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The Grand Master's Message:

By Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin
Brother Craig S. Campbell

Brethren, I want to thank you once again for the honor of representing you and this fraternity for the next year.

When I consider the rich history of this fraternity and the incredible influence it has had on the world, it makes me realize what an awesome position this is. When I consider the incredible leaders who have preceded me who have had the distinction of wearing this collar, I am made very aware of the shoes I have to fill and the standards I must uphold. I can only pray that when my time is ended, a difference will have been made.

The lessons conveyed in our ceremonies and lectures are designed to impress upon a man an expected way of life. They made a serious impression upon me, and I have been trying to re-create that impression upon others ever since.

Freemasonry commits itself to these principles: Friendship, Morality, Brotherly Love, Relief, Truth, Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence, Justice, Equality, Fidelity, and Circumspection in thought, word, and deed. As I recite this list I suspect I have described characteristics of almost every person. I am certain I have defined the character of every Mason.

These concepts are actually cultivated and nurtured in our churches, our temples, and our synagogues; and they are reinforced in our homes. Freemasonry simply becomes a convenient conduit—a place for men with strong religious convictions and high moral standards to meet together on the level and seek ways to exercise their faith.

This is who we are. It is on this basis that we form our friendships and establish our connections. This yearning, this calling, that we are to do unto others as we would have done unto us, is the foundation of our faith, the heart of our conscience, our very soul.

It is because of our commitment to this faith that we do what we do, why we give so much of our time and our talent, our money and our property. Our souls are restless until we are in some measure deriving fulfillment by giving ourselves in service to others.

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— Grand Master Craig S. Campbell

Throughout this year, I hope to spread this message. I want every Mason and non-Mason alike to know and understand that this fraternity is founded upon religious concepts that focus on a man's character. It is my opinion that for far too long we have shied away from proudly stating this, or perhaps even acknowledging it for fear that we may be accused of acting as a religion. I hope to end that fear.

There are hundreds if not thousands of organizations in the world practicing some form of philanthropy out of a religious conviction that would in no way ever be accused of being a religion. Freemasonry is merely one of them.

Perhaps the best sound-bite I have ever heard that encapsulates exactly who and what we are in these words: Freemasonry—an Inter-Faith Fraternity. This is exactly right. We are a faith-based organization with members from every background and denomination designed to build a man's character. And the sooner we proudly defend that position, the sooner we get back to attracting the many hundreds of thousands who want these

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Keeping the Sabbath Holy

Bro. Daniel A. Weiss, Worshipful Master of Madison Lodge No. 5, with support from lodge members Lamont Collucci, Sr. Warden, and Ben Vineburg (far left) explained Resolution 6 seeking modification of Sabbath Day references in the Code to be respectful to religious faiths that hold days other than Sunday to be held holy. See page 6 for more on this subject.



Top LEA Winning Lodges Recognized

Topping LEA point standings once again was Warren Lodge No. 4 in Potosi. Accepting was Sr. Grand Warden Davey L. White, Jr., Worshipful Master (left). In second was Tomah Lodge No. 132, Tomah. Worshipful Master Ken Kuhn accepted the award on behalf of the lodge (center, left). In third was Oconomowoc-Hartland Lodge No. 42, Oconomowoc. Worshipful Master Dave Grevenkamp accepted. Now PGM Wilke is second from left.

165th Annual Communication Brings Fresh Vision for Building Fraternity

By William L. Stonecipher, Editor
The Wisconsin Masonic Journal

MADISON—Setting another high water mark for efficiency and the expeditious dispatch of business, the 165th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Wisconsin drew to a close on Saturday, June 6 shortly before 11 a.m.

The following report has been edited to emphasize some of the more important aspects of the 165th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Wisconsin. A full and complete record of the Grand Lodge proceedings will be published and distributed in late 2009 or early in 2010. The proceedings will also be posted on the Grand Lodge web site.

Grand Lodge was convened at 8:35 a.m. on Friday, June 5 in the Madison Masonic Center auditorium, with presiding Grand Master John W. Wilke's home lodge, Union Lodge No. 32, Evansville, opening on the Master Mason Degree.

Working under the direction of Worshipful Master Rusty Thompson, Sr. Warden Brandon Elmers, Jr. Warden LeRoy Huber, Sr. Deacon Matt Halla, Jr. Deacon Norm Patterson Chaplain Robbin Patterson, Stewards Bob Bradley (Fulton Lodge) and Miles Bradley, with Tiler Chris Wasson (Milton Lodge) at the outer door, Grand Lodge was declared open in ample form shortly thereafter.

Grand Lodge officers and Grand Master Wilke were then received through an "Arch of Steel" formation courtesy of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of Wisconsin. The Knights Templar also escorted the colors under the direction of Grand Commander Lauren Handeland, who presenting a tribute to the flag. The Pledge of Allegiance and singing of the National Anthem followed.

As business commenced, the preliminary report of the credentials committee reflected that 131 of our 190 constituent lodges were represented. The final report before closing on Saturday morning affirmed that 171 lodges were in attendance.

Reports of the Resolutions Committee by Bro. Jack Keyes, Chairman, and the Jurisprudence Committee, Bro. Bob Roth, Chairman, were presented and accept-

ed as printed in the pre-proceedings.

This set the pattern throughout the proceedings as various Grand Lodge officers, standing Grand Lodge committee heads, statutory officers and our several foundation leaders presented their activity reports, several with comments by the presenters. Reports that did not appear were read in their entirety. The report of the Grand Trustees, which was not printed in the pre-proceedings, was one such report. It was presented by Grand Trustee Steve Willett, PGM.

Another report which was read to the representatives was that of Grand Master Wilke. His report contained important messages to the Craft, Grand Lodge officers and a Grand Master's Decision, which will be detailed later in this report.

Resolution 3

designating the place of holding the 2011 Grand Lodge Annual Communication as Madison was the first resolution presented. It was adopted.

At this time Grand Master Wilke called the Past Grand Masters present, 24 in all, to assemble at the altar to be recognized and thanked by him for their past and continuing service to the Fraternity.

Presenting the response on behalf of the attending Grand Masters was PGM Keith D. Chamberlain, who said in closing, "There can be no doubt that yours was a Masonic year built on respect—respect for tradition, respect for our values, respect for fraternity and most importantly, respect for fellow man."

Then nine distinguished visiting guests from so-called "foreign" Grand Jurisdictions present were introduced and assembled at the altar as their names were called. Represented were the Grand Lodges of South Dakota, Illinois, Minnesota, New Jersey, Prince Hall (Wisconsin) and Nebraska.

Among the visiting Grand Lodge officers were two Grand Masters: MWB Frank Humphrey, Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons in Wisconsin, and MW William H. Berman, Grand Master of Masons in New Jersey. There was one Deputy Grand Master (Prince Hall's Earl M. Thomas III), one Sr. Grand Warden, three Jr. Grand Wardens, one Grand Secretary and PGM, and

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Grand Master's Meritorious Service Awards presented by Grand Master Wilke went to Grand Marshal Tom Tourville (left) and Past Grand Treasurer Richard Vande Sande (right).

On Our Cover...Escorted to the East through an "Arch of Steel" formed by members of Waukesha

Commandery Knights Templar and members of the Grand Commandery by Past Grand Master James A. Zimmerman, Brother Craig S. Campbell (on right) became the 142nd Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin during the 165th Grand Lodge Annual Communication installation ceremonies at the Madison Masonic Center on Friday, June 5. Sir Knight Harold "Pete" Peterson, Grand Captain General, is in the foreground on the right.

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values in their lives. It is from this passion that we will grow. While I am sure there have been men who have embraced the principles of Masonry after having joined, I contend that the majority joined Masonry, because it, like themselves, already embraced these principles. They saw something in the Fraternity that was consistent with what they already considered important in their own lives and they wanted to be a part of it. With the many appendant bodies we have, every man has the opportunity to fit in and have his contribution be of value.

And make no mistake about it, we will grow again. There will come a day when more men will want to be a part of this gentle craft than will leave it. I believe that day is soon approaching.

And we get a little emotional, don't we, when we see or hear stories of our successes. The deaf child who now hears. The dyslexic child who now reads. The crippled child who now walks. The burned child no longer deformed. A home for widows. Care for the aged. Care for the infirmed, in the finest facility of its kind in the entire state. It really does prove the worth of our efforts.

This is why we are so proud of this fraternity, so proud of our associations with it, and so proud to call ourselves Masons.

I have a comprehensive plan to "Take Masonry to the People" during my term via public educational seminars, and I look forward to sharing more information with you about that vision in future editions of The Wisconsin Masonic Journal.

My lapel pin this year is a Trowel because, as the trowel is the primary tool needed to build a stone building, it represents the primary business of Wisconsin Freemasonry, building character. And we are all indeed building. We are attempting to erect within ourselves a spiritual temple. Let Freemasonry serve as your inspiration to frequent your house of worship, regularly. I believe it is there you will hear your calling, it is there you will find your answer.

May God Richly Bless You All!
Craig S. Campbell, Grand Master

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one Jr. Grand Steward as well. Prince Hall Grand Master Humphrey delivered the response on behalf of the visiting dignitaries.

Grand Master Wilke's Message to the Craft

As we all know, the Grand Master chose the beehive as his emblem during his year. It symbolized industry, as previously explained.

Grand Master Wilke was indeed busy as a bee. His report detailed the extent of his travels, and they were extensive. By his own estimate, he visited nearly every lodge in Wisconsin during the last year and one-half.

In fact, since his installation last June, the Grand Master visited at least 139 lodge events, not counting other Masonic and affiliated happenings in Wisconsin and elsewhere.

He visited, installed officers (at 26 lodges), rededicated, awarded and picnicked in every corner of the state. He also had some visits of a disciplinary nature which were not pleasant.

He logged upwards of 60,000 miles on his truck and is on his third set of tires. In May, for instance, he

had just nine evenings at home. "One of the greatest privileges I experienced during my travels was the deep friendship which developed between my Grand Marshal, Brother Tom Tourville, and me as we traversed this state and beyond."

The Grand Master later presented Bro. Tourville with one of two Grand Master's Meritorious Service Awards. Former Grand Treasurer Richard Vande Sande also received the award.

Grand Master Wilke read in detail his parting observations to the Craft and Grand Lodge officers.

In his message to the Craft the Grand Master urged lodges not to take shortcuts with the interview process or the conferral of degrees as the volume of new petitioners increases. "Our interests lie in obtaining quality members who understand what it is to be a Mason."

He pointed out that the initial interview process of potential members is extremely important because it allows the committee to observe and question the candidate to determine if he is a good man and will conform to our laws and regulations while manifesting a "symbiotic" relationship to the lodge he is petitioning.



