



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

I am sure by now you have all seen on social media or your local newscast that Minnesota Children's Hospital has been renamed to the University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital. This is the result of the long standing support and recent \$25 million donation made recently by Minnesota Masonic Charities. With this news, I am sure it will raise some interest in Minnesota Masonry with those you come in contact with throughout your day. This is a great opportunity for all of us to brush up on our elevator speeches and drive home the message of what Masonry is all about. Take advantage of the moment Brothers and spread the word!

Building construction update: The source of the leaks along the NE corner of the building have now been attributed to brick erosion and insufficient water abatement (causing the erosion). Apparently, the stucco along the interior walls was applied directly over brick, so there was no buffer zone between that and the outside wall. The brick work is now complete and we will be resorting back to a proper gutter configuration to help prevent this from happening in the future. We have also discovered that the front steps were constructed with a mix containing a high sand content, as opposed to now days, where more aggregate is used.

Lastly, as we approach officer elections for 2015, I urge everyone to keep the good of the Lodge at heart and vote with a clear conscience. The traditions of Anoka Lodge are important, but we also need to keep an eye on the future so that we remain relevant and increase the rate at which we recruit and retain active membership.

As I have always said throughout this year, "Be enthusiastic, stay curious, embrace humility".

David Hansel
 Worshipful Master
 Anoka Lodge #30



From the West

Greetings Brethren of Anoka Lodge #30,

It is November, and one of my favorite holidays, Thanksgiving, is a time to remember that for which we are thankful. I am thankful to the Grand Architect for giving me such a wonderful family. I am thankful to have become a member of Anoka Lodge and part of the greatest Fraternity in the world. I am thankful for what I have learned since becoming a Mason, and how I try to apply those lessons to my life every day.

As you read this, our new Fellowcrafts will be working hard on their obligations and learning about the duties of a Fellowcraft as compared to those of an Entered Apprentice. Then later this month, the Master Mason degree will be presented and our new Brothers will begin to learn about all the teachings of the 3rd Degree. I am thankful that Anoka Lodge has Brothers dedicated to helping our new Brothers in the journey toward Masonic Light.

A few weeks ago, we all heard about the donation by Minnesota Masonic Charities to the University of Minnesota Children's hospital. Continued on Next Page.....

This in addition to the donations already made and promised to the University Cancer Center makes me thankful to know that our Masonic leadership is responsibly using the money raised by Minnesota Masons to help our communities and the country become a better place in which to live.

Since becoming a Mason, I have met some of the friendliest, most charitable, and good people I have ever met in my life. I am so thankful to have become a part such a group of people who truly care about each other and the community. The leaders of the Masonic Fraternity at the Grand Lodge level, the District level, and at each individual Lodge daily demonstrate those virtues of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. They work hard to bring those values out from the Lodge into the community and demonstrate to the world, the tolerance, charity, and brotherhood that Masonry represents. I am thankful to each of these leaders for making Masonry a relevant and welcoming place.

For what are you thankful in your life? Perhaps a good way to show our thanks is to become involved with the activities of the Lodge and the community. We can all practice Masonic virtues every day in the community and in our private lives. If we do this, we can spread the thankfulness and make our communities proud and thankful to have Minnesota Masons as part of those communities. All of us doing our part can share our Masonic virtues and make a difference with a world that could use some kindness and tolerance in these turbulent times.

Fraternally,

Lee E. Kielblock

Senior Warden



Chaplain's Corner

Father Thomas is the Anoka Lodge Chaplain and Chairman of the Sunshine Committee. If you or someone you know in the Masonic Family are in need of support, please contact Father Thomas (612) 702-4770



Greetings from the South!

Our organizations are built upon traditions and ritual. With that in mind October will be filled with fun traditions, starting with the Anoka Halloween Parade. On Saturday October 25th the Annual Anoka Halloween Parade is slated to begin at 1pm and last until 3pm. We have the Masonic families float in the second section of the parade in the 5th spot and Selim Grotto's float with their award-winning clowns will be a few positions behind them. We will also be having our food booth in its usual location between 300 and 312 Main St. The signup sheets are filled but the more the merrier so feel free to come on out and help sell some pork chops on a stick. We'll be setting up the food booth starting at 8am and then beginning to serve around 11am, and finally closing down and cleaning up at 3pm. Whether you come for just the fun or to help us out please come on out and help us celebrate Halloween the Halloween Capital of the world.

