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Nathan Hale Lodge #350

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From the East

I would like to once again thank all my Brethren for electing me the office of Worshipful Master for 2017. I am very honored to uphold such an important role and I assure you that I will commit as much time as necessary to make 2017 a successful year.

As we being our new year I would be honored to hear from each of you about your thoughts and ideas about what you would like to get out of lodge this year? What type of programs you would like to see? Your opinion matters to me.

Looking forward into 2017 I have many programs and ideas that I hope you will enjoy. My goal this year is to make our lodge more affordable in event costs, more family friendly and just plain fun.

On Feb 16th we will be hosting our very first Dessert Table Lodge. You will receive a wonderful meal along with 7 delicious bite size home cooked desserts to toast to.

On May 11th we will be hosting a tribute to our Military servicemen and women. A concert will be provided by Guitars for Vets, I am hoping for at least 400 in attendance.

Committees: I am reorganizing and trying to capitalize on them. If you are interested in joining some please come to our January stated meeting.

Community: I have setup several community outreach programs from serving at a shelter to sponsoring classrooms to simply walking the hounds at HAWS and more.

Fraternity: I have planned for several trips, one to the Natural History Museum in Chicago (car/van pool event), trip to

Madison to visit the zoo, enjoy the beach and have a great lunch as a family. Trip to Lake Front Brewery – need I say more on this one? And much more!

Youth Groups: We are sponsoring several Bethels and a DeMolay this year. Every year they present to us an “Honor Mason Day” this year we are going to return the favor and have an “Honor Youth Day” at Dave and Busters or Stone Fire Pizza with the youth groups to show them that we appreciate them as well.

Travel: I plan on setting up a traveling committee where we can visit at least 5 lodges this year with a little spin. My wife has offered to bake us goodies to bring to the lodges for fellowship after their stated meetings. After the meeting we can have fellowship

Education: We will continue to work on our Degree’s the most important right now is EA. Rumor has it we might have possibly 6 candidates coming on board this year. I am very excited about this.

Fun: After every meeting and every training session we will meet in the billiards room for some Masonic trivia to foster fellowship and grow as Masons.

I hope to see you all at the January stated meeting. I look forward to seeing each of you at the meeting. Please note that the January stated has no fee or dinner and the attire is business casual.

In your fraternal service,

W.:M.: George Jozwiak

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From the West

Thank you for electing me as Senior Warden, I am excited to serve you. 2017 is ahead of us and I'm certain it will be a productive year for our Lodge.

The WM has asked me to lead the Membership Committee. As chair of this committee I will be contacting Brothers to ensure we stay in touch and that you are engaged with the Lodge and Freemasonry. We want to ensure the Lodge is fulfilling your needs as best we can.

If you ever need assistance, or someone to talk with, please reach out to me.

In your fraternal service,

S.:W.: Peter Blinkwolt

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From the Secretary / Treasurer

A Mason understands that a tongue is used for proper instruction, and that we should follow the guidance from the Holy Writings as we seek the path of life.

But a learned Mason also understands that a tongue can be a sharp sword and that we need to guard how we use it. More damage has been done by the tongue than any other weapon devised by man.

Our culture today is divided by politics, religion, wealth (or lack of) and education. It is divided by what color your skin is and race. It is divided by urban versus rural, male versus female. Everywhere you look is division.

What can we as Masons do?

In today's age of instant gratification and instant electronic responses, we need to be the shining light in the darkness. Guard your tongue in social media. Stop replying to hateful posts and stop writing hateful or divisive posts. Just because you think it, doesn't mean you need to share it. **If our words are not building someone up, then why are you posting it?**

Changing the world happens with kindness, generosity, and love. Remember, Faith, Hope and Charity? How many have you practiced any of this on Facebook?

Living as a Mason isn't easy. We never said it would be when you joined. We actually told you it would be life changing, but maybe you didn't hear that part. Maybe you forgot. Maybe you decided it is too hard to change.

I challenge you to rise up!

Let's start 2017 as new Masons! Let's make this world better. Let's be servant leaders to all around us. Let's lead by example. Let's lead with kindness and Brotherly love.

Let's remember that brotherly love is for **ALL** of mankind and **MORE** especially of our Fraternity, but we can't forget the **ALL**.

"May the Supreme Architect of the Universe smile down on you as you work to serve him. May you change your heart to the world and see it clearly and understand what you need to do to make it better. May you find the discipline to study the Holy Word and to put it to use in your life. And lastly, may God bless our fraternity and those in it that I call Brothers"

Remember: "You get out of Masonry what you put in"

Fraternally,

Kirk Poser P.M.

Secretary / Treasurer 2017

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Events

Contact the Junior Warden Dave Schaber at (414) 422-1367 for dinner reservations. We only order enough for those that reserve meals. Dinner reservations are due by noon on the Monday prior to a meeting.

Nathan Hale Events

January

Stated Meeting

Jan 5th
Tripoli Shrine
Dinner & Fellowship 6 pm
Lodge Opens 7 pm

Business Meeting

January 19th
Tripoli Shrine
Dinner & Fellowship 6 pm
Lodge Opens 7 pm

February

Stated Meeting

Feb 2nd, 2016
Tripoli Shrine
Dinner & Fellowship 6:00 pm
Lodge Opens 7:00 pm
Significant others are invited to dinner and socialize.

Dessert Lodge

Feb 16th, 2016
Tripoli Shrine
Dinner 6:30 PM
\$10.00 per Person

District 12 Events

Wisconsin Lodge #13

Installation

Jan 5th - 7:30 pm
Northwest Masonic Center
4315 N. 92nd Street, Wauwatosa

South Shore Lodge #3

Installation

Jan 7th - 2:00 pm
Tripoli Shrine

George Washington 1776

Lodge Installation

Jan 7th - 1:00 pm
517 E Beaumont Ave,
Whitefish Bay, WI 53217

Jobs Daughters Bethel 6

Installation

January 13th
7:30 pm

Doric Chapter Demolay

Installation

Jan 14th
7:00 pm

Secretary's Conference

Jan 14th
8:00 - 5:00 pm
Madison & Chippewa Falls

Jobs Daughters Bethel 19

Installation

Jan 21st
7 pm

15th Annual Robert Burns

Table Lodge

Lake Lodge #189
Jan 26th
\$30 per person
RSVP due by Jan 15th

The Craft Club

Tripoli Shrine
Jan 27th, 7:00 pm
thecraftclub.net

2nd Annual Chinese New Year Celebration

Wauwatosa Lodge #267
January 28, 2017
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM CST
West Allis Masonic Center
7515 W. National Ave.
West Allis, WI 53214
Open to all Masons and families
Donations accepted for cost of
meal

WI Masonic College Planning and Programming

Feb 11th, 2017 - Dodgeville
Lodge #119 in Dodgeville
Feb 25th, 2017 - N.E.W. Masonic
Center in Green Bay
March 11th, 2017 - McKinley
Lodge #307 in Brookfield

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to the following Brethren:

- Robert Busalacchi 1/4
- Rodney Harvey 1/6
- Harold Anderson 1/13

These Brothers will receive a free meal when they join us at Lodge this month.

Happy Anniversary

Congratulations to the following Brothers on their Masonic Anniversary this month:

- Dennis Balota 1/13
- Ronald Schmeichel 1/15
- Lester Zimmer 1/23

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