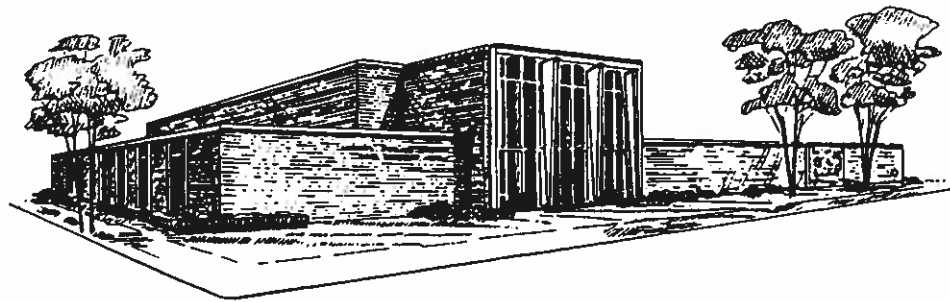


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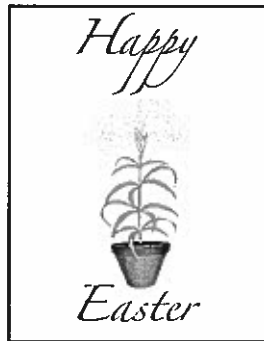
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| Saturday | March 31st | 3 MM Degrees 8:00 a.m. |
| Friday | April 6th | Good Friday DARK |
| Friday | April 27th | Stated Meeting 7:00 p.m. Pre-meeting supper 6:00 p.m. |
| Saturday | April 28th | Spaghetti Dinner 4:00-6:00 p.m. |

Who's On The Sick List?

Please keep S.W. Holmblad informed 414-517-8300

3 MM DAY

All Master Masons are reminded and invited to visit Palmer Lodge on Saturday morning, March 31st. On that morning, three MM degrees will be consecutively conferred starting at approximately 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. After a tasty lunch being served up around 12:30, post-degree activities will be concluded.

Interested MMs are cordially invited to attend any or all of the degree segments, stay for the free lunch, and enjoy the final degree activities. Brethren having evening work schedules, as well as those reluctant to drive at night are especially invited to take advantage of Palmer's rare daytime degree work by taking part in as much of March 31st activity as your schedule permits.



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| 2012 | | APRIL | | | | | 2012 |
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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | |
| 1 Church Service 10:00 A.M. PALM SUNDAY | 2 | 3 Milwaukee Harmony #261 7:30 P.M. | 4 | 5 Wisconsin #13 Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M. | 6 DARK Good Friday | 7 PASSOVER | |
| 8 Church Service 10:00 A.M. EASTER | 9 | 10 Bethel #2 6:30 P.M. | 11 | 12 Golden Rule #194 Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M. | 13 Golden Rule #194 Event | 14 Privent | |
| 15 Church Service 10:00 A.M. | 16 | 17 Milwaukee Harmony #261 7:30 P.M. | 18 Trustees 7:00 P.M. | 19 Wisconsin #13 Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M. | 20 Privent | 21 Steppers 7:00 P.M. | |
| 22 Church Service 10:00 A.M. Bethel #2 1:00 P.M. | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 H.L. Palmer #301 Stated Meeting 7:00 P.M. | 28 Spaghetti Dinner 4:00-6:00 P.M. | |
| 29 Church Service 10:00 A.M. | 30 | <i>As I see my relation to God, so do I conform with His expectations of me.</i> | | | | | |

Brethren and Friends of Palmer,

The clocks have sprung forward and spring is right around the corner with an unseasonably warm winter now past. Yes, we've even accomplished a lodge spring cleaning. Our goal this year was to clean and reorganize the various locker and storage areas, and divest the lodge common areas of accumulating paraphernalia. A special thanks to members of Palmer Lodge, Golden Rule Chapter, OES and Faith Made Perfect Church for their efforts and assistance.

By the time this message is in print, we will have initiated two Entered Apprentices. The degrees were held on March 16th, and we welcome our new Brothers Donald Shumate and Marco Flagello. In addition, three new Master Masons are scheduled to be raised to the Sublime Degree on Saturday, March 31st. Congratulations to Brothers Robert Keller, Michael Karos and Tim Meyer on their accomplishments.

In conjunction with the above mentioned degrees I would like to comment on an effort by Past Master Pat Cholka and his campaign to contact Palmer Masons living in the metropolitan area. Brother Pat, with the assistance of other active Palmer members, is personally inviting brethren who haven't been active in Lodge activities to join us occasionally, either at stated meetings or on degree days. The officers and members of Palmer Lodge have made great strides in bringing the Lodge back to life and reversing the downward trend in membership these last few years. To occasionally have a visit from the "old guard" goes a long way in representing the tradition and legacy of Henry L. Palmer Lodge that we try hard to demonstrate to our newer members. To those brethren we have not seen in a while, please make a point to visit your Lodge and see why we are so proud of it!

