



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

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Greetings Brethren of Anoka Lodge #30!

December is here and with it, my year serving Anoka Lodge as Worshipful Master comes to a close. I want to thank all of you for your support and hard work in the quarries this year. Without your hard work and dedication to the Lodge, the great things that we do would not be possible. As our newly elected Officers for 2016 take on their duties, I hope that we can all continue to work together to put Masonry into action for our Lodge, our community, and ourselves.

Masonry is a journey to improve ourselves so that we can be better men, fathers, husbands, brothers, and members of the community. The obligations we take carry great responsibility, and trying to live up to those obligations is how we make ourselves better. One of the things I will remember about this year is seeing our new Master Masons learn to apply the obligations and philosophy of Masonry to their lives. Taking those first steps toward Masonic Light is a new journey for all Masons. I continue to be amazed as I learn more, realize more, and see our tenets put into daily use by the amazing Brothers of our craft. Let us all try to put these great ideas into practice as we journey toward Masonic Light, and help to make the world a better place.

December has some exciting events for the Lodge and provides another chance for Anoka Lodge to be active in our community. For the Stated Meeting on Wednesday, December 2nd, let's Bring Out the Bling! For the last meeting of the year, wear all your Masonic pins, regalia, and lets show off all our collected bling! On Saturday, December 12th at 3:00 pm, the 2016 Officers will be installed at the Lodge. This is always an exciting event, and it is a great introduction to Masonry for friends and family. I

hope to see you all there. On Wednesday, December 16th is the Zombie Apocalypse Survivor Party III. This is a great event to just have fun and let off some steam. The darts will be flying as we celebrate another year of survival! Another big event is Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 20th from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. It is a wonderful event for the Lodge and the community, and is always a fun event. Please come to help out or to bring your kids or grandkids for breakfast and a picture with Santa.

It has been an honor serving as Worshipful Master of Anoka Lodge #30 for the last year. Thank you all for your confidence and support during the year. Let's all keep working to keep the best Lodge in the state of Minnesota a shining light for all to see, leading the way to a brighter and better tomorrow.

Fraternally,

Lee E. Kielblock
Worshipful Master



Greetings from the West!

This past month has been a tumultuous one. I have had joy and loss but through it all You all have been by our side. I can't put into words how the support and love you have extended to me, my family and our dearly departed Brother Jim Ardito's family, has kept us going in this time of need.

As I wrote in the eulogy Family is not defined only by blood but by love. You all have truly been there for us as a family, and my Mom can't believe how you banded together for a Brother you barely knew. Your actions have proved how Masonry and our appendant bodies can improve the world we live in by spreading that cement of Brotherly Love.

Love and Respect

Paul Agustin
Senior Warden



Chaplin's Corner:

Father Thomas is the Anoka Lodge Chaplin 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 at (612) 702-4770



Bones Brothers Upcoming Events:

Though the Bones Brothers are sort of dark at the moment, don't forget you can always stop by their site and order some Swag to help support them!



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SPECIAL EVENT:

Some Brothers are going to the Thursday Night/Friday Morning showing of the New Star Wars Movie on December 17th at 12:45am. (Yes, after Midnight) There are still seats available at the printing of the S&C and 16 Brothers have tickets to go. WB Todd Mayer is opening his house for folks to come over and watch some of the first movies early that night. Please contact him for more info!



Greetings from the South!

I hope everyone has had a great year this year. I do know that it went by very quickly. Thinking back on the year I am astounded by the amount of change that has occurred to my friends, family, and myself.

We have lost loved ones, welcomed new family members, and met new friends. We have laughed and cried; raged and reveled. Lived.

Upon reflection on the year, I realize that my life would not be as good if it were not for the help and support I have in my Masonic Family. The Brothers and Sisters of our fraternal organizations have supported and enabled me to serve the Lodge. I thank you all!

