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November 2019

Martha Washington Chapter #153

Betty Kirby

Our chapter met on Nov. 7 at 7:30 p.m. The business of the Chapter was efficiently handled by our Worthy Matron Sis. Shellie Smith. Our annual Roast Beef Dinner once again was a very successful event. Thanks to everyone who attended the dinner, to those members who worked on that day, and to everyone who purchased tickets. We are most grateful to be able to host this event that provides funds for our charities.

Election of Officers was handled by our Worthy Patron, Bro. John Kirby. The following have been elected for the upcoming year: Worthy Matron, Sis. Sue Hedges; Worthy Patron, Bro. Andy Martin; Associate Matron, Sis. Julie Fowler; Associate Patron, Bro. John Kirby; Secretary, Sis. Betty Kirby; Treasurer, Bro. Mike Buchardt; Conductress, Sis. Shellie Smith; Associate Conductress, Sis. Paula Beezley.

Our Chapter extends its sympathy to Sis. Jeanine Bryceson on the loss of her sister and to Bro. Bill and Sis. Yvonne Nelson on the loss of Bill's mother. Past Grand Matron, Sis. Mary Ann Watchorn passed away on November 6. Sis. Phyllis McGill has moved to assisted living at Fall Brook. Sis. Pam Lindholm has fallen and injured her knee. Sis. Paula Beezley has a short-stay in the hospital a few weeks ago.

Birthday wishes are extended to the following members: Jeanne Krenk (Nov. 1); Dennis Siekman and Janice Ossenkop (Nov. 9); and David Sierks (Nov. 16).

In honoring our Veterans this month, I would like to use a quote that was read by our Worthy Matron when she opened this month's meeting: "Honor to the Soldier and Sailor

everywhere, who bravely bears his country's cause. Honor also to the citizen who cares for his brother in the field; and who serves, as he best can, the same cause. Honor to him, only less than to him, who braves for the common good, the storms of heaven and the storms of battle." Words of Abraham Lincoln.

Lastly, I need to share a Thanksgiving poem read by our Associate Matron, Sis. Sue Hedges::

"The Turkey Shot out of the Oven"

The turkey shot out of the oven and rocketed into the air,
It knocked every plate off the table and partly demolished a chair.

It ricocheted into a corner and burst with a deafening boom,
Then splattered all over the kitchen, completely obscuring the room.

It stuck to the walls and the windows, it totally coated the floor,
There was turkey attached to the ceiling, where there'd never been turkey before.

It blanketed every appliance, it smeared every saucer and bowl,
There wasn't a way I could stop it, that turkey was out of control.

I scraped and I scrubbed with displeasure, and thought with chagrin as I mopped,
That I'd never again stuff a turkey with popcorn that hadn't been popped.

by Jack Prelutzky

The board of directors and staff of The Masonic News extend their warmest wishes this Thanksgiving season, and look forward to serving you in the year to come.

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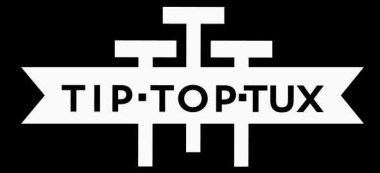
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East Lincoln Lodge #210

Joel Green

The annual Soup Supper was held at the lodge on November 7, and then on Friday, Nov 15th, East Lincoln 210 held quite the elegant holiday party: a Past Masters / Ladies at the Table / Holiday Party with bottle auction featuring prime rib from Leon's! All proceeds went to the lodge renovation fund.

I am excited to note that East Lincoln 210 has enjoyed quite the influx of membership under WM Jeff Buhrman:

recently, Ken Colson, Christopher Johnson, Trevor Dozler, and Rick Harris all been petitioned to join 210. Brothers Adam Hohman and Mark Reece have proved up in the FC long form and are preparing for their sublime degrees!

Brother Bud Miller won 210's gun raffle and WM Jeff Buhrman won the meat raffle and decided to donate the proceeds back to the lodge. Also, 210's WB Bill Hayes became a 32nd degree

Scottish Rite Mason this month! Congratulate WB Bill when you next see him.



