



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!

Summer, as we know it here in Minnesota, is halfway over. Families are taking vacations to destinations that had previously been closed due to COVID, and camping. Many people are trying to finish up home remodeling and DIY projects, as now is the time to enjoy the remaining days of summer. Of course, at the end of August is the long-awaited Great Minnesota Get Together, the end of summer and the sign school will be starting up soon. What is your best food, event, thing to see/do at the Fair? My family have made it a yearly family get together. We each have our own special foods and/or beverages; porkchop on a stick, blooming onion, Lemonade, Root beer, corn dogs or pronto pups, and my sister usually gets alligator. We do a lot of sharing of cheese curds. At the end of our day, we would get Sweet Martha's Cookies, to share and mini donuts. We would also purchase mini donuts every year for my grandmother, those were the only craving she had from the Fair. So, if you go to the Fair, enjoy the food, the laughter and everything else it has to offer. Make wonderful memories, try the new foods for this year, and all the vendors at the Band Stand, maybe some of you will even take in a concert or two.

If you are so inclined and want to partake in helping others in your community, one idea that may interest you is putting together backpacks for a local school, so they can give them to kids in need. Many kids do not want to think about school, but my mom and sister do, every year they usually donate 10 filled back packs for Elementary, Middle and/or High Schools. Right now, many stores have sales on school supplies, so if you don't want to fill back packs, schools would love donations of school supplies as well. Some examples, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, crayons, etc. Local food shelves would love to have cash/food donations as well, as there are many families that don't have enough to eat all year long, not just around the holidays. If school shopping is not your forte, you could purchase socks, t-shirts, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, razors, other necessities and donate them to one of the many shelters.

No matter what you do to celebrate the end of summer, make sure you get out and enjoy, don't sit home, and let this beautiful time of the year here in Minnesota pass you by.

Until next month, I wish you all good health, love, laughter and all the best.



**Fraternally,  
Julio Herrera  
Worshipful Master**

## Greetings from the West,

Heading into August I can't help but think about how quickly time passes as it seemed like Summer just got here. I hope you have had time to enjoy cabins and campfires and all the good times summer seems to bring.

Looking ahead, I can't help but get anxious about the upcoming year and the challenges it will bring sitting in the East. Planning for the upcoming year has already begun and I challenge each and every one of you to get involved and help Anoka Lodge #30 stay vibrant and relevant to our members, especially our newer brothers.

I also challenge you to bring ideas before the Lodge of things you want to see accomplished, or things you feel we could do differently or more efficiently. We have a few housekeeping projects in the mix, like making the bathrooms more accessible and installing hand railings in the East, but welcome any additional ideas for improving our Lodge.

In addition to our new degree cycle starting in September, we are approaching the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of being at our current location, which is very exciting. You can look forward to a new commemorative coin coming out around the same time as Ribs, Bibs, and Blues in Mid-September, designed by our very own Brother Alexander Westerso. Be sure to pick one up and support our Lodge.

I hope to see you at Lodge. Reach out to a Brother you haven't seen in awhile and invite them to our next meeting! Until next month.

Regards,

**Daryl Warmack**  
**Senior Warden**



Greetings From the South!

**Happy Dog Days of Summer**

What Are the Dog Days of Summer?

The term “**Dog Days**” traditionally refers to a period of particularly hot and humid weather occurring during the summer months of July and August in the Northern Hemisphere.

In ancient Greece and Rome, the Dog Days were believed to be a time of drought, bad luck, and unrest, when dogs and men alike would be driven mad by the extreme heat! Today, the phrase doesn’t conjure up such bad imagery. Instead, the Dog Days are associated purely with the time of summer’s peak temperatures and humidity.

Why Are They Called the “Dog Days” of Summer?

This period of sweltering weather coincides with the year’s helical (meaning “at sunrise”) rising of **Sirius, the Dog Star**. Sirius is part of the constellation Canis Majoris—the “Greater Dog”—which is where Sirius gets its canine nickname, as well as its official name, Alpha Canis Majoris. Not including our own Sun, Sirius is the brightest star in the sky.

In ancient Greece, Egypt, and Rome, it was believed that the dawn rising of Sirius in mid- to late summer contributed to the extreme weather of the season. In other words, the “combined heat” of super-bright Sirius and our Sun was thought to be the cause of summer’s sweltering temperatures. The name “Sirius” even stems from Ancient Greek *seírios*, meaning “scorching.”

For the ancient Egyptians, the dawn rising of Sirius (known to them as Sothis) also coincided the Nile River’s flood season. They used the star as a “watchdog” for that event. <https://www.almanac.com/content/what-are-dog-days-summer>

I hope everyone enjoys the “Dog Days” of summer!

**Regards,**  
**Trent Gilbertson**  
**Junior Warden**

## Upcoming Anoka Lodge Events:

- Wednesday, August 3rd – Coffee  
9:00 am
- Wednesday, August 3rd – Stated Meeting  
Dinner 6:00 pm  
Meeting 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, August 10th – Officers/Trustees Meeting  
6:00 pm  
Past Masters Committee  
7:00 pm
- Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> – Coffee  
9:00 am  
Master Mason Degree  
4:30 – First Section  
6:00 - Dinner  
7:00 – Second Degree



### Steward's Corner

Check the Lodge website or Facebook for details on dinners for the details on dinner for the Stated Meeting and Degree.



