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

My Brothers of Hiram Lodge #50:

The month of March brings us The Ides of March (3/15) St. Patrick’s Day (3/17), The First Day of Spring (3/20), Palm Sunday (3/25), Maunday Thursday (3/29), and Good Friday & Passover (3/30). It is also known for Dr. Seuss’s Birthday (3/2), National Anthem Day (3/3), Barbie’s Birthday (3/9), Johnny Appleseed Day (3/11), First Walk in Space (3/18/1965), Harry Houdini’s Birthday (3/24), and The Creation of Coca-Cola (3/29/1896). Source: ***theteacherscorner.net/calendars***

For Hiram Lodge #50, on Monday 03/05/18 – we will confer two EA degrees starting at 7:00 pm with a dinner preceding the conferrals at 6:15 pm. Our business meeting will be deferred until the next stated meeting on 03/19/18. If you haven’t seen an EA degree in a while, please stop by. Our Hiram Degree Team does outstanding work. Hope to see you there!

As noted above, the end of March 2018 is the beginning of the Easter Holiday seasons and I would like to plug an upcoming event being held at our beautiful Masonic Center in downtown Madison. On Thursday, 03/29/18, the Madison Chapter of Rose Croix Officers will hold their annual Feast of the Paschal Lamb & Memorial Service for our departed brethren at 7:30 pm in Lodge Room #2. This event – open to the public - is one of the moving, inspirational, and unique ceremonies in all of Masonry, with the Rose Croix Officers presenting a timeless, beautiful message. If you have never attended this event, I highly encourage you to please make it a point to do so.

On 04/07/18, the Saturday after Easter, The Grand Lodge of Wisconsin Free & Accepted Masons is sponsoring The Spring 2018 Masonic Day of Light (MDoL) to be held at the Madison Masonic Center. Please mark your Lodge calendars as we hope this will be another successful MDoL. For those of you interested in volunteering -- be it to help plan, help set up, or help with specific degree work and MDoL materials -- please contact District 7 DDGM Jeff Schoenfeld at ***608-609-1447*** or [***peshtigofire@yahoo.com***](mailto:peshtigofire@yahoo.com) Several members of Hiram Lodge have committed to assisting in the conferral of the Master Mason Degree – 1st & 2nd Sections. We are working to get candidates for the day. A mentor must accompany each candidate. The cost is $75 per candidate, which includes refreshments & lunch for the candidate and his mentor, a presentation apron, holy writings, posting booklets, and a keepsake square & compasses. For additional information, please ***see*** [***www.wisc-freemasonry.org***](http://www.wisc-freemasonry.org) The registration deadline is Easter Sunday 04/01/18

We have finalized the date for our annual outing to the Madison Mallards Baseball Game. Please save the date – Saturday 08/04/18 @ 6:00 pm. Further details will be forthcoming.

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 the Madison Masonic Center, 301 Wisconsin Ave., Madison, WI 53703-2107.

Hope You Have a Happy St. Patrick’s Day!

Fraternally Yours,

Matt