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Henry S. Baird Lodge No. 174 F. & A.M

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

May 2013

Hello Everyone,

Well, I think Spring is now here and it feels Good to have it back and at Lodge we are busy putting on degree work, and that is a good thing.

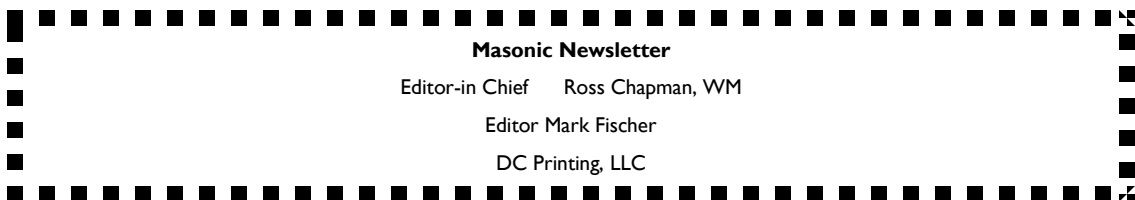
We will again be giving out two scholarships this year to local high school seniors. Thank you to the members of Eastern Star for helping with this as you have done in the past.

The Sturgeon for "Sturgeon Around the Bay" should be out in front of the Lodge building soon. I have seen several of them around town and am looking forward to seeing the one that we have sponsored.

Brothers Ed Klein, Tom Pinney and myself will be at Grand Lodge in June and will have a full report when we get back.

Remember that our annual steak fry will be coming up this summer and that the lodge will go dark this July and August, unless we have some degree work.

Ross Chapman-WM



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Sisters and Brothers,

The merry month of May is coming to a close, and June is just around the corner. Ahhh...the warm days of summer will soon be here...we hope....

Here's what has been happening in our chapter since the last newsletter:

On Thursday, April 25, Sister Connie traveled to Mukwonago to visit with a friend and also attended Compass Night at LaBelle Chapter where she pro-temmed the station of Martha and participated in the chapter's "pound" auction to raise money for the Worthy Grand Matron's/Patron's project.

At our stated meeting on May 2, Myrle Welhaven was elected Trustee, and past and present Organists were recognized with poems recited by our Worthy Matron and each received a small loaf of homemade banana bread.

On Tuesday, May 7, Sister Connie attended Trillium Chapter in Crivitz where she pro-temmed the station of Marshal and enjoyed their Cinco De Mayo Night.

A candlelight Memorial Service honoring our sisters and brother who passed away this past year was presented during our special meeting on May 16. Following the meeting, refreshments were served in the fellowship hall which had been decorated by the Byrnes with flags representing each of the Armed Forces in celebration of Armed Forces Day on May 18.

Our chapter has once again joined with our Masonic Brothers in providing scholarships to high school students in Door and Kewaunee Counties. This year's recipients are from the Luxemburg-Casco and Washington Island School Districts.

As of the writing of this newsletter, Sister Connie has arrived in Stevens Point, Wisconsin, to attend Grand Chapter May 21-23. She will be serving as Page to the Grand Lecturer. Sister Susan Shefchik plans to join her on May 22 for the day. Highlights of Grand Chapter will be covered in the next newsletter.



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As a reminder—we will only have one stated meeting next month—June 6. Please come to the meeting with ideas of some fun events we might be able to attend as a group this summer—perhaps a sunset cruise, Peninsula Players, American Folklore Theatre; a potluck picnic; card/board game night. Let's keep connected and share the fun with family and friends. Refreshment Committee for the evening are Bonnie Kohn, Barbie Gaggiano, and Sharon Livermore.

Sister Connie will be attending the following Installations—Trillium Chapter, Crivitz, on Sunday, June 16, where she will be Installing Marshal, and at LaBelle Chapter, Mukwonago, on Thursday, June 20, where she will be Installing Matron.

Be sure to put Saturday, June 22, at 2:00 p.m. on your calendar for our Chapter's Installation of Officers. Come support Sister Susan as she takes the helm as Worthy Matron for the very first time! Installation is open to all non-OES family and friends.

Please continue to keep the following members in your prayers: June Meikle, Al Meikle (June's son recently diagnosed with cancer), Al Kohn, Tom Pinney, Myra Pinney, Majel Henrickson, Cheryl Leu, Gerry Barlament, Jennifer Corbisier, and Kate Wulle-Dugan.

Wishing you the kind of day that touches your heart like a prayer, and blesses your life with the gift of amazing grace....

Star love and hugs,

Sister Connie Skarvan, Worthy Matron

Brother Tom Pinney, Worthy Patron

Need a ride to our chapter meeting or any other Eastern Star event? Feel free to contact Sister Connie at 920-388-4472 or Brother Tom at 920-493-3727.