It is with a somber tone that I must report the passing of brothers Neil Berg and Pressley Williams. Brother Berg left us on March 19, 2019, and Brother Williams on July 13, 2019.

Brother Neil was one of five children and was raised on the family farm near Pleasant Dale, NE. He was united in marriage to Judy Whitlow on March 15, 1959, in Auburn, NE. They made their home in

Lincoln, NE, where Neil worked for the railroad for 38 years. Neil is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Judy.

Please keep the following brethren in your thoughts and prayers as they cope with sickness or distress: WB Bob and Kevin Pratt, WB Scott Dietrick, Dietrick Fry, and Shawn Wilson.

Lincoln Lodge #19

Bruce T. Anderson

During the last few months I have been talking about Lincoln Lodge's degree work. We have not let up on degree work. October saw Lincoln Lodge No. 19 confer the Entered Apprentice degree on one candidate and the Master Mason degree on two more Brothers. We now have another Fellowcraft degree and two more Master Mason's degrees scheduled. Time to come to Lodge and see the degrees.

We also have been working very hard to complete our proficiency for the year. November 11 we will exemplify the Master Masons degree for our Lodge custodian and complete our proficiency for the 85th year. Quite an accomplishment for our Lodge.

The new 2020 officers have been elected and will take office in January. Worshipful Master William Folsom has agreed to be Master for one more year. He will be assisted by Wes Bottorf as Senior Warden and Beau Ballard as Junior Warden. Our Secretary/Treasurer, WB Bruce Anderson will again serve our Lodge for another year.

I recently attended the North Central Conference for York Rite Masons in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. This conference is always a

great learning experience and I always come home with renewed vigor for our Fraternity. This year I started out listening to the Grand Encampment of the Grand Commandery. Their presentation was on Membership. Yeah, I know we always talk about it, but this time around it was different. About half-way through the presentation the presenter came away from the podium and his prepared speech and went into the group and asked for comments and suggestions. This was the highlight of my weekend. I was able to hear what others were doing to not only entice new members but keep current members coming.

As I sat there listening to those comments, I thought it all boils down to one word, EDUCATION. We bring in new members, take

them through the degrees and orders and a lot of the time that is where it ends. We don't educate them about the degrees and orders they have just been through. Many times, we neglect to educate a new Brother about Blue Lodge Masonry or York Rite Masonry. That new Brother does not have a clue about what he has just witnessed. Many units have educational sessions after their meetings but far too many do not. A ten-minute talk about a part of a Blue Lodge degree or a York Rite degree would help enhance a meeting and keep a new Brother coming back to hear the rest of the story.

Yes, Grand Lodge sends out a single educational sheet each month, but does that get talked about or even read? I have taken to printing out these sheets and making sure that every Brother gets a copy. If

they read it I don't know, but I would hope so. Grand Lodge now has said we need to require all the questions and answers for degree proficiency. I would hope that this will give the new Mason a chance to ask questions about Masonry and what each degree means. Yes, it may take a little longer to get the proficiency done but the brother will perhaps know a little more about Masonry and keep coming back for "the rest of the story". I hope to have more thoughts on EDUCATION in future issues.



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Electa Chapter #8

Mike Lagueux

I'm going to state the incredibly obvious for a moment...here we are in November of 2019. Looking back it's hard to believe we are at this point already. It seems like only yesterday new officers were trying to figure out what they were doing and when they should do it. A new slate of officers will soon take over the government of the Chapter and begin conducting the work for the New Year. The retiring officers will take a deep breath of relaxation and begin to prepare the records and accounts of the organization to be turned over to the incoming officers.

This dance is not a new one, it has been the same for decades, and the Chapter is always left in

good hands. Thanks to the tenacity of the people chosen to govern this will always be the case.

The barrel project to feed and provide basic life necessities for the less fortunate of our community continues and is always something Electa and the rest of the Masonic Community can be proud of. Again it has overflowed and given hope to many. Thank you once again for your generosity to our community.