Something that is closer to my heart is the OES Initiation that is coming up on Thursday October 16th. My Grandmother was an OES member and Past Worthy Matron in North Minneapolis and I feel like I grew up in that building with her in the Chapter. Well I am going to follow in my Wife and my Grandmother's footsteps and be a part of that initiation class into Martha Chapter #32. Continued on Next Page.....

I look forward to branching out into more of the Masonic Family.

The newly reformed Anoka DeMolay chapter which is under our letters temporary is also starting to pick up a head of steam to bring the DeMolay back to Anoka as a full Chapter. There are going to be several open house recruiting sessions and the first one is coming up on October 21st at 6:30pm. The event will be at the Brunswick Zone in Brooklyn Park. If you know of any young man between 12 and 21 who may be interested please let them know and let us know so we can contact them, or if you would prefer please give them my number [612-810-1018](tel:612-810-1018). We also have the Squire program with the DeMolay as well and those are young men from 8-12, so if you know any folks that fit that age group as well please pass along our information.

Thank you all for your continued assistance!
Love and respect,

Paul Agustin



FROM THE SECRETARY
Martha Chapter #132

What beautiful autumn weather we have been enjoying, I only wish it would last until about... April!

It is that time of the year again, and I will be sending out dues notices soon. You will notice that the amount has increased from last year. That is due to the fact that Grand Chapter per capita increased for 2015. The new per capita amount is \$12.50; so that makes the total dues amount \$27.50.

Reminder that the Harvest Dinner is Sunday

November 9th, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, cost \$10.00. Please invite your family and friends! If you are able to help, either prepping on Saturday and/or working on Sunday, please contact Associate Matron Bonnie Miller (763-784-8943). Hope to see you there!

Again, if you would be willing to receive Chapter info via email please send your email address to me at: martha132anoka@gmail.com.

If you have an address, phone number or email change, please make sure to let me know as soon as possible. I want to make sure I have the most current information to work with.

Roster Info Changes:

Address Changes:

Sharon Barlow – 14700 Cobalt St NW, Ramsey, MN 55303 (only phone is 763-772-2286)

Brody Martin – 14700 Cobalt St NW, Ramsey, MN 55303

Betty Gruye – 1321 W Dow Rummel St, Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Joyce Manthey – 796 Regent Drive, Shakopee, MN 55379 (952-496-3549)

Additions:

Paul Agustin – same address as Marissa (same phone)

Tim Stoup – same address as Vicky (952-292-5767)

Kathy Antl – same address as John (763-291-2825)

Laura & Rick Carrier – 355 Forest Drive, Circle Pines, MN 55014 (651-231-9623) Laura (763-458-4317) Rick

Remove:

Doris Chapman – passed away

Until next month –

Julia Tollgaard, Secretary
2938 – 126th Avenue NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55448

(763-567-9877)

Upcoming events:

- “Mo”vember – Men’s Health
- November 6 – Honor Veterans
- November 9 – Harvest Dinner and Craft Sale
- November 20 – Honor Star Points

Mystery Trip



On Saturday, September 13, twenty seven (27) members and friends signed up to attend a mystery trip. The group first met at Anoka Lodge for a continental breakfast. Next stop – Winehaven Winery and Vineyard located in the heart of Minnesota’s scenic Chisago Lakes area. The group enjoyed tasting many varieties of wine and snacked on cheese, sausage, and crackers. The weather was gorgeous which allowed some to sit outside and admire the vineyard. Last stop – Meeredee’s Bistro (formerly known as the Dinnerbel Restaurant) in Lindstrom, MN. The group enjoyed great food including a huge salad bar. We ended the meal with birthday cupcakes in honor of Julia Tollgaard’s birthday (our secretary and event planner). A great day of food and friendship.

Upcoming events

Yes, fall is here. The leaves are beginning to turn and there is that little nip in the air. Fall is a busy time for our chapter. We just finished our soup luncheon and we will be getting ready for our annual harvest dinner and craft sale.

Save the date - Harvest dinner and craft sale

On Sunday, November 9 (between 11:00 a.m.

and 1:00 p.m.) we will be having our annual harvest dinner and craft sale. This event is open to the public so invite your family and friends. At the dinner you will enjoy a meal of roasted turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and lots of other delicious dishes. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the RiteCare® of Minneapolis-St. Paul.

“Mo”vember

Throughout the month of November we will be recognizing “Mo”vember, an event involving the growing (or wearing) moustaches. In November, Martha Chapter will promote awareness of Men’s health issues. So, we offer a challenge to our sisters and brothers....who can grow (or wear) the most unique moustache in November. “Mo”re details will be announced at our meetings!!

Hope to see many of you at these upcoming events.

