Thur 1 Honor Chapter #1 OES stated meeting 7:00

8 H.S Baird Stated Meeting 6:30, Closed Installation of Officers following the meeting

15 OES Special Meeting - Coast Guard Christmas Party

22 H.S Baird- No Meeting

24 Christmas Eve

25 Merry Christmas

Stated Communications Second and Fourth Thursday Evenings of Each Month 6:30 pm

Henry S. Waird Lodge No. 174 f. & A.M

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

Greetings everyone,

December 2016

Where has the year gone? It seems like just the other day I was installed as Master of the lodge. It has been a fun and rewarding experience. I would like to thank everyone that has helped me along the way. I'm also glad that I was able to participate as master of a degree during my year. It is great to see a new member joining the Lodge with great enthusiasm! Charles is on track to have his Master Mason examination and degree in January. I'm looking forward to that. For our December meeting Mitch will be having his installation on our normal meeting night after the stated meet. I invite my brothers to join us for this meeting to welcome Mitch as our new master. Thanks for a great year and happy holidays.

Until next time

Rick-WM

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Honor Chapter No. 1, G.E.S.

December 2016

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We honored the Masons at our November special meeting. Thirteen of our brothers turned out for the evening. A dinner was served before the meeting sponsored by Henry S. Baird Lodge. A big thank you to Brother Ed Klein for all his work with food preparation and cleanup. Sister Alice and Brother Jim Byrnes presented an interesting program. They brought many items, some very old, that are on display at the Northeast Wisconsin Library and Museum located in the Masonic Center in Green Bay. The members and visitors were able to get a good look at and even handle the various pieces. Those in attendance found the program very interesting and enjoyable. It was wonderful to get a chance to learn the history of these antiques while getting to better know our Brothers.

Hope you all had a nice Thanksgiving. Sister Sharon Sullivan purchased the gift certificate at Econo Foods for our social services family. Hopefully Honor Chapter helped to make their Thanksgiving a happy one.

Christmas will be here before we know it. Our Chapter is also purchasing and wrapping gifts for the family. We sure appreciate all of Sister Sharon's hard work. She really made an effort to see that the children don't miss out on those special toys that they are wishing for. Thank you for all the time and effort you've put into this project, Sharon!

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We are continuing to work on our Coast Guard Christmas Party that will be held at our special meeting on December 15th. It should be a fun time, with a special appearance from the "Big Man" himself. Please join us for some Christmas cheer.

Honor Chapter will be helping with the Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Econo Foods again this year. We will be circulating a sign-up sheet at our December 1st meeting. We would appreciate your help in making worthy project a success.

Reminder: Honor Chapter will be dark during the months of January and February.

Your Worthy Patron, Tom Pinney and I would like to wish you all a very Blessed Christmas and a Healthy Happy New Year!

Sue Shefchik Tom Pinney

Worthy Matron Worthy Patron

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<u>FC DEGREE</u>---Charles Wolfe passed his EA examination, using the new posting, at a special meeting on November 7, 2016. He chose to recite the obligation from memory. He was passed to the degree of FC at our stated meeting on November 10, 2016 with 21 in attendance.

<u>MM DEGREE</u>---Charles Wolfe's MM degree is tentatively scheduled (subject to work commitments) for Thursday January 19 starting at 4pm. Dinner will be served at 6pm and the degree finished after supper. A very short business meeting will follow. Please mark your calendar. We will be calling shortly to set up the degree team participants.

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<u>Transfer of Membership to H.S.BAIRD #174---</u> Robert Alva Maves petition to transfer his membership from Anchor and Ark #1027 Waukegan IL to HSB #174 was voted on favorably at our stated meeting on November 10, 2016. He is the Grandfather of FC Charles Wolfe. Br. Maves is a retired Chiropractor who lives in Ellison Bay.

OES HONOR MASONS---the OES honored masons on November 17th at7pm. Worthy Matron Sue Shefchik had a short program about masons and our relationship with the OES and the world. Following, Jim and Alice Byrnes from the Northeast Wisconsin Masonic Library & Museum (NWML&M) in Green Bay presented a program entitled "Artifacts Will Travel" where they discussed various masonic artifacts and passed them around allowing each person to see and handle them. They brought two friends along to help them. Those present learned a lot about masonry from the artifacts.

<u>The NWML&M</u> is an Exempt Private Operation Foundation by IRS definition and donations are deductible. It is housed in the lower level of the Northeast Wisconsin Masonic Center at 525 N. Taylor St. Green Bay, WI 54303. The NWML&M has a large collection of Books and Artifacts and is the area repository for Masonic artifacts. For more information contact Alice Byrnes Director of Library Services Home 920.824.5022, cell 920.304.2981 or Thomas S. Pinney, Jr. president 920.493.3727.

2017 DUES NOTICES--- The dues notices were sent out in early November with options to purchase Donated Steamboat Dinner Tickets and/or contribute to the cost of updating the sound system in the Lodge/Chapter room. The 38 Living Perpetual Members and the 7 members whose dues were remitted have received their dues cards. The other 55 Regular and Plural Members will be mailed their dues card on receipt of their dues payment. We have a total of 100 members. As of 11/22/16 we have received 15 dues payments from non-perpetual members. In addition our brothers have donated \$2,795 for Donated SBD Tickets to be given to Social Services, LSCAP & The Sunshine House to be distributed by them for the 2017 Steamboat Dinner on March 11, 2017. Six hundred fifty-six dollars were contributed to the cost (\$3,500) of upgrading the sound system in the Lodge/Chapter room. What a wonderful response. Thanks to all who have responded. We are a very active, generous, and responsive Lodge!

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HOLIDAY DELIVERED DINNER--- The event happened on Saturday November 12th. The dinners were delivered to 209 selected Social Services clients. The meal was prepared under the supervision of Br. Mike DalSanto with the assistance of Br. Geoff Pinney. Packaging was done at the lodge and the meals delivered to the clients. We had 4 Boy Scouts helping as part of their program. Thirty-eight dinners went to Washington Island via the Washington Island Ferry. Thanks to all who helped in making this event a huge success The Dinner was funded jointly by the HSB and OES.

BELL RINGING---We will be bell ringing for the Salvation Army again this year on December 10th at Econo-Foods from 9A to 7P.This again is a joint venture with the OES. Br. Ed Klein is chair; please contact him for information and time slots to ring. Bring your kids or grand-kids as it is a great learning experience for them. This is always a fun time. We even provide a couple of bands to entertain while we ring.

<u>BUDGET FOR 2017---</u>We will be discussing and approving the 2017 budget at our meeting on December 8, 2016. We have several decisions to make since the OES will no longer be contributing to the building maintenance or the newsletter in lieu of a lump sum payment of \$29,760.55 to the lodge which has been added to our investments. We will need to decide on whether to continue to fund high school scholarships.

<u>INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS---</u>HSB#174 will have installation of officers at the end of its stated meeting on December 8, 2016. Br. Mitch Custer will be installed WM. This will be a closed installation.

For up to date Masonic information, go to our website **www.hsbaird.com**.



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