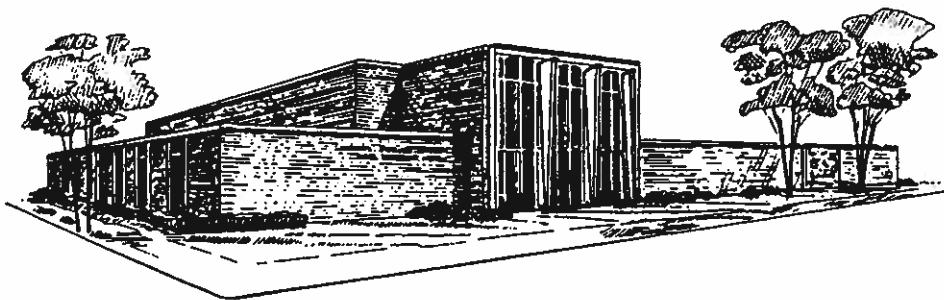


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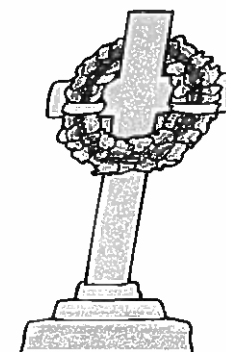
### TRESTLE BOARD

Sunday	January 1st	New Years Reception 8:30 a.m.
Thursday	January 12th	School of Instruction 7:00 p.m. at Independence Lodge
Friday	January 14th	Possible Degree Night 7:00 p.m.
Friday	January 27th	Stated Meeting 7:00 p.m. early supper 6:00 p.m.

## IN MEMORIAM

We remember and honor  
these Brethren who joined  
the Endless Caravan during  
the past twelve months.

Gordon K. Phillips  
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## MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren and Friends of Palmer,

The year 2011 is now history, and to paraphrase Tom Wilson, the "Ziggy" cartoonist, "we have a whole new year to mess up!" Seriously, last year was a great year at Palmer Lodge and we accomplished about everything we set out to do. As Worshipful Master, I could not have asked for a better or more productive year. Together we hosted many successful events, including those celebrating our centennial, conferred many degrees, improved the building and generally raised the bar as to what a Lodge of Freemasonry is all about. We still have challenges, but I'm confident the efforts and level of dedication of all our officers and members will be more than equal to them. Thank you all for making 2011 a great year at Palmer!

December was a very busy month. On the 2nd we initiated two entered apprentices; Brothers Tim Meyer and Matt Chiefo. On the 4th, we hosted our now annual Pizza with Santa to the enjoyment of 68 children. Each year this event has grown and proven more successful under the guidance of Bro. Jack L. Jones, our venerable Secretary. Finally, we installed our officers for 2012 on December 10th. I would again like to thank the members of Palmer Lodge for allowing me to serve as Worshipful Master for a second term, to congratulate the newly installed officers, and to extend our appreciation to all who contributed to this event.

Finally, congratulations are in order from Palmer Lodge to Bro. Art Karos as our 2011 Mason of the Year. Bro. Karos has contributed immeasurably to our Lodge as a dedicated officer, poster of candidates, head of the Trustees, and to numerous other events and tasks. Bro. Art, your efforts are appreciated!

Mark your calendars for January - on January 1st (New Years morning) we will be hosting our annual breakfast. Remember, this is open to not only brethren, but also to their male friends. If you have a prospective candidate, it would be an excellent opportunity for introduction. On January 12th, a School of Instruction will be held at Independence Lodge with Palmer Lodge participating, and on January 27th we will be having our first Stated Meeting of the New Year. See you in Lodge!

Fratemally, John F. Wackman, WM

### TEMPLE GROWTH FACTORS

The Northwest Masonic Center (NWMC) confirmed some changes in regular temple usage. Milwaukee-Harmony Lodge No. 261 has started conducting its meetings here on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month. Additionally, a new church, the Faith Made Perfect Ministries has begun meeting here on Sundays from 9:30 until noon under the direction of Pastor James M. Oliver. NWMC Trustees welcome the new lodge and church into our family of non-profit organizations.

The Trustees recognize these additions will cause some overlap of occupancies at various times. Particularly impacted will be Jobs Daughters Bethel 2 who use the temple one Sunday and one affected Tuesday each month. Palmer Lodge and Golden Rule Chapter of Eastern Star occasionally hold Sunday events as well.

Trustee President Arthur Karos said that even after the above additions, some choice days in the monthly calendar remain available to potential users. He noted that operation of the NWMC is very expensive (especially the utility costs) and it is the trustees' duty to maximize temple occupancy.

WM John Wackman expressed hope that all temple users will remain flexible and tolerant of any developing overlaps. Careful event planning will preclude serious problems; let Masonic peace and harmony prevail throughout the Temple, he said.

