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Grand Master Visits Three Pillars

Grand Master J. B. Van Hollen took time to individually greet Compass Point residents at Three Pillars September 13 as part of the Grand Master's annual visit to our Masonic senior living campus in Dousman. Pictured (right to left) are Bob Isakson, a member of Waukesha Lodge; Fred Barrington, member of Glenn L. Humphrey and Excelsior Lodges; resident Gay Wilson; and Glenn Rollings a 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason from Minnesota. Ruth and Gilbert Krueger are also shown. The Grand Master also visited Riverside Lodge and the Masonic Health & Rehab Center.

Grand Lodge Ed. Committee Project for 2007: 'Back to Basics' Program Part of All Fall District Meetings

By Wm. Stonecipher, Editor Wisconsin Masonic Journal

Can you answer these simple questions concerning Freemasonry?

- Why Freemasonry exists?
- What is the central point of the Entered Apprentice Degree; the Fellowcraft Degree; and the Master Mason Degree?
- What is the purpose of a Lodge?
- How do we succeed in fulfilling that purpose?

Even if you think you can, you are certain to be enlightened and educated further in Masonry by the answers and the discussion these questions will elicit during the special "Back to Basics" presentation planned for each of this fall's district meetings.

Based on the "Getting Back to Basics" program created in 1998 by then Grand Lecturer Craig S. Campbell at the request of Grand Master Larry Myers, it will be pre-

sented by a member of the Grand Lodge Education Committee in support of Grand Master J. B. Van Hollen's theme this year.

"In the past, district meetings had only involved the three principle officers," Brother Campbell, the present Senior Grand Steward said. "This year we would really encourage all brethren to attend to see this presentation."

In an interview with Brother Campbell following the committee's sole planning session this year at Baraboo Lodge September 4, the present Senior Grand Warden (and committee member) outlined the major elements the Back to Basics presentations will highlight.

The presentation is designed to be between 30 to 45 minutes in duration, depending on the volume questions and discussion they elicit, Brother Campbell explained. "This presentation is indeed a dialogue, See **BACK TO BASICS** on page 2

Two Attorneys General, Two Grand Masters

By Bro. Tom Pinney, P. M. Henry S. Baird Lodge No. 174

STURGEON BAY – Over 120 people attended the dinner honoring J. B. Van Hollen, Wisconsin Attorney General and Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin, on September 20, 2007, at Henry S. Baird Lodge No. 174. It was a huge success!

The dinner was in celebration of the fact that Van Hollen is only the second person to be Grand Master and Attorney General of the Territory/State of Wisconsin.

The first was Henry S. Baird, the See **TWO GM-AGs** on page 3

West Bend Mason's Gift Builds Home for Girls In South India

By Wm. Stonecipher, Editor Wisconsin Masonic Journal

MADURAI, SOUTH INDIA – A dream came true for Brother Warren "Sam" Ciriacks this summer, when a home for poor, orphaned and unwanted girls aged 6-18 was constructed in Madurai, a rural community in South India.

India, one might ask, why India? Well, therein lies a good story.

You see Brother Sam, as he is better known, a longtime member of West Bend Lodge No. 138 and Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church in West Bend, liked to help people. He also liked to fix and build things, and cook.

After retiring from the West Bend Company in 1988 after 27 years in time study, engineering, and sales and marketing, Sam worked part time in home repair and volunteered his culinary skills for many church and lodge functions. He was very active in both. Sam was Associate Guardian of Job's Daughter Bethel 25 in West Bend while his three

The Grand Master's Message:

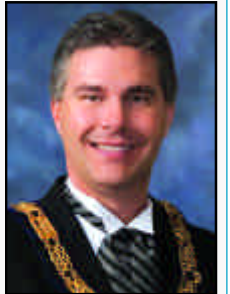
By Brother J. B. Van Hollen
Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin

DO YOU PRAY?

Do you read and study the holy writings of your faith? Do you attend your church, synagogue or other place of worship? Do you try to live a life guided by the dictates of your chosen religion? Do you REALLY put your trust in God?

These and other related questions are ones that all Masons should be asking themselves and their brothers. It relates to the first question asked of all of you when you entered the lodge room at the beginning of your journey into Freemasonry: "In whom do you put your trust?"

Presumably your answer was "God" or you would have gone no further. Do you really put your trust in God? If so, how does that manifest itself? Can you really put your trust in someone or something you do not know? I would submit to you that if you do not answer yes to the questions asked in the heading and first paragraph of this column, it is truly difficult if not impossible to fully put your trust in your God and thereby live the life of a Mason.



J. B. Van Hollen, Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin

In my first Grand Master's Message I said I wanted to focus on core values and getting back to basics. I said I was going to use this space to discuss the important principles of Masonry straight out of our time-honored Masonic degrees. If truly trusting in your God, being active in your faith and being true to your faith isn't the ultimate core value, and the most basic of basics of our fraternity, I don't know what is. Thus, and because I believe it is the most neglected aspect of Masonry by most Masons, including myself, I address it first.

One of the working tools in our first degree is the twenty-four inch gauge which we are taught to divide into three equal parts to teach us to properly divide our time. One of the parts, signifying eight hours, is for the "service of God and the relief of a distressed worthy brother." How many of us do this? I would submit that very few do. Remember that even if you can say you do spend eight hours per day in the relief of a distressed worthy brother, that doesn't cut it. From the day we first become Masons, we are taught to spend a full third of our lives doing that AND serving God. There is no room for any other interpretation there, brothers!

Moving on to the lectures in the EA and the other degrees, there are many references to God and to faith, and the reference to faith is clearly a reference to us having a faith in God.

Finally, at the end of your initiation you were sent on your way with a solemn charge, telling you there are "Three great duties which, as a Mason, you are charged to inculcate, to God, your neighbor and yourself." These are "duties," not suggestions, and you are "charged to inculcate" them, not asked to consider them. Also, note which one is listed first.

I could go on and on and I'm sure many more Masons more learned than myself could add much to this. But I will stop here. Enough has been said. To truly be a Mason we need to step up to the plate and practice our faith and worship our God. If we do this, Masonry will grow. If we live it they will come!

God Bless! J.B.

Outdoor degrees a first for Sheboygan:



Torch-lit Ceremony Impressive

"There was something about the solemnity of the voices, the sound of feet going about their business breaking twigs underfoot, the flicker of the torch light at some points in the work, and the hooting of owls that will leave an indelible mark on me," said newly made Master Mason Ed Dierkes following the first-ever outdoor degrees conferred by Sheboygan Lodge No. 11 on Tuesday, August 28. Please see more pictures and story and on page 9. – Photo by Bro. Cory Bouck



Members of the Warren Ciriacks family (daughter Linda Smeaton; Marlene Ciriacks, their mother and wife of Warren; granddaughter Melanie Fischer and daughter Sandra Fischer) stood with the commemorative marker at the Ciriacks Girls House in Madurai, South India following dedication ceremonies there on August 4. Warren died of cancer in 2006.

daughters were active.

This story of his connection to India began in June of 2000 when Rev. Sam Royappa, a United Methodist Minister and Bishop from South India who had come to the U.S. in 1999 to study for a doctorate, arrived in West Bend to serve Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church as associate pastor.

When Pastor Royappa and his

family arrived in West Bend they came with little more than their clothes and books. Reverend Royappa also brought with him an appeal for funds to support the mission work of the Philip & Timothy Stains Memorial Children's Home in Madurai.

This Christian mission program operates three homes for approxi-

See **SAM'S DREAM** on page 5

Congratulations to
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Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin



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from your
brothers at
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not a monologue."

Brother Campbell went on to explain that the presenter will ask a series of questions which are intended to promote discussion.

The questions posed by the presenter in the presentation are the same ones with which this story begins. More than simple answers are being sought, however.

In exploring the answer to the question of why Freemasonry exists, for example, the Senior Grand Warden observed that while sounding somewhat simplistic and trite, the reason often given, "To make good men better," is essentially correct Brother Campbell explained.

"However, these questions are meant to bring out a higher, overarching reason for Freemasonry existing," the former Grand Lecturer added.

As to the meaning of each of our three degrees, the Senior Grand Warden suggested that the lessons taught therein are more involved than one at first might think.

Ask a newly initiated Entered Apprentice about the lesson the degree he just experienced, for instance, and he will likely mention secrecy. In part, this answer is correct, but what about "To learn..." as in certain moral values?

Learning, to be enlightened

The "Back to Basics" presentation leads to the discovery of similar lessons at the heart of the other two degrees.

What about the purpose of a Lodge? "Once again, I suggest that many Masons do not know," Brother Campbell said, suggesting that many may have never really contemplated the answer.

"How do we succeed in fulfilling that purpose?" he asked. "By cultivating relationships."

"That's how we make Masons," he said, adding, "Lodges that do not do so, fail."

"We're hoping that this will prompt Masons who would not ordinarily attend a district meeting to do so."

Committee members, in addition to Sr. Grand Warden Campbell, are Jr. Grand Steward Bill Beecher, Grand Secretary Mike DeWolf, PGM, Jr. Grand Warden Joe Harker, Sr. Grand Steward Dan Slavik, Grand Marshal Pat Stors, District 2 Deputy Frank Struble and Sr. Grand Deacon Davey White, Jr., and Deputy Grand Master John Wilke.

Plan on attending the District Meeting near you. **wmj**

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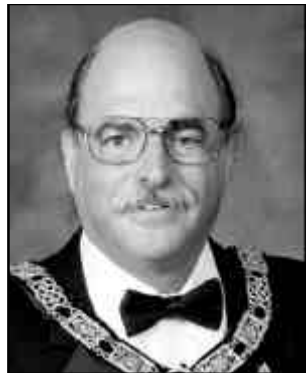
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namesake of the Masonic Lodge chartered on June 11, 1879, in Sturgeon Bay. He became the first Attorney General of the Territory of Wisconsin in 1836 and served until 1839. He served as Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin for two terms in 1856 and 1857.

The present Master of Henry S. Baird Lodge, Ross Chapman, presented the Grand Master with a framed picture of Henry S. Baird so that it might be hung in its place next to all the other Attorney Generals of the State of Wisconsin.

Alice Byrnes presented the Grand Master with a beautiful bound leather collection containing six speeches delivered by Henry S.

Baird dating from 1826 through 1832.

Special thanks are in order for several brethren: Michael Dal Santo as Chef, Mark Fischer as Assistant Chef, Charles Wingrove as Dining Room Captain, James Byrnes, PGM, as Master of Ceremonies, and James Wade, who portrayed Henry S. Baird in the costume of that period. We learned many things about Henry S. Baird from his presentation.

Grand Master J. B. Van Hollen shared his passion for integrity in his personal and political life. His foundation in Christianity and Masonry is the driving force in his life to propel the human race toward honesty and righteousness in all things. As Attor-

ney General of Wisconsin, his passion is to return honesty and respectability to the political arena.

H. S. Baird on H. S. Baird

The following dramatic reading titled "Henry S. Baird" was presented by Bro. James S. Wade on September 20, 2007, at Henry S. Baird Lodge No. 174, Sturgeon Bay.

"Brethren and Ladies:

"My name is Henry S. Baird, or more correctly Henry Samuel Baird, for those who would wonder what the "S" stands for.

