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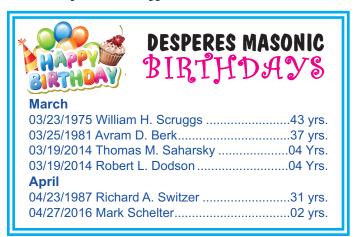
March 14th - Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Regular Stated Communication - EA Degree

March 28th – Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Regular Stated Communication

April 11th - Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Regular Stated Communication - FC Degree

April 25th – Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Regular Stated Communication

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We've had a solid start to the year and I appreciate the great work the Lodge is doing. We held a Cigars & Cards Night at Prohibitions Lounge in January and were joined by brothers from Des Peres #85, Roosevelt #322, Shawano Lodge #170, and Waverly Lodge #51. It was a great night filled with fellowship. From the feedback I've received, it was a memorable event.

In February, we held our annual Past Master's Dinner at 1951 West. Worshipful Brother Clint Compton was presented with a Past Master Apron and certificate. Other Past Masters that attended and were recognized for their contributions to the Lodge included Larry Zochart ('82), John Derenne (~'88,'02), Charles Clarage ('99), Bob Vanderleest ('00), Dan Lyons ('08), Jeff Lancelle ('13), and Jake Lancelle ('14).

I want to formally welcome the newest member of the Lodge: WB Jake Sylvester of Des Peres #85. His decision to pursue plural membership further strengthens the ties between our lodges and his knowledge of the craft will undoubtedly be an asset to Washington.

Finally, our new website remains under construction but expect it to be in place very soon. Fortunately, the new text message notification system is gaining traction and feedback has been positive. To get the latest updates on lodge events, text WASH21 to 84576. Don't forget, you can connect with us on both Facebook and Instagram.

#### Upcoming events we look forward to seeing you at:

- March 1st Stated Meeting By-Laws Change Vote
- March 15th Knife & Fork Degree & York Rite Presentation (Masonic Center @ 6.30p)
- March 24th Masonic Day of Light (Masonic Center @ 7am 5pm)
- <u>April 5th</u> Stated Meeting Beja Shrine Presentation Degree TBD
- April 19th Stated Meeting School of Instruction
- April 27th Comedy Show (Jim Gaffigan)
   Bring a friend! (Resch Center @ 7pm)

Fraternally, Jeremy Weller, WM



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Happy Almost Spring, I hope you will join us for the Day Of Light to be held at the N.E.W. Masonic Center March 24, 2018. The Valley of Green Bay will be conferring the Master Mason degree. If you would like to know more please contact Moses Adams at kealii79@yahoo.com.

The Spring Reunion 2018 will be April 21, please join us for fellowship during the day and an Hawaiian themed banquet at night, invitations will follow.

You will find the Valley of Green Bay will be having its breakfasts at the Machine Shed every month. We have found this is the favorite, it's centrally located and is usually well attended. The difference between school and life? In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson. -Tom Bodett

Please find the Scottish Rite breakfast schedule below, all brothers and their friends and families are invited.

Scottish Rite 2018 breakfast schedule: starts at 9:30am till? Friends and Family welcome we always meet at the Machine Shed 220 North Fox River Drive Grand Chute, WI 54913.

March 24th

•April 28th

May 26th

• June 23rd

Meetings: All Scottish Rite Masons are welcome to sit in on our meetings, 2018 schedule below:

March 21st - 5:30 Feast of the Paschal Lamb, invitations to follow.

April 18th - 5:30 Stated Meeting at the NEW Masonic Center

April 21st - Spring Reunion, Banquet will have an Hawaiian theme invitations to follow.

May 16th - 5:30 Stated Meeting at the NEW Masonic Center

June 20th - 5:30 Stated Meeting at the NEW Masonic Center

<u>July 18th</u> - 5:30 Valley Picnic/Installation of Officers, invitations to follow.

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Fraternally Yours, Mike Belanger Valley of Green Bay AASR Secretary

## Library Notes



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The Brown County Federation of Historical Organizations has scheduled the third Wednesday in May for the annual open houses at 14 historical museums. NEW Masonic Library/Museum participated last May in the third annual event and had over 50 people in attendance. We concentrated on the Library/Museum for our tours but realize people were also interested in the building. For 2018, this activity will be May 16 from 4:00-8:00. In planning, we would like some volunteers who would be willing to work as tour guides. In looking ahead, we could schedule a tour planning session in April where input from guides would be valuable. If you would like to participate, contact Alice Byrnes at the "gmail" address listed above.



#### Memorial Service

James J. Byrnes of Green Bay, passed away on February 12, 2018. Byrnes served as Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin from 1982-1983.

Visitation will be at 12:00pm, followed by a Memorial Service will be held at 2:00pm on March 17th at the NEW Masonic Center. Following the service a

sharing of memories will be held down stairs. All are invited, we will be sharing fun, fellowship and great memories of Jim. Hors d'oeuvres and munchies can be enjoyed while sharing great memories.