Also this year, we started a monthly Pancake Breakfast as a fundraiser for the lodge. Through the work of our Marshall, Brian Dimatteo, and many other brothers, we have raised over \$2500.00 this year. Not bad for once a month!

The end of the year is also a time for celebration with friends and loved ones. December is a very busy Masonic month. We have installations, Breakfast with Santa, the Zombie Apocalypse Survivors' Gathering, and many more functions.

The Breakfast with Santa event is December 20th from 8:00 am to Noon. Please come down and have breakfast with use and get your picture with Santa! By the way, Santa is a Master Mason, so your secrets are safe with him, if so communicated.

Thank you all for your support over the year!

Merry Christmas!

As usual, feel free to contact me directly at Timothy_Carney@hotmail.com or 612-801-4843

**Tim Carney
Junior Warden**



The Traveling Man group went up to Monticello Lodge #16 this month and sat with the Brothers up there. It was great to have my classmates go with me but I hope to entice other Brothers from the lodge to come out!

For December we will be heading out to Minneapolis Lodge #19. If you want to car pool, meet me at the lodge around 5pm and attending dinner at 6pm. (Three Day Prior Reservations are Required for dinner there) The Stewards are requesting we give them a number of guests for dinner, so please respond to the Facebook invite or contact me directly.

**Thomas Senenfelder
Traveling Man Coordinator
For more info call: 763-746-6720**



Visiting Monticello Lodge #16!

Some Anoka Lodge Events in Pictures!



It was a rainy day at the Halloween Parade!



Some Brothers were dressed up!



But crowd came in and the food sold great!



Our makeshift float got the job done!



The Brothers did a great job cooking it up!



Our WM and First Lady of Anoka Lodge!



The Scouts helped throw out candy!



Anoka Lodges Newest Master Masons!

Reminder: Zombie Apocalypse Night is Coming!



For a fourth year in a row, WB Todd Mayer will be hosting his Zombie Shoot Out on Wednesday, December 16th at 6pm, with food being put on by the Bones Brothers!

As is the custom there will be Nerf Guns for sale and ammunition too. If you have your own gun you can bring that too but all proceeds from the night will go to the charity to help out those in need during this Holiday Season. Donations are always welcome as well!

The cost for dinner is \$10 and as you all know the Bones Brothers food is great, this year being an all you can eat Baked Potato Bar, so come for dinner even if you don't want to get in on the Zombie slaying fun!



The 2014 Gathering!

Another Great Year of Giving:

Once again the members of Anoka Lodge were able to provide funds for the local ACBC Food Shelves. From the Ribs, Bibs and Blues alone we were able to present them a check for almost 7 Thousand Dollars. Once again a great effort by the lodge to get out and be in the community and show them we care.



WM Lee and Puit Boss Tony along with a few other Anoka Brothers Present the check to ACBC!



Anoka Coffee Clutch:

Please join us on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of every month for coffee, donuts and fellowship at the lodge. We will be meeting at 9am and stay till the last one leaves.

It is our hope to meet up and perhaps take care of some of those lodge duties that need to get done, including vacuuming and dusting upstairs.

Since we no longer have official cleaners, it's up to us, it's members to pitch in and keep our home clean. Please come join us for some morning fun.

Please contact WB Dave Emery at 763-755-2431



Job's Daughters of Bethel #48:

Hi everyone,

This month in October for Bethel #48 has been very busy due to planning our biggest fundraiser of the year which is during the Anoka Halloween parade. This year, we decided to prepare a new variety of snacks and treats to sell during the parade. Of course, we could not go wrong with selling our pink and blue cotton candy, so keep cotton candy on our sell list. Along with the cotton candy this year we also sold fresh baked chocolate chip cookies, creamy caramel cut apples, and minion trail mix, all of which sold well!

