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

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

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Dear Brethren,

A new year is upon us at H.S. Baird and I would like to thank those of you who are my officers for 2013. Installation is behind us and I would like to thank MW PGM Jim Byrnes, District Deputy Christian Hirthe, Roger Crass PM, and Ed Allingham for helping out with the installation. I also need to thank Eastern Star for having some members there. And Thank you to Br Michael Dal Santo and his server Anna for the great meal and service that we had.

I have a busy year planned at the lodge. Here are a few things that will be coming up shortly.: school of instruction on the last Saturday in January, we will be bagging groceries at Econo Foods and the Steamboat Dinner will also be taking place on March 9. You will hear more about these and other events in the next newsletter and at Lodge.

One last note, I'd like to thank Brother Tom Pinney for the programs provided for at the installation of officers and for stepping in at the last minute to get the evening up and running.

HAPPY NEW YEAR,

Ross Chapman WM

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Greetings Sisters and Brothers!

January 2013

We hope each of you enjoyed your Christmas holiday and are looking forward to the new year.

Highlights for the month of December:

At our stated meeting on December 6, the membership voted to donate \$100 towards the International OES Headquarters Special Project to renovate its 103 year old elevator. The cost is estimated at \$125,000 and will span the 2012-2015 Triennium. We also discussed participation in various local charitable projects for 2013; more information will be provided in the future as they get underway.

Poinsettias were purchased and delivered to our life members and those members needing a little extra "TLC" during the holidays.

On December 8th bells were rung for the Salvation Army at Econo Foods in two hour shifts from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thank you Bonnie and Al Kohn for coordinating the event, and special thanks to all the members and "friends" who participated. For the last two-hour session several masons, who are also members of the Community Band, even provided Christmas music!

Several members attended the installation of officers for H.S. Baird Masonic Lodge on December 13 and to show support of Brother Ross Chapman (our Associate Patron) who was installed Worshipful Master. Congratulations Brother Ross! Following the installation a delicious catered dinner was served.

Thank you to Sister Jennifer Corbisier and all the "elves" for the Christmas gifts that were donated or purchased, and then delivered to our Social Services family.

Unfortunately, due to Mother Nature's unique sense of humor by sending a snow storm, our Christmas Social on December 20th had to be cancelled.

A big THANK YOU goes out to Sister Evelyn Gay for preparing and mailing Christmas cards to our shut-in and out-of-state members.

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Our next stated meeting will be held on Thursday, January 3, at 7:30 p.m. Please bring a toiletry item to be donated to the Violence Intervention Project of Kewaunee County. Monetary donations are also welcomed—we will be happy to purchase items for you to donate. To ring in the new year with some fun, we will be playing the card game “Keeno” after the meeting. Refreshment Committee for the evening are: Malia Knaup, Marilyn Grose, and Evelyn Gay.

As a reminder--we only meet on the first Thursday during the months of January and February.

As a challenge to those members who are physically able, I am asking that you make one of your New Year’s Resolutions to come to AT LEAST ONE meeting in 2013. We miss you! If you need a ride because you don’t like to drive at night, please call one of our elected or appointed officers who will be more than happy to give you a ride. We would all love to have you come to a meeting—AND if you are out of state, we hope you will try to attend a chapter meeting in your area and share your experience with us.

Blessings for a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Connie Skarvan,
Worthy Matron

Tom Pinney
Worthy Patron

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Takes pride in their work. The cast, production crew, wardrobe crew, and all obviously spend a lot of time in their preparation to put on degrees so professionally produce. I again am honored to be a part of the cast of the 13th degree, and hope I can do the same. By the sharing of your knowledge and expertise, I feel I am in great company.

Hope to see you all at Lodge,

Mark Fischer



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

The Installation of Officers for HSB #174 was held on December 13, 2013 at 4:30pm. PM Ross Chapman, was installed as WM, PM John Sullivan as SW, Ed Klein as JW and PM Thomas S. Pinney, Jr. as S/T, PM Gerald Wick as Chaplain, Richard Rogers as SD, Gerald Koudelka as JS, and Alvin Briggs as Tiler. PGM James Byrnes was the Installing Master, PM Roger Crass the Installing Marshall, and Edgar Allingham the Installing Chaplain. JD Gregory Dobbins, SS PM William Schaefer, and Counselor PM Mark Fischer will be installed at a subsequent stated meeting. A wonderful dinner followed which was prepared by Br. Mike DalSanto. The stated meeting that followed was conducted by the 2013 officers.

