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Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301 www.henrylpalmer301.org



A Message from the Master

Greetings Brethren,

Congratulations to Bro. Bryan Johnson who was just recently honored and awarded a plaque recognizing him as the 2016 Palmer Lodge Mason of The Year.

At our October 25, Stated Meeting Palmer Lodge elected Bro Khris Kay to lead our lodge in 2017. Bro. Kay has broad Lodge leadership experience. Bro Kay is supported by a corps of energetic, young officers. Certainly, he will do his utmost to bring us a meaningful Masonic year. You, your families and friends are invited to the public installation of officers at Palmer Lodge on Saturday, December 10, at 7:00 p.m. Stay for the reception following the installation. You will enjoy an excellent opportunity to acquaint yourself with our newly elected and appointed officers.

Eight days prior to the installation members of all Bodies within our Temple will gather on December 2 to decorate our Temple for the Holidays. We will also form an assembly line to stuff 100 stockings for Santa's use. That kind of fun gets us into the holiday spirit.

Santa Claus is returning to Palmer Lodge for the 8th straight year for the lodge's annual Children's Christmas Party, "Pizza with Santa." This year's program features a children's magician. Bring your children or grandchildren December 4, at 1 pm, for an outing they will never forget. It's all free of charge. Moms and Dads are sure to enjoy it too.

Thank you, Brethren, for the pleasure of serving as your Worshipful Master during the current year.

See you in Lodge, my Brothers.

Jack Jones, W.M.

An Important Reminder from the Northwest Masonic Center:

If you have an event on a date other than your scheduled dates, you <u>MUST</u> reserve the date through Art Karos: 414-628-8900 or akaros@wi.rr.com

A Message from the Master Elect

rethren.

I am humbled by your confidence in my abilities to be master of our lodge for this year. The task before me is quite daunting as the maintaining and building of our temple has been fraught with the hands of many a worthy master much more accomplished than myself. My hope is that we can continue with the exemplar work that has preceded us. With that in mind I will be calling on our Past Masters and lodge members frequently to help me with planning degrees and the other lodge functions. As the saying goes 'any endeavor worth doing is worth doing well.' We are planning some inter-lodge activities as well as to go traveling.

I look forward to working with each of you to uphold those traditions of our Lodge that have been established over the last 106 years, and to make some new ones for those who follow. Remember the installation of your new officers is the 10th of December beginning with a meet and greet at 6pm with the installation at 7 pm. January 1st at 8:30 we have our customary lodge breakfast: this year we are opening it up to our ladies and children with a wonderful presentation by Brother Bob Strader Junior Grand Warden of WI. Please RESVP to me 262.391.5716 so I may have a head count.

2017 is an exciting time for us, not only as masons but as brothers dwelling under the same planetary roof. I am excited about this year and am very confident in the line of officers.

In wisdom, strength and beauty

Khristian E. Kav

ON THE PALMER HORIZON December 2016

Date	Event	<u>Time</u>	
Dec. 2	Decorate Temple for Holidays	7:00 pm	
Dec. 4	Pizza With Santa Kids Party	1:00 pm	
Dec. 7	Installation Rehearsal	7:00 pm	
Dec. 10	Install 2017 Officers	7:00 pm	
Dec. 18	Stated Meeting	7:00 pm	
Dec. 21	NWMC Trustees	7:00 pm	
Jan. 1	New Year's Reception	8:30 am	

This schedule is for planning purposes only. Every effort is made to keep it as shown, but it remains subject to change.

Wisconsin Lodge No. 13



A Message from the Master

Greetings Brethren,

WI 13 is planning on having another EA walk through our first meeting in December, which is 12-1-2016 gavel at 7:30 PM, and all are welcome. We are still working a new petition and will keep sending updates as we progress. Our stated meetings for December are 12-1-16, and 12-15-16 gavel is at 7:30 PM.

I would also like to take just a moment to wish all of you a wonderful holiday, and safe travel while we visit our loved ones.

Notice: WI 13 will be voting to amend our bylaws on our first stated meeting in February. The official date is Thursday, February 2nd 2017, gavel at 7:30 PM.

Fraternally,

Michael Olson

W.M WI 13

Golden Rule Chapter #194 O.E.S.



A Message from the Worthy Matron

Dear Brother and Sisters.

Fall has arrived and the Holidays are just around the corner. I cannot believe that another year has gone bye.