Lodge Sesquicentennial & Centennial Awards

Recognized by Grand Master Wilke (right) for celebrating 100 years was (from left to right) Myron Reed Lodge (Rick Mattson, Master). Celebrating 150 years this year are Sauk Prairie Lodge (Mark Stiber, Master), Eau Claire Lodge (Les Paulson), River Falls Lodge (Ozcan Kilic, Master) and Neosho-Mayville-Horicon Lodge (Randy Thorman, Secretary). With the exception of Sauk Prairie Lodge, which will celebrate its 150th on July 26 with Grand Master Craig S. Campbell in attendance, all have already held their sesquicentennial observances. - AC Photography by Editor William Stonecipher

ship to the lodge he is petitioning.

Grand Master Wilke also restated his position that that Degrees should be done for one candidate at a time with advancement allowed only after the candidate has a full and complete understanding of the degree he just finished because each degree is a building block for the next. Support for this position was expressed by the progressive line officers.

The Grand Master went on to emphasize that candidates must be properly mentored by a brother following each degree as he learns his posting and is presented with the historical lectures, for "...without giving them proper instruction we will eventually lose the basic knowledge which all Masons were intended to possess prior to advancement."

He also noted that, "The Craft is growing, with young members thirsting for Masonic knowledge and good instruction toward becoming better men, and Masons."

The Grand Master then reminded the Craft that he had challenged brethren to learn a new part in the ritual so that we gain a better understanding of what we are about.

Continuing, the Grand Master urged the senior officers of the lodge to strive to learn the expectations of new Masons and allow the Craft to meet those expectations.

"Young craftsmen whose expecta-

tions are not recognized and met will soon become inactive," the Grand Master warned.

"I also asked you to read at least one book related to Freemasonry," the Grand Master reminded representatives. He recommended this because it is through reading other's thoughts that we learn more about the Craft and its teachings, and expand our thought process and enhance our basic knowledge — and that this was a lifelong endeavor.

Grand Master's Decision

In concluding his message to the Craft, the Grand Master highlighted the importance of understanding our Charges and obligations, for these are what set us apart from all other societies and social organizations.

"The memorization of these charges is also a good idea, since when committed to memory, they become an everyday part of our lives," the Grand Master said.

"When we were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason we entered into a new life as a Freemason," the Grand Master continued, and that this new life is to be lived by the tenets, virtues, charges and lessons taught in our ritual, allowing each of us to become better men while changing our world for the betterment of all.

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Warren Lodge No. 4
- District 9**
Kegonsa Lodge No. 73
- District 10**
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- District 11**
Washburn Lodge No. 145
- District 12**
West Allis Lodge No. 291

Editor's Note: Please check with the Master of the lodge listed before scheduling a trip to claim your district's Traveling Gavel. It may already have been claimed by another lodge! Don't forget to complete your Traveling Gavel possession reports and send them on to the Grand Lodge Office for inclusion in your Wisconsin Masonic Journal.

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NOTES FROM THE GRAND LECTURER
By Brother Kenneth C. Gorgen

My Brothers:

Time marches on. Our 165th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was closed a month ago, and I'm happy to report that our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brother Craig Campbell, has given me the opportunity to serve as your Grand Lecturer for another year. I am delighted to be appointed and look forward to building on the work accomplished previously.



Kenneth C. Gorgen
Grand Lecturer

District 1 - Brother David Frings. District 2 - Bro. Harold Christensen. District 3 - Bro. Al Jurgens. District 4 - Bro. Moses Adams. District 5 - Bro. Michael Barreyro. District 6 - Bro. Ken Bales. District 7 - Bro. Harold Carpenter. District 8 - Bro. Joel Amold. District 9 - Bro. Henry Pynakker. District 10 - Bro. Pat Stors. District 11 - Bro. Shane Beecraft. District 12 - Bro. Frank Mayer

These brothers are ready and willing to help you with any questions, techniques, and assistance as needed. Also, there are 140 proficiency men spread across the state to aid you in ritual questions and work.

At the Annual Communication, now Past Grand Master Wilke gave me the opportunity to hold a breakout session on the ritual. I am grateful for the many brethren that issued positive comments and feedback following the presentation. Thanks to all of you for your kind thoughts and words of encouragement. I am going to try to make that presentation available to you for use in your lodge. The presentation was titled, "Quest for the Ritual: The Real Business of Masonry," and was heavily based on an article by Austin Harris entitled, "A Masonic Quest."

In the breakout session the ritual was presented for what it really is — the foundation and a valuable treasure for the Craft. It is what makes us different from other organizations and gives us direction for our lives. Without the ritual, Masonry is just another fraternity.

The ritual gives us real purpose as Masons to improve ourselves and to improve the lives of others; family, friends, and strangers in need. The ritual nudges us to live as the famous Gandhiji stated, "Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."

This year the encouragement will be to learn. Not in big giant steps, but in small baby steps to bring about a change in your lodge. Last year some reports from the District Lecturers indicated that there were lodges having trouble opening and closing and performing work without the aid of an open multiple letter cipher.

My brothers, the ritual work is too important for it to be reduced to reading it in our lodges and this is the opposite direction of what is stated in the special notes section of the cipher on page ii. Let's make our goal this year to close those books and only use them for rehearsals and practice sessions. Because of a heavy reliance on the cipher, I foresee a need for our members and officers to work "free" of using this book as a substitute for learning. My vision for this year is to help lodges to be independent artisans of the ritual.

This is a vision that I hope will drive us to protect what is dear to us as Masons. Listed below are a few straightforward goals or actions that reinforce this vision.

- We will work to have the prowess to open and close in all degrees without a cipher.
- We will work to be able to ballot without hesitation.
- We will work to be able to welcome and introduce the Grand Master as well as all other Grand Lodge officers.
- We will work to increase the number of members that can perform the lectures.
- We will work to advance the number of Masons holding a ritualist or proficiency card.

Please take time to think about the vision and the goals, and reflect on how they apply to you and to your lodge.

Feedback and questions are always welcome. Contact Grand Lecturer Gorgen by e-mail at <jkgorgen@att.net> or by phone at (262) 691-0859.

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Manawa Cornerstone Dedicated and Set

Grand Lodge officers and Manawa Lodge representatives posed for this picture which was taken at the conclusion of the cornerstone dedication ceremony. The cornerstone was cemented in place by masons moments later. Pictured left to right are Dave Tainter, District 10 Deputy; Dan Slavik, Sr. Grand Deacon; Dennis Siewert, Jr. Grand Warden; Jeff Marquardt, District 6 Deputy; Manawa Lodge members David Forsythe, Sr. Warden Rick Squires and Master Tom Squires; Most Worshipful Grand Master Craig S. Campbell; Grand Tiler and Project Architect J. Patrick Storms; Joe Harker, Deputy Grand Master; Bob Strader, District 12 Deputy; and John Krinke, Grand Orator.

Manawa Lodge Building Nears Completion - Cornerstone Dedication Ceremony Held June 14

MANAWA - A sunny warm day greeted the 55 or so spectators, Grand Lodge officers and Manawa Lodge members as they gathered on Sunday, June 14 in the as yet unpaved parking area to observe the dedication and placement of the cornerstone for Manawa's brand new 12,000-plus square foot Masonic Center building.

Attendees came from as far away as Madison, Shawano, Friendship, Appleton, Neosho and Janesville. Past Grand Master Jim Zimmerman and his lady Cama also attended, as did Beja Shrine Chief Rabban Rusty Mitchell. Visiting lodge representatives from Shawano, Mason Woods, Ben Franklin, Waupaca, Waverly, Neosho-Mayville-Horicon Janesville-Western Star also were in attendance.

The building is 12,392 sq. ft. and consists of a central polygonal rotunda connecting two wings. The north wing

houses the lodge room and related areas, and the west wing will have a fellowship hall and food service area.

The building is wood frame construction an exterior natural veneer of limestone. The lodge room features steeply pitched gothic-style exposed wood trusses for an open, airy area above the floor. The roof is of standing seam steel. The roof was lowered somewhat to simplify construction and reduce costs.

The 10-acre Manawa Lodge site will also include a regulation soccer field, the only dedicated soccer field for school and club use. At this time the high school soccer teams use the football field which is smaller than a regulation soccer field.

The building is expected to be fully completed in late August. The parking area will be paved with asphalt. Three massive pillars grace the front entrance.



Bro. Jim Herman, one of several visitors from Shawano Lodge, helped Manawa Jr. Warden Don Pederson get the candles lit during the opening.

A Special Occurrence

Attendees came from as far away as Madison, Shawano, Friendship, Appleton, Neosho and Janesville to witness one of the few cornerstone dedications for a new Masonic lodge building. Lodge representatives came from several lodges, some far, some near. Represented were Shawano, Mason Woods, Ben Franklin, Waupaca, Waverly, Neosho-Mayville-Horicon and Janesville-Western Star Lodges. Grand Lodge officers conducted the ceremony. The dedication took place outside the front entrance to the new Manawa Masonic Center. Construction is expected to be completed by September.

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- Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin Craig S. Campbell

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Most Worshipful Brother Jack Butler, Grand Master of Masons in Iowa (center) is flanked by our Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin John Wilke (left) and Past Grand Master Keith Chamberlain (right) at a Richland Lodge friend's night program and dinner on the evening of May 20. With them are Jr. Grand Warden Davey White, Jr. (far left) and Richland Lodge Master Brent Clausius (far right).

Grand Master of Masons in Iowa Visits His Lodge in Richland Center – Whose Lodge?

RICHLAND CENTER – It's not often that a Grand Master from a neighboring grand jurisdiction drops in for a visit. It's even rarer when he is a member of that lodge.

This was just what took place on May 20 when Most Worshipful Brother Jack Butler, Grand Master of Masons in Iowa, attended a Richland Lodge friend's night dinner and program as featured speaker. Grand Master Butler makes his home in Dubuque. He is a plural member of Richland Lodge.

After loosening up the audience with his "Chair Aerobics" exercise session, Grand Master Butler got down to the more serious business of talking about what Masonry is all about and why it is such a special fraternity. He asked members of the audience to contribute their thoughts on what makes our fraternity special.

Among the attributes he identified were these. With

Masonry you meet good friends and have a fellowship opportunity.

With Masonry you have the opportunity for personal leadership development and it provides a place where you can bring your family, safely.

Masonry provides community, a framework through which a Brother can team up with others who feel the same and are supportive. It helps Masons say, "I'd like to give something back, do something worthwhile. Masonry provides a way to do this," the Grand Master explained.