"We are gathered here to celebrate the visit of our Grand Master, and as this Lodge is named after me, and like our Grand Master I was also a Grand Master, and like our Grand Master I was also Attorney General of what would become the State of Wisconsin, I have been asked to address you tonight.

"I must bow to this Grand Master and give credit where credit is due. I did hold both positions, but unlike our Grand Master I did not hold both positions simultaneously.

"Since I was called to the Lodge above over 132 years ago, and it has been 150 years since I was Grand Master, it is not surprising that I am not remembered in Sturgeon Bay.

"Perhaps I should reacquaint you with who I am, and why the founders of this Lodge would name it after me. I was born May 16, 1800, in Dublin Ireland.

"My family immigrated to the United States and settled in Pittsburgh in 1805. That is where I received my limited education, attending school until age 15. I have always been self-conscious about this.

"The crash of 1818 wiped out
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Notes From The Grand Lecturer

By Brother Ronald H. Glaunert

The Badge of a Mason

As we contemplate any phase of our ritualistic work and follow it through the three degrees, we most certainly have to be impressed by the manner in which it builds up to a climax—as in the scripture lessons for example.

In the First Degree the profound lesson on harmony in the 133rd Psalm and the reference to the Dew of Herman.

In the Second Degree we are given an allegory which speaks to the life of a man being built four square and true by the Square of Virtue, the Plumb of an upright character and the Plumb Line of good judgment.

In the Third Degree we are given a Scripture lesson powerful in its allegory, gentle in its teachings and impressive in its strength.

After all that we turn our attention to the lambskin or white leather apron and study its allusions to the Badge of a Mason, for to recognize a conclusion is to compare the beginning and the end of the subject under consideration.

The first allusion to the apron is a subtle one and occurs in the opening of the Lodge. The Worshipful Master orders that the brethren will be clothed and in order for opening a Lodge. Every brother present must wear the badge of a Mason, the apron.

The next allusion to the apron is made at its presentation to the candidate in the First Degree, where it is defined as an emblem of innocence and the badge of a Mason. The very use of the word "The" donates that it is the only badge that a Mason has. There is no other: the rings which we see on fingers, the emblems that are worn on lapels or caps are only means of identification. The real badge of a Mason is his character.

The Apron is a badge of his character and to be worn only while at labor and serves as an example of how Masons dress when at labor, and when he is to be properly clothed with the Apron.

At a Lodge communication, obviously, all must wear an Apron. They are then at labor and while at labor they are "distinguished" by the badge of a Mason. Give special attention to the word distinguished as told by the Senior Warden to the candidate. They are not "recognized" or "identified" but that they are "distinguished" by the wearing of the Apron.

During a Grand Lodge Communication every Brother present must be properly clothed. Also, at the laying of cornerstones and dedications of temples, the officers must be properly clothed.

When a Lodge conducts a funeral service for a deceased Brother, all Masons present regardless of rank are to be clothed with a white Apron—the symbolism teaching us that all men are equal in death. However, at Lodge communications Brethren are clothed according to their last degree taken.

The white Apron symbolizes the life's work, so that when at last the working tools of life are laid down, the Apron is not placed on the body of the deceased brother, but on the casket, in recognition that a life has been lived. It is not placed on the body but rather on the casket, as the symbol of a life well spent as a Mason.

Fraternally, Ron Glaunert, Grand Lecturer

Brethren, your comments or suggestions are always welcome. Contact Grand Lecturer Glaunert by e-mail at <rglaunert@charter.net> or by phone at 608-788-4953.

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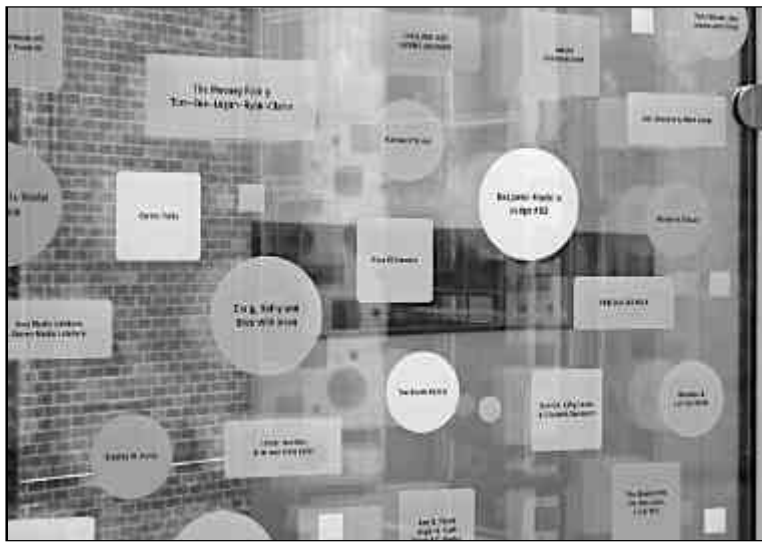
Tax Wise Charitable Giving Opportunity Ends December 31

By Bro. William H. Barnes,
Director of Development,
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DOUSMAN – If you are over the age of 70 and one-half and the owner of an IRA, you have until the end of this year to receive the benefit of making a tax wise gift.

Under the Katrina Emergency Tax Relief Act donors may give up to \$100,000 directly from their IRA to the Wisconsin Masonic Charities without having to report it as income.

Donors benefit by gifting mandatory IRA withdrawals. This law will also benefit donors who do not ordinarily itemize or who are concerned about the taxation of their Social Security income. Every situation is different. Please contact your accountant, tax professional or attorney to see how these benefits may help you.



Benjamin Franklin No. 83 Makes Gift to New American Family Children's Hospital in Madison

Benjamin Franklin Lodge No. 83, Madison, donated \$500 to the new American Family Children's Hospital in Madison. A special tile bearing the lodge's name, in recognition of this gift, has been placed by the Hospital in the hall connecting it with the main University of Wisconsin Hospital. The lodge's tile, along with other donor tiles, was first displayed at an opening ceremony on Sunday, July 29. – Submitted by Bro. Robert Blackburn, Benjamin Franklin Lodge No. 83



Metcalfs Honored at Spring Green Event

Brother Jack Metcalf and his lady Ruth were greeted by their many Masonic Family friends on Sunday, September 9 during a reception and dinner at the Frank Lloyd Wright Visitors Center in Spring Green. The event celebrated their Masonic Family Heritage and that of their son, John Metcalf, Grand Tiler. Pictured, left to right, are Keith Chamberlain and Larry Myers, Past Grand Masters; John Metcalf, Grand Tiler, event organizer; J. B. Van Hollen, Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin; Brother William Dyke, Iowa County 7th Judicial District Circuit Judge, and his lady Christy. Brother Jack Metcalf and his lady Ruth are front, right. Guest speaker was Judge Dyke and Grand Master Van Hollen delivered the keynote address. PGM Chamberlain was Master of Ceremonies and PGM Myers served as Toastmaster. About 90 attended, including representatives from the York Rite, Scottish Rite, Order of The Eastern Star and other appendant bodies. Brother Metcalf is a Past Master of Dodgeville Lodge No. 119 and will be a 60-year member in 2009. They have been Star members for 35 years. Also, Sister Ruth was the youngest Worthy Matron of Dodgeville Chapter No. 39. – Submitted by Bro. Keith Chamberlain

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SAM'S DREAM...from page 1

mately 110 orphans, unwanted and poor children, to be brought up in a Christian environment. The children are mostly Hindus, Marlene said. The Stains Home is named for the children of an Australian missionary couple killed by anti-Christian Hindu extremists. India is about 4 percent Christian, mainly in South India, 11 percent Moslem and 85 percent Hindu, Sikh and Jain.

The home for girls at the time occupied rented quarters and was in need of its own facility, and Fifth Avenue Church members in West Bend decided to take on construction of a new home for the girls

as a mission project. Director of the home is R. David Gnaniah, brother of Pastor Royappa.

Sam and his wife Marlene came to know the Royappas (Pastor Sam, his wife Shanti, daughter Shalom and son Shobi) very well as a family because while serving as head of the church's Parish-Staff Committee, Marlene led the work of volunteers from the church to ready the parsonage for occupancy. The Royappas stayed a week at the home of their daughter, Sandi Fischer, for a week while they were away.

Beginning then and continuing afterwards, the Ciriacks family has enjoyed a close relationship with the Royappas, especially their children. They bonded well and grew to consider Sam and Marlene as adoptive grandparents. "Grandpa Sam" and "Grandma Marlene" became household terms in both the Ciriacks and Royappa homes.

The Journey to India: A Life-Changing Experience

Brother Sam's interest in the need for a girls home in Madurai dates from a life-changing event he experienced while on a church mission trip to India in summer 2005.

Marlene related how 20 members from the Fifth Avenue Church spent two weeks in South India in 2005 as part of a mission team led by Pastor Royappa to see first-hand the projects their mission donations were supporting.

"We spent a week with vacation Bible school with the girls and putting up a fence around the vacant land purchased with funds from church members in 2004 as the site for a future building for the girls' home," she recalled.

It was while there working in 2005 that Brother Ciriacks experienced a life-changing experience.

As Marlene explained it, "One day Sam looked up at the mountains on the horizon surrounding the area and, right then and there, made the decision to financially assist in building a permanent home for the girls to live in, and we talked about possible ways to finance its construction."

When Sam returned home, he told his granddaughter Melanie, "In

2007 I'm going back to India for the summer to build a permanent home for the girls and I'm taking you along."

It was shortly after returning from that trip to South India in 2005 that Brother Ciriacks was diagnosed with throat cancer. "He had a raspy voice prior to the trip but waited until his return before seeking (diagnosis) and treatment," Marlene



This is the Ciriacks Girls House as it appeared in August of this year. It will house 48 orphaned, poor and unwanted girls aged 6-18 in Madurai, South India. The 5,000 sq. ft. building was made possible by a donation to fulfill a dream by Brother Sam Ciriacks, a member of West Bend Lodge No. 138.

related. The disease was isolated to his larynx and treated successfully.

In April 2006, however, while at his winter home in Florida, Sam experienced difficulty breathing and, seeking help, learned that the cancer had returned, this time in his esophagus. He underwent both chemotherapy and radiation there, coming home to West Bend in July. Sam was just one week shy of his 70th birthday when he died, on August 31, 2006.

A Dream Comes True

In keeping with Sam's wishes, Marlene decided that as a tribute to Sam and his dream, she would use money from an insurance policy, plus memorial donations in Sam's memory to finance construction of the Stains' girls home.

Marlene prefers to keep the amount of the contribution confidential but did say that the total estimated cost of the building was close to \$70,000 and that the contribution in Sam's memory covered a substantial portion of that cost. A contribution from a church member from Texas who heard about the Ciriacks' gift helped bring Sam's dream to fruition.

"I just wanted to have a memorial to Sam," Marlene said, recalling how the church was full to overflowing for his service. "I never knew that so many knew Sam or our family."

Construction of the 5,000 square foot brick and concrete building as a home for girls took place over a three week period from July 22 to August 10 this year. Indian law requires that such buildings be 60 percent complete before a dedication can take place.

The Ciriacks Girls House was dedicated in ceremonies in Madurai August 5, attended by 22 workers and family members from five different United Methodist churches.