Golden Rule initiated four new members on Thursday, November 10, 2016. Congratulations to Brethren Mike Snow and Clayton Bartz, and to our two new sisters, Tracy Goldner and Sherra Burg. We are happy to have you join us, and we hope that your Eastern Star journey will be a happy and fulfilling experience! If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 262-424-3863.

We hope to see you at our meeting on Dec, 8th, at 6:00 pm. for a light dinner and the meeting will start at 7:00 pm. It will be a Holiday Celebration.

We are still collecting children's' hats and mittens for the Masonic Angel Fund for Christmas. Please try to bring your donation to the December meeting! Just a note: Hays Lodge is also collecting used Clothes for the veterans and their families at Christmas time. Please contact Hayes Lodge for further information!

Our chapter will be making sandwiches for the Ronald MacDonald house on Dec. 22nd at 5:45 pm. Please try to join us. It is a long journey for some of these families who have very sick children and they deeply appreciate having a nice bagged lunch at noon!

Just a reminder. We are still meeting on the last Saturday of the month at Maxim's on Capital Drive. No reservations are needed!

Everyone are welcome! Bring your children, friends or relatives.

What a beautiful way to start your weekend.

A thought for the day: May every day be a Thanksgiving Day for you and your family!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Sister Star Love, Verna Aschauer---- Worthy Matron

Robert Mehle-----Worthy Patron

Kilbourn Chapter No. 1 R.A.M.

www.kilbournchapter.org



Greetings Companions,

November, is known as a month of transition. As you read this, our elections will be history. Thank you to those companions who will assume the responsibility and work of leading us in the coming year.

December will be dark due to the holidays and weather can be difficult during the winter months.

Nevertheless, there are important dates coming up for the month of January. Our elected officers will be installed on January 25th, the last Wednesday of the month. Please come to Convocation on January 25th in a show of support for the senior officers elected to serve next year. We will have a special catered dinner at 6:00 P.M. followed by the Convocation. If you, or you know of a fellow companion who, needs a ride please call any of the present officers and we will arrange transportation for you.

I would like to thank all of you, my fellow companions, for your gracious support during the past year. What a wonderful, extraordinary Chapter to be part of!

Wishing you and your families very Merry and Joyful Holidays, and a prosperous, healthy New Year. Please be safe.

Fraternally yours
Tim Meyer EHP

HL PALMER MASONIC ANGEL FUND

To the brethren and friends of the HL Palmer Masonic Angel Fund we would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your generous support. Since its inception six years ago, our Angel fund has disbursed nearly \$80,000.00 and contributed in some way to almost 15,000 children in our area. Although the primary sponsors of our charity are Henry L. Palmer Lodge #301 and Kilbourn Chapter #1, Royal Arch Masons, other lodges in District 12, as well as our Eastern Star Chapters and Jobies, have also given generously to our effort. We as Masons have always taken pride in our benevolence to others as a basic tenet of our fraternity. It is extremely gratifying when we receive a call from a school official or teacher requesting warm clothing, hygiene kits or other necessities, and we can say we'll take care of it. This reflects your generosity and caring. I hope you are as proud of our Angel Fund as we are.

Jobs Daughters Bethel 2



It is hard to believe that the Holiday season is upon us, but it is also a good time to look back and know that we are all fortunate; not only for our own individual families and friends, but also for the friendship and support of one another as part of the Masonic fraternity.

November was an eventful month filled with beautiful weather and the raking of leaves; as well as by the many events and activities Bethel 2 participated in:

- November 2nd Participation at Bethel 35's Initiation Meeting.
- November 6th Go to Church Sunday celebrated at St Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church.
- November 11th Parent's Night out at the Bavarian Bierhaus;
 filled with good food and even better company!
- November 12th Initiation Meeting where Aanikka Niemi (daughter of Henry L. Palmer #301 member and new trustee Eric Niemi) became a member of our Bethel.
- November 12th The Milwaukee County Activities Annual Harvest Dance (held at the Northwest Masonic Center).
- November 22nd Election Meeting with Congratulations to the newly elected Bethel 2 line Officers.