"These six words tell people who we are as Masons: We will help, aid and assist. We will never cheat, wrong or defraud."

"If people ask me what's in it for me? Its a way of life."

In closing, he reminded all that having fun is fundamental. All important things to keep in mind. **umj**



Quite the humorist, Iowa Grand Master Butler led the 57 attendees at the Richland Lodge friend's program in a "Chair Aerobics" session. "First, nod your heads up and down," he directed. "Next, turn your heads from side to side like this. Now, point your right index finger straight up and extend your thumb to form a right angle. There, now you have just demonstrated that Masons have the answer to every question: yes, no and I have no idea." His humor drew a hearty laugh.



River Falls Lodge Honored for Historical Restoration

The City Council of River Falls recently honored members of the River Falls Lodge No. 109 for their historical restoration of the Masonic Temple. The River Falls Lodge agreed to have their building as part of the historic preservation system and was presented with a framed plaque noting the lodges efforts. Shown during the presentation are Audrey Alton and Jeanne Zirbel of the Historical Preservation committee, River Falls Mayor Don Richards, Worshipful Master Ozcan Kilic accepting the award, Senior Warden Steve Schwartz and Past Master Jim Wolfe.

– Submitted by Northwestern Area Masonic News Hawk Milt Helmer

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Kegonsa Lodge Honors Past Members' Ladies

STOUGHTON – On May 19 the members of Kegonsa Lodge held their Widow's and Ladies Dinner at the Cinema Cafe in Stoughton.

Thirty-five individuals attended including five widows. William Barnes, Wisconsin Masonic Charities Director of Development was the featured speaker.

He spoke of the good work being done saving 11 lives with the AED Matching Funds program as well as the fine care being provided at the

Wisconsin Masonic Home.

Bro. Barnes also presented the five widows with the gold Masonic Widow's Pin and performed the Wisconsin Widow's Presentation. The presiding Worshipful Master was Robert Bamett.

The ladies were deeply touched by the continued caring of the Kegonsa Lodge members.

– Submitted by Bro. William H. Barnes, J.D., Director of Development, Wisconsin Masonic Charities



Kegonsa Lodge Honors Widows

On May 19 the members of Kegonsa Lodge No. 73, Stoughton, held their Widow's and Ladies Dinner at the Cinema Cafe in Stoughton. Seated at the table on the left front is Terry King. Behind her on the left is Rae Ladd. Seated on the right front is Loretta Erdahl, behind her is Florence Monson and Lois Quale. The ladies were deeply touched by the continued caring of the members of Kegonsa Lodge.

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Appleton Waverly Lodge No. 51 315 S. Blauwout Dr. • 920-738-9220 Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Cambridge Social Lodge No. 245 105 S. Spring St. • 608-215-4346 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Eau Claire Sanctuary Lodge No. 347 616 Graham Ave. • 715-832-7759 Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Kenosha Sunrise Lodge No. 359 807 61st St. • 262-694-7817 Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 9:30 a.m. Dark July & August	Mercer Hurley Lodge No. 237 5179 N. Hwy. 51 • 715-475-2453 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark January, February & March	Neenah/Menasha Twin Cities Lodge No. 61 241 E. Wisconsin Ave. • 920-722-3611 Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August
Ashland Ancient Landmark No. 210 206 Sixth Ave. West • 715-682-2906 (Sec) • Meet 1st Wed., 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Camp Douglas Camp Douglas Lodge No. 272 211 Main St. • 608-427-6542 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Edgerton Fulton Lodge No. 69 312 W. Fulton St. • 608-884-6679 (Sec) Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Kenosha Unity Lodge No. 367 4320 Washington Rd. • 262-657-5575 Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m. Meets All Year	Merrill Virginia Falls Lodge No. 226 916-1/2 E. Main Street • 715-675-3440 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark June, July & August	Neosho Neosho-Mayville-Horicon No. 108 315 E. Schuyler St. • 262-569-5670 Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August
Baldwin Collins-Spring Valley Lodge 192 790 Main St. • 715-796-2133 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Dark June, July & August	Cecil Mason-Woods Lodge No. 368 N6446 Emery Ansover Rd • 715-745-2943 (Sec) • 1st & 3rd Tues., 10 a.m. Dark January & February	Ellsworth Hancock Lodge No. 229 400 High Point Dr. • 715-273-5230 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	La Crosse Frontier-Edge Lodge No. 45 118 S. 8th St. • 608-782-1616 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Meets All Year	Merrillan Merrillan Lodge No. 279 103 S. Main Street • 715-333-2083 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m. Dark January, February & March	New Diggings Benton Lodge No. 268 Cty. Hwy W • 608-348-7365 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Dark January & February
Baraboo Baraboo Lodge No. 34 108 Second Ave. • 608-356-6739 Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Cedarburg Victory Lodge No. 320 501 W. Grand Ave., Part Washington 262-275-2931 (Sec) • 2nd & 4th Mon. 7:30 p.m. • Dark June, July & August	Evansville Union Lodge No. 32 104 W. Main St. • 608-852-6087 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	La Crosse La Crosse Masonic Lodge No. 190 118 8th Street • 608-782-1616 Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Meets All Year	Middleton Middleton-Ionic Lodge No. 180 7439 Franklin Ave. • 608-821-4418 Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	New Glarus New Glarus Lodge No. 310 207 6th Avenue • 608-527-2583 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark June, July & August
Barnes Barnes Lodge No. 365 Cty. Hwy. N • 715-372-4957 (Sec) Meet 2nd Tues. - 4th Tues. in June only 7 p.m. Dark Jan., Feb. & March	Chetek Chetek Lodge No. 277 216 Monson St. • 715-296-5537 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark June, July & August	Fond du Lac Fond du Lac Lodge No. 26 500 W. Amst Dr. • 920-922-5800 Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July and August	Ladysmith Mystic Tie Lodge No. 280 705 E. 3rd St. N. • 715-532-7696 (Sec) Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Meets All Year	Milton Milton Lodge No. 161 508 Vernal Avenue • 608-754-2464 Meets 4th Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	New Holstein Calumet Lodge No. 172 2019 Washington St. • 920-898-5039 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Monday, 7:30 p.m. Dark January & February
Barnesville Barnesville Lodge No. 319 108 S. Jones St. • 414-758-0512 (Sec) Meet 2nd Tuesday only, 7:30 p.m. Dark 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	Frederic Landmark Lodge No. 244 109 United Way • 612-998-9001 (Sec) Meets 2nd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Meets All Year	Lake Geneva Geneva Lodge No. 44 335 S. Lakeshore Dr. • 262-248-9900 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Milwaukee Damascus Lodge No. 290 1235 E. Howard Ave. • 422-853-5631 (Sec) • Meet 2nd & 4th Tues., Dinner 6 p.m., Lodge at 7 • Dark July & August	New Lisbon Juneau Lodge No. 103 304 S. Adams St. • 608-565-7207 (Sec) • Meet 1st & 2nd Thurs 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August
Bayfield Bayfield-Washburn Lodge No. 215 29 N. 2nd Street • 715-779-3174 (Sec) Meets Monthly, 1st Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. Meets All Year	Clear Lake Clear Lake Lodge No. 230 411 Third Ave. • 715-263-3033 Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Friendship Quincy Lodge No. 71 210 Main St. • 608-564-7144 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Linden Linden Lodge No. 206 618 Main St. • 608-623-2498 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Dark July & August	Milwaukee Excelsior Lodge No. 175 1235 E. Howard Ave. • 414-744-4609 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July and August	New Richmond New Richmond Lodge No. 195 119 E. 2nd St. • 715-246-2144 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark June, July & August
Beaver Dam Dodge County Lodge No. 72 Best Western Campus Inn, 815 Park Ave. • 920-887-2530 • Meet 3rd Monday 7 p.m. - Dark July & August	Columbus Columbus Lodge No. 75 318 N. Ludington St. • 920-296-3139 (Sec) • Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m. Dark June, July & August	Galesville Decora Lodge No. 177 16794 S. Main St. • 608-582-4130 (Sec) Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m. Dark July & August, 1st Mon. Sept.	Lodi Lodi Valley Lodge No. 99 114 First St. • 608-592-4392 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Milwaukee Freemasons Lodge No. 363 790 N. Van Buren St. • 414-425-5166 Meets 1st Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Neosho Neosho-Mayville-Horicon No. 108 315 E. Schuyler St. • 262-567-2354 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August
Beloit Morning Star Lodge No. 10 229 W. Grand Ave. • 608-362-6073 Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. 3rd Wed. only in July & August	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	Grafton Victory Lodge No. 320 1645 Highland Dr., #2 • 262-376-9619 Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark June - August	Lone Rock Franklin Lodge No. 16 237 S. Oak St. • 608-583-4303 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Meets All Year	Milwaukee James M. Hays Lodge No. 331 790 N. Van Buren • 414-774-0366 (Sec) Meet 1st Mondays, 6:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Oconomowoc Oconomowoc-Hartland Lodge 42 307 N. Lake Road • 262-567-9898 Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August
Berlin Berlin Lodge No. 38 128 E. Ham St. • 920-361-9778 (Sec) Meets 7 p.m. 2nd & 4th Thurs. Jan., Oct., and at 7 p.m. 2nd Thursday only, Nov. & Dec. Dark July & August	Crivitz Tri-County Daylite Lodge No. 218 918 Louisa St. • 715-854-3088 Meet 2nd Wednesday, 10 a.m. Dark January & February	Green Bay Des Peres Lodge No. 85 525 N. Taylor St. • 920-499-7265 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Madison Commonwealth Lodge No. 325 301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-358-8921 Travel 1st Wed. & 3rd Wed., 7 p.m. Dark June, July & August	Milwaukee Lafayette Lodge No. 265 790 N. Van Buren St. • 414-541-7139 (Sec) Meets 2nd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Oconto Pine Lodge No. 188 513 Superior Ave. • 920-378-5427 Meet 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Dark June, July & August
Black Earth Crescent Valley Lodge No. 97 1020 Mills St. • 608-795-4484 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Darlington Evening Star Lodge No. 64 433 Walls St. • 608-776-4213 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 8 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	Madison Doric Lodge No. 356 85 S. Stoughton Rd. • 608-224-0856 (Sec) • Meet 1st & 3rd Tues., 7 p.m. Dark January & February	Milwaukee Lake Lodge No. 189 1235 E. Howard Ave. • 414-744-4609 Meet Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Omro Omro Lodge No. 168 160 E. Main Street • 920-685-2798 Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m. Dark January, February & March
Black River Falls Black River Lodge No. 74 314 Main Street • 715-294-2234 Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Delavan Southern Lakes Lodge No. 12 1007 S. Second St. • 262-725-3062 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 p.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	Madison Four Lakes Daylite Lodge No. 362 301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-2351 Meet 1st Mondays, 10 a.m. (except Sept. 2nd Monday) Dark July & August	Milwaukee Nathan Hale Lodge No. 350 790 N. Van Buren • 262-522-9872 (Sec) Meet 1st Thursday, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Onalaska Onalaska Lodge No. 214 330 Main Street • 608-783-6606 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark January & February
Bloomer Bloomer Lodge No. 281 2122 16th Ave. • 715-568-5152 Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Dark January & February	Dodgeville Dodgeville Lodge No. 119 200 W. Chapel St. • 608-935-3548 Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 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	Madison Hiram Lodge No. 50 310 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-0793 Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark 1st Mondays, July - Labor Day	Mineral Point Mineral Point Lodge No. 1 310 High St. • 608-967-2528 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark 3rd Monday Dec. - March 3rd Mon.	Oregon Oregon Lodge No. 151 210 Park St. • 608-535-9236 Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August
Bristol Washburn Lodge No. 145 8102 - 199th Ave. • 262-857-7801 Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Dousman Dousman Lodge No. 315 214 Main St. • 262-593-2647 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Hartford Hartford Lodge No. 120 147 N. Rural St. • 262-673-2074 (Sec) Meet 2nd Monday, 7 p.m. Meet 1st July & August	Madison Madison Lodge No. 5 301 Wisconsin Ave. • 608-256-0793 Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Meet 1st Thursday July & August	Minocqua Island City Lodge No. 330 7529 Hwy 51 South • 715-277-2810 (Sec) • Meet 1st Wednesday, 10 a.m. Meets all year	Oshkosh Oshkosh Lodge No. 27 204 Washington Ave. • 920-231-3410 Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August
Brodhead Bicknell Lodge No. 94 302 1st Center Ave. • 608-897-8069 Meets 2nd Monday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Dousman Glen L. Humphrey Lodge No. 364 375 Hwy. 67 • 262-955-9390 Meet 2nd Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. Dark June	Hayward Keystone Lodge No. 263 10629 Main St. • 715-634-8735 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Manitowoc Manitowoc Lodge No. 65 810 Chicago St. • 920-793-3473 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Mondovi Buffalo River Masonic Lodge No. 252 245 S. Franklin • 715-797-3261 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Owen Owen Lodge No. 317 713 W. Third St. • 715-229-2832 (Sec) Meets 1st Monday at 7:30 p.m. & 3rd Mon. at 11 a.m. • Dark July & August
Brookfield Elmbrook Lodge No. 354 4550 N. Pilgrim Rd. • 262-549-0923 Meets 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m. Dark July & August	Durand Durand-Pepin Lodge No. 149 203 W. Main St. • 715-672-8052 (Sec) Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Hudson St. Croix Lodge No. 56 209 Locust Street • 715-377-0817 Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Marinette Marinette Lodge No. 182 1610 Main St. • 715-735-3315 Meet 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Dark July & August	Monroe Smith Lodge No. 31 1613-1/2 Tenth St. • 608-328-4370 (Sec) Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Dark June, July & August	Lodge Listings are continued on page 8