The structure has two 19X20 ft. bedroom areas, an events hall, bedroom for a housemother, kitchen and office and will be home to approximately 48 girls.

The girls, as it was explained, store

all of their earthly possessions in one small suitcase stationed at the foot of their sleeping mats on the floor. There are no beds as we know them. Accommodations at the girls house are not plush by any means. This is bare-bones shelter.

To place the cost of the new girls home in perspective, Marlene said that money goes a lot further in South India than here.

The building, for instance, was totally made by hand.

The walls were made from an estimated 100,000 hand-made clay bricks and no machines of any kind were used during construction. The brick walls were covered with a layer of concrete-like stucco, again, mixed and applied by hand, and then painted by mission volunteers.

Inside, a forest of vertical poles supported forms against which the ceiling would formed. Concrete was thrown upwards by hand from beneath and then smoothed.

A crew of 41 laborers were employed during construction. Female workers were paid \$2 per day and men received \$3. As part of their pay, each laborer received a suit of clothes.

Mission participants helped, digging septic pits, and painting walls perched on precarious scaffolds that were sometimes little more than small platforms over windows, having to wait for ladders to be brought so they could descend as work there was completed.

Mission Support Continues

Remember the comment about Sam liking to cook? Well, to raise funds for the girls house mission, Sam and Marlene started a Wonderful Wednesday's Dinner at their church. Until Sam could no longer continue, they prepared and served meals during the months of September through December when they went to Florida for the winter. Other church volunteers took over the dinners during the other months.

"We feed you so that the children of India can be fed," was chosen as a theme for dinners.

"Typically we serve between 45-60 dinners," Marlene said, noting that 83 were served one Wednesday evening in early September.

"The dinners yield at least \$50 for the Wonderful Wednesday fund," said Marlene. "We wire between \$800-\$1,000 in December of each year."

Now, assisted by her granddaughter Melanie and others, Marlene continues the Wonderful Wednesday dinner tradition.

Brother Sam would be pleased, as are the girls in Madurai, South India, who now call the Ciriacks Girls House their home. *umj*



Bro. Warren "Sam" Ciriacks in a recent picture taken at his Florida winter home.

Thoughts for The Journey

By Grand Chaplain David Ritchie

The Seeds We Sow

The poet Bobby Burns said, "The best laid schemes o' mice an' men Gang aft a-gley." (Things don't always happen as we plan them.)

After moving onto the place where we are now, I discovered that any hard rain would wash out our lane, about one-third mile in length.

So it was with visions of a beautiful tree-lined drive that I began cutting waterways and planting trees. A friend offered me all the soft maple I wanted if I were to dig them out of all her flower beds. It was a deal. So it was with great hope that I planted the thirty or so little trees.

With having planted them at the wrong time of year—a dry summer with cattle, deer, and rodents—the following spring found me with thirty dry dead sticks. Not one had survived.

As spring turned into summer, a single iris bloomed at the foot of two of my dead sticks. In the ten years since, I have had more luck with what I have planted, but nothing as beautiful as my two large beds of iris growing along the edge of my drive where I never would have thought of planting them, interspersed with the grasses are these brilliant blue flowers. I thought I was planting maples!

A lodge I know of has recently been working on recruitment through a variety of activities without much success. Yet, after a fund raiser (a food booth at a local festival) they received two new petitions. Why? One man noticed how much fun the guys in the stand were having and wanted to be a part of it. Brotherly Love. The other was impressed that two Brothers left the stand and crossed the street to help an elderly woman carry some awkward packages to her car. The woman was the petitioner's mother. Relief. The Brothers of this lodge had not set out that day to gain members.

The lesson is simple. The seeds we think we plant as we go through life are not always the ones that take hold and grow. Often it is the thing we don't know that we are doing that grows and blossoms. When the tenets of brotherly love, relief, and truth become so ingrained in us that we practice them without thinking, that is when we become better men, better Masons.

We are Masons even when no one is looking, and it is during these times that we often make our greatest impressions. It is not the big cardboard check and the picture in the paper that shows relief. It is helping the widow next door. It is encouraging a child. It is being there when a Brother is in need. It is a kind word or smile.

How often have we all heard the story of a boy who, after he was shown kindness or had his family help by "that kind man," asked about the ring? Then to have the boy swear that someday he too would be a Mason.

We do not always realize that we do make a difference. We don't see that we are being watched by that neighbor or that child. Maybe it is our own son or daughter watching us and how we live our life. As Masons we often sow the seeds of brotherly love, relief, and truth in all that we do. The way we practice them determines if they take root even when we had something else in mind.

Fraternal Yours,
Dave Ritchie

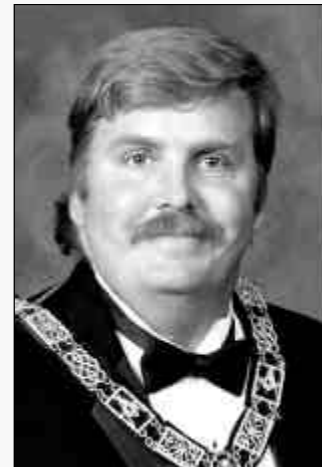
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140th Anniversary of Cassia Lodge

Members of Cassia Lodge No. 167, Masons and Grand Lodge Officers, pose at the Wade House Hall for a group photo after the program. — Photo credits: Teresa Hartle-Feldner



Historic Connection

Wade House State Historical Site Director David Simmons receives a photo of Bro. Henry Stannard, the first Mason raised in Cassia Lodge, and Brother Hollis C. Wade's brother-in-law, from Brother Donald N. Krauss, a 75-year member of Cassia Lodge. Brother Krauss, who attended lodge with Brother Stannard, attended meetings together a number of times. Cassia Lodge is probably the only Lodge that has a direct living connection to its first member 140 years ago.

GREENBUSH — A 140th Anniversary Celebration of the founding of Cassia Lodge No. 167 was held at the Historic Wade House in Greenbush on Monday, June 4, 2007.

The celebration was held at the State Historic Site because the Lodge was originally chartered on June 7, 1867 in Greenbush before moving to Plymouth a decade later.

Two of the sons of Sylvanus Wade, founder of Wade House, were Charter Members of Cassia Lodge.

Cassia Lodge was founded by Masons living in the Greenbush area who belonged to the Masonic Lodge in Sheboygan Falls, or other parts of the United States from which they came, to settle in Greenbush. Wade sons Dr. S. Edward Wade and his brother Hollis C. Wade were among the

founders. Hollis served as Master of the Lodge a record nine times before his death in 1921. He also served the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin as Junior Grand Warden in 1878.

The first new Mason to join Cassia Lodge after it was chartered was Hollis Wade's brother-in-law, Henry Stannard, in June 1867.

One of the highlights of the evening was a presentation by Donald Krauss, a 75-year member of Cassia Lodge, of a photo of Henry Stannard to Mr. David Simmons, Wade House Director.

Bro. Stannard was present when Don joined the lodge 75 years ago, and they attended meetings together a number of times. Cassia Lodge is probably the only Lodge that has a direct living connection to its first member 140 years ago.



Chippewa Falls Lodge Recognition Banquet

Chippewa Falls Lodge No. 176 recently held their Annual Recognition Banquet. Honored were 50- and 25-year members, and Past Masters. Entertainment was provided by the Chippewa Falls High Vocal Jazz Group. Past Masters of Chippewa Falls Lodge are pictured left to right: Fred Roycraft, Dale Babbitt, Charles Wiltrout, Hughes McCausland, Monte Bowlin, District Deputy Bill Beetcher, Richard Frazier, Robert Thorson, Waldemar Moucha, and Robert Koepsel. At right, Chippewa Falls 50-year member Bruce Hayhoe was congratulated by then District 3 Deputy Bill Beetcher.

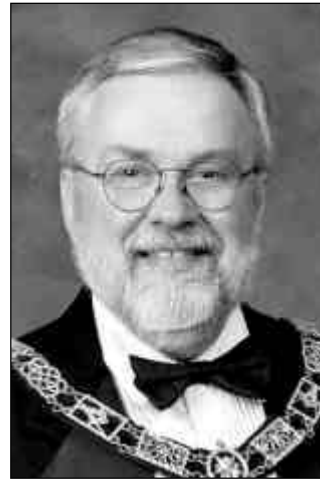
— Submitted by Bro. Robert Koepsel



K-9 Funding Donation By Clintonville Masons Adds \$5,000 to \$30,000

Members of Clintonville Lodge No. 197 donated \$5,000 recently to the Waupaca County Canine Unit. Waupaca County Sheriff Brad Hardel is seeking donations to start up a canine unit in the county and this contribution puts them \$5,000 closer to their goal of \$30,000. Pictured at left, Waupaca County Sheriff's Deputy Joe Kriegel, center, accepted the check from Clintonville Lodge members. Pictured left to right, are Kenneth Glass, Dr. Roger Wilson, Deputy Kriegel, Owen Nielson and Clintonville Worshipful Master Dan Jesse. The picture was clipped from a Clintonville newspaper.

Being active in the life of your lodge is part of being a Mason.



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From your
brothers at
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Brother Frank J. Dennee District 3 Deputy Grand Lodge of Wisconsin



Congratulations on
your appointment
as District 3 Deputy
Brother Frank!

From your brothers
in Phillips Lodge
No. 225, Phillips



Wisconsin Mason Honored for 50-Years In Minnesota

PERHAM, MN — Worshipful Master, Kenneth Friese of Perham Minnesota Lodge No. 157 and Minnesota Grand Lodge Area Deputy, Darrell Richter is shown presenting Brother George F. Kupferschmid of Frontier Lodge No. 45 of La Crosse (center) his 50-year pin and certificate.

Brother Kupferschmid was raised to Master Mason on October 28, 1955, in La Crosse, Wisconsin and has resided in Perham, Minnesota since 1959.

— Submitted by Marvin Enslin, Secretary, Perham Lodge No. 157 Perham, Minnesota.

The Gavel Locator

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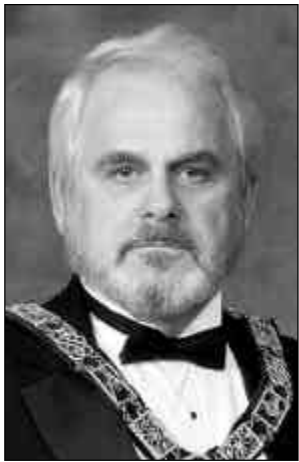
Lafayette Lodge No. 265

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Youth In Masonry

Junior Grand Steward William Beetcher

Grand Lodge of Wisconsin



Congratulations,
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on your
appointment as
Jr. Grand Steward

Landmark Lodge
No. 244 in Frederic



Wisconsin Rainbow Grand Assembly 2007

Miss Jennifer Matzke, Grand Worthy Advisor 2006-2007 of Wisconsin International Order of Rainbow for Girls, is pictured with her grand officers and new initiates at Wisconsin's annual Grand Assembly held at the McKinley Masonic Center in Brookfield. Miss Matzke's theme was "Under the Sea" with dolphins as her fun emblem. Her charity project this past year was Camp WIKIDAS (Wisconsin Kids with Asthma).

