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Salutations from the East......

I try to make my articles light and fun to read, but also get information out there to everyone. This one is no different in a sense. There has been a lot of great things happening around Anoka lodge lately and we seem to be back in full force again. Every group is busy once again doing what we do best which is serving the public. There is one big project happening at the lodge this month. The Anoka Lodge construction and moving company will be in full force this month, as everything on the floor of the lodge must be removed. I do not know where it will all go, but we will find a temporary spot for it. The old carpeting will be removed, spots on the floor repaired, and the new carpeting will be installed. What does this mean you ask? Well, we will need help. I will be at the lodge on July 31st bright and early 9am to start moving the furniture. Depending on what we get done I will be back on Sunday August 1st to keep working on it. Once we pull carpet up, we will need to cut it and remove the tack strips and prepare for the new carpet to go down. So, that means playing with tools again. Hammers, pry



bars, pliers, drills, saws, and whatever else we can think of. This is a big project and could use many hands and of course supervisors. This sounds like a lot of fun, right? Well, it is a good chance to come together and get to know each other.

I wanted to also address dues. I had an ambitious goal this year to be 100% dues paid for 2021. In January, the lodge paid the per-capita to Grand Lodge which for those that do not know is an amount that Grand Lodge charges the lodge per member. I would ask that if you still owe dues for 2021 to please pay this as soon as possible, as this only helps the lodge and the next years master's budget calculations. If you are 2 years behind, I urge you to please catch up or make arrangements with the secretary of the lodge. Contact: secretary@anokamasons.com or call 763-421-3357. Payments can also be made on the Anoka Lodge Website. I seriously do not want to suspend any brother from Masonry this year, but I have a duty as Master to protect the lodges finances. Just for information, if you are suspended from the lodge for non-payment of dues, you are also suspended from all other lodges and appendant bodies. The secretary will be sending a letter to all of those that are behind as a last-ditch effort on my part to remind those brothers. Please be safe out there have a great summer and we will see you at lodge.

Much Love and Peace, Tim Galvin, Worshipful Master

On July 21st, Anoka Lodge welcomed five new Brothers to Anoka Lodge and one from Duluth at the Master Mason Degree put on by the Past Masters of Anoka Lodge.

Congratulations Brothers.



Warm wishes from the West

I think we can all agree we are trying to stay cool during our very, very hot summer. Aside from that I enjoy seeing everyone get back to regular summer activities while still taking the seriousness of Covid to heart.

I am looking forward to this fall because we are given the opportunity to host all of our events without heavy restrictions. It will be great to see everyone's face again and celebrate the good camaraderie that comes with us gathering.

However, since Covid is still around going threat, yes you feel sick or just not right please get tested and isolate yourself just to protect your loved ones.

Save travels



Fraternally,
Julio Herrera
Senior Warden

Greetings from the South!

There are a lot of great things happening at Anoka Lodge #30. We were excited to finally have our long awaited Past-Master, Master Mason Degree and have finally raised our five Fellow-crafts to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason after a long year and a half wait. It was fun to watch our Past-Masters do an outstanding job putting on the degree and it was extra special because we had the Grand-Master of Minnesota Masons in our Lodge enjoying it with us. A hearty Congratulations to Baron, Alex, J.D., Tyler, and Jay. Thank you for your patience and your commitment to the craft. Your journey is just beginning and we are excited to have you as our newest Master Masons. Please know we are here for you.



To me, being a Master Mason isn't just a label or the ability to wear the square and compass. It is a state of mind and heart. To subdue our passions and improve ourselves in Masonry is our goal, and each day we should strive to make ourselves better than the day before. Each of us has the capability of being leaders in our community and should strive to give back more than we receive. As Master Masons it is important to recognize how our interactions in everyday life have the ability to impact others in profound ways. Go that extra mile to help someone in need. Do your part in making the world a better place. Find the courage to stand up for the oppressed and weary and do your best to find joy in every day. We are but a fleeting presence on this earth, as learned in our degree work, so make every second count so the next generation of Masons can see what we do and want to be a part of it.

Don't forget to check out our calendar and get involved. We have the major task of revamping the lodge room over the next Month in preparation for our next round of degrees in September. Please reach out to any of the officers if you'd like to be involved in our renovation. Thanks to all of those who have donated to our Lodge, whether it be time or financial contribution, it is both needed and deeply appreciated.

Regards, Daryl Warmack Junior Warden

Upcoming Anoka Lodge Events:

Wednesday, August 4th – Coffee 9:00 am Wednesday, August 4th – Stated Meeting Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm Wednesday, August 18th – Coffee 9:00 am

Wednesday, August 18th – Candidates Class 7:00 pm



Stewards Corner

Join us for dinner again at 6:00.

Respectfully, Jason Mevissen, Sr. Steward



Greetings Brothers and Friends,



The Bones Brothers had a busy month in July, with Riverfest, Hometown Hero Outdoors, and a couple of private events. Riverfest was crazy with the nice weather and COVID restrictions lifted. We bought extra and sold out of everything, making just over \$2,000 for the Lodge. We did HHO's annual BBQ event and had a great time, financials are still pending, but we'll ask for that match when we get them. We're taking a break and getting equipment ready in August. We have some repairs to do on our Fast Eddy smoker and we have a second brand new one on the way so we'll be all ready for the craziness that September is going to bring.