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This led the Grand Master to introduce the centerpiece of his message, his Decision permanently change our posting criteria "To require that all future candidates for the degrees of Wisconsin Freemasonry be required to memorize the obligation of each degree to the satisfaction of the Master of the lodge." These last few words were included in recognition of the fact that not all brethren can memorize well by rote, the Grand Master said.

The Grand Master's asked that his Decision be considered for adoption separately from his report, which was received. A motion to adopt this Decision was made and seconded and put before the voting representatives. The vote in the affirmative was nearly unanimous. It thus became law in Wisconsin.

Resolution 1 to adopt a 2009-2010 Grand Lodge fiscal year budget of \$661,150 was adopted with no discussion. This budget is \$122,413 less than the previous fiscal year's \$783,563 budget. Actual expenses were \$24,316 higher than budgeted. As was noted previously, this budget called for a Grand Lodge contribution to the Wisconsin Masonic Journal of \$115,000 which is \$30,000 less than last year. This will result in fewer pages per issue and use of lesser quality paper.

Resolution 2 setting the Per Capita Tax at \$31 for 2009-2010, unchanged from last year, was unanimously adopted.

The Grand Secretary's Report

In addition to his report published in the pre-proceedings, Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, said that 110-plus lodges have had either their secretary or other designated user



Lodge Secretary of the Year Bill Buckingham, Secretary of Mineral Point Lodge No. 1 accepts his award from Grand Lodge Office Manager Jan Gorgen. Receptionist Cheryl Martin and Bookkeeper Alicia Darr are at left.

receive training for MORI (Masonic Online Registry Interface). He reminded the representatives that all lodges must be using MORI by January 15, 2010, as directed by Grand Master Wilke in his edict of March 2, 2009.

The Grand Secretary also drew attention to the revised IRS 990 form the Fraternity must file and explained some of the changes contained therein that will affect the Fraternity. One change that will affect Grand Lodge as well as individual lodges is that up-to-date minutes of all meetings must be kept on file for examination (by the IRS, if requested). This will also entail keeping accurate financial records of such things as fund raising activities. Another change affecting the Fraternity at all levels is that there will be increased attention paid to potential conflicts of interest among members, officers, trustees, boards and committees within lodges and Grand Lodge.

"I will make compliance with these regulations a painless as possible for the lodges," the Grand Secretary said, adding that the Grand Lodge office is preparing compliance information packets that will be sent to lodges in the coming months explaining exactly what will be required.

"We'll have the forms already completed so all lodges will have to do is make sure they have the necessary records on file, then sign and return the forms to the Grand Lodge office," the Grand Secretary DeWolf said.

Lodge Secretary of the Year Award

Awarded by the Grand Lodge office staff members Cheryl Martin, Receptionist, Alicia Darr, Bookkeeper, and Jan Gorgen, Office Manager, this award recognizes the Lodge Secretary that impressed them as being the most easy to work with, timely with his reports, how well he teams with them and is courteous and considerate in his demeanor. This year's selection was William L. Buckingham, Secretary of Mineral Point Lodge No. 1, Mineral Point. Brother Buckingham is a three-time Master and 60-year member there. He was escorted to the lectern by Deputy Grand Master-elect Joe Harker who is also a member of Mineral Point Lodge. Grand Master Wilke took this opportunity to present Bro. Buckingham with a 60-year certificate.

Resolution 4 to eliminate the reading of the names of brethren to be suspended (usually for non-payment of dues for one reason or another) was presented by Bro. Daniel A. Weiss, Worshipful Master of Madison Lodge No. 5. After much discussion on the matter, mostly against, the resolution was defeated with only a few dissenters. The idea behind this resolution was to keep delicate personal matters confidential out of consideration for the member in question. The overwhelming sentiment of the representatives, however, fell on the side of keeping the reading of names in lodge as it is because often lodge members know details of the particular member's situation and might be able to offer assistance, thereby offering an opportunity to perhaps aid and assist a brother in need.

Resolution 5 as presented by Bro. Lowell Scott, Worshipful Master of Milwaukee-Harmony Lodge, would change the wording of existing Code citation 57.07 under Regulations for Lodges to make it possible for any member to hold two elected or appointed offices in the same lodge, at the same, time except Secretary. As discussion progressed, it became apparent that what this resolution, if adopted, would mean is that the Lodge Secretary could not be Treasurer as well as Secretary. The commingling of these two essential financial functions within a lodge as now permitted has been a constant point of contention for those who see it as an open invitation to potential for fraud. As Jurisprudence Committee Chair Bob Roth said to the representatives on this resolution, "I think that the Jurisprudence Committee will have issues with the content and form spoke out on this resolution." This resolution was tabled until 2010.

Resolution 6 sought clarification of the term "Sabbath Day." Presented by Bro. Daniel A. Weiss, Worshipful Master of Madison Lodge No. 5, with supporting commentary offered by lodge members Lamont Colucci, Sr. Warden, and Ben Vineburg, as well as Bro. Ray Heilborn, Past Grand Chaplain. Brother Vineburg is the son of well-known and widely respected Green Bay Rabbi Bro. Sidney Vineburg, a former District 4 Chaplain.

Brother Weiss explained that as a religious and faithful man, and a proponent of Masonry as well as his religion, which happens to be Jewish, he was offering this resolution to put all Masons of varied religious faiths — whether they be Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu or others, all of which have differing Sabbath or Holy days (some religions hold Friday as their Sabbath, others Saturday as well as Sunday) — "on the level" and not favor one religious preference over another by recognizing only Sunday as the Sabbath as the Masonic Code of Wisconsin now does. Initially this resolution sought to remove Sections 64.05, 65.07 and 73.01 in their entirety. Upon further consideration and discussion the resolution was amended to retain the wording in 64.05, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Code references to Sunday as the Sabbath were removed. The resolution was adopted as amended.

Resolution 7 to modify Code chapter 64.06 regarding the use of alcoholic beverages in lodges was not entertained by the Grand Master.

Grand Lodge Election Results — The election of Grand Lodge officers followed the usual practice of elevating all sitting progressive line elected officers to the next highest office. Elected to serve as Grand Master for the 2009-2010 Masonic year is Craig S. Campbell, Deputy Grand Master is Joseph B. Harker;



District Deputies were charged with counting ballots Friday morning, June 5 to determine the six elected Grand Lodge officers, one Grand Trustee, three WMBAB members and two for The Wisconsin Masonic Journal Board.

Sr. Grand Warden is Davey L. White, Jr.; Dennis V. Siewert is Jr. Grand Warden. Elected to serve as Grand Secretary is Michael A. DeWolf, PGM, and John A. Benedict was returned to the office of Grand Treasurer. Elected to a five-year term as Grand Trustee is Bro. Bruce H. Lasko.

Elected to three-year terms on the Wisconsin Masonic Journal Board were Bros. Milt Helmer and John Donaldson. Elected to three-year terms on the Wisconsin Masonic Benevolent Activities Board (WMBAB) were Richard E. Black, PGM, Guy K. Gooding II, Grand Trustee, and Robert C. Strader, District 12 Deputy. The entire corps of elected and appointed Grand Lodge officers are pictured and identified on page 7. There are several changes to note within the corps of District Deputies.

Trustee Concerns Center on Finances & Van Brunt

The first order of business for representatives following the lunch break was to consider the report of our Grand Trustees which presented by Grand Trustee James H. Olson, PGM, Chairman.

