

# Wausau Trestleboard

## Master's Message

I had the pleasure of conferring a Master Mason degree at Island City Lodge last month. It went well and I enjoyed the fellowship with our Brothers from the north. The "Defense of the Ruffians" presentation went extremely well! PM Joe Barlow really put on an amazing performance! The corned beef dinner prepared by Jesse Furrer was a great way to end the night. Ryan Wojicechowski and I made the trip to the Mystic Tie Lodge in Ladysmith to have breakfast that was prepared by Grand Master Don Hensiak and a few of the Grand Lodge officers. The breakfast



Worshipful Master  
Jake Seever

### Dates to Remember

Apr 5 – Forest Lodge No 130 Stated Communication 7.00 P.M. – EA Degree.

Apr 13 – St Omer Commandery Stated Meeting 7.00 P.M.

Apr 18 – York Rite Chapter and Council Stated Meeting 7.00 P.M.

Apr 19 – Forest Lodge No 130 Stated Communication 7.00 P.M.

Apr 26 – Forest Lodge No 130 Special Communication 7.00 P.M., FC Degree

was delicious and the Grand Master played his bag pipes for everyone in attendance, it sounded great and was very impressive to watch.

This month we will be having a Fellow Craft degree on April 26<sup>th</sup>. We will also be welcoming a new Brother into our fraternity on April 5th. This young man just happens to be the great grandson of PM Ted Goeden. Let's fill the side lines for these degrees as they will be special nights for our candidate and Brother. I am very pleased with the way this year has started out and I cannot thank each of you active Brothers enough for the work that you have put in so far, I really do appreciate it. I look forward to seeing you in Lodge,

Jake Seever

*"Freemasonry is not about how good of a man you are, it's about how good of a man you want to be."* ~ Brother Robert Herd

## Wisconsin Valley Shriner's Auxiliary

On Friday, April 21, 2017 the Wisconsin Valley Shriners Auxiliary will meet for a luncheon and meeting at The Palms. The meeting would normally be held on Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, but was delayed because Friday 14<sup>th</sup> is Good Friday. The lunch will start at 11.30 A.M. with the meeting beginning approximately at 12.30 P.M. The program presentation will be given by Joyce Ferrantino-Karlen on the subject of collecting things.

*"In the cookie of life, friends are the chocolate chips"*

### Order of DeMolay

On March 1, 2017, the Executive Officer of the Wisconsin Order of DeMolay visited Forest Lodge No. 130 and delivered a presentation and was supported by Bro Dave Imlah who administers a DeMolay Chapter. Following the presentation, a roast dinner was provided. As a consequence of the visit, Forest Lodge No. 130 will sponsor the reactivation of the former Wausau based DeMolay chapter and will be administered by Bro Dan Maguire, Bro Quincy Kasper, and Bro Barry Diehl of this Lodge. Communication with the Mayor of Wausau, local schools, local church groups and other organizations that foster the best interests of young men and boys in the Marathon community will assist the recruitment process.



### Royal Arch Masons



Currently investigations are underway to establish the possibility for the reactivation of the Royal Arch Chapter #51 that once flourished in the Wausau area. As more information comes to hand further communication will be delivered via this medium. Other former Royal Arch Companions desirous of reactivating Chapter 51 are encouraged to contact Barry Diehl on 715-298-6002.

### Charities

The March 2016 Masonic Journal published an article concerning a tragedy that befell on a brother under our constitution. Brother Jeff Koch and his family, lost everything through a fire and became the subject of an appeal, through Laflin-St James Lodge No. 247 in Mukwonago. Forest Lodge No. 130 at our stated meeting on March 1, 2016 approved a donation of \$2,000.00 and was sent on March 4, 2017. This action exemplifies the tenets of our fraternity via *“Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.”*



Bro Ryan Wojciechowski brought to the attention of the Lodge the plight of a young 16-year-old boy, formerly a scout, and is now restricted to a wheelchair. The boy, Jordan, suffers from a rare tumor that is usually only found in adults; however, occurs in approximately 3.00% of children. The tumor is life-threatening and it is unknown just how much longer he has to live; therefore, based on his passion to continue in the scouting movement, and appeal has been initiated via the internet address <https://www.gofundme.com/wnv9vjrd>. The aim of the appeal is to purchase an *“Action Track Wheel Chair,”* estimated to cost \$15,000.00, so that Jordan can enjoy his passion, scouting. All donations, large or small, would be greatly appreciated and contribute to creating pleasure for Jordan during his remaining years.



### Social Events

The Car Show, formerly hosted by Mosinee Lodge 318, will again be conducted in August at the Mosinee venue on a date to be decided. As in previous occasions various prizes, refreshments and entertainment will be available.

**Membership**

The creation of new membership is the lifeblood of our fraternity and in keeping with this initiative, Forest Lodge No. 130 raised one member, Bro Eric Hesbol and initiated three members, namely Bro Mark Partridge, Bro David Locke, and Bro Brandon Vlasak. A past Entered Apprentice, Bro Matt Shelton together with the aforesaid brothers are currently studying for the Fellowcraft. Currently a new member, Mr. Abraham Kurth, is to be initiated on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 and there are others under consideration to join the fraternity. Recently Mosinee Lodge No. 318 surrendered its charter and has amalgamated with Forest Lodge No. 130. Freemasonry in the Marathon Area is growing and enjoying a bright future for years to come.

**Birthdays**

The following brothers celebrate their birthdays for the month of April:

<b>Forest Lodge No 130 2017 Officers</b>	
Worshipful Master	Jake Seever
Senior Warden	Jim Carlson
Junior Warden	Jesse Furrer
Treasurer	Stephen Britton
Secretary	Barry Diehl
Chaplain	Kevin Sorenson
Senior Deacon	Joe Barlow
Junior Deacon	Quincy Kasper
Senior Steward	Ryan Wojciechowski
Junior Steward	Peter Rotter
Tiler	Dan Maguire

- April 4<sup>th</sup> – Bro Tom Krause
- April 8<sup>th</sup> – Bro Bob Beck
- April 8<sup>th</sup> – Bro Gerald N. Schnelle
- April 17<sup>th</sup> – Bro Timothy Alexander
- April 18<sup>th</sup> – Bro John Galindo
- April 21<sup>st</sup> – Bro Abel T. Campos Jr
- April 24<sup>th</sup> – Bro James L. Carlson
- April 27<sup>th</sup> – Bro Keith W. Smith
- April 29<sup>th</sup> – Bro Scott D. Orlikowski

**Scottish Rite Breakfast Club**

Meets for breakfast at 7.00 A.M. on the first, third, and fifth Wednesday at Perkins.

**Masonic Education**

<b>Valley of Eau Claire Reunion</b>
Saturday, April 8
Saturday, April 22

Masonic College Session “Leadership and Management” will be held at Wisconsin Rapids Lodge #128 on April 1, 2017.

Masonic College Session “Planning and Programming” is scheduled for April 29, 2017 at the N.E.W. Center.

**From the Editor**

All addressees are invited to submit contributions for inclusion in this newsletter. Submissions must be sent to the editor, Bro Barry Diehl on [bdiehl.02@hotmail.com](mailto:bdiehl.02@hotmail.com) at least 7 days prior to publication.

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