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# NEWSLETTER

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

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

January 2014

Greeting to all,

As I write this letter, it is cold and snowing outside. I believe the winter season is here. The installation of officers went well with a good attendance on the sidelines. An excellent meal was prepared and served by Chef Mark Fischer. The fellowship we enjoyed before the meal and installation was rewarding. I would like to thank the ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star for attending the installation and my daughter for making the cake. The Christmas baskets for the widows of the brethren have been delivered and I hope that everyone has had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Looking ahead, there is more degree work planned for the candidates. A school of instruction has been planned on January 25th at 9:00 am and all Master Masons are welcome to attend. A lodge officers planning meeting is scheduled for the end of the month. All officers are welcome to attend. An exact date and time will be announced as we are having scheduling difficulties at this time.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

John Sullivan-WM



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

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

This December, Honor Chapter received a letter from WGM Kristen Schoville and WGP Craig Wepprecht asking for donations for our Sisters and Brothers in the Philippines. At our stated meeting on December 5th, the membership voted to donate \$100 towards the Disaster Relief Fund established by General Grand Chapter. The money will aid Sisters and Brothers and their Chapters in the Philippines in their effort to re-build their lives and their country. We also discussed participation in various local charitable projects for 2013-2014. A committee consisting of Ed Klein, Mariellen Haen, and June Meikle has been established to study the matter.

**Committee's Proposal:**

Total Budgeted Amount: \$2000

Spent YTD: \$0

Project 1: S.B. Skate Park	\$500
Project 2: DC Boys and Girls Club	\$500
Project 3: Joint Masons/OES Habitat For Humanity	\$500 ???
Project 4: ???	

Possible recipients for Project 4:

- Loaves and Fishes
- Girl Scouts
- Boy Scouts
- DC Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- DC Book Worms
- HELP of Door County
- Community Clinic of Door County

Please review these proposals. The committee would be happy to answer any questions and/or receive comments from the members. Please contact Ed Klein, Mariellen Haen, or June Meikle. We will be voting on Projects 1 & 2 at our stated meeting in January. Projects 3 & 4 will be discussed and voted on in March.



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

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Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin 54235

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H.S. Baird Masonic Lodge held its installation of officers on December 12<sup>th</sup>. A delicious meal was served before the open meeting. Several OES members were able to attend. Congratulations to John Sullivan who was installed as Worshipful Master. We wish him the best of luck as he begins his new term of office. Thank you to Sisters Jennifer Corbisier and Sharon Sullivan for buying, wrapping and delivering the Christmas gifts to our Social Services family. Once again our Chapter was very generous with their contributions.

Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. We were glad to make this family's Christmas a little happier. The poinsettias purchased from Sevastopol's Destination Imagination Program were lovely again this year. They have been delivered to our life members and those members needing a little extra "Christmas cheer" this holiday.

Honor Chapter participated in bell ringing for the Salvation Army on December 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Brother Ed Klein for organizing the schedule and a big thank you to those members who stood out and rang bells for 2 hours. It is such a worthy cause!

The fleece hats that we made after our December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting look really cute! Sharon Sullivan will be distributing them to the Sturgeon Bay Schools where they will be handed out to children who are in need of them on these cold wintery days. Thank you, Sharon.

Sister Evelyn Gay made our shut-in and out-of-state members' Christmas a little merrier. Thank you, Evelyn, for sending out the Christmas cards again this year. It's a nice way for Honor Chapter to reach out to those members who are far away or unable to get to meetings.

Reminder: we only meet on the **first** Thursday of the month during January and February. Brother Tom and I hope that your holidays were a time of peace and joy and we wish you all the best in the New Year!

Sue Shefchik  
Worthy Matron

Tom Pinney  
Worthy Patron



Secretary/Treasurer Henry S. Baird #174 Thomas S. Pinney, Jr.

On Thursday December 12, 2013 the following **officers for 2014 were installed at a public installation**; PM John Sullivan WM, PM William Schaefer SW, Br. Richard Rogers JW, and PM Thomas S. Pinney Jr. S/T, PM Gerald Wick Chaplain, Br. Gregory Dobbins SD, Br. Gerald Koudelka JD, PM Mitch Custer SS, Br. Orville Antonio JS, PM Mark Fischer Counselor, and PM William Button Tiler. Br. Edward Klein was installed as Trustee for a 3 year term. The installing officers were PGM James Byrnes Master, PM Roger Crass Marshal, and Br. Alvin Briggs Chaplain. A delicious chicken dinner preceded installation. Installation was followed by our regular stated meeting. Our newest EA, Br. Brian Hackbarth joined us for dinner and installation.

