



MISSOULA LODGE 13 AF & AM



TRESTLE BOARD



February 2nd Stated Meeting 7:30 pm

Agenda

- Reading of Two Petitions
 - Voting on One Petition
- If Possible We Will Have Another Game Show Night

February 2nd Meal 6:30 pm

Home Cooked by
Daughters of the Nile

Waldorf Stew, Fruit Salad,
Biscuits & Cookies

Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
September—May

Last Meeting Minutes

Treasurer's Report on Finance _____

(None).

Business, including Committee Reports

None

Degree Work and Proficiencies _____

WM Pick changed stations with SW Barr with lodge at ease. SW Grover Barr took control of the lodge and conducted a Fellowcraft Degree. Our Entered Apprentice for the evening was Brother Daniel Howard Godwin. Brother Godwin was passed to the degree of Fellowcraft. Fellowcraft degree ended at 9:10 PM WM and SW changed positions.

Sickness and Distress / Wellness and Success _____

None

Communications and Announcements of Events _____

None

Closing _____

Lodge closed in form at 9:35, Peace and Harmony Prevailing.

Fraternally Submitted,

Truman K. Tolson
Secretary

David Pick
Worshipful Master

Up Coming Meetings

Up Coming Events

February 16th is the Worshipful Master's Birthday He's asking that dress for that night be "Western Wear" if you have western clothing, otherwise typical lodge attire.

We will also be scheduling a Fellow Craft degree for February 16th. We should have four brothers ready for this degree. Please contact Brother Grover Barr concerning parts and practice dates for this FC degree.

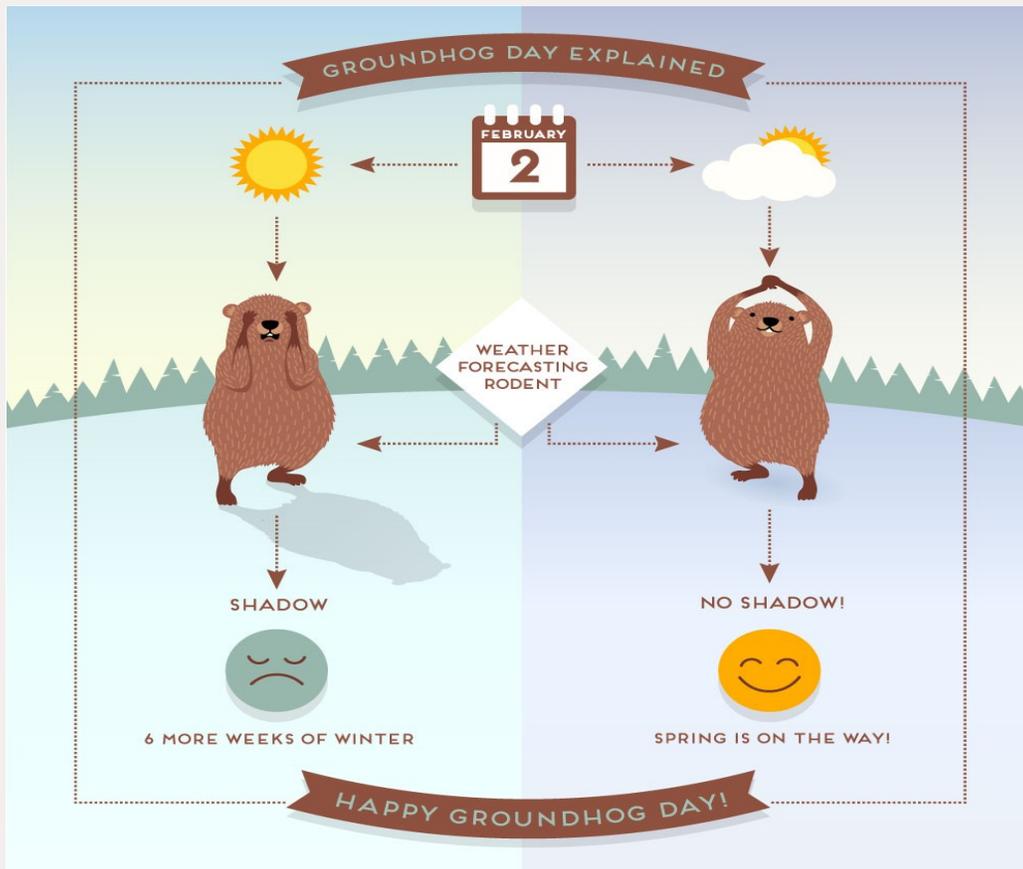
March 2nd we will be scheduling an Entered Apprentice degree. We should have four candidates ready for this degree. Please contact Brother Ryan Pillsbury concerning parts and practice dates for this EA degree.

