



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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### Salutations from the East.....

Aside from my wife reminding me that Halloween is just around the corner, every month since July, I do look forward to October. The changing of the seasons once again, as nature begins its preparation for hibernation. It always reminds me this time of year that there is so much to do and not a lot of time to do it. Huh, reminds me of Masonry.

We will be having a second degree on the third Wednesday of the month with dinner at 6 and the degree at 7. This will be a very special degree for both the candidates and our own Junior Warden Daryl Warmack sitting in the East for the first time. I know he will be cool as a cucumber, even though his father WB Neil Warmack, as well as all of us brothers will be cheering him on from the sidelines. Come on out, it is going to be a very special night for all to witness. Our candidates are ready and excited to step to that next level for sure.



The new chairs are waiting patiently in storage for us to get them installed. If you have not seen, there is a fundraiser going on to help subsidize the cost of storage for 2 years. You can purchase a chair for \$ 100.00 and have your or someone else's name on a plaque and the chair(s). Contact WB Brian Dimatteo or the lodge secretary. Working with the trustees we have dates of October 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> to get the new chairs in. We need a lot of help to do this. We can use all the help we can get, as they are heavy. We will meet at the lodge on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9am to begin this. Hopefully we can get a few crews, as they say the more hands the faster the work gets done. The lodge is busy once again as all groups are meeting again, education is in full swing, it feels good to be back in action.

**Much Love and Peace,  
Tim Galvin,  
Worshipful Master  
(763) 442-2176**

## Warm wishes from the West

Until next month.....

**Fraternally,  
Julio Herrera  
Senior Warden**



## Greetings from the South!

I hope everyone is enjoying the cool, crisp mornings as we head into fall. It is my favorite time of year with the changing foliage and perfect evenings for campfires and Smores. It's hard to believe that another year is rapidly coming to an end.

The new carpet in the Lodge looks great! Thank you to everyone who has gotten it to this point. It has been in the works for quite some time and it is nice to finally see it nearing completion. There are still a few projects to finish it up, but I'm proud to be part of such a committed family. Special thanks goes out to the Trustees and to all the Brethren who put in countless hours making it all come together. It never ceases to amaze me that Brothers who have been members of this Lodge for decades still have the drive and commitment to put in very long hours laboring in the Quarries of this Lodge. No doubt it is a labor of love, but it hits me deeply and you are all appreciated immensely.



Ribs, Bibs and Blues was a great day. If you missed it this year, you missed out. Talk about perfect weather and great music...and the ribs were amazing! It was nice to see the tables full and people enjoying the day. It was also great to see a few of our new Brothers there and it's always nice to see members of the community supporting the local ACBC food shelf.

I am really looking forward to the October Fellowcraft degree, it will be a very special night. One I will surely remember forever. Hope to see you there to support our new Brothers as they continue their journey in Masonry.

**Regards,  
Daryl Warmack  
Junior Warden**

## Upcoming Anoka Lodge Events:

- Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> – Coffee  
9:00 am
- Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> – Stated Meeting  
Dinner 6:00 pm  
Meeting 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> – Coffee  
9:00 am
- Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> – Fellowcraft Degree  
Dinner 6:00 pm  
Degree 7:00 pm



### Stewards Corner

Join us for dinner again at 6:00.

Respectfully,  
Jason Mevissen, Sr. Steward



### Coffee Clutch

Come join us on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Wednesdays at 9:00.

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 Brothers and Friends,



September was a crazy month for us, with five events since I last wrote. We started with a fundraiser for ourselves, doing a private company party for Climatech, brought to us by Brother Alexander Westerso's wife Jennifer. That was followed by a First Responder's Appreciation Dinner we do every year for our Brothers at Wayzata Lodge (those folks can put away some ribs!).





Then it was on to Anoka Lodge's big party/charity fundraiser, Ribs, Bibs, and Blues. Thanks to a last minute donation from our WM, we made the \$5,000 mark for ACBC Food Shelf and will be same. Thank you to all of the Brothers and members of our Masonic Family who came out to make it one of our best RBBs ever. A special thank you to WB Jerry Oliver for his part of the fabulous food!

Next up was The Bones Brothers big fundraiser, the sixth annual Flexential Crab Boil. This is a private party where we put away the smokers and bring out the boil hurricane Ida did their best to prevent us from getting the seafood, we pulled it off at the last minute and the party was fantastic.

Finally, as I write this, we just finished up serving a couple hundred people at Hopefest, a fundraiser for Alexandria House. Thanks to all of the Bones Brothers and Lodge Brothers who came out to help with this one. Many hands made it a bit easier on all of us and it was great to share a space with the OES and Mighty Hammer Philanthropy.

