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

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Greetings Brethren,

As I write this many thoughts come to my mind about the past busy summer.

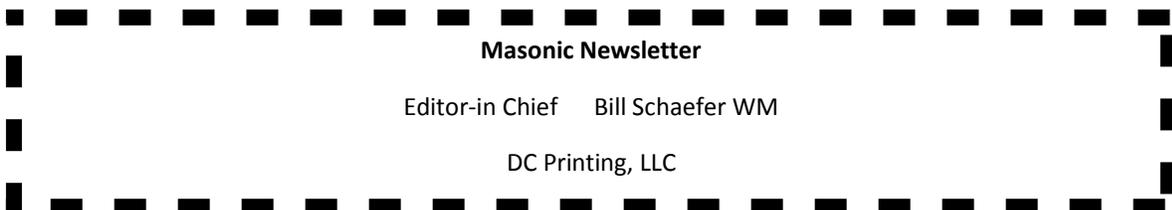
First, a big "thank you" to the many Brothers that helped change the old light bulbs in the Temple to new LED bulbs. This is a great improvement in the Temple, which should translate into savings on our electric bill.

Second, many thanks and much appreciation to Sharon and John, Mark, John, and Jim for making the picnic so very enjoyable. The evening was a great success, as we met and socialized together as well as learned more about the two recipients of our Lodge's scholarships.

Our first meeting of the fall will be on September 11 at 5:30 for dinner and 6:30 for the meeting. I look forward to seeing all of you in Lodge again after the summer recess.

As we prepare to begin our work this fall, we have a great opportunity to meet and talk with the Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin, Frank Struble. On September 24 at 5:30 pm we will host Brother Struble for what I'm sure will be an interesting and informative meeting. Let's all set aside that evening to come and meet the Grand Master and discuss with him Masonic ideas to make the Craft even better. I'm looking forward to this opportunity!

William Schaefer, Master, HSB #174



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Welcome back to our fall meeting and events newsletter. We had a summer break, and now it's time to go full steam ahead.

Our summer picnic was scheduled for Ed Klein's summer home, but a storm took out the power, and we moved it to the temple. Thank goodness for cell phones, or we wouldn't have been able to call to tell everyone to meet at a new location, only hours before picnic time. All went well, and the food and fellowship was great. Thank you Ed for planning, and relocating!

Honor Chapter helped with the Grand Chapter Lighthouse Loop ride. We supplied a wonderful bag lunch, and helped where needed during the ride in Door County. Thank you to all who helped out.

We have had 2 meetings with committees during the summer months, and it looks like we are going to be having some interesting programs this year, and also a Grand Representative party at Honor Chapter. Save the date for Ross Chapman's Grand Rep party our second meeting in November, the 19th. Let's start getting in the party mood now, and have a "grand" time of it in November. When you are called to help out with our party, or be on a committee, please say yes to an opportunity to be sharing your talents with your sisters and brothers of Eastern Star. There are members that haven't been with us for quite some time, and you are missed. If you need a ride to the events/meetings, please call a sister or a brother and we will arrange a ride for you.

Sadness has entered our Chapter with the loss of 3 members. Evelyn Mielke passed away in July, and an OES funeral service was held at the Moravian church. Maureen Manthey (PM) passed away in April. We were notified this summer, and this is Bruce's address to send a card, 1365 N. 12th Ave. West Bend, WI 53090. Denis Bay passed away in August. A private service was held for him. June's address is 5780 Gordon Rd, Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235. Prayers for their families, and they will all be missed.

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Dates to remember:

September 3, Stated meeting and welcome back

September 17, District Deputy School of Instruction, and we can use all the sideliners possible. Please try to attend, and officers, please study your ritual. Thank you.

September 19, Star Cruisers potluck at Mason Woods

October 1, Stated meeting

October 15, Grand Conductress Mary Barnett official visit at Honor Chapter

Set your calendar reminders for the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month to attend Honor Chapter. Meetings are at 7:30 unless special event, and that will be printed in newsletter if time changes.

Trivia question: Who was Charlotte Mendenhall, and what importance was she in the Order of Eastern Star? Prize will be given to the first person to tell me the correct answer! (Isn't this exciting?)

See you on the Star trail, Mariellen Haen WM, Ross Chapman WP

Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today.

Never trouble another for what you can do yourself.

Never spend your money before you have it.

Never buy what you do not want, because it is cheap; it will be dear to you.

Pride cost us more than hunger, thirst, and cold.

We never repent of having eaten too little.

Nothing is troublesome that we do willingly.

How much pain have cost us the evils which have never happen.

Take things away by their smooth handle.

