

Wausau Trestleboard

Master's Message

Greetings brothers! As another year ends another one begins. As we reflect the previous year we set goals and resolutions for the next year, my goals for this new year for one is to be as good of a master of the lodge as all those who have come before be. My second goal is to be a good father as my wife and I are expecting our first child in a few months. I believe that what I learned in my years as a Free Masons and my many years in Boy Scouts have prepared me for this year ahead.



Forest Lodge 130 - 2021 Officers

Worshipful Master	Ryan Wojicechowski
Senior Warden (*)	Rick Schnabel
Junior Warden	Lars Framness
Secretary/Treasurer	Barry Diehl
Chaplain (*)	Copeland Johnston
Senior Deacon	Anthony Stange
Junior Deacon (*)	Dan Maguire
Senior Steward (*)	Mark Partridge
Junior Steward	Dakota Wisniewski-Rhoades
Tiler (*)	----TBA----
Counselor	David Imlah Jr.

(*) Denotes "To be installed"

For those of you who don't know me, my name is Ryan Wojicechowski. I have been

active in masons since I was raised in early 2016. Before I joined Free Masons I was very active in scouting in Mosinee. I joined cub scouts in 1999, crossed over to Boy Scouts in 2004 and earned my Eagle Scout tank in 2010. When I turned 18 years old in 2011, I was asked to be assistant scout master in my troop. In 2016 I became scout master the same week I was raised a master mason. I have learned many things in my years in scouts, but the one lesson I like to carry with me is the scout law. The scout law is, a scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind,

obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent. I have carried a coin with me for over ten years that has the scout oath and law on it so I never forgot the lessons taught to me. Since there are twelve points to the scout law and twelve months in my year in the east, I would like to dedicate each month to a different point of the scout law starting with trustworthy. What does it mean to be trustworthy? To me being trustworthy means that it is something asked of me, to complete a task, keep a secret or simply a trustworthy personality, people can rely on me to get it done and I give 100% no matter what it is. Being a trustworthy mason is even more important, brothers trust I will be a good master of the lodge, trust that I will know my lines for opening, closing and degrees. Trust means that if a brother need me to keep a secret I will be discreet, if they have an idea for the lodge they can trust me to listen with an open mind and an open heart. I hope everyone had a good and safe holiday season and you can trust me when I say I look forward to being the master of this amazing lodge and look forward to seeing you at our next lodge meeting.

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.

Dates to Remember

January 12 – St. Omer Commandry – Tiling 7.00 PM
January 13 – Stated Communication - Tiling 7.00 PM.
January 21 – York Rite – Tiling 7.00 PM
January 27 – Stated Communication – Tiling 7.00 PM.

Editorial

Brothers, during the next few weeks a computer copy of your masonic profile will be posted to your home address requiring that you review the data provided. It is essential to have accurate data on file in order to manage the Lodge effectively, particularly home address, telephone contacts, and e-mail addresses.

Birthdays – January 2021

The following brothers celebrate birthdays for the month of January 2021.

January 12st – Joe Barlow
January 12th – Richard Gee
January 13th – Francis Wickham
January 14th – David Johnson
January 17th – Stephen Williams
January 20th – Dakota Wisniewski-Rhoades
January 20th – Frederick Johnston
January 25th – Mathew Shelton
January 27th – William Brown
January 28th – Barry Diehl
January 28th – Stephen Peterson

Social Media

Brothers, the Trestleboard is your Lodge Communication media and each and every one of you are invited to contribute. You can use it to advertise and communicate upcoming events, personal events, sale of goods, sporting events, and etcetera, indeed anything of interest. To include your contributions please inform the editor by the 20th of each month at the following address:

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Masonic Humor

In the days of the old west, probably in Dodge City, KS, a young fellow held up a bank, and in so doing shot and killed the teller. Several people in the bank and outside saw him well enough to identify him as he rode out of town. A posse was formed and in short order had captured him and returned him to jail. He was duly tried and sentenced to hang for his crime. On the appointed day a scaffold had been erected outside the jail. The fellow was led up the steps to the scaffold, the judge read his sentence, and asked the fellow if he had anything to say. "I sure do, Judge, if it wasn't for the Masons I wouldn't be here." The judge inquired to what he referred. "Well, the sheriff who pursued me is a Mason, as were most of the posse. The jury was mostly Masons, and you, Judge, are a Mason. If it wasn't for the Masons I wouldn't be here." That being all he had to say, the Judge ordered the hangman to proceed. The hangman put a HOOD over his head, a ROPE around his neck, took him by the left arm and said, "Take one advancing step with your left foot."

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