The fun doesn't stop in September, in October we have fundraisers for We Can Ride (Oct. 10) and Stable Pathways (Oct. 17) before finishing up at the Halloween parade. As always, we'd love to have any of our Lodge Brothers come and join us for these events.

**.From the pit,  
Scott**



Greetings Brothers,

On Tuesday September 14th, myself, Brother Hans Neisz and WB John Freeburg traveled to St. Paul Lodge #3, Minnesota's oldest lodge to attend their monthly stated meeting. If you are unaware, St. Paul Lodge is a "traditional observance" lodge and have a several unique differences from Anoka. We were seated in groups of 1-3 by the Jr. Deacon while the lodge pianist played classical music. The meeting had several moments of silence for self contemplation, two Masonic themed presentations and additional music selections. It was quite the experience made even more so by the fantastic conversations on the way there and back with Brothers Hans and John concerning Masonry.

On Tuesday, October 5th, Anoka Wayfaring is going to Winona Lodge #18, 926 W 5th St, to support our newest Brother Jay Dworksy, as he attempts to take the proficiency sword. We need 4 additional brothers to attend the meeting. Please let me know if you can make it.

**In Brotherly Friendship,  
James O. Surrat**

## Sisters, Brothers, and Friends of Martha Chapter,

Hard to believe September is about gone and October is here already! Martha Chapter just had a great Vendor Fair/Book Sale on Saturday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>. Weather was a bit overcast and crisp but the sun came out in the afternoon and warmed everyone up. We had vendors in the lodge dining room and outside on the front lawn. We collected books, books and more books from all over the state! The books were sold by the bag.....\$5 or \$10 and fill up the bag. There were lots of \$10 bags filled to overflowing and happy readers ready to sit and enjoy reading a good book! The vendors were happy with their sales and customers left with bags full of great treasures. The Oliver Food Truck was with us and everyone enjoyed hamburgers and hot dogs! Thank You Peg & Jerry for your continued support of Martha Chapter. **The proceeds from the book sale are going to Helping Paws, Service Dogs for Veterans.** A HUGE thank you to our, always there, workers who spent Friday and Saturday working to make the Vendor Fair/Book Sale a success! Julia Tollgaard, Rachel Ridens, Denise Emery, Garland Lundquist, Janet Gillbertson, Anne Nicholes, Bonnie Miller, Stephanie Johnson, John Antl, Greg Vokovan, Steve Downs and Brody Martin.



Also, on Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup>, Martha Chapter sold chocolate chip cookies at the Alexandra House HopeFest, an annual event every fall as their lead into October, which is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Our thanks to Jane & Wayne LaMusga for volunteering to sell the cookies for the event. The cookie bakers & baggers were Denise Emery, Rachel Ridens & Jane LaMusga. Thank you, ladies. Great cookies!

October 10<sup>th</sup> we are having our Homemade Meatball Dinner from 12:00 to 2:00pm. (see flyer attached) Please join us if you are able. There will be seating in the dining room and take out available. The cost is \$15.00. A portion of the proceeds will be going to one of our Grand Chapter Projects which are MN Masonic Cancer Center, MN Masonic Children's Hospital or Continuing Education Scholarship Funds.

Martha Chapter will be hosting a Grand Family Visit on October 21<sup>st</sup> with a dinner before the meeting. Please join us if you are able. Any members needing a ride to chapter please give a call. We will be happy to pick you up. It's always a good time for a visit with old and new friends and great food.

Until next time, stay safe, be happy!

**Sharon Barlow**  
**Worthy Matron**

**Steve Downs**  
**Worthy Patron**

~ CHANGES DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS ~

Martha Chapter #132 OES  
Homemade Meatball Dinner

(Meatballs, mashed potatoes w/gravy, glazed carrots, roll,  
Norwegian rømmegröt, lefse and pumpkin dessert)

Sunday – October 10, 2021

12pm – 2pm

Tickets: Adults \$15.00

7 – 12yrs \$10.00

Under 6yrs – \$5.00

Kids Meal hotdog, chips, juice & cookie

Or

Small Meatball Dinner

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Proceeds will benefit our Grand Chapter Projects!



## Greetings from Bethel #48

September looked like we were going to be able to return to a sense of normalcy and the Daughters were excited to start planning events again. Unfortunately COVID returned instead and they once more had to be flexible and think outside of the box.

