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

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

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Dear Brethren,

We now have the new cement in the back of the lodge and a small strip of blacktop to fill in a gap by the gas station. This project will make it a lot safer in the winter and also will get rid of the mud in the spring at the steamboat dinner, as there is a lot of traffic to and from the food trailer. Thank you to the members of Eastern Star for your support on this project, Br. John Sullivan for heading it up and to the lodge brothers who voted to do it.

Coming up in the month of November, we only have one meeting which is on the 14th. At the meeting, we will have the election of officers. Also, the Lodge building will be open to the public during the Christmas parade. We will have coffee, cocoa and cookies for anyone who wants to warm up.

Until next time,

Ross Chapman-WM

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

October has been a very busy month for Honor Chapter. It started with our School of Instruction which was held at our stated meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our District Deputy, Sister Barbara Foster, was very helpful in seeing that our balloting and initiatory work was done well. Sisters Dolly Paine and Terry Schneider served as our courtesy candidates and Fran Bagley, Myrle Welhaven, and Margaret Emmerich protomed Ruth, Marshal, and Warder. Thank you, ladies. Our officers did a great job! Thank you for putting so much effort into your work. It was a very long evening but well worth it.

Brother Tom Pinney reported that the cement project at the rear entrance of the Temple was completed and thanked Honor Chapter for our generous contribution.

Brother John Dorsey, Grand Sentinel, visited Honor Chapter #1 on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Since we had completed most of the more difficult work at our School of Instruction, the night proved to be less stressful. Our evening started with a delicious dinner of soup, stuffed pork, baby red potatoes, and red cabbage. A big thank you goes out to Chef Mark Fischer for his great cooking and to his servers, John Sullivan and Gregory Dobbins. Our Masonic brothers certainly helped make our night special.

Our Examining Committee that evening consisted of Sister Jennifer Corbisier, Brother Jim Byrnes, and Sister Evelyn Gay, Chairperson. Sister Joan Burr did an exemplary job as our "visitor". Thank you all for serving our Chapter. Thanks also go out to our refreshment committee, Kate Wulle-Dugan and Fran Bagley. Sisters Barbara Foster and Nancy Saggio, both District Deputies, took time out of their busy schedules to be with us also. Brother Craig Wepprecht, Worthy Grand Patron of Wisconsin, surprised us with a visit. It was an honor to have our brother with us. During his remarks, Brother John Dorsey reported that our Chapter did its work well and seemed to have a lot of fun at the same time. I'm proud of our entire chapter! Well done and thanks for all your support!



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Sisters Joan Burr, Marilyn Grose and Sue Shefchik were able to attend Shawano, Appleton, and Green Bay's Official Visits this month. Sister Connie also accompanied us to Shawano's Official Visit. It was nice to meet new people and visit with old friends.

Sister Connie Skarvan (DD) was a very busy lady this fall. She held Schools of Instruction at Crivitz, Fond du Lac, and Green Bay. She attended Officer Visits at Crivitz on 09/03, Fond du Lac on 09/11, Mukwonago on 09/12, Shawano on 10/07, and Green Bay on 10/14. Sister Connie also propped at Martha Washington Chapter, Green Bay and LaBelle Chapter, Mukwonago. During the meeting at La Belle Chapter on October 10, former Kewaunee member (now a member of LaBelle Chapter), Pearl Clapper Schumacher, received her 50 year membership pin. And lastly, Sister Connie will be dressing in costume to attend the Grand Representative (Halloween) party for Holly Swenson (Grand Rep to North Carolina) at LaBelle Chapter on October 31. Hopefully, she will then be taking a long needed rest.

Would you come to the meeting if you had a ride? Please give me a call if you are interested but have no means of transportation. We'll be happy to arrange a ride for you. Any Kewaunee members, who are in need of a ride, please call Connie Skarvan. She would be glad to pick anyone up and bring them along with her.

Please don't forget our Grand Representative party for Sister June Meikle on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Chef Adam Haen will be cooking a delicious dinner beginning at 6p.m. with entertainment to follow at 6:45. Even if you can't make the dinner, you don't want to miss the entertainment so come early. Our stated meeting will follow at 7:30p.m. Reservations were to be in by Oct. 28th. Please be sure to come out to support Sister June and enjoy a fun evening.

At our November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, in honor of Veterans Day, we will be having a speaker from the Door County Maritime Museum who will be speaking on the history of the United States Coast Guard on the Great Lakes. I think this will prove to be an interesting and informative evening. The Refreshment Committee for November is: Ed Klein, and Myra & Tom Pinney.

Susan Shefchik,  
Worthy Matron

Tom Pinney,  
Worthy Patron



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Mr. **Brian Hackbarth** was initiated an **Entered Apprentice** on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Br. Hackbarth is the General Manager of the Summertime Restaurant in Fish Creek. He is active in that community.

