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## Lincoln Lodge #19

Bruce Anderson



**Brother Charles Thone**  
January 4, 1924 -  
March 7, 2018

Brother Charles Thone went to that "spiritual building, that house not made with hands eternal in the heavens", on March 7, 2018, at the age of 94. Bro. Charles was raised to a Master Mason on May 26, 1953. He was born in Huntington, NE on January 4, 1924. He was a 60 year member and our Bronze Jordan medal holder presented July of 2016. I had the privilege of being at the presentation of the medal. Charlie was sharp, and the only thing holding him back was his use of oxygen and a little need of getting up from his chair. He joined the Scottish Rite in March of 1955. He was a 32nd degree in 1973 and a 33rd degree in 1993 and was a member of the Shrine from 1955 until 2015.

Charles Thone, the former Nebraska governor and congressman who helped investigate the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr., died Wednesday at the age of 94.

Thone — known to Nebraskans as "Charley" — died of natural causes at 4:15 p.m. at his home in Lincoln.

Thone represented Nebraska's 1st Congressional District from



1971 to 1979. He served one term as governor, from 1979 to 1983

"Charley had a very big heart — people always talked about how big his heart was," Schorr said.

"He had friends in every corner of the state, and engaged everyone he met with warmth, respect and good humor," said Nebraska Secretary of State John Gale.

Thone, born on Jan. 4, 1924, grew up on a 400-acre farm near Hartington, in northeastern Nebraska, where his family raised cattle, corn and hogs. He served as an officer in the U.S. Army infantry during World War II, and went on to graduate from the University of Nebraska's law school in 1950.

Thone is survived by his wife, former first lady Ruth Thone, and three daughters.

Our lodge will be busy the month of March with 3 Fellowcraft degrees to confer. Needless to say, we will need some help with the degrees. If you are called, please say yes. Even if you are not called, come and support our new officers as our lodge continues to grow. The next few weeks will be devoted to learning new parts. Most of our new slate of officers have not held an office before but they are enthusiastic and will be a great addition to the lodge.

Please keep the date of May 20th open as we will be having a Re-dedication of Lincoln Lodge 19 in celebration of our 150th anniversary.



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### DUES ARE DUE

Dues for all Nebraska Masonic Lodges for 2018 are due Jan. 1. Send payment to your Lodge Secretary. Members with unpaid dues are delinquent as of March 1. Suspension by Grand Lodge comes April 30. Suspension in Blue Lodge also means suspension in Eastern Star, York Rite, Scottish Rite and Shrine.

Look at your dues card. If it does not say 2018, send payment today to your Secretary.

Eastern Star dues are also due Jan. 1. Send dues to your Chapter Secretary. Unpaid members will become delinquent Oct. 1, with suspension Dec. 31.

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## Martha Washington Chapter #153

Paula Beezley

Martha Washington Chapter #153 met on Thursday, March 1st and while it was rather balmy outside, you could have hung meat in the building. The temperature in the Lodge Room never rose above 55 so, needless to say, Worthy Matron Pam made speedy work of the business that needed to be conducted. Because of illnesses, ailments and vacations, we had several pro-tem officers.

WM Pam welcomed those in attendance

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and thanked them for coming.

She asked for volunteers for the next Creamed Chicken Dinner on March 10. If you have not ever attended one of these dinners, we invite you to come and join us for an inexpensive but very good meal. Every second Saturday of the month is either the Creamed Chicken/Bunza dinner (October through April) or the Fish Fry (May through September), serving from 4:30 to 7:00 at the Havelock Masonic Lodge.

We had a nice attendance at our annual George and Martha Washington Dinner on Saturday, February 17th. Sis.

Janice Nitz entertained us with a report of her involvement with the Honor Flights. It was a very enjoyable evening for everyone.

We voted to fund two O.E.S. scholarships for the coming year as we have done in the past. We also voted to provide a scholarship for the Masonic All-Star Band.

WM Pam reported the change in date for the School of Instruction. It will be Saturday, March 31. Vegetable beef soup will be provided by Sis. Betty Kirby and everyone else is encouraged to bring sandwiches or salads.

