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Calendar of Events:

- January 10th – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm
- January 12th – Masonic Day of Light – Oshkosh – 8:00 am
- January 24th – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm
- January 26th – H.S. Baird – School of Instruction – 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
- February 14th – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm
- Possible Ladies of the Table lodge in February.
- February 28th – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm
- March 7th – Honor Chapter – Stated Meeting – 7:00 pm
- March 8th – Set Up for Steam Boat Dinner – Morning
- March 9th – Steam Boat Dinner
- March 14th – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm
- March 21th – Honor Chapter – Special Meeting – 7:00 pm
- March 28th – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

**Henry S. Baird Lodge #174 meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm,
except July and August**

**Honor Chapter #1, Order of Easter Star meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month
at 7:00 pm, except January and February (See Calendar above)**

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

Worshipful Master's Column

Hello Brethren,

Thank you all for attending the installation of officers and the Entered Apprentice degree held on December 13th. This was a very busy and enjoyable evening. I am so very pleased that so many of you chose to attend this important event in the life of our lodge. I would like to extend a very special thank you to Eastern Star for their work in preparing the meal before installation. It was a great way to start this new year as the Master of the H. S. Baird lodge.

A very special thank you also goes out to Brother Tom Pinney PM, the installing officer and his team, and for organizing the installation and also for directing the degree team this evening.

It is my hope that in 2019 we will bring a refreshed interest in the lodge and the ideals of Masonry, which are such an important part of the lives of the members of this lodge. When the community sees your good works, they will want to support our organization too.

I plan to have a Ladies at the Table event in February, at which we would host our Sisters from Eastern Star along with our wives. This was an entertaining evening when we hosted in the past. More details to come!

To further our knife and fork comradery, I would also like to bring back the meals before lodge meeting. This will require the assistance of the Brothers of the Lodge. I'm look forward to hearing your ideas on how to make this a successful.

Happy News Years.

Bill Schaefer WM

Worthy Matron's Column

Honor Chapter is dark during the months of January and February. We look forward to seeing everyone again beginning in March.

Peace and Love....

Connie Skarvan Tom Pinney Jr
Worthy Matron Worthy Patron

PS–If you need transportation to our meetings, just let me (920-388-4472) or any other officer know, and we'll make arrangements to get you there.

Secretary/Treasurer's Column

Secretary/Treasurer Henry S. Baird #174 Thomas S. Pinney, Jr. Contacts; ph.920.493.3727 or email tompinney@charter.net

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES--- The following 2019 officers of Henry S. Baird #174 were Installed on December 13, 2018 at an open installation; WM William Schaefer, SW, Ross Chapman, JW Rick Rogers, SD Geoffrey Pinney, JD Ben Miller, S/T Thomas S. Pinney, Jr., Chaplain Ed Klein, Councilor Mark Fischer, SS Brandon Vogel, JS Steve Schaefer, Tiler Alvin Briggs, and Trustee for 3 years Mitch Custer.

PETITIONS FOR DEGREES--- We have received 1 new petition for degrees which has been forwarded to the GL for their review. We also expect another petition for degrees shortly.

EA DEGREE--- Mr. Andrew Franklin Starr was initiated an EA on December 13th. Twenty-two brothers were present.

FC DEGREE---As soon as Brothers Richard Norton and Ryan Kaye complete their EA posting we will be scheduling their FC Degree

2019 DUES--- Seventy-six of our 94 members have paid their 2019 dues. We appreciate their quick response.

STEAMBOAT DINNER DONATED TICKETS & CAPITAL FUND FOR SOFFIT REPAIRS---We have received with Dues payment an additional \$4,131 for 2019 Donated Steamboat Dinner Tickets and \$872 towards the Soffit Fund. Many thanks to our generous brothers. If you have yet not donated to these causes---

Please consider the 2 opportunities to serve the community and help the lodge.

