



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!

November is always a busy month at Anoka #30. We start off the Month with our Stated Meeting on the 1st. Dinner as usual at 6pm with the Meeting to follow at 7pm. We will be holding the annual election of officers and will be presenting some longevity awards as well.

November 6th the Jobies will be having a Masonic Honoring and bottle auction starting at 6pm at the Lodge. Please come support our youth and pick up a bottle of something fun.

November 11th we will be having a Veterans Day Brunch to honor those who have served this nation and all Veterans are invited to come and eat free. 9am to 11am in the lodge dining room.

November 15th will be our last Master Mason degree of the year and my first time sitting in the East for a 3rd Degree. Please come support our newest brothers as they continue their journey in Masonry. 4:30pm first section starts. 6pm dinner and 7pm second section starts.

Then on November 19th we will be having our Annual Chili Contest/Feed from 11-1pm in the dining room. Enter your chili for a chance to claim the title of Chili Champion and grab a to-go container for the Football Game. Proceeds benefiting Anoka #30. Please invite your friends and family and help make this event a success!

I hope everyone has a Happy and safe Thanksgiving surrounded by those you love.

Hope to see you around the Lodge.

Fraternally,
Daryl Warmack
Master, Anoka #30



Greetings from the West,

Until next month.....

Jeremy Hill
Senior Warden



Salutations from the South!

I love to read, although, truth be told, I don't set time aside daily to do so, and usually have two or three books going at one time. At this time, I am reading *The Templar Nation*, loaned to me by WB John Freeburg, which offers evidence and discussion that Portugal and not Jerusalem, was the first Templar stronghold, a 800 page tome on the WWII Russian KV-1 tank, which lays out research, development, operational history, and every production line change of the KV-1, and finally, I started reading *Masonry Defined* by Lippincott-Johnston. This last book is a collection of articles to be used by Masons to educate themselves on various aspects of Masonry. As if by divine intervention, the night after our Fellow Craft degree, I read the article on the Level, which I share below.

The Level – in Freemasonry, the level is a symbol of equality; not of that social equality which would destroy all distinctions of rank and position, and create confusion, insubordination, and anarchy, but of that fraternal equality which, recognizing the fatherhood of God, admits as a necessary corollary the brotherhood of man. It, therefore, teaches us that, in the sight of the Grand Architect of the Universe, his creatures, who are at an immeasurable distance from him, move upon the same plane; as the far-moving stars, which though millions of miles apart, seem to shine upon the same canopy of the sky. In this view, the level teaches us that all men are equal, subject to the same infirmities, hastening to the same goal, and preparing to be judged by the same immutable law.

The level is deemed, like the square and the plumb as so much importance as a symbol, that it is repeated in many different relations. First, it is one of the jewels of the Lodge. This leads to its being adopted as the proper official ensign of the Senior Warden, because the Craft when at labor, at which time he presides over them, are on a common level of subordination. Second, it is one of the working tools of a Fellow Craft, still retaining its symbolism of equality.

With so many world events today between those who do not see others as equals, I feel it right to remember that Masonry sees all as equal, regardless of rank, religion, wealth, etc.

In Brotherly Love and Friendship
James Surratt, Junior Warden.





Coffee Clutch

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

Stewards Corner

November 1st – Stated Meeting
Dinner at 6:00 pm

November 15th - Master Mason
Degree
Dinner at 6:00 pm



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.

Upcoming Anoka Lodge Events:

- Wednesday, November 1st – Coffee
9:00 am
- Wednesday, November 1st – Stated Meeting
Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm
- Sunday, November 5th - Anoka Masonic Family Harvest Dinner
12:00 – 2:00 pm
- Wednesday, November 8th - Officers/Trustees Meeting
6:00 pm
Past Masters' Committee
7:00 pm
- Wednesday, November 15th - Coffee
9:00 am
- Wednesday, November 15th - Master Mason Degree
Degree – 4:30 pm
Dinner - 6:00 pm
Degree - 7:00 pm

Hello from the Pit!

We had a great time at Hopefest!! Thanks to all who assisted.

Todd A. Mayer, El Presidente
Bones Brothers



Greetings Anoka Brethren,

We'll travel again this fall.

In Brotherly Friendship,
James O. Surrat
Bald Man Extraordinaire



Sisters, Brothers, and Friends of Martha Chapter,

I think we can safely (but sadly) put to rest our spring, summer, and fall Gardens of Friendship and let the winter snow protect them for the cold season ahead. We will enjoy the holiday lights and decorations and continue our friendships in the coziness of indoors. Wonderful winter comfort food and holiday goodies are what make these cold months tolerable!

October was busy and fun with our Grand Family Visit and dinner on October 5th and the Purple Party for Alzheimer's at the Anoka American Legion on the 14th. Thank you to everyone who came to these events.

We have missed sponsoring an annual public Harvest Dinner for the past few years, so we decided to host a scaled down version for the Anoka Masonic Family bodies. All your favorite menu items will be served but it is not open to the public. A free will offering will be taken with the proceeds going to our local Police Department toward the purchase of a Fire Suppression Unit. Bring your family and extended family to enjoy the food and fellowship.

The date is Sunday, November 5th from 12 o'clock until 2pm. Please RSVP to Peg & Jerry at 763-639-8813 or joliver97@comcast.net.

