



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!

Is it really June already? This year is going by really fast. I hope everyone is going to have great summer months coming up. At the lodge we are going to convert the bathrooms, so that they can be more handicap accessible that is a summer project that will be completed.

The men's bathroom will be converted into a handicap accessible bathroom and the door will be placed with a lock. The two that are labeled "women's restrooms" will then be labeled as "unisex restrooms" so all can use them.

We gentlemen and ladies at the lodge are also getting ready for a Riverfest that will be coming up soon on July 9th.

Also, this is a somber article. My grandma Audrey Ruth Hanson passed away on May 20, 2022 at 2:50 AM. She was a decades long member of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was also the secretary for her home chapter for many years. She is survived by many family members who will dearly miss her.



Have a good start this summer everyone! Make sure to spend as much time as you can with your loved ones!

**Fraternally,
Julio Herrera
Worshipful Master**

Editor's Note: The service for Audrey Hanson will be on Friday, June 3rd at:

Washburn McReavy Crystal Lake Cemetery Chapel
3816 Penn Avenue North
Minneapolis 55412

Visitation 12:00 – 1:00
OES Service 1:00
Lunch to follow at Anoka Lodge

Greetings from the West,

One of the many reasons I joined Freemasonry is because I was looking for something I could do to give back to my community. I wanted to volunteer and do something for the betterment of our society.

It was not long into my journey when I met a Brother who had a daughter with Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA). I had approached him about doing something to raise money for CureSMA and before you know it, I got to meet Madisyn. She won me over when we met and planned her SkateAway SMA event at Cheapskate Roller Rink in June of 2019. The event was so much fun and was a great success in raising money for the much needed research.



As most of you know, we lost our beloved Madisyn on December 20th, 2019.

In honor of Madisyn and her family, and the many families who have faced this devastating disease head-on, we will continue to raise money for CureSMA.org in hopes that it will help in some little way.

The Bones Brothers have graciously offered to set up outside Heavy Rotation Brewing in Brooklyn Park on Saturday June 11th from 12pm-7pm. Please stop down and have some excellent BBQ and a drink and support CureSMA as they continue to work toward a cure for Spinal Muscular Atrophy.

Lastly, be the phone call someone was waiting on to brighten their day. Reach out to a Brother you haven't seen in awhile and make sure they are doing ok!

Daryl Warmack
Senior Warden

Salutations from the South!

Until next month.....

Regards,
Trent Gilbertson
Junior Warden



Upcoming Anoka Lodge Events:

- Wednesday, June 1st – Coffee
9:00 am
- Wednesday, June 1st – Stated Meeting
Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, June 8th - Officers/Trustees Meeting
6:00 pm
Past Masters Committee
7:00 pm
- Wednesday, June 15th - Coffee
9:00 am
- Wednesday, June 15th - Check the website for further deetails



Coffee Clutch
Come join us on the 1st and 3rd
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 Masonic Family,

We ended up cancelling our all-you-can-eat brisket dinner, we were just a few attendees shy of what we needed to make it profitable. So, we used the day cook 300 lbs of pork shoulder instead. We also set up our new Cajun Seafood Boiler and Blackstone Griddle, using the griddle to play a little for lunch. We used some leftover Shrimp Dinner shrimp for our protein and made a new side dish we're considering - bacon grilled corn. So good!

We have our first charity event for the year coming up in June and we'd love it if you can make it out. We'll be setting up our standard food truck service at Heavy Rotation Brewery on [Saturday, June 11th](#), serving [from 4:00 to 8:00 pm](#). All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to Cure SMA.

Wednesday, June 22nd has us at our big fundraiser for ourselves - the Flexential Seafood Boil. We're looking forward to putting our 60 gallon boiler to use!

We cancelled our phone number, as it mostly just got annoying telemarketer calls. We figure the people that need to find us, know where to do that. Our calendar is pretty full, but it never hurts to ask if there's an event you'd like us to help with.

