, stop by and see Mason Woods. Call Judi at 800-938-6687 for a personal tour.

Check out our upcoming events at Three Pillars!

Toys 4 Tots
November 15th - December 15th

Drop off locations:

- 1. Village on the Square near Fishers in front of the Red C/
- 2. Compass Point on the Commons, 4th and Hill St
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Please verify all locations, dates and times before attending a meeting or event.

- 3 - Kinnickinnic, River Falls - WGM/WGP Visit
 - Oregon, Oregon - Honor Warder & Sentinel
 - Star of Bethlehem, Portage, Honor Veterans & Celebrate America
 - Shawano, Shawano - Mason Woods - Re-obligation, Cheer
- 4 - Dodgeville, Dodgeville - Honor Masons and family
 - Ruth, LaCrosse - Poetry Night
 - Electa, Milwaukee - Honor all Vets, Wear Red, White & Blue, Tribute to our Flag
 - Queen of Sheba, Reedsburg - Re-obligation Night
 - Eagle, Eagle River - Re-obligation & Honor Veterans
 - Frederic, Frederic - Re-obligation
- 5 - Queen Esther, Lodi - Grand Rep Reception & WGM/WGP Visit
 - Bristol, Bristol - Re-obligation and honor Veterans
 - Starlite, Madison - Re-obligation Night
 - Chippewa, Chippewa Falls - Honor Veterans
 - Bristol, Bristol - Re-obligation Night, Honor Veterans
- 6 - Alpha, Argyle - WGM/WGP Visit and Re-obligation Night
 - Sheboygan, Sheboygan - Teddy Bears' Picnic/Re-obligation Night at Plymouth Masonic Center
 - Union Grove, Union Grove - Compass Night
 - Melody, Middleton - Obligation Night and Honor Veterans
- 7 - Wisconsin Dells - Amaranth Grand Court
 - Vega, Milwaukee - Honor Electa, Esther, Adah & Veterans, Re-obligation.
- 8 - Racine, Racine - Southeast Area Club
- 10 - Martha Washington, Green Bay - WGM/WGP Visit, Grand Representative Reception
 - Shullsburg, Shullsburg - Sou'Westers Area Club Meeting
- 11 - Phoenix, Beloit - Re-obligation Night
 - Everett, Marshfield - Veterans & Masons Night
 - Northwest, Clear Lake - Veteran's Day Program
 - Miniam, Platteville - Thanksgiving & Program
 - Ozaukee, Port Washington - WGM/WGP Visit, Compass Night & Re-obligation
 - West Allis, West Allis - Honor Veterans
- 12 - New Holstein-Calumet - Re-obligation Night
 - Wauwatosa, Brookfield - Honor Star Points & Re-obligation w/ESTARL Program
 - Sparta, Sparta - Western Stars Area Club Meeting
 - Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac - WGM/WGP Visit & Grand Representative Reception
- 13 - Loyal, Star Prairie - Re-obligation, Honor Veterans
 - Kenosha, Kenosha - Compass Night, 7:00 PM.
 - La Belle, Mukwonago - Re-obligation Night
 - Kilbourn, Wisconsin Dells - WGM/WGP Visit & Grand Rep Reception
- 14 - La Belle, Mukwonago - Triwaukee Area Club Meeting
- 15 - West Allis, West Allis - Grand Officer Initiation at 6:30 PM, with a dinner at 5:00 PM., Cost \$8.00, Reservations (414) 257-3614 by Nov. 8th
 - Oregon, Oregon - Bazaar, 7:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
 - Grand Esther Party
 - Phoenix, Beloit - Swiss steak Dinner, 4:30 - 7:00 P.M.
 - Oregon, Oregon - Obligation Night & Honor Star Points
 - Star of Bethlehem, Portage - Thanksgiving observance
 - Sparta, Sparta - WGM/WGP Visit
- 18 - Dodgeville, Dodgeville - Honor Star Points
 - Ruth, LaCrosse - Re-obligation night, Thanksgiving Tribute
 - Ellsworth, Ellsworth - WGM/WGP Visit
- 19 - Queen Esther, Lodi - Obligation Night
 - Starlite, Madison - Cheer Night
- 20 - La Belle, Mukwonago - Special: Honor Veterans & Masons (wear Red/White/Blue)
- 21 - Vega, Milwaukee - WGM/WGP Visit & Grand Rep Reception
- 25 - Everett, Marshfield - Re-obligation Night
 - Northwest, Clear Lake - Re-obligation Night
 - West Allis, West Allis - Honor Past Matrons and Past Patrons & Thanksgiving Dinner
- 30 - Acadia, Brookfield - Grand Representative Reception

