



Trestle Board



Door and Kewaunee County Masonic Bodies

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Calendar of Events:

May 3rd – Honor Chapter – Stated Meeting – 7:00 pm

May 10th - H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm – Lodge History Night

May 15th – May 17th – Grand Chapter – No Chapter Meeting

May 19th – District 3 & 4 Joint Spring Meeting - Wausau

May 24th - H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 4:15 pm – Three EA Degrees

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

June 14th - H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm – Flag Day

June 24th – Honor Chapter – Special Meeting – 7:00 pm – Travel Log

June 28th - H.S. Baird – Stated Meeting – 6:30 pm – Special

July 2018 – 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.

Worshipful Master's Column

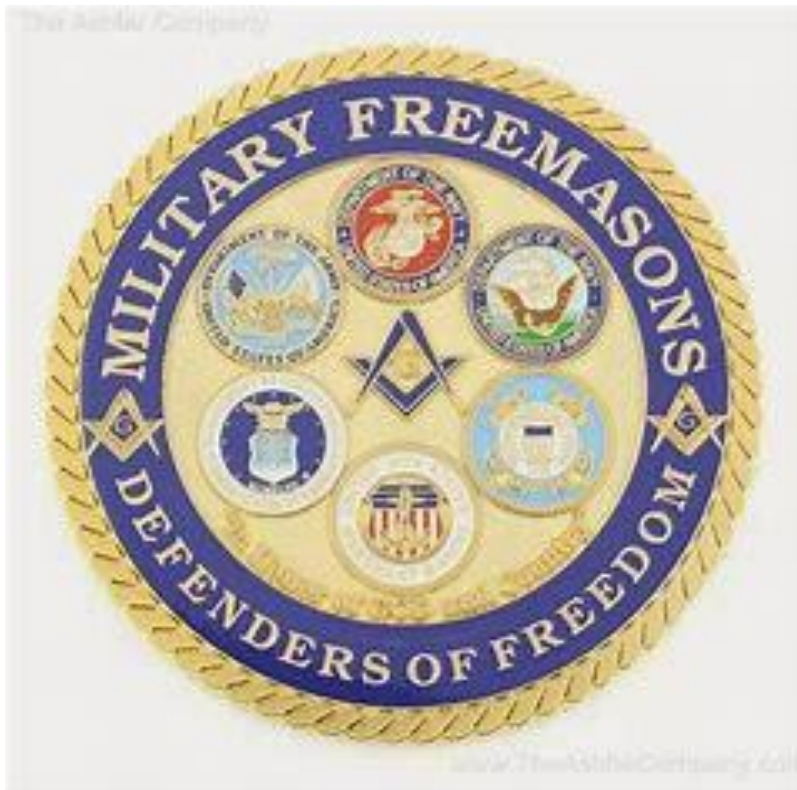
Brothers,

I am looking forward to what remains of our fall-winter meeting schedule. Very soon we will be going dark for the summer months, so now as the weather has finally turned to Spring I hope you will get to the meetings left before the summer months. I further hope you will use the time during the summer when we are not meeting to work on the ritual. I know I will be doing so because it takes a lot of time to learn the various rituals and lectures we have for the degrees and other work we do during the year. Get together with another brother and practice. I am considering having a time during the summer where the lodge can be open for anyone who would like to practice the work. If you would be interested in doing so let me know personally or send me an e-mail with information about what day of week and time would work best for you. It is up to each of us to stay sharp on the work and as master masons we can and ought to help each other. Few things are as satisfying in our fraternity then seeing confident brothers doing the work of improving themselves as masons and then showing their proficiency in the lodge meetings. Time and business does takes its toll on our memory, but with repetition even the lengthiest aspects of the work can be mastered. One of my frustrations in my years as a mason has been in finding time to practice the work. I can well imagine I am not alone in this regard, so let's help each other with an encouraging word and a willingness to help.

Fraternity Yours,

David O. Leistra, W.M.