Brother Paul S. Huber District 9 Deputy

Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Wisconsin



Congratulations,
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on your
appointment as
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Your brothers at
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No. 161

We Salute Kenneth C. Gorgen District 11 Deputy Grand Lodge of Wisconsin



Congratulations
Brother Ken!

From your
Brothers at
McKinley Lodge
No. 307 in
Brookfield



Rachel Preuschl Installed As Grand Worthy Advisor

Miss Rachel Preuschl of Friendship Assembly No. 18 was installed on August 5, 2007, as the new Grand Worthy Advisor of Wisconsin Rainbow for Girls. Her theme is "Give a Little Puppy love" and her mascots are puppies and guardian angels. Rachel has chosen the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation as her charity project. This is very special cause to Rachel as she lost her brother to diabetes. Her mother, Mrs. Bonnie Preuschl, was installed as State Mother Advisor, and her uncle, Mr. James Schoville, was installed as State Rainbow Dad. Rachel is pictured with her grand officers.

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Beloit Rainbow Assembly Hosts Pirate Party

BROOKFIELD – Beloit Assembly No. 9, Order of Rainbow for Girls, hosted a Pirate Party at their annual Grand Assembly held August 3-5 at the McKinley Masonic Center in Brookfield.

Some of the events held at the Pirate Party were Pin the Eye Patch on the Pirate, Pirate Duckie Splash, a treasure hunt and breaking the pina-ta.

Wisconsin DeMolay Names New Leaders at 2007 Conclave

Wisconsin DeMolay Conclave 2007 was a huge success. Nine months of planning culminated into four days of fun, brotherhood, friendly competition, final moments for some and new beginnings for others.

The events for this years annual Conclave ranged from degree work to synchronized swimming. The young men of Wisconsin DeMolay worked diligently to affect the way the state is run during the annual legislation session. Educational sessions provided knowledge so that young DeMolays can develop those leadership skills needed to run their home Chapters.

The State Officers once again fell to the Conclave staff in the time honored volleyball game on Saturday before the banquet. Don't take it personally guys, its tradition.

Following the banquet, due honor was paid to a great man and a wonderful advisor, Dick Meyer, who served as an advisor for over 47 years, and who passed on to the other shore earlier this year.

The following young men were installed to lead Wisconsin DeMolay for the next year: Rob Clifton as State Master Councilor, John Scott as Deputy State Master Councilor, Greg Thompson as State Marshal, Chris Hansen as State Scribe and Jake Harycki as State Senior Deacon.

We want to thank everyone who sponsored events at this years Conclave. Your dedication to DeMolay keeps Conclave affordable to our members.

Send Youth Page Submissions To:

- Rainbow for Girls: Jane Blackwood, 937 Euclid Avenue, Beloit, WI 53511 e-mail: <stormkat@sbcglobal.net>
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- DeMolay: Executive Officer, Robert E. Lijewski, W156 S7350 Quietwood Dr., Muskego, 53150 (414) 422-9452

Donald W. Hensiak District 12 Deputy Grand Lodge of Wisconsin



Congratulations,
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Eau Claire Lodge No. 112 Past Masters & 25/50 Year Night



Eau Claire Lodge No. 112 Past Masters were recognized on Anniversary Night on June 26.

By Bro. Tim Buckley, Worshipful Master
Eau Claire Lodge No. 112

EAU CLAIRE – Tuesday evening June 26, 2007, was a special night for Eau Claire Lodge No. 112. We had the honor and privilege of recognizing five 50 year members, three 25 year members, and 120 Past Masters of our Lodge dating back to 1859, many of whom were in attendance that night.

The evening started out with dinner and fellowship at 6:15 p.m.. We opened Lodge at 7:30, and went informal. Worshipful Master Tim Buckley welcomed all in attendance and turned the program over to Les Paulson who was our M.C. for the program. He was a very fitting choice because Les was Master of our Lodge 25 years ago and was able to personally recognize the very people that, 25 years ago, he helped raise.

Our program featured several stories of how Masonry has influenced the lives of some of our Brothers,

what they remembered most about the night they were raised, and how some things have changed over the years.

Another brother told the story of how his life has taken many turns over the years, some good, and some not so good. But the one thing that has remained consistent through these troubling times was the strength and support he gained through his affiliation with Masons and Masonry.

We concluded the program with a reminder of the upcoming 150 year anniversary of our Lodge along with inspirational comments from our special guest Brother Bill Beetcher, Junior Grand Steward, and Brother Frank Struble, District Deputy of district 2.

As a bonus to our already eventful evening, Worshipful Master Buckley, along with Jr. Grand Steward Beetcher, and District Deputy Struble, presented our treasurer, Willard Young, with his 60 year pin.

Congratulations to all of our Past Masters and Brothers for their contributions and dedication to Masonry:



Willard Young, 60-Year Member, Honored

Willard Young, a member of Eau Claire Lodge No. 112, was recognized for 60 years of membership. Pictured left to right are: Bill Beetcher, Junior Grand Steward; Tim Buckley, Worshipful Master; Willard Young, 60-year member and Treasurer of the lodge; and Frank Struble, District 2 Deputy.



50-year Members of Eau Claire Lodge Honored

Pictured left to right are: Tim Buckley, Worshipful Master; 50 year members Art Horvedt, Lamoine Robertson, Ray Henning; Bill Beetcher, Junior Grand Steward; and Frank Struble, District Deputy, District 2.

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King Vet's Home Residents Tour EAA Museum in Oshkosh

Thirty members, residents and escorts from the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King were hosted by Masonic and community groups to the First Annual King Tour of the Experimental Aircraft Association's AirVenture Museum and Pioneer Airport at Oshkosh. The group was transported by "King Koach" to Oshkosh where they enjoyed a half-pound pork chop lunch at Robbins Restaurant after which they were taken on a guided tour through the EAA AirVenture museum, and then by tram through the Pioneer Airport. Each was given a "MSA King Tour - EAA" Oshkosh souvenir baseball cap before returning to King. Sponsors for the tour included the Masonic Service and Assistance Committee, Wisconsin Masonic Foundation, the Masonic Service Association, Silver Spring, MD, Winnebago Shrine Club, Robbins Restaurant, Oshkosh, JRH Promotions, Omro, and the EAA AirVenture Museum and Pioneer Airport.

– Submitted by Bro. Tom Dowman, MSA Representative at Wisconsin Vets Home at King



Apples & Carmel Fund Scholarships for Owen

In its attempt to earn money for funding the high school scholarship program, Owen Masonic Lodge No. 317 sold sliced apples and caramel dip at two recent events, "Withee Days" in June, and "Owen Jr. Fair" in July. The lodge has seven area high schools that have been receiving scholarships in the past. Three schools are on an annual schedule and the other four are on a rotating basis. Brethren in the photo, left to right, are: Paul Stasek, Anthony Ring and Frank Olszewski. Other members that helped at these events were Brian Bredlau, Leslie Craven, Chas Edgar, Celand Melbinger, Jack Vater and Robert Wenrick.



Recognition Dinner Honors Merrillan Members

A recognition dinner was held for five members of Merrillan Lodge No. 279. Pictured from left to right are Bradley Seguin, 50 years; John Kleckner, 60 years; Harry Demaskie, for 14 years service as Secretary; Owen Haigh, 50 years; and Heron VanGordon, 50 years. Also, Merrillan Lodge presented the District Travelling Gavel to LaBelle Lodge in Viroqua.

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Sheboygan Lodge Conducts First Outdoor Master Mason Degree

By Brother Cory Bouck
Sheboygan Lodge No. 11

SHEBOYGAN - The members of Sheboygan Lodge No. 11 conducted an outdoor Third Degree on the evening of August 28.

Under special dispensation from MWGM J. B. Van Hollen, Fellow Craft brothers Edward Dierkes and James Bifano were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason at a heavily wooded site north of the Village of Kohler.

The evening began with Junior Warden Jim Gischia superintending a dinner at Sheboygan's Masonic Mansion. The historic lodge building, built between 1927 and 1929, is midway through a ten-year renovation project being directed by the board of a fraternal tax-exempt foundation.

As part of the meeting there were informal discussions about the importance of tuck-pointing the exterior of the building before the snowfall to seal and protect the nearly \$300,000 in labor and materials for improvements that have already been completed on the interior.

There was a brief brainstorming session on where the foundation could find sources of additional donations, because the work will have to pause soon if additional funding is not found.

After a meal of hearty beef stew, the brothers drove in a caravan to the site of the evening's degree.

The outdoor lodge was a work of fraternal cooperation: the site was located in a wooded area on the homestead of brother Jim Baines, who had been raised on the site 30 years earlier by his father under the auspices of a different lodge. Sheboygan Lodge brothers had been clearing the site since April, and were careful to create the altar and tools for the degree from materials cleared from the site.

The site was arranged and furnished in accordance with Masonic tradition, including the addition of a nat-

ural sepulcher, constructed according to Hiram legend, for use in the course of the performance. Bales of straw and rough-hewn log benches were used for sideline seating. Torches lined all four sides and were used to illuminate the letter "G" and the Three Great Lights.

Worshipful Master Ronald Werner opened a Lodge of Master Masons in order to properly greet the 35 brothers present and to render a proper tribute to the flag of our country.

Labor in the third degree was dispensed with so the Fellow Crafts could receive their examination. The examination was found to be very satisfactory, so the Fellow Crafts were sent out of the lodge to be prepared for their individual journeys.

After sunset, Past Master Rick Gustafson conferred the first and second sections, with Past Masters Jim Longo, Derrick Rupp, and Dick Linde acting as the primary-offending brothers in the glo-

rious tale of our Grand Master Hiram Abiff.

Both brothers endured to the end, and were awestruck at the power of the degree when performed outdoors. "There was something about the solemnity of the voices, the sound of feet going about their business breaking twigs underfoot, the flicker of the torchlight at some points in the work, and the hooting of owls that will leave an indelible mark on me," said newly made Master Mason Ed Dierkes.

His compatriot in this journey, Brother Jim Bifano said, "I feel so lucky to have experienced this degree outside. There were parts that were very different than previous degrees (that were held inside), but my faith in my brothers and in my god kept me steadfast."

Sheboygan Lodge plans on making this an annual event as an opportunity to add more glory to the centuries-old rite. "We hope that the word will get out about this degree and that next year we will get to welcome brothers from all over the state," said Sheboygan's Master Ron Werner. *umj*



Sheboygan Lodge Past Master Rick Gustafson was in the East for the lodge's first outdoor degrees August 28 in a heavily wooded site near Kohler.



Sheboygan Lodge No. 11 members sat on log benches made from wood cut from the lodge site during the lodge's first out-of-doors degree on August 28. Fellow Crafts Ed Dierkes and James Bifano were raised during the ceremony. The lodge site was lit by patio torches and the altar by candles (front page).
- Photos by Bro. Cory Bouck

'Building on a Vision' Charities Golf Outing

The fifth annual Masonic Charities Golf Outing was held on Sunday, Sept. 16 at Western Lakes in Pewaukee. Fifteen foursomes (participants pictured above) registered for the scramble-format event which has been held for the past five years to satisfy a pledge of \$30,000 for the Building on a Vision fund raising effort for the new Compass Point assisted living complex at Three Pillars by three Dousman area lodges—Oconomowoc-Hartland, Glenn L. Humphrey and Dousman. Brother Tom Werner, event coordinator, said that "This year will put us well over the \$30,000 mark." Last year's outing scramble raised \$8,700. Each of the three lodges pledged \$10,000 each to the fund raising effort.