In November we will focus on collecting food for a local food shelf. There is always a need for our Anoka County families and individuals dealing with food insufficiency. Please add a few items to your next shopping trip and bring them to the meetings. All items are appreciated – canned or boxed, but no fresh fruit or vegetables. Make sure they are not expired as the food shelf can't offer them to clients. In December we will be collecting hats, mittens, gloves and scarves – cold weather items for both children and adults. These also go to the food shelf in their clothing section. Thank you!

We look forward to seeing you at our regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month.



**Rachel Ridens
Worthy Matron**

**Tim Galvin
Worthy Patron**



You are invited to an all
Anoka Masonic Family Harvest Dinner
Hosted by Martha Chapter

Sunday, November 5th

12:00 - 2:00

Anoka Masonic Lodge

Please bring your family to enjoy our infamous
Turkey Dinner with all the fixings and dessert.

A free-will offering will be taken. The net proceeds will go to
the Fire Suppression Tool Project.

Please RSVP to:

Peg & Jerry

763-639-8813

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Greetings from Bethel #48

Hello all! I hope you are having a wonderful day, Bethel 48 has had an interesting month so far! October started when we went on our Mystery Trip to the Glensheen Mansion on the First. October 2nd was an exciting table meeting, where we discussed the upcoming month. On October 14th, we attended the Grand Bethel Exemplification, where Minnesota initiated 2 girls! Afterward, the dinner and bottle auction was a blast! On the 23rd, we have a regular meeting!

We are all so excited to see everyone again after moving our meeting from the 16th. In the future, We are excited to make cotton candy on the 27th, and parade on the 28th, and a Masonic Honoring on November 6th! Be sure to come by and support the Jobies! The Bottle Auction is at 6, and the meeting follows at 7. We also have a blackout meeting on November 20th!

It's going to be so much fun!!!

**Respectfully submitted,
Carrie Gillilan, Honored Queen #48**

Anoka DeMolay

Until next month.....

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Hello from the Minneapolis Scottish Rite,

Are you interested in joining Scottish Rite? Do you have questions about Scottish Rite? If so, please talk to me.

**Darren Swenson
Double Eagle for Anoka 30**



Greetings from Shekinah #52!

The companions of Shekinah Chapter, Royal Arch Masons are holding our fall, Sunday Dinner Fundraiser on November 19, from 5pm until 6pm. Excellent Companion Tony Heimer will be fixing dinner and it will be great, as always. The charity for this dinner is Royal Arch Research Assistance, who helps fund research for treatment of central auditory processing disorder. Come join us for a fun dinner and raise money for a worthy cause. Tickets are required in advance. Please see any member of the Chapter to get some.

All members of Shekinah Chapter, please make it to our November convocation on the 22nd. This will be our last convocation of the year and we will be electing next year's officers.



Ty Schmidt
Excellent High Priest

From Zabud Council #10.....



Greetings Anoka Masonic Family from the Officers of Zabud Council No.10, Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

We meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month following Shekinah Chapter No.52 U.D., at approximately 8PM.

Throughout Masonry you repeatedly hear the term "perfecting your craft". This means you are constantly improving the very thing that makes you who you are and be able to share it with the world. While doing so, there are those who are watching you perfect your craft and may be impressed with your skill just as King Solomon was with the craftsmen he chose, each one a master in their craft. If you become a Royal Master you have been symbolically chosen because of your skill as a craftsman and because of who you represent. In this degree as a Royal and Select Master you were selected by King Solomon to design and make the holy vessels that were to be placed within the Sanctum Sanctorum. Among these items was the Ark of the Covenant which completed King Solomon's temple. This represented a select group. Today a group of the most skilled brothers brought together who are perfecting their craft and demonstrating brotherly love can and will help future generations of brothers that are "perfecting their craft" in this degree of Master Masons.

Please submit your petition to a York Rite Mason and join us the 4th Wednesday of every month to continue perfecting your craft in Freemasonry.

**Illustrious Master David Birkman
Zabud Council No. 10**



Come one, come all to our Annual Chili Contest/Feed

**November 19th
11-1pm
Anoka Masonic Lodge**

**Enter your chili for a chance to claim the title of Chili
Champion and grab a to-go container for the Football
Game.**

**Proceeds benefiting Anoka #30.
Please invite your friends and family and help make this
event a success!**

ANOKA MASONIC LODGE
PRESENTS:

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



Enjoy the Breakfast and tell Santa what is on your list!

SUNDAY
DECEMBER 17
ANOKA MASONIC LODGE
1908 3RD AVE, ANOKA, MN
08:00AM - 11:00 AM



Ticket: \$5 per person

(Kids under 10 eat Free!)

TICKET INCLUDES: DELICIOUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST,
MEET AND GREET WITH SANTA & PRINTED PHOTO

For more information:

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Editor's Note to those receiving the Star and Compass via the United States Postal Service

The December issue of the Star and Compass will be the last one to be printed and mailed to those members of the Anoka Masonic Family who do not have access to email. There are changes coming from within the Post Office which do not allow us to have control of the mailing.

Thank you to the officers of our Anoka Masonic Family for getting me their articles so we can keep our Masonic Family current with what is happening.

A huge thank you to Dave and Denise Emery for picking up the Star and Compass from the printer and preparing it for mailing.

Fraternally,
Peg Oliver