

Wausau Trestleboard

Forest Lodge No. 130 Newsletter

June 2022

Worshipful Master's Message

Greetings from the East!

It certainly feels like this Lodge year is going by way too fast, and there is hardly enough time to get everything done. But we're having a good time trying, aren't we?!

As summer approaches, we will not have any stated meetings during the months of July and August. However, our lodge will continue to be active: we will not officially be dark, rather we will be dim. Posting of candidates will continue, and special degree communications will be sent when we need to confer any degrees. We need to keep our momentum going! Remember Brethren, we must support our new Brothers of the Lodge in their endeavors through their degrees, as all have done before us. We still have a few new men who are interested in Masonry and are being interviewed at this time.

Congratulations to Brother Kyle McBath who was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Forest Lodge on May 4th. We also have additional degrees coming up soon – watch for additional information on those degrees.

A special thank you goes out to Brother Barry Diehl, who has served as Secretary and Treasurer of Forest Lodge for several years. He stepped down as Secretary of our Lodge at the end of 2021, and stepped down as Treasurer effective May 1, 2022. Brother Kevin Sorenson was elected by the Brothers to serve as Treasurer for the remainder of the ensuing Masonic year. Brother Matthew Meyers was appointed to replace Brother Kevin Sorenson as Senior Steward for Forest Lodge. Thank you Brothers!

A special evening was held on May 18th at our Ladies at the Table banquet. 30 Brothers, ladies and guests were present for this special time, where we were able to honor our ladies and widows. All ladies received 2 roses during the ceremony, in which toasts were made to several of the ladies in attendance. Each widow in attendance received a widow's pin, which contained a broken column surrounded by acacia leaves. The broken column is the emblem of the fall of one of the Brothers of our Craft, and represents the end of our earthly life. The acacia leaves symbolize eternal life. This pin is an emblem of our continued concern and honor for the widow of a Brother Master Mason.

See you at Lodge!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Rick Schnabel

Worshipful Master, Forest Lodge #130



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 and Events for June 2022	
June 3-4:	Annual Communication in Madison
June 8: 7:00 PM	Stated Meeting
June 9: 6:30 PM	York Rite Chapter #51 Meeting
June 9: 8:00 PM	York Rite St. Omer Commandery #19 Meeting
June 22: 7:00 PM	Stated Meeting

**NOTE: Degree work always take precedence over any activity that is scheduled on the 2022 Lodge calendar.
If there is a change in plans, you will be notified in advance.**

Forest Lodge 130 - 2022 Officers	
Worshipful Master	Rick Schnabel
Senior Warden	Lars Framness
Junior Warden	David Imlah, Jr
Treasurer	Kevin Sorenson
Secretary	Albie Kramer
Chaplain	Will MacKay
Senior Deacon	Barry Maxfield
Junior Deacon	Joe Barlow
Senior Steward	Matthew Meyers
Junior Steward	Ryan Wojicechowski
Counselor	Dan Maguire
Tiler	Steve Peterson

June 2022 Birthdays	
06/01	SCOTT BRAINARD
06/03	ROBERT KITTEL
06/03	NATHANIEL PALMER
06/11	DARRELL NELSON
06/14	WESLEY URBAN
06/16	TIMOTHY NATARUS
06/24	GARRY PUARIEA
06/25	BRYAN WEDOW
06/30	CHARLES BRUSHERT

Master Mason Degree in Merrill



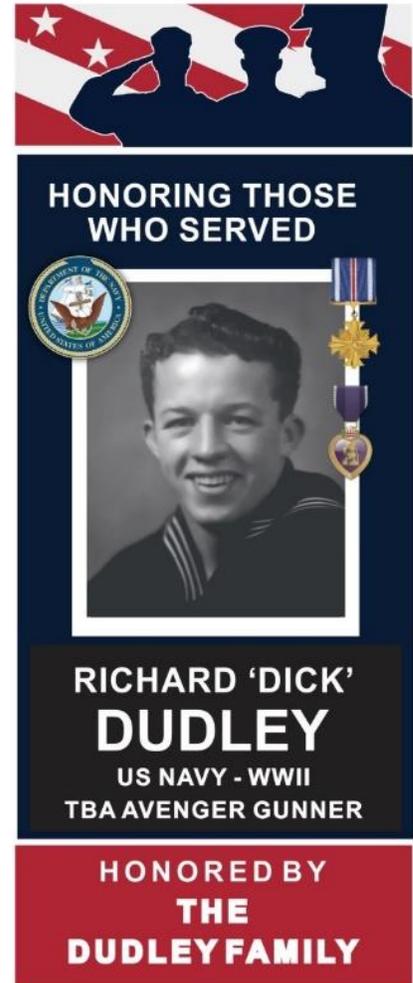
On April 21st, several Brothers from Forest Lodge #130 travelled to Virginia Falls Lodge #226 (Merrill) for the Master Mason degree of Brother Jason Hoffman (front row, third from left).