Werner Family Triple

Three generations of Werners, Henry (right), his son John (left) and John's 11 year-old son Michael, golfed at the charity outing Sept. 16 in Pewaukee.

News of the Lodges

Activities and events in lodges throughout Wisconsin

Northwestern's Mason of Year In Prescott Parade

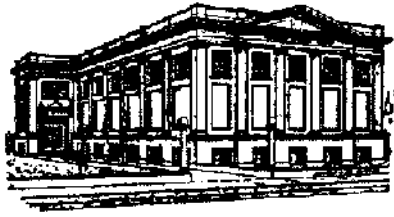
Brother David Finley, this year's Mason of the Year at Northwestern Lodge No. 105 in Prescott, is shown riding in his vintage VW utility vehicle convertible in the Prescott Daze Parade on Sunday, September 9. At the wheel is Dan Finley, Dave's son. Signs on the side of the vehicle boldly identified their Masonic affiliation.

- Photo by Milt Helmer



Landmark Lodge Masons Honored

Landmark Masonic Lodge was honored with a dinner and kitchen shower by the members of Frederic Chapter No. 239, Order of the Eastern Star, to show their appreciation for the lodge's support over the years. An excellent dinner, prepared by Worthy Matron Kathy Glunz, was enjoyed by all present. A great variety of gifts were given to the lodge and opened by the Master Tom Auer and his wife Audrey. Worthy Patron Tom Fedje was elected to be in charge of entertainment and deputized his wife, Terry, to assist. Some of the entertainment included puzzle solving, memory tests, and a barefoot and blindfolded navigation walk through an interesting maze. The Masons were good sports through the challenging events, and many laughs and good fellowship were the result of the evening. Pictured left to right are brothers Hartley Hedberg, Curtis Olson, Duane Norgard, Dean Daniels, Dave Randall, Tom Auer and Tom Fedje. - Submitted By Bro. Bill Beetcher, Jr. Grand Steward



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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

Baldwin

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Dark June, July & August

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Dark July & August

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Meet 2nd Tuesday only, 7:30 p.m.
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Bayfield-Washburn Lodge No. 215
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Meets Monthly, 1st Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
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Ave. • 920-887-2530 • Meet 3rd
Monday 7 p.m. - Dark July & August

Beloit

Morning Star Lodge No. 10
229 W. Grand Ave. • 608-362-6073
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3rd Wed. only in July & August

Berlin

Berlin Lodge No. 38
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Meets 7 p.m. 2nd & 4th Thurs. Jan.- Oct., and
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Dark July & August

Black Earth

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Dark July & August

Black River Falls

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Dark July & August

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Dark January & February

Bristol

Washburn Lodge No. 145
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Dark July & August

Brodhead

Bicknell Lodge No. 94
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Dark July & August

Brookfield

Elmbrook Lodge No. 354
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Dark July & August

Brookfield

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Dark July & August

Brookfield

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Dark July and August

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Dark July & August

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Dark July, August

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Dark July & August

Cecil

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4840 • Meet 1st & 3rd Tues., 10 a.m.
Dark January & February

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Victory Lodge No. 320 • Advent
Luthern Church, W63 N642 Wash. Ave.
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7:30 p.m. • Dark June, July & August

Chetek

Chetek Lodge No. 277
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Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m.
Dark June, July & August

Chippewa Falls

Chippewa Falls Lodge No. 176
650 Bridgewater Ave. • 715-723-6341
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark June, July & August

Clear Lake

Clear Lake Lodge No. 230
411 Third Ave. • 715-263-3033
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Columbus

Columbus Lodge No. 75
318 N. Ludington St. • 920-623-3705 (Sec)
• Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m.
Dark June, July & August

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

Crivitz

Tri-County Daylite Lodge No. 218
918 Louisa St. • 715-854-3088
Meet 2nd Wednesday 10 a.m.
Dark January & February

Darlington

Evening Star Lodge No. 64
433 Wells St. • 608-776-4213 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 8 p.m.
Dark July & August

Delavan

Southern Lakes Lodge No. 12
1007 S. Second St. • 414-294-9332 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August

Dodgeville

Dodgeville Lodge No. 119
200 W. Chapel St. • 608-935-3548
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Dark July & August

Dousman

Dousman Lodge No. 315
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Dark July & August

Dousman

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

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Durand-Pepin Lodge No. 149
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Dark July & August

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Meets All Year

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Eau Claire Lodge No. 112
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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

Eau Claire

Sanctuary Lodge No. 347
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Dark July & August

Edgerton

Fulton Lodge No. 69
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Dark July & August

Ellsworth

Hancock Lodge No. 229
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2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Evansville

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Dark July & August

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Dark July and August

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Meets All Year

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Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Galesville

Decora Lodge No. 177
16794 S. Main St. • 608-592-4130 (Sec)
Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m.
Dark July & August, 1st Mon. Sept.

Grafton

Victory Lodge No. 320
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Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark June - August

Green Bay

Des Peres Lodge No. 85
525 N. Taylor • 920-499-7265
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Green Bay

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

Green Bay

Theodore Roosevelt Lodge 322
525 N. Taylor St. • 920-490-9777
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Green Bay

Washington Lodge No. 21
525 N. Taylor St. • 920-494-5205
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August

Hartford

Hartford Lodge No. 120
147 N. Rural St. • 262-673-2074 (Sec)
Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August

Hayward

Keystone Lodge No. 263
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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

Kenosha

Kenosha Lodge No. 47
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Meets All Year

Kenosha

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

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Dark July & August

La Crosse

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Dark July & August

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Dark June, July & August

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Doric Lodge No. 356
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Dark July & August

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Four Lakes Daylite Lodge No. 362
301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-2351
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2nd Monday) Dark July & August

Madison

Hiram Lodge No. 50
310 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-0793
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Dark 1st Mondays, July - Labor Day

Madison

Madison Lodge No. 5
301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-0793
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Meet 1st Thursday July & August

Manitowoc

Manitowoc Lodge No. 65
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Dark July & August

Marinette

Marinette Lodge No. 182
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Meet 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Marshfield

Marshfield Lodge No. 224
402 W. 11th St. • 715-384-8646
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Dark June, July & August

Medford

Medford Lodge No. 217
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Dark January & February

Menomonie

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Dark July & August

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Hurley Lodge No. 237
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what little money and opportunity my family had. I was reading Law and helping to provide for my family.

"In 1822 I convinced a schooner captain to give me passage to Mackinac Island, Michigan Territory, on credit. There I taught school and continued my law studies. Judge James Duaw Doty admitted me to practice law, and in 1824, I followed him to Green Bay. I became the first practicing attorney in what was to become the State of Wisconsin.

"I had married one of my students from Mackinac Island. We settled in Shanty Town, an area east of the Fox River and about three miles south of the Bay. Fort Howard was adjacent to Shanty Town and it is there that I became acquainted with the Brethren of Menominee Lodge No. 374 chartered by the Grand Lodge of New York. I received my three degrees and served as Master from 1826 to 1830. My mother lodge could not sustain itself and ceased to exist shortly thereafter. I have never forgotten the valuable lesson I learned.

"I became successful, if not rich, and was on one side or the other of most notable court cases of this period. In 1830 I prosecuted Chief Oshkosh and his two kinsmen for the murder of another Indian. The jury brought in a verdict of guilty, but Judge Doty reversed the decision on the grounds that Territorial Law was not enacted for Indians, and Indians were governed by tribal traditions and customs.

"In 1836, with the formation of the Wisconsin Territory, I was appointed Attorney General. I held the office for three years, resigning in 1839 rather than investigate the practices of the Bank of Wisconsin in Green Bay. It was alleged that the bank was issuing money without the gold to redeem the paper.

"Other state duties included: President of the First Legislative Council, Secretary to Governor Dodge at various times, Quarter Master General of the Territorial Militia during the Blackhawk War, and serving on the convention that framed the State Constitution.

"In December of 1847, I and fifteen other Masons petitioned Grand Master Abram Smith to begin work under the name Washington Lodge. Three weeks later the petition was granted and Masonry returned to Green Bay. I was the Charter Master and continued in that station for the next six years.

"My term as Grand Master was from 1856-1857. I thought it important that we stress quality rather than quantity in our candidates, and that we should adhere to the Ancient Landmarks. I granted charters to 18 new lodges during my term.

"I retired from the practice of Law in 1860. The last several years before retiring I was President of the State Bar Association, an institution I took the lead in forming.

"In 1862, during my term as Mayor of Green Bay, several hundred armed Belgian immigrants, protesting the conscription of men into the Union Army, converged on US Senator Timothy Otis Howe's residence. I had ordered the bridges leading into Green Bay raised, but through miscommunication they were not. The mob gathered at Senator Howe's home and was threatening violence. A man who could speak Belgian diverted the protesters while Senator Howe escaped.

"In October 1871 I was pleased to chair the Relief Committee for the Peshtigo and Door Peninsula fires.

"Henry S. Baird Lodge was granted its charter in June of 1879, four years after my death on May 3, 1875.


"And now I will cede the floor to the Grand Master (J. B. Van Hollen) wishing him as much success in his career as I had in mine." — Brother James S. Wade as Henry S. Baird

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Dark June, July & August

Phillips

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

Platteville

Melody Lodge No. 2
783 Enterprise Drive • 608-349-6021
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August

Plymouth

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

Portage

Fort Winnebago Lodge No. 33
111 W. Conant Street • 608-742-6468
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Meet 2nd Tues. July/Aug. Dark Jan/Feb

Port Washington

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

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Dark January & February

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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

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Kegonsa Lodge No. 73
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Dark July & August

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Dark July & August

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Whitewater

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Dark July & August

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Quarry Notes

William L. Stonecipher, Editor

• **Correction & Apologies** – Lay this one correction at the feet of the editor. Right there it is, big as life and on page 1, a photo caption that begins, correctly, “Reedsburg Lodge Celebrates 150 years of Masonry,” while the headline for the accompanying story clearly states that it is “Reedsville Lodge No. 79 Turns 150 - Rededicated on July 21.” My apology to the readers and members of Reedsburg Lodge No. 79. There is a Reedsville which is located midway between Kaukauna and Manitowoc. At the same time, an apology is due Brother Tom Tourville, a Past Master of Valley Lodge in Sparta and former District 5 Deputy, whose name was omitted in the picture caption of officers participating in the rededication ceremony. He stood between District 2 Deputy Frank Struble and Grand Chaplain Dave Ritchie, second from the right.

• **Sheboygan’s Historic Masonic Mansion Update** – The historic Sheboygan Lodge No. 11 building, now named the Historic Masonic Mansion, built between 1927 and 1929, is midway through a 10-year renovation project being directed by the board of a fraternal tax-exempt foundation. In an update released by Brother Cory Bouck with permission of the Sheboygan Lodge Worshipful Master, it was reported that following dinner at the lodge meeting on August 28 prior to adjourning to a secluded site near the Village of Kohler for the conferral of two outdoor Master Mason Degrees, there were informal discussions about the importance of tuck-pointing the exterior of the building before snowfall to seal and protect the nearly \$300,000 in labor and materials for improvements that have already been completed on the interior. There was a brief brainstorming session on where the Foundation could find sources of additional donations, because the work will have to pause soon if additional funding is not found.

