

Trestle Board



Door and Kewaunee County Masonic Bodies

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Calendar of Events:

June 3rd – Honor Chapter – Stated Meeting – 7:00 pm - Elections

June 4th & 5th - Grand Lodge Annual Communication

June 10th – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

June 17th – Honor Chapter – Summer Picnic – 5:00 pm - See Page 2

June 24th – H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm

July 1st – Honor Chapter – Stated Meeting – 7:00 pm – Installation of Officers.

July 8th – H.S. Baird – Dark – No Meeting

 $July\ 15^{th}-Honor\ Chapter-Special\ Meeting-7:00\ pm$

July 22nd – H.S. Baird – Dark – No Meeting

August 5th – Honor Chapter – Stated Meeting – 7:00 pm

August 12th – H.S. Baird – Dark – No Meeting

August 19th – Honor Chapter – Special Meeting – 7:00 pm

August 26th – H.S. Baird – Dark – No Meeting

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.

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Great News!!!! Our WGM has announced that we may reopen our Chapters as of June 1st. Honor Chapter will meet for our stated meeting on June 3rd. We will be holding elections that night. There will be social distancing and we will make every effort to sanitize our chapter room. I will provide bottled water but at this time I feel we should forgo our after-meeting refreshments. Officers, we will not be wearing our white dressy blouses. You may wear slacks, capris or skirts with whatever top you choose.

Sisters Joan Burr, Connie Skarvan and I attended Grand Chapter on May18-19th. Due to Covid the sessions were quite different this year. The floor was made smaller to accommodate the extra spacing between the chairs in the spectator section. No out-of-state dignitaries attended, no one was escorted to the East and all introductions were made from their places. That was actually a good thing because it speeded things up quite a bit. Our own Sister Joan did a wonderful job as Grand Chaplain and received many compliments on her meaningful prayers at the sessions. She was called on to give prayers for every opening and closing at each session and every lunch and dinner. I never realized all the duties the Grand Chaplain's station entailed. Our Sister Joan was exhausted but glad to have been given the opportunity to serve as a Grand Officer. Rest up, Sister Joan! Honor Chapter still needs you!

Installation will be held at our stated meeting on July 1st. Sister Mariellen Haen has graciously consented to be Honor Chapter's Worthy Matron for 2021. Thank you, thank you, Mariellen! Sister Mariellen will be contacting past officers to see if they would be willing to hold an office again this year. Any other members that would be interested in serving as an officer, please contact Mariellen. I know she would welcome your participation.

A summer picnic is planned for our special meeting on June 17th. All members and their families are invited. It will be held at my house which is located at 3704 Rocky Shore Drive, Sturgeon Bay. Social hour at 5PM. Picnic lunch to follow at 5:30PM. Due to Covid we are asking everyone to bring their own meal. I will be providing plates, napkins, utensils and "special beverages". Honor Chapter will provide beverages and dessert. Let's keep our fingers crossed for good weather. Should the weather not cooperate, the picnic will be moved to the

Temple. I will let everyone know of the change. If you plan on attending, please RSVP to me at (920) 304-2981. (I no longer have my landline.) Or shoot me a text or email so I can get an approximate count. I have some lawn chairs but if you have extras, they would be much appreciated.

Our Worthy Grand Matron's party will be held in Milwaukee this year on Sunday, June 27th. Gathering at 11:30, Luncheon at 12:20. Our Worthy Grand Patron's party will be held in Eagle River on Saturday, July 31st. Anyone interested in attending please notify our Secretary, Bonnie Kohn so we can arrange to ride together.

Brother Tom and I have enjoyed being your Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. It's been a trying year but we've hopefully made it through the worst of it. Praise the Lord!

"This is the day that the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it."



Respectfully,
Sue Shefchik, WM
Tom Pinney, WP

Worshipful Master's Column

Dear Brethren,

We had two meetings in May, both were opened in the EA degree even though we can open in the MM degree again. I plan to have two meetings in June. I will be at Grand Lodge along with the Secretary/Treasurer Tom Pinney and Brother Andy Buechner. I hope we talk with the new Grand Master about our Day of Light so we can start planning for it again.