Condolences to: Alice Byrnes, 1903 Riverside Dr, Unit E, Green Bay, WI 54313-4094.

Alice Byrnes, Director



#### Remembering those who have served

Our project is intended to honor our Veterans, Servicemen, Servicewomen, and Masons, past and present. These mementos are to be permanently memorialized at the base of our flagpole. Just follow the simple step-by-step process on our website www.newmasoniccenter.com to place your order.

The N.E.W. Masonic Center is also in the process of updating our middle roof section. The Board of Directors has communicated this to the organizations that meet at the center, but all individual contributions are welcome as well. Please contact Nic Schuh (920) 265-9328 if interested in donating."

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2:00pm Job's Daughters Meeting Daylight Savings Time Begins	12	7:00pm Warren Chapter #8 Stated Meeting	7:00pm Des Peres Communication	7:00pm Washington	16	St. Patrick's Day  1:00pm Palenstine #20 Guard Mount
18	6:30pm Building Board 7:00pm Order of Demoly	Roosevelt 5:30pm Dinner 6:30pm Stated Communication	Scottish Rite 5:30pm Feast of the Pascal Lamb	7:00pm Palenstine #20 Election of Officers	23	9:30am Scottish Rite Breakfast Masonic Day of Light
25 Job's Daughters Friend's Day	26	6:00pm Short Talk Discussion	7:00 pm Des Peres Meeting	7:00pm Washington	<b>30</b> Warren Chapter Festival	31

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22	23	6:00pm Short Talk Discussion	7:00pm Des Peres Communication	7:00pm Palenstine #20 Installation of Officers	27	9:30am Scottish Rite Breakfast
Job's Daughters Meeting Stop and Go	30					



## The Passing of MW James Byrnes

I thought about doing Masonic History for this Trestleboard but decided to write about Jim. That is what he wanted to be called. Some men require distinction and expect their title to be used. I know the first time I met Jim I

said Most Worshipful it's nice to meet you and he looked me in the eye and said it's just Jim. That thought has always stuck with me and made me proud to know him and the way he looked at his fellow Brothers. Yes, Jim would sometimes ruffle feathers and cause guys to shy away from him by some of the things he believed in or what really made a true Mason. One of those things was the fact that Wisconsin went away from the old ritual and omitted some of the work and as such may have lost the luster of learning the old postings. But is that bad or was it the wrong direction to go, only time will tell. I know that not going through the old way doesn't make you less of a Mason than someone who did. But there is substance in the old teachings. Having men go through the old way was a great accomplishment only some of us have obtained through either become ritualists, proficiency men or just doing the work as suggested in the cipher. We all take something from Freemasonry and incorporate it into our lives which makes us the better man in my opinion.

In September, 1924 the Short Talk Bulletin "What is Masonry" was printed from an unknown author which stated that "Masonry is the activity of closely united men who, employing symbolical forms borrowed principally from the Mason's trade and from architecture, work for the welfare of mankind, striving morally to ennoble themselves and others and thereby bring about a universal league of mankind, which they aspire to exhibit even now on a small scale." What great words to describe the craft.

President Theodore Roosevelt, writing shortly before his death, called attention to the fact that while he was President of the United States, the gardener on a neighbor's estate, "A Most Excellent Public-Spirited Citizen, was Master of His Lodge."

#### And he adds:

He was over me, though I was President, and it was good for him and good for me. I Violate no secret when I say that one of the greatest values in Masonry is that it affords an opportunity for men in all walks of life to meet on common ground, where all men are equal and have one common interest.

Jim had great love for the Northeast Masonic Center and this was evident with the charge of being part of the Masonic Library and Museum. Jim took great pride over the years educating every Man, Woman and child that walked through those doors of the Museum. To hear his voice, talk about all the splendid artifacts and memorabilia brought to life things of past. Jim worked hard bringing items into the Library and Museum working through many organizations both Masonic and Non-Masonic as well. I remember visiting Jim and Alice in the old Library and office seeing Jim at the desk going through items purchased and gifted to the Library and Museum. Alice hard at work inventorying everything and assigning numbers to books and items. In the past year the Northeast Masonic

Center has had to deal with replacing boilers, roof leaks and flooding of the basement. Discussions have been made with the possibility of leaving the building, selling it and erecting another in its place. Jim adamantly opposed that idea and rightfully so because it has become the Cornerstone of Green Bay Lodges. We can together rebuild the Center as Solomon's Temple was rebuilt after being destroyed.

I will miss the man who gave everything he had to so many organizations throughout Masonry and is now resting in God's House that Temple not made with hands eternal in the Heavens. Good bye my friend and Brother till we meet again.