2012		JANUARY					2012
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1 New Year's Reception 8:30 A.M. Church Service 10:00 A.M.	2	3 Milwaukee Harmony #261 7:30 P.M.	4 Kilbourn Chapter #1 6:00 P.M. Trustees 7:00 P.M.	5 Wisconsin #13 Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M.	6 H. L. Palmer #301	7 Privent 1:00 P.M.	
8 Church Service 10:00 A.M. Privent 1:00 P.M.	9	10 Bethel #2 6:30 P.M.	11	12 Golden Rule #194 Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M.	13 H. L. Palmer #301 Possible Degree 7:00 P.M.	14 Privent 6:00 P.M.	
15 Church Service 10:00 A.M.	16	17 Milwaukee Harmony 7:30 P.M.	18 Trustees 7:00 P.M.	19 Wisconsin #13 Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M.	20 H.L. Palmer #301	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	
29 Church Service 10:00 A.M.	30	31	<b>"Happiness Builds Up As You Spread It Around."</b>				

## HO, HO, HO ... IT WAS GREAT

About 70 kids and 40 adults converged at Palmer Lodge on Sunday, December 4th. The occasion was the 4th annual "Pizza With Santa" childrens' Christmas party. Past Master Patrick Cholka, who originated the idea of bringing together children, Santa, and pizza, was delighted by the sight of more than 100 persons of all ages joyfully celebrating the early arrival of Mr. Claus.

The festivities started with local magicians Ron Fable and Kathie performing some audience participation tricks. One in particular brought great delight as Brother Fable converted a small white dove into the largest, whitest bunny ever seen!

An "at home with the Palmers" skit which included some popular holiday songs and an original story, "Surprise At Ice Mountain" followed the magicians. Colorful characters including Mr. Meanie (P.M. Bill Tutaj), Grandma Palmer (Verna Aschauer), Grandpa Palmer (P.M. Jack Jones) and Santa (P.M. William Krohn of West Allis Lodge) kept the children involved. The cast was rounded out by Mitzie and Glitzie, elves played by Art Karos' daughters, and by Super Elf, portrayed by P.M. Bryan Johnson. Guitarist Bro. Dale Van Dyke provided great music and vocals on the Christmas songs.

At the conclusion of the skit Santa led a parade of kids and adults to the dining hall where plenty of pizzas, about 50, were served. Before departing, each of the kiddies had the opportunity to sit upon Santa's knee for a private little chat. They then received a gift stocking filled with all kinds of goodies from Santa's elves as they headed for home.

"Pizza With Santa" was co-sponsored by Palmer Lodge and the Angel Fund. A rather large crew was assembled to handle all facets of the event. Worshipful Master John Wackman did a fine job assembling the crew's components - event staff, production staff, and kitchen staff. Hats off to everyone who participated in this event. They really enjoyed bringing happiness to so many children. Truth be told: the crew had as much fun doing the program as the kids had viewing it!

**PALMER MEMBERS** will have two Schools of Instruction this year. The first school, hosted by Independence Lodge on Jan. 12 starts at 7:00 p.m. & focuses on the EA degree. The second school, hosted by Palmer Lodge at 7:00 p.m. on Feb. 10, will do additional work in the EA degree. See your W.M. for further details.



### KILBOURN CHAPTER NO. 1 R.A.M.

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M. 2nd V	Rudolph Neumeister	
M. 1st V	James Lauer, PHP	
Sentinel	Steven Holmblad	
Ritual Dir.	William Kraatz/Art Michelz	

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## WOULD YOU QUALIFY?

As early as the 1700's, men who wished to enter a Masons' meeting faced some tough questioning to prove they were indeed part of the Fraternal Order. Such questions were not sanctioned in England because the questions were often generated by individual lodges based on local teachings at the time. Check out the sample questions below; would you be able to prove up and gain entry to an 18th century English Lodge?

- ✦ Where does the Master hang his hat?
- ✦ What is the place of the Senior Entered Apprentice?
- ✦ What is the punishment of a cowan?
- ✦ What is the bone box?
- ✦ How high is the door of the middle chamber?

Trick questions such as these were effective in identifying members of the Craft but their use fell out of favor around the turn of the century.

### ON THE SICK LIST

It has been reported that Bro. Roland Stendler, Past Master of Palmer Lodge, Past Excellent High Priest of the R.A.M. Milwaukee Chapter and a former Building Association Trustee is currently on the sick list. Bro. Rollie has been very active and well known by many brethren at our temple. Being somewhat incapacitated and out of circulation, he certainly would enjoy receiving a word of good cheer from his many friends. Call him at (262) 502-1414.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**



90th & Capitol  
70th & Brown Deer  
124th & National  
(414) 464-4640

Bill Krause  
P.M., H.L. Palmer

### ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Greetings Companions,

I hope that your Christmas was celebrated with warmth and happiness, and most importantly - togetherness. The New Year is upon us and perhaps we all had a glorious celebration. In other times, the winter months were those months where we repaired, mended or built those accretments we would need for our work during the rest of the year. The same can be said for our work as Royal Arch Masons, our arch needs a bit of spiritual polishing, as do we all: whether it is ritual, friendship, education or the exchange of corny jokes, we need to come together as Masons and do our part to make the Chapter a glorious place. We gather together again on the 4th of January at 7:30 p.m. Remember dinner is at 5:30 p.m. at Mykanos Family Restaurant at 8501 W. Capitol Drive.