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 all who paid their 2014 dues or are Perpetual Members. If you have not paid your 2014 dues, please remit promptly as they were due December 31, 2013. Please contact us if you are having financial concerns. We are a brotherhood that is committed to helping each other.

The Holiday Tickets are available for the Steamboat Dinner on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014. These tickets can be used by individuals to give as a Christmas present or gifts. These same tickets can be purchased and donated to Social Services, LSCAP, and the Sunshine House. Last year 354 were purchased and 200 were delivered directly to the door step of shut-ins. This is a special day in the lives of these folks when they receive these dinners that can be heated in the Microwave and left overs can stay in the container and go into the freezer. **Please think about this opportunity to serve our community. The cost of a meal is \$15. Contact the S/T if you are interested. Those that purchased these tickets last year will receive a phone call in early December for their continued support. Thanks to those who already have responded. We personally have called all who participated last year. If you wish to join in this cause and have not been contacted, please call the S/T at 920.493.3727 or Br. Ed Klein at 920.737.3166**



Secretary/Treasurer Henry S. Baird #174 Thomas S. Pinney, Jr.

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**Ringling bells for the Salvation Army was fun and a wonderful way to let the community know we care by our actions.** This was a joint venture with the OES.

A special thank you to the **7 Brothers and Sisters who have contributed \$445** to help pay for the new concrete slab in the rear of the building. It has already been appreciated by all who use the rear entrance and will be a wonderful safety factor for the Steamboat Dinner.

**Other COMING EVENTS:**

January 25, 2014 (Saturday) 9a **School of Instruction** HSB.

January 30, 2014 (Thursday) 4p **Quarterly Officers Planning Meeting** HSB.

March 1, 2014 (Saturday) 9a **Steamboat Dinner initial set up** which includes washing all dishes and silverware.

March 7, 2014 (Friday) 8a Steamboat Dinner (**SBD**) **continued set up.**

March 7, 2014 (Friday) **Dutch treat dinner at Trattoria Dal Santo** 6p for all SBD workers, family, and friends.

March 8, 2014 (Saturday) **Steamboat Dinner** 4-7p with drive thru pick up on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Entertainment will feature a Magician & SBHS Band sponsored by the OES in the lodge room.

March 15, 2014 (Saturday) **St. Pat's Day Parade.** Lodge will be open for public to use the restrooms, warm up, and join in a light snack and beverage.

May 29, 2014 (Thursday) 4p **Quarterly Officers Planning Meeting** HSB.

June 6-7, 2014 (Friday & Saturday) **Grand Lodge Annual Communication** at Madison.

July 31, 2014 (Thursday) 4p **Quarterly Officers Planning Meeting** HSB.

August 12 2014 (Tuesday) 5/6p Refreshments/Dinner **Annual Steak Fry/Fish Boil**, John Miles Park Pavilion.

October 30, 2014 (Thursday) 4p **Quarterly Officers Planning Meeting** HSB.

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

For up to date **Masonic information**, go to our website **www.hsbaire174.com**.



# EDITOR'S EPISTLE

By Mark Fischer



Happy New Year,

Once again a new year is upon us. So far it has shown us that winter can be quite chilly. Although the temps may be cold, there is a positive side to it. For me personally, I have never been able to take my boys ice fishing during the Christmas break; This year I was able to. It's nice to see 8-12" at this time of year, Also. I have gone snowshoeing with my better half to enjoy the landscape, which is one of the activities we partake in.

As with any January, we get to start fresh, new leadership, new ideas, and new members. We do have two Entered Apprentices in our lodge that have been working on their posting, which means we should have some degree work coming up. Great thing about it is we can do this not only at a stated meeting, but any time during the day. One of our EA's will have to be done during the day as he works the second shift and is unable to make it during our scheduled meeting times. Look towards the end of the month for EA Andrew Buechner to finish his posting and be passed as a Fellowcraft. He is just one of our Entered Apprentices on our list for further advancement. Bro Hackbarth as well. I would love to see both of them raised by May.

Look in your mailboxes in February. I am putting a form together with questions about your Masonic Journey as well as trying to get some history of our Lodge. This includes history from Kewaunee and Algoma Lodges as well. I would personally like to meet with all of you, but fear that my schedule won't allow it. I want to use the information in upcoming newsletters, so please fill out and send back when you can.

I truly wish all of the best for you in 2014. May Divine Providence watch over you and your families in this upcoming year and may you also be successful in all of your endeavors.

Mark



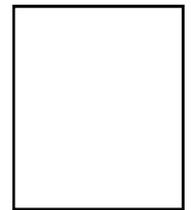
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