Happy Memorial Day



Worthy Matron's Column

Greetings Sisters and Brothers,

I trust by the time you receive this newsletter, the snow has all melted from the *Great Snow Storm of April 2018*, and you are all enjoying the milder temperatures, along with the spring flowers that are peaking out. To my great disappointment, my group dive trip for the week of April 15-22 was canceled due to the *Great Snow Storm*; however, after lots of time (several days in fact) with phone calls and emails with divers, airlines, and the dive resort, I got it rescheduled for October 7-14.

At our April meeting we held the main event of holding the annual election of officers for the 2018-2019 year, and the following officers accepted their elected positions:

Worthy Matron - Connie Skarvan

Worthy Patron - Tom Pinney, Jr.

Associate Matron - Susan Shefchik

Associate Patron - Ross Chapman

Secretary - Bonnie Kohn

Treasurer - Ed Klein

Conductress - Mariellen Haen

Associate Conductress - Joan Burr

Trustee - Andy Buechner

Congratulations and thank you again to the Sisters and Brothers who stepped up to be elected officers.

Also, at our April meeting we discussed re-implementing a "call tree" to keep in touch with members who have not been able to attend our meetings, and we voted to send a donation to the local Destination Imagination Group to help with their costs of attending the National Competition.

Part of the duties of the "incoming" Worthy Matron, is to fill the ten (10) appointed officers, i.e. Chaplain, Marshal, Organist, Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha, Electa, Warder, and Sentinel. According to the Bylaws, chapters are required to have a Chaplain, Warder, and Sentinel at every meeting, in addition to four (4) of the Elected Officers. Please let me know whether or not you are interested in being an officer and which office you would like. I am open to members doing a "job share"—you and another member would select specific dates for which you would be the officer. Hopefully, we can connect up members to help share the responsibilities. However, for bookkeeping purposes, one of the two of you must be the officer actually installed/on the record, and the other will be the "pro-tem." At our last meeting, Alyce Byrnes stated she would be willing to be Adah, and Malia Knaup said she would be willing to be Ruth. I hope you will respond to me either by e-mail or phone at connie@aquacntr.com or 920-388-4472 (if you haven't done so already since I already sent out an email to those members whose emails I have). I am trying to utilize my time as efficient as possible (I work two jobs and am also involved in my local church and other clubs/organizations). For your added information, I am looking at the following dates for Installation: Thursday, June 21, or Saturday, June 23 or 30. Thank you for your consideration.

Now to “let the cat out of the bag.” I was asked to serve as an officer for Grand Chapter for the 2018-2019 Grand Family “Soaring with the Stars,” and have accepted. The ten appointed officers who accepted were to be officially announced at the Announcement Party on April 15; however, the announcement was canceled due to the *Great Snow Storm*. I will NOT know to which office I have been appointed until the Kick Off Banquet at Grand Chapter on Monday evening, May 14. This will be the second time I will be an appointed Grand Officer and I am excited to participate. Installation for the Soaring with the Stars Grand Family will be on Thursday, May 17, in the afternoon, and I would love to see many of you there (it is an Open Installation so you do not need to be a member to come). All Grand Chapter proceedings are being held at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Stevens Point, Wisconsin, and all chapter members are voting members and can attend one or all days.

At our meeting on May 3, we will be celebrating Mother’s Day, along with honoring all present and past Organists and Chaplains. Hope to see you there.

I recently attended a music concert at the Cup O Joy in Green Bay, and heard the Christian music group, Cloverton. Awesome concert. Anyway, in their May 2018 music schedule there are two groups coming:

1) Friday, May 18, the *Don Morman Family Band* that performs harmony-filled vocals on guitar, autoharp, mandolin, recorder and upright bass, with selections that range from Folk, Gospel, Bluegrass, Country, and 50's Rock & Roll; and

2) Saturday, May 19, Christian singer, *Sara Groves*, who has been nominated for 7 Dove Awards and has a long list of successful albums. She sings a collection of traditional hymn, modernized hymns, and new hymns brought to life and will be showcasing her new CD “Abide with Me.”