To noble and glorious work!  
Khristian E. Kay, EHP

## WISCONSIN LODGE NO. 13



### MASTER'S MESSAGE

Greetings All,

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. And now we begin a New Year. As we look ahead there is still much to do. We have degree work, a Table Lodge, and schools of instruction to look forward to. We are also checking out the possibility of having a casino night. I am looking forward to accomplishing these things with the help of my officers. Together we can make it happen. We can do it because Wisconsin 13 is the best little lodge in the whole state. I would like to thank everybody who voted for me. Thank you for having confidence in me (you have no idea what you have done).

Fraternally yours,  
Jeff Laven, W.M.

**WISCONSIN 13** will participate in two Schools of Instruction. Both schools will work in the various elements of the EA degree. The first school will convene on January 16th at the James M. Hays Lodge. The second school will be hosted February 2nd by Wisconsin 13. All schools start at 7:00 p.m. Lodge officers have details of Wis. 13's responsibilities at each of these schools.

### MEANINGFUL MESSAGE

Back in 2009, Worshipful Brother Lowell Scott was the newly elected Master of Milwaukee-Harmony Lodge No. 261. His first Trestleboard article addressed the question "what does it mean to be a Mason." Palmer Secretary Jack Jones was so impressed by Bro. Scott's message that he placed a call and asked for an OK to reprint part of it in a future Palmer Templegram. Bro. Scott graciously granted permission. What follows is an abridged version of Bro. Lowell Scott's insightful article.

The new year is here and we hope it is a happy, healthy and prosperous one for all. At the beginning of a new year and new Masonic year, I ask you to think about the following;

What does it mean to call another man Brother? How is it that two men who have never met one another can meet on the level and treat each other like Brothers? Before becoming a Mason, I was cautious upon meeting strangers. It may have taken weeks, months or even years to get to know someone.

As a Mason, I can meet a man I have never spoken to, about whom I know nothing, except that he is a Freemason. That knowledge is enough and without hesitation I am prepared to assist him, meet with him and speak to him for he is my Brother.

The men whom I call Brethren are; (the most) honest, sincere, caring and wonderful men that I have ever had the pleasure to meet. I realize that I can never really repay the debt I owe to this wonderful Fraternity. In fact, none of us can. This is not money owed but it is a debt which makes each of us richer and better.

I realize that Freemasonry holds the key to the greatest secret of all. And yet, it is not really a secret, is it? That secret is that we are all brothers under the fatherhood of the Great Architect of the Universe. This simple truth allows each of us to treat one another with dignity, respect and caring. Remember, the man next to you may be a Brother.

## ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS 2012

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Chaplain	Spencer Lavallee	
Councilor	Chuck Boelkow, P.M.	
TRUSTEES	2012-2015	Michael Lempke, P.M.
	2011-2014	Timothy Zielinski, P.M.
	2010-2013	Chuck Boelkow, P.M.

### TRESTLE BOARD

Thursday, January 5th	Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M.
Thursday, January 9th	Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M.

*Up to a point a man's life is shaped by environment, heredity, and movements and changes in the world about him; then there comes a time when it lies within his grasp to shape the clay of his life into the sort of thing he wishes to be. .... Everyone has it within his power to say, this I am today, that I shall be tomorrow.*

—Louis L'Amour

### JOB'S DAUGHTERS

Happy New Year from everyone at Bethel 2! 2011 came and went in a flash, but it gave us memories that will last a lifetime.

In December, the members of Bethel 2 held one of their meetings at Mama Mia's Restaurant. We discussed business while we shared in spaghetti and garlic bread. There we discussed the ensuing term as well as future meeting dates. Then, on Sunday, December 18th, we had our Annual Christmas Party where the families of Bethel 2 listened to Christmas Music, participated in an ornament exchange, played games, made arts and crafts, and shared a delicious meal while enjoying each others company in the holiday spirit!

January 2012 not only brings in a new year, but also a lot of excitement with Bethel 2's Installation of Officers, (on Tuesday, January 10th at 6:30p.m.) followed by a reception in the dining area. Please consider coming and support the girls as they are installed in their new stations, facing many new challenges and responsibilities. Many other Bethels will also be holding installations. Therefore, we at Bethel 2 are also looking forward to traveling to other Bethels to express our support and congratulate Job's Daughters throughout the state as they begin a new chapter as well.

Bethel 2 members and friends are also celebrating a few Birthdays this month, including daughter Heather Savignac on January 27th and Council Members Kathy Savignac on January 6th and Beth Freuck on January 26th.

If you know of a girl between the ages of 10 and 20 who might be interested in becoming a part of this exemplary organization that builds respect, leadership skills, and responsibility while making friends and having fun, please give them an information packet (available at Lodge) or contact me at the number/ email address listed below. Have a happy and prosperous New Year!

Jobie Love,  
Mom Beth Freuck, Bethel 2 Guardian  
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