Last month I told you of a program that Past Matron Sue Stroud had started to help the Temple Board fund the restoration of the furniture in the building. She has asked for people to contribute \$10 for assisting to fund the parlor

chair restoration and has almost received enough to cover one of the \$250 chairs. After reading about her program, Dave and Marge Thomson donated the price of a full chair. This program helps keep funds moving through the Temple Board for larger projects and eases the requirement on Lodges and the Chapter by keeping fees down for those who share the building. Thank you Dave and Marge, it is the kind of generosity that you display that keeps us relevant in the community and among the Masonic Fraternity.

On Friday November 08, 2019 Lancaster Lodge #54 conducted a tribute to American Veterans and it was well attended by numerous members of

Electa. Past Patron Don Frank participated on behalf of Electa in laying a wreath with Past Illustrious Grand Master Carl Plants of the Lincoln York Rite. Also present was Past Matron and Pastor Denise Lagueux as the Chaplain for the evening. Worthy Matron Brenda was present and her husband Cody played TAPS at the end of the program. If you have never seen this presentation, please try to attend next year...it is well worth your time.

Finally as we begin to travel the road leading to the holiday season I would remind you to take the time to be safe during these often hectic times. People seem to forget the true reason for the holiday season...keeping those we

love close to us when possible and sharing in commonly held beliefs of faith and community. Please take the time to greet people with a smile and friendly word, keep your temper in check as the pressures of the season close in, and finally do some random act of kindness...people will need that as the season progresses. Lastly, keep those who are serving our country abroad and at home in your thoughts and prayers.

Until next month, Happy Thanksgiving, and may God hold you close as we begin this season of joy and family. God bless you all.

Lincoln Assembly #6

Tiffany Westerholt

The Holidays are upon us and the girls are so excited! Halloween always brings out the fun and spooky! The girls had a blast at the Masonic Youth event at Roca Berry Farms where they hung out with Jobs Daughters, DeMolay and grilled hotdogs and s'mores. Of course as soon as it got dark they sought out the haunted houses, scary paths and left their Mother Advisor by the safety of the fire. Later they got pumpkins and honey as treats to take home. The girls had a booth at the Sesostriis

Shrine Trick or Treat event on Thursday, October 24th. They brought in a game called Witch's Pitch in which kids try to throw squishy balls into cauldrons and they handed out potions to all the treaters. It was a blast and the girls enjoyed getting to have fun as kids played games and trick or treated. They also got hotdogs, chips and pop for dinner. The girls are gearing up for being thankful in November and serving in December and we have lots of fun activities planned. You can

always check out our website at www.lincolnassembly.org and we'd love to see you soon!



Capitol Chapter #320

Sue Stroud

Capitol Chapter #320

Well, it's November. Crisper air, the crunch of leaves under our feet, a hint of frost in the morning air, and.....Election of Officers!

The 2020 elected officers for Capitol Chapter #320 are:

Sister Martha Cabeles, Worthy Matron;
Brother Jairo Cabeles, Worthy Patron;
Sister Cindee Atwood, Associate Matron;
Brother Gary Kassebaum, Associate Patron;
Brother Doug Johnson, Secretary;
Sister Sue Stroud, Treasurer;
Sister Kathy Berger, Conductress.

Open Installation of Officers, Saturday, January 18, 2020, 2:00 p.m., Masonic Temple, 4641 Cooper Avenue.

Other business at our November 4 stated meeting included Worthy Matron Cindee and Worthy Patron Jairo presenting a twenty-five year membership pin to Sister Martha Cabeles.

Please plan to attend our annual Thanksgiving Dinner, November 17, 5:00 p.m., Masonic Temple 1635 L Street. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Note the change of location.

Wishing you and yours a blessed Thanksgiving!



Brother Jairo Cabeles, Worthy Patron of Capitol Chapter #320, presents her twenty-five year membership pin to his mother, Sister Martha Cabeles. Photo by Cindee Atwood.

Liberty Lodge #300

Lynn Friesen

What a night; Thursday, October 10th, Ladies at the Table dinner.