Shows are at 7:30 p.m.; doors open at 6:45 p.m. with open seating (first come/first serve). There is NO CHARGE, but a free-will offering will be taken. Also, you can get Early Bird seating for \$7 (available online) and you can get in early (from 6:20 to 6:44 p.m.)—I did this and highly recommend it.

So, my question is, would the members of Eastern Star and Masons be interested in going to either of these performances as a group? You can either let me know at our meeting on May 3, or you can email/phone me at connie@aquacntr.com or 920-388-4472.

Have a Happy May!

Connie Skarvan Thomas S. Pinney, Jr.

Worthy Matron Worthy Patron

PS—If you need transportation to our meetings, just let me 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

WISCONSIN MASONIC DAY OF LIGHT--- Kevin DeGuelle was our candidate for this program on March 24th in Green Bay at the Northeast Wisconsin Masonic Center. Kevin received the Apron and Bible address at our Past Master's night on April 26th. His family joined in the celebration.

EA DEGREES--- We have 2 candidates that have been voted to receive the Degrees, Brandon Vogel and Ryan Kaye. We have another petition in process. We plan to have the degrees for these candidates on Thursday May 24th. Please mark this on your calendar. If we have 3 candidates we will open the lodge at 4:15 pm and confer the 1st section on Brandon Vogel at 4:30 pm, have supper at 5:30 pm, confer the 1st section on Ryan Kaye and possibly the 3rd candidate starting at 6:30 pm. We would then confer the remaining parts of the degree as a group. A short-stated meeting would follow. It is great to be busy again with degree work. Two of these petitions were the result of our JD Andy Buechner's efforts.

STEAMBOAT DINNER---We are investigating expanding into Kewaunee County for the 2019 dinner.

SPRUCE -UP AWARD--- We have received \$1,000 from the Wisconsin Masonic Foundation as a match for the new chairs and tables. Thanks goes to Br. Ed Klein and trustees who pursued this award. We have taken advantage of this program for many years which included fixing the front steps, and concrete slab from the back door to the alley.

ACTS OF KINDNESS. ---This is a Grand Lodge program where the Wisconsin Masonic Foundation will match a Lodge's charitable giving out into the community. We have applied for 3 such matches, which were approved and checks received. This means that community projects the Lodge selected have received---

- \$2,000 The Sunshine House for Sunflower Cottage
- \$1,000 Sturgeon Bay School District for a Greenhouse
- \$1,000 the Door County YMCA for their Meal Fund
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We are making a difference out in the community. Thanks again to all who made this possible.

WALKING THE TALK ---. I know a brother who knew that a person needed help to get into a building and was their waiting to help. The rest of the story is that the person decided not to come to that event. However, the brother was not angry, just said wanted to be there in case help was needed.

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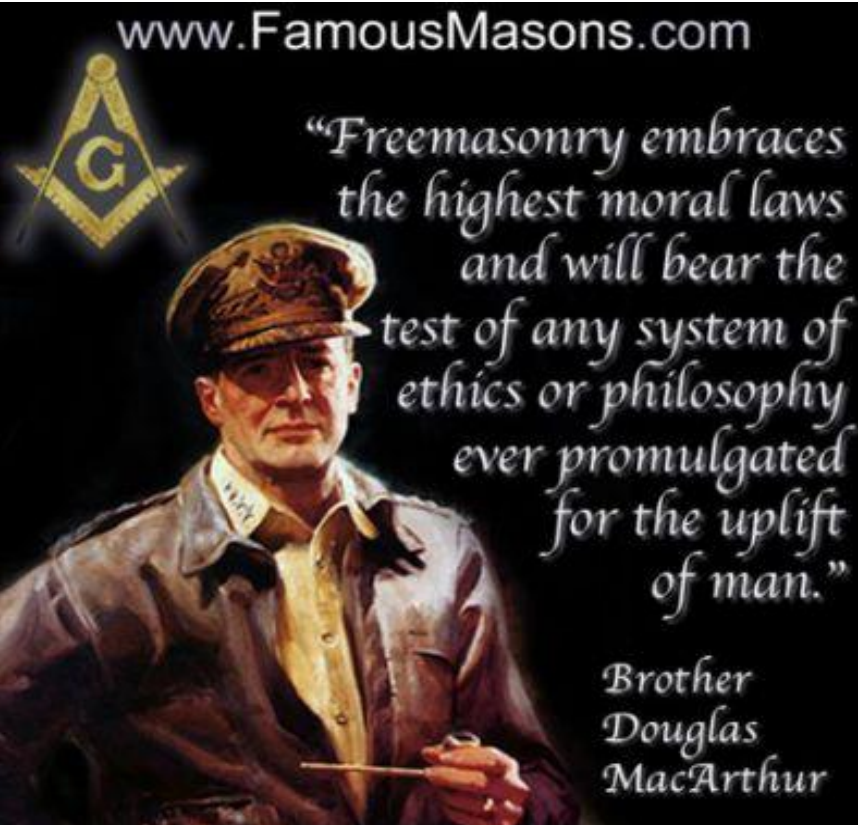
Masonic Birthdays

