



District 4 Newsletter

October 21, 2019 Edition

Our Vision:

"We will be the preeminent fraternity of choice for men of quality and vision who seek personal knowledge, moral growth and leadership development; ultimately improving the individual Mason, his community, and the world."

Brothers of District 4,

Thank you to the Brothers of Tri-County Daylite Lodge for hosting the Fall District Meeting on 10/12. Details of the meeting are provided below and copies of the presentations will be available shortly.

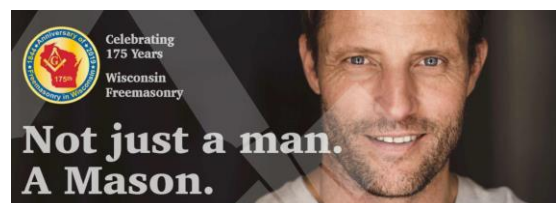
November is nearly here and that means officer elections and 2020 planning. Please make sure your detailed calendar of events is sent to me for inclusion in this email. Secretaries and WM's remember that dues and annual reports are also just around the corner.

Other notable Masonic November events throughout history...

- **November 6, 1876** – [Order of the Eastern Star](#) first General Grand Chapter formed in Indianapolis, Indiana.
- **November 21, 1838** – Grand Lodge of [Arkansas](#) Founded*
- **November 30, 1835** – Samuel Langhorne Clemens, aka [Mark Twain](#), – d. April 21, 1910. Author, humorist lecturer, and father of American literature.
- **November 30** – *Saint Andrews Day* – The Feast of Saint Andrew

Until we meet in Lodge,

Christian Hirthe, DDGM-4



District 4 Team

We are here to serve you, Brothers! Please reach out to us if you have any questions, concerns, or if you would like us to attend an upcoming lodge function.

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Area 1: Shawano, Clintonville, Antigo, Crandon, Mason Woods

Area 2: Washington, Des Peres, Henry S. Baird, Theodore Roosevelt, N.E.W. Daylite

Area 3: Marinette, Pine, Tri-County Daylite, Hiram Fisher, Oconto Falls

District 4 Fall Meeting

Thank you to all of the Brothers who took time out of their weekend to attend the District 4 fall meeting. Below is a copy of the agenda for your reference as well as a few pictures. If you would like electronic copies of any of the printed materials, please do not hesitate to ask. Thank you to all of the guests and speakers who make the event interesting. Last, but not least, thank you to Tri-County Daylite Lodge for hosting us. Your generosity and friendliness were amazing!

PROGRAM

9:30 am	Coffee & Doughnuts (Freewill Offering)
10:00 am	Opening Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance Welcome, Review Agenda
10:15 am	Grand Chaplain - Dave Leistra
10:30 am	Lodge Introductions & Announcements
10:45 am	Ritual Education – Lecturer Moses Adams
11:00 am	District Information
11:15 am	Area Breakouts
11:30 am	Guest Speaker – Arianna Neumeyer
11:45 am	Guest Speaker – Judy Paust
12:00 pm	Closing Prayer & Lunch (Freewill Offering)

District Information

- **Back to Basics:** Lodge Excellence Awards, Lodge Inspections, Degree Matrix, Acts of Kindness Matching Grants, 2020 Planning (EOY Reports, Installations, Budgets, Events, and Membership Growth)
- **Grand Lodge of Wisconsin Strategic Plan**
- **Interview Committee Process**

Guest Speakers

- **Judy Paust, Worthy Matron of Trillium Chapter #208 Order of the Eastern Star**
“Introduction to OES” and “Creation of Governor Thompson State Park”
- **Arianna Neumeyer, Aquatic Invasive Species Educator for the Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance**
“Clean Boats, Clean Waters”



Brother Dave Leistra, Grand Chaplain



Arianna Neumeyer, Guest Speaker



Ritual Education by
Lecturer Moses Adams



District Team and Guest Speakers Judy Paust and Arianna Neumeyer



Attending Brothers

Schools Of Instruction

Additional Details will be provided; however, please mark the following dates and times on your personal and Lodge calendars. Each Master should plan for his school and encourage his officers and members to attend.