At this point we aren't able to interact with other bodies so we sadly were not able to help out with Ribs Bibs and Blues as we were looking forward to. Fortunately we are still able to gather as a Bethel so we were able to be together for our meetings, and go on a super fun Mystery Trip to an apple orchard where we got to go on a hay ride, shoot apples, race ducky and enjoy caramel apples.

Coming up we are excited to be kicking off our annual Butter Braid Fundraiser which we will be taking orders for during the whole month of October. The Butter Braids will be delivered mid-November, just in time for Thanksgiving. If you would like to be contacted by one of our Daughters for more information please contact me at [BG48@mnjdi.org](mailto:BG48@mnjdi.org).

We are looking forward to a time where restrictions are lifted and we can once again invite all of you to join us in a meeting.

**Marissa Agustin**  
**Bethel Guardian**

## Anoka DeMolay

Anoka DeMolay held their 5th Annual DeMolay/Masons Kickball game Labor Day Weekend. WM Tim Galvin and several other Masons from Anoka took part as the Mixed teams battled it out. Everyone had a fun time with a perfect day and we celebrated with Dilly Bars from Dairy Queen!



showed up, so I guess we win by Default!

The Legion of Honor Presentation was held at the Minneapolis Valley of the Scottish Rite and two years worth of Recipients received their Honors. This is the Highest Award to be given by the DeMolay to a Mason and Anoka Lodge #30's own WB Al Golder was presented it as an



Honorary DeMolay! The Ceremony was led by WB Jerry Oliver and a number of former winners from Anoka took part in putting it on.

Lots of Events coming up that you or any young man you know can come and take part, from a game Night on September 28th, Paintball on October 9th and finally a "Lock In" overnight on October 30th. For more information about any of these, reach out the Dave or Kaidyn Troy.



## Greetings from the Scottish Rite,

What a wonderful night this past month as the Sovereign Grand Commander James Cole of the Southern Jurisdiction came to town and spent the evening answering questions and visiting with all the Brethren. He even donated his Cap to be placed in the Museum at the Heritage Center for all to see for years to come.

Of course prior to this "Town Hall" Meeting, Ill. Brother James took in the Performance of the 7<sup>th</sup> Degree and sat in with the Education Committee as they worked with the New Candidates. He was particularly impressed with what the Education Committee was providing to those new members.

As we move from the Lodge of Perfection Degrees and into the Chapter of the Rose Croix in October, I invite you to come down and watch those more Philosophical Degrees of the Scottish Rite. These 4 Degrees that attempt to fill you with a deeper understanding of Religion, Philosophy, Ethics and History.

Right after those we have the Council of Kadosh and my Favorite Degree, the Chivalric ones. Of course Anoka Lodge #30's own Adopted Degree, the 20<sup>th</sup> will be on October 14<sup>th</sup>, and I hope each of you Scottish Rite Brothers will come down and support it!

**WB Terrance M. Schaffer, KCCH**







**Greetings from the Royal Arch!**

See you in the quarries!!

**Todd Mayer**  
**High Priest**  
**Anoka Shekinah #104**

### **From Zabud Council #10**

Zabud council is back at work and with the holidays approaching, I feel it's an appropriate time to share with everyone that the cryptic council has its very own important special charity that it focuses on raising money to support.

Freemasonry seeks to improve the community by improving the individual. Therefore, Councils of Cryptic Masons can be found working with Lodges, Chapters, and Commanderies to provide more opportunities to improve one's skills in leadership, public speaking, interpersonal relationships, and administration. This empowers the individual Mason to become a better leader in his career, church, and community. Councils also work with other Masonic groups in community service projects to demonstrate Masonic teachings as a way of life. The General Grand Council established the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation to give Cryptic Masons an opportunity to turn Masonic philosophy into a living practice. Currently, the Foundation is working with medical researchers to find ways to prevent atherosclerosis, or more commonly known as hardening of the arteries. This work places thousands of dollars annually into the necessary research to stop one of our nation's largest killer, atherosclerosis and heart disease.

The Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation (CMMRF) is the philanthropy of the General Grand Council and many Cryptic Masons across the globe. CMMRF is responsible for cutting edge research to develop novel therapeutics and diagnostics for patient care. CMMRF supports the Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine, (ICVBM), located at Indiana University School of Medicine and the Richard Roudebush Veteran's Administration Medical Center located in Indianapolis, Indiana. Through the basic and clinical research conducted by ICVBM and supported by CMMRF, advancements are being made to discover cures for many of today's health problems, prevent major diseases, and ultimately save lives.

**Trent Gilbertson**  
**Thrice Illustrious Master**



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