December

- 1 - Star of Bethlehem, Portage - Slipper night
- 2 - Wautoma, Wautoma - WGM/WGP Visit
- 2 - Dodgeville, Dodgeville, Teddy Bear Parade & Honor Youth Night
- Ruth, LaCrosse - Honoring 50 Year Members
- Electa, Milwaukee - WGM/WGP Visit
- 3 - Queen Esther, Lodi - Honor Masons & ESTARL Program
- Starlite, Madison - ESTARL speaker
- 4 - Sheboygan, Sheboygan - Friends Night w/entertainment at First Presbyterian Church, Sheboygan

SISTERS AND BROTHERS

We would like to hear from you about your chapter's special events, 50-year members or chatter about your chapter that you would like to have printed on this page. **Please send your information to Sister Jane Blackwood, stormkat@sbcglobal.net or 937 Euclid Ave, Beloit, WI 53511-6006** Please submit items by the 25th of the month two months prior to the intended month of publication. The summer issue for July and August is combined and will be published on July 2.

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Please send me a copy your chapter's 2008-09 calendar so that your special nights may be listed in the OES Calendar on this page. Please send your calendar to Sister Jane Blackwood at, stormkat@sbcglobal.net or 937 Euclid Ave, Beloit, WI 53511-6006

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Grand Representative Receptions

November 5

Queen of Sheba, Lodi - Reception to honor Tina Kurt, Grand Representative of Idaho at the Lodi Masonic Center, 114 First St., Lodi, WI 53555, 6:00 P.M. Meeting, Reception at 7:30 P.M., RSVP by November 1, with name and title to Kathy Oyen (608)-592-4778 or kcoyen@aol.com

November 10

Martha Washington, Green Bay - Honoring Patricia Churches, Grand Representative of New Hampshire, 7:00 P.M.

November 12

Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac - Reception and Program to honor June Potts, Grand Representative of South Dakota at the Fond du Lac Masonic Center, 500 W. Arndt St., Fond du Lac, WI 54935, Entertainment at 6:00 P.M., Meeting at 7:00 P.M., RSVP by November 10 with name and title to Diana Kifer, 375 Emma St., Fond du Lac, WI 54935-4009 (920) 922-6012, dkifer@charter.net

November 13

Kilbourn, Wisconsin Dells - Honoring Frances Coon, Grand Representative of Maryland, 7:30 P.M.

November 16

Vega & Electa, Milwaukee - Reception and Program to honor Sally Lutzke, Grand Representative of Michigan at the Lake Masonic Center, 1235 E. Howard Ave, Milwaukee, WI. Meeting at 6:30, Reception at 7:30 P.M., RSVP by November 16 with name and title to Linda Knee, 3718 S. Rutland Ave., St. Francis, WI 53235. jknee@wi.rr.com

November 30

Acadia, Brookfield - Honoring Betty Miller, Grand Representative of Utah.

December 4

Edgerton-Milton, Edgerton - Honoring Miles Bradley, Grand Representative of Montana, 7:30 P.M.

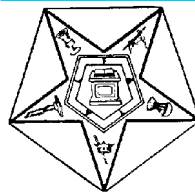
Eastern Star Christmas Parties

Friday, December 5

Ramada Inn & Convention Center, 205 Barstow Street, Eau Claire. 5:30 Social Hour, 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 Entertainment and Program
 Silent Auction - Bring in items for this exciting fundraiser. Bring a new teddy bear to be donated locally.
 Dinner \$20.00 per person - non refundable. Choice of dinner entrée:
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 Rooms are available at the Ramada Inn for OES at a rate of \$74.00 plus taxes. Call 715-835-6121.

Saturday, December 6

Olympia Resort and Conference Center, 1350 Royale Mile Road, Oconomowoc, WI
 5:30 Social Hour, 6:30 Dinner
 7:30 Entertainment and Program
 Silent Auction - Bring in items for this exciting fundraiser. Bring a new teddy bear to be donated locally
 Dinner \$21.00 per person - non refundable. Choice of dinner entrée:
 •Chicken Cordon Bleu •Tenderloin Tip Stroganoff •Vegetarian Pasta Primavera. Reservation deadline of November 27, 2008.
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Order of the Eastern Star

Message From The WGM & WGP



Kristin K. Engbring
 Worthy Grand Matron of Wisconsin
Ronald R. Rasmussen
 Worthy Grand Patron of Wisconsin

