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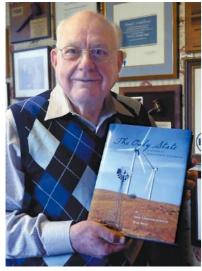
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October 2019

College View Lodge #320

Paul Hadley

Farewell to Don Schaufelberger



WB Donald "Don"
Schaufelberger of
Columbus died Oct. 7, two
days shy of his 94th
birthday.

A funeral service with Masonic honors was held Oct. 10 in Columbus, and interment with military honors was later that afternoon in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.

Don was born in Lincoln. He graduated from Lincoln High School in 1943 and married Norma later that year before enlisting in the United States Navy for two years.

After World War II, this veteran studied electronics at the University of Houston and in 1949 earned a bachelor's in electrical engineering from the University of Nebraska. He began his career with the Consumer Public

Power District (which later merged to become part of the Nebraska Public Power District) and served in many positions. By the time Don retired in 1989 he was the NPPD President and CEO. He continued to serve as a consultant and was a member of many engineering and utility committees.

WB Don served in the East at College View Lodge #320 and was a member of Eastern Star. He was active in his church, as well as the Elks Lodge, Chamber of Commerce in Columbus, Mid-America Council of the Boy Scouts of America, Ducks Unlimited, the Platte **County Historical Society** and several other organizations. He was an avid golfer, wood worker and motorcycle enthusiast.

He also was the Bronze Jordan Medalist for College View Lodge #320. Although Don lived in the Columbus community for many years, he continued to generously support projects at College View Temple, and we greatly enjoyed traveling to Lebanon Lodge #323 in Columbus each year to meet as a Traveling Lodge, where Don could participate with his Masonic family from

Don is survived by Norma, his wife for more than 75 years, their daughter Linda Mohr of Columbus and son Gerry Schaufelberger of Lincoln, as well as three grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

It is written that those who prepare themselves may someday "enjoy the happy reflections consequent on a well-spent life and die in the hope of a glorious immortality." We are missing our brother but celebrate his achievements, his friendship, his leadership and our good fortune to have known him.

Brothers become Fellowcraft Masons



Entered Apprentice Masons Caid Bleess and Jack Hottell were passed to the Fellow Craft Degree during rituals on Sept. 11. WB Tom Anderson conferred the degrees as Worshipful Master.

We salute Bush as Mason of the Year



During the Oct. 2 business meeting, WM Curt Wolbert presented Brother Sean Bush with the annual College View "Mason of the Year" award from the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

Among Brother Sean's accomplishments that led to this recognition was his assistance with the Lincoln Food Bank food drive, in which the fraternal groups meeting at College View Temple donated 274 pounds of food. Congratulations to Brother Sean for a job well done!

The monthly meeting also was billed as "Bring a Brother to Lodge Night" — another success! Every officer was at his station, with several brothers and a guest in the wings.

What's ahead?

Brother Caid Bleess is slated to be raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on Wednesday, Oct. 16. Some of the brothers are planning to participate in the Lincoln Veterans Parade on Saturday morning, Nov 9. The Lodge calendar notes meetings scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 6 — which includes the annual election of officers — and Wednesday, Dec. 4. We hope to see you there!

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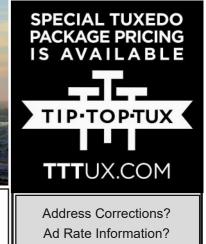
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Martha Washington Chapter #153

Betty Kirby

Preceding our regular We were privileged that meeting on Oct. 3, we had the privilege of hosting Sis. hear this program Lorrie Bryant, Chair of the NE Service and Therapy Secretary, Sis. Jan Dog Committee, who gave an informative and Chaplain and his interesting program on service dogs. She Sis. Marna Raymond. introduced her guest, Lynn Kalemkiarian and her Service Dog, Sookie who works in the Reading program. Sis. Beth Recovery program for Benson, who was the Lincoln Public Schools, the NE Service and specifically at Huntington Elemantary. Lynn delighted everyone with her story of how she became involved with her two dogs, Barney and Sookie. She also shared her experiences us! with some of the school children and the impact Our Roast Beef Dinner is those two four-legged coming up soon on creatures had on the

several guests came to including our own Grand Thoman, and our Grand companion, Bro. Bill and PGM Sis. Jerrie Wilcox and her guest also traveled from Papillion to hear our previous chairperson for Therapy Dog Committee also attended. Thanks to each of you for taking time from your busy schedules to share this evening with

October 20; we will be serving between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.. If you haven't purchased your tickets yet,

please contact one of our officers or call Sis. Paula Beezley (402-489-4241) for your reservations. The tickets are \$12.00 for a great dinner consisting of mouth-watering roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, a mixed greens salad, vegetable, and drinks. For dessert, you can choose from an assortment of Beezley home-made pies! Where can you get a better meal?

On that note, we begin our winter dinners on October 12. The Temple Board will be featuring the usual Creamed Chicken over home-made biscuits or a Hot Roast Beef Sandwich for \$8.00. Serving begins at 4:30 p.m. and concludes at 7:00 p.m.

Bro. Andy Martin will be spending the holidays with

his parents in Florida and will be absent for the December and January meetings. Sis. Shellie is anticipating the arrival of her third grandchild in April of next year.

Congratulations to our WGM, Sis. Karan Birdsall on the arrival of their grand daughter on the night of our meeting. Sis. Marolyn Robson is enjoying her apartment in the Masonic Home in Plattsmouth after having spent a couple of months in assisted living.

Sis. Pam Lindholm and Paula Beezley both had short hospital stays this past month. Bro. David Sierks' father, John, who was a Deputy Grand Custodian for over 50 years, is residing in a memory unit in Rock Port, MO. Sis. Cathy Wagner, a **NE Grand Secretary**

Emeritus, fell and broke her leg last weekend while getting Halloween decorations out of her garage.

Our October birthday wishes go to the following members: Thom Johnson (Oct. 1); Mae Weideman (Oct. 4), Shirley Boardman (Oct. 4); Betty Kirby (Oct. 15); and Eric Bachenberg(Oct. 25).



Liberty Lodge #300

Lynn Friesen

What an amazing success! This year's Liberty Lodge BBQ was so successful that we sold out of everything. Literally everything. That included the ribs, chicken, smoked beans, coleslaw and cornbread. To have an event that well attended and enjoyed by many is a tribute to all the hard work put in by Lodge Brothers and others that helped out. helping us get quality food

children's lives. Thank you

ladies for such a wonderful

evening.

A huge thank you to Doug Krogman and Andy Elliott for starting before sunrise getting the ribs smoking and spending all day finishing their smoked masterpieces. Thank you to Tim Powers, of Liberty #300, for preparing the beans getting that perfect mix of smoke, sweetness and BBQ. Thanks to Bob Kruse, of Liberty #300, for

for our master chefs to prepare. Thank you to Bryan Grove, of Liberty #300, for taking time out of his busy schedule to prepare his grandma's famous cornbread. Thank out and enjoyed the food and spent an evening with us at the Lodge. Lastly, thank you to all the **Brothers of Liberty Lodge** #300. Without you, events of this magnitude would not be possible. There is a special bond to be shared amongst Brothers of a job well done. Thank you.

Thursday, September, 26th Liberty completed the EA degree for two candidates, Kevin Sadler and Manuel "Manny" Walker. We are excited to call them Brothers and look forward to mentoring them as they work through their full proficiency towards their FC and MM degrees.

If you don't have plans to go to the Nebraska / Indiana game on Saturday, October 26th you are welcome to join us as we fill the parking lot with vehicles full of dedicated you to everyone that came fans. Or if you are looking for a great place to park for they move towards more the game, stop on by.

> In November we look forward to spending an evening reflecting on the past. Thursday, November 14th we have a great evening planned to celebrate our Past Masters. They've spent their time in the East and now we get to thank them for their efforts building a Lodge we are extremely proud of.

Then bring on December. Or more specifically, Thursday, December 12th for the Lodge to celebrate Christmas together.

In between all these exciting events we look forward to mentoring our new Brothers, and continue to practice our FC and MM degrees so we can create a memorable experience for them as light in Masonry.



Lancaster Lodge #54

Adam Thayer

On October 4th, the the end of the year! First, you are reminded that brothers of Lancaster 54 met for our normal Lancaster 54 will be monthly business holding our annual

meeting. MWB Russ presented the officers and brothers of Lancaster 54 with a portrait of George Washington, commemorative pins and support this wonderful badges to thank us for our involvement in the Society of Washington Lodges. If you haven't yet, stop by the lodge at one of our meetings to

We voted to support the Home for Children's Purple Ribbon club as we have in the past. This count to report to Grand is a fantastic charity that allows the children in the Eastern Star Home for Children to participate in multiple 4-H projects throughout the year.

The lodge was informed of the passing of Brother Jesse A. Sears; please keep his family in your prayers.

Busy times are coming for the lodge as we near

Salute to American Veterans on November 8th at 7:00 PM. We always like to see a big turn-out for this event, so please come and tribute.

Next, the brothers of Lancaster 54 have elected to participate in the Marine Corps see this beautiful picture! Veteran's Parade on November 9th. Please contact WM John if you are able to attend, so he may have an accurate Lodge.

> Most importantly, WM John has scheduled our Master Mason proficiency to be held on November 15th at 7:00, with two practices on October 18th and 25th. If you don't have a part already, please contact JW Turner right away so he can get an accurate trestleboard prepared.