• **Henry S. Baird** – In order to gather a bit more information regarding Henry S. Baird, I googled the name and guess what? Henry S. Baird, today, is a professor in computer science and engineering at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and, according to the school’s website, holds several patents and is building a research group investigating high-performance computer vision and pattern recognition technologies. This Fall he’s teaching a course open to both undergraduates and graduate students on Pattern Recognition and its applications to document image analysis, digital libraries, intelligence analysis, and web security protocols able to tell computers and humans apart. He joined Lehigh in January 2004 after thirty years in industrial research as Principal Scientist and area manager at PARC (Palo Alto, CA), department head and Member of Research Staff at Bell Labs (Murray Hill, NJ), and member of technical staff at RCA Samoff Labs (Princeton, NJ). He earned a Ph.D. in EECS from Princeton Univ. in 1984. He also holds a Masters degree in CS from Rutgers Univ., and a bachelors in Mathematics from Harvard College. He holds six patents. Some resume. A relative of our H. S. Baird? Whether or not he is a Mason is not known at this time.

Good Advice from Masters of Communication

Brother Larry Catellier, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Wisconsin, wrote an interesting piece titled “Communication Mastery” which was carried in the Wisconsin supplement of the September issue of the national Knight Templar magazine. His comments included the following advice, which seems like good advice for every leader.

“Sharpening communication skills improves the odds of effective growth in Wisconsin Templary. Communications are mastered by few. Yet it is something that can be achieved. Messages are well prepared by using three simple principles.”

1. Get Clear On Your Objectives – Most communicators whip off an e-mail, leave a quick voicemail, or just rush into a meeting. Communication Masters visualize every communication event down the line to its ideal conclusion before they ever start typing, talking, or walking into a room. They ask themselves four questions:

- What specific outcome do I want from this communication?
- What action do I want the recipients to take as a result of my presentation?
- What must they know when the presentation is over?
- Finally, what is the goal of my presentation; what do the recipients have to do in order for that goal to be achieved; when are these actions required?

2. Apply the Presentation Platinum Rule – The Golden Rule is: “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.” This is good advice, but those who communicate effectively use the Platinum Rule: “Do unto others as they want to be done unto.” Communicate the way others want to receive your message - not the way you like to communicate! Everyone communicates differently. Once you realize this, your power and communication effectiveness will be enhanced.

3. Address the ‘So What?’ Factor – The difference between ordinary communicators and Communication Masters is that masters target the recipient’s needs and desires. They imagine recipients saying, “So what?” to each idea. They make sure presentations deliver responses to “So what?”. Your words should be exploratory. Ask leading questions. Once you identify needs, weave your communication to them. Make sure that all your presentations recognize those needs and address them.

Now you’re achieving Communication Mastery! **umj**

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Scripture Readings: The Entered Apprentice Degree

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SCRIPTURE READINGS (1ST DEGREE)

By Wade D. Bridges, P.M.
Georgia Lodge of Research

This Short Talk Bulletin for September 2007 was taken from a paper by Bro. Wade D. Bridges, P.M., of the Georgia Lodge of Research. In the entire paper the scripture readings for all three degrees were explained.

This portion of the paper deals only with the Scripture lesson of the Entered Apprentice Degree. The paper was published in Vol. XIX, Transactions 2005, Georgia Lodge of Research.

(Note: This paper has been compiled from a set of three by W Bro. Wade D. Bridges, P.M. of Georgia Lodge of Research, who expressly asserts they are not his original work but a compilation of, and commentary on, the work of others. Unless otherwise stated, Bible references are to the Standard King James Version.)

THE ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE

Psalm 133

A "Song of Degrees" of David

Verse 1: Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

Verse 2: It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard; that went down to the skirts of his garments.

Verse 3: As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion; for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

History of the Book of Psalms

While some ascribe all of the Psalms to King David, the heavier weight of authority is that the greater part of them were written by David.

The most widely accepted breakdown is 73 are attributed to King David; twelve to Asaph; eleven to the sons of Korah; two to King Solomon (the 72nd and 12th); one to Etna and one to Moses (the 90th). There is no widespread agreement on the authorship of the remaining Psalms: a few attribute some of them to the aforementioned men, while some are designated as "Anonymous."

Many of the Psalms were composed over the course of many years and were begun to be collected into a body of literature in the time of King David. As the book contains 150 independent compositions, it is not susceptible of any logical analysis. Psalms 120 to 143 are sometimes referred to as Pilgrim psalms or Songs of Degrees which may have been sung by the Jews as they ascended the heights of Jerusalem for annual feasts.

The Psalms present a wide range of human experiences: men burdened with affliction; struggling with temptation; or triumphing in the hope or enjoyment of deliverance, admiring perfection of the Divinity, thanking God for his mercies, meditating on His truths, or delighting in His service; all of these and more are exhibited in the Book of Psalms.

King David

Since King David is considered by most authorities to have written the 133rd Psalm, a brief biographical

sketch on him is in order.

David, the second king of Israel, was the great-grandson of Boaz and Ruth (Ruth, iv, 18). He was the youngest of the eight sons of Jesse of the tribe of Judah, dwelling in Bethlehem, where David was born. According to the usually accepted Biblical chronology, David was born in 1085 B.C. and reigned as King from 1055 to 1015 B.C. Some recent writers now date his reign from 30 to 50 years later.

David first appears in Scripture as a shepherd lad, tending his father's flocks in the fields near Bethlehem. While his three elder brothers were in King Saul's army, fighting against the Philistines, David was sent to the army camp with some provisions: there he heard that the giant, Goliath, had challenged all Israel to single combat. David volunteered to accept the challenge.

David's victory over Goliath won for him the friendship of Jonathan, the son of King Saul, and a permanent position at the King's court. However, David's popularity aroused the jealousy of Saul.

David, being made captain of a thousand men, encountered many dangers in order to win the hand of Merob, Saul's eldest daughter, but in spite of the King's promise, she was given to another man. Michol, Saul's other daughter loved David: King Saul, hoping that David would be killed by the Philistines, promised to give her in marriage, provided David could slay one hundred Philistines in battle.

David succeeded and married Michol. This success, however, made Saul even more paranoid about David, so he ordered (that) David be killed. Through the intervention of Jonathan, David was spared, but Saul's hatred obliged David to flee.

A meeting with Jonathan convinced David that reconciliation with Saul was impossible, so for the rest of Saul's reign, David was an exile.

Samuel, the Prophet and last of the Judges, had been sent to anoint David as King in place of Saul, whom God had rejected for disobedience. Seven years after David was anointed, King Saul and Jonathan were killed in a battle.

By God's command, David went to Hebron to claim the throne. The men of Judah accepted him as king, and he was again anointed. Civil war lasted for some time, but David's power continued to increase. After many military victories, David was anointed King of all Israel.

King David was successful in making Israel an independent state. Jerusalem was made the capital and political center of Israel. There he built a palace, took more wives and concubines, and begat many children.

He resolved to make Jerusalem the religious center of his people by bringing to it the Ark of the Covenant. This he accomplished, but later, when David proposed to build a temple for it, he was told by the prophet Nathan that God had reserved this task for David's successor, David being a man of blood.

While King David's army was in the field during the campaign against the Ammonites, he fell into the sins of adultery and murder, thus bringing great calamities on himself and his people.

The last days of David were aggravated by the ambition of Adonijah, whose plans for the succession were frustrated by Nathan the prophet,

and Bathsheba, the mother of Solomon. Solomon, who was born after David's repentance, was chosen in preference to his older brothers. To make sure Solomon would succeed to the throne, David had him publicly anointed.

The last recorded words of the aged king are an exhortation to Solomon to be faithful to God, to reward loyal servants, and to punish the wicked.

David died at the age of seventy, having reigned for some seven years in Hebron and thirty-three years in Jerusalem.

To Solomon had been reserved the privilege of building God's House, but David made ample preparations for the work by amassing enormous treasures and materials, as well as by transmitting to his son a plan for the building.

Explanation of Psalm 133

First Verse:

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity!" (Note differences in Contemporary English Version and Hebrew Scriptures.)

Abingdon's "Interpreters' One Volume Commentary" says this wisdom psalm was intended to combat a practice which threatened to destroy the traditional structure of Israelite society. If brothers continued to dwell together after the death of their father, then the estate remained undivided and the family's inheritance in the Holy Land was kept intact.

The development of commerce and the urbanization of society had induced many young men to sell their share of the inheritance and go off on their own. Here King David urges that the old custom is good and pleasant.

The opening word, Behold, may suggest King David was referring to a particular instance of the blessing of brotherly concord; of that we can only guess. At least, he was telling us to "observe" or "take note" of the joy and pleasure that is derived from unity or harmony among brethren.

This peaceful unity is of extreme importance to Masons as it is the cement which binds us together as a fraternity; Peace and Harmony are the strength of our Fraternity.

Second Verse:

"It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard, that went down to the skirts of his garments."

The Hebrew Scripture says that the oil runs down "over the collar of his robes." Most authors of commentaries agree that the "collar" rather than the bottom of the robe is what is contemplated.

In the "Dictionary of Biblical Theology" is the following: "Anointing: for the Hebrews, oil penetrates deeply into the body (Psalm 109:18) and it gives the body strength, health, joy, and beauty. On the religious level, it is understandable that anointings of oil were considered signs of rejoicing or of respect. They were also used as rites of healing or consecration."

With this definition of anointing in mind, we can understand the purpose of, or for, anointing with oil. Let us look at some examples:

Anointing is a sign of joy or of honor, especially when done with perfumed oil (see Proverbs 27:9 and

Ecclesiastes 9:8). It was used particularly in festivals (Amos 6:6). The image of anointing served to express the joy of the people of Israel assembled at Jerusalem for the great festivals. It also played a part in the description of the Messianic banquet: On the mountain they will drink joy, they will drink wine, they will be anointed with perfumed oil upon this mountain (Isaiah 25:6, Septuagint).

It is especially in this context of Messianic joy that there recurs the formula, "Oil of Gladness" (Isaiah 61:3, Psalm 45:8, Hebrews 1:9). So, dwelling together in unity is as the "oil of gladness". Psalm 133 shows that obedience to God's law, or system of living together, is a joy, happiness, and gladness.

Verse 2 illustrates the "good" of Verse 1, by recalling the oil of joy (ointment), thinking of the oil that was used to anoint a High Priest. Aaron stood as the personification of High Priesthood and the representation of the Hebrew nation. The copious anointing which poured down over his garments symbolized the solidarity of Israel.

The first two verses of the Psalm together thus present to us the idea that brotherly unity is the spirit of God coming effusively upon the anointed one. Conversely, we may conclude the spirit of God is productive of loving goodwill and brotherly harmony.

Third Verse: *As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion; for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.*

Mount Hennon is one of, if not the, most notable mountains in northern Israel, as well as the highest mountain in the region of Palestine. It rises to the north and east of Dan, traditionally the extreme northern limit of Israel. Zion was, in biblical times, the hill upon which the temple stood in

Jerusalem. In poetical imagery we have a linking together of the two most prominent peaks of the northern and southern kingdoms, alluding to unification and therefore harmony.