Bro. Dave Sierks was to have surgery on

March 2. Sis. Michelle Smith was not at the meeting due to a problem with her back. Sis. Kelsey Larsen also was not in attendance as her knee was bothering her after working all day. Sis. Marolyn Robson was also having issues with her leg and was not at the meeting. Sis. Sue Hedges reported that Grand Electa Joan Alexander's husband recently spent 11 hours in surgery for a brain tumor but he is now doing well. Sis. Maxine Buchardt reported that Sis. Lorette Hedges is in a rehab center after falling a couple of weeks ago. Sis. Jeanne Krenk reported that Sis. Eleanor Krenk is out of the rehab and

is staying with son Ken until going to Arizona to spend time with her daughter.

Sis. Maxine Buchardt was serenaded as her birthday is March 31. Others with March birthdays are Sis. Charlotte Contatore (1), Sis. Ayla Wilhite (4), Sis. Wanda Fisher (17), Bro. John Kirby (19), Bro. Bryan Bingham (27), and Bro. Troy Tuhey (28).

We would enjoy seeing you at our meetings the first Thursday of each month at 7:30.

## George Washington Lodge #250

John Kirby

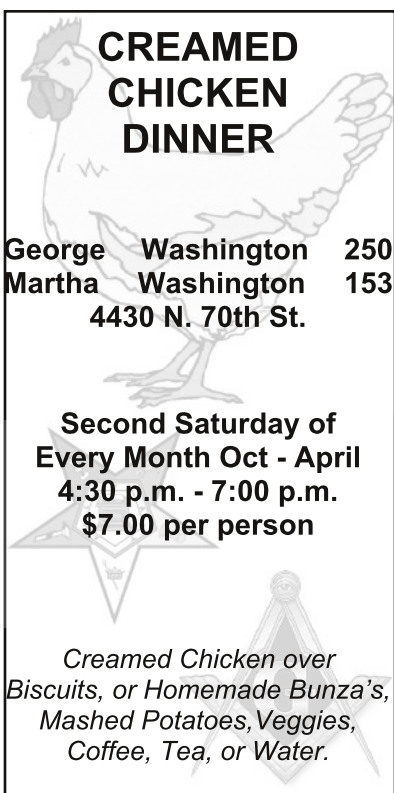
Greetings from the Brethren of George Washington Lodge. My, how time flies. It seems like just the other day we installed our new officers for the 2018 year. We are so proud to have some new faces on the floor. Brother Roger Warnke is one of our new faces. His work kept him from continuing up the line for several years and is now our Junior Warden. Brother Keith Chambers came all the way from Detroit and is our Senior Warden. Dan Brunsen is taking his first shot at Secretary and we

welcome back after a brief absence PM Don Eisenbarth as our chaplain. WB Andy Martin is leading the gang for his second time and I know we are headed for a successful year especially with the likes of those faithful brothers who have held offices year after year being PM Eric Bachenberg and PM George Wright.

When you read this we will be on Daylight Saving Time and we are looking so forward to another spring and summer of ALL YOU

CAN EAT FISH FRIES.

Our first fry of the year will be Saturday, May 12. This is a continual event and will be our twenty-something year of doing it. Serving from 4:30 pm to 7 pm on each second Saturday May thru September. See our ad for details. We hope you can come and enjoy.

