

DOOR & KEWAUNEE COUNTY MASONIC BODIES
PUBLISHED BY HENRY S. BAIRD LODGE #174 STURGEON BAY, WI

NEWSLETTER

TRESTLE BOARD

Vol. 38 No. 9 November 2014

Sat

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6 Honor Chapter No. 1 OES Stated meeting 7:30
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10
- 11 Veterans Day
- 12
- 13 Henry S Baird #174 Dinner 5:30 Stated Meeting 6:30 , election of Officers
- 14
- 15
- 16
- 17
- 18
- 19
- 20 Honor Chapter No. 1 OES Stated meeting 7:30
- 21
- 22 Social Services "Thanksgiving Meals" 10:00 at the Lodge
- 23
- 24
- 25
- 26
- 27 Happy Thanksgiving
- 28
- 29
- 30
- 31

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

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

Greetings Brethren,

As I write this letter, it is a beautiful day. The sun is shining, it is seasonably warm and the leaves are falling from the trees.

We have been very busy lately recognizing some of our brothers who have many years in Masonry. These brothers have so much to offer the lodge with all their years of wisdom.

A few Brothers attended the fall district meeting that was held in Marinette and learned some of the local history about the great Peshtigo Fire, which also affect our area.

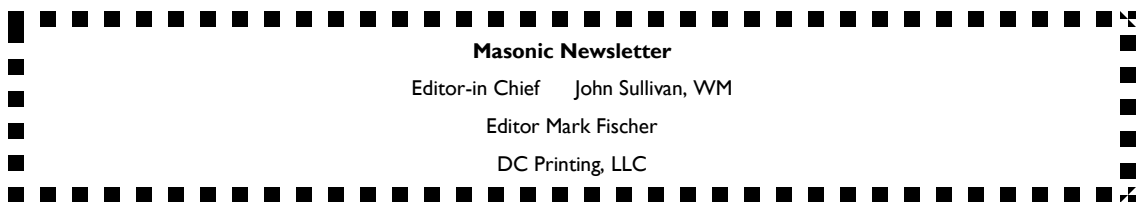
An important issue brought to everyone's attention was to change the master of the Lodge's year to coincide with that of the Grand Master's Year. He is asking for everyone's thoughts on this idea before he takes any action to pursue it.

Remember brethren, our one and most important meeting in November is election of officers. I would like to see the sidelines full, showing support for the lodge and newly elected officers.

Fraternally,

John Sullivan

Master HSB#174



Meetings First and Third Thursdays of Each Month, 7:30 P.M.

Honor Chapter No. 1, O.E.S.
Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin 54235

November 2014

Now that our official visit is over, and we are in the relaxed mode, everything seems to be running smoothly. November 6th is our next meeting, and we will be talking about our Community Charities. Please come and have a conversation about our community giving. We want to be a positive influence in our community with our service and our funds.

Please sign up for Salvation Army Bell Ringing. We are scheduled for Econo Foods, December 13th, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., one or two hour shifts. Please contact Ed Klein to sign up. 920-737-3166.

Dates to remember:

November 6, Stated meeting

November 16th, Grand Rep of Maine Ralph Papsch (Crivitz) party at Marinette. Reservations need to be made no later than **Nov. 9th**. Call to make reservation and set up our car pool. 743-7387 (Mariellen)

November 20th Short meeting followed by Pillow Case sewing bee to benefit the Veterans Hospitals/Homes. If you have "theme" material such as Sports, farming, wildlife, nature etc., please let me know. They are trying to replace the generic white VA-stamped pillow cases. Men, you too can help with this. We will have scissors for you, and you could be very helpful to the cause! Plus Joan and Jennifer always put on great refreshments for us.

December 4th Stated meeting

Give your Star Sisters and Brothers a call, especially if you know they are having health problems. It's always a welcome call to hear from a friend.

See you on the Star Trail,

Mariellen Haen, Worthy Matron

Ross Chapman, Worthy Patron



Secretary/Treasurer Henry S. Baird #174 Thomas S. Pinney, Jr. *Contacts;*
ph.920.493.3727 or email tompinney@charter.net 10/24/14

On September 23rd at Whispering Pines CBRF, WM John Sullivan presented **PM Richard Wiesner** with his 50 year membership Certificates, Pin, and Card. His wife Terry made the arrangements. Eight brothers along with 4 family members and friends were present. It was a wonderful time. It meant a great deal to Br. Richard and his family. Pictures are posted on our website www.hsbaird174.com.

On September 25th at a stated meeting **PM Robert Samuelson** received his 50 year Certificate, Pin, and Card. The ceremony was conducted by DD Christian Hirthe. Br. Robert recalled his Masonic journey of which most was spent in other jurisdictions. He shared his love for the fraternity. Pictures are posted on our website www.hsbaird174.com.

The **Magic Show** was a success. Over 100 persons attended even though it was homecoming for Sevastopol and Southern Door High Schools. Thanks to all who contributed to the phone solicitations which helped it to be a financial success.