### 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 Masonic Family,

Riverfest was a smashing success! Thanks so much to WM Julio, JS Bro. Darren, and Bro. Jake Shoulak for coming out and helping. This event gets bigger every year and this year was no exception. We also had a great time raising some money for Hometown Hero Outdoors at the Veteran's Campground in Marine on St. Croix. The appreciation dinner for the Wayzata first responders was moved to September.



**BBQ Food Truck**

Anoka Masonic Lodge #30  
The Bones Brothers

Find us at  
**10K Brewing**  
2005 2nd Avenue, Anoka  
Saturday, August 13  
Noon to 8:00 pm

All proceeds from this event go to benefit **Stable Pathways**, whose mission is to empower, strengthen, and inspire those living with disabilities through horse-assisted activities.

[www.bonesbrothers.org](http://www.bonesbrothers.org)  
[contact@bonesbrothers.org](mailto:contact@bonesbrothers.org)

**MENU**  
Pulled Pork  
Ribs  
Pork Chops  
Beans  
Slaw  
Drinks

Stable Pathways  
HORSES IN SERVICE  
for people living with disabilities

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August is our annual fundraiser for Stable Pathways. We'll be doing food truck service in front of 10K Brewing on Saturday, August 13th from noon until 8:00 pm. We'll be serving pork chops for lunch and our normal BBQ menu for dinner, so you can come out and enjoy it twice!

From the Pit,  
Scott

Greetings Brothers,

No traveling in August!!

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





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

Summer is going by fast, I hope everyone is staying cool with the hot humid weather we have been having!

We will be continuing the Food Truck fundraiser events during the Month of August! We can always use more help. We start serving at 5:00pm, concert starts at 6:00pm, and by 8:00pm we are all done! If you are interested in working on a Tuesday night contact Rachel Ridens, and she will get you on the schedule or stop by, grab something to eat and enjoy the concert.



### August Food Truck Schedule:

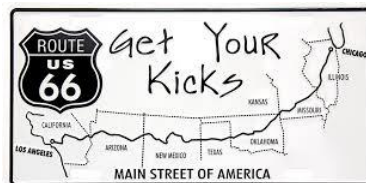
**Tuesday's 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>     Rockin' on the Rum**

Thank you to all who worked Riverfest this year! It was a very successful, but HOT day!

Reminder that August 28<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting, along with Excelsior Chapter, a dinner and reception for Pam Willette, WGM and Jerry Oliver WGP. We hope that you will be able to join us. Please send your reservation and check (\$25.00) to: Julia Tollgaard, 2938 126<sup>th</sup> Ave NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55448. Checks are to be made out to Julia Tollgaard. **No reservations taken after August 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Wishing everyone and safe and fun July!!

*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 126<sup>th</sup> Ave NW.  
Coon Rapids, MN 55448  
612-471-9967

**By August 15, 2022**





## Greetings from Bethel #48

Several of the girls have attended the Supreme Session in Michigan. We now are preparing and looking forward to Camp which is always a blast!!!

**Jobie Love,  
Marissa Agustin  
Bethel Guardian**

## Greetings from Anoka DeMolay

For more information about our activities, please check out our website.

**Chapter Dad: MW Michael Foye**

**Chairman: David Troy**

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## Brothers, Greetings from the Scottish Rite,

August brings the beginning of things at the Minneapolis Valley as we gear up for the Fall Cycle of Degrees beginning on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

This is all preceded by this years "Rush Event" being held on Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>.

(See Details below)



**MINNEAPOLIS SCOTTISH RITE**

**MEMBERSHIP RUSH EVENT**  
**AUG. 18, 2022**

4:30 PM SOCIAL & CASH BAR  
6:00 PM BBQ DINNER  
7:00 PM PROGRAM  
7:30 PM TOURS & FELLOWSHIP

ALL MINNEAPOLIS SCOTTISH RITE MEMBERS, MASONS OF ANY DEGREE, AND MEN WITH AN INTEREST IN JOINING MASONRY ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

**RSVP BY AUG. 16TH - DINNER \$20**  
ONLINE: <https://scottish-rite-mpls.org/membership-rush-registration/>  
BY PHONE: 612-871-1500 \* SUMMER CASUAL ATTIRE \*  
BY EMAIL: [jackie@aastrmn.org](mailto:jackie@aastrmn.org) (No hats or regalia)

**BBQ BY JERRY & PEG OLIVER & TEAM**

WB Jerry Oliver will be cooking!

We encourage all Scottish Rite members to come down for some good food and bring a Brother who is not yet a member to see the Valley and hear about what we do.

Reservations must be made by contacting the Scottish Rite Office either by email or phone.  
(Again, see Flyer)

The Fall Cycle will start on September 1<sup>st</sup> as Stated and an Orientation Night will be on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested, please reach out and get your petitions in by the Rush Night on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Terrance Schaffer, KCCH**

**Greetings from the Royal Arch!  
Shekinah #52 UD!**



Hope you're having fun this summer. We are dark through August but will be in full swing by the September meeting

**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 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays following Shekinah Chapter No.52 U.D., approx. 8PM.



Zabud Council is dark in August, returning to regular meetings in September.

Be well.

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



**Anoka  
Masonic  
Lodge  
Presents:**

- ✓ **BBQ Ribs!**
- ✓ **Live music!**
- ✓ **Kids activities!**

**Proceeds to benefit  
ACBC Food Shelf**

**Saturday, Sept. 17th**

Time: 12PM-3PM

Cost: Freewill Donation



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