

STAR AND COMPASS

A N O K A M A S O N I C L O D G E # 3 0 A . F . & A . M .



UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS:
 November 7th, 6pm: Stated Meeting Dinner/Templar Presentation
 November 21st, 4pm: Master Mason Degree
 December 1st, 2pm: Installation of Officers

What I have learned as Master of Anoka Lodge #30 A.F. & A.M

As I prepare to depart the East, I am reminded of all the emotions and thoughts that I experienced as I was Entered, Passed, and Raised into Masonry. As I did then, I now see before me a threshold, one that is as equally familiar and unknown to me as all those that came before. I find myself eager for this new journey as a Past Master. I know that there are so many new experiences ahead of me, so many things to do and lessons to learn.

It has been an interesting year. In every aspect of my life, this year has been one of the most interesting I have known and I am glad to see the end approaching. This is not to say that I have not been honored to serve as the Master of such a great Lodge, nor is it to say I am setting aside my labors as a Freemason. Nothing could be further from the truth. My years as an Officer of the Lodge have taught me many things about Masonry, Anoka Lodge, and myself. I have learned my own due bounds and no small measure of my own passions. Becoming a Past Master is not the end of my work as a Master Mason, it is the beginning.

I am stepping out of a Line of some of the finest Men and Masons I have ever met. I am so very proud of Anoka Lodge and all my Brethren and look forward to watching the incoming Line continue a long tradition of dedication, service, and Brotherly Love.

Thank you for the Trust you placed in me and I hope I, in some small measure, lived up to your expectations.

**Robert Naeve
 WM, Anoka 30**



WM Rob Naeve waves to the crowd at the 2012 Anoka Halloween Grand Parade



Anoka Lodge's Fellowcraft



FROM THE WEST

If Tradition Prevails...

How many times has that phrase been uttered? I have been saying it a lot this year. It is used when talking about the future of

the Lodge, more specifically the future of an officer in the Lodge line. There is an election for officers, but, in most cases, tradition prevails and the officer will move up one position. The officer knows what is ahead of him, but he cannot be presumptive about the office. It hopefully gives them a sense of humility. I told a new Brother a couple of years ago that the Lodge gets six years to get to know the man that they will elect Worshipful Master by going through all of the previous chairs

Our Craft is all about tradition prevailing, and not just who moves to a new chair.

Since 1717, the speculative Masons have been carrying on the symbolic labors of our operative Brethren. The stone quarries have been replaced by the Lodge Hall, the charitable events, and the parades that we march in. But the tradition of fellowship and the festive board have not changed. It has prevailed.

Our traditional symbols, some ancient from the days of King Solomon himself, have not changed. Ancient symbols used to be taught to everyone. In a world where illiteracy was rampant, symbols were the way to communicate with the masses. When the written word was more accessible, symbols and their meanings went by the wayside. That is sometimes why non-Masons feel

that we are hiding things with our symbols. Freemasonry never forgot the power that symbols have in our lives, and we keep those traditions. Our symbols have prevailed.

When a new candidate takes the Degrees, he is more or less going through the same experience as every Mason has before him. From George Washington to Dave Thomas, from Harry Truman to the Ringling Brothers. Our rituals have prevailed.

In a world full of social media and technology, men still knock on our door. They want to be part of something real, tangible and bigger than themselves. They want a brick and mortar place to meet men from different generations and different backgrounds. They want to shake a hand, share their successes and failures, and maybe ask for assistance. Our Brotherhood prevails.

With the Stated Communication in November, our elections will be held. If tradition prevails, I will move to the East. I will do so with humility, not just for the office, but for all of those who have gone before in that chair. The tradition of Past Masters that have sat there humbles me. I realize that the Lodge is more than on Brother, more than one year. We have been around for 153 years. Anoka Lodge will prevail, and with everyone's help and enthusiasm for the Craft, will thrive into the future.

Yours in the Gentle Craft,

Todd A. Mayer
Senior Warden

DUSTY SQUARE & COMPASS IS COMING!

NOVEMBER 30, 6PM

Have you been away from Lodge for a while? Are your corners not as sharp as they could be? Have you forgotten a password or two? Does the due guard allude you? Then we have the remedy! On November 30th, Anoka Lodge will be putting on a Dusty Square and Compass in conjunction with the Zuhrah Shrine Rush Night at Anoka Lodge. It will take place right after the dinner (6pm) and a presentation from the Divan. We will then go upstairs and present the Dusty Square and answer any questions.

This is open to all Master Masons (bring your dues card). We would love to see people that we have not seen for quite a while. Come on back to your Lodge, and we are looking forward to seeing you!

To RSVP or if you have any questions, contact SW Todd Mayer (jeditodd@comcast.net).

Scottish Rite News

The Scottish Rite is still in full swing. One Master Mason from Anoka Lodge has been on his journey this fall. The month of November will have the 25th through the 29th Degrees. Come on down and support our candidate and those who are putting on the Degrees, either in front of or behind the stage.

The Scottish Rite Southern Jurisdiction has a new podcast, “The Life Masonic” that is just great. I would highly recommend checking it out. There has been about 13 episodes so far on a wide range of topics.

If you are interested in joining the Spring Class, petitions can be filled out now. The Degrees start up again on January 3rd, so get your petitions in soon. Contact Double Eagle Todd Mayer (jeditodd@comcast.net) for any questions or to get a petition.

Todd A. Mayer
Double Eagle for Anoka Lodge #30
Scottish Rite – Minneapolis Valley



Appendant Masonic Bodies

Grotto News

The Master Masons playground continues to have a great time. Our annual Fondue Party went very well this last month. Thank you to all who donated pots to replace those that had been thrown out. It was nice to have pots at each table with cheese and oil so that we could all be social.

We are having a Ceremonial for our November 2nd meeting. If you are interested in joining the most family-friendly Masonic organization, contact Monarch Todd Mayer (jeditodd@comcast.net) for a petition and to answer any questions you may have.

All for the Realm,

Todd A. Mayer
Monarch
Selim Grotto





FROM THE SOUTH

As the Junior Warden for this year, I faced a reality learned from some of our ritual work and that is, "As you advance in your knowledge (Masonic), your duties and obligations to yourself and your Brethren correspondingly increase".

Being tasked with organizing a couple of events plus becoming increasingly involved in the inner workings of lodge operations and planning have certainly brought this lesson to life. Even though the intensity of my work has increased, it has also reaped a benefit, which is the reward I receive from getting to know many of the Brethren much better and watch our various plans come together. Planning of these events reveals who you can go to for help in various aspects of our Lodge and how they also play a large role in our success. Why does our Lodge enjoy great success? It is very simple. It is due to the outstanding participation, hard work and ideas of our members.

We have a super team at Anoka Lodge. Yes, we always hear about how great our lodge is, but it really is true. You new Brothers coming in through the degrees, this statement is not lip service, it is reality. Where else can you be part of an organization where you can revel in tradition, but also challenge the norm and see the Craft succeed into the future? Do you have any ideas which would help our community or make the lodge better? Bring them to the table! Many of the events we now run started with a simple idea and have now become staples of the Lodge. I look forward to working with you in the years to come and hearing what kind of ideas you may bring to our table.

Sincerely,

Dave Hansel
Junior Warden

“We can only know the fullest joys of Masonry when we truly walk the paths of service and of hard work in the quarries.”
George E. Burow



JOB'S DAUGHTERS

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS:
November 2 - 4: Fall Inn
November 19th: Thanksgiving Friendship

Upcoming Events:

Hi All - Happy Fall!

- Nov2-4: Fall-Inn Be studying your parts!
- Nov 5: Meeting
- Nov 7: Serve Masons at the lodge. Arrive at 5:30. Please wear black pants, white shirts and closed toe shoes. Also bring a dessert for the Masons.
- Nov 17: Mystery trip time TBD (daytime-no overnight)
- Nov 19: Thanksgiving Friendship and meeting.
- Nov 26: Council meeting
- Nov 29: OES Dinner

Bethel 48



We had the great pleasure and initiation Grace Shelton the daughter of our brother Myron Shelton.



EASTERN STAR UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS:

November 12th, 11am: Harvest Dinner

November 29th, 7pm: Halloween Costume Party

November is the month of giving Thanks. It is nice that we take this time to remember all the things that we are thankful for but wouldn't it be wonderful if we could do this all year long. What a wonderful world it would be. This Star year's theme is "Through the eyes of a Child". Children have the innocence to see things in a simplified way and to enjoy and be grateful for all those little things in life that we adults seem to take for granted. Take time to see those things and give THANKS.

Our October meetings were full of fun. The Halloween Costume night was a scream. We do have a great time being crazy.

The first meeting in November is set aside as our instructional meeting to learn something and perfect our ritual work. Even though our officers are already perfect.

Nov. 9th - Remember because of Thanksgiving in November the Martha Club meeting at Walker Plaza is changed to the 2nd Thursday at 7:00.

Next is the Harvest Dinner on Sunday the 11th at 11:00 to 1:00. A delicious Turkey dinner with all the trimmings. We also will have a craft sale in the upper level. Please come and enjoy a wonderful meal then shop for some of those special gift items.

The Nov. 15th meeting will be an old fashion Birthday Party. Help us celebrate everyone's birthday.

Nov. 20th - 6:00 Tuesday is a date change for the Quilters.

Nov. 29th - The 5th Thursday Social will be at the Lodge Hall and the Jobies will prepare and serve the meal for us. YUM!

We hope to see everyone at these exciting events.

**For Worthy Matron Lyla Aaland,
Denise Emery signing off.**



Having a ball at the Halloween Costume Party!

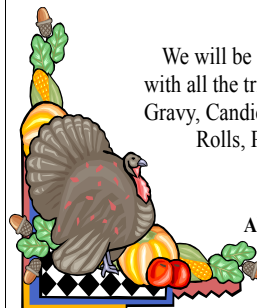
Martha Chapter #132 Harvest Dinner

And Crafts
Sunday

November 11, 2012
11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Adults \$10.00
Children 12 to 3 \$5.00
3 & under - Free

We will be serving our delicious Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings. Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Candied Yams, Cole Slaw, Cranberry Sauce, Rolls, Pumpkin Dessert and Beverages.



Martha Chapter #132
ANOKA MASONIC LODGE
1900 - 3rd Ave. South
Anoka, MN 55343

ANOKA LODGE # 30 AF & AM INSTALLATION OF 2013 OFFICERS



*Will be held at
Anoka Masonic Lodge*

DECEMBER 1ST, 2012

2PM

There will be a reception hosted by the Martha Chapter afterwards for fellowship and celebration for a good year to come.

ANOKA LODGE #30 RING

For anybody who is interested (new Brothers or guys who did not get one the first time around), Anoka Lodge has their own ring. You may have seen them on some of the Brothers. If you are interested in purchasing one, you can deal directly with the ring maker. The name of the Brother who makes them is Gordon Spurlock and his phone number is 912-265-9591. They are \$99 and made of stainless steel (see picture). You need to get your ring sized correctly before calling him. With the stainless steel, they are not adjustable after they are struck. We do have a ring sizer in the display case if you need to know what size you are.



Gordon Spurlock
912-265-9591

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The Masters, Wardens, and Brothers of Cass and Anoka Lodges request the pleasure of your company in the celebration of the 9th Annual George Washington Birthday Dinner. This dinner celebration is open to all of our Masonic Families and their guests including non-Masons, Veterans, and non-Veterans.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2013 5:30 P.M.

Coon Rapids American Legion Post 334
11640 Crooked Lake Blvd NW
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Evening attire – Masons: tuxedos or suit with aprons;
Ladies: dresses/skirts or pant suits; Non-Masons: suit or sport coat

ALL VETERANS – PLEASE WEAR MEDALS OR RIBBONS

Social hour	1630
Adjutants Call	1730
Opening Ceremony	1750
Opening of the Table Lodge	1800
Dinner & Toasts	1830

Buffet Menu

Steamship of beef, lemon baked tilapia, herb baked chicken, mashed & au gratin potatoes, California blend vegetables, house salad, house dressing, rolls & butter, tea, coffee, milk, toasting wine or apple cider, and cherry pie.

The cost is \$45.00 per person; reservations are on a first-come first-served basis. Due to limited seating availability, we can only offer 200 place settings. Seating will be assigned. **Your check is your reservation and must be in my hands by Monday, February 18, 2013.**

**Please make checks payable to Anoka Lodge #30 with memo:
"George Washington's Birthday Dinner" and mail to:**

**W.Bro. John Aguilar
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*Come and celebrate
Bro. George Washington
the soldier and
"Veterans Honoring Veterans"*

This year's Guest of Honor is Brother John Kriesel, who lost both of his legs in military combat in 2006 due to an IED or roadside bomb which destroyed his HUMVEE. He was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Purple Heart Medal, and the Bronze Star Medal for his service to his country.

FROM THE LEO

At last months stated meeting we heard an excellent presentation on some new ideas for promoting interest in the De Molay Chapter that several Anoka young men are members of. Recently I had the opportunity to give a presentation to about thirty of our local area De Molay's on the history of the order of the Knights Templar. Some of the groups advisors told me that even they learned a few things from my talk. Because of this great success I will give this same information after dinner at the November stated. Hope you have a chance to attend and maybe learn a few new things too.

Fraternally,
John A. Freeburg Lodge Education Officer



Anoka Lodge Tech Committee:

Have you checked out the new website yet? If not please do! You will find links to the new Google online calendar, Star and Compass issues, Facebook, as well as easy to remember addresses to all the officers!

In our efforts to move Anoka Lodge into the Digital Age, we have created a new officer position, Lodge Media Officer, as well as a new Technology Committee. If you have an interest in being a part of this, please contact **Myron Shelton at LMO@anokamasons.org**.

Look for updates and helpful tips in this section throughout the year!

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*Father Thomas is the Anoka Lodge Chaplain
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