- January 18, 2020 – Henry S. Baird #174 @ 9am (Sturgeon Bay)
- January 22, 2020 – Des Peres #85 @ 7pm (Green Bay)
- February 18, 2020 – Theodore Roosevelt #322 @ 6:30pm (Green Bay)
- March 21, 2020 – Mason Woods #368 Hosting @ 9am (Shawano)
 - Shawano #170
 - Clintonville #197
 - Antigo #231
 - Mason Woods #368
- April 4, 2020 – Oconto Falls #293 Hosting @ 9am (Oconto Falls)
 - Marinette #182
 - Pine #188
 - Oconto Falls #293
- April 9, 2020 – N.E.W. Daylite #360 @ 10am (Green Bay)
- April 16, 2020 – Washington #21 @ 7pm (Green Bay)
- April 18, 2020 – Tri-County Daylite # 218 Hosting @ 9am (Crivitz)
 - Tri-County Daylite #218
 - Hiram Fisher #222
 - Crandon #287

Traveling Gavel

The District Traveling Gavel is currently at Shawano Lodge #170. Come steal it before they can deliver it to you! Let's get this gavel around the entire District before the end of the Masonic year!



Grand Lodge of Wisconsin Reports/Reminders

- **Lodge Inspections:**

At the request of the Grand Master, the District Deputy will complete a lodge inspection for all lodges in their District by February 15, 2020. Please ensure that your lodge is compliant with the expectations ([link](#)). Questions include: Minutes completeness, Budget, By-laws, Sarbannes-Oxley binder, MORI usage, Wisconsin Masonic Code access. Inspections will start in October.

- **Important Time Lines:**

Report	Send To	Date Due
Non-payment of Dues	Grand Lodge	Nov 1 st and Dec 1 st
Certificate of Election	Grand Lodge	Immediately after Installation/Election
Audit Lodge Finances	Lodge	End of WM's year
Junior Warden Report	Junior Grand Warden	Dec 15 th
Preliminary Recapitulation & Membership Report	Grand Lodge	Dec 31 st
Lodge Budget	DDGM	Feb 15 th
LEA Award	DDGM	Feb 15 th
Financials	Grand Secretary	Feb 15 th
Reconcile Final Recapitulation Report	Grand Lodge	Mar 1 st
File any Resolution to Present at AC	Grand Secretary	75 days prior to AC
WMF Matching Scholarship Deadline	Grand Lodge	Apr 1 st



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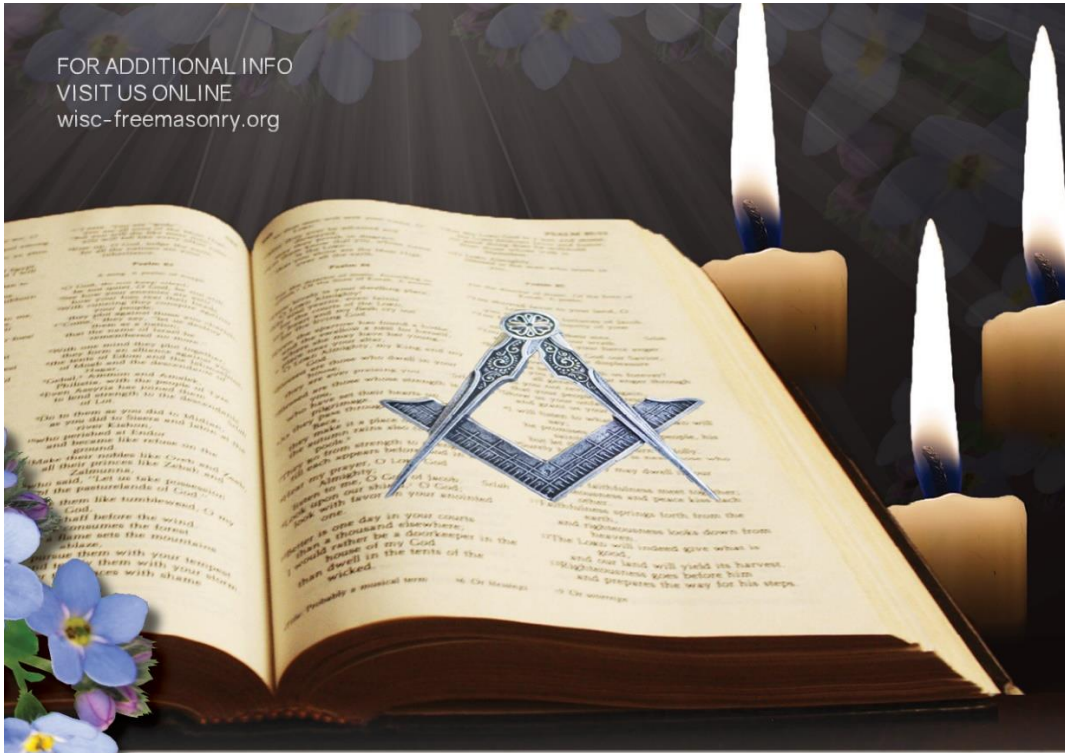
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MASONIC DAY OF LIGHT

Tomah
OCT-19

Tomah Lodge No. 132
520 E Saratoga St - Tomah, WI

Sheboygan
NOV-2

Historic Masonic Center
411 St. Clair Ave. - Sheboygan, WI

A mentor must accompany each candidate. \$85 per candidate; includes refreshments and lunch for the candidate and his mentor, a presentation apron, holy writings, posting booklets, and a keepsake square and compasses. Each Lodge's "usual fees" must apply.