**From the Pit,
Scott**

Greetings Brothers,

Anoka Wayfaring is traveling to Cataract Lodge #2 in Minneapolis on Tuesday June 14th. Dinner is a 6 pm and will cost \$10. If you are interested in attending the dinner, please let me know by June 8th. The lodge meeting starts promptly at 7:30 pm and suits are the dress attire. I selected Cataract lodge as I have visited MN Lodges #1 and #3 and wanted to hit the last of the original three MN Lodges. Unbeknownst to me, this meeting is Cataract Lodge's Scholarship night and our own WM Todd Mayer's daughter Audrey is a recipient. So come out and support Anoka Lodge Wayfaring Man program as well as Audrey.

Cataract Lodge #2
5149 Bloomington Ave South
Minneapolis, MN

**Respectfully,
James O. Surratt
Anoka Lodge Wayfaring Man Rep
Sr. Deacon 2022**



Sisters, Brothers, and Friends of Martha Chapter,

Yes, we finally have sunshine and warmer temperatures!!!

Another Grand Chapter is history, and we are so proud of those Martha Chapter members who are serving the Grand Chapter this year. Jerry Oliver, Worthy Grand Patron, Sharon Barlow, Associate Grand Matron, Steve Downs, Associate Grand Patron and Goody Vokovan, Grand Chaplain. The next couple of years will be busy ones for them as well as the chapter!



Congratulations to all and enjoy your year!

In June our Food Truck fundraisers start. We will be at the Tuesday night concerts that are held down by the Rum River, starting June 21st and going through the month of August. We start serving at 5:00pm, concert starts at 6:00pm, and by 8:00pm we are all done! Easy, peasy! If you are interested in working on a Tuesday night contact Rachel Ridens, and she will get you on the schedule. This opportunity gives us great exposure in the community, and it is fun! Stop by and bring the family for a quick bite before the concert! We are also going to at Riverfest (July 9th) again this year, however we will have the food truck and be serving hamburgers, chips, and soda.

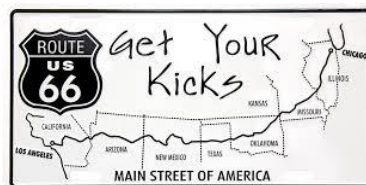
Our first meeting, June 2nd, we will be holding an initiation for one candidate and our second meeting will be “Tacky Tourist” night. Men get out the “Bermuda shorts” and women get out your “pedal pushers” as we dress for the fun! Yes - Bermuda shorts or pedal pushers are allowed for officers, both men and women! Please join us for this fun night!! .

August 28th we will be hosting, along with Excelsior Chapter, a dinner and reception for Pam Willette, WGM and Jerry Oliver WGP. (See invitation) We hope that you will be able to join us.

July and August we are dark as a chapter, but the summer is full of great ways to stay connected and socialize. Our Route 66 trip through Illinois was a quick one as we only had one meeting in May. In June our travels will take us to the “Show Me State” of Missouri.

Hope to see you at Chapter as there is always room for more as we “Get Our Kicks on Route 66”!

So, pack your bags and let's hit the road as we “Get Our Kicks on Route 66”!!



**Julia Tollgaard
Worthy Matron**

**Greg Vokovan
Worthy Patron**



Excelsior Chapter #20
and
Martha Chapter #132

Cordially invite you to a dinner and reception honoring

Pam Willette, Worthy Grand Matron
and
Jerry Oliver, Worthy Grand Patron

Sunday, August 28, 2022

Social time – 12:30 pm

Lunch – 1:00 pm

Oven roasted pork loin with stuffing and gravy,
whipped potatoes, seasonal vegetable

Cost - \$25.00

Lost Spur Golf and Event Center
2750 Sibley Memorial Highway
Eagan, MN 55121
651-454-2330 Ex1

Reservations due and checks made out to:

Julia Tollgaard
2938 126th Ave NW.
Coon Rapids, MN 55448
612-471-9967

By August 15, 2022





Greetings from Bethel #48

Bethel 48 is so glad to be back in action and getting to mix and mingle with each other and other groups! May was a busy month for us. We ended up adjusting our meeting schedule so we met weekly in the beginning of May. We started it off by holding our elections and are thrilled to have Alyssa Brendel remaining as Honored Queen for another term. Molly Mayer is our Senior Princess, Carrie Gillilan will be our Junior Princess, and Kate Agustin will be our Guide.