On Saturday, March 3rd the H.L. Palmer Masonic Angel Fund hosted another of our popular Team Trivia Nights. We were very pleased with the turnout, including teams from Independence #80 and Harmony #261 Masonic Lodges. Much to these brethren's chagrin however, an octogenarian lady thumped them soundly and waltzed away with first prize!

The H.L. Palmer Masonic Angel Fund is planning a unique fund raiser on April 26th, commencing at 7:00p.m. at the Astor Hotel. This event is a "wine & beer pairing" affair that includes a six course dinner commensurate with wine and beer recipes. Mark Metcalf, of "Animal House" fame, will be hosting, with Ben Mererns providing the entertainment. This should prove to a fun event as well as supporting our Angel Fund mission. We cordially invite you to try something a little bit different!

Also, the annual spaghetti dinner is scheduled for Saturday, April 28th at 4:00p.m. Last year, this event was well received, and we hope to better that this year. So don your bibs and plan on attending!

Fraternally, John F. Wackman, WM

MEETING CHANGES

At the February Stated Communication a pair of meeting changes were announced.

Good Friday is on April 6th this year. In accordance with usual custom, Palmer Lodge will be DARK on April 6th.

The calendar page of this Templegram shows the Palmer Lodge activity presently scheduled for April will only consist of the Stated Meeting on April 27th.

The May Stated Meeting will be on May 18th. This meeting is being moved forward from the 4th Friday to the 3rd Friday because of a conflict with Memorial Day holiday activities.

TEMPLE ROOF FIX

Palmer Temple, as operated by the Northwest Masonic Center, really looks beautiful. It has been rehabbed and freshened up to the point where it almost is as sparkling new as it was back in 1962 - when it was first opened for lodge use.

The repair work started with sanding and sealing the parquet floor in the dining hall. Then came the round tables and new chairs. Next the interior drainage problem was resolved. That was followed by repainting all interior walls; then came the new carpeting. Much of the interior lighting has been revamped, the air conditioning and heating units were continuously improved. Much effort was put into removing the overgrown trees and shrubs on Temple grounds. To their credit, the Trustees have done a fine job improving conditions for all Temple users, and making it one of the state's best facilities.

One problem remains though, and it is a tough one! Each time there is a heavy rain, numerous leaks develop, indicating a problem roof. After the obvious leaks are repaired, new ones spring up only a few feet away in the next rain storm. Roofing companies and an independent consultant have inspected the roof. All of them agree that the roof is shot. After 50 years, it is

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NEW TASTEFUL EVENT

Additional details of the April 26th Beer & Dinner Pairing have been provided by Bro. Lee Wackman who has been working closely with Bro. David Bowen of the Astor Hotel staff.

As advertised, the event will consist of a six course sampling of the hotel chef's specialties paired with a variety of Sprecher Brewery craft micro brews.

| Course | Description | Beer Chaser |
|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Appetizer | Gourmet Wings / Smoked Salmon | Hefe Weiss |
| Initial | Caramelized Sea Scallops | iPA 2 |
| Soup | French Onion w/Gruyere | Abby Triple |
| Salad | Baby Spinach, Apple & Fennel | Mai Bock |
| Main | Braised Beef Short Ribs | Pub Ale |
| Dessert | Chocolate Truffle Brownies | Black Bavarian |

Alternative dietary requirements will be addressed by providing first and fourth course vegetarian alternatives. Non-alcoholic beverages will also be available.

Between sampling sessions, other activities will be going on. Popular actor Mark Metcalf (Animal House) will host the event. Singer - comedian Ben Merems will perform. Several raffles will take place, including one for a flat screen TV.

The party starts with the appetizers at 7:00p.m. on Thursday night, April 26th. The location is the beautiful dining hall in the Astor Hotel, 924 East Juneau Avenue, in Milwaukee. Plenty of surface parking is available at the hotel. However, your early arrival will be beneficial and appreciated.

All Masons, their friends and the general public are invited to attend this event which benefits the Masonic Angel Fund. Tickets, priced at \$35 per person, are available through Bro. Wackman by calling him at (414) 208-1582. When calling, tell Bro. Lee the number of vegetarian or non-alcoholic persons in your party, and whether you wish to reserve a table for 8 persons.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Greetings Companions,

It is official as of last month, "Spring is here!" The Grand York Rite annual session is approaching quickly and we will be honoring the Grand Chapter with our own Bill Kraatz as the outgoing Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

The Grand Chapters of Illinois and Wisconsin will hold their third annual interstate capitular festival on Saturday, May 12th, at which time the Order of the Sword of Bunker Hill will also be offered. The tentative plan is to host the event at the new Scottish Rite Cathedral in Bloomingdale, IL. Details will be forthcoming; we are still trying to get some new companions; however, the Order of the Sword is open to all Master Masons and traveling to this event may be a worthwhile refresher.

This month we will need to vote on our new officer line-up and do not forget the Testimonial dinner in honor of Companion William Kraatz is taking place at the Fox and Hounds restaurant on April 25th. Fellowship at 5:00 p.m. is followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. So if you have not made it to Chapter lately, this would be the right time to get reacquainted: congratulate Companion Bill, provide suggestions and insight on how we run our Chapter for the ensuing year and welcome your companions.