Brothers from Forest Lodge #130 in attendance were: Dan Maguire, David Imlah Jr., Matthew Meyers, Will MacKay, Joe Barlow, Jake Seever, Rick Schnabel, Ryan Wojicechowski

Presentation to American Legion Post 10



Worshipful Master Rick Schnabel presented a check to Commander Bob Weller of Wausau American Legion Post 10 at one of their recent meetings. The donation was made to support the Veteran's Avenue of Honor for 2022. The Avenue of Honor is a tribute to those veterans from our area who served our country. Banners with their pictures are displayed on Grand Avenue in Wausau from mid-May through Veterans Day, November 11. It is important to take time to reflect on the sacrifices of our military members who have given so much for our freedoms. At the right is an example of one of the banners that will be displayed.



Congratulations

Brother Dan Maguire (left) was congratulated by Worshipful Master Rick Schnabel on being a 40-year Mason. Brother Dan was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on April 1, 1982. WM Schnabel presented him with a 40-year Masonic pin.

Fire Suppression Tool donated to the Town of Maine Fire Department



Pictured Left to Right: Barry Maxfield, Marc Babel (Fireman), Joe Barlow, Joe Bozinski (Fire Chief), Tony Stange, Steve Peterson, Rick Schnabel, Ryan Wojcechowski, Jonathan Phelps, Albie Kramer, Jeremy Bozinski (Fireman), Matthew Meyers, Barry Diehl, Dan Maguire

Forest Lodge #130 donated a Fire Suppression Tool to the Maine Fire Department on April 20, 2022. These devices are the latest in fire suppression technology and were developed by the US and Israeli Military. They weigh approximately 11 lbs. and can be tossed into a burning room or basement emitting an environmentally safe aerosol for 35 seconds. This is enough time to extinguish any fire in an enclosure up to 5,300 cubic feet. This unit will not deplete the oxygen and is safe for humans and pets. While this unit will not replace the fire department, it can save lives by reducing the temperature of a fire from 1,000 degrees to 200 in 30 seconds, allowing the fireman quicker access to the building. This time can be critical in rescuing people and pets trapped in a burning structure. It also allows the first responder to begin fire suppression before the tanker trucks can be set up and deployed. This can be critical in our rural areas. Another advantage of using this fire suppression tool is that water damage can be minimized as these units leave only a talc like powder that can be vacuumed up later. The fire suppression tool has a 15-year battery that never needs recharging, and can operate in temperatures down to 50° below zero. With its "Pull the pin and throw it in," technology it is easy to use by anyone. The Brothers of Forest Lodge were pleased to present this tool to the Maine Fire Department to help make the surrounding area safer.

Kyle McBath was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Forest Lodge on May 4th



Pictured Left to Right:
Tony Budaj (Phillips),
Jesse Furrer,
Stephen Britton,
Rick Schnabel,
Matthew Meyers,
Peter Rotter,
Kyle McBath,
Jonathan Phelps,
Jake Seever,
Lars Framness,
Dan Maguire,
Steve Peterson,
Mark Partridge,
Albie Kramer,
Barry Diehl.
Missing from the
picture is John White
from Evergreen Lodge
in Stevens Point.

Brother Billy Joe Morman III (who goes by the name of Trey) attended a Fellowcraft degree at Forest Lodge with his friend, Brother Jonathan Phelps (right). Brother Trey (left) is from Union Lodge #28 in LaGrange Georgia.



Wild Shirt and Ugly Tie Night



Left to Right: Ryan Wojicechowski, Barry Maxfield, Rick Rausch, Tony Budaj, Albie Kramer.

At our Lodge meeting on May 11th, the Brothers wore their wild shirts and ugly ties. Brothers voted for the “worst” of the “worst”. Winners were each presented with an ugly clip tie for their tie collection.



Barry Maxfield took 2nd place and Rick Rausch took 1st place.

Ladies at the Table Banquet – May 18th



Ladies
NIGHT



This was an evening set aside for us to repay in kind some small measure of the debt which we owe to our ladies for their greatly valued support—their friendship, loyalty, patience, and especially their love.