From the pit, Scott



Greetings Brothers,

I am working on some travels for the October time frame. Details will come as soon as I finalize.

In Traveling Brotherhood,

James Surrat

Sisters, Brothers, and Friends of Martha Chapter,

Martha Chapter does not meet in July and August, as you may know, however, we have been busy.

We are working every Tuesday night at the Concerts in the Park in Anoka selling hamburgers, hot dogs, beverages and ice cream from the Oliver Food Truck. What a time we've had! The bands are great fun and we've met old friends who we haven't seen in a long time! Last Tuesday we met a guy riding an electric unicycle....very cool for sure!

Attached is a picture of the cooks manning the BBQ grill. Greg Vokovan and John Antl. Other helpers were Janet Gilbertson, Patty Meehl, Gaelen Kesler, Anne Nichols, Steve Downs and Peg & Jerry Oliver. Thanks to all. We will continue doing this through August 25, with the exception of August 6. Come visit us and listen to the bands from 6 to 8pm. Serving food starts at 5pm.

At Riverfest on July 10 we sold strawberry shortcake, iced tea and ginger ale and we sold out! Unfortunately this Worthy Matron forgot to take a picture. Jane and Wayne LaMusga did a great job getting everything ready to go for the day starting on Friday. Thanks to our helpers, Denise Emery, Sandra Wucher, Michele and Larry Jensen, Steve Downs, Sharon Barlow, Anne Nichols, Janet Gilbertson and Tim



Galvin. Also thanks to Myron Shelton and Jason Zienty (Patty Meehl's son-in-law), who helped set up the tent. Weather was great and people were happy to be out and about!

A couple of things to put on your calendar:

Saturday, July 31st – Food Stand at Cub Foods in Riverdale Saturday, September 25 – Vendor Fair/Craft & Book Sale at the lodge

Sunday, October 10 – Meatball Dinner (more information coming at a later date)

Until next time,

It's your road, and yours alone.

Others may walk it with you, but no one can walk it for you.

Sharon Barlow Worthy Matron

Steve Downs Worthy Patron



Greetings from Bethel #48

I am excited to be stepping into the role of Bethel Guardian and working with this phenomenal group of young ladies.

While our Bethel does not have traditional meetings in the summer, we are thrilled to be meeting to prepare for Fabulous 80's Camp which is returning with the ability for us to gather in person once again.

The girls were introduced to the *awesome-ness* of Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure to help them get into character for their skit, are learning the *totally tubular* skill of making friendship pins to exchange with other Bethels and are generally ready to have a *radical time dudes!*

We hope that you are all well, and we very much look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on Monday, August 30 at 7 p.m. at the Lodge. Enjoy your summer!!

Marissa Agustin Bethel Guardian

Hello, Anoka Masonic family!!

Happy Summer everyone!

In the very near future, I am off to Supreme Session where I will give up my crown as Supreme Bethel Honored Queen. It has definitely been an adventure.

Stay well,

Gabriella Dimatteo
Supreme Bethel Honored Queen, 2019-2021



Anoka DeMolay

Fun night at the Lodge.







If you or someone you know in our Masonic Family needs support, please contact Dave at (763) 755-2431 or Gary at (612) 598-8682.

Greetings from the Scottish Rite,

We had an enjoyable evening at Zuhrah Shrine Center for the Knight Commander Court of Honor (KCCH) welcoming the newest members to join the ranks. Here is a picture of the Anoka Brethren attending.





August brings the return of Activities at the Rite and we hope you, both Current members and those looking to continue your Masonic Education will consider coming down and we get things rolling once again.

That said, we will be holding our annual "Open House" event, which we are considering it a Grand Reopening of sorts! (See Flyer below)



Even if you just want to come down and see this beautiful facility, feel free to make reservations and come down the night of the 26th for some Great BBQ by our own Illustrious Jerry Oliver and his crew. (That alone is worth coming down for)

We will also be joined this year by the Sovereign Grand Commander himself, Illustrious Brother James Cole on the Evening of September 9th at the Minneapolis Valley, so Mark your Calendars and plan to be there that night if you are a Scottish Rite member!

There is still time to get your own petition in and if you need one or have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to either myself or any Scottish Rite Brother for assistance.

WB Terrance M Schaffer KCCH



Greetings from the Royal Arch!

The quarry is dark for the summer, but we will be back at in September.

Congratulations to Past High Priest Trent Gilbertson on being invested Knight of the Royal Arch. Well deserved for all of his contributions to Royal Arch Masonry!

Todd Mayer
High Priest
Anoka Shekinah #104



From Zabud Council #10

Those from Zabud Council attending the Knight of the Royal Arch Investiture.



Zabud Council #10 will be dark during the months of July and August per our bylaws. I wish everyone a fun and safe summer. See you all in again the fall!

Trent Gilbertson Thrice Illustrious Master





BOOKS – USED or NEW!

Martha Chapter #132, OES will be having a book sale along with our Craft Show on Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021

BOOK SALE proceeds will go to: HELPING PAWS – Service dogs for disabled veterans.

If you would like to donate books for Book Sale, please contact:

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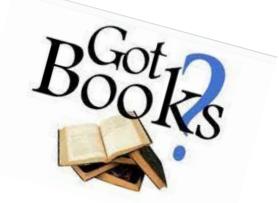
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