December will be an enjoyable month with events planned to include families and friends. Some of these include:

- December 3rd Christmas Caroling to the residents at Three Pillars in Dousman
- December 4th "Pizza with Santa Event" when the Lodge will be filled with children in anticipation of the Holiday Season.
- December 10th Bethel 2 meeting with the raffle drawing of stuffed dragons benefiting Wisconsin Job's Daughters Promotional and Education Funds.
- December 10th Henry L. Palmer Lodge Installation with Bethel 2 performing the Living Cross.
- December 27th Bethel 2 Outstallation Meeting honoring a wonderful term as it comes to a conclusion.

To support the Wisconsin Job's Daughters Promotional and Educational Funds, Honored Queen Bree is raffling off three stuffed dragons, mascots she chose for her term. Please show your support by purchasing tickets for \$1 each, 6 tickets for \$5, or an arm span of tickets for \$20 and you may be bringing home one or more of these fun and mystical creatures.

Bethel 2 meets on the second Saturday of the month at 1:00 PM and on the fourth Tuesday at 6:30 PM, except for July and August. Guests are always encouraged and welcomed to attend.

If you know of a young lady who would like to find out how much fun can be had by becoming a member of Job's Daughters, you are invited to pick up an informational packet attached to the bulletin board at the Lodge and/or contact myself for additional information.

In honor of the Holidays, I will leave you with the following: "Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love!" ~Hamilton Wright Mabie

Everyone at Bethel 2 wishes everyone an enjoyable and blessed holiday season surrounded by those close to your heart!

Jobie Love.

Mom Beth Freuck.

Bethel 2 Guardian - emfreuck@sbcglobal.net

Bethel 2 Officers

Honored Queen:

Senior Princess:

Junior Princess:

Guide:

Bree Hoey

Jenny Davis

Payton Breitzmann

Ellie Kuhlmann

Bethel 2 Guardian Council

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Treasurer: Kathy Savignac 414-630-4926

Director of Epochs: Sarah Stevens-Freuck - 414-779-1991

Bethel 2's Dragon Pro & Ed Fundraiser

Help us raise money to support promotion and education for Job's Daughters.

Purchase tickets for a chance to win one of the dragons below.

Cost of Tickets:

- \$1 each or
- 6 for \$5 or
- a wingspan for \$20

Please write your name, phone # & Bethel or Lodge # on the back of the ticket.

Drawing will be held at Bethel 2's meeting on Saturday, December 10, 2016.



Milwaukee Harmony No. 261



A Message from the Master

Greetings from the East

I would like to use this Master's Message to thank all my officers and line members for a very interesting year. While we did not have any degree work, we did accomplish several satisfying events.

I would like to thank our brother secretary Lowell Scott for all his help during the year. Without our secretary, the lodge would not function.

My thanks to the ladies of the lodge who attended the dinners on the first meeting of the month for bring their men to lodge.

As the new officers of the lodge get ready to assume their leadership rolls, I want to offer my best wishes for a successful year, and pledge my support to help in any way I can.

The installation of Officers for 2017 is scheduled for December 3, 2016 at $5:30\ PM$.

It was good to see some of our brothers in lodge that had been sidelined with injuries or surgeries.

We will continue with our stated meeting on the first Tuesday of each month with a dinner including the wives or significant other. Dinner will be at 6:30 and the meeting will start at 7:30. Please R.S.V.P. to our Senior Warden Blaine Goldner, (262) 644-7645, or blainegoldger@gmail.com, before the Thursday prior to the first Tuesday of the month meeting.

Brethren, there are many activities going on in our lodge and our lodge building. Come to lodge and find out what you are missing out on. All our members should be getting a copy of the Palmer Lodge Templegram. In there you will find all of the activities that are going on in any given month.

Please let me or one of the lodge officers know if you need a ride to lodge, or if you know of any brother in sickness or distress.

Until we meet of the level,

Fraternally,

Louis Plotkin WM

James M. Hays Lodge No. 331



A Message from the Master

Greetings from James M. Hays Lodge,

Establishing our Lodge at our new location at the NWMC made this, my third go-round as the Worshipful Master of James M. Hays Lodge, a particularly challenging one. Thank you to our Officers who went out of their way to make the transition as painless as possible - especially Jr Warden Tony Scott who provided meals before many of our meetings. Thank you to everyone who attended our meetings and supported our events.

To Palmer Lodge and the other organizations that meet here: We sincerely appreciate the assistance and accommodations received, as we've endeavored to take our place within the NWMC Community.

Our Bunco Party on the 11th was a big success! We had a nice group and everyone had a great time! Thank you to Art Karos for the sweet prizes he provided in support of our event.

