



Trestle Board



Door and Kewaunee County Masonic Bodies

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Calendar of Events:

June 2nd – Honor Chapter – Stated Meeting – 7:00 pm - Installation

June 3rd & 4th - Grand Lodge Annual Communication - Madison

June 9th – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting - 6:30 pm

June 16th – Honor Chapter – Social Meeting – TBD

June 23rd – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

June 25th - Wine and Chocolate Event at Three Cellars in Menomonee Falls

Honor Chapter – See WM article.

July 7th – Honor Chapter – Stated Meeting – 7:00 pm

July 14th – H.S. Baird – Dark

July 21st – Honor Chapter – No Meeting

July 28th – H.S. Baird – Dark

August 4th – Honor Chapter – Stated Meeting – 7:00 pm

August 11th – H.S. Baird – Dark

August 18th – Honor Chapter – Special Meeting

August 25th – H.S. Baird – Dark

**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.

Honor Chapter #1

Out with the old, in with the new! Come be part of the last meeting for 2021 – 2022 officers, and immediately after the meeting, we will be installing the new officers for '22 – 23 year. Mark June 2nd at 7:00 p.m. for an evening of “stars”.

Connie, Bonnie, Sue, Joan and Mariellen attended the Wisconsin Grand Chapter in Stevens Point.

Honor Chapter has a new Grand Representative!!! Congratulations to Connie Skarvan, representing Colorado in WI. Do I see a skiing trip this winter?

Honor Chapter helped as we were sentinels at the doors, which was disappointing because nobody became rowdy and no “outsider” tried to get past us. Just hushing all the people in the hallway kept us busy, but that was the extent of it.

One of the highlights this year was the grand total raised for **Pets for Vets. Over \$20,000!!!** Honor Chapter was a part of that, so we thank everyone that contributed. What a great cause.

A reminder about committees and programs. Please contact Worthy Matron Sue (920-304-2981) if you would like to share your talents, or help with anything this coming year. Like the old song says, “The more we get together, the happier we’ll be”.

Trivia for the month.... Penguins can’t fly!!

Star Love,

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Message from Worshipful Master Geoff

Interesting, this is the 3rd month in a row I've written my article on a snowy or rainy day.

Thank you to Brother TJ Lautenbach for lining up the deep cleaning of the Lodge. Also, Brother Bill Runyan for fixing the leak and other repairs and things behind the scenes he is helping out to maintain our building.

My Heart goes out to the people in Buffalo area and Texas with the mass killings; it is a reminder to all of us that we are living in difficult times. We need to be aware of our surroundings and help all mankind in any way we can it is our Masonic duty. I pray for all of these families around the world affected by senseless killing.

Vincent T. Lombardi's famous quote: God First, Family Second then the Green Bay Packers. Very wise words.

God bless and Brotherly Love.

WM Geoff Pinney
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Secretary/Treasure's Column

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STEAMBOAT DINNER (SBD) ---- 2022 Evaluation meeting

- Overall, the Dinner, Delivery, and Drive-Thru went very smoothly
 - New scheduling of events during the preparation week helped to alleviate the work load on Friday and Saturday and allowed for a more efficient and less complex packaging
 - Scheduling extra help on Saturday allowed for more trade- offs among workers.
 - During the off time the workers were able to eat lunch which was made especially for the by Chef Adam Haen and others.
 - The Packaging Line actually shut down for an hour because great improvement of efficiency thru better planning.
 - We had fun.
 - We received many compliments from those receiving Donated Delivered Meals and those who used the Drive-Thru.
 - Once again this was a real team effort of Masonry, Community and Government.
- Suggestions and Concerns for next year

- Inflation of Food and Packaging Containers. How and when do we set Ticket Prices, the price needs to be set no later than August. The WM plans to set the price by the end of June. We need this time frame so we can start contacting supporters of our Donated Meal program which now accounts for 78% of our revenue.
- We need to establish an easy online purchase of Regular Tickets. We are already working on this. The sale of Regular Tickets has fallen significantly in the past few years.
- We need to continue to search out new 501c3 entities to identify new folks in need for our Donated Meal Program. Businesses are willing to support that growth, the community is willing to make the deliveries and we are able to prepare and package more meals. We have already begun to research possible 501c3 entities.

CLEANING OF LODGE

- The Lodge will be deep cleaned on June 6, 7, and 8.
- We have purchased a new commercial vacuum at a very reasonable price.
- Br. T. J. Lautenbach with the help of Mariellen Haen will clean the lodge at no cost.
- Br. T. J. may call for help when the need arises
- Thank you to both T. J. and Mariellen.

