



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

Many Past Masters have told me that my year in the East would go by quickly, and they were right. It seems like only yesterday that I was honored to be installed as Worshipful Master of Anoka Lodge. They also tell me that I will miss my time in the big chair. I am not so sure if that will happen, but for one, I do appreciate that our Lodge can afford to turn over a new Master every year. It is vitally important that the fresh induction of new ideas flows through the Lodge on a constant basis. As Masons, we are builders. We must always remember that, even though the traditions of the past are important, so must we maintain the progress we have made in becoming the best Lodge in Minnesota.

Brothers, I challenge you to continue to build on our success as a lodge, relevancy in the community and growth, not only from a sheer numbers perspective, but growth in our community presence, relationships with each other and quality of membership. Remember that we are all in this together as one solid body known as "the Lodge", not for personal gain or notoriety. Together, we built this lodge and witnessed it's unprecedented growth, together, it will thrive for years to come.

The corps of officers is as strong as it has ever been. Rely on them to maintain the pace we have set and strive for more. Challenge them to lead the Lodge in new and creative ways, but give them your full support. Bring them ideas and solutions, not problems and complaints. Point no fingers at any one person, but understand that through a combined effort only, will the Lodge stay strong.

Through my experience in the officer line, I have made many life long close friends. Not only for myself personally, but for my family as well. Many of the events we have attended, some Lodge sponsored, some not, have made us appreciate the relationships we have created with others as kind of an extended family, if you will. No where else can you find the quality of a relationship like you can when people come together to celebrate life's successes or support each other through the tough times, with the foundation of Masonry as it's base. It is these relationships which make me thankful I got into the officer line several years ago. Things may have been different if I did not become so active in the Lodge and I am grateful.

Brothers, I want to thank you for the opportunity and the honor to serve such a great group of men. Masonry has had a profound affect on myself and my family. I could not imagine any better place to spend this time than at Anoka Lodge.

As always: "Be enthusiastic, stay curious, embrace humility". See you on the sidelines!



From the West

Greetings Brethren of Anoka Lodge #30,

As my year in the West comes to a close, I look back on the memories and events of the year. The time has gone by quickly and Winter is now upon us. The Lodge has new Master Masons, and the Installation of Officers is on December 7th, at 1:00 pm. It has been a pleasure and privilege to watch and take part in the degrees for our new Master Masons.

I am honored to have been elected at the November stated meeting to serve Anoka Lodge as Master for the year 2015. I am looking forward to working with the Lodge Officers and all the Brethren to build upon the successes and ideas that have been discussed for the last few years. One event that will get started in November and continue throughout December and 2015 is a monthly Anoka Lodge Pancake Breakfast on the 3rd Sunday of each month! We will work on ways to market this event to the public and hope to have it grow as the year goes on. Hopefully this breakfast can become a permanent event and a continuous fundraiser for the Lodge.

As many of you know, I really enjoy our degrees and ritual work. I am proud to be a member of a Lodge that does good ritual work. One of my goals for 2015 is to improve on our good ritual work. Our Ritual Director and Officers will work to learn and improve the ritual through schools of instruction and our own rehearsals. Please join us at the schools of instruction in January, February, and March of 2015 to learn why we do things and the way the ritual should be performed. You are also welcome to join us for rehearsals the second Wednesday of each month after the Officer's meetings. It would be great to have more Brothers learn lectures for the degrees to help our new candidates and themselves on their journey toward Masonic Light.

Another goal for 2015 is based on the Grand Lodge project of retaining and re-engaging our Brethren who have drifted away from the Lodge. The Grand Lodge ideas are based on communication between the Lodge and its members, not as an institution, but on a personal level. One of the things I will do

this year is organize a Calling Committee. My goal is for every Brother of Anoka Lodge to receive a phone call and to speak to a Lodge Brother. I will schedule a night each month for the Calling Committee to meet. It will take a lot of Brothers to make this a reality and I encourage all of you to join this committee and to help contact all the Anoka Lodge Brethren.

I am looking forward to the year serving Anoka Lodge as Master. Working together as Brothers, we can make some great things happen for the Lodge in 2015. I hope to see you on December 7th at the Installation of Officers.

Fraternally,
Lee E. Kielblock
Senior Warden



Chaplain's Corner

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Greetings from the South!

It's hard to believe that 2014 is almost gone and my time here in the South is drawing to a close. It has been an adventure and learning experience for me, but it has all been good. I think the most rewarding this year has been the Anoka Halloween Parade and our food booth. I would like to say a hearty THANK YOU to all that came out and were there to support the Masonic Families.