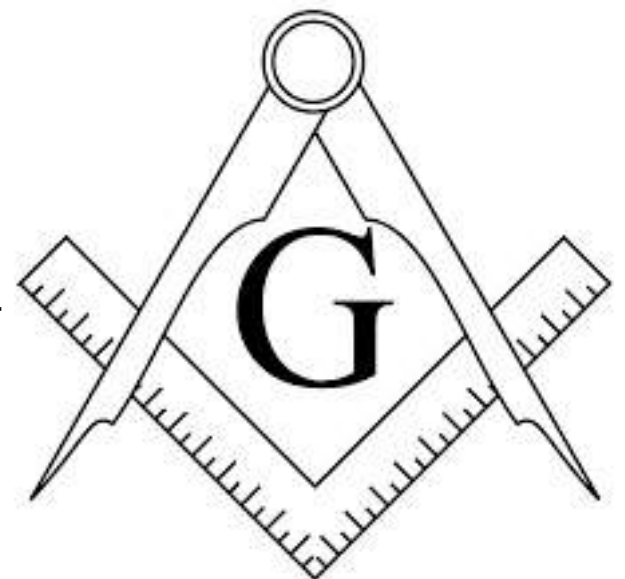



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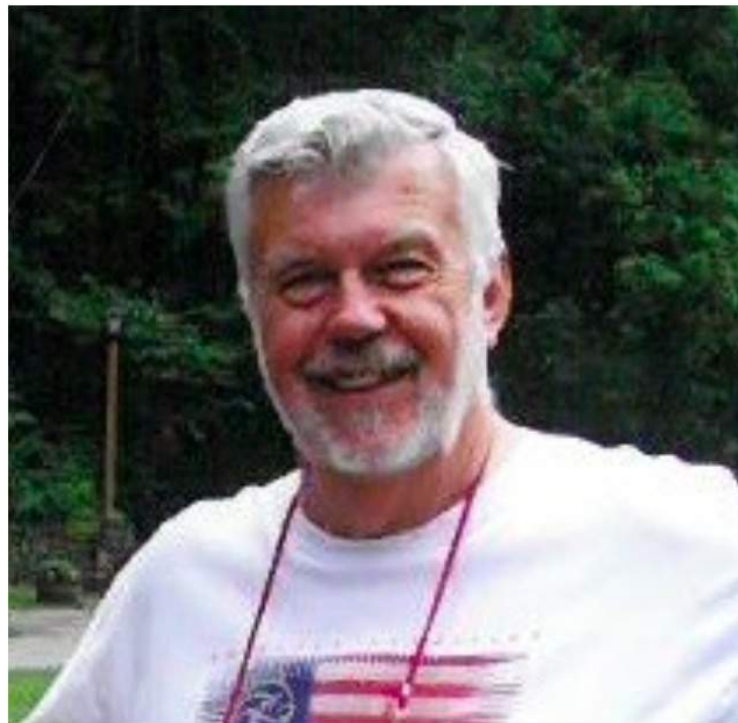
Joel Green

On Thursday, February 22, 2018, East Lincoln 210 became the first lodge of Freemasons to hold a meeting in a cave in over 100 years! WM Joel Green, whose book *ROBBER'S CAVE: Truths, Legends, Recollections* will be out this spring, gave an educational presentation about the cave and cave degrees.

Permission to move the lodge's charter and a special dispensation to install out of time was granted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master Barger, so Treasurer RJ Lipert was also installed at the event. After the meeting and photo shoot, drinks and conversations were had by 210's brethren upstairs at Blue Blood Brewing Company's brewpub—a wonderful evening altogether.

WM Green made a trip to the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children in Fremont to tour the grounds. The lodge agreed to give a donation to Bethel 27 for their Shiner Hospital trip to Minneapolis. Two petitions were read, investigation committees were named, and WB Michaelson reported on his updates to the lodge's bylaws. WB LeRoy Rosenthal presented WB Christopher Rosenthal his Past Masters' Apron. The lodge congratulated their newest perpetual member, Bro. Jeff Buhrman, and WB Monte Dietrick presented Masonic Education on Hiram Abiff. Finally, Bro. Bill Short visited from Cotner 297 in order to speak on the various Education conferences, podcasts, and YouTube channels available to brethren.

Sickness and Distress: East Lincoln 210 learned that we lost another brother on January 30, Robert Newell.



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## Starcraft Chapter #307

### Terri Sherman

It's March and that means another meeting of Starcraft was held. We met on Wednesday March 7th. We had a good crowd for our meeting, some wearing the green of St. Patrick's Day. Sis Cora opened the meeting with Bro. Jim Bannister giving a welcome.

We voted to present a third school scholarship to Alma Wilson's Great Granddaughter. Sis. Cora gave us the specifics regarding the Supervisor school scheduled for March 17th. We reviewed the Grand Chapter Resolutions. Under new business, Initiation was exemplified.