1. **THE FIRST FUND IS THE STEAMBOAT DINNER TICKETS WE DONATE EACH YEAR.** Last year we were able to supply 614 meals, to Door County Social Services (ADRC), Lakeshore Cap, Sunshine House, and Door County Medical Center. **This year we have a goal of 625 as we are expanding into Kewaunee County by adding the Kewaunee Food Pantry (Algoma)** Each \$16 contribution will provide a smile and a full stomach. Please, **again** consider donating to this fund! ([Note: this contribution is tax deductible if sent via separate check marked "SBD Donated Tickets"](#))
2. **THE SECOND IS A CAPITAL FUND FOR REPAIR/REPLACEMENT OF THE METAL SOFFITS ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH SIDE OF THE BUILDING.** Over the years various sections have blown away leaving openings. **If sufficient funds are raised to cover the cost of the soffit project, any excess will be used to begin replacing the remaining old tables in the dining room with the new light weight units.** The old tables are more than 50 years old, are

damaged, and are very heavy and cumbersome to move. **We are obtaining estimates. Our original Goal was \$2,000, but this may not be sufficient.**

For the moment, the Wisconsin Masonic Foundation has suspended their \$500 Spruce-Up award matching grants which we have used annually to help fund projects like these. Therefore, we are now more dependent on your support for funding.

BELL RINGING---It was a success again this year. We increased to 2 Saturdays this year at Econ-Foods. The Salvation Army appreciates the Lodge and OES taking on this project. We all appreciate Ed Klein's efforts in organizing the event. Many participants brought their kids, grand, and great grand kids to ring.

MASONIC DAY OF LIGHT--- Will be held in Oshkosh on January 12, 2019. This is an opportunity for a man to become a MM in one day. Contact the S/T for details.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION---Will be held at the lodge on Saturday January 26th from 9 am to 2pm. District Lecturer Moses Adams will conduct the school We will do item 1: Open a lodge of MM, do 1st and 2nd sections, exemplify Historical lecture, exemplify MM posting, close lodge of MM, and open lodge of EA, and close a lodge of EA.

IS FREEMASONRY A SECRET SOCIETY---No we are not but have secret modes of recognition that we might know each other. We are a beautiful system of morality veiled in allegory, and illustrated by symbols.

THE LOST WORD---The Lost Word is not a word at all. It cannot be given in an audible tone or language. The Lost Word is Divine Truth which we cannot know on this physical plane. It can only be understood when we enter the Celestial Lodge Above. That is what we build our temples with. No magic. No secrets. It's what we use in our building that gains us the Lost Word and that is how Freemasonry takes a good man and gives him the opportunity to become a better man. This is why we are not given the Lost Word in the MM degree. That is what Freemasonry is. We take our obligations on the Volume of Sacred Law, because we believe in immortality. Without immortality there is no reason for morality. What are your thoughts?

Please note that much of this was taken from an article written by Ronald C Radatz PM in the AASR Southern Jurisdiction Journal March April 2018

2019 Henry S. Baird Officers

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Masonic Birthdays

January

<u>Date Raised</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Name</u>
01/03/1952	66	Richard E. Lohrey
01/25/1961	57	Charles L. Klima
01/30/1973	45	Robert L. Greenfield
01/08/1975	43	Lawrence C. Kussow
01/19/2017	2	Charles J. Wolfe

Editor's Notes

Live Better at Home™ is an information and referral program provided by Three Pillars Senior Living Communities, located in Dousman, Wisconsin. This service is available to all Wisconsin Masons and members of OES, no matter their age or where they reside. When you contact us by phone or online, our dedicated specialists will discuss your specific concerns and customize a solution meant to help you improve your situation.

- **Advice & Referral Service** - Receive free, confidential, and trusted advice from certified information and referral specialists.
- **Support, Advocacy & Navigation** - Our specialists will provide mentorship and support to help you access the recommended services.
- **Follow Up** - Our specialists will follow up with you to make sure you received and are satisfied with the services, information, and support you obtained.

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