CUSTODIAN

- Br. T. J. Lautenbach will be taking over Ross Chapman's job of Building Maintenance with daily checks. Thanks to T. J.

MASONIC EDUCATION

- Br. Louis Kern will be bringing us Masonic Education topics for our Stated Meeting. He is very interested in History. Thanks Louis.

SENIOR DEACON PRO-TEM FOR REST OF YEAR

- Br. Louis Kern will be our Senior Deacon Pro-Tem for the year as Br. Michael Gray is moving to the East Coast to become a small boat pilot. He will be ending his service with the Coast Guard shortly.

GRAND LODGE

- Grand Lodge annual communication will be on June 3 and 4 in Madison at the Wisconsin Masonic Center (old Madison Masonic Center).
- All MMs are welcome. JW Ben Miller, Ch Andy Buechner, and S/T will be our voting representatives.

CHARITY COMMITTEE

- They are developing Protocols for approval of the Lodge
- They will be researching and bringing back to lodge suggestions of who might be recipients of our budgeted charity outreach of \$3,000 that would be matched by the Wisconsin Masonic Foundation. The lodge has approved using a tithe (10%) of Br. Ed Klein's Life Insurance legacy for a one time increase in our Charity Budget. This will be

an increase of \$3,253. The committee will bring back suggestions for recipient(s) of this tith.

WEBSITE----Br. Andy Crow has the website up and running. hsbaird.com. Please check it out and give him your feedback. 920.493.6119 andrewscottcrow@gmail.com.

DID YOU KNOW? ----from “Cathedrals Built by Masons” Russell Herner

- The Original Premier Grand Lodge of England was called the Free and Accepted Masons (F. & AM) and later named the Moderns.
 - As they began to make changes a disgruntled English group of masons and upset Irish Masons formed a new Grand Lodge in 1751 called the Ancients. It was later named the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons (A.F. & A.M.)
 - The two groups quarreled over ritual and traditions for many years. The ancients wanted to keep the rules and traditions of the old Operative lodges.
 - Finally in 1813 they patched up their differences and united to form the United Grand Lodge of England.
- By 1700 Speculative Masonry had a 2-degree system in place. Entered Apprentice & Fellow of the Craft Master Mason degrees. This was slightly different than the 3-degree system in Operative Masonry; (Entered Apprentice & Fellow of the Craft Master Mason degrees). In 1726 in Scotland and later in England the MM degree emerged as a separate degree split off from the Fellow of the Craft Master Mason. Thus, creating our present 3-degree system of EA, FC, and MM degrees
- Operative and early Speculative lodges had no Secretary because no minutes were kept for security reasons.

2022 Henry S. Baird Officers

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|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Worshipful Master | Geoffrey Pinney | 920-495-1549 |
| Senior Warden | John Sullivan PM | 920-493-5310 |
| Junior Warden | Ben Miller | 920-743-2664 |
| Senior Deacon | Louis Kern | 920-255-1336 |
| Junior Deacon | Gregory Dobbins | 920-256-1547 |
| Senior Steward | Andrew Crow | 920-493-6119 |
| Junior Steward | Steven Schaefer | 414-617-1031 |
| Trustees | Richard Rodgers PM | 920-493-0643 |
| | John Sullivan PM | 920-493-5310 |
| | William Runyan | 920-535-3026 |
| Secretary/Treasurer | Thomas Pinney Jr PM | 920-493-3727 |
| Chaplain | Andrew Buechner | 920-495-5633 |
| Tiler | William Schaefer PM | 920-868-2517 |
| Counselor | Mark Fisher PM | 920-495-9034 |

Masonic Birthdays

June, July and August 2022

| <u>Date Raised</u> | <u>Years</u> | <u>Name</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 07/09/1951 | 71 | W. George E. Emmerich |
| 08/13/1966 | 56 | Paul T. Thoreson |
| 06/24/1975 | 47 | Lynn A. Aude |
| 06/09/1975 | 47 | W. Kurt F. Wilkens |
| 06/28/1979 | 43 | W. Robert E. Carney |
| 07/08/1980 | 42 | W. Mitchell A. Custer |
| 06/26/1981 | 41 | W. Todd Roalkvan |
| 06/22/1982 | 40 | Erich Ziller |
| 06/09/1988 | 34 | Robert L. Barnes |
| 06/17/1994 | 28 | David L. Plum |
| 06/18/2002 | 20 | John E. Sparks |
| 06/25/2009 | 13 | Richard K. Georges |
| 08/18/2011 | 11 | W. Gerald D. Koudelka |
| 06/27/2013 | 9 | Orville A. Antonio |
| 06/25/2016 | 6 | Andrew Crow |
| 08/15/2019 | 3 | Michael J. Gray |
| 07/08/2021 | 1 | Camden J. Carie |