### Groups

Kensington cancelled their March meeting because of the ice conditions. Their next meeting will be April 2nd. Past Matrons will meet March 16th at The

Legacy. Members will be called.

### Sickness and Distress

Sister Ruth Beach has been having a few health issues as has Sis. Shirley Marks.

Before we closed the meeting we sang happy birthday to Sis. Dee Coad.

Before we went down to refreshments

Sis Cora told us about another famous person from Nebraska. Susan Dennis was this month's Nebraska born movie star. She was born in Hastings Nebraska, graduated from Lincoln High and went

on to a 35 year acting career. Dennis made her television debut in 1956 in *The Guiding Light*. She next appeared in *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* (1966). She also made many Broadway appearances. Her last role was in 1991, where she played a leading role in the film *The Indian Runner*, which marked Sean Penn's debut as a film

director. Sandy Dennis died from ovarian cancer in Westport, Connecticut, at age 54.

Terri Sherman served a green pistachio dessert in the dining room following the meeting.

### April Birthdays

April 7	Cora Redwine
April 7	Dora Redwine
April 9	Eldine Dove
April 9	Esther Busboom
April 12	Joann Rosenthal
April 18	Jere Ann Puckett
April 19	Roy Smith
April 22	Terri Sherman



## Lancaster Lodge #54

### Turner Cox



performed the Entered Apprentice degree for Neil O'Conner and Dr. John George, both pictured.

On March 3rd Mary Lou Kline, MW Russ Reno's sister passed away peacefully. On behalf of all your brothers, we will keep you and your family in our hearts and prayers in this time of mourning.

In the coming weeks Lancaster 54 has many activities planned. The first on March 16th is a practice for our upcoming proficiencies on the 23rd for the Entered Apprentice and the Fellowcraft Degrees. The next few Fridays we will also be practicing for the Masters proficiency in May, and our regular business meeting will be on April 6th as normal. Lancaster 54 will be having a Lodge camping trip on April 20th; if you are interested contact Kory Johnson,

Matt Zier, or Joe Huskey for further details on the trip.

Upcoming Degrees are in the works; we have several brothers who are working to be ready for their Fellowcraft Degrees which are going to happen in April and May. These new brothers are working diligently with older experienced brothers to get them to the next step in their journey.

On February 16th and 23rd, Lancaster 54



# Temple Chapter #271

## Mike Lagueux

March 5th saw WM Denise and WP Monte welcoming District Grand Supervisor Dottie Arent to Temple Chapter for the yearly perusal of the essentials of the Chapter. Officers presented their particular parts of the initiation ceremony, "Red Books" were examined and new LARGE PRINT books were issued. When all was said and done the Chapter was found to be in good order and the members well versed in their positions.

A break was taken to allow members to enjoy a pot luck supper. The food was excellent and the company was even better.

As dangerous as it is to conduct work after a wonderful meal, Temple opened Chapter to conduct their monthly business meeting. The meeting went very quickly accomplishing everything necessary for the Chapter to continue to

move forward. WM Denise continues her lessons on what the Chapter, the City of Lincoln, and the State of Nebraska was doing during this period of time 100 years ago. These journeys back in time are well received and very informative. We should always learn from where we have been to determine where we can go.

We are especially glad to hear that PGP Carl Plants continues to recover well from a fall on ice that sent him to the hospital. PGP Carl had broken his hip and required surgery to repair the break. We are especially glad to hear that he is recovering quickly at home and has regular visits from Physical Therapy Specialists looking forward to the day when the visits will not be necessary! He has been able to lose about 15 pounds, but stops short of recommending breaking

your hip as a weight loss program. We wish him God speed in his recovery and ask that all keep him and Carolyn in their thoughts and prayers.

On a similar note, PGP Jim Brown continues to improve from his surgery and has been allowed to do what he loves...go outside and play in the Montana snow. While Jim is happy, it also gives Diane a break from a

quickly developing case of cabin fever. PGP Jim is an example of what every person should strive to make their life. He is positive in outlook, confident in his abilities, and knows his God is always in his life. Both PGP Carl and PGP Jim are men that everyone should strive to emulate.

