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ANOKA MASONIC LODGE #30 A.F. & A.M

GREETINGS FROM THE EAST!

We are off to a good start for the new year.

We have a new brother progressing through the degrees and two more who went through the One Day to Masonry. Congratulations to our newest Brothers.

There are so many events coming up soon that we should all check out for participation, the George Washington Dinner, the ice fishing contest, any and all Jobies events, the second school of instruction etc.

I know it can be a bit taxing on your free time but I urge you to consider participating anyway. I would also like to make an appeal to all Brothers and Sisters, if you know of a member of our family that hasn't attended do to any disability please take it upon yourselves to personally call them and invite them back and remind them that we have full access now with the elevator.

Nothing would please me more than seeing our less abled members being able to fully participate once again.

Fraternally yours,

Steve Braun Worshipful Master 2B1ASK1

FOR THE LAST TIME!

The George Washington Dinner

Honoring Our Servicemen from Valley Forge to Afghanistan

> Saturday, February 19 4:00 PM

> > Champlin Legion 12450 Business Park Blvd N Champlin, MN 55316

Dinner includes: Prime Rib and 1/4 Baked Chicken, Potatoes and Gravy, California Blend Veggies, House Salad/Dressing, Roll and butter, Tea, Coffee, Milk, Toasting Wine or Apple Cider, and Cherry Pie

Masons & Non-Masons Welcome

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Anoka Lodge #30 with memo
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Worshipful Brother John Aguilar 9595 Juniper Street Coon Rapids, MN 55433

GREETINGS PROMITHE STARY

Greetings and Happy New Year,

We had our soup lunch on January 7, and it was a good turn out, so we thank you everyone who helped! We got a petition, which is now being investigated with another petition that came in.

If you know anyone else who wants to become a member, please let me know so we can get it scheduled.

Mark your calendar for Feb 3- our meeting is at North Ridge Apt. 7:00 PM.

Also that night, in the North Ridge Apartments at 6PM, we will have a computer program presentation about the Grand Family Project, a new set-up that assists seniors in using the computer, radio, and all sorts of neat systems that are designed to be user friendly for seniors. If you have not heard of this or have not seen it yet, please come and see what it is.

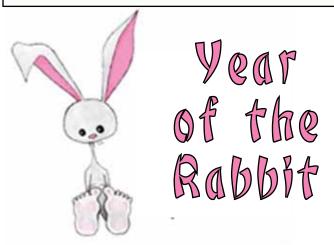
Our next meeting is to honor our past matrons and patrons, Curt Speller and Anne Nichols. The quilting group has been hard at work and new people are always welcome to come and learn, or just help out in any way as the need is great for laprobes for the Masonic Cancer Hospital. This month, we passed out 52 laprobes and only had 24 come in.

Thank you to everyone who donated mittens hat and scarves for our mitten tree we had 40 pairs of mittens and 22 hats and scarves!!

Star Love to you all,

Garland Lundquist Worthy Matron David Lundquist Worthy Matron





February 5, 2011

Get your tickets from any of our Chapter members or send your checks to:

Peg Oliver 2645 Garland Lane N. Plymouth, MN 55447 763-449-9067

\$10.00 for Adults \$5.00 for Children 10 to 3 Children 3 under Free

Your check is your reservation.

Anoka Lodge now has an
Elevator for easy access to our
Dining Hall, come check it out!

GREENIUNGS INROM BENEFEL 480

Our new term has just begun and we are all very excited. Echo Nelson retired her crown and Jayna White has been installed as Honored Queen for the next six months and she has a full calendar! Initiation went great, and we are thankful to see many of your faces. We all love the support we receive from all of you guys.

We served at the Minneapolis Masonic #19 table lodge & we had a great time!

Our next big event was the pancake breakfast. All in all, the breakfast was successful. This is one of our many fundraisers planned for the term.

We will soon be selling chocolate roses, so if anyone is interested, please contact any one of te girls (or adults) from bethel #48.

Some of our upcoming events are:

We will be holding initiation on Feb. 7.

We are initiation one new member – Cara H.

She has been a jobie-to-be member for a
while, and we are SO exicted to have
her officially join us!

Snoball (our formal dance) and Perkins after on Feb. 12.

Masonic Honoring on Feb 21.

The meeting starts at 7:00 pm. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Go-to-church Sunday on Feb. 27

Jobie Love, Bethel #48

JOBIES MASONIC HONORING

February 21st

Meeting starts at 7pm



Installation Officers (L-R) Martina N, Stephanie H, Echo N, Jayna W, Cheyenne N, Ana M, Beth B

FROM THEE ENDUROR

This month I had the great pleasure to sit down with WB John Freeburg and Duke Grosslein, in order to learn about the history of our Lodge and its Past Masters, as well as their roles in shaping the history of Downtown Anoka. We will be working on this research project continously, and we will keep you posted on our progress.

Ryan Dawson



Anoka Masons Ryan Dawson and Duke Grosslein

GREETINGS FROM THE WEST!

As I had stated last month, I believe that the Operative aspect of our Masonic lives is still with us, albeit in a silent way. I would like to say something about how this works with being an Officer.

In many Lodges, becoming an Officer means receiving three things: A Jewel, a chair and a role with some measure of lines. Sadly, to many, this is the full extent of their responsibilities. I have been in the Line for six years now. In these years, I have observed my fellow Officers as well as myself and thought about what it means to be an Officer. We, in many ways more than our Brethren, have a greater need to be both Operative and Speculative.