Fourteen Brothers and their ladies spent a fun evening of eating, fellowshiping and toasting to the many blessings in life. It was especially rewarding to be able to share the evening with our two newest EA's and their wives.

Our EA's have been hard at work on their full proficiency and part of their mentoring was an evening of education. Thursday, October 24th, PWM Tom Lagerstrom spent an evening of actively engaging over twenty Brothers in the degree.

We spend time learning, reciting and performing our various parts in the degree, but how often do

we really sit down and decipher what the words truly mean? What lessons are there to be learned from the degree? Not only did Tom actively walk through the degree, but he spent time engaging the group in thought provoking dialogue. An article could be written each month just on the EA degree and it would take months to get through it. For now, just consider the working tools: the 24 inch gauge and common gavel.

The tools may seem basic or even mundane, but when evaluating their uses they provide us with profound insight into life. Consider the 24 hours of the day. How many of us spend eight hours for the service of God and a distressed worthy brother?

Personally I can think of a situation where I failed in this category. A Brother was dealing with taking care of a terminally ill spouse and did I stop to help or spend an evening being an encouraging Brother? The intentions to help were there but the actions were an epic failure. How about eight hours for our usual vocations? How many days do the work hours turn to nine, ten or even longer? Studies on work weeks have found that productivity significantly declines when working greater than fifty hours a week. Finally, eight hours for refreshment and sleep. Even before learning about the 24 inch gauge, how many of us had heard it is beneficial to get 7-8 hours of sleep a night? The health benefits

abound. Imagine how our lives and the lives of our Brothers would be impacted if we took to heart the lesson of the 24 inch gauge.

Next is the common gavel which is used to divest our minds and consciences of all the vices and superfluities of life. I can only imagine what a Mason from 300 years ago would think if they spent a day with our technology. What would they consider to be vices and superfluities? Again, I can think of a personal example with my smartphone. The beginning of every week a notification pops up with the amount of screen time I've averaged each day. Over an hour average every day. Sometimes longer. Would that be considered a vice or

superfluity? Is it something that is necessary, beneficial or detrimental? We can recite the working tools, but have we considered how living the working tools can make us stronger Brothers?

Liberty Lodge would like everyone to join us, Thursday, December 12th for our Lodge Christmas Party. It has been an amazing year and what a great way to end it with fellowship with our Brothers. Our doors will be open at 6pm and open till Worshipful Master Lance Neeman decides it's time to close. Stop by and say hello. Enjoy some food, refreshments and engaging conversation.

College View Lodge #320

P.J. Hadley

Johnson Elected To Lead Lodge In 2020

On Nov. 6, Brother David Johnson was elected Master of College View Lodge #320 for 2020.

Others chosen by unanimous acclaim are WB Byron Van Patten as Senior Warden, WB Gary Kassebaum as Junior Warden, WB Curtis Wolbert as Treasurer and WB Douglas Johnson as Secretary of the Lodge.

Officers will be installed Saturday, Jan. 11, in an open ceremony beginning at 2 p.m. All are welcome to attend!

Workman Is New Bronze Jordan Medal Holder

Brother William (Terry) Workman received a pin and certificate signifying that he is the current Bronze Jordan Medal holder for the Lodge. Terry's portrait will be displayed in the Fellowship Hall recognizing him as the member who's been a Master Mason the longest.



While he was a college senior in Normal, Illinois, Terry was raised a Master Mason in Lodge #673 on Nov. 4, 1957. His career took him to Wisconsin and Oklahoma before Terry moved to Lincoln. He's a former member of East Lincoln Lodge #210 who transferred to #320 in 2006. Terry is a retired U.S. Navy Reserve captain and Lincoln Public Schools educator and staff member.

Bless Achieves Third Degree In Masonry

Fellow Craft Mason Caid Bless was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on Oct. 16. Caid is State Senior Councilor of the Nebraska DeMolay, and several Brothers and colleagues from that fraternal organization assisted with the ceremony.

We welcome Caid to our lodge and look forward to sharing the Masonic journey with him.