Remember, we gather together again on April 5th at 7:30p.m. Dinner (\$10) is at 5:30p.m. at Mykanos Family Restaurant at 8501 W. Capitol Drive.

To noble and glorious work!
Khristian E. Kav. EHP

WISCONSIN LODGE NO. 13



MASTER'S MESSAGE

No news for us, it is believed, simply because none was received.

COMING SOON! Robert Ross Memorial Table Lodge



Friday, May 4th, 2012
Northwest Masonic Center
Sponsored by: Wisconsin Lodge #13

Social Hour 6:00 PM
Dinner 6:30 PM

\$25

PLAY POKER AFTER TABLE LODGE

TESTIMONIAL

The following message was received by Angel Fund president, Lee Wackman.

"Thank you so much for all the good that the Angel Fund does, and for your swift responses to the needs of the community. I know the point isn't to take credit, but thousands of local children are cleaner, warmer, nourished, and happy because of the generosity of the Trustees. Keep up the fabulous work!"

This message was sent by Kelly Phoangphol of St. Mary's Cancer Center.

ROOF...(from previous page)

badly deteriorating, and worse: if the seeping water rusts away the underlying metal panels, the whole roof could collapse.

The Trustees are actively looking into replacement alternatives. There are several different solutions to the problem. Under most scenarios, replacement of the roof will cost upwards of \$130,000. This is serious money which is of grave concern to the Trustees.

Past Master John Unz sent a letter to the Trustees with his suggestion for raising the required money. Brother Unz recommended setting up a separate fund to be used only for roof replacement. And to back up his words with deeds, he sent a very substantial donation to get the fund started. Br. Unz challenged all Past Masters, lodge officers and groups using the Temple to join him in this effort. He also challenged members of all Bodies and Lodges using the temple to support this effort with their personal donations.

The Trustees have accepted Bro. Unz' suggestion. They have established a segregated fund designed for roof replacement costs. A specific program will be organized to help raise money for this specific project. All donations from individuals, organizations, and interested parties will be graciously received and recognized.

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TRESTLE BOARD

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| Thursday, April 5th | Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M. |
| Thursday, April 19th | Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M. |

"God is like a mirror. The mirror never changes, but everybody who looks at it sees something different."

...Rabbi Harold Kushner

JOBS DAUGHTERS

March was a very fun and exciting month for Bethel 2. March 3rd was the Milwaukee County Activities Annual Ball and Drill Team Exhibition. Congratulations to the members of Bethel 2's Drill Team and a huge thank you to drill team coaches Julie Wagner and Jo Christie! The performance was great and I am proud of each member for their effort and hard work! I am also very proud of the girls who sold ads for this year's book. Bethel 2 was the only Bethel that had an increase in ad sales! Congratulations also go to Bethel 2's Court of Honor, including Queen of the Ball Heather Savignac. All of you represented Bethel 2 very beautifully!

The members of Bethel 2 also took time out this month to remember and honor our Founder, Mom Ethel T Weed Mick. Doing this reminds us of her hopes and dreams and of the values she instilled in us and continues to this day. On Sunday, March 25th, Bethel 2 also held an open prospective members Friend's Day. We used our theme for the term "Dream Big" challenging ourselves to show how big our Bethel can grow. Prospective members, friends, and families were invited to learn more about our organization and to discover the great opportunities we have to offer.

April will bring more fun and memorable experiences. The girls of Bethel 2 will be attending a Grand Bethel Exemplification in Brookfield, and participating at the Fine Arts and Ritual Competency Day in Dousman. At one of our April meetings, the girls will have the opportunity to state the Proficiency work of our Order, which needs to happen for a daughter to be considered eligible to enter into the line towards becoming Honored Queen. Bethel 2 will also be holding an initiation on Sunday, April 22nd. On this date, we have high hopes that we will increase our membership by welcoming new girls into our Masonic family. If you know of any girls between the ages of 10 and 20 who would be interested in becoming a part of our organization, those who we know will benefit from the fun and rewarding learning experiences we have to offer, please pick up an information packet at the lodge and/or contact me at the number or e-mail address below with any questions.

We at Bethel 2 hope that everyone has an enjoyable and Happy Easter!

Jobie Love,
Mom Beth Freuck, Bethel 2 Guardian
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Bill Krause
P.M., H.L. Palmer

ON THE HORIZON. During the next two months, some interesting events that will satisfy a Mason's heart and his stomach, are planned.

The Angel Fund, and the kids they assist, will benefit from the Beer & Dinner pairing on April 26th at the Astor Hotel.

On April 28th, Palmer Lodge is offering its customary Spaghetti and Meatballs dinner. It is open to the public, served between 4-6p.m., and reasonably priced at \$7 per person.

May 6th, Wisconsin Lodge offers its annual Robert Ross Memorial Table Lodge to Masons only. Event proceeds support an educational fund for the children of Bro. Ross who died while serving as Worshipful Master.



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