The next week we were even more excited to welcome our newest member Isabelle who has been a great addition! That weekend we met up with Bethel 1 and Bethel 39 to pack meals at Feed My Starving Children and our session packed enough meals to feed 59 kids for a full year.

The third Monday we invited the Mason's to join us for a Masonic Honoring where we performed a special ceremony for them. We are looking forward to doing more joint events with both the Masons and the OES next term - we sure have missed you! That was also the last meeting of the term so we did our traditional retiring of Capes and Crowns.

While the meetings for the term are done, our fun definitely isn't. We had a picnic on May 21st where we enjoyed yummy food and an intense game of bocce ball and are looking forward to participating in lots of activities hosted by the DeMolay over Memorial Day weekend including DeMolay Prom, Masonic Youth day at Valley Fair and the Memorial Ceremony at Acacia Cemetery.

Our Installation is at 4:00pm on June 12th and we would love to see you there to celebrate all of our girls and help us kick off what is hopefully a NORMAL in person and fun-filled term.

We can not thank you enough for all the support you have given our girls while we struggled to stay active in isolation. We know that not all Bethels are not as fortunate as we are to have such a loving and supportive Lodge and OES behind us.

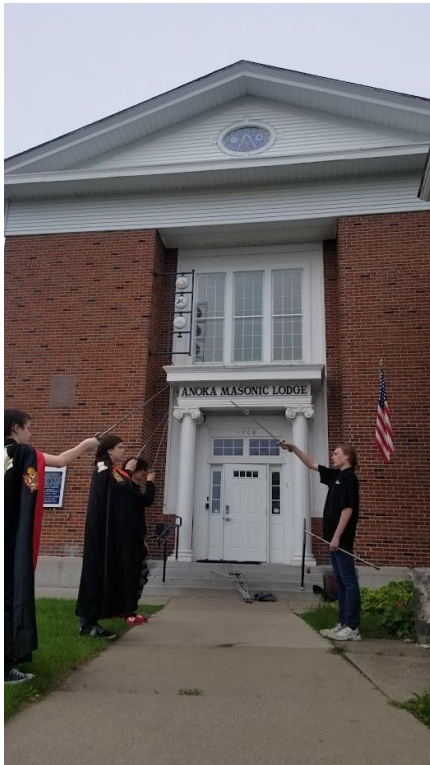
Looking forward to seeing you all a lot more this upcoming term!

**Jobie Love,
Marissa Agustin
Bethel Guardian**

Greetings from Anoka DeMolay

This spring is moving along and here we are entering summer! At Anoka DeMolay, that means it's time to complete a few projects and enjoying the beautiful Minnesota summer!

In May, we sent three young men to the MN DeMolay Counselors Retreat, where they worked on leadership skills, had fun learning to plan events, and bonded as brothers. MN DeMolay hosted DeMolay Prom to kick off Masonic Family Weekend, which included a wonderful dinner at Excelsior Lodge and an evening aboard the Lady of the Lake on Lake Minnetonka. The second event of the Memorial Weekend was a trip to Valleyfair.



We also had fun practicing the Arch of Steel that we will perform along with other MN DeMolay and Templars at the Acacia Park Cemetery Memorial Day Ceremony, which is the final event of Masonic Family Weekend.

In June we are hosting a lock-in at Anoka Lodge which is sure to be fun for the young men.

We are also hosting an **Open House** recruitment event at AMC Moundsview.

DeMolay Movie Night **June 11th 7:00 pm** **AMC Moundsview**

If you know any young men, ages 12-21, who might enjoy meeting some new guys, eating free popcorn, and watching a great movie, please invite them. This event is 100% free and open to all young men ages 12-21!

RSVP TO: <https://signup.com/go/AJKeWVG>

Chapter Dad: MW Michael Foye

Chairman: David Troy

anoka@mndemolay.org

www.AnokaDeMolay.com

Brothers, Greeting from the Scottish Rite,

The Spring Cycle has come to an end and all other Celebrations are done for the Summer. We must still acknowledge our Brethren who became Masters of the Royal Secret just after the last issue of the S&C. Brothers Ryan Dawson & Brent Merritt were joined in the reunion by Brother Steven Schneider



WB Lee Keilblock put on the 32nd Degree as head of the Consistory!



