



# 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 .

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**Greetings from the East!**

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Memorial Day weekend! I had a much needed, relaxing weekend with my wife as we hung out in town and enjoyed each other's company. What a scorcher it was in Minnesota, it was actually hotter in Minneapolis than it was in Death Valley CA. and most of the country. I love the heat and the warmth of the sun compared to the cold wintery mess we deal with 6 months out of the year. For most it was probably too hot but I did enjoy it with breaks and water of course.

The May degree was a smashing success with JW Brian Dimatteo sitting in the east for the 2nd time for our newest Fellowcrafts. We had 4 of our own candidates and 2 courtesy candidates for NEWL lodge. SD Tim Galvin driving the bus and guiding our brother's through the degree. WB Larry McCabe did the stairway lecture with poise and confidence. Every time I hear someone do this lecture, I learn something new. Overall, a wonderful degree by everyone making it an enjoyable steamy evening for all.

I'm looking forward to the outdoor MM degree on June 16th. Coffee and doughnuts at lodge at 8am, 9am open and we should wrap up by 11am and go have lunch at the outdoor site and continue with the work. I look forward to seeing many brothers in attendance to show support for our newest master masons and myself. If you have never been to an outdoor degree or it's been awhile, please make it a point to attend since it's a lot of fun for all.

The traveling men had the opportunity to go to Lake Harriet lodge #277 and visit WB Mike Miller as he is a duel member of Anoka and sitting in the east this year. They had captured the proficiency sword a few weeks back and after we found this out, our own brother Carl Noble needed to prove up and he did a fine job, recaptured the sword and returned it to its second home at Anoka lodge. Nice work brother.

I am continuing with my 2018 plans at the lodge which is getting work done and having fun at the same time but not necessary together. I'm trying to create an environment where all are welcome, none are disappointed and everyone goes home with a smile on their face after a lodge function. The world today is a scary, hopeless, sad place and I refuse to let this kind of attitude that is everywhere enter into our temple. This is our safe place, this is our escape from our usual avocations, this is our place to keep and no one can take this away from us except ourselves.

Respectfully Submitted,



**Tony Heimer**  
Worshipful Master

**“Tidings from the West!”**

**Having just celebrated Memorial Day, what a pleasure it brings to me as thank the Masonic Families across the nation for participating in the various dedications that took place at our local cemeteries. In a recent Masonic publication that I receive, there is an article relating to the Short Talk Bulletin. It alludes to an allegory that relates to statecraft, priestcraft, and the mob mind, that kill by robbing us of our freedoms of speech (by means of our throat), belief (by means of our heart) and thought (by means of our head). This masonic lesson gets robbed from us, usually, from within our own circle of Brothers. These are ones that want to be a part of the Fraternity, but do not want to live by the rules of Masonry.**

**At a recent Masonic funeral, one of our newest Entered Apprentices attended because he wanted to be a part. That’s Masonry in action, that’s what we’re supposed to do. I thanked him for coming that day and paying his respect. As we prepare for the upcoming Master Mason degree, some have alluded to this as the last degree, the end of my Masonic labors. Not true. Actually, the Master Mason degree is a key to what your future holds, what lies in front of you. As a man, you are to be kind, courteous, respectful, and diligent in our moral ethics and above all, be upright before God and man. We take a vow about being a better man, and we promise to make ourselves better. These new men who joined our Craft must realize this. This promise is NOT for one day, it’s for a lifetime. Masonry is what we are, not who we think we are.**

**Being a Mason does not excuse us from actions which we are ashamed of. Remember those vows that we have taken. As I mentioned in last month’s article, I will do my best to serve you and our Lodge with the utmost of respect and integrity.**

**Best wishes for AJ Brendel as he runs for the office of International Master Councilor, and just a reminder, a couple days a week, WB Dave Emery, WB John Antl, WB Al Nemchik, Brother Reggie Greene and myself are usually at the Lodge doing some miscellaneous jobs.**

**Also, we get a tremendous amount of help from Martha Chapter #132 OES. You will see PGM Peg Oliver, PM’s Sharon Barlow, Janet Gilbertson and Denise Emery just to mention a few.**

**If you want to come down and help or just have a cup of coffee, give us a call or just stop by. That is Masonry in action. That is what makes Anoka great. That is why I am proud to serve you, the members of this Masonic Lodge, to the best that I can do.....**