Speculatively, we play our roles in Opening and Closing the Lodge and even more so during Degrees of Initiation. We stand for the legends of our Fraternity. It is from these rituals that our newly admitted Brethren learn who and why we are here and how we strive to build our Spiritual Buildings. It here that many Officers focus their attention. This is fine and good.

Now, what about the Operative aspects?

More next month. See you in Lodge.

Rob Naeve Senior Warden

"It may be laid down as a primary position, and the basis of our system, that every Citizen who enjoys the protection of a Free Government, owes not only a proportion of his property, but even of his personal services to the defense of it."

George Washington

GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH

As I write this, I have just returned from WB Don Fanning's 100th Birthday down at the Scottish Rite. Minneapolis Lodge #19 hosted the Black Tie Table Lodge, and a great time was had by all. In between toasts and courses, I found myself looking around the room, and realized the main reason I joined this great Fraternity (all the other reasons are good as well): it is for the friendships.

Here was a retired railroad man from Canada, and I was there celebrating his birthday because I was his Brother. Our Lodge is filled with men that I did not know a few years ago that I know call my friends, and it is because of Masonry. My children have new friends, and it is because of Masonry. I count retirees, engineers, bankers and way too many other professionals among the friendships that I cherish.

My point is, have you made any new Masonic friends lately? Maybe all it takes is to sit with someone at dinner that you have not sat with and chat over a lovely Steward's meal. Maybe calling a Brother you have not seen in a while and invite him to Lodge and see all that is going on and all of the new men who he has something in common with. Or maybe, it is coming over to the building at 1900 3rd Ave, taking the elevator down and when the doors open, watching all of your Brothers crick their head to see who just arrived. I guarantee you will be met with a hearty handshake and a sentiment of missing you.

So come to Lodge, and make some new friends, or renew some old ones. We are waiting and look forward to seeing you.

Yours in the Gentle Craft,

Todd A. Mayer
Junior Warden - Anoka Lodge #30 AF&AM
Grand Standard Bearer - Grand Lodge of Minnesota

GREETINGS FROM SHEKINAH!

Our Chapter is on it's way for 2011. At the Royal Arch Masons one day Festival we had two new Companions be exalted to the Sublime Degree of the Holy Royal Arch. Congratulations to Rick Remme and Trent Gilbertson.

We also have two more waiting to take their degrees. Soon we will be able to work on doing our own Degree work and we are striving toward being competent enough by May that we could get off of Dispensation and recieve our full Charter by the June Grand Chapter meetings. Let's all set our sights on making that happen.

Please review the degree parts for the first three degrees and let me know what part you would like to start memorizing and if you have a position in the Chapter meeting you would like to take feel free to talk to me about it.

We are still in need of Companions willing to take them on and be at every meeting.

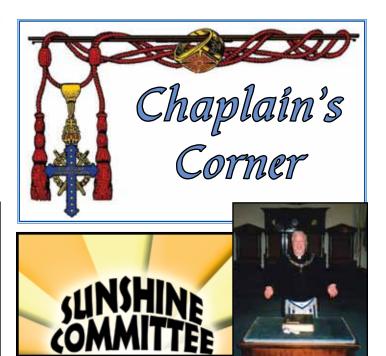
Steve Braun High Priest

FELLOWCRAFT SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION Wednesday, February 9 7:00pm - 10:00pm

This School of Instruction is open to all Master Masons and will cover the FC Degree in detail. Come with questions, concerns and all will be answered. Great way to brush up on your degree work as well as get perspective on why things are done the way they are done.

FYI, no dinner will be served. Something sweet perhaps, though.





Paul Agustin- 612-810-1018

Father Thomas is the Anoka Lodge Chaplain and Chairman of the Sunshine Committee.

If you know of someone in the Masonic Family in need of support, please contact Father Thomas at (612) 702-4770.

FROM THE LEO...

At our March 2nd Stated meeting, we will have the pleasure of meeting the new Anoka County Sheriff, James Stuart. We aare eager to show our support and welcome Sheriff Stuart to office.

WB John Freeburg Lodge Education Officer

From the Website of Sheriff Stuart:

To the citizens of Anoka County:

THANK YOU for entrusting me with the position of Sheriff of Anoka County. The support I have received throughout this campaign has been incredible.

I am proud of the campaign we ran, the hard work, dedication and integrity of our entire campaign team. THANK YOU ALL for your tireless efforts.

I am honored to be your Sheriff Elect and look forward to working for you.







traveling Man

Next Road Trip: No road trip scheduled for this month

Feel free to contact me for inquires or requests regarding future road trips:

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FEBRUARY CALENDAR

February 2, 6pm - Anoka #30 Stated Meeting and guest speaker Mark Wickstrom

February 3, 7pm - OES meeting at North Ridge Masonic Home

February 5, 4pm - OES Chinese New Year Dinner at Anoka Lodge

February 16, 6pm - Fellowcraft Degree February 19, 4pm - George Washington Dinner at Champlin Legion

February 21, 7pm - Jobies Meeting and Masonic Honoring

COMING UP:

March 2, 6pm - Anoka #30 Stated Meeting and guest Sheriff James Stuart

March 16, 6pm - Master Masons Degree

Didn't get the Newsletter?

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