Thanks again, to Bob Manders for his tenacity in acquiring the card tables from the Scottish Rite. We are giving them to the Northwest Masonic Center, so those who meet here can use them for card parties, chess tournaments, etc. (when not in use for Bunco).

Important Times and Dates coming up:

Please contact Brother Bob Skaradzinski ASAP to let him know you will be there to support our new Brother – perhaps as a Craftsman. bobskary@gmail.com 414-416-4244

December 5th, Monday Night. Stated Meeting Annual Reports and Closed Installation.

Pizza will be served at 6:00. We will open Lodge at 7:00 PM. Please let our Sr. Warden, Bob Skaradzinski know if any of our Brethren are in need of our support and compassion. He will also be happy to assist with transportation to attend Lodge. 414-416-4244

Warm Fraternal Regards, Jim Winston Worshipful Master 2016, 2006, 1996 James M. Hays Lodge #331 F&AM

Independence Lodge No. 80 www.independencelodge80.org



A Message from the Master Brethren,

I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving with their family and friends. I would like to welcome our 2 new brothers, Steven Hershe and Caleb Brauneller, to our lodge who were initiated Entered Apprentices. We also conferred a degree for James Stepp who was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. Congratulations Brothers!! Nominations were held and officers elected for the 2017 masonic year. We will hold a closed installation on our January stated meeting night. Enjoy the holiday season to come and stay safe.

Fraternally,

William Solberg

Worshipful Master

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Consoler's Corner

By Gene Marcus

AMOS was one of the Prophets of Israel. We are accustomed to think of a prophet as one who predicts the course of events. Among the Hebrews the Prophet did occasionally predict or foretell, the consequences that might be expected to follow upon evil living; or he foretold at times the comforting help that God would provide for His faithful people; but the characteristic function of the Prophet was not to foretell, but to tell forth. He told truths about God. The teaching of the Prophet Amos has been preserved nearly three thousand years while myriads of other books have perished because it contains lessons that are of real worth and that are always of appropriate application.

Nearly all successful teachers have taught by means of illustration. They have used signs and symbols selected to impress upon the mind wise and serious truths, illustrating the lessons by means of parables. But in every parable a principle of morality or spiritual truth was exemplified, partly concealing the truth from unworthy or unfriendly hearers; and partly to reveal the truth to those who desired light on the subject.

The parable, as a means of illustration, was a development of later Hebrew thought. In the days of the Prophets teaching was frequently illustrated as a lesson taught as having been revealed directly to the Prophet by God himself. Messages have always been coming from God to men, and we call it inspiration. And messages go back to God and we call it prayer.

So, the vision of Amos contains a lesson of profound importance which the Prophet wished to communicate in a striking and impressive way.



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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

DATED MATERIAL: PLEASE DELIVER BY THE FIRST OF THE MONTH

2016 December				2016		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Wisconsin #13 Stated Meeting 7:30pm	Decorate for the Holidays 7:00pm	3 Silas Shepherd Lodge of Research #1843 10:00am
4 Pizza with Santa 1:00pm Milwaukee Harmony Installation 6:00pm	5 James M. Hays #331 - 6:00pm	6 Milwaukee- Harmony #261 Stated Meeting 7:00pm	7 Henry L. Palmer Installation Rehearsal 7:00pm	8 Golden Rule #194 Meeting 7:30pm	9	Bethel #2 10:30am Henry L. Palmer #301 Installation 5:00pm
11	Masonic Informal Gathering 6:30pm	13	14 NWMC Trustees Meeting - ALL BODIES WELCOME! 7:00pm	Wisconsin #13 Stated Meeting 7:30pm	16 Henry L. Palmer Lodge #301 Stated Dinner: 6:00pm Meeting: 7:00p	17 Brotherhood Council Meeting 8:30am Private Event 6:00pm
Private Event 12:00pm	Masonic Informal Gathering 6:30pm	Milwaukee- Harmony #261 Stated Meeting 7:00pm	21	22 Independence #80 Stated Meeting Dinner 6:00pm Meeting 7:00pm	23	CHRISTMAS EVE
CHRISTMAS DAY Private Event 10:00am	26 Masonic Informal Gathering 6:30pm	27 Bethel #2 Jobs Daughters International 5:30pm	28 Klibourn Chapter #1 Stated Meeting 7:00pm	29	30	NEW YEARS EVE Private Event 9:00am