Schaufelberger Legacy Continues With Woodworking Tool Sales

WB Don Schaufelberger of Columbus passed this October, but the 94-year-old is far from forgotten. His family donated \$200, which the brethren will use to buy Masonic-themed artwork to display in the Fellowship Hall.

Don was a woodworking enthusiast with many professional grade tools in his home shop. His family donated those tools for us to sell, with proceeds going toward our building and maintenance fund.

Contact our lodge officers to view the collection – they're priced to move!

What's Ahead?

The Lodge calendar notes regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 4, and Wednesday, Jan. 8. As noted earlier, open installation of 2020 officers will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 11.



Lancaster Lodge #54

The brothers of Lancaster Lodge have been requested to perform two courtesy Master Mason degrees for Superior Lodge on Wednesday, December 11th at the 1635 L Street temple. It's been a while since we've had two in one night, and we would love to see both lodge rooms in use at once again! Please contact B. Turner at 402-419-4130 or trntc@gmail.com as soon as possible to let him know what parts you would like to take; as you know, the trestleboard tends to fill up slowly after the major parts are filled, and I know he'll appreciate any volunteers!

We have our final proficiency exam for the year coming up on Friday, November 15th, so by the time you're reading this we hope to have good news to pass on to the brethren regarding our continued history of lodge proficiency!



On Friday, November 8th, we held our annual Veteran's Memorial Ceremony. While our turnout this year was a bit lower than it historically has been, it was still a very well attended event, and all present agreed that it is one of our premier events!



Wow, can you believe it is election season again already? Congratulations to WM-elect Matt Zier and

Adam Thayer

his 2020 officers; we are all looking forward to a fantastic year!

Lancaster Lodge is now one of 29 U.S. lodges to become a member of Society of Washington Lodges by Russ Reno

Lancaster Lodge No. 54 has been recognized as one of 29 lodges in the nation as members of the Society of Washington Lodges at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia.



The lodge, which is the only Nebraska lodge to join the Society to date, was presented a number

of items as part of its membership by M.W.Bro. Russ Reno, including: a framed portrait of Washington preparing to leave for a lodge meeting wearing his apron; a membership certificate; jewels with a profile of Washington for the top three officers to wear and pass down indicating the lodge's membership; and officers and members received a lapel pin with a likeness of Washington.



Lancaster Lodge's name now appears on a plaque in the Memorial, on its website and the Memorial's annual report.

Worshipful Master John Millington said Lancaster Lodge is proud to support the Memorial because of its work to promote the fraternity and the commitment of the father of our country to Freemasonry.

Reno, who is a member of the Memorial's Board, said lodges desiring to join the Society of Washington Lodges, may contact him or complete a form online at: https://cdn.shopify.com/s/files/1/1268/2219/files/swl_fill.pdf?14, and mail it to: George Washington Masonic National Memorial Attn.: George Seghers, Executive Director 101 Callahan Drive Alexandria, VA 22301

The cost to join the Society of Washington Lodges is a one-time donation of \$2,500.

Columbia Chapter #275

Kaylene Martin

Sister Vera "Peggy" Smith

Columbia Chapter was saddened by the death of our Sister Vera on October 26, 2019. She was initiated on December 15, 1953. She was a 66 year member. We extend to the family our deepest sympathy.

Harvest Home Dinner

Columbia Chapter celebrated their annual harvest home with a pot luck dinner. This event is to raise funds for the Fremont Home for Children and the Plattsmouth Masonic

Home with a goodwill offering. Good food and fellowship was had by the members and their families.

Operation Christmas Child

Columbia Chapter gathered items for the Operation Christmas Child boxes which Sister Janice Janssen is sponsoring. These boxes will be sent to areas of need. Thank you Sister Janice.

Santa is Coming to Cotner Temple

The annual Cotner Temple family Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 1, 2019 at 5:00 with a pot luck dinner and a visit from Santa Claus. Please bring a gift for your children to be presented by Santa.