This report was divided into four sections. The first three sections concerned more or less routine matters but did carry an important message to the Craft concerning the state of Grand Lodge investments. Chairman Olson reported that less than \$4 million in unrestricted funds were available to fund Grand Lodge operations. "Gifts to Grand Lodge have dwindled to just about zero," Grand Trustee Olson said. To remedy this situation he urged Grand Lodge officers to secure enough gifts and donations to better sustain our operations through what he termed "appropriate solicitations." This portion of the report was voted upon in the affirmative and duly received.

The fourth part the Grand Trustees' report involved the status of Van Brunt Hall, the former Wisconsin Masonic Home building on the Three Pillars campus in Dousman. Chairman Olson gave a brief overview of the activity of the ad hoc Van Brunt Task Force Committee working under the direction of Past

Grand Trustee William E. Day, PGM, to find a compatible future uses for the facility that would provide a reasonable return on investment, maintain Grand Lodge control of the building for potential future use and require no Grand Lodge investment.

It was the determination of the Grand Trustees at their meeting of April 30, 2009, with Grand Master John Wilke, Wisconsin Masonic Home Board President Bob Roth, Three Pillars President and CEO Mark Strautman, Grand Treasurer John Benedict and Grand Lodge Liaison Davey White, Jr., that no Grand Lodge funds are to be given to the Van Brunt project and that control and ownership of the facility be maintained through the Wisconsin Masonic Home Board. This determination was adopted by the representatives. It should be noted that the ad hoc Van Brunt committee is presently in advanced discussions with a potential tenant for the 86 year-old building.

Grand Lodge Breakout Sessions

Presenting the first of three afternoon seminars was Grand Master John Wilke. During his presentation in the main auditorium the Grand Master emphasized the importance and significance of our charges and obligations, reiterating that, "It is our obligations that define who we (as Masons) are, and it is these obligations that set us apart from all other organizations."

At this point the Wardens were invited to attend a seminar in lodge room two while all other representatives and brethren were treated to a "Quest for the Ritual: The Real Business of Masonry" presentation by Grand Lecturer Ken Gorgen.

His presentation was peppered with memorable quotations such as, "Live as if you were to die tomorrow, learn as if you were to live forever," by Mahatma Gandhi, and, "I believe we have two lives: the life we learn with, and the life we have after that," uttered baseball player Roy Hobbs in the 1984 Robert Redford film "The Natural."

Grand Lecturer Gorgen traced the development of the Masonic Fraternity in Scotland from what some theorize was a "Box Club Charity" through mention in the Regius (1390) and Cooke (1450) Manuscripts to the first recorded initiation (1600), the Prichard Ritual (1730) and further standardization of the ritual (1813) to the present day. He also noted the transition of the ritual from "mouth to ear" to printed cipher, first unauthorized (Daggett Key), then to our approved multiple letter cipher.

Posing the question, "What did you come here to do?" the Grand Lecturer went on to highlight the point that it is the ritual that binds us into a special community and unites us in a common quest with other like-minded men.

"It is through our ritual that the Lodge room becomes a safe haven (from the discord and cares of the profane world) and the tiler's sword releases us from from the outside world, keeping the probing cowans at bay."

The Grand Lecturer took this opportunity to urge brethren involved in degree work to consider earning their ritualist or proficiency cards. He explained that it is only the esoteric sections of the cipher, all of them, that must be memorized to become a proficiency man. To become a ritualist it is one degree.

"Presence is more than just being there," Grand Lecturer Gorgen said in closing. He used this quote by Malcolm Forbes to drive home the importance of becoming fully immersed in our ritual as a key to gaining a richer appreciation and understanding of our fraternal quest for meaning through our ritual.

Tale of the Frogs

Outgoing District 12 Deputy Don Hensiak, who offered a report on the activities of the District Deputies in the Friday, June 5 Grand Lodge session, used Mark Twain's "Frog Storm" as a way to dramatize one highly effective method he found helpful in advising other District Deputies in how to deal with difficult decisions: "If the worst thing you have to do in the morning is eat a frog, get it out of the way right away, and the rest of the day will go well." Later, when beginning his breakout session



With proud family members looking on, Grand Master Craig S. Campbell dons his new top hat. His lady Mary, daughter Emily and son Stephen presented the gift during installation ceremonies in Madison June 5. Installing Grand Master James H. Olson, PGM, is seated.

presentation, Grand Master Wilke used a play on this quote to dramatize the added complexity faced when he was presented with otherwise distasteful decisions: "When presented with two frogs in the morning, eat the ugliest one first..."

At 3:23 p.m. Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 8:30 Saturday morning, June 6. The installation of



Grand Lecturer Ken Gorgen holds a Daggett Key



Grand Lodge F & A. M. of Wisconsin Officers for 2009-2010

Surrounding newly elected and installed Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin, the Most Worshipful Craig S. Campbell (front row, center) are the Grand Lodge officers for the 2009-2010 Masonic year. In the front row (left to right) are 2008-09 Grand Master John W. Wilke, Grand Treasurer John A. Benedict, Deputy Grand Master Joseph B. Harker, Grand Master Campbell, Senior Grand Warden Davey L. White, Jr., Junior Grand Warden Dennis V. Siewert and Grand Secretary Michael A. DeWolf, PGM. In the second row are appointed officers: District 1 Deputy Travis L. Hand, Senior Grand Deacon Daniel L. Slavik, Senior Grand Steward Franklin J. Struble, Grand Chaplain Donald F. Iliff, Grand Lecturer Ken Gorgen, Grand Tiler J. Patrick Storrs, Grand Marshal John W. Krinke, Junior Grand Steward Donald W. Hensiak, Senior Grand Steward William Beecher and District 12 Deputy Robert C. Strader. In the back row are District Deputies H. Scott Paulson (2), John C. Tilley (3), Christopher J. Hirthe (4), Mark D. Jerdee (5), Jeffrey J. Marquardt (6), David C. Bomkamp (7), Scott E. Pedley (8), Ralph L. Behlke (9), David E. Tainter (10) and John P. Marra (11). Grand Orator L. Arby Humphrey is not pictured. - Photograph Courtesy of Photography by JD

Grand Lodge officers for the 2009-2010 year followed at 4:30 p.m. in the Madison Masonic Center auditorium.

Grand Lodge Officer Installation Ceremony

Rich in tradition, installations of Grand Lodge officers, and especially Grand Masters, embody the family involvement and emotional content of weddings, blended with the stately pomp and circumstance appropriate for the Wisconsin branch of the oldest and largest fraternal organization for men in America.

The ceremony began with a public opening by the officers of Grand Master-elect Craig S. Campbell's home lodge, Lincoln Lodge No. 183, formerly of Menomonee Falls, now of Sussex. The officers were Larry Wagner, Master; Terri Tracy, Sr. Warden; and Jim Broich, Jr. Warden.

Because of Brother Campbell's involvement as a "Dad" with West Bend Chapter DeMolay, of which his son Stephen is a member, Stephen presented the Bible, with other members of West Bend Chapter enacting the DeMolay Schoolbooks Presentation Ceremony. They also presented the Flag of the United States. Brother Bob Roth, of the National Sojourners, gave the Tribute to the Flag, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and singing of the National Anthem (in a key that was singable by all).

Installing Grand Master was Past Grand Master James H. Olson, who appointed Grand Master-elect Campbell as Jr. Grand Steward in 2002. Installing Grand Marshal was Past Grand Master James A. Zimmerman of Shawano Lodge, where Brother Craig was raised in June 1982. Grand Master Zimmerman appointed Bro. Craig Grand Lecturer in 1992.

The incoming Grand Master's father, Ron Campbell, a Past Master of Shawano Lodge and mentor to his two sons, Jim and Craig, was a highly respected Masonic activist and longtime District Lecturer in what was then District 2. Installing Grand Chaplain was Past Grand Master Robert E. Moore.

Persons attending the installation were treated to special music that was truly special. As Grand Master Campbell was installed, "This is the Moment," a song by Erik Santos, was beautifully sung to the pleasure of all by none other than Brother Jim Campbell, a Past Master of Shawano Lodge and the Grand Master-elect's younger brother. The soloist's rich baritone voice soared with changes in key and the skilled accompaniment of Grand Organist Larry Root.

An honor guard by members of Waukesha Commandery augmented by Sir Knights from other Commanderies, including the Grand Commandery, formed the Arch of Steel through which the newly installed Grand Master was escorted to the East following his installation.

Job's Daughters from Bethel 64, which meets at the West Bend Lodge, were joined by Daughters from the Sun Prairie's Bethel 44 in forming the Living Cross and singing the familiar hymn "Nearer My God to Thee" as West Bend DeMolay members assumed the Prayer Position. Grand Master Campbell's daughter Emily and son Stephen were at the front of the formation.

Please go to the Grand Lodge web site at <www.wisc-freemasonry.org> for Grand Master Campbell's Masonic biography.

Sharon Wilke's Charity Auction Nets \$9,600

Sharon Wilke set out to raise awareness and funds for the two Scottish Rite 32nd Degree Children's Learning Centers in Wisconsin this year through the sale of a natural foods' cookbook authored by Helen Wilke, the Grand Master's mother, and an auction following the representatives banquet at the Annual Communication.

The "live" auction offered for sale about 28 donated items, most handmade by Masons, their ladies, and Eastern Star members. Sharon Wilke reported that \$10,400-plus had been realized from cookbook sales to date of 1011 copies. About 150 are still available for purchase, according to Sharon. The auction yielded \$9,585 and a cash donation of \$415 brought the total to \$9,600.

Fetching the highest price at \$750 were two prime-location GB Packer tickets for the Dec. 7 home game at Lambeau. Three items sold for \$650 each: the Mamma & Pappa Chairs, the diamond & ruby pendant with ruby earrings thrown in as an added incentive, and the "Song of the Bees" quilt. The latter went to Sharon Wilke.

A special guest at the auction was 11 year-old Lizzy Sarbacker who has been in the Children's Learning Center Program classes at the Madison Masonic Center for two years. She is now reading at or above her 6th grade level.

Funds totalling \$20,000 were presented to the Wisconsin Council of Deliberation with instructions that the money will be divided evenly three ways, with two shares going to the learning centers in Milwaukee and Madison, and a third being held in escrow for a future learning center planned for Eau Claire. Should the Eau Claire center not come to fruition, the money will be divided equally between the other learning centers.

Grand Lodge Day II

The 165th Grand Lodge Annual Communication was called to labor at 8:35 a.m. on Saturday, June 6. As a humorous aside, on Friday afternoon, when Grand Master Wilke was about to call Grand Lodge to refreshment, he announced that Grand Lodge would reconvene Saturday morning at 8 a.m. This was met with a chorus of moans from the representatives as well as the other Grand Lodge officers. Fortunately, the Grand Master reconsidered after being reminded that the previously scheduled start time was 8:30 a.m. All gave a sigh of relief.

