



# HOWELL LODGE #38 FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS

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Hello Brothers:

May 2011

This year continues to be a busy one for our lodge. We have a Master Mason degree coming up on the 18<sup>th</sup> with a MM practice the previous Wednesday. Try to make it out for both, the Master Mason degree is of utmost importance to show support to a new brother and the practice is the perfect time to ask questions that you may have regarding the ritual.

The Grand Lodge Communication is coming up on the 24-25 of this month so be sure to attend the regular business meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup>. The issues will be discussed and your input will determine how our Lodge votes during this annual meeting. These issues can directly affect our Lodge and our Brethren so please voice your opinion at the regular.

Special congratulations to all who came out to help with a support the annual spaghetti dinner last month. Everyone had a great time and we raised a lot of money to support the ARC of Livingston.

### The Trestle Board is as follows:

<b>May 4th</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>
<b>May 11th</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Master Mason Degree practice</b>
<b>May 18th</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Master Mason Degree</b>
<b>May 24-25</b>		<b>Grand Lodge Communication</b>
<b>June 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>
<b>June 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Entered Apprentice Degree</b>

A reminder that you can help the Lodge keep costs down by subscribing to the Trestle Board electronically on our website [www.howell38.com](http://www.howell38.com).

Fraternally,  
Gordon Hicks, WM

## **From the Secretary**

### **Happy Birthday to these May Birthday Brothers**

Charles Adams; Thomas Brogan; Frank Callahan, PM; Richard Davis; Ronald Grove, PM; Alan Heinig; Gordon R. Hicks WM; Royden Jones; Jimmie King, PM; William Lambert; Dr. Louis May; Daniel Myers; Albert Parr; Charles Ryan

### **Congratulations Brothers**

Well the Spaghetti Dinner went well, had a great turnout, and after expenses we netted just over \$1,100.00. Thank you for your continuing generosity in supporting the Lodge in this effort.

The Grand Lodge 2011 communication is once again approaching; there are a number of important changes pending on the vote of your Representative, WM Hicks these changes will be discussed at the May Regular, and will give WM Hicks the direction the Lodge would like him to vote on these changes so please plan to attend for the discussion.

For those still paying dues, there will be another \$6.25 increase in Grand Lodge Per Capita for the 2012 Masonic Dues year. So that you are aware of the need for this increase, Grand Lodge currently supports 18 Widows and Orphans on outside relief who are receiving between \$300.00 and \$1,000.00 per month, and also there are 80 to 90 residents at Pathways who are able to live a meaningful life because of the efforts of your generosity, Grand Lodge, and Pathways.

There are currently around 435 residents at Pathways, and of that there are about 200 who are in the assisted living and health care portion, 185 in independent living portion, and the rest in the Village Estates.

I will also mention the matching funds of up to \$1,500.00 each for Community Charities and Scholarships. Grand Lodge also funds the Child Identification program which is put on by individual Lodge's.

There are a number of other programs funded by Grand Lodge aimed at reaching out to communities.

If there are any members of any order that wish to have a presentation on the advantages of living at Pathways, I will be happy to make arrangements for them to come and give a talk, or you can form your own group and call them, they will be happy to send someone to our Lodge to make the presentation, or another option is that if you want to form your own group and go up there, they will be happy to arrange a tours for you by just calling them.

Fraternally,

William New PM. Secretary