Dear Sisters and Brothers:
 As Thanksgiving draws near, it is time to reflect on all of our blessings. Each day is a gift and how we use this gift can be a blessing to others. May you find joy in counting your blessings, large and small, and give thanks, remembering that the best things in life aren't things.
 In previous issues we have shared some thoughts about fidelity and constancy. This month, we'll look at the virtue of . The story of Esther is a story of faithfulness to one's beliefs, of loyalty. Loyalty is defined as "a feeling of friendship or duty towards someone or something." In Esther's story we learn of her devotion to the

Jewish people. She believes it to be her duty to protect them and is willing to put her life at stake to save her people. She is faced with difficult choices, but her intervention is successful. This story from the Old Testament is a beautiful one. It teaches us to think of others before ourselves. We have been taught the Golden Rule: to do unto others as we would have done unto ourselves. This is not always an easy lesson. Our world is chaotic and the demands on our time come from every angle. But each of us has a choice about how we show dedication and truthness in our lives: to family and friends, to church, to work and play, to our country, and to our fellow men. Our Sisters and Brothers show loyalty in many ways: an allegiance to each other; steadfastness in giving of our time and talents; a commitment to the future of our Order. Let us give thanks for our many members who practice loyalty and faithfulness in their daily lives. They are truly a blessing!

As we near the midpoint of this Grand Chapter year, we give thanks for the opportunity to serve you. You, our Sisters and Brothers, show us your love and support whenever we have the chance to meet. Your prayers and friendship are appreciated, and we look forward to many more visits to our Subordinate Chapters. Remember to appreciate every-day blessings and live each day that you've been given.
 Happy Thanksgiving,
 Kris and Ron

Connie Skarvan Grand Marshal



Connie started her Eastern Star journey upon joining Job's Daughters. Following completion of her term as Honored Queen in "Jobie's," Connie joined Eastern Star and has held various appointed and elected positions, including Worthy Matron for several terms. She is thrilled to have been appointed Grand Marshal for the Season for Blessings Family. The position will provide her with a challenge to learn something new and to meet and work with "Star" brothers and sisters from around Wisconsin and beyond.

Connie was born in Milwaukee and spent part of her early childhood in Idaho before moving to Kewaunee where she has lived ever since. In June of 1976 Connie married her high school sweetheart, Keith. Although she and her husband do not have any children, they do have a "precocious child" a Gordon setter dog named "Sam," and they love spending time with their families and friends. When not participating in Eastern Star activities, she works two days a week as a legal assistant specializing in estate planning and probate for a small law firm in Kewaunee, and the rest of the time works with her husband at their scuba diving/snorkeling shop (the Aqua Center) in Green Bay. She is also active with her church singing in the choir or playing the pipe organ during church services.

Her main hobbies include downhill skiing and scuba diving, but she also likes to ride her mountain bike and hike. Other activities which she enjoys are card and board games, reading romance novels, knitting, and counted cross stitch.

Carol Peterson Grand Electa



Carol became a member of Eastern Star through her husband, who was a Mason, but three of her Aunts were members of Eastern Star. She belongs to Kinnickinnic Chapter in River Falls, and has been a member for 32 years. She has served as Worthy Matron, Conductress, Associate Conductress, Secretary, Chaplain, Adah, Electa and Warder. She has enjoyed serving on different committees for community projects, such as delivering Meals on Wheels, delivering fruit baskets to shut-ins at Christmas time, working food booths for fundraisers, fixing food and serving the Masons at their special banquets. Some of her interests are watching movies, the awards shows, such as the Oscars and Emmys, playing card games, and taking vacations and weekend trips with friends and family.

Grand Officer Appointments

- Wanda Hover, Lemonweir, Mauston - District of Columbia
- Bernice Labus, Oriental, Oshkosh - West Virginia
- Carol Sczygelski, Medford, Medford - Manitoba
- Fanny Ingwell, Shullsburg, Shullsburg - Alabama
- LeRoy Kifer, Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac - Nevada
- Dawn Kelley, Wautoma, Wautoma - Kentucky

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 See Annual Lodge-Foundation
 Scholarship Recipient Pictures
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West Bend West Social Studies Teacher Randy Reysen, a member of West Bend Lodge No. 138, was named "Voice Choice Teacher of the Year" in 2003 and this year was chosen by colleagues and students to receive one of four prestigious Rolf's Foundation awards for his effectiveness as a teacher. Read about why he was chosen in this annual scholarship issue.