Doing the right thing can sometimes be very difficult, do the right thing anyway.

It's easy to do the "hard right" when others are watching...do you do it when only God is watching? Try finding someone who needs a random act of kindness...you may need that. God Bless and keep you.



## Timeless Traditions

### Greg Knott, Midnight Freemason

When somebody tells you a story, as long as that story lasts, you're caught in this sort of timeless moment. Michael Paterniti

One of the greatest strengths of our fraternity is the timeless traditions that are passed from one generation to the next. Our ritual work is at the heart of this tradition. If it was possible to go back in time, you could enter any lodge in America over the past 200 years, be able to watch or participate in a degree and the words would generally be the same.

These timeless traditions came to mind as I attended a third degree at Sidney

Lodge No. 347 in Sidney, Illinois. This lodge isn't far from where I live, but for whatever reason, I have seldom attended any functions there. Sidney lodge was chartered in 1860 and is still going strong. They have five new brothers coming through the degrees at the current time and are working hard to improve their lodge.

The lodge is located in heart of downtown Sidney, which has about a 2-block business district. At one time the Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias also had lodges in town, but it is the Freemasons that have survived and thrived in Sidney.

Sitting in that lodge room that night, I looked at the old Past Master pictures hanging on the wall and thought these men went through the exact same degree work that the brother was about to have conferred upon him.

The degree work that night was excellent. A new brother Master Mason was raised and Sidney lodge had its newest member, just like the degree night 158 years ago.

The next time you are attending a degree or stated meeting, take a minute and think about all the men who have passed that way before you and know that you are sharing

the same experiences they did. You now share in the obligation of helping carry that tradition into the future for men who will petition to become Freemasons that may not have even been born yet.

As a Freemason you are carrying on these timeless traditions.



## Electa Chapter #8

Mike Lagueux

One of Mother Theresa's favorite sayings when she was asked why she did what she did was; "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me" (Matthew 25:40, 45, NIV). Usually when we hear this passage we associate it with Jesus and His ministry while among us. But, have you ever wondered how this applies to us and our modern society? WM Sue has, and is trying to put her interpretation of it into practice.

Who are "the least of these" that we talk about as it relates to our current society? Are they the ones we try not to see sleeping under bridges or in doorways; the family residing in the vehicle they do not have money to drive, or perhaps the woman pushing a shopping cart down the street piled high with aluminum cans she has plucked out of trash cans,

dumpsters, and along the streets to get enough money to eat something today? Do we turn away, speed up the car a little to pass by and not have to stop at the light and continue to see their circumstance? Do we justify their existence by saying we have done all we can, and people have to help themselves?

But, have we done all we can? WM Sue doesn't think we have, and she is trying to put our watch words into practice...you know, Faith, Hope, and Charity. The blue barrel at the Temple at 1635 L. Street has been woefully unused to help those in need and Sue has undertaken the challenge to make it a receptacle of hope for others. Around the middle of last month she began a drive to see how much soup she could collect during the month of February and sent out a general appeal to all members of the Masonic

community. The final tally for less than half a month was an astonishing 27.25 pounds. There were some other items donated as well, but the reality is approximately 60 people had something to eat last month that possibly would not have without the contributions from that barrel.

The barrel is still there, and this month contributions of personal hygiene items are the target. Items such as new tooth brushes, tooth paste, combs, brushes, soap, tampons, etc.; all of the things we take for granted in our everyday life...new items only please. We hope you will make use of the opportunity to help those who need it...it's such a small sum of money for most of us, but such a huge gift to those who need it.

While on the subject of donations, we would like to thank Sister Susan

Franson for her generous contribution of over \$1000 of lumber and building supplies to the New Masonic Temple Association to help with DIY projects around the Temple. Brother Jim had many projects he was not allowed to complete, and the material we received from Susan is directly related to many of these projects he did not get to see to fruition. Thank you for the help and for thinking of us in your generosity.

