

- 17 Honor Chapter #1 OES Official visit 7:00
- 24 Happy Thanksgiving

Stated Communications Second and Fourth Thursday Evenings of Each Month 6:30 pm

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

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

November 2016

November is here and one of my favorite community projects is this month, our holiday meal for social service. As most of you know we started this program a few years ago to bring a holiday dinner to people in need around the county. The meal is free of charge and we have great volunteers that deliver right to their door. I feel this is a great way to give back to the community and also to come together for a fun event and fellowship. Thank you to all those involved. Take a little time this month to remember what your thankful for. Happy Thanksgiving.

Until next time

Rick

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

It's hard to believe that November is upon us and it's time to start thinking about Thanksgiving. We have had such a great fall. I hope the weather holds out a little longer.

At our October 6th meeting, we voted to authorize the establishment of the Order of the Eastern Star, Honor Chapter #1 Charitable Fund in the amount of \$70,000 to be given to The Door County Community Foundation. We are looking to the future and with the help of the Foundation, we will create a legacy for Honor Chapter which will assure us that we can continue to fund projects to benefit the people of Door County for many years to come.

We also authorized a gift of \$30,000 to Henry S. Baird Masonic Lodge for the future maintenance of the building and the cost of the monthly newsletter. A big THANK YOU to Ed Klein for all the work he put into setting up these funds!

At our October 20th meeting, members of the Grand Chapter Heart Committee, Sister Ruthann and Brother Ian Watts visited our chapter and presented a program on the warning signs of heart attacks and the new heart research being done at the University of Wisconsin Madison Research Lab. The program was very interesting and informative and time was allowed for members' questions. Honor Chapter presented the committee with a donation to help further new research. Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin 54235 Meetings First and Third Thursdays of Each Month, 7:00 P.M.

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Sisters Connie Skarvan, Bonnie Kohn, Marilyn Grose, Joan Burr, and Sue Shefchik and Brothers Tom Pinney and Ross Chapman attended the Grand Representative Party for Brothers Moses Adams and Jim Campbell of Trillium Chapter, Crivitz on Sunday, October 23rd. It's always fun to visit with our "neighbors".

On November 3rd, Brother Tom Pinney, Worthy Patron, will lead us as we reaffirm our Obligation. It is important for all of us to remember the obligation we took as we knelt at the altar when we were initiated into the Order.

We will be honoring our Masonic Brothers at our special meeting on November 17th. Sister Alice and Brother Jim Byrnes will be presenting a program called, "Have Artifacts, Will Travel." They will be bringing many interesting items from the Masonic Museum in Green Bay. A 6:15 dinner will be served by our Masonic Brothers before the special meeting at 7:00 pm so please come to honor our Brothers and enjoy a fun evening.

Once again Henry S. Baird Lodge will be serving their holiday meal on Saturday, November 12th. Our Masonic Brothers would welcome any and all help. If you wish to volunteer, please call Tom Pinney.

Refreshment Committee Reminder:

Nov. 3 Joan Burr, Jackie & David Leistra Nov. 17 Malia Knaup, Evelyn Gay, Ross Chapman

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Our Sisters and Brothers with November birthdays are: Jennifer Corbisier, Myra Pinney, and William Schaefer. Please remember to wish them a Happy Birthday when you see them!

On behalf of Brother Tom Pinney and myself, we wish you blessings for a Happy Thanksgiving with family and friends.

Star love,

Susan Shefchik Worthy Matron Tom Pinney Worthy Patron

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<u>**Transfer of Membership to H.S.BAIRD #174---**</u> EA Charles Jason Wolfe petition to transfer his membership from Cassia lodge 167 to HSB #174 was voted on favorably at our stated meeting on October 13, 2016. His work takes him many places outside the USA.

FC DEGREE---Charles Wolfe is scheduled to be passed to the FC degree at our stated meeting on Thursday November 10th. Please plan to attend to show our support for his journey in masonry.

OES TO HONOR MASONS---the OES will honor masons on November 17th at7pm. We thought it would be fun to provide them a dinner before---so at 6:30pm we will do that. Plan to come for supper and enjoy the evening with the OES as we are being honored.

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<u>FC Paulsen Hall---</u>an FC of H.S. Baird #174 has moved back to the area from Louisiana and wishes to continue his journey in masonry. He is the son of deceased PM Tom Hall. We are happy to help him achieve his goal of becoming a MM.

DINNERS BEFORE LODGE DISCONTINUED---the lodge voted to discontinue the dinners before lodge meetings. These meals served as a time of fellowship and getting to know the brothers from Kewaunee Key Lodge after they consolidated with us. We want to thank all the brothers who prepared the meals over the last 12 years. PM Jay Herbst started the idea and prepared many meals. As time went along, PM John Gay became the primary preparer with the help of PM Ross Chapman. We appreciate John's efforts along with his mother, Evelyn Gay, who transported him for shopping and preparing the meal. It was a great opportunity to socialize, meet new members, and chat with various guests of the lodge. Thanks again to all that participated and made it happen.

MAINTENANCE TO THE BUIDING---at the request of the trustees, the lodge has approved the professional stripping, cleaning, and waxing of the dining room and kitchen terrazzo floor for \$930. Since this project has been approved, the OES will have the front entrance carpet replaced and the tiles in the elevator area on the lodge room level at a cost of \$860. A relative of an OES member is donating the carpet and installing it at cost. The next time you see an OES member, please thank them for their continued support of the lodge and the building.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF DOOR COUNTY---the scheduled use of the lodge basement and kitchen by the BGC has come to a close. What a great way for us to support the community. Our relationship has truly been synergistic and we stand ready to help them in the future if needed. We pledged \$1500 over a 3 year period for their remodeling. We made the first \$500 payment in January of 2016.

H.S.Baird #174 DUES RAISED----the lodge voted at their stated meeting on September 22nd to raise the dues from \$69 to \$76. Since the Grand Lodge raised the per capita tax from \$37 to \$39 this means that a primary member of our lodge will now pay \$115 per year. An in-state Plural member will pay \$76. THIS HAS NO EFFECT ON A PMP MEMBER. (PERPETUAL) Secretary/Treasurer Henry S. Baird #174 Thomas S. Pinney, Jr. Contacts; ph.920.493.3727 or email <u>tompinney@charter.net</u>

<u>2017 DUES NOTICES---</u>will be in the mail shortly as we had to wait for Grand Lodge's approval of the dues change.

HOLIDAY DELIVERED DINNER---will be on Saturday November 12th. This dinner is delivered to approximately 160 selected Social Services clients. The meal is prepared under the supervision of Br. Mike DalSanto, is packaged at the lodge and delivered to the clients. There is no Drive-Thru or Sit-Down service. We will need help to package and deliver the meals. Please contact the S/T if you are interested in helping. This is funded jointly by the lodge and OES.

BELL RINGING----we will be bell ringing for the Salvation Army again this year on December 10th at Econo-Foods from 9A to 7P.This again is a joint venture with the OES. Br. Ed Klein is chair; please contact him for information and time slots to ring. Bring your kids or grand-kids as it is a great learning experience for them. This is always a fun time. We even provide a couple of bands to entertain while we ring.

<u>SOUND SYSTEM---</u>The present sound system has given us many years of service. All of the portable wireless microphones were purchased used. They need to be replaced. The estimated cost is \$3,500. These microphones are used for every meeting of the Lodge and OES.

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