**Lisa: Here is my Trestle Board Column for Hiram Lodge #50 for the February 2018 Issue of the Temple Tidings. Thanks! Matt**

My Brothers of Hiram Lodge #50:

The month of February brings us Groundhog Day (2/2), Abraham Lincoln’s Birthday (2/12) Valentine’s Day (2/14), & George Washington’s Birthday (2/22). It is also known for Hank Aaron’s & Babe Ruth’s Birthdays (2/5 & 2/6, respectively), National Inventor’s Day (on Tom Edison’s Birthday 2/11), National Gumdrop Day (2/15), Chinese New Year (2/16), John Glenn Orbiting the Earth (2/20/1962), and the US Flag Raising by the Marines at Iwo Jima (2/23/1945) Source: ***theteacherscorner.net***

For Hiram Lodge #50, on Monday 02/19/18 – President’s Day – we will host a Table Lodge at 6:30 pm at the Madison Masonic Center. The Table Lodge is open to all Masons (EA, FC & MM) and brothers from any Lodge are welcome & encouraged to attend. Please join us for dinner, fellowship, and the traditional seven toasts. Dinner to be served @ 6:30 pm. Cost $20/person. RSVP to me by 02/12/18 at ***608-839-0134*** or ***luckybuckyone@aol.com*** Hope to see you there!

Hiram is busy doing degree work. Congratulations to our new Brother Neil Graupner who was initiated an Entered Apprentice on 01/08/18. Hiram will be performing a few more EA degrees in the next several weeks. Please watch for details in DDGM Jeff Schoenfeld’s District 7 newsletter. If you currently do not receive Jeff’s email communication, please contact him at ***608-609-1447*** or ***peshtigofire@yahoo.com***

I would also like to use this space to plug an upcoming event being held at our beautiful Masonic Center in downtown Madison. **The Madison Masonic Center plays host to an upcoming musical produced by Capital City Theatre entitled***GUTENBERG! THE MUSICAL*!**( Featuring Andrew Abrams and Tim Heller).** In this two-man musical spoof, a pair of aspiring playwrights perform a backers’ audition for their new project - a big, splashy musical about printing press inventor Johann Gutenberg. With an unending supply of enthusiasm, Bud and Doug sing all the songs and play all the parts in their crass historical epic, with the hope that one of the producers in attendance will give them a Broadway contract, fulfilling their ill-advised dreams. Dates and times are Friday, Feb 2- 8pm; Saturday, Feb 3- 2pm; Saturday, Feb 3- 8pm; Thursday, Feb 8- 8pm; Friday, Feb 9- 8pm; & Saturday, Feb 10- 8pm. The performances will be in the Madison Masonic Center’s Lodge Room 2, 301 Wisconsin Avenue, Madison, WI 53703. Tickets: $27.50. Go to: [***https://capitalcitytheatre.org/gutenberg-the-musical/***](https://capitalcitytheatre.org/gutenberg-the-musical/)
 **Please share this with those who you think might be interested.**The more people who know about the versatility and capacity of the Madison Masonic Center’s many beautiful spaces the better.

If it has been a while since you have been to a Hiram Lodge meeting, we get together on the 1st & 3rd Mondays in Lodge Room #1 at 7:30 pm at the Madison Masonic Center, 301 Wisconsin Ave., Madison, WI 53703-2107.

Hope You Have a Happy Valentine’s Day!

Fraternally Yours,

Matt