The float was filled with representatives from almost all our appendant bodies, only the Shrine was not represented but I guess we could have had Jordy wear his Fez while he drove (maybe next year). The Pork Chop shack did a booming business, and we not only had the pork chops and pickles like last year but we also had hot dogs and chips for sale. The hot dogs sold out before the parade even began.

We still didn't quite break even due to the cost of the candy we handed out along the parade route, but I still call it a great success. The Jobies sold out of their cotton candy, and for the first time the OES sold out of their Rice Crispy treats as well. All in all I was very happy to see how we all came together for this event.

As I continue to look back at this past year I realize how blessed I am to be a part of such a large loving group of people. It's a feeling more of family than it is of just a group of friends, we all truly look out for one another. The attitude we have toward each other, spouses and children is filled with filial love. I know that we do not "recruit" members for the Lodge as such, but if you find yourself in conversation speaking about the good and fun things you've been doing with the lodge with someone who looks to be interested please just invite them to dinner.

I've been blessed and lucky to be able to share Masonry with several people because I've been speaking about what we do for the community and our own members.

Thank you all for the support you've shown me this

year and good counsel that has been whispered to me as well.

Love and Respect,
Paul



Come one, come all! Celebrate our third year of surviving the so-called end of the world. It is the third Wednesday in December (the 17th at 6pm). We will eat, then go upstairs and have a NERF dart gun fight. There will be a sniper contest, Russian roulette, and duels. Come have some food, buy a NERF dart gun (bring your own darts would be helpful). Guns will be available for purchase. All proceeds for event will go to [HOPE 4 Youth](#). The Jobies and DeMolay have been invited. OES can come, too! See you there!

Yours in the Gentle Craft,

Todd A. Mayer PM
Anoka Lodge #30

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FROM THE SECRETARY
Martha Chapter #132

Brrrr... I think winter has arrived! It has come way too early for me!

By now everyone should have received their dues notice for 2015. If you have not, please contact me, as I might not have your correct contact information. The dues (and per capita) are \$27.50 and can be sent to me at the address below.

For those of you who would like to receive Chapter info via email please send your email address to me at: martha132anoka@gmail.com. You will receive all Chapter correspondence along with meeting/event reminders via your email. For those of you on Facebook we have group called Martha Chapter #132 Happenings. Please let me know if you would like to be added. It is another place for us to connect and share things with our Sisters and Brothers. For those of you already in the group please feel free to post things you want others to know about or pictures you have taken of events you have attended. Anyone in the Masonic Family is welcome to join this group, just let us know!

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:

Cassie & Tim Carney – 3393 Northdale Blvd. Apt 333, Coon Rapids, MN 55448

Additions:

Cora Ann Correll – 13742 Marigold St NW Apt 245, Andover, MN 55304 (763-712-7318)

Until next month –

Julia Tollgaard, Secretary
2938 – 126th Avenue NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55448
(763-567-9877)

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

What a great year I has been as Monarch of Selim Grotto. There have been many fun events and good fellowship throughout the Enchanted Realm. There is one more meeting in December before the Installation of the Grotto Officers on the evening of December 7th. I am looking forward to more fun and fellowship on 2015 with Prophet Bob Selden being installed as the Monarch.

There is one more meeting of Selim Grotto before the installation. On Friday, December 5th, there will be a Holiday pot luck at the Lodge with hospitality after the dinner at Past Monarch Larry and his Lady Michelle Jensens's residence. All are welcome to attend and learn about the Grotto and the fun we have with our families. See you at the Grotto!

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.



Eastern Star

Upcoming events

- November 22 –Tastefully Simple fundraiser – proceeds to our community project
- November 27 – Happy Thanksgiving
- Dec 4 – Official visit from Grand Chapter (dinner at 6:00 p.m.)
- December 6 – Tree Lighting in Anoka
- December 11 – Martha Club at Dotties (potluck, gift exchange, and package cookies)
- December 12 – Craft and Bake Sale at Anoka Court House
- December 18 – A Festive Meeting!
- December 25 – Merry Christmas
- January 1, 2015 – No meeting (Happy New Year!)

“Mo”vember

We all had a good time supporting our “Mo Brothers” for “Mo”vember. Below is a picture of some of the members showing off their mustaches.



Five New Members

We were excited to initiate five new members. If anyone is interested in joining Martha Chapter, feel free to contact any of our members.