Two of the Three Anoka Brothers who became Masters of the Royal Secret

The Fall Cycle will start in September with a few other activities at the end of August. If you are interested, please reach out and get your petitions in by the 1st Tuesday in August!

Terrance Schaffer, KCCH

Greetings from the Royal Arch! Shekinah #52 UD!



The Royal Arch has been called by Laurence Dermott, Grand Secretary of the Antients as the "root, heart and marrow of Masonry ". Many years ago the Royal Arch was considered so essential to Freemasonry that it was included as an essential part of the Degree system. Many would argue that the Royal Arch completes the Three degrees and answers many unanswered questions left by the other three degrees. Some of the words used in its ritual are considered among the oldest known in Masonry. The exact origins of the Royal Arch are lost in history but many scholars believe it may be one of the oldest forms of Freemasonry. Some scholars

think it might have been the "original" Masters Degree and that the Third Degree we now use was a later version. Whether this is true or not I'm not sure but I do know that the Royal Arch is an important part of Masonry. Brother George Washington advanced through the Royal Arch as did other contemporaries of his time as one's journey as a Freemason was not considered complete until passing through the Royal Arch.

I would invite my Masonic brothers to continue their search for more "light" by petitioning the Royal Arch for membership, you will not regret it as this degree has some of the most life changing Masonic work you will experience. Finally as a reminder, Royal Arch will be "DARK" for June, July and August and will resume the 4th Wednesday of September at 7pm. Enjoy the summer and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone back then if not sooner. Several of the companions will be attending the York Rite Grand Session June 23-25 in Alexandria, MN.

**With Peace, Love and Unity,
I am your most obedient servant,**

David Birkman, Excellent High Priest,



Greetings from Zabud Council No. 10, Cryptic Masons of MN

We meet on the 4th Wednesdays following Shekinah
Chapter No.52 U.D., approx. 8PM.



The Officers of Zabud Council wish you and yours a wonderful Summer. Zabud will be going dark soon, during the months of June through August, reconvening in September.

We are looking forward to the upcoming Grand York Rite Session in Alexandria, Minnesota.

THURSDAY, JUNE 23

8:00 am – 11:00 am Registration
8:00 am – 11:00 am Hospitality Room open
8:30 am – 12:00 pm **152nd GRAND COUNCIL ASSEMBLY**
9:00 am – Philanthropies Silent Auction open
10:30 am – 1:00 pm Ladies Entertainment and Lunch out
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Men's Lunch
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Grand Master Hiram Council Lunch (members only)
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm 2022 – 2023 Grand Council Officers Installation
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm Thrice Illustrious Master
2:30 pm – 4:30 pm Hospitality Room open
2:30 pm – 5:30 pm Education programs (TBD)
3:45 pm – 5:00 pm ISH SODI
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm Dinner, Public Welcome and Memorial Service
7:30 pm – 10:00 pm Hospitality Room open – Boardroom
9:00 pm – Order of Lotus

Reading From "The Cryptic Freemason", Volume 4, Issue 9, Fall 2019:

Zerubbabel has been one of the most patronized of all historic figures, scarcely secondary to King Solomon and Hiram Abif, for the legend of the Second Temple has been one of the most widely used in Masonic degrees, forming part of the legend of the Royal arch degrees in both the York and Scottish Rites and all of the legend of the Order of the Red Cross in the York Rite and the 15th and 16th degrees of the Scottish Rite known as Knight of the East and Prince of Jerusalem, respectively, also appearing in some lesser rites. The various parts of the legend, not always told completely or in the same arrangement, the York Rite using one degree and the Scottish two, are principally as follows: The removal of the rubbish and debris of Solomon's Temple and preparation for the building of the Second Temple by the Jews who had been allowed to return from Babylon disclosed underground vaults or crypts which, when explored by various proceedings in the several degrees, yielded the secrets of Freemasonry which had been deposited by King Solomon and the two Hiram's (as more particularly detailed in the Cryptic Rite)

**Many Thanks,
Eric J. Erfourth, Illustrious Master**

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