Verse 3 illustrates the "pleasant" of Verse 1, by referring to the dews of Hennon, which are proverbial. This dew was known as nature's way of compensating for her failure to give rain, and symbolized refreshment and quickening. Palestine was as desolate as the desert until the brethren came together in brotherly fellowship; then, like the dews of Hennon, they brought freshness and life, and the resurrection of ideals. There, God decreed the blessing upon this great brotherhood, which would mean life and prosperity forever, a promise by God of his blessing of immortality, an endowment for obedience to God's law, for following God's way of life.

Context of Psalm 133

At the heart of the first verse of this scripture is the necessity for Brethren to live in peace and harmony. Two examples are given here of how valuable the unity is. The first is that of the precious "ointment" or oil with which Aaron, Moses' older brother and spokesman, was consecrated as Israel's first High Priest.

The second example is that of the dew of Hennon, which was essential to the success of Israelite agriculture and therefore life itself. They usually got the earlier and later rains, but the dew was necessary for their crops during the long hot summers. In that arid region, the dew was essential to sustain life itself.

Unity is essential in a Masonic Lodge; unity of purpose and of execution. The 133rd Psalm then is a glorification of the beauty and necessity of brotherly love and unity, which is why this Scripture is an integral part of the Entered Apprentice Degree. *wmj*

Masons In Southwest Enjoy Summer



Masonic Float in Potosi & Mineral Point Parades

Jerry Patter, a member of Warren Lodge No. 4, Potosi, and a plural member of Mineral Point Lodge No. 1, takes this float to most parades in Southwest Wisconsin. This picture was taken in Mineral Point at the July Fourth parade. Anyone recognize those Masons on the float?



Summer Picnic in Mineral Point

Mineral Point Lodge No. 1 held a summer picnic on July 22 this year hosted by the former Rewey Lodge members. There were over 50 members and their families in attendance.

- Submitted by Bro. Bill Buckingham, Mineral Point Lodge No. 1



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Grand Master J.B. Van Hollen Visits Residents and Staff at Three Pillars



Grand Master J.B. Van Hollen was recently on the Three Pillars campus to speak with residents and staff. He made stops at each of the buildings to make sure he got a chance to see everyone. Pictured above J.B. Van Hollen greets residents from Compass Point and Village on the Square.

— a message from —

MARY MILLARD, DIRECTOR OF FRATERNAL RELATIONS

It's time to come and see the real thing!!

I have visited many of your lodges and chapters throughout the years to tell you about what Three Pillars has to offer. Now I want to invite you to come and see the campus for yourself. There are dates available for both our Dousman and Mason Woods campuses. (See below) Please make your reservations at 800.848.5306. If you have questions or need more information, please call me at 262.965.7391.

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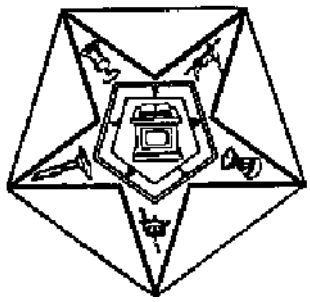
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Order of Eastern Star

Chapter Calendar Dates

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October

- 2 - Grand Representative reception for Mary Wesolowski, Grand Representative of Nebraska at Electa, Milwaukee
- 3 - Queen Esther Chapter- Honor Appointed Officers
- 9 - Star Point Night - West Allis, West Allis
- 11 - Chaplain, Marshal and Organist Night - Kenosha, Kenosha
- 12 - Triwaukee Area Club Meeting - Lila B. Graser, Sussex
- 13 - Southeast Area Club Meeting - Union Grove, Union Grove
- Janine Coley, Supreme Guardian's Reception, Tripoli Shrine, Milwaukee
- Shrine Hospital bus trip with Golden Rule, Wauwatosa
- 14 - Mr. & Mrs. OES meeting - Marshfield
- 19 - Turkey & Biscuit Luncheon - Phoenix, Beloit (11am - 1pm)
- 20 - Val Waugh Grand Esther Party - Marshfield
- 20 - Madison Area Club - Martha, Jefferson
- 23 - Compass Night w/W. David & Mary Olson Africa Slides - Venus, Stoughton
- 24 - Western Stars - Lemonweir, Mauston
- 25 - Honor Trustees, Triwaukee Chapters Guest with Magician entertainment, Golden Rule, Wauwatosa
- 23 - Compass Night w/W. David & Mary Olson Africa Slides, Venus, Stoughton
- 27 - John Lawrence, Grand Chaplain Party, Janesville
- 28 - West Allis Chapter Brunch (9am to 1 pm)
- 28 - Grand Representative reception for Jim Schoville, Grand Representative of Florida at Phoenix, Beloit

November - Re-obligation Month

- 3 - Northwest Club - Kinnickinnic, River Falls
- 4 - Grand Representative Reception for Marguerite Bullis, Grand Representative of Connecticut at McKinley Masonic Center
- 5 - Star Cruisers to be announced
- 7 - Appointed Officers Night - Starlite, Madison
- 8 - Honor Chaplain and Re-obligation night, Golden Rule, Wauwatosa
- Compass and Re-obligation night - Kenosha, Kenosha
- 9 - Triwaukee Area Club - Vega, Milwaukee
- 10 - Veteran's Celebration - Fort McCoy, Sparta
- Southeast Club - Pike, Kenosha

Grand Representative Receptions

October 2 - Electa Chapter, Milwaukee - Honoring Mary Wesolowski, Grand Representative of Nebraska during 7:30 P.M. stated meeting with entertainment at Lake Lodge, 1235 E. Howard Ave, Milwaukee.

October 6 - Halycon Chapter, Crandon - Reception honoring Lucille Weisnicht, Grand Representative of Alabama at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 301 S. Lake St., Crandon. 1:30 P.M. with refreshments to follow. RSVP to Helen Jacobson, 406 E. Madison St., Crandon, WI 54520, 715-478-2133

October 28 - Phoenix Chapter, Beloit - Reception honoring James Schoville, Grand Representative of Florida at the Beloit Masonic Center, 229 W. Grand Ave, Beloit. 1:30 P.M. Social, 2:00 P.M. Program with refreshments to follow. RSVP to Peggy Allen 2601 Colley Road #101, Beloit, 53511, 608-364-4907, or email jimpeg4907@yahoo.com

November 4 - Acadia Chapter, Brookfield and Golden Rule Chapter, Wauwatosa - Reception honoring Marguerite Bullis, Grand Representative to Connecticut at the McKinley Masonic Center, 4550 N. Pilgrim Rd, Brookfield, WI. 2:00 P.M. Program (Elvis is coming) with refreshments to follow. RSVP to Cheri Brus, 2824 N. 52nd St., Milwaukee, WI 53210, 414-445-4199, cbrus@wi.r.com

December 2 - West Allis Chapter, West Allis - Reception honoring Jean Chadderdon, Grand Representative to Saskatchewan at the West Allis Masonic Center, 7515 W. National Ave, West Allis. 1:00 P.M. with refreshments to follow. RSVP to Pamela Weed, 232 N. 75th St., Apt. 2, Milwaukee, WI 53213, 414-476-7870.

Grand Officer Parties

Everett Chapter 95, Marshfield

Cordially invites you and your escort to celebrate with a dinner and program honoring Ervella "Val" Waugh, Grand Esther of Wisconsin, Saturday, October 20, 2007. 5 p.m. Social Hour - 6 p.m. Dinner. Cost \$18 - Sorry, no refunds. Belvedere Supper Club, 329 State Hwy 97, Marshfield, WI (2.5 miles north of Marshfield). RSVP with remittance, name and title by October 10, 2007 to: Janet Singer, Secretary, 2322 S. Wallonnie Drive, Marshfield, WI 54449 (715)387-6606. Make checks payable to: Everett Chapter 95

Janesville Chapter 69, Janesville & Columbia Chapter 29, Evansville

Cordially invites you and your escort to a dinner and program honoring John Lawrence, Grand Chaplain of Wisconsin on Saturday, October 27, 2007, Pontiac Convention Center, 2809 N. Pontiac Dr., Janesville, WI. Social Hour - 5 p.m. Dinner - 6 p.m. Meal Choices: 8 oz. Ribeye - \$16 or Chicken Chardonay - \$15. Reservations with remittance and meal choice to: Patricia Shuler, 2203 Commons Avenue, Janesville, WI 53545.

Change of Address

The OES Foundation mailing address for Applications for Assistance and for Donations has changed. Applications for Assistance and Donations are now to be sent to the Grand Chapter office: OES Foundation, c/o Grand Chapter Office, 36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI 53118. This change is effective immediately. A new application form for those applying for assistance has been sent to each chapter secretary. Please discard any prior versions of this application. This application will also be available from the OES website.

"Led By His Light" Grand Family

Carol R. Fick, Grand Organist

I joined Elm Chapter at Cedar Grove, Wisconsin on November 8, 1979 and served that Chapter as Electa. I transferred to Loyalty Chapter in Plymouth when Elm Chapter closed and served as Worthy Matron in 1990. Thereafter I served as organist of that Chapter until retiring and moving to Northern Wisconsin in 1999 and became a dual member at Trillium Chapter, Crivitz. I served as Worthy Matron at Crivitz in 2001. I also served as Associate Conductress in Crivitz. In 2002 I was appointed Grand Representative of Manitoba in Wisconsin by Past Grand Matron, Phyllis Eklov and Past Grand Patron, Harley Bennett and attended the Manitoba Grand Session in 2005.

I am married to Chuck who currently serves as my escort. I have two children, a daughter, Sharon and son-in-law, Scott Krahn and a son, Wally and daughter-in-law, Tracy Fick. I also have four grandchildren, Kelton, Kaleb, and Kelsey Fick and Treylee Krahn. My Hobbies are music, crafts, camping and, especially, "being grandma". I thank Worthy Grand Matron, Laurie and Worthy Grand Patron, Cal for my Grand Appointment as this year's Grand Organist.

Trillium Chapter No. 208, Crivitz

Invites you to a Dinner and Program Honoring Sister Carol R. Fick Grand Organist of Wisconsin

Saturday, November 3, 2007, at Lynda's Sky Harbor, W9577 Hwy. W in Crivitz. Social Time, 5 p.m. and Dinner, 6 p.m. \$20 per person (No Refunds). Checks Payable to Trillium Chapter #208. RSVP with remittance, name and title by October 26 To: Marge Raab, W6422 Birchwood Rd, Crivitz, WI 54114 715-854-2236

Rooms reserved at BEST WESTERN in Crivitz. Phone 715-854-7014, Call before October 3. Mention Eastern Star.

Proficiency Testing

Wouldn't you like to hold a proficiency card or station certification? You now have a chance to take either test. The station certification is done for the following stations: Worthy Patron, Associate Patron, Conductress, Associate Conductress, Chaplain, Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa. It's not too late to sign up! If you are interested, contact Karen Stauffer, PGM (920-233-7910) or Kris Engbring, AGM (608-244-8281) and let them know you are interested in either the proficiency test, station certification, or both. Study guides are available. We are so pleased that so many Sisters and Brothers hold current cards for proficiency and certification. Won't you join them?