Awards and recognitions were the main order of business. Brothers Richard Vande Sande and Tom Tourville were presented with the Grand Master's Meritorious Service Award, the highest honorary Grand Lodge recognition a Mason can receive.

An award presented for the first time was the Masonic Heroes Award which recognized the life saving efforts of Brother Greg O'Reilly who was assisted by Brothers Larry Ganske and Steven Lasure in saving the life of District 2 Deputy H. Scott Paulson when he suffered a diabetic seizure in the Eau Claire Masonic Center in January of this year. Evidently everyone had gone for the evening following an event and Bro. Paulson had stayed upstairs working in the costume storage area. It was a burning light in the window that caught Bro. O'Reilly's attention as he walked to his car. He went back to turn out the light and found an unconscious Paulson lying on the floor with his container of

medication clutched in his fingers. Through Bro. O'Reilly's intervention and emergency help offered by Bros. Ganske and Lasure, they kept Bro. Paulson alive until the rescue squad could arrive and assume care.

Grand Master Craig S. Campbell

Upon taking his seat in the East as Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Campbell approached the lectern on the floor to outline the designs he has drawn on the Fraternity's trestle board for the coming year. He quickly made it clear that he has a vision for the Fraternity that promises an exciting year of activity.

This vision includes boldly conveying the message that Freemasonry is truly an interfaith fraternity that is founded on religious concepts that focus on a man's character, and he intends on taking this message to the public through a series of seminars that will introduce them to Freemasonry. In order to do this in the most effective way he will be using the latest in Internet technology to reach a select group of potential members.

"Taking Masonry to the People," is the title he is giving this program, and, as the Grand Master explained, he is planning to use targeted e-mails to reach men aged 18-45 with an invitation to view a promotional video clip and, if interested, to sign up to attend one of four informational programs that will be held at convenient locations around the state.

Another aspect of his plans for the year is to bring back a degree competition which will be scheduled for late next spring. The Esoteric Committee is laying plans for the competition. Details will be announced later.

At this point in his presentation Grand Master Campbell gave representatives an eye-popping preview of the what the promotional video will look like once content is finalized. It is being produced by Brother Pat Storrs, the newly appointed Grand Tiler. The finished video will be available for viewing via hyper-link on YouTube.

In addition to this, the Grand Master noted several other fraternal matters that will receive his attention this year.

Among them are preserving Van Brunt Hall, saying, "If we're going to fork out one million for something (to demolish it), I want it standing."

He also said he will work to urge the Masonic Home Board to maintain MasonWoods as well as to put a third campus in the Eau Claire area.

Concerning lodge consolidations he said, "I will not approve any during my term as Grand Master."

He also said that District Deputies will be making lodge inspections to make sure that the proper documentation is complete and legal (as per new IRS regulations mentioned earlier).

Look for more on these subjects in future issues.

And lastly, a closing thought. Masonry on YouTube? Welcome to the 21st Century. **umj**



New Grand Trustee Bruce H. Lasko at installation



Brother Tom Pinney, Henry S. Baird, Jr., with 11 year-old Lizzy Sarbacker



Newly installed Grand Master Craig S. Campbell spoke about his vision of Freemasonry as an interfaith organization that is founded upon religious concepts that focus on a man's character. He plans four "Taking Masonry to the People" seminars for the coming year.

Perspectives on Faith

By Reverend Don Iliff, Grand Chaplain

A lesson in building true friendships

In his address to the brothers at the 165th Annual Communication, Grand Master Campbell reminded us that Freemasons are committed to a number of religious principles. These character-building principles are recorded on the trestle board for all Masons to observe. Number one on Grand Master Campbell's list was the importance of true friendships.

In the Holy Writings (1 Samuel, verse 20), we read about Jonathan and David whose friendship was tested. Jonathan was heir apparent to the throne of Israel, but David was God's selection to be the next king of Israel. Jonathan's father, King Saul, and David did not get along.

Saul was jealous and began to look for ways to kill David. When David went into battle, people would chant, "Saul has slain his thousands, and David his tens of thousands."

Knowing that his father had evil intentions for David, Jonathan made a covenant of lasting friendship with David. Jonathan had that rare ability to trust in the goodness of people and believe that their motives were honorable. Even though Jonathan was caught between his father and his friend, he honored his covenant relationship with David and nothing ever came between that friendship.

Jonathan and David are an example of how friendships lift our lives. Friendships become the rock upon which we support one another. When we face sickness and distress, friendships sustain us. When we are making decisions, our friends are there to give us good counsel. As we try to sort out life's dilemmas, our friends lend us an ear. Life's journeys can be complex. The friendship of a brother Mason can be invaluable, as together we share in each others' joys and struggles.

True, all real friendships face tests. Honesty and integrity, key components in any friendship, give our relationships the depth needed to sustain us through challenges. Jonathan and David vowed that nothing would ever come between them and their good feelings for one another. I pray that in our lodges, as we go about the work of Freemasonry, the depth of Jonathan and David's friendship might always exist among us. *wmj*

Grand Chaplain Iliff welcomes reader comments and suggestions. He may be reached by e-mail at <doniliff@centurytel.net>.



Rev. Don Iliff
Grand Chaplain



Lake Geneva Lodge Welcomes Grand Master

Grand Master John Wilke visited Lake Geneva Lodge No. 44 on May 26, 2009. A nice dinner of cold cuts and potato salad was served at the meeting. Pictured in the front row, left to right are: Kenneth Walter, Sr., Worshipful Richard Vande Sande, SW, John W. Wilke, MWGM, John R. Wozniak, WM, Frank Chesen, JW & Bro. Dustin Jenks. In the top row are: Kenneth Walter, Jr., Tom Tourville, Worshipful Grand Marshall, Gerald Steinke, SD, Richard Redell, James Stickney, Sec., Donald Redell, JD.

—Submitted by Dustin Jenks, Masonic News Hawk



50 Years for Minnesota Mason at Geneva No. 44

Geneva Lodge No. 44 recently presented a 50-year pin and certificate Bro. Lloyd Knutson on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. Pictured from left to right: Bro. Dustin Jenks, News Hawk; Bro. Lloyd Knutson; and Master John Wozniak. Bro. Knutson is now a resident of Walworth County.

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Dark January & February
- Park Falls**
Park Falls Lodge No. 300
521 N. 2nd Ave. • 715-762-4043
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark June, July & August
- Pewaukee**
Pewaukee Lodge No. 246
126 Main St. • 262-367-4816 (WM)
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark June, July & August
- Phillips**
Phillips Lodge No. 225
137 N. Lake Ave. • 715-339-3785
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark June, July & August
- Platteville**
Melody Lodge No. 2
783 Enterprise Drive • 608-349-6021
Meet 1st & 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
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
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
- Potosi**
Warren Lodge No. 4
112 S. Main St. • 608-763-2719 (Sec)
Meets 1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Meets All Year
- Poynette**
Poynette Lodge No. 173
Poynette City Hall, 106 Main • 608-635-4503 (Sec)
Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Prairie du Chien**
Prairie du Chien Lodge No. 8
105-12 E. Blackhawk Avenue
608-326-4640 (Sec) • Meet 1st & 3rd Wed.
7:30 p.m. • Dark July & Aug
- Prairie du Sac**
Sauk Prairie Lodge No. 113
580 Water St. • 608-544-2491 (WM)
Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July, August & 1st Mon. in Sept.
- Prescott**
Northwestern Lodge No. 105
132 N. Court St. • 715-262-5478 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Racine**
Racine-Belle City Lodge No. 18
1012 Main St. • 262-633-6658
Meets 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Meets All Year
- Reedsburg**
Reedsburg Lodge No. 79
213 E. Main St. • 608-524-2625
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Rhineland**
Rhineland Lodge No. 242
23 E. Duvernoy St. • 715-277-2692 (Sec)
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark January & February
- Rice Lake**
Blue Hills Lodge No. 234
225 W. South St. • 715-234-1888
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Meets All Year
- Richland Center**
Richland Lodge No. 66
290 W. Union St. • 608-647-4487 (Sec)
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Meets All Year
- River Falls**
River Falls Lodge No. 109
122 E. Walnut St. • 715-425-2333
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Shawano**
Shawano Lodge No. 170
201-12 S. Main St. • 715-526-3920
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Dark January & February
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Sheboygan Lodge No. 11
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Shell Lake/Spooner Lodge No. 221
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Meets All Year
- Shullsburg**
Amicitia Lodge No. 25
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Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m.
Dark July & August
- South Milwaukee**
South Shore Lodge No. 3
1327 Marshall Ave • 414-294-9332 (Sec.)
Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 pm
Dark July & August
- Sparta**
Valley Lodge No. 60
603 N. Court St. • 608-269-2616
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Dark July & August
- Star Prairie**
North Star Lodge No. 187
Bridge St. • 715-248-3279
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Dark July & August
- Stevens Point**
Evensong Lodge No. 93
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Dark July & August
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Dark July & August
- Sturgeon Bay**
Henry S. Baird Lodge No. 174
31 S. 3rd Ave. • 920-493-3727
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Sun Prairie**
Sun Prairie Lodge No. 143
152 N. Bird St. • 608-825-3925
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Superior**
Acacia-Itasca Lodge No. 329
3117 N. 21 St. • 715-392-4984
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Dark July & August
- Superior**
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Dark July & August
- Sussex**
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Dark July & August
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Dark July & August
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Union Grove Lodge No. 288
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Meet 2nd Saturday, 8:30 a.m.
Meets All Year
- Viroqua**
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118-1/2 S. Main • 608-637-7581 • Meet 1st &
& 3rd Wed., 7:30 p.m.; Meet 1st Wed. July, August
& Dec. • Dark January & February
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Waterloo Lodge No. 63
300 Hendricks Street • 920-478-2048 (Sec)
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Meets All Year
- Waukesha**
Waukesha Lodge No. 37
317 South Street • 262-542-6753
Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Waupaca**
Waupaca Lodge No. 123
105-1/2 N. Main Street • 715-258-2208
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Dark June, July & August
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Waupun Lodge No. 48
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Dark July & August
- Wausau**
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Dark July & August
- Wauwatosa**
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Dark July & August
- West Allis**
Day-Lite Lodge No. 358
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Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 9 a.m.
Dark July & August
- West Allis**
Wauwatosa Lodge No. 267
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Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 p.m.
Dark July & August
- West Allis**
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Meet 1st & 3rd Fridays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August
- West Bend**
West Bend Lodge No. 138
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Meets All Year
- West Salem**
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Dark July & August
- Whitefish Bay**
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Dark July & August
- Whitefish Bay**
Geo. Washington 1776 Lodge No. 337
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Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Whitewater**
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Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Wilmot**
Wilmot Lodge No. 241
30702 113th St. • 262-889-8181 (Sec)
Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dark July & August
- Winneconne**
Winneconne Lodge No. 186
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Meet 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 p.m.
Dark July & August
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Quarry Notes

William L. Stonecipher, Editor

• **Freemasons at Gettysburg** – The members of Silas Shepherd Lodge of Research and members of Owen Lodge present at the research lodge's quarterly meeting June 13 in Owen were treated to a most interesting feature program titled, "Freemasons at Gettysburg," a multi-media presentation prepared and presented by Bro. Lewis Mallow of Eau Claire. Bro. Mallow is a passionate student of Civil War history and lore.