Wisconsin Masonic Calendar

November 2008

- 1 2nd Grand Lodge Masonic Education Seminar, Waukesha Lodge No. 37, Waukesha. Start time is 9 a.m. Registration Deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 22. Please use the clip & mail registration coupon on page 3. Subjects covered will include The Masonic Code, Wisconsin Masonic Handbook and Lodge Excellence Award, as well as other inspirational and motivational presentations. Two will be held in spring 2009, one in Green Bay and the other in Dodgeville. Dates to be determined. Please look for upcoming information.
- 1 District 4 Fall Meeting on Saturday, November 1 at Oconto Falls Lodge No. 293 in Oconto Falls, 10 a.m.
- 1 District 12 Fall Meeting at George Washington 1776 Lodge - 517 E. Beaumont Ave. in Whitefish Bay. Refreshments at 8:30 a.m., meeting/workshop begins at 9 a.m. ends by noon.
- 1 District 4 Fall Meeting Oconto Falls, 10 a.m.
- 1 District 7 Area 2 School of Instruction, Commonwealth Lodge No. 325, Madison
- 8 District 3 Fall Meeting, Rhineland Lodge No. 242, 9 a.m.
- 8 District 11 School of Instruction, FC Degree, Kenosha Lodge No. 47, 7 p.m.
- 8 District 11 School of Instruction, EA Degree, Lincoln Lodge No. 183, 7 p.m.
- 8 District 11 School of Instruction, FC Degree, Ashlar Lodge No. 193, 7:30 p.m.
- 8 District # 11 - Schools of Instruction FC Degree Pewaukee Lodge No. 246, 7:30 p.m.
- 8 District 11 School of Instruction, FC Degree, Union Grove Lodge No. 288, 8:30 a.m.
- 8 District 7 Area 3 School of Instruction, Sun Prairie Lodge No. 143, Sun Prairie.
- 15 District 8 Fall Meeting, Franklin Lodge, Lone Rock 9 a.m.
- 15 Baraboo Philanthropic Banquet, Baraboo, 5 p.m.
- 16 Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 3, Fond du Lac, Thanksgiving Masonic Family/Friend's Day, Meeting 2:30 p.m., 5 p.m. turkey dinner and all the trimmings. Please RSVP to <sultana313@charter.net> so we have enough turkey!

December 2008

- 6 District 3 School of Instruction, Medford Lodge, 9 a.m.
- 13 On Saturday, December 13 at Landmark Lodge No. 244 in Frederic, installation of Officers 11 a.m. Lunch at noon.

Installing Master will be the Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin, MW Bro. John W. Wilke.

- 20 Installation of Officers for Morning Star Lodge No. 10 in Beloit by Grand Master Wilke will be at 3 p.m.

January 2009

- 5 District 12 - Schools of Instruction James M. Hays Lodge No. 331, 7 p.m.
- 9 District 12 School of Instruction, Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301, 7 p.m.
- 12 District 12 School of Instruction, Excelsior Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 24 District 4 School of Instruction, H. S. Baird Lodge, 9 a.m.
- 26 District 12 School of Instruction, Wauwatosa Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 30 Grand Lodge Staff Meeting (GM) TBD 5:30 p.m.
- 31 Grand Lodge Staff Meeting (GM) TBD

February 2009

- 1 Grand Lodge Staff Meeting (GM) TBD
- 3 District 2 School of Instruction, Eau Claire Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 4 District 2 School of Instruction, Sanctuary Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 5 District 12 School of Instruction, Nathan Hale Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 8 District 11 School of Instruction, MM Degree, Washburn Lodge, 7:30 p.m.
- 9 District 11 School of Instruction, EA Degree, Racine-Belle City Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 9 District 11 School of Instruction, FC Degree, Burlington Lodge No. 28, 7:30 p.m.
- 9 District 11 School of Instruction, FC Degree, Latif St. James Lodge No. 247, 7:30 p.m.
- 9 District 11 School of Instruction, FC Degree, Elmbrook Lodge No. 354, 7 p.m.
- 13 District 12 School of Instruction, West Allis Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 17 District 12 School of Instruction, Milwaukee Harmony Lodge No. 261, 7 p.m.
- 21 District 2 School of Instruction, Landmark Lodge, 9 a.m.
- 24 District 2 School of Instruction, New Richmond Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 24 District 12 School of Instruction, Damascus Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 26 District 2 School of Instruction, Northwestern Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 28 District 4 School of Instruction, Des Peres Lodge, 9 a.m.

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