Wausau Trestleboard

#### Master's Message

A hearty greeting from the East my brothers. I trust all of you are enjoying that short yet precious season of summer we so look forward to. This past week found me fishing in Canada with my two sons, a best friend, and my godson. Reflecting on the trip, it made me think I could somehow find a Trestleboard message buried within the events of those five days. I did and if I had a theme to this month's message it would be "Leave No Regrets."

I'm typically a glass half empty pessimist (trying very hard to work on that) so one could say my trip went something like this. We arrived in Canada to find my boat tarp shredded by a loose tie strap that flew in the wind for 500 miles, cut one of the boat seats and further broke a viewing portal to the oil gauge on the outboard motor. Surely the part will only be about \$250. This was quickly overshadowed by my realization that somewhere along the



Worshipful Master Jesse Furrer

way a trailer guide-on broke from its bolting point and I'm sure is now laying in the ditch awaiting an unsuspecting Fall highway cleanup crew. Guide-ons typically run about \$150. Finally, the cracked fuel line I repaired but should have replaced before leaving for the trip (you know where this is going) let loose as a huge thunderstorm was approaching us on the lake as far away from the cabin as we could feasibly get. A temporary fix with a zip tie and a long ride through torrential rainfall and lightning got me back to the boat landing soaked to the gills. Nice.

After taking an inventory of all of the things that went wrong, I realized I had a very nice trip spending some quality time with my boys. When you spend 10-12 hours a day next to one another in a small 16-foot boat, you must figure things out. You must work through the line snags, broken equipment, the lost fish, and hours without a bite. Many times, that week I thought of how my boys someday will look back on the trip and remember what they enjoyed. Time spent together with each other and with their dad. I like that. Now I could easily have put the trip off again "one more year" and used some foolish excuse like being too busy. That, I would someday have regretted. So my brothers, do not put off those things you are saving for "some day." That day is today. Schedule them, do them and leave no regrets.

On a final note, brothers, I thank you all for the thoughtfulness expressed toward brother Brian Miller in his time of need following the tragic loss of his house and his father in the recent fire. Therefore, we are Masons and why I am proud of my lodge. Enjoy the balance of summer everyone. I will be in Alaska on July 11<sup>th</sup> during our upcoming Entered Apprentice degree but look forward to seeing you all again for our second stated meeting on July 18<sup>th</sup>.

Jesse

# "There is no doubt in my mind that Masonry is the cornerstone of America" Dave Thomas - Founder of Wendy's Restaurants

### Scottish Rite Breakfast Club

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

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# Forest Lodge 130 2018 Officers

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# **Dates to Remember**

**July 11** – Forest Lodge No 130 Stated Communication Tile 7:00 P.M. South at 6.30 P.M.

**July 12** – St Omer Commandery Stated Meeting 7.00 P.M.

**July 14** – Lodge Golf Day at Tribute Course commencing 4.00 pm followed by Dinner.

July 17 – York Rite Chapter and Council Stated Meeting 7.00 P.M.

**July 18** – Forest Lodge No 130 Stated Communication Tile 7:00 P.M. South at 6.30 P.M.

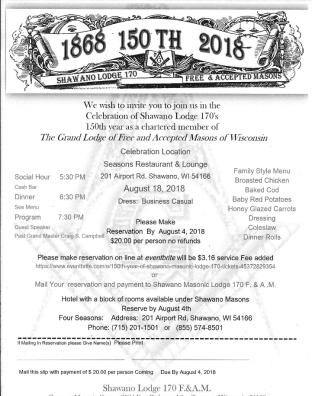
The following brothers celebrate their birthdays for the month of July 2018.

July  $3^{rd}$  – Donald Debyle Jr July  $6^{th}$  – Gerald Laine July  $7^{th}$  – Roy Olson July  $8^{th}$  – Dan Booras July  $16^{th}$  – Dan Dupuis July  $21^{st}$  – Sean Locke July  $24^{th}$  – James Builer July  $25^{th}$  – Rick Swanson July  $26^{th}$  – Bruce Furrer





On August 26, 2018 Forest Lodge #130 will sponsor the Mosinee Car Show commencing at 8.00am. The show is free to spectators and features music by Hobo, a Park Setting, and Cafeteria facilities. Volunteers are necessary and should contact Bro Kevin Sorenson on 715 581 0553 or kevin@sorensonhomeinspections.com.



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#### **Charities Questionnaire**

The various Survey Submissions for charities that have been returned to the Forest Lodge Secretary