May

<u>Date Raised</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Name</u>
05/13/1955	63	W. Robert E. Vits
05/13/1958	60	Herman A. Draeger
05/25/1964	54	W. Keith C. Bagley
05/26/1964	54	Robert S. Samuelson
05/29/1997	21	Stephen F. Rabach
05/03/1997	21	W. John L. Sullivan
05/03/1997	21	John M. Storms
05/28/2002	16	Roger M. Scholbe
05/22/2003	15	Richard A. Hannemann, II
05/26/2011	7	W. Richard C. Rogers
05/28/2015	3	Steven W. Schaefer

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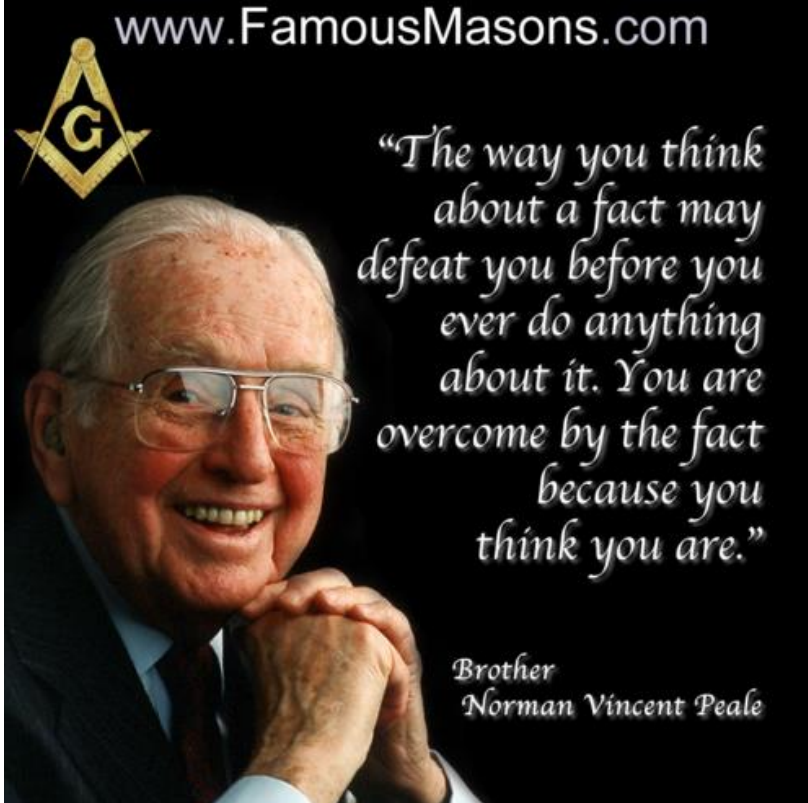
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the highest moral laws
and will bear the
test of any system of
ethics or philosophy
ever promulgated
for the uplift
of man.”*

Brother
Douglas
MacArthur

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*“The way you think
about a fact may
defeat you before you
ever do anything
about it. You are
overcome by the fact
because you
think you are.”*

Brother
Norman Vincent Peale

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