The day of the parade was tough starting out, but everyone showed off their Jobie Pride with their hard work and determination to sell as much as we could for our fundraiser. Although Bethel # 48 spent a lot of time preparing for Anoka Halloween Parade, earlier in October, we went to other Bethel friendships such as, Bethel #39 friendship, the Bethel #11 and #19 joint friendship. So as you can see, this October Bethel #48 has been busy for a number of different reasons, and I think this month has been one of the best times for me so far this term.

Sincerely,

Ariana Pope
5th Messenger



Anoka Chapter DeMolay:



Anoka DeMolay and the Jobies of Bethel #48 holding a Food Drive/Scavenger Hunt!

SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!:

The Anoka DeMolay is spearheading an All Anoka Masonic Family Dinner for Saturday, January 9th, 2016. More Details will follow!



December is here and there is a nip in the air. We hope everyone had a very blessed Thanksgiving with family and friends.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- December 3rd – Honor Line Officers
- December 5th – Anoka Tree Lighting ceremony (6pm, outside the Anoka City Hall on N. 1st Ave). Martha Chapter will be providing Turkey Sliders, chips, small bottled water and maybe a Cookie. It runs from 3:00 to 7:00 with setup around 2:00.
- December 11th - Craft and Bake Sale at the Anoka County Court House. There will also be a Mitten Tree at the Court House so please bring mittens to place on the tree, they will go to ACBC.
- December 17th – We will be initiating a new member into Martha Chapter and we will also be dressing up for Christmas.
- December 31st - New Year's Eve Party at the Lodge

Bakeless Bake Sale (ongoing) - fundraiser for future kitchen remodeling project

During the month of December we will be collecting Garbage Bags/Food Bags for Family Promise.

Save the date:

We received a Save the Date Card from Bethel Guardian, Jennifer Braunschweig asking us to save the date 1/9/13 to come and celebrate the Anoka Masonic Family at a Banquet honoring our varied bodies at Otsego, MN. A formal invitation will follow.

We're "Still Goin' Strong"

Bonnie Miller
Worthy Matron
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Worthy Patron
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Stewards Corner!



For the December 2nd Stated Meeting/Bling Night our Brothers at Sherburne Lodge have volunteered to do the Stewards Job for them, call it an early Christmas Present!

That said they will be making Kielbasa Sausage with Peppers and Onions, Au Gratin Potato's and Peas, with Brownies for Desert.

The Brother with the Most Bling that Night gets his meal for Free!

Jeremy Hill
Senior Steward



Scottish Rite:



Brothers, we begin this month with the second to final Degree at the Scottish Rite, The 31st Degree or Inspector Inquisitor. A Degree all Master Masons should be required to see, and one I hope you will come and see for yourself.

This cycle of the Degrees will culminate with the 32nd Degree on Saturday the 12th, as the Fall Class as well as the One Day to Scottish Rite Masonry ends and finishes with a celebration fest of the Rites 100th Anniversary in that facility.

As always, if you have any questions or wish to join in the One Day (Two Day) event coming up on December 11th & 12th or filling out a petition for the spring class, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Food for thought Brothers, this is the last chance to get in for the 100th Anniversary Class and receive the Medallion in honor of this auspicious occasion, as well as the cost of joining the Rite that may be going up next year.



WB Terrance M Schaffer
Double Eagle, Anoka Lodge #30
Minneapolis Valley of the Scottish Rite



Upcoming Lodge Events:

Wednesday, Dec 2nd – Coffee Clutch 9am
Wednesday, Dec 2nd – Anoka Stated 6pm
Wednesday, Dec 9th – Officers Meeting 6pm
Wednesday, Dec 16th – Coffee Clutch 9am
Wednesday, Dec 16th – Zombie Apocalypse
Saturday, Dec 19th – Officer Installation
Sunday, Dec 20th – Breakfast with Santa
Wednesday, Dec 23rd – Trustees Meeting 6pm

For more info see lodge calendar or Facebook

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The Many Sides of our Worshipful Master, Thanks for a great year WB Lee!