Fraternally, Jim VanDeHey



Chapter Sweetheart - Megan Plutchak Master Councilor - Gavin Masteller

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We hope everyone is enjoying this wonderful Wisconsin weather. As you know there are always changes in the youth group. We look forward to seeing visitors at our meetings. If you know of a young man looking to join please let us know.

March 3rd - Beja Shrine Circus

March 5th - 7:00 pm. Regular stated meeting

March 7th - Beja Shrine meeting serving dinner.

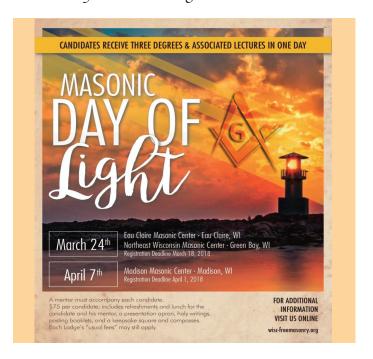
March 19th - 7:00 pm. Regular stated meeting

April 2nd - 7:00 pm Regular stated meeting

April 4th - Beja Shrine meeting serving dinner

April 16th - 7:00 pm. Regular stated meeting

Fraternally, Charles Clarge



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#### **Warren Chapter #8**

The officers of Warren Chapter #8 would like to extend a Happy Easter to all of our companions. The coming months again find us busy with activities and degrees. We will be holding our annual Chapter Festival, with the assistance of Tyrian Chapter #15 and Wautoma Chapter #107, in March. Our Chapter is forming a Knife and Fork Degree team and our first degree will be performed in March for Washington Lodge #21 at their stated communication. We are hoping to book more degrees in the upcoming months. The companions of Warren Chapter #8, along with Warren Council #13 And Palestine Commandery #20, are working hard on their EA degree team and will be performing this degree at the next Masonic Day of Light at the N.E.W. Masonic Center in March.

Finally, the by-laws vote to change the night of our stated convocation has been postponed until our April convocation. All companions will receive a letter of notice regarding the changes and dates involved. May these next few months find you and yours well, we hope to see you soon!

March 3rd, 2018: Chapter Festival at N.E.W. Masonic Center. 8:00 a.m. Registration, 9:00 a.m. Mark Master Degree with the remaining degrees to follow.

March 13th, 2018: 7:00 p.m. Stated Convocation. Short meeting and practice for Knife and Fork Degree. Fellowship to follow at 1951.

March 15th, 2018: 6:00 p.m. Knife and Fork Degree for Washington Lodge at N.E.W. Masonic Center.

March 24th, 2018: Masonic Day of Light at N.E.W. Masonic Center. York Rite to do EA Degree.

April 10th, 2018: 7:00 p.m. Stated Convocation. By-laws vote to change meeting to Fourth Tuesday and add dark in July and August.

#### Warren Council #13

The officers of Warren Council #8 would like to extend a Happy Easter to all our companions. The coming months

again find us busy with activities and degrees. The companions of Warren Council #13, Warren Chapter #8 along with Palestine Commandery #20, are working hard on EA degree team. We will be performing this degree during the next Masonic Day of Light at the N.E.W. Masonic Center in March. Finally, Warren Council will be holding a Council festival in April. This will be two days after our Installation, so April will be very busy! May these next few months find you and yours well, we hope to see you soon.

March 8th, 2018: 7:00 p.m. – Stated Assembly. Election of Officers for ensuing Cryptic Year.

April 12th, 2018: 7:00 p.m. - Stated Assembly. Installation of Officers.

April 14th, 2018: 8:00 a.m. - Council Festival Registration. 9:00 a.m. - Royal Master Degree. Council Banquet to follow Select Master degree, Ladies welcome. Please RSVP with our Recorder, Companion Nic Schuh with the above contact information.

#### Palestine Commandery #20

Happy Easter to all Sir Knights of Palestine Commandery wheresoever dispersed! May this find you and your families healthy and prosperous during this most holy of seasons. With a heavy heart, it becomes our duty to inform you of the passing of one of our Sir Knights. Past Grand Master James Byrnes, a Sir Knight of this Commandery, passed away on February 12, 2018. The Eminent Commander requests that a Guard Mount be formed for Sir Knight Byrnes at this service on March 17, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. in the afternoon. Please contact Sir Knight Nic Schuh if you wish to participate.

The companions of Warren Council #13, Warren Chapter #8 along with Palestine Commandery #20, are working hard on our EA degree team. We will be performing this degree during the next Masonic Day of Light at the N.E.W. Masonic Center in March.

Palestine Commandery will be participating in the Feast of the Pascal Lamb with the Valley of Green Bay Scottish Rite on April 18, 2018. For all Sir Knights that participate from Palestine Commandery we will be honoring you specially after the public events of the Feast of the Pascal Lamb. April will also see us installing our Officer Corp for the 2018-2019 Chivalric year. We hope this finds you truly blessed this Easter season, and we hope to see you are the next conclave of Palestine Commandery #20!