I want to thank Brother Robert Ryan for painting at the lodge. He only charged us for the paint and donated his labor.

Ross Chapman, WM

Secretary/Treasure's Column

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

STATED MEETINGS---

- We will not know until after the new Grand Master is installed on June 4th what the protocol will be for Stated Meeting, Degree Work, and our Day of Light scheduled for Saturday October 23, 2021. We will keep you posted via email and our Website www.hsbaird.com.
- If you are comfortable joining us, we would be happy to see you at our June 10th and 24th meetings.

District 4-2 Spring Meeting---Highlights

- Annual Communication
 - Madison Masonic Center June 4 and 5.
 - Lodges will now be allowed the usual 3 delegates as Madison/Dane County removed the meeting limitations
- The several resolutions regarding allowing business in the EA or FC were discussed. The Grand Lodge officers will be working with the lodges who presented these resolutions to attempt to integrate them into one resolution.
- The new large print loose leaf Ritual is available from the Square Store using the link from the GL website or from our website www.hsbaird.com. When updates are made you can insert the new pages into your ritual remove and destroy the outdated pages.
- DGM Christian Hirthe District 4 announced his retirement to allow him more time with his family. He introduced our New DGM for District 4 Skipper Young who shared his thoughts on how to strengthen our District.

- Our AA remains Mitch Custer.
- Grand Lodge is in the process of upgrading their Website.

<u>ANNUAL GL COMMUNICATION</u>—This is scheduled for June 4 & 5 in Madison at the WI Masonic Center (formally the Madison Masonic Center).

• HSB #174 delegates will be WM Ross Chapman, Br. Andrew Buechner, proxy for SW Rick Rogers, and S/T Thomas Pinney, Jr. proxy for JW Geoff Pinney. Both the SW and JW's are unable to attend because of work commitments,

DAY OF LIGHT--- Henry S. Baird #174 Day of Light

- Saturday October 23, 2021
- Subject to the following---
 - We have been in conversation with now Deputy Grand Master Gary Stang who will then likely be the new Grand Master.
 - o Once the new Grand Master is installed, we will contact him concerning the details.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION---

• After discussion with DL Moses Adams the School of Instruction originally scheduled for January will be **postponed** to a later date when it is safer to meet and help us prepare for our Day of Light.

2021 Henry S. Baird Officers

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

Masonic Birthdays

Date Raised	June 2021 <u>Years</u>	<u>Name</u>
06/27/1956	65	Alvin L. Briggs
06/24/1975	46	Lynn A. Aude
06/28/1979	42	W. Robert E. Carney
06/26/1981	40	W. Todd Roalkvan
06/22/1982	39	Erich Ziller
06/09/1988	33	Robert L. Barnes
06/17/1994	27	David L. Plum
06/18/2002	19	John E. Sparks
06/25/2009	12	Richard K. Georges
06/27/2013	8	Orville A. Antonio

Editor's Notes

As we begin a new Masonic year, it is a time to recommit to our obligations. Remember that the lodge is Your Lodge. We hope that you see the lodge as a place to come to renew your friendship's and share your learned knowledge from your world's experiences. It is at this time of each year that your elected and appointed officers begin to look at the upcoming year. New officers are always needed. If you have been thinking of becoming a member of the line officers of this or any lodge, now is the time to let the Worshipful Master know.

As we come out of the Covid-19 pandemic, new thoughts and understandings are taking hold. We as a fraternity have been through a great deal of change. We all had to step back from the "Way it was always done" and look to see how we could take into account all our members. Please plan to come back to your lodge. Attending lodge meetings are a habit many of us have lost sight of. Come back and renew your commitment to your obligation, support your brothers at the lodge.

Mitch Custer PM Editor & Area Administer

