



# Trestle Board



*Door and Kewaunee County Masonic Bodies*

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## **Calendar of Events:**

Jan 9<sup>th</sup> – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

Jan 18<sup>th</sup> – H.S Baird – School of Instruction – 9:00 am

Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> – H.S Baird – Day of Light Practice – EA – 7:00 pm

Feb 13<sup>th</sup> – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> – H.S Baird – Day of Light Practice – FC – 7:00 pm

Feb 24<sup>th</sup> – H.S Baird – Day of Light Practice – MM – 7:00 pm

Feb 27<sup>th</sup> – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

March 5<sup>th</sup> – Honor Chapter – Stated Meeting – 7:00 pm

March 12<sup>th</sup> – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

March 14<sup>th</sup> – Steam Boat Dinner – All Day

March 19<sup>th</sup> – Honor Chapter – Special Meeting – 7:00 pm

March 26<sup>th</sup> – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

March 28<sup>th</sup> – H.S Baird – Day of Light – 7:30 am

**Reminder: Honor Chapter is dark in January and February.**

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

**Honor Chapter #1, Order of Easter Star meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://www.hsbaird.com).

# Worshipful Master's Column

Brethren,

First off, I want to thank brother Bill for being Master last year. The Lodge had a very good year under his leadership. I hope I can do the same. I also need to say a few thank you's to my officers, some of you moved up a chair on your way to becoming Master, some are new to the office they have, and some have stayed in the same chair and that's ok. I need to thank everyone who helped at the installation of officers.

Now on to the New Year. Hard to believe it's almost Steamboat Dinner time. Thanks to those who bought donated tickets. Some of you received some regular SBD tickets to sell; if you did not get any and need them, let the Secretary/Treasurer's know. We are still working on the Day of Light for the end of March. See the Secretary/Treasurer's column; I am sure Brother Tom has a lot to say about it.

I hope to see you at Lodge. Since this will come out after the Holidays, I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas

Ross Chapman WM

## Secretary/Treasurer's Column

Secretary/Treasurer Henry S. Baird #174 Thomas S. Pinney, Jr. Contacts; ph.920.493.3727 or email [tompinney@charter.net](mailto:tompinney@charter.net)

**[HENRY S. BAIRD #174 DAY OF LIGHT March 28, 2020!!!](#)** See separate document in this Newsletter.

- From our appeal to the HSB #174 members and the OES Honor Chapter #1 we have received 44 suggested names of prospective candidates!!! Thanks to all that furnished these names.
- We have 2 EA's and 2 FC's who will be candidates at the Day of Light. Three of these brothers are in default (not presented themselves for a degree for a year) because their lives did not allow them to progress in their degree work the normal way. We will be voting on them to allow them to proceed.
- The question has been asked what if other Lodges in the state wanted to bring a qualified candidate. In the spirit of Masonic Friendship, Brotherly Love, and the approval of GL, we would work with them to accommodate their request.

**RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE**—which consists of; all the 2019 Officers, plus PM Mitch Custer, PM John Sullivan, GC David Leistra, PM Scott Davis, PM William Runyan, Br. Andy Buechner, and Br. Andy Starr.

S/T Tom Pinney, Jr. Chr. They contributed many names to the list and are now **busy** making contacts with assigned prospective candidates. This includes inviting them to one of the 3 informational meetings scheduled. [See details in the INVITATION and HOW YOU CAN HELP documents elsewhere in this Newsletter.](#)

**COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE---** Ed Klein Chr., PM Mitch Custer, PM William Schaefer, and Br. Andy Starr. Br. Andy with the help of the committee, is in the process of producing a **POWER POINT** presentation designed specifically for our Informational Meetings.

**DUES** --- Thanks to all who have paid their 2020 dues, purchased donated tickets for the 2020 Steamboat Dinner, and /or donated to the roof replacement.

**MAGIC SHOW---** We have not yet received the financial information from the Magic Show.

**LODGE ROOF----**The Trustees are continuing gathering information on the roof replacement.

**BELL RINGING FOR THE SALVATION ARMY---**Br. Ed Klein chair reports it was a success as we ventured into doing two instead of one Saturdays at Econo-Foods. Thanks to Br. Ed for his leadership and to all who participated. It was a fun time with laughter and singing.

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS---**Grand Chaplain David Leistra installed the new officers on Thursday December 12<sup>th</sup>, assisted by DD Christian Hirthe as installing Marshal and PM Mitch Custer as Installing Chaplain. Twenty-five were in attendance on this stormy night.

### **STEAMBOAT DINNER---**

- **Donated Tickets---**we have received \$5,685 and have commitments for an additional \$2,720. This amounts to 525 tickets towards our **Goal of 725**. However, we will be expanding farther into Kewaunee County with the addition of the Lakeshore ADRC that serves Kewaunee County. They could use 100 Tickets. Let's make this possible by making our **Challenge Goal of 775**. We are in the process of contacting our business supporters. The support to date has been wonderful.
- **Regular Tickets---** Have been mailed to all officers and other persons who sold tickets in the past. If you did not receive any, and you wish to participate in selling them, please contact me at 920.493.3727.
- **Posters---** Will be available after the first of the year and a committee will be distributing them. If you need some, please call 920.493.3727
- **Worker Assignments---** We will be calling in January to confirm workers availability and assigned job. Please feel free to ask for an assignment that you prefer doing.

**SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION---** This is scheduled for Saturday January 18<sup>th</sup> from 9a to 2p at the lodge with DL Moses Adams as our instructor. Moses has kindly agreed to use this time to help us to prepare for the Day of Light on March 28, 2020.

**DEGREE CAST FOR DAY OF LIGHT MARCH 28, 2020---**Br. Scott Davis and Tom Pinney will be working on the casting. We will be calling cast members in January to check on their availability. We have practice dates scheduled for Monday February 10<sup>th</sup> EA, 17<sup>th</sup> FC, and 24<sup>th</sup> MM, 2020 at 7p at the lodge.

**Hope each of you had a Happy and Meaningful Christmas. Best wishes for the New Year.**

**H.S. BAIRD INVITATION TO BECOME A MASON  
SATURDAY MARCH 28, 2020 7:30A TO 5:30P**

**HOW YOU CAN HELP AS A MEMBER OF HENRY S. BAIRD #174 OR HONOR CHAPTER #1  
OES.**

This is a **WIN** for the candidate---a **WIN** for the Community, and a **WIN** for H.S. Baird #174

• **BY IDENTIFICATION OF CANDIDATES**

- To make this a success we need members of both organizations to help us. You know your Sons, Grandsons, Nephews, and Friends who might consider becoming a Mason at **H. S. BAIRD'S DAY OF LIGHT ON MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>**. Remember the program is designed for **BUSY GOOD MEN. Deadline to submit names, is December 31, 2019.**
- Once you have 1 or more men in mind, please immediately do the following--
  - Call, Text or email S/T Thomas S. Pinney, Jr. 920.493.3727 with the following information
    - Full name including the middle name or initial
    - Address
    - Email
    - Cell phone
    - Best way to contact him
    - Your Phone #
    - Are you willing to contact the prospect? If no, who would you recommend from the Lodge?

• **TALKING ABOUT THE PROGRAM WITH YOUR BUSY GOOD MEN FRIENDS,  
ENCOURAGING THEM TO CONSIDER THE OPORTUNITY.**

• **INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS---**

- Offered Twice at the Lodge from 5p to 6P, 31 S. Third Ave.
    - Monday January 6, 2020
    - Tuesday January 7, 2020
  - Offered once at DCMC conference room 1 & 2 Noon to 1p
    - Monday January 13, 2020
- If none of these times are convenient for the prospect, we will make special arrangements.
- Wives, Significant Others, and children are welcome. We will have a supervised area for children to play.
  - Light refreshments will be available.
  - Petitions will be available

• **COMPLETING PETITIONS---** We will provide phone support in completing petitions from the S/T 920.493.3727 or Brother Ed Klein 920.737.3166

• **COMPLETED PETITIONS** ---**The deadline to return the completed petitions to the S/T is January 31, 2020.**

- They must be completely filled out
- Have 2 members in good standing sign for them. One must be a member of H.S. Baird #174
- The S/T will email copies of the petition to GL for their review, which usually is done in 48hrs. **Deadline to submit to GL is Friday February 28, 2020**
- At a Stated Meeting the WM at his discretion may receive the petitions, read them, and appoint an Interview Committee from the Recruitment Committee. **Deadline for WM to receive petition is the Stated Meeting of March 12, 2020**

- **WM Schaefer appointed the following Recruitment Committee; all the 2019 Officers plus PM Mitch Custer, PM John Sullivan, PM David Leistra, PM Scott Davis, PM William Runyan, Br. Andy Buechner, and Br. Andy Starr. S/T Tom Pinney, Jr. was appointed Chr.**
- At a subsequent Stated Meeting the report of the Interviewing Committee will be made known by the WM and each Petition will then be balloted on. **Deadline to ballot is the Stated Meeting of March 26, 2020**

Tsp 11/23/19 Rev. 12/20/19 Approved by GL Pat Cholka 12/16/19  
**H.S. BAIRD #174 DAY OF LIGHT**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 28, 2020 7:30A TO 5:30P**  
**MASONIC LODGE 31 S. THIRD AVE. STURGEON BAY, WI 54235**  
**PROVIDE TO PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE**