We have already begun to plan for the 2015 Steamboat Dinner on March 14th. We are investigating ways to market the dinner to younger families by using their forms of communication. This will be the 3rd year for the outside drive thru on 3rd Ave. **Tell your friends how easy it is to pick up a meal(s). It usually takes less than 5 minutes and you do not even need to call ahead.** The Holiday Tickets will again be available in late November.

2015 dues notices have been mailed. The 38 Living Perpetual Members' dues cards have been mailed. Twenty-six non-perpetual members have paid their 2015 dues. The lodge remitted six brothers dues. They have also received their dues cards.



Continued from page 4

WM John Sullivan, SW Wm. Schaefer, and S/T Thomas Pinney, Jr. attended the Fall District 4 meeting in Marinette on Saturday October 18th. Speakers from Marinette Marine and the Peshtigo Fire Museum gave interesting talks. A discussion was held on member's feelings about **changing the lodge officers term to match the Grand Lodge** which is July 1st to June 30th. Nothing else would be changed. Grand Master Beetcher wants to have feedback from the members. A feedback sheet is enclosed. If you desire more information please call 920.493.

3727 or email tompinney@charter.net.

November 13, 2014 (Thursday) 10a MM degree at Daylite #360 in Green Bay at the NWMC. Several members of our lodge are taking part. We are leaving from the back door of the lodge at 8:45a.

November 13, 2014 (Thursday) 6:30p Election of officers for 2015.

November 22, 2014 (Saturday) Late morning and early afternoon the lodge will be preparing and packaging for delivery 165 Thanksgiving dinners for shut-ins determined by Social Services. If you are interested in helping, please call 920.493.3727.

November 27, 2014 (Thursday) No meeting as Thanksgiving.

December 13, 2014 (Thursday) all day Ringing Bells for the Salvation Army. Please contact Br. Ed Klein 920.737.3166 to sign up.

For up to date Masonic information, go to our website www.hsbaird174.com.



EDITOR'S EPISTLE

By Mark Fischer



Hello all,

As stated in the Words from the East on page 2 of this newsletter, our Master passed information from Most Worshipful Grand Master William Beetcher that Grand Lodge is considering the proposal of aligning the constituent lodges to coincide with that of Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, making our calendar to run from July 1– June 30. There is a form printed on page 7 of this publication. Please feel free to print and mail it to the address given on the form to give feedback on this issue.

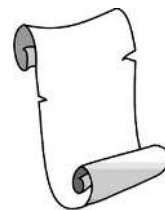
November is the time of the year to give thanks for all of the material and non material items which we possess in our lives and reflect upon how truly blessed we are. Ever remembering those who are not as fortunate as ourselves and sharing in what we have to make their lives better. On the last page of this newsletter, which happens to be the side with your address, shows the square and compasses and the banner stating faith hope and charity. But sometimes wonder if it should read charity, hope and faith, because I believe that **Charity** gives **Hope** to those who suffer unfortunate circumstances and also will help strengthen their **Faith** in mankind. I sincerely wish that if you can help out anyone this holiday season, that you will do so without hesitation, keeping in mind the obligations that you have taken.

A great way to show charity is to help out with the Thanksgiving meal delivery on Saturday the 22 of November. We will be putting together over 150 meals for people that have great difficulty in getting out during this time of year. Please join in the fellowship that day to bring a great meal and smile to the face of someone who can sure use it.

I would like to give a heart felt thank you to all the veterans out there who served this great country of ours, so we can enjoy all of the blessing that have been bestowed upon us by our great Creator. If you see a veteran, just say thank you.

Have a great Thanksgiving everyone.

Mark Fischer



Lodge Alignment FEEDBACK FORM

Name: _____ Lodge: _____

If Lodge officer, please list your position _____

Best Contact information for follow up:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Do you believe that aligning Lodge and Grand Lodge years could be a workable solution:

Yes No Unsure (please choose one). If "No" or "Unsure", any comments or suggestions,

Comments: _____

If favorable, which Suggestion would you prefer:

Suggestion One –Lodges would hold their annual election of officers no earlier than the last Stated Communication in December and no later than the first Stated Communication in March. Installations would occur no later than the first Stated Communication in April. Election results would need to be returned to Grand Lodge Office by March 31st.

Suggestion Two- Lodges would hold their annual election of officers no earlier than the first Stated Communication in March and no later than the first Stated Communication in April. Election results would need to be returned to Grand Lodge Office by April 30th. This would allow the Masters to be installed by the Grand Master during the Annual Communication if they so desired or be installed in June with the traditional methods.

Your Suggestion: _____

Questions, Comments: _____

Check here if you have additional comments on a second page.

Please return this form to your District Deputy Grand Master, a Grand Lodge Officer or email it to the Grand Master at wb_2014@wisc-freemasonry.org or mail to William Beetcher, Grand Master, 8811 Spangberg Road, Webster, WI 54893.

Moving?

Send us your change of address with the current mail label to:

Henry S. Baird Lodge #174 F & AM

P. O. Box 86

Sturgeon Bay. WI 54235-0086



Address service requested

**POSTMASTER
DATED MATERIAL**