His interest in Civil War history came to my attention in September 2001 when I attended a program by Bro. Lew on the life of Abraham Lincoln to a group of area Masons and guests at Northern Light Lodge in Mauston. The program was very well received.

In the intervening years Lew went on to offer this program to lodges at no cost (other than for his travel expenses) as a way to bring the public into the lodge. Several lodges took him up on his offer, to favorable reviews.

The presentation we saw in Owen about Freemasons at Gettysburg is but one of several programs Bro. Mallow has prepared about various aspects of the Civil War.

The presentation we saw was in the form of a slide show. It consists of original images from the battle site accompanied by his personal and recorded narration, images of paintings depicting various aspects of the battle as well as original images made on the actual battlefield.

Bro. Mallow's presentation offers a compelling dramatization of the battle peppered with vividly told tales of both Union and Confederate officers who were Freemasons. It is estimated that about 8,000 of the 160,000 soldiers who fought at Gettysburg were Master Masons.

The central question posed by Bro. Lew as his presentation unfolded was, "Would the principles of Freemasonry, that teach tolerance toward all mankind, and that Masons are bound together by bonds of Brotherly Love and Affection, survive within the framework of this brutal conflict?"

The answer was an unqualified "yes" as demonstrated time and again by officers and enlisted men alike — on both sides of this terrible three days of brutal mayhem at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania between July 1-3, 1863. "Regardless of the color of the uniform, compassion was shown among brother Masons," Bro. Mallow said, backing up this observation with several poignant stories of Masons caring for other Masons as best they could.

From the first Union soldier who observed the advance of Confederate forces, a Master Mason, to the famed encounter between Captain Henry Harrison Bingham and Brigadier General Lewis Addison Armistead, memorialized by the Friend-to-Friend Masonic Monument erected by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania at the battlefield in 1992 — and the heroics of our state's very own Col. Lucius Fairchild, a Master Mason from Madison, who commanded the 2nd Wisconsin Infantry of the Iron Brigade with great distinction as the battle raged, losing an arm at McPherson's Ridge. After the war Fairchild would go on to become Wisconsin Secretary of State (1864-65) and Governor (1866-72).

Urged on by brethren who requested copies of his presentation, Bro. Mallow this spring converted his "Freemasons at Gettysburg" program to DVD. He approached an Eau Claire production studio and they agreed to produce his presentation on a limited run basis. He said that to produce the DVD in the small quantity originally ordered was about \$1,000 and he is offering them for sale at his cost, which is \$10 plus \$3 for packaging and postage. His idea is that members of the Fraternity or lodges might wish to purchase a copy to use in promoting Freemasonry to the public. In this viewer's opinion the DVD is really very well done.

Copies may be ordered directly from Bro. Lew Mallow. His address is 550 Graham Ave. Apt. 209, Eau Claire, WI 54701. His phone is (715) 834-4321.



Brother Lew Mallow during his "Freemasons at Gettysburg" presentation at the Silas Shepherd Lodge of Research meeting June 13 at Owen Lodge. The hour-long program has recently been converted to DVD and can be purchased from Bro. Mallow for his cost of \$10 plus the cost of packaging and postage.



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A Message from Mary Millard -
Director of Fraternal Relations

LIFESTYLE
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Have you checked out the PillarsPlus Website?

You will find that there is *tons* of information for seniors on this website. For example, I received a call last month from a gentleman asking for information regarding assisted living. Of course, I spent some time talking about what is available at Compass Point and said I would send him information. The more we talked I realized that he really would like to stay in his community. He had grown up there and his children were within a couple of hours from him.

I asked him if he had a computer and he said he used the computer at the library. I mentioned the PillarsPlus website linked directly from www.threepillars.org. I spent some time looking at the material he may be interested in, but he said he wanted to try himself. Did you know that you can find *where* all assisted living facilities are in your county? The site also gives you guidelines on selecting a facility and much more.

Speaking of websites, I am hoping you are checking www.threepillars.org regularly as we have a number of wonderful programs coming up. You may also request information about any of our facilities.

P.S. The gentleman called back and said PillarsPlus was very informational. He was recommending it to his friends.

MasonWoods on beautiful Shawano Lake

We heard the fishing was good on Shawano Lake, and it is so nice to have it in our backyard. With the private boat launch and docking, it makes getting out on the lake that much easier. MasonWoods has its own pontoon boat that can be rented in case you don't have your own boat. Instead of "Hi, how are you?" our greeting on the lake is "Hi, see the fish biting?"



"Since we love to fish, MasonWoods on Shawano Lake was a big selling point for us. We are able to have our boat actually docked and ready to go - what a bonus!"
-Junior & Joy Eubank

Congratulations Scholarship Recipients

On July 1, the Glenn L. Humphrey Masonic Lodge #364 presented an \$1,000 scholarship to each of the following Three Pillars staff: Jenna Heinicke, LPN (patient RN), Wendy Rasch, Medical Records (patient Health Info Technology), and Kurt Esselman, Dining Services (patient Business Management). Three Pillars is pleased to support the ongoing development of their dedicated workforce.



Back row left to right: Lodge Member Edith Strutzman, Jan Swanson, Wigen Hoelke, Jerry Reim, Tom Niska, and Jerry Ploggsner. Front row: Lodge Member Al Berg, Three Pillars staff and scholarship recipients Jenna Heinicke, Kurt Esselman, and Wendy Rasch, and Lodge Member Bob Iskeno.

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An Outreach Website for Wisconsin Masonic Seniors

Visit www.threepillars.org

Click the "PillarsPlus Wisconsin Senior Resources" link for information about health care tips, general assistance resources, senior podcast programs, and much more.



As part of Wisconsin Masonic Home's continuing Outreach Program, Three Pillars has a Resource Guide Website which includes a set of internet links to help you with your basic questions about senior care issues. Visit our website today!

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Sunday, August 2nd
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Concerts in the Park

July 19th - The Doo-Wop Daddies
August 18th - Cream City Jazz Band

All concerts are from 1:30-3:00 p.m. in the picnic pavilion behind the Wisconsin Masonic Home in Dousman.

For more information, or to schedule a tour call 800.848.5306 / www.threepillars.org





DeMolay Presents Mothers Program

On May 12, 2009, Miriam Chapter No. 15, Platteville, hosted a dinner program for mothers in the Platteville area. A dinner was served at 6 p.m. and we invited Allen Chapter of the DeMolay, Dubuque, Iowa, to present their talk on mothers. The boys were our guests at dinner. What a surprise to us when they took over and served us our beverages and then cleared the tables and did the dishes! What fine young men! After the dinner and dishes, we settled in the chapter room which they had set up to their needs for the program complete with their altar and Bible. At the conclusion of the very meaningful program, each mother received a beautiful rose, either red or white — the meaning of which is described in the ceremony. Miriam Chapter presented Allen Chapter with a check for their charitable work, and our thanks for a great evening.



The Singing Stars

The Singing Stars of the Eastern Star Chapter No. 116 in Ellsworth are shown after visiting several of their members in and around Ellsworth. Pictured from left to right are: Connie Leonard, Mary Bristol, Noreen Falde, John O'Keefe and Janet Amdt. — Photo by Milt Helmer

The Order of the Eastern Star Perpetual Membership Plan

By making a one-time payment, you obtain a Perpetual Membership in your chapter and no further dues or per capita need be paid. Your monies are invested by the Grand Trustees who then make annual payment to your chapter for your dues, with the per capita for living perpetual members being paid directly to the Grand Secretary by the Grand Trustees.

Payments by the Grand Trustees continue in perpetuity and thus become an endowment for the further benefit of your chapter. The One-time payment is determined by the member's age and Chapter dues (including Grand Chapter per capita tax) multiplied by the factor below:

Member's Age	Factor	
18-33	20	49-54 17
34-41	19	55-60 16
42-48	18	61-74 15
		75+ 10

SISTERS & 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, 937 Euclid Ave, Beloit, WI 53511-6006. By e-mail at:

<stormkat@sbcglobal.net>

Please submit items by the 25th of the month two months prior to the intended month of publication. The summer issue for July and August is combined and will be published on July 2.

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Charitable Donations

Did you know that you could make tax exempt charitable donations to the Grand Chapter Charities? Checks should be made out to the Grand Chapter OES with the charity designated on the memo line. Your cancelled check or a letter certifying as to the amount of your donations from the Grand Secretary can be submitted to your tax preparer as proof of your gift.

Reminder: Donations for the Grand Chapter charities are to be sent to: Order of the Eastern Star - Wisconsin Grand Chapter, 36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI 53118-9349

If you have any questions, please contact the Grand Secretary Karen Carpenter, 908 Hill Point Ct., Poynette, WI 53955-9549. She will be happy to explain the procedure for making donations.

Grand Rep Receptions

July 13

St. Omar Chapter, Monroe, Honoring Sister Regina Meighan, Grand Representative of Nebraska at 7:30 p.m. at the Monroe Masonic Center, 1613 1/2 10th Street, Monroe, WI (On the square).

Reservations with names and titles to Elaine Engelke, phone (608)523-4134 or e-mail engelm@tds.net

July 26

Lemonweir Chapter, Mauston, Honoring Sister Vera Hughart, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania, 1 p.m. at the Tomah Masonic Lodge, 520 E. Saratoga Street, Tomah, WI.

Reservations requested by July 15 with names and titles to Wanda Hover, 506 West State St., Mauston, WI 53948 or e-mail: wandahover@hotmail.com

July 28

Kenosha Chapter, Kenosha, Honoring Sister Ruth Kunz, Grand Representative of Massachusetts, 7 p.m. at the Kenosha Masonic Center, 807-61st Street, Kenosha, WI (Parking lot is on the West side of building. Please enter door on West side.)