Brothers. This fall we will be the second Masonic Days of Light. The next event is scheduled as follows and registration is open!

[Sheboygan #11 - November 2nd](#)

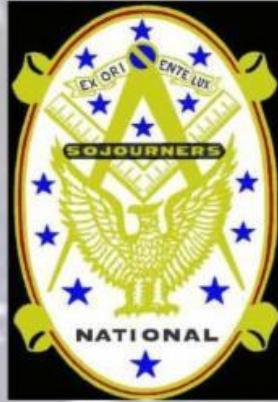
Mark your calendars and start thinking about candidates. Remember that the Day of Light isn't just about getting new candidates but is also a great way of getting those guys who have stalled out in either their EA or FC. Check your Lodge rosters and see if there is anyone who can use the Day of Light to complete their Masonic Journey.

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Through the Lodge of Military Tribute Program, Flag Presentations, support of Youth Leadership Conferences, ROTC and JROTC Medal presentations, NSI has become an exceptional resource for all Lodges in Wisconsin and the community at large. Our Military and Honorable members provide direct support to the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin on all matters Veteran, including the Grand Lodge Permanent Veteran's Pin initiative. NSI provides recognition, education and opportunities for our citizens to more fully appreciate and love our Veterans and this Republic. By so doing we seek to promote the ideals of our forefathers which made the United States of America a singularly unique and exceptional nation based on equality, justice, and liberty.

Interested in becoming a National Sojourner in Wisconsin?

Contact milw27soj@gmail.com

or WB Bob Roth, National President Elect, at 414-708-5830.

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Lodge Activities

Washington #21 | 1st & 3rd Thu @ 7pm | Dark Jul & Aug

- November 7 – **Tall Timbers of Tyre Degree** at 6pm. Cost of this optional program is \$20 and there is a strict limit of 75 petitions for the event. Doors will open at 6pm with snacks and fellowship prior to the degree.
- December 19 – Stated communication – Ugly Christmas sweater night.
- December 13 – **Public Installation of Officers for the Green Bay Lodges** at 7pm at the Beja Shrine Building at 1950 Bond Street, Green Bay, WI.
- January 16 – Cigars & Cards at Prohibitions from 7-9pm
- February 20 – Past Master's Dinner at 1951. Cocktails @ 6pm, Dinner @ 6:30. \$15/person, \$5 for Past Master's, Free for Lodge Widows (Excluding Bar)
- March 19 – Meeting to be held at Heritage Hill State Park
- April 16 – **School of Instruction** for Washington #21 @ 7pm (Green Bay)
- April 30 – Cribbage Tournament
- May 7 – James L Fox Masonic Awards Dinner at Beja Shrine. Dinner @ 6:30pm, Presentation @ 7:15pm. \$15/person, \$5 for youth.
- June 18 – Stated communication. Hawaiian shirt night.
- July – Lodge Picnic with Roosevelt
- August 8 – 3rd Annual Golf Outing. Cart fees covered by Lodge. \$40 per person
- September 17 – School of Instruction
- October 13 – Table Lodge with Roosevelt
- October – Parking cars at Beja Shrine. Exact dates TBD.
- November – Tall Timbers of Tyre degree. Exact date TBD.
- December 11 – Installation of Officers. 6pm officers arrive, 7pm installation starts

Des Peres #85 | 2nd & 4th Wed @ 7pm Jan - Jun | Dark Jul & Aug

- December 13 – **Public Installation of Officers for the Green Bay Lodges** at 7pm at the Beja Shrine Building at 1950 Bond Street, Green Bay, WI.
- January 22 – **School of Instruction** for Des Peres #85 @ 7pm (Green Bay)

Shawano #170 | 1st & 3rd Thu @ 7pm | Dark Jan & Feb

- November 7 – Stated communication with 2020 Officer Election and budget vote.
- December 7 – **Installation of Officers** at the Shawano Masonic Center at 3:30pm followed by a dinner at 5pm. Installation will be for Shawano, Mason Woods, Clintonville, Manawa, Oconto, Antigo, and Oconto Falls.
- March 21 – **School of Instruction** for Shawano #170. Mason Woods #368 Hosting @ 9am (Cecil)

