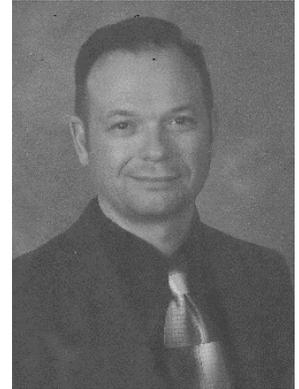


Wausau Trestleboard

Master's Message

Well, we finally made it. New facility up and running. Cornerstone laid. Lodge dedication complete and only a collective 7 kidneys from the membership were harvested and sold to complete the task. The weather for the most part cooperated. We had close to 90 people show for the ceremonies and luncheon, so I was quite pleased as were most everyone I spoke with after. Thank you all for attending and helping with the arduous processes involved!

It sparked quite the conversation with my oldest son afterward about the Fraternity as a whole. He believes "Lodge" is commensurate with a building or a location. I of



course explained to him that only to a point is he correct. "Lodge" on Wednesday nights

Forest Lodge 130 - 2019 Officers

Worshipful Master	Joe Barlow
Senior Warden	Kevin Sorenson
Junior Warden	Ryan Wojciechowski
Secretary/Treasurer	Barry Diehl
Chaplain	Charlie Imlah
Senior Deacon	Mathew Shelton
Junior Deacon	David Zuke
Senior Steward	Lars Framness
Junior Steward	Albie Kramer
Tiler	Eric Hesbol
Counselor	David Imlah

is a destination for me but not so much a building as he perceives it but more of a Brotherhood. Just like "home" to him is more than a house it's the family inside that actually creates the "home" He then stared back at me with that dumb blank look on his face like the mouth breather he can be. His mother still loves him. I knew I was going to have to put the sock puppet on to dumb it down and illustrate my cogent and weighty truths, so I said "Picture Freemasonry as a family home. The foundation of the 'home' is the belief in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man. God is the basis everything is built from. Freemasonry is the walls and roof that encompasses and shelters the Fraternal family on the inside. The main

room in the 'home' would be Blue Lodge Masonry that all the other rooms are down the hall from. 1st bedroom door on the right is York Rite Masonry and 2nd door on the left is Scottish Rite masonry. The rec-room downstairs next to the bar, pool table and jacuzzi would be the Shrine. etc." "That makes sense Dad but what about Eastern Star?" "Well Frank, that's one room over in the kitchen."

"JOSEPH!!"

Okay, it sounded reasonable in my head at the time before I uttered it. (Glad I didn't say bathroom!) Anyway, the point being it's not just the building that makes us a Fraternity but the members that comprise it. Each with our own unique abilities, interests and strengths. I invite you to come down to the new Lodge and sit the sidelines. Say hi to Brothers new and old and enjoy your new facility. As I mentioned on Saturday at the dedication and would like to now say again to the Brothers..."Welcome Home."

Scottish Rite Breakfast Club

Meet for breakfast at the Log Cabin Restaurant at 7:00 A.M. on the first, third, and fifth Wednesdays each month.

Wisconsin Valley Auxiliary

Our next meeting will be October 11, 2019 at Papillions from 11:30 – 1:30. We will be asking members if they would be interested in making a monetary donation for the WGA4 Kids Christmas Toys. The program will be Thom Passow which he will be giving us an update on what is going on at the Shrine Hospital/Clinic in Minneapolis MN. Gayle Tesch

Dates to Remember

October 8 – St Omer Commandry Tiling at 7.00 P.M.

October 9 – Stated Communication – Fraternal Hat Night – Feel free to wear fraternal hat Masonic or otherwise and explain significance. Tiling at 7.00 P.M.

October 18 – York Rite Tiling at 7.00 P.M.

October 23 – Stated Communication – Shrine Appreciation Night – Shriners wear fezzes and jackets/costumes, etc. from your units i.e. red jackets for Wausauken Shriners Unit.

October 30 – Special Communication – Past Masters Night honoring Brother Thom Passow. Tiling 6:00 P.M. then retiring to Richard's Supper Club at 6:30 p.m. for our 3rd Quarter Dinner commencing with social followed by a sit-down dinner at 7:00 p.m. – Order from menu with payment to Brother Diehl so that the collective bill may be paid on a Lodge check.

Birthdays - October 2019

The following brothers celebrate their birthdays for the month of October 2019.

October 1st – Tom Garton
October 3rd – J Ronald Updike II
October 9th – John Giroulx
October 10th – David Imlah Jr
October 18th – Ryan Wojicechowski
October 19th – Thomas Driscoll
October 21st – Lavern Plantiko
October 25th – Andrew Green
October 26th – Charles Van Heest Jr
October 27th – Thom Passow
October 29th – Jon Guth
October 29th – Brett Milbradt

Point to Ponder

Grief can change your outlook. You don't ever forget the shock, the Sadness, and the pain. But I do not believe that grief changes who you are. Grief, if you let it, will reveal who you are. It can reveal depths that you did not know you had. The starting weight of grief can burst any bubble of complacency in how you live your life, and help you live up to the values you espouse.

Prince William, Duke of Cambridge