March 17, 2018: 1:00 p.m. – Guard Mount for Past Grand Master James Byrnes at the N.E.W. Masonic Center.

March 21, 2018: 5:30 p.m. – Appetizers; 6:30 p.m. – Feast of the Pascal Lamb. Those participating in the ceremony, please arrive at 6:30 p.m. Open to the public. Please contact SK Nic Schuh to place reservation.

March 22, 2018: 7:00 p.m. – Stated Conclave. Election of Officers for ensuing Chivalric Year.

April 26, 2018: 7:00 p.m. - Stated Conclave. Installation of Officers.

Níc Schuh, Secretary N.E.W. Masoníc Center



Bethel Guardian Allie Neylon 262-305-5955 Associate Bethel Guardian Jeff Andersen 920-366-4575

Greetings Masonic Family,

My name is Ali Neylon and I am the new Guardian at Bethel 32! I am so happy to be here with these wonderful ladies and look forward to learning and growing with them!

When we attended the Blue Lodge Installation on December 8th, my mom Heidi Behlke, issued you all a challenge. That challenge was for each of you gentleman to bring one girl into Job's Daughters. We have not forgotten and are eagerly awaiting your initiates! Don't worry, we will continue to remind you about this challenge!

We are small but mighty, and have tons of fun! We want to share this fun with more girls! Please share our information with everyone you know!

Job's Daughters changes lives. I have been involved with Job's Daughters since I was 12, so for 17 years. The things I have learned in this organization have been my guide through life. I would love to share that sort of experience with all the young ladies in the world, if I could!

Our Bethel would love to see you at our upcoming events! On March 25, we will be having a Friend's Day and you are all invited! This event is an open meeting so your prospective members are welcome to attend!

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions! You can reach me via email at alikat127@yahoo.com



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Brethren, I hope that you are enjoying our winter so far. It is with great sadness that I must report on the passing of brother Robert Siebelink. Bob was a member of Daylite Lodge for a number of years and was currently serving as our Junior Steward. I also have to report the passing of Past Grand Master James Byrnes. Everyone knew Brother Jim. We will miss them both.

On a cheerier note, I invite you to visit Daylite Lodge on the second Thursday of the month. We hope to have something different every meeting besides the regular business. Last meeting, Brother Gary Fehl gave a report on the White German Shepard Dog Rescue that he and his wife are involved in. We guarantee something different every meeting. So we hope to see you soon.

Fraternally, Gary Cornelissen W.M.



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Greeting Brethren,

Every year the Earth goes through its annual cycle bringing in the new life of plants in the spring, those plants maturing in the sunny days of summer, displaying the beauty that comes from a well spent life in autumn and finally succumbing to age in winter. Since our last publication, a Mason close to many of us has likewise succumb to the scythe of time and has knocked upon the door to that spiritual temple and it has opened unto him. Past-Grand Master Jim Byrnes was a friend and mentor to myself and countless others and the world seems a colder and more bleak place without his light among us. But just as no winter lasts forever but must instead yield to the newness of spring, so to would Jim not want us to dwell on his passing but to move forward to usher in new Masons who will be the future life of our Fraternity.

In the last two months we have initiated SIX new Entered Apprentices for our Lodge. Now it is time to help these new brothers mature into Fellowcrafts and then blossom into Master Masons. Together with all of the Lodge activities we have planned in March and April, we will be a bright and shining light of renewal for our Craft in Northeast Wisconsin and beyond. If you have not been to Lodge in a while please join us. We miss you and want you to have a part in all we are doing.

#### **MEETINGS & EVENTS**

March 6th, Tues. Dinner 5:30 Meeting 6:30, Regular stated communication - Multiple FC degrees

March 16th, Friday 7:05pm, Lodge outing to the Gamblers game. All friends and family welcome. Tickets are \$7.50 each March 20th, Tues. Dinner 5:30 Meeting 6:30 Regular stated communication - MM degree

March 24th, Saturday 8:00am. Masonic Day of Light. Here in Green Bay, several candidates receiving. Their EA, FC and MM all in one day

<u>April 3rd</u>, Tues. Dinner 5:30 Meeting 6:30. Regular stated communication - MM degree

April 6th, Friday 6:00 Bar 7:00 Meal. Lodge outing to the Blizzard game. All friends and family welcome. Tickets are \$7.50 each April 17th, Tues. Dinner 5:30 Meeting 6:30. Regular stated communication - MM degree

<u>April 28th</u>, Saturday, Fourth Annual Free Veterans Luncheon Free for any vet and their family

Other events on the horizon...

May - Ceremony of Light - Green Bay DeMolay

June - Grand Lodge

June - Timber Rattlers game

I hope to see you all at Lodge in the next coming weeks.

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