Secretary/Treasurer Henry S. Baird #174 Thomas S. Pinney, Jr.

Mr. Orville Antonio was initiated an Entered Apprentice at our stated meeting on April 25th. **He is scheduled to receive his Fellowcraft Degree on May 23rd at our Stated Meeting**

The new lodge aprons have a label attached to the back indicating they are in **“Memory of George L. Leu PM 211.**

We will be presenting a \$1,000 **Scholarship to Dawson Robert Nonn** Luxemburg/Casco High School on May 24th and **Matthew John Raymond** Washington Island High School on June 6th. These scholarships are sponsored by H. S. Baird Lodge #174, Honor Chapter #1 OES, and the Wisconsin Masonic Foundation.

The **Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge** will be held June 7th and 8th in Madison. All Master Masons in good standing are welcome to attend. The WM and Wardens or their pro-tems are voting delegates. WGM Dennis Siewert will be chairing the session.

Honor Chapter #1 OES will have an open installation of Officers on Saturday June 22nd at 2:00pm at the lodge. Members, Family and Friends are welcome. OES has and continues to support H. S. Baird with their Time, Talent, and Treasury. Please plan to attend and give them support.

The **annual Steak Fry/Fish Boil will be on Tuesday August 13, 2013** at the same location (John Miles Pavilion). Five pm for refreshments and 6pm dinner.

The Northeast Wisconsin Masonic Library and Museum on Saturday October 5th, will be sponsoring at the Northeast Wisconsin Masonic Center (GB) **a multimedia presentation on “Freemasonry in the American Civil War”** by Michael Halleran. He lives in KS, is a freelance writer, a lecturer at Emporia State University. A practicing attorney, and an officer in the Grand Lodge of KS. His latest book “The Better Angels of our Nature” – Freemasonry in the American Civil War will be available. The Green Bay Scottish Rite Players after his lecture present the play **“The Last Full Measure.”** The powerful story of Lincoln’s encounter with a wounded Confederate Soldier and the dying soldier’s reaction to the Gettysburg Address. Masons, their families and friends are welcome to this wonderful opportunity to gain knowledge about our fraternity.

For up to date masonic information go to our **website www.hsbaird174.com**

EDITOR'S EPISTLE

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Greeting to All,

We have about a month left before we go dark for July and August, and hope we can put on some more degree work before the month of June expires. Congratulations to Br. Antonio who became the newest Fellow Craft in our lodge. One more to go my friend.....One More to go. I would like to thank all who were able to participate in this degree. You all should be proud of yourselves for doing such a fine job. It's a great feeling to have knowing that there is quality degree work going on. It really shows that you all care. Once again my heart felt thanks.

Upon looking for Masonic reads, I came across this well known poem by Robert Morris, who, was a very unique Individual and am hoping to write an article about him in a upcoming newsletter.

By Brother Robert Morris

We meet upon the Level and we part upon the Square,
What words of precious meaning those Masonic words are!
Come, let us contemplate them! They are worthy of a tho't;
In the very walls of Masonry the sentiment is wrought!

We meet upon the Level, though from every station come
The rich man from his palace and the poor man from his home.
For the rich must leave their wealth and state outside the Mason's door,
And the poor man finds his best respect upon the Checkered Floor.



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We act upon the Plumb, -tis the order of our Guide -
We walk upright in every way and lean to neither side;
Th' All-Seeing Eye that reads our hearts doth bear us witness true,
That we still try to honor God and give each man his due.

We part upon the Square, for the word must have its due,
We mingle with the multitude, a faithful band and true,
But the influence of our gatherings in Masonry is green,
And we long upon the Level to renew the happy scene.

There is a world where all are equal, we are hurrying to it fast,
We shall meet upon the Level when the Gates of Death are past;
We shall stand before the Orient and our Master will be there,
To try the blocks we offer with His own unerring square.

We shall meet upon the Level there, but never thence depart,
There's a Mansion, tis all ready for each trusting, faithful heart,
There's a Mansion and a welcome and a multitude is there;
Who have met upon the Level and been tried upon the Square.

Let us meet upon the Level then while laboring patient here,
Let us meet and let us labor though the labor be severe;
Already in the western sky the signs bid us prepare
To gather up our working tools and part upon the Square.

Hands round! Ye faithful brotherhood, the bright fraternal chain,
We part upon the Square below and meet in Heaven again;
And the words of precious meaning, those words Masonic are:
"We meet upon the Level and we part upon the Square."

I sincerely hoped you enjoyed it.

Mark



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