- **INVITATION TO BECOME A MASON**
  - The traditional method of joining presents the 3 degree on separate dates. You advance after the required posting and examinations. If YOUR time schedule does not allow, you may wish to pursue the following option---
  - A one-day class Saturday March 28, 2020 for 25 --- *busy good men*--- to become master masons and better serve their families and community, and are willing to give at least 4 hours per year to community outreach sponsored by the lodge.
- **THE BENEFITS TO THE CANDIDATES BECOMING MASONS**
  - To allow Good Men the *“opportunity to become better men” so as to better serve their Family, Community and The World.*
  - To experience the **synergistic energy and the satisfaction** of serving hands-on with Brothers, Family, Community, and Government as a team to help relieve those in need.
  - To be a vital part of the **sustainability** of the infrastructure of H.S. Baird. #174 insuring its ability to continue serving the Door and Kewaunee Communities.
    - Over 8,000 **Steamboat Dinner** meals have been donated to those in need.
    - Over 1,200 **Holiday meals** have been donated and delivered to the door of those in need.
    - A **second home** for the Service Organizations such as the DC Boys and Girls Club at no cost to them
    - In the past 10 years over **\$30,000** has been given to various **Community Organizations in need.**
- **WHAT IS REQUIRED BY H. S. BAIRD #174 TO BECOME A MEMBER?**
  - Profess a belief in a **monotheistic Supreme Being**
  - **Not** to have been convicted of a Felony
  - **Time**
    - **1 hr. informational meeting- 3 Choices; TWICE at the Lodge Mon. 1/6/20, Tues. 1/7/20---5 to 6p, or ONCE at Door County Medical Center Sturgeon Bay Conference Rm 1- Mon.1/13/20—Noon to 1p.**
    - **1/2 hr.** to fill out a petition
    - **10 hrs.** (Saturday **March 28th from 7:30a to 5:30p**)
    - **5 hrs.** posting in MM.
  - **Financial**
    - Initiation fee of \$320 and Prorated 2020 Dues of \$60
- **WHAT EXPECTATIONS DOES H.S. BAIRD #174 HAVE FOR ALL MEMBERS (exceptions are happily made for physical or financial reasons)**

- **Time**
  - **A minimum of 4 hrs. per year** participation in Lodge Community Service Programs such as
    - Annual **STEAMBOAT DINNER** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in March
    - Annual **HOLIDAY DINNER** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in November
    - Annual **BELL RINGING** for the Salvation Army in December
  - Other opportunities that the new member may wish to become involved with such as
    - Officer of the lodge, Ritual/degree memorization, Visit the sick, Marketing events such as the Annual Steamboat Dinner, and many others.
  - **That you will in your relationship with your Family, Community and the World STRIVE to exhibit RESPECT and CIVILITY in all your actions--- thus becoming a better human being. Allow the lessons of Masonry to support and deepen your Belief in your chosen Monotheistic Faith.**
- **Financial**
  - Pay your annual dues which presently are \$131
  - Consider supporting other financial opportunities within the Lodge and community

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**For HELP in filling out petitions please call 920.493.3727 Tom Pinney or 920.737.3166 Ed Klein**

## **2020 Henry S. Baird Officers**

<b>Worshipful Master</b>	Ross Chapman PM	920-495-3281
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Richard Rodgers PM	920-493-0643
<b>Junior Warden</b>	Geoffrey Pinney	920-495-1549
<b>Senior Deacon</b>	Ben Miller	920-743-2664
<b>Junior Deacon</b>	William Runyan PM	920-535-3026
<b>Senior Steward</b>	Steven Schaefer	414-617-1031
<b>Junior Steward</b>	William Schaefer PM	920-868-2517
<b>Trustees</b>	Richard Rodgers PM	920-493-0643
	John Sullivan PM	920-493-5310
	Mitch Custer PM	608-770-2928
<b>Secretary/Treasurer</b>	Thomas Pinney Jr PM	920-493-3727
<b>Chaplain</b>	Ed Klein	920-737-3166
<b>Tiler</b>	Alvin Briggs HPM	920-327-1204
<b>Counselor</b>	Mark Fisher PM	920-495-9034

# Masonic Birthdays

## January

<u>Date Raised</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Name</u>
01/03/1952	67	Richard E. Lohrey
01/25/1961	58	Charles L. Klima
01/30/1973	46	Robert L. Greenfield
01/08/1975	44	Lawrence C. Kussow
01/19/2017	3	Charles J. Wolfe

## Editor's Notes

This month the thought has come to me that we should look to the future from words from the past. In January 1961, John F. Kennedy, in his inauguration speech, stated “The torch has passed to a new generation.” He was a new generation from those who had been running the country up to that point. New ideas and new ways to do things. He challenged the country to put a man on the moon by the end of decade. We the people of America did. We brought about all the changes that were needed to do it. We now have computers and the technology your young people see know. He also “Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country.” This brought about a number of things like the Peace Corp and public attention to caring for our poor and under privileged. These words work well in our Masonic work. Ask not what your Lodge can do for you, but ask what you can do for your Lodge. Remember our tenants, Brother Love, Relief, Truth. As we enter into a new year, the younger members of the lodge have the opportunity to become more involved in the decisions of the lodge. All you have to do is come to meetings and speak up. The Torch needs to be passed to a new generation. I was installed as Master for the first time in December 1985; I was thirty-two. I was young, the average age of the members in my lodge was about sixty-five or more. They had faith in me and let me know if they did not agree with some of my ideas, but let me try new things. Many of the men I was working with as Masters in the other lodges in the area were all about my age. I am still friends with all of them. They are now the elders in their lodges. They too have passed the torch to the next generation. You also see this throughout the state, from the Grand Lodge to many of the vibrant lodges around the state. In closing I look forward to seeing the coming decade.

Mitch Custer PM Editor