Our Community Project - Family Promise in Anoka County

We will be hosting a Tastefully Simple fundraiser at the lodge on November 22 beginning at 11:30 a.m. A representative from Family Promise will be present at the event to explain what Family Promise is about. Lots of food samples and lunch provided. Everyone is invited. Any questions, please contact Goody.

Other

I guess Mother Nature wanted to remind us that winter is coming! A record amount of snow fell on November 10. Could this be the start to a long winter?

It’s hard to believe that the Christmas season will be upon us soon. Martha Chapter has a busy

December—honoring our Grand Chapter Family (dinner will be provided at 6:00 p.m.), selling food at the tree lighting ceremony in Anoka, baking and selling cookies, and getting together with family and friends to celebrate the birth of our Savior. Hope you can attend one or all of these events.

Wishing you the happiness of good friends, the joy of a happy family, and the wonder of the holiday season. Have a magical Thanksgiving!

Be blessed, life is good!

Goody and Greg Vokovan




17 kids from Bethel 48 and Anoka DeMolay gathered together for a scavenger hunt and party on Saturday. Their scavenger hunt objective was to gather food for the ACBC Food Shelves. They gathered many bags of food by roaming through the neighborhoods around the Lodge, picking up food, and sharing the information about what Job's Daughters and DeMolay are all about. A great (but cold) night was had by all!

Also, the Masonic Honoring for Bethel 48 has been moved to December 1, 2014 at 7:00PM at the Lodge. All Masons are requested to come and attend if you can. Dress is suit and tie.

Thank You

Brian K. Dimatteo



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Scottish Rite:

December means the fall class is coming to a close soon and with only two degrees left, with one being the most Prolific Degree (In my Opinion) I encourage you members of the Scottish Rite who have not been down in awhile or not seen all the Degrees to attend these and show support for those brothers who will soon be Masters of the Royal Secret.

Our thoughts also turn to the Spring Class and getting ready to welcome new members to the Rite. The new classes begin on Thursday January 8th and you can get your petition signed at any time here. The one day to the Scottish Rite will be held on Saturday, May 9th and is another options if you can't do the Thursday degrees.

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



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The Stewards Corner:

December 3rd Stated Meeting:

Our own Anoka DeMolay will be making Chili, and Corn Bread for this final meeting of the year. They are looking to build up their coffers, so if you can at least make it for dinner and show them our support that would be great!

From the Editor of the Star and Compass:

Participation has been excellent from everyone with regards to using this newsletter to get information out there for events and letting everyone know what our Masonic family is up to. Keep up the great work!

Please do not shy away from sending me articles. If you would like an article put into the newsletter, please submit them no later than 12:00 NOON on the 15th of each month so they will be included in the following months newsletter.

You can email your articles and pictures to sandc.editor@gmail.com

I look forward to another great year of reading your stories and updates for events.

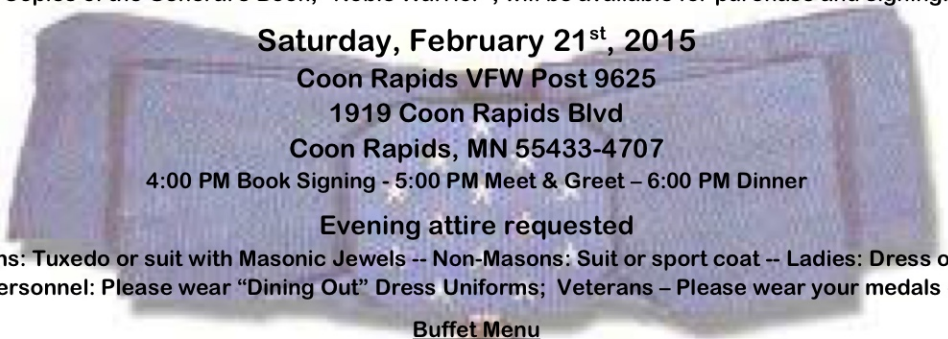
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John Aguilar, Master of Ceremonies and the Brothers of Cass Masonic Lodge request the pleasure of your company at the celebration of the 11th Annual George Washington Birthday Dinner. This Dinner is open to all: including Masonic Families, their guests, non-Masons, Veterans, non-Veterans, and Widows
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Saturday, February 21st, 2015

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Military Personnel: Please wear "Dining Out" Dress Uniforms; Veterans – Please wear your medals or ribbons

Buffet Menu

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The cost is \$50 per person

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