Please keep PM Dona Hurst in your thoughts as she recovers from an unfortunate incident that sent her to the hospital. While on her way to meet other members to conduct business for Electa she became a victim of the ice that has claimed so many people this year. She broke her ankle and required surgery and 10 screws and a pin to repair the damage. Little can keep her down however

and she presided over the Temple Foundation meeting and attended the Supervisor's visit...although slowed a little due to her wheel chair! Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers as she recovers.

Finally, on March 3rd, Electa and Capital Chapters gathered for a joint session with District Grand Supervisor Dottie Arent. It was a beautiful day and all went well as it progressed. There was a pot luck lunch and all were able to remain awake after finishing it! The day complete, all gathered for a final group picture.

As you go about your various duties and responsibilities this year, think of those less fortunate around you and see if you can do a random act of kindness...no one has to know! May God Bless and keep you.

## Bethel #5

Katrina, Marshall

### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

On Sun., Jan. 7, 2018, Bethel 5 had their open Installation of Officers for Honored Queen - Elect Lauren and members of Bethel 5. A fun year is planned and we hope you can make any event.

### BLANKETS FOR PETS

Past Honored Queen Gwen's service project was making blankets for pets at the adoption agency. We were able to make blankets at our Halloween party and she was able to deliver them to the shelter.



### SERVING RECEPTIONS

Bethel 5 was asked to help serve the reception for Liberty Lodge 300 and Lincoln Lodge 19 Installation. Even though the girls were unable to attend, the adults stepped in to assist and had a wonderful time.



### GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

On Feb. 25, members of Bethel 5 attended Honored Queen's Church in Raymond, NE. The girls signed the 1st and 5th verse of Nearer My God to Thee. Cookies and Fellowship was enjoyed by all at the Church. We even

were blessed to have the presence of two of our Jobie to Bee's. After service we enjoyed a wonderful lunch at Ramano's Pizza.



### SPRING WORKSHOP

Four of our Bethel members attended the Spring Workshop in Hastings, NE on March 10 and 11. They also saw the Last Jedi in 3D as a fun event. Fun was had by all. Then members of Bethel 5 met and had their Bethel meeting on Sunday March



11th.

### VILLAGE INN PIE CARDS

Members of Bethel 5 are selling Village Inn Pie Cards as one of their fundraisers. Each card is selling for \$10. Pies offered with this card are: Cherry, Coconut Cream, Country Apple, French Silk, Lemon Meringue, Lemon Supreme, Pumpkin, Strawberry Rhubarb and Triple Berry. Pies not listed above can be purchased for an additional \$2. If you would like to purchase a card, please contact Guardian Secretary Deb Kendle at dmkendle@gmail.com or call / text 402-617-3991 and she will put in contact with any member of Bethel 5. These make great gifts.

just \$1 each. Candy Bars available are; Caramel, Milk Chocolate, Dark Chocolate, Almond and WF Crisp. This is a dual fundraiser for the girls and also for HIKE! If you would like some, contact any Bethel member!



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Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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Tom Michaelson, Recorder 423-1984  
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Business meeting 7:00 p.m.

**Scottish Rite**

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**Shrine**

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 Thur. Apr 5 - Sat Apr 7: York Rite Grand Session - Younes Center, Kearney  
 Sun. Apr 8: Grand Master's Dinner - Sesostris Shrine  
 Sat. Apr 14: Grand Lodge All Committee Meeting - Masonic-Eastern Star Home For Children - 8:00 AM  
 Fri. Apr 20 - Sat. Apr 21: Lincoln Valley Scottish Rite Reunion  
 Sat. Apr. 21: Masonic Family Picnic - contact Cindee Lighthall 402-304-3402 or Martha Cabelas 402-601-5201 for directions  
 Sat. Apr 28: Fiesta Feed for HIKE  
 Sat. May 19: Capitol Chapter Taco Feed

## Tales From The North (Dakota)

**Tyler T. Hall**

Greetings from Bismarck/Mandan, North Dakota, from Brother Tyler, a perpetual member of North Star Lodge No. 227 in Lincoln, Nebraska, and dual member of Mandan Lodge No. 8 in Mandan, North Dakota.

I bring you news and experiences from my travels from DeMolay to Masonry to other appendant bodies in Lincoln, Nebraska, to the Twin Cities of Minnesota, and finally to western North Dakota.