When angry, count to ten, before you speak; if very angry, a hundred.

-Thomas Jefferson

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WM William Schaefer and JW Mitch Custer attended the **Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge** in Madison on June 5th and 6th. There were 27 resolutions, but many were held over to 2016 as they involved the esoteric work. Others were dropped. The bottom line for the lodge is that the per-capita tax remained the same.

Br. Andrew Buechner passed his MM posting, which now includes the obligation, at our stated meeting on 6/11/15. He is now eligible to petition other masonic bodies if he so wishes.

The **DeMolay Chapter Advisory Committee** continues to meet and work on their business plan for the formation of our DeMolay Chapter. Please contact Br. Mitch Custer 920.818.0161 with any names of young men that might be willing to join. The Advisory Committee is working closely with the Boys and Girls Club of Door County. Br. Mitch is taking over from Br. Rick who is having health issues.

Twenty-seven brothers, friends, the Peninsula Shrine Club, and Honor Chapter #1 OES have contributed \$3,755 to the **Kitchen Fund** which we have used to help pay for the new Refrigerator and Freezer. The cost of the units including sale tax was \$4,157.76. This leaves only \$403 to completely fund the purchase of the new Refrigerator/ Freezer from donations. **This is truly awesome.** Thank you so much to every-one who has contributed. **If you wish to contribute, please make your checks out to HSBaird #174 and mark Kitchen Fund and mail to H. S. Baird #174, P. O. Box 86, Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235.**

We had our June 25, 2015 **stated meeting outside** at 4077 Bay Shore Drive. We had a wonderful time and SW Rick Rogers was a great host.

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The **SteakFry/Fish Boil** held on Tuesday August 11 was a great success. Fifty-five were in attendance. Our Scholarship recipients Stephanie Gilbertson (Kewaunee HS) and Samantha Spohn (Sevastopol HS) were in attendance and gave a short talk about where they were going to school this fall. Stephanie's father, Terry and Samantha's parents Lynne and Steve were present. We suggested to both recipients, per the Grand Master Struble's request, they suggest a teacher that had been a special help to them during their HS career. Stephanie had so many that she chose not to pick one. However, Samantha did pick Tom Hintz. He and his wife Heidi joined us as our guests.

We will be honoring Br. S. Dean Pies a 65 year member and Edgar Allingham a 55 year member at our September 10 meeting.

Grand Master Frank Struble is scheduled to attend our September 24, 2015 stated meeting. He will come in a white apron and wants to listen to what the brothers have to say about masonry. Please plan to attend and meet our GM and share your thoughts.

We again will have a **Magic Show** this fall. The tentative date is Saturday September 26th. You may receive a tele-marketing call asking you to donate to support the show. Please consider giving, as this directly supports the Magic Show with 20% of the gross receipts being returned to the lodge. This is the second largest fund raiser of the year for the lodge. Free tickets are distributed to all grade school children attending a school in Door County. Children must be accompanied by an adult who pays a small fee. One adult may supervise more than one child.

Election of officers and trustee will be at our November 12, 2015 stated meeting

Saturday Nov. 14, 2015 we will be **preparing and packaging approximately 200 Holiday meals for delivery** to selected recipients, selected by Social Services. We started this program last year.

Installation of the 2016 officers will be held on Saturday December 5, 2015 at 6:30p. Everyone is welcome. Brother Rick Rogers will be installed WM. This is the first time he has been WM. Come and join him in celebrating with his wife Jen and family.

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

EDITOR'S EPISTLE

By Mark Fischer



Greetings to all,

I hope that all of you had a great summer and can't wait to hear of your adventures. It is a time when we turn on the lights and resume business within our respective organizations. It will feel good to get back in the swing of things with new adventures.

Speaking of new adventures, the Russell A. May Chapter of DeMolay is authorized to proceed with its organization. I would highly recommend that we each take a look in supporting this grand endeavor in whatever capacity we can. Many hands make light work. Be sure to watch for further notices for the Chapter as it progresses.

A few weeks ago we had our annual steak and fish fry, it was great seeing you all. Great food and great fellowship were shared by all. I truly enjoy these types of social gatherings and can't wait to attend more.

Slowly I have am compiling information about the various Lodges that Henry S Baird is comprised of. I am looking to preserve as much of the history as possible. So, if anyone has any information or stories that were passed down please share them with me. I am hoping to document and also to share in this Newsletter of ours. We have a rich history, not only in Sturgeon Bay, but Algoma and Kewaunee as well.

That's all for this edition of the Trestle Board. Look for more articles to come. Have a blessed Labor Day weekend and hope to see you all soon.

Mark