



Wausau Trestleboard

Forest Lodge No. 130 Newsletter
April 2023

Worshipful Master's Message

Greetings Brothers!

We are now in the month April and the days continue to get longer as they also continue to move along on the calendar. Winter is having a hard time letting go, but we'll be in the thick of spring before we know it.

Our first stated communication of the month of March was done by candlelight and it provided a unique atmosphere for us to conduct our business. During the fellowship that we shared after the meeting it was mentioned to me that what we had done was what our brothers in centuries past had also done: conducting business by candlelight. It was something that I had not thought of during the meeting, but was something that stuck with me in the days afterward. It really was special to share that particular connection in Masonry with our Brothers from years past.



Sticking with the idea of our Brothers from the past - During our second stated communication, we received some Masonic education from our Junior Warden, Barry Maxfield. Brother Barry gave a presentation about Perseverance Lodge which is a Lodge in the state of Wisconsin that involves meeting in nontraditional lodge buildings and typically with a theme of fur trappers as they made their way across the North American continent. He also brought in multiple items reminiscent of that era for display and provided explanations as to how they would have been useful and valuable to those that were making their way across a new land. Thank you for the education, Brother Barry!

Like the leaves in the spring, our lodge is continuing to grow. We recently conferred the Entered Apprentice degree to Christopher Doman. He was initiated on March 9th and I am excited to see where his journey in Masonic light takes him. The degree team was in top form and we had multiple brothers taking new parts in the conferral of the degree – Well done! Please join me in welcoming our newest Entered Apprentice to the Lodge.

Remember Brothers, the lessons from the Entered Apprentice degree are how we can begin to turn ourselves from rough ashlar to perfect ashlar. This will help us to improve ourselves, improve our society, and also grow the Fraternity. The message of spreading brotherly love, relief, and truth is infectious and can only help grow the Fraternity and make good men better!

Hope to see you at Lodge!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Lars Framness

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 April

April 1:	8:00 AM	Scottish Rite Spring Reunion at Eau Claire Masonic Center
April 6:	6:30 PM	York Rite Chapter #51 Meeting
April 6:	8:00 PM	York Rite St. Omer Commandery #19 Meeting
April 12:	7:00 PM	Stated Meeting Forest Lodge-School of Instruction led by Tony Budaj
April 15:	8:00 AM	Scottish Rite Spring Reunion at Eau Claire Masonic Center
April 26:	7:00 PM	Stated Meeting Forest Lodge

Looking Ahead to May

May 4:	6:30 PM	York Rite Chapter #51 Meeting
May 4:	8:00 PM	York Rite St. Omer Commandery #19 Meeting
May 10:	7:00 PM	Stated Meeting Forest Lodge
May 24:	7:00 PM	Stated Meeting Forest Lodge

Forest Lodge #130 - 2023 Officers

Worshipful Master	Lars Framness
Senior Warden	David Imlah, Jr
Junior Warden	Barry Maxfield
Treasurer	Kevin Sorenson
Secretary	Albie Kramer
Chaplain	Brett Abbey
Senior Deacon	Matthew Meyers
Junior Deacon	Jason Kotolski
Senior Steward	Stephen Kalmon
Junior Steward	Kyle McBath
Counselor	Dan Maguire
Tiler	Ryan Wojciechowski

April 2023 Birthdays

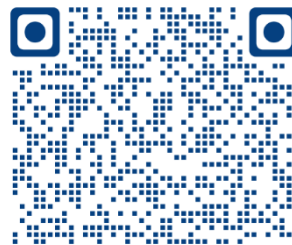
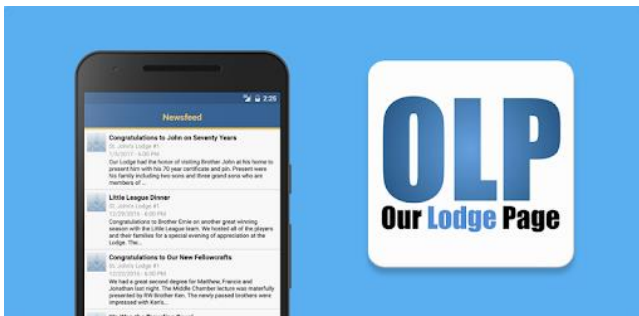
APRIL 1st - NICK RATAJCZYK
 APRIL 8th - BOB BECK
 APRIL 11th - GARY SHANAK
 APRIL 11th - DANIEL JOHNSON
 APRIL 13th - KEITH CREUZIGER
 APRIL 13th - CHARLIE IMLAH
 APRIL 14th - BARRY MAXFIELD
 APRIL 14th - TOM KRAUSE
 APRIL 15th - ANTHONY STANGE
 APRIL 18th - JUAN GALINDO
 APRIL 19th - KIRBY. KLINGER
 APRIL 20th - JOHN ALTENBURGH
 APRIL 21st - ABEL CAMPOS JR.
 APRIL 24th - JAMES CARLSON
 APRIL 25th - RICHARD OLSON
 APRIL 27th - KEITH SMITH
 APRIL 27th - EDGAR VERKEST

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Worshipful Master Lars Framness presented John Altenburgh & Jon Eberhardt with dues cards and pins



Chris Doman's Entered Apprentice Degree on March 9, 2023



Preserverance Lodge Appreciation Night led by Brother Barry Maxfield



IN MEMORIAM

Brother Fredrich "Fritz" Johnston

January 20, 1945 — March 21, 2023

Initiated an Entered Apprentice on May 7, 1966

Passed to the degree of Fellow Craft on September 27, 1966

Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on November 8, 1966