Be blessed, life is good!
Goody and Greg Vokovan



The Stewards Corner:

A busy month to be sure, we have two guest cooks coming in for this months meals!

November 5th Stated Meeting: (Election Night!)

As is the "Tradition" we will be having Oyster Stew and some other Soup, Clam Chowder I hope but I know whatever the lovely ladies of the Martha Chapter of the OES prepare it should be terrific!

November 19th MM Degree:

This meal is to be done by our own Scouts and though they usually do a Spaghetti dinner, on the heels of the one done by the Fairest in the land we have requested something different! That said it is still a mystery at this time, so come and be surprised and help out these fine young men! (The Degree begins earlier but dinner will still be at 6pm)

Scottish Rite:

Last month we got to see Anoka's own adopted 20th Degree, Master of the Symbolic Lodge, which was put on in near perfect form and we can all be proud of our Brothers who came down to perform it!



November begins with the Feast of Kadosh on November 6th. This is an open event for Non Scottish Rite members as well as you brothers who belong to the Rite. Come down for dinner and see all that the Rite has to offer. The Following weeks bring the 27th Degree, Knight Commander of the Temple and after that the 28th and 29th Degrees, Knight of the Sun and Scottish Knight of St. Andrew (One of my Favorites, visualize men in kilts!), before breaking for the Thanksgiving Holidays!

As always if you have any questions about the Rite, if you wish to submit a petition to join the Spring Class or whatever, feel free to ask either myself or any other Brothers of the Scottish Rite.

Brother Terrance M Schaffer
Double Eagle – Anoka Lodge #30
Minneapolis Valley of the Scottish Rite

Brother Terrance M Schaffer



Greetings from Selim Grotto M.O.V.P.E.R.,

The end of September and the beginning of October was a busy month for Selim Grotto. Although the State Meeting was cancelled, Mokannatoberfest went on as planned and everyone attending had a great time!

Selim and Ela Ala Grottoes held a joint ceremonial at the Scottish Temple in Duluth, and it was a very fun event. We initiated a new Prophet and shared some great fellowship with all the Prophets and wives of both Grottoes.

The first weekend of October was a fun filled weekend at the Midwest Grotto association convention for 4 Prophets and 3 of our Ladies. Look on the walls at the Lodge for some plaques awarded to Selim Grotto and the Selim Grotto Clown club.

Our November meeting will be elections for the 2015 Officers. Then a chili feed at Prophet Steve Kingdon's residence. This all leads to the Installation on the evening of December 7th.

If you want more information about Selim Grotto, please visit our website at www.selimgrotto.com. We would love to have you join us as a Prophet of the Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm. I look forward to sharing the good fellowship of the Grotto with you and your families.

All for the Realm!

Prophet Monarch Lee Kielblock
Selim Grotto M.O.V.P.E.R.





Brother Brett Hall took back the Proficiency Sword with some assistance from the Brethren. Nice Work!!!



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Harvest Dinner

And Crafts

Sunday

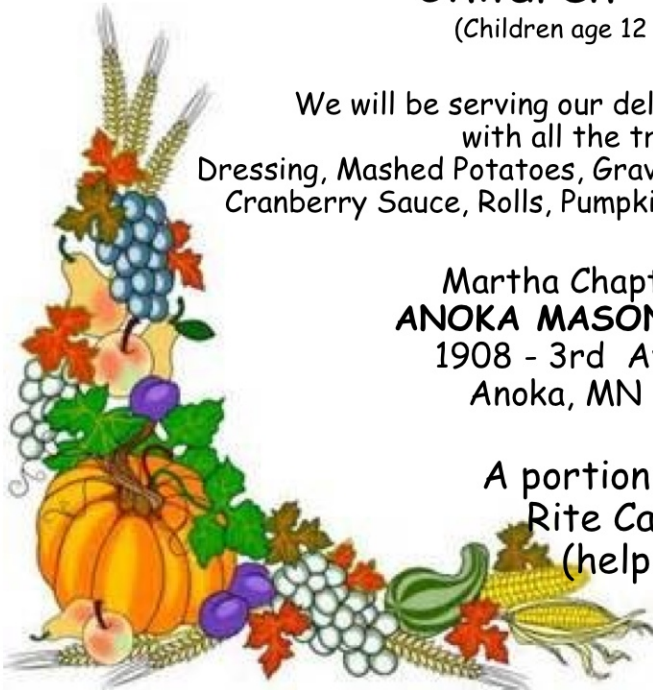
November 9, 2014

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Adults \$10.00

Children \$5.00

(Children age 12 and under)



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
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