Thank you to the **41 Brothers who have paid their 2012 dues.** We appreciate your promptness. In addition we have 42 living Perpetual Members. The lodge has remitted the dues for 8 brothers. We have a total lodge membership of 114.

The sale of Holiday tickets for the Steamboat Dinner on March 9th is going very well. JW Ed Klein and I have contacted most of the persons who contributed last year. We have a total of 351 Holiday Tickets sold. Fifty one for distribution by the purchaser and 300 to be donated to Social Services, Lakeshore CAP, and Sunshine House. Once again the OES has donated \$500 Holiday Tickets. We are well on the way to an all-time record! We need everyone's support for this great way to show that Masonry cares and supports our community in a very visible way.

Please note that if you send a separate check for Holiday Tickets to be donated to Social Services, Lakeshore Cap, or the Sunshine House, your contribution is tax deductible. You will not receive these tickets as they will be given directly to these 501(c)3 entities.

Please make a separate check for any Holiday tickets you purchase and plan to give to friends. These tickets will be sent to you but are not tax deductible.

If you did not donate last year and wish to do so this year, please call me at 920.493.3727 or email me at tompinney@charter.net. or Call J W ED Klein at 920.737.3166



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Remember to spread the word that we will offer **DRIVE THRU TAKE OUTS** on 3rd Avenue in front of the lodge for the Steamboat Dinner on March 9, 2013.

The **tickets for the 2013 Steamboat Dinner** are \$15.00 each, veterans and spouses \$14.00. **Workers for the Steamboat Dinner on March 9th**, please mark your calendars. JW Ed Klein and I will be calling in January to confirm your availability to help.

The school of Instruction is set for Saturday January 26th at 9AM. Moses Adams will again be our instructor. We are doing Item #1 which is "Opening Lodge of EA, do 1st Section, receive a Grand Officer, enter a tiled Lodge, close a Lodge of EA." Any EA, FC, or MM is welcome to attend. It is a great chance to learn and have fun at the same time.

WM Ross Chapman received a **petition for degrees** at the Stated meeting on 12/13/12 and referred it to an Interview Committee.

Our lodge will be presenting the **13th Degree at the AASR Valley of Green Bay** on Saturday April 20th. There are many new cast members. Practices are scheduled for the following Wednesday nights at 7PM at our lodge, January 30th, February 27th, and March 27th. The final practice will be at 7:30PM at the NWM Center in Green Bay. If you are not in the cast and would like to help with the staging etc. please call me 920.493.3727 or email me tompinney@charter.net.

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EDITOR'S EPISTLE

By Mark Fischer

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Greetings from the Editor,

Happy New Year to all of you. I hope that the new year brings you all of the happiness and prosperity that you need and that the road of life is paved and not bumpy.

There is always a bit of excitement, of my own feeling, in the air about this time of year. Part of this is the act of getting a fresh start on life. Of course, it is that time of year for obligatory new year's resolutions such as more exercise, weight loss, quitting smoking et al, but like the Mayan calendar that has just started its new cycle renewing the astrological time, maybe it is time to start anew at Lodge.

In the twelve years that I have been a member, there have been many great works that have gone on in our community. And I really believe that the Brethren of H.S. Baird and The Sisters From Eastern Star take pride in the work that they do, and should be commended for their time talents and hard work that they put in for all of the projects that we as members put forth.

But as this article had started out, excitement is still the feeling. I highly looking forward to starting the new year off and running with more work coming to the Lodge. Whether that be in the form of degree work, helping out with some projects in the community, or lending a hand to a distressed brother/sister, we should all look forward to the labors ahead and share in our Masonic Journeys with others. It is quite an exciting ride.

Speaking of exciting rides, I didn't express my feelings of brotherly love to all of the brethren in Scottish Rite. The effort that was put into the degrees was absolutely astonishing. It was a great experience for me and one that I will never forget. I am honored to be a part of such and organization who

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