**Jerry Oliver  
Senior Warden**



**With MWB Ed Halpaus at the Grand Chapter!**



**The Anoka Brothers gather for a Movie Night!**

**Greetings from the South!**

**Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!**

**We may not think about this verse from Psalm 133 very often, perhaps only during the Degree work that we all see. You may think that it is a common thing, perhaps even a given, based on our Fraternity. Quite often, we exemplify this verse, but the closest of brothers can be the bitterest of fighters as well – it is the nature of Brothers, it seems.**

**It has been a hard month for me and my Brothers it seems. As is often the case, I had the occasion to be able to speak to one of our Worshipful Brothers after a meeting last month. As is often the case, it not only gave me a chance to speak with him again, but even better, it gave me a chance to think a bit, to reflect on what has been going on in my own life, and in our Brotherhood. And I thought, what a better reflection to share, than one shared with a Brother.**

**I haven't had a chance to speak with him in a while, and it's been painful to me. As seems to be the case when there is a deep, and painful rift, it is often easier to retreat inside, and let the pain fester a bit. And oh, when it is cold and dark, it is so easy for that to grow and expand, and start to destroy. But then, there was a change. Something that I thought an impossible rift to mend started to close, at least that is my observation.**

**This closing may be just a little thing to many, a promise to grab a pot of coffee and talk, like we used to. To many, it may seem a hollow promise, especially given the nature of the past couple of years.**

**However, to this jaded person, it was enough of an opening that maybe, by having that conversation, he may better understand me and my actions, and I could understand his, and with that, perhaps a start to a healing of a sort.**

**In one of my favorite books, there is a great quote. “The bond that links your true family is not one of blood, but of respect and joy in each other's life. Rarely do members of one family grow up under the same roof.” How true those two sentences are for me personally. I see my own daughters grow up daily, reminding me of something – while they may fight bitterly, heaven help the person who tries to injure the other one. They are in for the fight of their life.**

**Today, I exhort you to reach out the hand of friendship and Brotherhood to someone that you have perhaps closed off in the past. It could be someone who has wronged you or a member of your family. It could be someone who slighted you, or your belief. But remember the Charge of the Second Degree. You are not to palliate, or aggravate, the offenses of your brethren; but, in the decision of every trespass against our rules, you are to judge with candor, admonish with friendship, and reprehend with justice**

**Brian Dimatteo  
Junior Warden**



**Our Newest Fellow Crafts at Anoka Lodge #30**



# Martha Chapter OES

Order of the Eastern Star  
Fundraiser



## Annual Salad Luncheon

Friday, June 15, 2018  
11:00am to 1:00pm

**\$10.00**

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1908 - 3rd Ave. So.



A portion of the proceeds will go to the  
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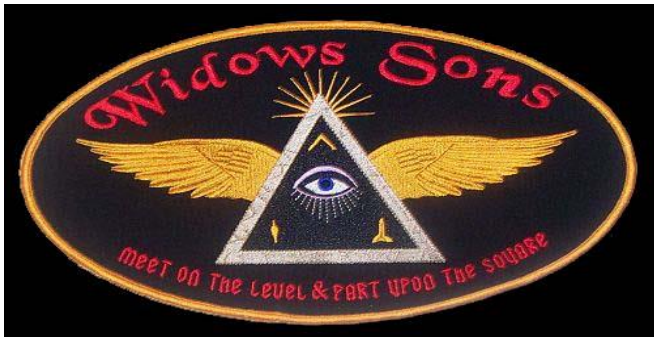


**Anoka Coffee Clutch:**

Please join us on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 for some good fellowship and conversation. All are welcome to come and join us!

Please contact WB Dave Emery at 763-755-2431



**Widows Sons, Cryptic Master:**

We are an appended body, an organization of men that love motorcycles. We meet at Anoka Lodge. Our mission is to help and assist our Masonic Widows, Orphans or just Brothers in need.



June 14<sup>th</sup> – We have our Stated Meeting and will be having a meal prior to the meeting!

June 16<sup>th</sup> – We will be joining various Masonic Motorcycle Clubs as they Ride down to the Masonic Children’s Hospital at 10am.

June 17<sup>th</sup> – The Blind Lizard Ride and Show, come join us at 9am as we head to the show and look at all the bikes gathered there.

A gathering will be held after at President Chops house for Pork Chops and Ice Cream!



Father Thomas and WB Gary Mohn will be heading up the Sunshine Committee.

If you or someone you know in our Masonic Family in need of support, please contact them at (612) 702-4770 (Father Tom) & (612) 598-8682. (WB Gary Mohn)

**Upcoming Anoka Lodge Events:**

Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> – Coffee Clutch 9am

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Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> – Food Stand at Flea Market

Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – Outdoor MM Degree

Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup> – Father’s Day Breakfast

Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> – Coffee Clutch 9am



**Stewards Corner!**

June 6<sup>th</sup> – For our Stated Meeting we will be serving Pulled Pork, Cole Slaw & Chips with Lemon Bars for Dessert.