Editor's Notes

We would love to see our members at our meetings. For the guys that have not been to a lodge meeting in a while, we have new energy in our meetings. This includes Masonic education, discussions on new ideas and areas where the lodge is going. They are always looking for new officers. Remember this is your lodge, we are a brotherhood and need brothers to be a brotherhood. If you need a ride, call one of the officers and see what can be done.

We here at H S Baird should look at how we can increase our presence in our surrounding communities including local special events. Yes, it will take some work but it will pay off in possibly new members. We could have a food stand at concerts or in front of the lodge during parades and farmers markets or events taking place downtown.

Attached is a copy of the Charitable Donations Policy. Please read it over and send comments to either Greg Dobbins or the Worshipful Master. The form will be on the website.

Fraternally
Mitch Custer AA PM

CHARITABLE DONATIONS POLICY

Henry S. Baird Lodge F&AM #174 (the "Lodge") is committed to supporting causes that improve the quality of life for the residents of the greater Door County area. The Lodge makes donations of cash, goods, or services to local schools, civic groups, and church groups in the communities it serves.

All parties requesting financial support from the Lodge must complete a Charitable Donation Request form. The completed form should fully explain the nature of the contribution being sought and include all requested documentation. The Charitable Donation Request form is available from Lodge members and on its website; all required documentation should be submitted to the Lodge following the directions provided below.

Contributions Policy

- The organization must be a 501(c)(3) or non-profit organization.
- Requests should be submitted at least 30 days prior to the event to give proper time to evaluate the request.
- Complete proposals include a description of the organization, its mission and major accomplishments, and a list of current board members and key staff.
- Nonprofit organizations should submit their tax-exempt letters from the Internal Revenue Service with their contribution requests.
- Complete proposals will be considered monthly by the Charitable Donations Committee.
- Incomplete proposals or those with deadlines within 30 days of submission may not be considered.
- The Lodge requires a letter of confirmation of receipt after the gift has been made

Preferential consideration is generally given to requests where the following apply:

- The recipient is a local community organization in the greater Door County area.
- Money donated will be spent within the greater Door County area.
- Money donated will directly benefit the residents of the greater Door County area.
- Money donated will benefit a significant group of people (as opposed to a single person).
- The Lodge receives recognition for its donations.

The Lodge does not make charitable donations to for-profit organizations.

In order to accommodate contribution requests, the Lodge may choose to donate promotional items that could be used by the requesting party.

Completed Charitable Donation Request applications and supporting documentation may be submitted by mail, or email:

Henry S. Baird Lodge F&AM #174

Attn.: Charitable Donations Committee

P.O. Box 86

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

Please direct questions regarding Henry S. Baird's F&AM #174 Donations Policy to Gregory Dobbins at (920) 256-0538 or email dddbmandt@aol.com

CHARITABLE DONATION REQUEST FORM

All the following information is required in order to consider any request

Organization: _____ Date: _____

Organization's Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Please make sure your proposal includes the following information:

- A description of the organization, including its mission and major accomplishments
- A copy of the letter from the IRS stating the organization's 501 (c)(3) status, if applicable.
- A list of key staff and titles and current Board of Directors including officer status, if applicable

Contact person's relationship to the organization:

Employee _____ Volunteer _____ Paid Worker _____ Fund Raiser _____

What services are rendered by the organization? _____

What percentage of the donation will be used to help low to moderate income individuals or families? _____

How will this donation be used? _____

What kind of advertising/signage and recognition will Henry S. Baird Lodge F&AM #174 receive, if any? _____

Are there any other institutions donating at this time? If so, please list _____

By what date does the contribution need to be made? _____

To whom should the check be made payable and in what amount? _____

Signature of Organization's Officer: _____

Within 30 days following the event, please provide a letter or program showing how funds were used.

Internal Use Only

Req- Number: _____ Date of Review: _____ Approved: _____ Denied: _____

Conditions: