

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



UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS:

June 15th, 9am-noon: Lodge Clean-up June 22nd, 9am: Master Mason Degree (OUTDOOR)

I want to thank everyone for helping at the garage sale this last month. We made some money for the Lodge, and we had a great time chatting with people in our community, and hanging out with each other, which is never a bad thing.

Summer is here, and the suits are put away and shorts and Hawaiian shirts are the order of the season for Lodge. This month we have the Master Mason Degree. It will be outdoors as usual. First section is indoors, so we do have to dress up one last time. Do not forget to bring your lawn chair, sunscreen and personal mosquito-repelling fire stick (optional). The annual St. Paul Saints game has been pushed back to August (look for details next month), due to no weekend games in June.

For the rest of the article, because I did one similar two years ago, I want to talk about Iron Man and the Craft. Hold on, here we go. No spoilers and I will take liberties.

The whole question of Iron Man 3 (number of degrees?) is: Does the man make the suit, or does the suit make the man? We know that we were first made a Mason in our heart, not unlike Tony Stark becoming Iron Man first with an ARC reactor in his chest. We are told that it is the internal, not the external that is important. We can be in a suit, or come from work in jeans and a shirt, we just want you there. In the case of the billionaire, playboy, philanthropist, genius, he make walk a little more to the external, but there is something within him that wants to do good for all mankind. He is recognized everywhere as Iron Man, by telling everyone that his is Iron Man, wearing his armor, or just having the ARC reactor glowing from his chest. We announce that we are a Freemason by our posts on social media, our rings, lapel pins, auto emblems and the glow we have from further light in Masonry (yeah, I know). Upon his announcement, he is beset on all sides by those who love him, those who want something from him, and those who want to

take him down. Our families love us and know that we are becoming better men due to the Craft, we give to charities who need our help, we explain Masonry to those who want to learn about us, and of course, there are those who, through ignorance, want to tear us down because we believe in religious freedom, political tolerance and personal integrity. Unlike Stark, we do not attack them. Our good works in our community speak to

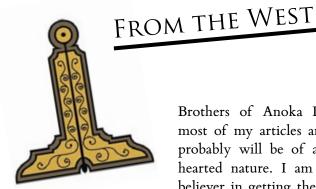


our true intentions, so we leave it at that. Lastly, as most have seen in the trailers, there are a lot of Iron Man armors. Tony can step into any of them depending if he needs to be underwater, have a lot of weapons, or bust a Hulk. We do this as well. Do you want to learn more about the ancient mysteries in 29 Degrees? Then put on a black hat. Want to find out the lost word? Put on a red apron. Want to have a fun time with your family? Black fez. March in a parade and help out children in hospitals? Red fez. We have purple aprons, chapeaus, swords, white hats, red hats, cordons, sashes, medals, medallions. Maybe there are more iterations of Masonry than there is MARK variations. But as all of Tony Starks' suits are powered by the ARC reactor, all of our other activities in Masonry are powered by our white lambskin apron, as the Blue Lodge is at the heart of it all.

Have a great summer and enjoy the movies.

Yours in the Gentle Craft,

Todd A. Mayer Master



Brothers of Anoka Lodge, most of my articles are and probably will be of a light hearted nature. I am a big believer in getting the work done and having some fun

along the way, but every now and then I need to get a little serious and briefly talk about a subject pertinent to the operations of the Lodge. The subject alcohol consumption in the Lodge was brought to the officers of the Lodge as a concern of the Past Masters Committee.

As you all may know, the consumption of alcoholic beverages on Lodge property is something which has been frowned upon by the Grand Lodge . Gone are the days when we are able to serve wine or any other alcohol at our on site Lodge functions. There has been much discussion over whether or not Grand Lodge officially forbids the act or just advises against it, but one thing is clear, we, as the Brothers of Anoka Lodge have decided to play it safe and just forbid its consumption on Lodge property. This also extends to those individuals or organizations who wish to use the Lodge building. This "policy", for lack of a better term, should also extend to those events upon the grounds of the Lodge building itself, to events which are officially sponsored by the Lodge or held in the adjacent city parking lot. Our Lodge does not have sufficient insurance to cover the consumption or dispensation of alcohol on the property and the consumption of alcohol on city or county property is prohibited except where otherwise noted or designated.

Brothers, as officers of your Lodge, we do not feel it necessary to draft an official policy or add it to the by laws. Nor, do we wish to open up a Pandora's box of discussion on this topic. Before considering consuming or dispensing alcohol on Lodge property or any other Lodge function as described in this article, please consider the ramifications of your actions before deciding to do so. If ever in doubt, contact the Worshipful Master or the Wardens for guidance and a second opinion. We will be glad to sit down and offer counsel in your decision.

We are truly blessed with the fellowship and comradery we all share as Brothers of Anoka Lodge. I for one do not wish to declare our own version of Prohibition on the ranks of our membership. As you know, I have eagerly participated in events with my Brothers where alcohol was readily consumed and I plan to do so in the future. But every now and then we just need to take a step back and ask ourselves if it is the right thing to do in this particular circumstance.

Dave Hansel Senior Warden



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.



Scottish Rite News

Congratulations to Mike Miller, Michael Johnson and Josh Fulwider! These three Brothers went through the One Day to Scottish Rite Masonry on May 11th and are now Masters of the Royal Secret. As of this writing, the Scottie Awards are tomorrow, so maybe someone from Anoka Lodge will take home an award for the hard work that they do in our Valley. Kudos ahead of time to anyone who wins.

As the summer takes over, the Valley becomes a sleepy one. The final touches to the new elevator and entrance will be taken care of, but the Rite goes dark. Time to read some Morals and Dogma, work on the Master Craftsman Program, or talk to our JW Lee Kielblock who is the Valley's Ritual Director and see if he has any parts that need filling for the fall. Classes should begin again on August 29th (or 22nd), so take some time off, and get ready to hit the ground running in the fall, or join us for the first time.

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



APPENDANT MASONIC BODIES

FROM THE SOUTH Greetings Brethren of Anoka Lodge #30, As you read this, summer has finally

As you read this, summer has finally arrived. I am looking forward to a great day for the Master Mason Outdoor Degree. As the summer continues, Anoka Lodge takes a break from

conferring degrees and moves ahead with other activities.

Of course, we still have our Stated Meetings on the first Wednesday of the month (thanks to the WM for letting shorts and Hawaiian shirts be the attire). The Lodge also has other events to continue the fellowship of the Lodge, and to bring our Masonic beliefs out into the community. Three summer events that stand out are Anoka Riverfest, the Anoka County Fair, and Ribs Bibs & Blues. All of these events are great opportunities for letting Anoka know that the Masons are an active part of the community. These events also give us the opportunity to talk to prospective members about Masonry, and to demonstrate the fellowship and fun that we have at the Lodge.

Volunteers are needed to make these events successful. It is a great chance to spend some time with your Brothers and get to know some of them that you have not spent time with yet. The volunteers for these events also get to meet and spend time getting to know the Anoka community. You will see familiar faces and meet new people who have an interest or curiosity about Masonry. It is a great chance to represent the Lodge and put a face on Masonry for the community.

I urge all of you to volunteer for one or all of these events. While the Riverfest and Ribs Bibs & Blues are one day events, there is plenty of opportunity to help with planning, preparation, setup, and takedown, even if you are not able to be at the actual event. The Anoka County Fair takes place over several days, and requires you to be at the Lodge booth and talk about Masonry and the Fair in general. I can't wait for the fresh lemonade! I hope you are looking forward to all of these events. Come on down, volunteer, and enjoy the great fellowship!

Fraternally, Lee E. Kielblock Junior Warden



Bethel 48 is so excited about the initiating of two new girls to our Bethel. On April 15, we had the honor to initiate Anna Trombley and Miranda Novack. Help us welcome them to our family.

On April 26, Bethel 48 put on a Marquerade Ball at the Anoka Lodge with the Robinsdale DeMolay. Kristen reported that it was a formal ball and some of the people ware masks. They has a lot of food to eat during the evening. The danced lasted for four hours were they danced the whole time and had a ball.

The Master kidnapping was on May 1st. The Bethel came into the Masons meeting and took Master Todd Mayer by force. The bethel dressed him up in a too-to and took him hostage with Lightsbers. The Jobie's took him to Lowes' and made him dance around the store. They had him pay for a gallon of paint so they could paint the Bethel room. Next we went to Best Buy. The store manager put Todd's dance music in a radio and we made him dance around the store. Lastly, we made him go to DQ to buy us ice cream. We also made him dance around the store.

We had a regressive dinner on May 4th. Grace reported that we started with desert at the Hansel's. They had a cake that was green and one with strawberries on it. The cakes were delicious Then we drove to the Dimatteo's to have something that looked like lasagna. Next was the Carney's were we had salad. Last, was the Kingdon's for appetizers They had an interesting appetizers that was bacon wrapped dates. She said they tasted very good.

We are very happy to announce that the Bethel has elected Marietta Herrera as Honor Queen and Kristen Hansel as Guide for the upcoming term. The Bethel is looking forward to seeing what events we will be having during the next term. Keep a watch out for what we have going on.

BETHEL 48



Eastern Star

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS:

June 14th - Salad Luncheon
June 20th - Last Meeting before Summer!
July 13th - Riverfest

Now that spring finally seems to be here, it seems bizarre that we had to cancel our April 18th meeting due to a nasty snowstorm and only held our second meeting of the term on May 16! Thank you again to Denise, Hope and Rachel for calling or emailing everyone about the cancellation so no one had to venture out.

We will be busy at Martha Chapter in June. Our first event will be a Tri-Meeting with the Jobies and Lodge on Monday June 3rd. All Star members can attend, these are always fun and a terrific way to interact with our Anoka Masonic Family. Hope to see you there.

Next up is our meeting on the 6th. We will be honoring our Masons and our Fathers. Please bring a picture of your Dad (or Grandfather if we all know your Dad) and we'll have fun matching the generations. We also will be balloting on the 2 petitions that were received in May.

Our annual Salad Lunch is on Friday the 14th, set up and prep will be Thursday the 13th. Goody Vokovan chairs this event and will have sign-ups for workers at the meeting on the 6th. Always a good event for us and our turkey salad is not to be missed. This is open to the public so tell everyone you know.

To all those that use the Anoka Lodge,

Anoka is the Halloween capital of the world. Its such an interesting subject that they have haunted tours. Anoka Lodge has such a rich history and i would love to get that part of history on paper. I am gathering any and all ghost stories from Anoka Lodge. I know there are lots of good stories. I would like to gather those stories and compile a nice record of reported stories. If you've had any experiences in Anoka Lodge please take a little time and send me an email. Any and all stories are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Brother Josh Fulwider Josh@primeghost.com

At our last meeting on the 20th we will have Initiation, honor everyone with a June Star anniversary and share vacation plans. Important Martha Chapter plans for the summer are the Strawberry Shortcake booth at Riverfest on Saturday July 13 and the lunch on July 20 where we will honor our 50+ year members. This lunch is for all members to attend and socialize, the more the merrier. The committee will be formed soon and details of the menu and nominal cost for those of us who haven't attained 50 years yet will be set. Of course 50+ members are our guests and hope all can make it.

Hope to see you at one of our June activities!

Until next month,

• Jane & Wayne



We are indeed going to Chippewa Falls Lodge #176. Lodge Begins at 7:30pm, but for those wanting to go visit the Leinenkugel Lodge, we must arrive there by the last tour at 4pm, so we need to leave by 1:30pm to make sure we get there in plenty of time to take the tour! (2hrs Drive) This is one you don't want to miss even though it will be an early and late night!

Brother Terrance M Schaffer



Newsletter Editor

Ladies and Gentleman, Brothers and Sisters of Anoka Lodge # 30 and Appended Bodies:

I'm very sorry to say that I can not continue my work as Editor of the Star and Compass Newsletter. As some of you know, my career has taken off at Pentair (formerly Hoffman) in Anoka, and it was thanks to the kind advice of Brother Ken Rousch, who mentioned to me that Pentair was hiring through Masterson Personell, which was then just a few doors down from his coffee shop. I manage to get hired and put to work right away through Masterson. I worked my tail off and managed to get hired on permanently by Pentair, and into a 1st shift position, which some people told me they have not seen happen in 30+ years! As if that wasn't enough good fortune for me, 3 months later I was able to apply for a promotion into a Team Leader position, and my application was excepted, on the condition that I return to school in order to further my career at Pentair- and they would pay my way!! Now I am working 50 hours a week, and going to school spring, summer, and fall to pursue a degree in International Business at Metropolitan State University. This will require a super-effort for me over the next 4 years to complete night school as I work full-time, hence my need to take leave from my editor duties. If interested, please contact WM Todd Mayer asap. I currently use Adobe Creative Suite 5, In-Design and Photoshop for publishing the newsletter. If someone has the tools and some desire, I would be more than happy to offer some templates and guidance to keep the newsletter going. It has been my pleasure to serve the Lodge in this manner, and I look forward to years ahead when I may be more available to truly repay the Brethren of Anoka for the priviledge.

Regards,

Ryan Wayne Dawson

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Steward's Kitchen:

Wednesday, June 5th Stated Meeting:

Taco and Tostada Bar with all the fixings! Lemon Bars for Desert

Outdoor Degree on June 22nd:

Pulled Pork, Cold Salads and Chips A Verity of Pies for Desert

Brother Terrance M Schaffer

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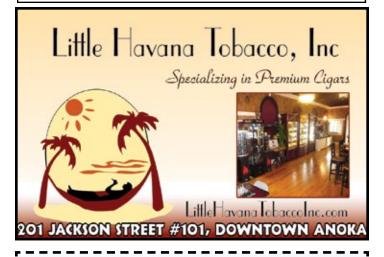


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GRAND LODGE AND ANOKA LODGE WORKING TOGETHER TO HELP A BROTHER AND HIS FAMILY

In February 2013, Worshipful Brother Al Hanson of Anoka Lodge #30 and his Lady Mary, were driving back from Orlando, Florida, after a two week vacation, when they received a phone call from their daughter Sheila, informing them that their granddaughter's, Julene Monteleone, cancer was incurable and that her doctors had informed her that her life span was one year, maybe shorter or maybe longer. This news was devastating to them and the entire family. News that was total unexpected because the day before positive medical reports had been received from the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota..

WB Al's granddaughter, who is 27 years old, had recently had both breasts removed because of breast cancer. After the surgery the doctors found that a rare form of cancer had moved to her skin and because of it the doctors could not close the wound between her removed breasts. She was started on chemo and radiation. Turning the treatment the skin cancer was also found on her back and additional chemo was ordered. She was seen by local doctors in Minneapolis, the Mayo Clinic in Rochester and the Masonic Cancer Clinic at the University of Minnesota. All the doctors agreed that there was no cure and that all they could do is put her on an experimental treatment that would not prolong her life but would give her a full life in the time that remained.

WB Al's granddaughter has a husband and four daughters, ages two (Mariah), four (Gigi), six (Lilli) and eight (Karlee). Knowing that the children were unaware of their mother's illness and how valuable time was, WB Al and his Lady donated their time share to the family so they could go to Orlando. Florida and visit Disneyland for seven days. Julene wanted to have a happy time and make a lasting memory for her family,



especially her daughters. Checking airfares and ticket prices to Orlando and Disneyland it was found the cost was extreme. WB AL, his Lady Mary and daughter had to come up with the answer and they did. Unbeknown to Julene or her family and to help offset these costs WB Al, his Lady Mary and daughter Sheila started a drive to raise money so the family could travel and visit Disney at no cost to them. Emails and phone calls were sent/made to family and friends asking for donations. Additionally, WR Al spoke to the Brothers of Anoka Lodge, at the Stated Meeting in March, telling them of his granddaughters fate and asking for assistance. It

was a hard task but WB Al stated he would crawl to the end of the earth to make Julene's dream come true.

The Brothers of Anoka Lodge responded immediately. The night of Lodge the Brothers donated \$1161.00 and made plans to do more. By the end of the first week about \$3100.00 had been raised. Additionally, Anoka Shekinah #30 set up a Special Charity Breakfast to help raise additional money. The breakfast was extremely successful, raising over \$1300.00. All together the Brothers of Anoka Lodge and Anoka Shekinah raised \$6176.00 for Julene and her family. Also,



contributing to this was the ladies of the Eastern Star, Jobes Daughters, young men of the Demolay, members of the Scottish Rite, Zuhrah Shrine, Anoka Shrine Club and Selim Grotto.

While the fund raising was going on and donations were coming in Worshipful Master Todd Mayer of Anoka Lodge and the Lodge Secretary, Chris Berglund, with the assistance of the Metrowest Area Deputy, Don Nolley, contacted The Grand Lodge of Minnesota and requested to have the Masonic Charities match the funds raised. The request was approved and Masonic

Charities matched the funds raised up to \$5000.00. Making the grand total donated to Julene and her family from the Grand Lodge and the Brothers of Anoka Lodge \$11,176.00. The no cost visit to Disney World was assured.

On April 27th, 2013, at the home of WB Al and Mary Stellmaker, grandparents to Julene, the Worshipful Master of Anoka Lodge, Todd Mayer, Secretary Chris Berglund and the Metrowest Area Deputy of the Grand Lodge Don Nolley, with Disney Balloons, Roses and a large card board check, presented Julene and her fam-

ily with a check for \$11,176.00. Additionally, WB AL, presented Julene with her airline tickets to Orlando and pink tee shirts with the family name on them to wear in Florida, plus confirmed reservations at the time share in Orlando. A total of 37 Masons, friends and family were present during the presentation and a grand time was had by all.

Julene and her family being totally unaware of the donations being collected and the amount received were totally surprised and overwhelmed by the generosity of the Mason's, family and friends.

Their trip to Disney Land is planned for June 23rd, 2013, for seven days. A trip we know will be very memorable and made financial easier by all of those who gave of their time and money. The entire Hanson Family will be forever indebted and grateful to all who made this endeavor successful and will always keep all the Masonic Bodies in their hearts, especially that of Anoka Lodge.

The Brothers of Anoka Lodge will be forever remember as the Brothers with a BIG HEART. They have demonstrated what Brotherly Love and Affection truly are. No Brother could ask more of his Lodge and fellow Brothers.

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