Henry S. Baird #174 | 2nd & 4th Thu @ 6:30pm | Dark Jul & Aug

- October 31 – Lodge Officers Quarterly meeting at 5pm September 25, 2019
- November 9 – Holiday Dinner for SS Delivered. Begins at 11:30am at lodge building
- December 7 – Ring Bells for Salvation Army at Econo Foods from 9am – 9pm
- December 14 - Ring Bells for Salvation Army at Econo Foods from 9am – 9pm
- January 18 – **School of Instruction** for Henry S. Baird #174 @ 9am (Sturgeon Bay)
- March 14 – Steamboat Dinner

Marinette #182 | 1st Thu @ 7:30pm

- November 7 – Dispensation to attend Tall Timbers of Tyre degree at Washington Lodge
- November 14 – Stated communication (dispensation due to above). Election of 2020 officers.
- November 9 – **Magic Show** at the University of Wisconsin at 4:30pm.
- April 4 – **School of Instruction** for Marinette #182. Oconto Falls #293 Hosting @ 9am (Oconto Falls).
- June 20, 2020 - **2020 Annual Golf Fundraiser** at the Little River Country Club.

Pine #188 | 2nd Mon @ 7:30pm | Dark Dec & Jan

- November 11 – **EA Degree**. Also election of 2020 officers.
- December 7 – **Installation of Officers** at the Shawano Masonic Center at 3:30pm followed by a dinner at 5pm. Installation will be for Shawano, Mason Woods, Clintonville, Manawa, Oconto, Antigo, and Oconto Falls.
- April 4 – **School of Instruction** for Pine #188. Oconto Falls #293 Hosting @ 9am (Oconto Falls).

Clintonville #197 | 1st & 3rd Mon @ 7pm | Dark Jan – Mar

- November 4 – Stated communication. Vote on 2020 budget and changing of the by-laws. Election of officers.
- December 7 – **Installation of Officers** at the Shawano Masonic Center at 3:30pm followed by a dinner at 5pm. Installation will be for Shawano, Mason Woods, Clintonville, Manawa, Oconto, Antigo, and Oconto Falls.
- March 21 – **School of Instruction** for Clintonville #197. Mason Woods #368 Hosting @ 9am (Cecil)

Tri-County Daylite #218 | 1st Wed @ 6pm

NOTE: Stated communication day and time change

due to recently approved by-laws change beginning in November.

- November 15 - Brat fry at Pelkins Smokey Meats Market from 9am – 4pm.
- April 18 – **School of Instruction** for Tri-County Daylite # 218. Tri-County Daylite #218 Hosting @ 9am (Crivitz)

Hiram D. Fisher #222 | 2nd Wed @ 6:30pm

- Nov 22 – Hunters Dinner
- April 18 – **School of Instruction** for Hiram Fisher #222. Tri-County Daylite #218 Hosting @ 9am (Crivitz)

Antigo #231 | 2nd Mon @ 7pm | Dark Jul & Aug

- December 7 – **Installation of Officers** at the Shawano Masonic Center at 3:30pm followed by a dinner at 5pm. Installation will be for Shawano, Mason Woods, Clintonville, Manawa, Oconto, Antigo, and Oconto Falls.
- March 21 – **School of Instruction** for Antigo #231. Mason Woods #368 Hosting @ 9am (Cecil)

Crandon #287 | 2nd & 4th Tues @ 7pm | Dark Jan & Feb

- April 18 – **School of Instruction** for Crandon #287. Tri-County Daylite #218 Hosting @ 9am (Crivitz)

Oconto Falls #293 | 1st Mon @ 7pm | Except September – 2nd Mon

- October 28 – Fellowcraft Degree
- Nov 3 – Meat Raffle at The Steel Moose. Noon.
- December 7 – **Installation of Officers** at the Shawano Masonic Center at 3:30pm followed by a dinner at 5pm. Installation will be for Shawano, Mason Woods, Clintonville, Manawa, Oconto, Antigo, and Oconto Falls.
- April 4 – **School of Instruction** for Oconto Falls #293. Oconto Falls #293 Hosting @ 9am (Oconto Falls)