We're planning a Saturday at the end of April or early May for a Master Mason's degree. We will narrow this date down in the next week or two. PLEASE try to fit the practices and the degree into your schedule and let's show our new brother's a GREAT Master Mason degree.

FC Degree Bro. Grover Barr	529-9539
EA Degree Bro. Ryan Pillsbury	546-8026

Groundhog's Day

February 2nd History of "Groundhog's Day"



On February 2, 1887, [Groundhog Day](#), featuring a rodent meteorologist, is celebrated for the first time at Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney [Pennsylvania](#). According to tradition, if a groundhog comes out of its hole on this day and sees its shadow, it gets scared and runs back into its burrow, predicting six more weeks of winter weather; no shadow means an early spring.

Groundhog Day has its roots in the ancient Christian tradition of [Candlemas](#), when clergy would bless and distribute candles needed for winter. The candles represented how long and cold the winter would be. Germans expanded on this concept by selecting an animal—the hedgehog—as a means of predicting weather. Once they came to America, German settlers in Pennsylvania continued the tradition, although they switched from hedgehogs to groundhogs, which were plentiful in the Keystone State.

Groundhog History Cont...

Groundhogs, also called woodchucks and whose scientific name is *Marmota monax*, typically weigh 12 to 15 pounds and live six to eight years. They eat vegetables and fruits, whistle when they're frightened or looking for a mate (they're sometimes called whistle pigs) and can climb trees and swim.

They go into hibernation in the late fall; during this time, their body temperatures drop significantly, their heartbeats slow from 80 to five beats per minute and they can lose 30 percent of their body fat. In February, male groundhogs emerge from their burrows to look for a mate (not to predict the weather) before going underground again. They come out of hibernation for good in March.

In 1887, a newspaper editor belonging to a group of groundhog hunters from Punxsutawney called the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club declared that Phil, the Punxsutawney groundhog, was America's only true weather-forecasting groundhog. The line of groundhogs that have since been known as Phil might be America's most famous groundhogs, but other towns across North America now have their own weather-predicting rodents, from Birmingham Bill to Staten Island Chuck to Shubenacadie Sam in Canada.

In 1993, the movie *Groundhog Day* starring Bill Murray popularized the usage of "groundhog day" to mean something that is repeated over and over. Today, tens of thousands of people converge on Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney each February 2 to witness Phil's prediction. The Punxsutawney Groundhog Club hosts a three-day celebration featuring entertainment and activities.



FEBRUARY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Scottish Rite</i>	2 <u>Missoula 13</u> 6:30 Meal 7:30 Meet	3	4 OES <i>Electa</i>	5	6 Brother's Breakfast 8:00 am
7 <i>Rainbow Girls</i>	8 <i>York Rite</i>	9	10	11 OES <i>Immanual</i>	12	13 Brother's Breakfast 8:00 am
14	15 <i>Reserved SC</i>	23 <u>Missoula 13</u> 6:30 Meal 7:30 Meet	17 <i>Jobs Daughters</i>	18 OES <i>Electa</i>	19	20 Brother's Breakfast 8:00 am
21 <i>Rainbow Girls</i>	22 <i>Algeria Shriners @ Westside Lns</i>	23 <i>Temple Board</i>	24 <i>Tentative Midget Patrol</i>	25 OES <i>Immanual</i>	26	27 Brother's Breakfast 8:00 am
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Missoula #13 Lodge meetings are in session

Brother's Breakfast is in session—Call for details

Appendant bodies meetings may not be active due to Covid-19

Worshipful Master

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Secretary

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Lodge Officers

WM	David Pick	SD	Ken Wickman
SW	Grover Barr	JD	Chris Chaussee
JW	Ryan Pillsbury	SS	Mark Goss
SEC	Truman Tolson	JS	Jason Wold
TR	Keegan McIntire	T	Ben Koepke
CHAP	Nathan Pick	M	Matthew Chase
INSTR	Walt Bradford (PM)	S&L	Dan Lehn (PM)
HIST:	Bob Brown (PM)		



"You know, the new line of officers isn't half bad."
"Nope, they're ALL bad!"