Fifty Year Pin

PP Brother William "Joe" Williams was presented his fifty-year membership pin by W.M. Sister Trudi Thornburg and W.P. Brother John Quinn. Sister Kaylene Martin, Brothers Darrel Weers and Charles Cummings were present. The members of Columbia Chapter congratulate and thank Brother "Joe" for his service to the Order.

Fourth Annual Masonic Chili Cook-Off Winners

Sue Stroud

Favorite Chicken Soup - White Chili: Martha Cabeles, Naphis Temple #6
People's Choice: Jairo Cabeles, College View Lodge #320
1st Place Chuck Wagon Classic Chili: Doug Johnson Hickman Lodge #256
1st Place Bison Breath Chili: Cindee Atwood, Capitol Chapter #320

Hosted by Capitol Chapter #320 & Electa Chapter #8, October 20, twenty-five attendees; free will offering of \$166.00 to the Purple Ribbon Club.



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Starcraft Chapter #307

Bridget Anderson

Happy Holiday Greetings from Starcraft!!

We opened our November meeting in short form with Sis Terri welcoming all. She thanked Sis Brenda Frank-Collins for filling in as Organist and Bro Jim Bannister as Sentinel.

As many of you know, November is elections. The following were elected at our meeting for the 2020 year:

Worthy Matron - Bridget Anderson
 Worthy Patron - Dennis Brydl
 Associate Matron - Terri Sherman
 Secretary - Cora Redwine
 Treasurer - Bev Ryba
 Conductress - Julie Fowler
 Associate Conductress - Illeen Smith
 Trustees - Marcia Michaelson, Ron Tillman, Dennis Brydl

Congratulations to all the newly elected officers!

We received an invitation for Sis Nita Babcock's 90th Birthday Celebration - Happiest of Birthdays Sis Nita!!

Prior to our December meeting, our Craftsman Lodge Brothers are going to be serving us dinner once again. This has become quite the new tradition and hope it will continue to build our friendship and fellowship with them.

Also at our December meeting we will be having a cookie

exchange. Members are asked to bring 2 dozen cookies (or bars) to exchange with everyone.

Illnesses. It was reported that Sis LuEtta Anderson is home from a brief illness. Hope you are feeling better, Sis LuEtta! Bro LeRoy Rosenthal's cataract surgery went well and he is recovering great!

Sympathies to Bro Ron Tillman on the death of his brother Gene, who passed away in early October.

After our Meeting closed, the lovely ladies from Bethel #5 Job's Daughters, performed the Living Cross ceremony for us. As a special treat, they served us pie and ice cream for refreshments!

Northstar Lodge #227

Bob Tooker

Dinner for the November Business Meeting was prepared by WB Steve Wetzel and consisted of leftover pasta and salad. Masonic Education was presented by WB Steven Flader and the lesson was about the Masonic application of the chisel. An

instrument vital to the final finish of a builders stone. Not sure why it was overlooked. I guess it is one of those matters above my paygrade.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
 Election of the 2020 officers was held and the results are as follows: Elected to the East, WB Bruce Watkins. Re-elected to the West, Bro Adam English. Elected to the South, WB Steven Flader. Bro. Allen Plucknett and WB

Steve Wetzel were re-elected Treasure and Secretary respectively. WB Paul Carpenter was elected to a three year term as Trustee. I wish the 2020 officers the best of luck.

TABLE LODGE
 North Star Lodge will hold a Table Lodge, December 18 at 6:30

p.m. The lodge will provide a meat course and the rest of the meal will be a potluck. This is a tiled ceremony in the Entered Apprentice Degree. Guests are welcome.

Till next time.

Temple Chapter #271

Tiffany Westerholt



Temple chapter is reporting a little late this month but we've been busy making homemade egg noodles! Can you believe it's already November?! Temple Chapter held our October stated meeting on October 7th and to have some fun, we wore Halloween costumes and did the initiation ceremony. Our

Conductress was a Star Trek Officer that led around a Halloween witch and our Worthy Matron was such a Princess Cinderella with that gavel! Tilley joined us, that's Sister Lorrie Bryant's pup, although she was much taller than she normally is and we had a woman who was missing her dogs! All in all we had a fun meeting and a

special surprise. Worthy Grand Matron Karan joined us and had the pleasure to announce that sister Lorrie Bryant was appointed as Grand Representative to New York in Nebraska and was presented with her pin! Temple Chapter is excited and blessed to have such amazing talent.