Theodore Roosevelt #322 | 1st & 3rd Tue @ 6:30pm | Dark Jul & Aug

- October 30 – **Special 100th Anniversary Dinner** to recognize the 1st organized lodge meeting of Roosevelt 100 years ago. 5:30pm – 8pm.
- November 19 – **EA Degree** at 6:30pm.
- December 6 – Lodge Christmas party. Social hour at 5:30pm, Dinner at 6:30pm.
- December 13 – **Public Installation of Officers for the Green Bay Lodges** at 7pm at the Beja Shrine Building at 1950 Bond Street, Green Bay, WI.
- February 18 – **School of Instruction** for Theodore Roosevelt #322 @ 6:30pm (Green Bay)
- June 13, 2020 – **100th Anniversary & Re-consecration**
- July – Lodge Picnic with Washington
- October 13 – Table Lodge with Roosevelt
- December 11 – Installation of Officers. 6pm officers arrive, 7pm installation starts

N.E.W. Daylite #360 | 2nd Thu @ 10am | Dark Jul & Aug

- December 13 – **Public Installation of Officers for the Green Bay Lodges** at 7pm at the Beja Shrine Building at 1950 Bond Street, Green Bay, WI.
- April 9 – **School of Instruction** for N.E.W. Daylite #360 @ 10am (Green Bay)

Mason-Woods #368 | 3rd Tue @ 10am

- November 5 – Stated communication. Vote on 2020 budget and election of officers.
- November 19 – Sauerkraut Dinner at 5:30pm in the Jackson Room of Mason Woods.
- December 7 – **Installation of Officers** at the Shawano Masonic Center at 3:30pm followed by a dinner at 5pm. Installation will be for Shawano, Mason Woods, Clintonville, Manawa, Oconto, Antigo, and Oconto Falls.
- March 21 – **School of Instruction** for Mason-Woods #368. Mason Woods #368 Hosting @ 9am (Cecil)



Washington #21 & Theodore Roosevelt #322

Joint Table Lodge on October 17



News from Job's Daughters Bethel #32 of Green Bay



The 10th Annual Bowling Party for
Job's Daughters Bethel #32 of Green Bay, WI
will be Sponsoring
Samathana Andersen
Youth HIKE Coordinator
for the State of Wisconsin.

All benefits are for HIKE

The HIKE Fund is the philanthropic project of
Job's Daughters International!
HIKE stands for
Hearing Improvement Kids Endowment.
HIKE awards that money to
families who cannot afford hearing devices for their kids.

Please join us on
Sunday November 17, from 2-4pm
at the Ashwaubenon Bowling Alley,
2929 Allied St, Green Bay, WI 54304.

The cost is \$25 per person
and that includes shoe rental,
2 hours of bowling,
door prizes, and soda.

There will be a silent auction too!!

Once again the bowling alley
will be donating 10% of the
receipts of food and nonalcoholic beverages
purchased on site to HIKE!

Yippee! Don't forget to turn in your receipt that day to Dad Jeff Andersen!

**RSVP by November 10, 2019 to Mom Stephanie Andersen via
email: jeffnstephy@hotmail.com or call/text to 920-366-4576**



Beja Shriners Fall Ceremonial

Saturday, October 26, 2019, 10:30 am

Class Honoree: Eugene 'Gene' Reece, PP

Last Call For Reservations

Future Events



Weekends in October



Click Image for Details

**Beja Hillbillies Bus Trip to the Great
Smokey Mountains**

'Spirits Trail of the Smokies'

October 29 - Nov 1, 2019

Open to All!



November Open Meeting
Wednesday, November 6, 2019
'Parade To Glory'



Click Image for Details

Beja's Sportsman's Night
Saturday, November 9, 2019, 5:30 pm
 Raffle Drawing, Bucket Raffles
 Appetizers, Cash Bar



Click Image for Details

Bethel 32 HIKE Bowling Event
Sunday, November 17, 2019



Click Image for Details

Breakfast With Santa
Sunday, December 8, 2019



January Stated Meeting
Thursday, January 2, 2020
Installation of Officers



December Stated Meeting
Wednesday, December 4, 2019
Election of Officers

You Must Have A Current Dues Card to Vote

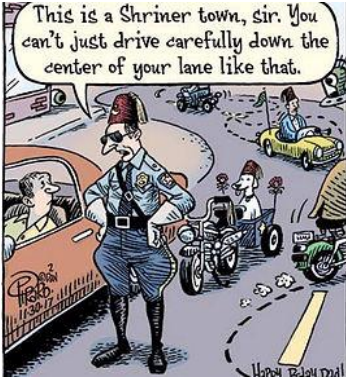


Public Installation of Officers
Saturday, January 4, 2020,
Rock Garden
Reception follows at Beja



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February Open Meeting
Wednesday, February 5, 2020
Celebrating Love to The Rescue



2019 PARADE SCHEDULE

Dec 7 - Howard Christmas Parade

(If I missed a parade your unit is participating in, please let me know. [Editor.](#))