Hope you enjoy each month as we go on a trip together in search for that which may not have been too lost.

### MASONIC EDUCATION

From day one in DeMolay, the learning began and still grows within the Masonic journey today. Presentations at Dinners, DeMolay Chapter meetings, Lodge meetings, Scottish Rite Valley meetings, festiveboards, and Feasts. North Star Lodge No. 227 has enjoyed having a Lodge Education Officer (LEO) for years when I still lived in Lincoln; it really was enjoyable to hear education about the symbolism, history, and traditions of Masonry. Minnesota was a bit of a blur as I tried more heavily to advance in my career, but the Sherburne Lodge No. 95 in Elk River too had a LEO to lead the Lodge in its Masonic Education. North Dakota is more relaxed in Lodge's LEO's (AKA "Local director of Masonic Service and Education") as it's not a required officer or position in the Lodge.

I'm one to agree that some

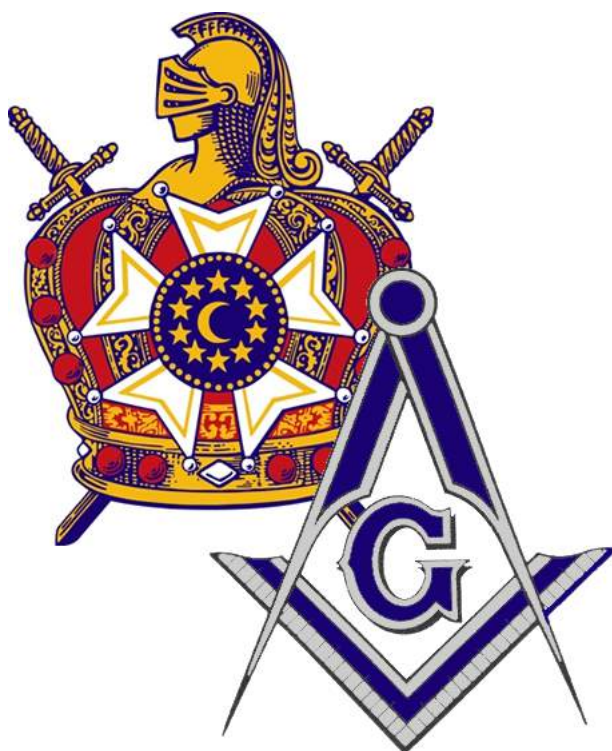
education program is important in any Masonic meeting. It's not just to enjoy the learning, teaching, mentoring, and gaining knowledge together, but also to break up any business that the meeting has to comply. Last year for my year in the East at Mandan Lodge No. 8, I had a couple of our Lodge's seasoned members present their multi-part presentation on Masonic Etiquette; the ins-and-outs of what to do, how things traditionally are done and why, and what the elements of the symbolic working tools of the Lodge mean. This was rather enjoyable, and I'm glad the men whom presented considered themselves mentors and were willing to help out and educate our brethren.

In our Bismarck Valley of the Scottish Rite, we have an education program at every stated meeting. Additionally, I love the Degrees as each teaches us more that we can use for our personal Masonic journey. I even get the opportunity to share and teach our new Scottish Rite Masons and sideliners about DeMolay when I introduce the 30th Degree to everyone prior to the degree conferral as the Degree Master. Education is also prevalent in our VMAP (Valley Membership Achievement Program) and our Feasts.

My Eastern Star Chapter's Worthy Matron includes a moment of education on our proficiency, which reminds all of us in that chapter room of the aspects of the Chapter, Eastern Star in general, and our history of being.

As DeMolay Month continues here in March, it is important to note the history of the Order and the beginnings of such a great young men's organization that helps form our leaders later in life. March 24th, 1919, was the first official meeting of DeMolay; March 18th marks the anniversary of the death of the martyr, Jacque DeMolay, who exemplified the principals of Brotherly Love and trustworthiness to his friends. Maybe this can be your Masonic Education as I sign off for this issue of the Masonic News...

Lots of stories in between, but more articles yet to come...Thanks for listening.



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