**HIRAM LODGE #50 JULY 2018 TRESTLE BOARD**

My Brothers of Hiram Lodge #50:

The month of July starts off with Canada Day (7/1) followed by our own Independence Day (7/4), National Kissing Day & National Fried Chicken Day (7/6), Macaroni Day (7/7), Barn Day (7/8), National Sugar Cookie Day (7/9), Bastille Day (7/14), Cow Appreciation Day (7/15), National Lasagna Day (7/29), and National Cheesecake Day (7/30). It is also known for the first Zeppelin flight (7/2/1900), PT Barnum’s Birthday (7/5/1810), the date the Liberty Bell cracked (7/8/1835), the first flight of the Boeing 707 (7/15/1954), the Apollo 11 landing on the Moon (7/20/1969), the introduction of the Ice Cream Cone (7/23/1904), the first Fingerprint taken (7/28/1892), and the founding of the National Aeronautics & Space Administration (7/29/1958). Source: [***www.theteacherscorner.net/calendars***](http://www.theteacherscorner.net/calendars) .

For Hiram Lodge #50, July 2018 brings us more opportunity to provide further light in Masonry. We are again planning Fellowcraft Degrees on July 9, 2018 starting at 6:30 pm in Lodge Room #1 at the Madison Masonic Center. We have two EAs that are ready to be passed to the degree of Fellowcraft. If you have not seen a Fellowcraft Degree recently, please consider joining us for this educational and inspirational experience.

This is the last time we will be able to “pitch” (pun intended) our Mallards Outing on Saturday, August 4, 2018. On that date, Hiram Lodge #50’s and the Valley of Madison AASR-NMJ’s will sponsor our Annual Outing to the Madison Mallard’s Baseball Game to be held at the Duck Pond, the Madison Mallard’s Stadium located at the corner of North Sherman Avenue & Northport Drive in Warner Park on the North Side of Madison. The tickets for the game include a pre-game tailgate party inside the Duck Pond starting at 4:30 pm Tickets are $23 (including soft drinks) and $25 for (including adult beverage).

This is a GREAT opportunity to introduce a friend to Masonry in a relaxed, social setting! This is a GREAT opportunity to introduce a Mason to the Scottish Rite Fraternity within the Masonic Family! This is a GREAT opportunity to have fun with friends, family and fraternal brothers & sisters!

**The Reservation deadline is July 15, 2018.** Reservations & Tickets for the pre-game tailgate party can be made & purchased through:

* Ted Erickson (608-244-9468, [***Ted-Erickson@hotmail.com***](mailto:Ted-Erickson@hotmail.com) )
* Lyle Christian (608-209-4312, [***xian4202@yahoo.com***](mailto:xian4202@yahoo.com)), or
* Mike Roddy, (608-256-2351, [***madsrite301@wi-scottishrite.com***](mailto:madsrite301@wi-scottishrite.com) )

Our next Stated Communication will be on Monday July 16, 2018 at 7:30 pm in Lodge Room #1 at the Madison Masonic Center. This will be an important meeting as the Lodge members present will revisit the revision of our Lodge’s By-Laws (based on comments received from the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin’s Jurisprudence Committee. Please consider attending so your voice and views can be heard & considered.

July 2018 also affords us a 5th Monday. Accordingly, we are planning on meeting @ 5:30 pm on Monday July 30, 2018 at Paisan’s Restaurant, 131 West Wilson Street in Downtown Madison, WI for fun, fellowship, a few libations, & fabulous food! Please mark your calendars and consider joining us if you can.

Hiram’s Trestle Board is now published on our webpage – Our Lodge Page – at [**https://50-wi.ourlodgepage.com**](https://50-wi.ourlodgepage.com) . Look for future Trestle Boards as well as a listing of Lodge Events on [**https://50-wi.ourlodgepage.com**](https://50-wi.ourlodgepage.com).

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

Summer is Here! Enjoy! Hope to see y’all soon!

Fraternally Yours,

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Matt Hughey

Worshipful Master