June 16<sup>th</sup> – For our outdoor MM Degree we will be having Cold Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Mixed Chips and Brownies!



**Jon McNeil  
Senior Steward**

**Order of the Eastern Star, Martha Chapter #132**



**Greetings from Martha Chapter:**

**It's finally starting to feel more like summer around here! Pretty soon, the kids will be out of school and vacations will be well underway.**

**Grand Chapter 2018 is now part of our history. PGM Peg Oliver did a fantastic job this past year representing Minnesota (and Martha Chapter).**

**In June we will be honoring our Fathers and the Flag of our country. Hope to see lots of you dads there!**

**Don't forget: our salad luncheon will be Friday, June 15 from 11 am – 1 pm. The cost is only \$10 for a wide variety of salads. This is a great event!**

**Life is Simple. Eat. Sleep. CAMP!**

**Sue Heathfield  
Worthy Matron**

**Dan Heathfield  
Worthy Patron**



**Attending the Grand Chapter Session!**



**Worthy Grand Matron Peg and her Escort Jerry**



**The Outgoing Worthy Grand Matron & Patron!**



**The New Grand Family!**



**Job's Daughters of Bethel #48:**

**Keeping busy as always, the jobies of Bethel #48 joined members of all the Bethels in the State in doing the Living Cross for the Grand Chapter Installation of the OES.**



**Memorial Day some of our members went out to the Acacia Park Cemetery for the Service put on each year out there, with various other Masonic Bodies to honor those who served.**



**Anoka Chapter DeMolay:**

**The Anoka DeMolay followed the example of their Anoka Lodge Uncles by having a Movie Night to see the Avengers Infinity War!**



**They also had a Bowling Night at Classic Bowl, visited the Shriners Hospital, Held their Honorary DeMolay Degree, DeMolay Prom, Masonic Youth Day and Also assisted along with the other Masonic Bodies at the Acacia Park Service on Memorial Day!**



## Scottish Rite:



Brothers, Greeting from the Scottish Rite.

The Spring Reunion went very well and we had 3 Anoka Brothers become Masters of the Royal Secret for the Scottish Rite!



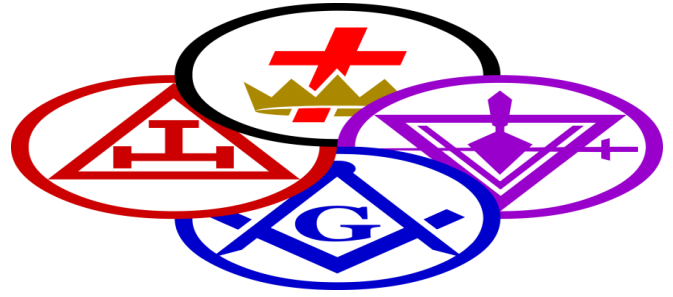
Anoka Lodge Members join the Rite!

We go dark till the End of August when the Fall Class begins, but you can get your petitions in now if you are thinking of joining, that or come out to our annual open house on August 9<sup>th</sup> and see what we are all about.

Prior to that we still have the Feast of the Consistory on Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, also lovingly know as the "Scottie Awards"

This is the night we honor all those who take their time to put on those 29 Degrees at the Rite. This is an open event and wife's and friends are more then welcome. The cost is \$30 for the dinner as with all Feasts, but the Awards part is free.

For more information on any of these events or the Rite in General, please reach out to WB Terrance m Schaffer.



Anoka York Rite Bodies:

The York Rite will be having their Annual Grand York Rite Session on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>. With RAM being on Thursday, Cryptic on Friday and Commandry on Saturday!

The Session will again be in St. Cloud at the Courtyard Merriott. The Sessions begin each day at 8:30am, with a dinner in the evening.

For more info go to:  
<http://www.mnyorkrite.org/grand-session.html>

We hope you can all come for the Installation of WB Dave Emery as Grand High Priest!



On May 21<sup>st</sup> we made our Second Quarterly run, this time to Lake Harriet Lodge #277 to visit our Duel Member Brother out there, WB Mike Miller who is Master this year.

It was more special because Brother Carl Noble Proved up in his Proficiency and brought the Proficiency Sword back to Anoka Lodge #30





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**The Members of Martha Chapter OES at the Grand Chapter Session!**