Reservations requested by July 14 with names and titles to Josephine Irvine, 3312 75th Street, Kenosha, WI 53142-4448 or e-mail: haubrichb@aol.com

August 30

Frederic Chapter, Frederic, Honoring Brother Duane Norgard, Grand Representative of Missouri, Dinner 1 p.m., Program 2 p.m. Wagon Train attire.

Reservations requested by August 15 with names and titles to Pat Beecher, 8811 Spangberg, Rd., Webster, WI 54893, (715)349-8021 or e-mail beecher@sirentel.net

Please join us for the fun and to honor Jim Sedall Worthy Grand Patron

The stands are set, we've found your trail, and laid out the bait pile, we hope you will find the lure irresistible and will come on in to feed.

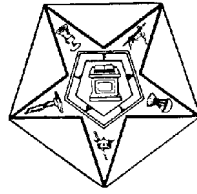
Have your hunting gear ready for action at our Hunting Camp at The Ridges Golf Course, 2311 Griffith Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids, WI on August 1, 2009.

Check in at 12 noon to chat and swap tall tales. The camp stew will be served at 1 p.m.

Deer Camp Menu

Split chicken breast and pork tenderloin, salad and cake. Hunting License Fee (cost) is \$23 per person. R.S.V.P to: Joye Kuhlka, 129 Fairview Lane, Nekoosa, WI 54457-1415. (715) 886-3493.

Reservations must be received by July 22, 2009 - Sorry no refunds. Please make checks payable to Rainbow Chapter #87.



Order of Eastern Star

Message From The WGM & WGP



Bobbi Jo Oyen

Worthy Grand Matron of Wisconsin

Jim Sedall

Worthy Grand Patron of Wisconsin

Dear Sisters and Brother,

As spring changes into summer, we have the opportunity to reflect on our past, and look forward to our plans for the ensuing year. We congratulate all of our Dazzling Dragonflies and Struttin' Bucks on their installations and are looking forward to be able to support you in your hopes and dreams.

We are looking forward to our receptions and hope that you will be able to join us for some fun and fellowship.

We would like to invite all OES members to spend an afternoon with

the Grand Officers at one of our exemplifications. They will be held at Ruth Chapter, LaCrosse, Acadia Chapter, Brookfield, and River Falls Chapter, River Falls. We would like to thank these chapters for opening their doors to us. Please check the calendar for dates and times.

While some of our chapters are dark in the summer, there are variety events that are happening in others. To keep us all informed of these happenings, we encourage you to submit your events to the Masonic Journal, Starburst and OES Website.

We would like to remind each of you about capturing the stone. If three or more members visit another chapter, they will capture all the stones of the hosting chapter. If more than one chapter is visiting, then the chapter with the most members captures the stones unless they have the same number of members, then the chapter that has traveled the farthest does. Please support each other in our activities and see how many stones that you can capture. We are looking forward to spending some time with you.

Making Ripples,
Bobbi Jo & Jim

Come to the Fair!!! Fun! Food! Friends!

You are cordially invited to the celebration for Sister Bobbi Jo Oyen, Worthy Grand Matron of Wisconsin July 25, 2009 at the Poynette Community Center, 106 S. Main St., Poynette, WI 53955 (Take I-90/1-94/1-39 to Exit 115, East on County CS approximately 4 miles to Main Street)

Social 1:30 p.m., Program: 3 p.m. Meal: 4 p.m. Cost: \$18.00, Dress is country fair casual.

Please send your Official Party Entry (Reservation) with Entry (Name), Class (Title) & Breed (Chapter) to: Kathy Oyen, Secretary, Queen Esther Chapter #4, W11210 Hwy 60, Lodi, WI 53555

Grand Representative Appointments

- Lois Hutchins, Martha, Jefferson - Vermont
- Charlotte Jinkins, Linden Chapter, Linden - Georgia
- Hilda Lipsey, Merrillan, Merrillan - Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
- Enid Riggle, Starlite, Madison - Arkansas
- Lesley Ross - Lemonweir, Mauston - Alberta
- Carol Sczygelski, Medford, Medford - Manitoba
- Bonnie Snyder - Electa, Milwaukee - Colorado
- Robert Stauffer, Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac - Australia
- John Heintz Taylor - Rob Morris, Palmyra - Tennessee

WGM/WGP and Chapter Calendar

Please verify all locations, dates and times before attending a meeting or event.

July

- 13 - Grand Representative Reception - St. Omar, Monroe, Regina Meaghan
- 17-19 - Rainbow Grand Assembly - International Order of Rainbow for Girls in Wisconsin, Annual Grand Assembly, McKinley Masonic Center, Brookfield, Wisconsin. Miss Brittny Blackwood, Grand Worthy Advisor presiding. Friday: Grand Banquet, 6 pm, Informal Opening 7:30 p.m.; Saturday: Grand Cross, 10 am, Formal opening and Initiation, 1:30 p.m.; Sunday: Installation of 2009-2010 officers, 10 am with Miss Tyffani Turner installed as Grand Worthy Advisor.
- 18 - Exemplification - Ruth Chapter, LaCrosse - 2 pm
- 25 - WGM Reception - Poynette
- 26 - Grand Representative Reception - Tomah - Vera Hughart
- 28 - Grand Representative Reception - Racine - Ruth Kuntz

August

- 1 - WGP Reception - The Ridges, Wisconsin Rapids
- 2 - Dousman Family Picnic
- 8 - Exemplification - Acadia Chapter, Brookfield, 2 pm
- 10 - Multi-State Friendship Night - Dayton, Ohio
- 14-16 - Quad Exchange - Sioux Falls, SD
- 22 - Jobie Jamboree
- 29 - Exemplifications - River Falls, 2 pm
- 30 - Grand Representative Reception, Frederic - Duane Norgard

Wisconsin Masonic Calendar

July 2009

- 11 Past Grand Masters' Donor Reception, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Village on the Square, Dousman. Special guest is Bro. Ernest Borgnine. GM
- 12 8th Annual Lake Country Masonic Charities Golf Outing sponsored by Dousman Lodge No. 315, at Western Lake Golf Club in Pewaukee. The \$100 fee includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch and dinner. Scramble format, shotgun start at 12 noon. Dinner at 6 p.m. Dinner only is \$40 per person. Registrations deadline was July 3. Call Bro. Chuck Bayer at (262) 965-3121 for availability of additional registrations.
- 16 First annual Madison Area Combined Masonic Summer Steak Fry and Golf Outing at Dodge Point Country Club. Contact Bro. Paul Hellingsted by e-mail at <chpar@charter.net> for entry form & sponsor info.
- 17-19 International Order of Rainbow for Girls in Wisconsin, Annual Grand Assembly, McKinley Masonic Center, Brookfield, Miss Betty Blackwood, Grand Worthy Advisor presiding. Friday: Grand Banquet, 6 p.m., Informal Opening and 7:30. Saturday: Grand Cross, 10 a.m. Formal opening and initiation at 1:30 p.m. Sunday: Installation of 2009-2010 officers at 10 a.m. with Miss Tyfani Turner being installed as Grand Worthy Advisor.
- 20 7th Annual Lake Country Masonic Golf Outing sponsored by Oconomowoc-Hartland Lodge No. 42 to benefit "Pay It Forward" campaign. Legend at Brandybrook Golf Course. Complete information & registration at <www.lakecountryma sonicgolfouting.com>.
- 23-26 DeMeley Conclave, Beloit College, Beloit GM (July 25)
- 23-25 Masonic All-Star Games Masonic Youth Soccer Camp, Marian University, Fond du Lac, Thursday through Saturday A new 17th annual Masonic Soccer All-Star Soccer Games" event for 2009. GM (July 23)
- 24-25 Masonic All-Star Games Soccer Camp for Players - Friday through Saturday at Marian University, Fond du Lac.
- 25 Masonic All-Star Soccer Games' Recognition Banquet 8 a.m., Naber Hall, Marian University, Fond du Lac
- 25 17th Annual Masonic All-Star Soccer Games - Women's All-Star Soccer Game at 11 a.m., Men's All-Star Soccer Game at 1 p.m., Marian University's soccer stadium. GM
- 26 Sauk Prairie Lodge No. 113 150th Anniversary & Lodge Rededication, Prairie du Sac, 4 p.m. GM

August 2009

- 2 Third Annual Friends & Family Festival at Three Pillars Campus in Dousman, Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. GM

- 2 Freemasons Lodge No. 363, Waukesha Lodge No. 37 and West Allis Lodge No. 291 combined First Annual Summer Picnic & Golf Outing at Western Lakes Country Club.
- 8 "Scramble for Books" golf event sponsored by Oshkosh Lodge No. 27 at Westhaven Golf Club in Oshkosh. Contact Brother Rick Yell at <ryell04@yahoo.com> for entry form.
- 10 Teddy Bear Golf Classic V, Muskego Lakes Country Club, to benefit Milwaukee's 32nd Degree Children's Learning Center. No. 27 at Westhaven Golf Club in Oshkosh. Registration deadline is July 25. For \$124.99 per golfer. Registration information phone Tom Kohli at (414) 241-7070
- 15 Shell Lake Lodge Friend's Night, Shell Lake Lodge, 7 p.m. GM
- 16 Golf Outing Lincoln Lodge, Richfield, 4 p.m. GM
- 17 Shawano Lodge Table Lodge, Shawano, 7 p.m. GM
- 21-23 Job's Daughters 50th Annual Jamboree, Green Lake Center, GM
- 22 Grand Lodge Summer Full Staff Mtg., Green Lake Convention Center, GM

September 2009

- 19 First "Taking Masonry to the People" Seminar, Antigo, 10 a.m.
- 20 WALK to Help Children with Dyslexia - Milwaukee Yacht Club for a 5K Walk/Run & Picnic. Walk begins at 1p.m. \$15 for adults, \$5 for students. Picnic to follow at \$5 each. Registration information at 262-376-8868
- 26 "Williams Lodge" training session at West Allis Lodge. Seminar from 9 until noon.
- 27 Job's Daughters Grand Guardian and Associate Grand Guardian Reception, Racine Masonic Center.

October 2009

- 10 Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Wisconsin 150th Anniversary, 2:30 p.m. at the N.E.W. Masonic Center, Green Bay. Full-form opening, address & program. Open to the public. 150th Anniversary Banquet to follow at Beja Shrine at 6 p.m. Social hour 5 p.m. Special entertainment. Reservations to the Anniversary Committee at (262) 965-2200 or by e-mail at <pinatofe@prodigy.net>.

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