If you haven't been to lodge lately, it's a great time to stop in and reconnect with your brothers!



Friday, November 8, 2019 7:00 p.m. **Tribute to American Veterans** Lancaster Lodge 54 1635 L Street



Lincoln Lodge #19

Bruce Anderson

Over the last few months The lectures were then I have been talking about given with WB Bruce Lincoln Lodge No. 19 having several candidates for all the degrees, but I haven't talked about anybody taking the degrees. That problem is being solved.

On September 24 Brothers Jason Bennett and Dave Nolte were raised to Master Masons. Both brothers have made a smooth advancement up to Master Masons. Brother Nolte has even taken it upon himself to attend business meetings to keep up with the work of the lodge. Conferring the degree was MWB Reg Kuhn, with WM Will Folsom in the West, and another new members, Neal Clayburn in the South and Bro. Wes **Bottorf as Senior** Deacon.

Anderson asking the questions and answered by WB Paul Kenyon; the section lecture was delivered by MWB Reg Kuhn. The Third Section of the lecture was delivered by WB Paul Kenyon and the charge by WB Virgil Meints. Worshipful Master Will Folsom took the part of the third ruffian for the first time and did very well. We congratulate both brothers and hope they continue to attend.

This was evident in our first business meeting in October. WM Folsom announced we had an **Entered Apprentice** degree to be conferred on October 8 and he had a few degree parts to fill. Both Jason Bennett and Dave Nolte stepped up and volunteered for the parts. Great to see them getting active right away!

October 8th found Lodge the South in the first 19 conferring the **Entered Apprentice** degree on Mr. Jonathan Halstead. It was great to see another man start his journey in Masonry. Conferring the degree was PM J.L. Spray, with WM Will Folsom in the West, WB Bruce Watkins in the South and Wes **Bottorf as Senior** Deacon.



The first section found Bruce Watkins asking the questions and WB Virgil Meints giving the answers The second section lecture was given by MWB Reg Kuhn and the third section lecture by WB Bruce Watkins. I was supposed to sit in

section of the degree and ask the questions, but the cold bug got me and I could not attend. Congratulations to Jonathan on his first degree.

On October 9th the Lincoln Lodge No. 19 had the pleasure of presenting Brother Richard Miller with his 60 year pin.

Left to right: WM Will Folsom, PGM Red Kuhn, Charlie Roper, Lodge 314, Jim Chambers, son, PM Bruce Anderson, (also present Dale Luders, Lodge 300.

Brother Miller received his Entered Apprentice degree June 13, 1950, and was made a Master Mason on January 30, 1951. He was in a class of 5 Brothers receiving the degree on that date. He remembers that there were a goodly numbers of Brothers attending that night. Brother Miller will celebrate his 100th birthday on February 4th. He gets around very well for being 99 years of age.

CREAMED CHICKEN DINNER

George Martha

Washington Washington 4430 N. 70th St.

Second Saturday of Every Month Oct - April 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. \$8.00 per person Hot Roast Beef Sandwich, Creamed Chicken over Biscuits, or Homemade Bunza's, Mashed Potatoes, Veggies,

Coffee, Tea, or Water.

Grand Eastern Star

The Enduring Hope Grand Family of Eastern Star has been on the road, sharing their gratitude for our Order and hopefully that has been contagious. During the month of September we anticipate that we shared the awareness of Eastern Star and the Star Dogs with more than 65,000 sets of eyes and ears. It is our hope and prayer that these seeds of awareness will encourage our communities to be ready for the efforts and events of our Chapters.

Now it is up to each of you to THINK OF THREE! Invite those around you to become acquainted with OES and hopefully join. **During October we will** continue to reach out and serve all across Nebraska. We have traveled to Plattsmouth, Bellevue, Papillion, Brownsville, and across the state to the west to Scottsbluff, Kimball, Mitchell and east again to Palmyra, Fremont, Hooper, Ceresco, and North Bend and west again to McCook. Thank you to each and every chapter that has planned, prepared and served with us! Welcome to each new member that it has been our privilege to initiate.

Two simple little words 'Star Dogs" provide the connective tissue to the committee, the special project, and General Grand Chapter's efforts. "Star

Dogs" is appearing on banners, displays, Facebook, and car magnets. "Nebraska Star Dogs" is an open community Facebook page established in May. We invite you to check out the page, meet the Star Dogs, and stay informed with the happenings of these dogs and the impact they are making. We ask you to visit the page and LIKE it, then invite your Facebook friends to LIKE the page and spread the word of OES and the dogs. See how the dogs are engaged in the lives of children, youth, our seniors and in public events. Little things mean a lot.