Testing will be held as follows:
Saturday, September 29 at Oshkosh Masonic Center, 10 am
Saturday, October 13 at Union Grove Masonic Center after club meeting.

Saturday, October 20 at Lake Lodge in Milwaukee, 1 pm

Friday, November 2 at River Falls Masonic Center, 6:30 pm

Saturday, November 10 at Sparta Masonic Center, 8:30 am

Tuesday, November 13 at Platteville Masonic Center 3 pm, area club potluck at 6:30 pm

Saturday, November 17 at Middleton Masonic Center after club meeting, 12:30 pm



Quad State Exchange

Pictured are Minnesota Worthy Grand Patron Dave McPherson, Minnesota Worthy Grand Matron Helen Johnson, Iowa Worthy Grand Matron Connie Coulter and Wisconsin Worthy Grand Matron Laurie Twardy at the Quad State Exchange held at the La Crosse Masonic Center on August 25.

A "Moorvelous" Star Weekend

LA CROSSE - Over 160 members of the Eastern Star fraternity gathered in La Crosse on Saturday, August 25, for the annual multistate exchange.

This year the exchange included the quad states of Iowa, South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Ruth Chapter, La Crosse, hosted the event.

Members worked hard to feed a delicious Swiss steak dinner to those in attendance, and the Job's Daughters' Bethel helped right along with the adults. We give our thanks to Worthy Matron Marquerite Revie and Worthy Patron Jason Risberg.

The program continued after dinner in the chapter room where each state demonstrated their form of introductions. Iowa is "happy" to have guests and they find their own way home. Their escorts are companions.

In Minnesota the Worthy Matron does the introductions and welcomes the guests while still at their seats because they come to the East facing West and it wouldn't do to talk to their backs.

It was interesting to note the Minnesota Conductress was from a "Queen Esther" chapter the same as our GC Bobbi Jo!

The South Dakota contingent consisted of the Grand Conductress and two General Grand Chapter Committee Members: PGM Sister Pat Bill, Member of the International Peace Gardens Committee and PGM Sister Rose Horstra, Member of the Visionquest Committee. The Worthy Grand Matron had her home severely damaged by storms just before she was to leave for Wisconsin and so did not attend. They announced that South Dakota would host the quad-state exchange in August of 2009.

The entertainment that evening was delightful. Iowa sang a song with lines using words formed from the letters of their name - LOVE BUGS. They did a chant about the love bug itch and an informative rap about details for the upcoming Iowa Grand Chapter Heart to Heart session. The Minnesota

Grand Family dressed as penguins with black "tux" t-shirts, orange shoes and red "beaks". This was a take on the Worthy Patrons in Minnesota called "Chilly Willies". The group sang "Somewhere over the Rainbow" with periodic requests to the conductress for permission to go Wee being denied causing much clucking of penguins. Finally the conductor said they could all go wee, at which time the entire group (flock?) shouted "WHEEEEE!" South Dakota was a small group with a BIG entertainment. One Sister represented Moses and the other Sister represented God. Moses had sent out the 10 commandments by computer, but was having problems and was discussing possible solutions with God. This skit was simply hilarious.

The evening was capped off with our own Wisconsin Grand Family. The Worthy Grand Matrons of Iowa, Sister Connie Coulter, Minnesota, Sister Helen Johnson and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Dave McPherson were initiated into the Dairyland Chapter. Sister Laurie was the Big Cheese and Brother Cal was dressed as a cow—Brother Udder Brother.

The conductresses were the Trail Boss and Ramrod. The new members were led to five sisters for lectures, the first being the Blue Milk Maid. At the second station the sign was the raising of yellow cheese curds.

At the third station the sign was swilling a glass of milk and the pass, "Got Milk?" Greener pastures were found at the fourth station and it was mentioned there that South Dakota was the home of "custards" last stand. At the fifth station the red stood for the Badgers, of course, complete with red pompoms. The pass? "Go Bucky."

This fun evening was ended with one serious note. The Masons and Star of Minnesota have joined together and pledged \$10 million dollars to build a new cancer center at the University of Minnesota. Currently \$3 million has been raised.

New Eastern Star 50-Year Members

Barbara McVay, Miriam Chapter #15
Isabel Burhans, Medford Chapter #254
Marilyn Preisler, Medford Chapter #254

Chapters with New Initiates (August - September)

Tomah, Tomah
Kilbourn, Wisconsin Dells
St. Omar, Monroe

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 July and August is combined and will be published on July 2.

NOTE: Chapter Secretaries: please send me a copy of your 2007-2008 calendars so that your chapter's special dates may be listed.

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Wisconsin Masonic Calendar

October 2007

- 2 School of Instruction - District 3, Rhineland Lodge No. 242, 7 p.m.
- 3 Adams Lodge No. 332 Table Lodge, Adams, 6 p.m.
- 6 Grand Commander's Home Commandery Inspection at Platteville Commandery No. 35 plus a special observance at 9 a.m. commemorating the 700th anniversary of the arrest of the Knights Templar in Paris. Platteville Masonic Center. Regular inspection time is 1 p.m., 11:30 Lunch. For more information contact Larry Catellier at 608-348-7175 or <lac@rnmwlp.com>.
- 10 Grand Master's Tour of the Tomah VA Center, 1 p.m. (GM)
- 10 AASR Awards Night (GM) Seven Bridges Restaurant - Onalaska, 6:30 p.m.
- 11 GL Progressive Line Officer Meeting, Madison, 5:30 p.m.\
- 12 School of Instruction - District 5 Area 1, Black River Lodge, Black River Falls, 7 p.m.
- 13 District 6 School of Instruction, Waupaca Lodge 9 a.m.
- 13 Job's Daughters Hike for HIKE at the Pettit Center, West Allis. \$10 entry fee, \$15 in pledges. Lunch and shirt are included. Prizes & special guests. Open skating 1-9 p.m.
- 13 Fraternal Relations' Three Pillars-Mason Woods Open House Tours for the Fraternity, Lodges & individuals. Tours will begin at 10 a.m. Lodges or individuals wishing to attend are invited to call Mary Millard to make a reservation at her toll-free number, 800-848-5306.
- 13 Reception for Job's Daughters International Supreme Guardian Janine Coley, Supreme Chaplain Rick Miller and Supreme Bethel Guardian Maureen Wise will be held at Tripoli Shrine Temple in Milwaukee. Receiving line at 4 p.m., program at 5:30 and dinner is at 6:15 p.m. Reservations to: Dorothy Cigale, 3801 South Austin Street, Milwaukee, WI 53207. Phone 414-481-1194 <dci-gale2935@tds.net>. Cost is \$25 per person. Make Checks Payable to: Supreme Arrangements 2008.
- 16 School of Instruction - District 3, Mystic Tie Lodge No. 280, Ladysmith, 7 p.m.
- 17 School of Instruction - District 5 Area 3, La Belle Lodge, Viroqua, and Re-Obligation Night. Chili Dinner. 7 p.m.
- 18 School of Instruction - District 5 Area 2, Tomah Lodge, Tomah, 7 p.m.
- 20 District 4 Fall Meeting (DGM), Green Bay Masonic Center, Green Bay, 9 a.m.
- 20 District 4 Fall Meeting (DGM) Mason Woods Lodge, MasonWoods Campus in Cecil, 1 p.m.
- 20 Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters 150th Anniversary Celebration & Super Excellent Master

- Degree, Madison Masonic Center. Degree at 1 p.m., Social hour at 4 p.m. and banquet at 5. Entertainment to follow. Make reservations with and checks payable to: Terry Loper. 9696 Jancung Ave., Sparta, WI 54656. Phone 608-269-4428 E-mail <loper@centurytel.net>.
- 23 District 5 Fall Meeting, Frontier Lodge, La Crosse, 7 p.m.
- 24 Past Master's Dinner (GM), Fond du Lac Lodge, 6 p.m.
- 24 School of Instruction - District 3, Forest Lodge No. 130, Wausau, 7 p.m.
- 27 District 6 Fall Meeting (DGM) Dells Lodge, Wisconsin Dells, 9 a.m.
- 30 District 7 School of Instruction, Lodi Valley Lodge 7 p.m.
- 30 District 2 Fall Meeting, Menomonee Lodge, 7 p.m.
- 31 District 11 Fall Meeting, Waukesha Lodge, Waukesha

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- 3 Tartan Ball, Tripoli Shrine Temple - Milwaukee, 6 p.m.
- 3 Fraternal Relations' Three Pillars-Dousman Open House Tours. Tours will begin at 10 a.m. Lodges or individuals wishing to attend are invited to call Mary Millard to make a reservation at her toll-free number, 800-848-5306.
- 8 Grand Master's Tour of Zablocki VA Center, Milwaukee, 3 p.m. (GM)
- 8 Zablocki VA MSA Volunteer Recognition Dinner, Alioto's at Burtleigh & Mayfair Rd., Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m. (GM)
- 8 GL Progressive Line Officer Meeting, Madison, 5:30 p.m.
- 29 Southwestern York Rite Association Annual Meeting & Election, Sun Prairie Masonic Center, 7 p.m.

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- 7 Grand Lodge Full Staff Meeting (GM) Madison Concourse Hotel & Madison Masonic Center
- 8 Full Staff Meeting (GM) Madison, 9 a.m.
- 9 Full Staff Meeting (GM) Madison, 8:30 a.m.
- 13 WMBAB at Grand Masonic Center, Dousman (GM)
- 8 Silas Shepherd Lodge of Research No. 1843, Annual Meeting & Election of Officers, Oconomowoc/Hartland Lodge No. 42, Oconomowoc.

Please Note: events listed here are drawn from the Events Calendar on the Grand Lodge Web Site and from the direct request of readers. To have your event listed in this events calendar, please e-mail the date and a brief description of the event to any of the following: Grand Secretary DeWolf at <mdewolf@charter.net> or <grandsecretary-wi@charter.net>; Wisconsin Masonic Journal Editor Stonecipher at <wmjedit@sbcglobal.net> or to the Grand Masonic Center in Dousman, attention Cheryl, at <cheryl@wisc-freemasonry.org>. Please enter 'Events Calendar Addition' in the subject line.

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Grand Masters J. B. Van Hollen and Henry S. Baird Share in Making Masonic History

Grand Master J. B. Van Hollen (left) is the first Wisconsin Mason to serve as Grand Master and Attorney General at the same time. Another Wisconsin Mason, however, Brother Henry S. Baird, a member of the Sturgeon Bay lodge which bears his name, also held both offices but not at the same time. Research shows that H. S. Baird actually served as Attorney General from 1836 to 1839 while Wisconsin was a territory before becoming a state. Brother Baird served as Grand Master from 1856-1858. The shared heritage of the two was celebrated September 20 with a dinner and program at Henry S. Baird Lodge No. 174. Dressed in period costume (center), Brother James S. Wade, a member of Washington Lodge No. 21 in Green Bay, presented a dramatic reading of Brother Baird's biography. Brother Ross Chapman (right), Worshipful Master of H. S. Baird Lodge, presented the Grand Master with a copy of the official portrait of his predecessor as a gift from the lodge. About 125 Masons and guests from as far away as Madison and Menomonee attended. - Photo by Wm. Stonecipher