Temple Chapter had its November meeting on November 4th and everything was back to normal. Several members from Temple Chapter attended the All-Committee meeting in Hastings on Saturday, November 9th. We helped put together new member packets, attended committee meetings, talked about committees, heard about the Plattsmouth home and the Rite Care clinic in Hastings and had some great learning sessions. Charlie and Louie spent the day with

us and got rewarded with wonderful gifts for all their hard work this year. It was a great day!

Temple Chapter continues to make our homemade noodles with our last orders going out for the year. We look forward to the coming gatherings and holidays and enjoy spending time with friends. So we hope to see you all soon!



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COMING EVENTS IN MASONRY

Wed. Nov 20: Lodge Leadership Seminar - Grand Lodge, 7 PM
 Sun. Dec 1: Cotner Temple Christmas Party - Cotner Temple, 5 PM
 Thur. Dec 12: Liberty Lodge Christmas Party - Liberty Lodge, 6 PM
 Sat. Dec 14: Creamed Chicken Dinner - George Washington Lodge and Martha Washington Chapter - 4430 N. 70th Street - 402-466-2482 - Creamed Chicken over Biscuits, or Homemade Bunzas, Mashed Potatoes, Veggies, Coffee, Tea, or Water. Pop and Desserts are also Available - \$7 per person - 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM
 Wed. Dec 18: Entered Apprentice Table Lodge - Northstar Lodge #227, 6:30 PM

NOTE: January begins installation season again! If you would like your installation included in the December calendar, please send an email to editor@masonicnews.org, including the name of your organization, the time and date of your installation, and the names of the primary officers being installed. **All submissions must be received by December 10th for inclusion on the installation calendar.**

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.

Joint Activities

In the Bismarck/Mandan area in North Dakota, Masonry and its related groups are pretty active. Even though population in these towns (including Bismarck, the capital city of North Dakota) are roughly 35% of the population of Lincoln, Nebraska, there seems to be a lot of Masonic activities going on.

That being said, why is there sometimes the feeling of separation

between groups, including the 3 Blue Lodges in the immediate area, Shrine Units/Clubs, Eastern Star Chapters, and the Rites? The Bismarck Valley Scottish Rite and Mandan-Bismarck York Rite Bodies have come up with a solution with an activity we can invite all Masons, prospects, significant others, etc. Collectively we are hosting 5 showings of "Inside the Freemasons" on Netflix.

We started Wednesday night, November 6, 2019, with moving our November Stated Meeting time for Bismarck Valley Scottish Rite to 6:30 PM, as we wanted to get the program going by 7:00 PM. (The Prime Time seems to be 7:00 PM for meetings, programs, events to begin in this area). As we invited other Masons, members of the 3 area Lodges, Scottish Rite Valley, York Rite Bodies, and the Shriners, we watched "Inside the Freemasons" Episode 1. This show is a 5-Episode mini-series documentary on the Freemasons in England. It gives the

public a view of Freemasonry in England and beyond in a perspective that is from the Freemasons themselves, rather than a blogger or anti-freemasonry showing us incorrectly. Different elements of the meetings, initiations, and Festive Boards are shown without going into the tiled/coded portions of our ritual.

This ended up being a great evening with everyone bringing snacks and drinks to share, watching the film, and then having great conversations about what we saw, how it compares to what we do here in the States and locally, and ideas of how we can utilize some events/feasts ideas here.

I encourage you in your groups to consider an Education and Discussion evening such as this. It can not only bring good entertainment, but could spark some great educational/esoteric discussions. Also, if you have not yet seen "Inside the Freemasons," I encourage you to find it on Netflix, or plan event to show it with friends and family with someone who does have Netflix.

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



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