The **cement pad** in the back of the lodge is complete.

**PM Carl Loving received his 50 year Pin and Certificate** at our stated meeting on October 24<sup>th</sup>. We enjoyed renewing our friendship with him. He lives in Elcho WI.

The Grand Lodge has stated that the new procedures for **petitions for membership** are being postponed until January 1, 2014 in order to have time for the individual lodges to understand the procedure.

Thank you to the brothers who have paid their **2014 dues**. Also, thank you to our PMP members. Remember when you purchase a perpetual membership is in perpetuity and thus the lodge receives your dues even after your passing. **PMP can be purchased for a deceased brother. Contact the S/T if you are interested.**

We will have **election of officers** at our stated meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

The **Officers will have their quarterly meeting** on Thursday October 31<sup>st</sup> at 4PM at the lodge. Please contact SW John Sullivan 920.743.6845 if you have ideas or suggestions for next year.

**At a recent OES meeting the Grand Sentinel defined his work as a Sentinel.** OES Sentinel is comparable to our Tiler. With his permission following is an abbreviated version of his speech.

**sen·ti·nel** *sen ti nel ing or ( especially British ) sen ti nelled, sen ti nel ling.* **noun**

*a person or thing that watches or stands as if watching.*

*a soldier stationed as a guard to challenge all comers and prevent a surprise attack: to stand sentinel.*

*Also called a tag. Computers: a symbol, mark, or other labeling device indicating the beginning or end of a unit of information.*

**verb** *(used with object) to watch over or guard as a sentinel.*

**Origin:**

1570–80; Middle French *sentinelle*, ( Latin *sent (īre)* to observe)



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### ***Masonic Counterpart: Tyler***

Tyler (or Tiler) is the name of the office of outer guard of a Masonic Lodge. Early speculative Masonic lodges met in rooms in taverns and other public meeting places, and all Lodges appoint a Tyler to guard the door from unqualified, malicious or simply curious people.

*He is also responsible for ensuring that candidates for ceremonies in the lodge have been properly prepared. Although an Officer of the Lodge and often a highly experienced Past Master, he may be considered akin to a sergeant: In some cases the Tyler may not even be a member of the lodge, but a mason from another lodge employed for the purpose. Other duties often involve preparing the room for meetings, supplying regalia, and acting as permanent caretaker of the furniture and premises.*

### ***Duties of the post***

*In some Jurisdictions the Tyler is appointed by the Worshipful Master, while in others he is elected by the members of the Lodge. He is charged with examining the Masonic credentials of anyone wishing to enter the Lodge and keeping unqualified persons from infiltrating Masonic meetings, and admitting only those qualified.*

*In most jurisdictions, the Tyler is required to be outside the Lodge door for large portions of the meeting, although usually in a position to overhear the proceedings. The position has often been given to a deserving Mason who has fallen on hard times, such as the original Grand Master Anthony Sayer, or to a senior Lodge member who can help and advise those kept waiting outside.*

*In some jurisdictions, the Worshipful Master has the authority to permit or direct the Tyler to "tyle from within" during the non-ritualistic portions of a meeting. If tiling from within, the Tyler must first secure the outer doors of the Tyler's anteroom. He would then leave the inner door open between the lodge room and the Tyler's anteroom, and sit at the seat closest to the door, still holding his drawn sword. Tiling from within enables the Tyler to participate in the business portions of the meeting, voice his opinions, volunteer for committees, deliver reports, and receive instruction if any be given.*



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*In other jurisdictions, such as the United Grand Lodge of England, the Tyler is always expected to be outside the closed door of the lodge; on the rare occasions when the Tyler enters the lodge room, another lodge member (typically the Inner Guard or, in the U.S., the Junior Deacon) goes outside to take temporary responsibility for guarding the door.*

### ***Origins of the term***

*The origins of the term are uncertain and a number of hypotheses have been presented over time. Masonic lodges originally met in inns or taverns, and Tyler is an Old English word for the keeper of an inn door; this is possibly the origin of the Masonic office title.*

For up to date **Masonic information**, go to our **website**  
**[www.hsbaird174.com](http://www.hsbaird174.com)**

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Greetings from the editor,

Being the information nut that I am, I was wondering if anyone knows the names of the first Masters of our Lodge. I say “masters” because I am looking for three names, as lodges from Kewaunee and Algoma have been consolidated with H.S. Baird here in Sturgeon Bay. I am hoping to preserve a little history about our lodge. I am looking for names, places of meetings and any other info that you may have and am hoping to write about it in upcoming newsletters. Give me a call or e-mail me with any info you have. [mjfish@charter.net](mailto:mjfisch@charter.net)

Thanks for your time,

Mark



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