Currently "Paws Up" and the Enduring Hope **Grand Family has** partnered to place therapy dogs in the Masonic Eastern Star Home for Children in Fremont, Nebraska (Arwen, Gus and Koda), a dog with the Masonic Home in Plattsmouth, Nebraska (Opal), and with the Rite Care Clinic in Hastings, Nebraska (Sadie), and is partnering for the training of Star, a service dog living with an OES member. The ranks of Nebraska's Star Dogs also include certified therapy dogs Charlie the white golden doodle of Worthy Grand Patron

Karan Birdsall

Bruce A. Baker and his wife and Grand Companion Susie and Louie the black golden doodle of Past Grand Master Dennis Rix and bind together his wife Nan who serves as a Service and Therapy Dog **Standing Committee** member. Charlie and Louie travel and speak for the projects as well as serving regularly in facilities, schools, churches, and with local opportunities. Louie has impacted students in the Fremont High School and we share this story of his great gift of giving life's great joys through his service.



I'M FREE

Louie is a certified therapy dog that worked with the Basic Skills/Special Needs kids at a local high school. His job was to interact with the kids on a level that each child was comfortable with. One of the special things about Louie's time with the kids was his ability to be the reward for a job well done, or goal accomplished.

One day a special friend of Louie's, named Bryce, was the reward recipient! Bryce wanted to go for a team walk. Many times a small group of kids would travel the halls of the school, pretending they were

exploring secret trails looking for whatever treasures they could find. Bryce got to lead this expedition. Being wheelchair bound didn't hamper his enthusiasm, because today he got to hang on to Louie's leash. He was "walking" the dog! As the group traveled the hallways the sound of sheer joy, echoed in the halls. As they passed classrooms, students and teachers were sticking their heads out of their rooms to see what the commotion was all about. What they saw was a little boy being pulled down the hall by

a big black therapy dog laughing and shouting, "This is what it is like to be free, I'm free, this is the best day of my life! I'M FREE" as loudly as his little voice would allow.

This day had a profound effect on those who

heard and saw those two that day. For those who didn't have the disabilities Bryce did, being able to see how such a simple thing can change the life of one small wheelchair bound boy was a great life lesson. For those of us working with our therapy dogs, it is the inspiration that inspires us to continue helping those that need us and

hopefully set as many Bryces FREE as we can.

Little things mean a lot. One dog at a time, one act of service at a time, one dollar at a time, one event at a time, one member at a time, and reaching out to new pairs of eyes and new ears one at a time are making a difference.

Thank you to everyone who supports and encourages Eastern Star in our chapters and for our members. If you have questions or an opportunity for us to serve.... please reach out to us! Star Love and with great expectations, Karan Birdsall, WGM and Bruce A. Baker, WGP



East Lincoln Lodge #210

During dinner, two academic scholarships were presented to very deserving applicants: Margarita Homan and Dakota Caldarelli both of Omaha. Afterwards. the brethren of East Lincoln 210 conducted their monthly business meeting. I am happy to report that guests included Keith Chambers from George Washington 250, as well as members from College Sickness and distress:

View 320. East Lincoln

210 is continuing to

sell tickets for their Meat Raffle and Gun Raffle. Call 402-975-0598 if interested in tickets. Brethren also balloted on three petitions and will soon have three more **Entered Apprentices** joining the lodge! Also, 210 discussed their annual monetary donation in support of the Purple Ribbon Club.

Brother Shawn Wilson is recovering well from

Joel Green

a recent motorcycle accident. Despite his injuries, he has already repaired his bike and returned to the road. WB Bob Pratt reported that his son, WB Kevin Pratt. is out of the hospital, WB Scott Dietrick continues to power through his chemotherapy treatments. WB Dietrick is still attending lodge and his usual Masonic events!



WB Monte Dietrick congratulated WB Joel Green for winning a Nebraska Book Award for non-fiction for his book about Robber's Cave, and WB Joel Green reported meeting Black Elk's great-great-grandson **Brother Myron Pourier** recently in Wayne, Nebraska, at the John Neihardt Festival.

Finally, WB Bill Hays will become a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason on October 18. Congratulations, what an honor!

Starcraft Chapter #307

Bridget Anderson

WM Sis Terri welcomed all to our October meeting.

We had a pretty sparse crowd, so our meeting was fairly speedy.

Brother Dennis read the landmarks, reminding us all why we joined.

Our charter was reverently draped for PGP Bro Bill Parrish. We extend our sympathies to his family and his chapter.

At our next meeting, besides holding elections, Job's Daughters Bethel #5 will be performing the Living Cross after we close chapter. If you have never seen this, please come and join us for this very beautiful ceremony.

Special thank you to Sis Brenda Frank-Collins for filling in as Organist, as well as Bro Jim Bannister for admirably substituting as our Sentinel.

Sis Terri and Bro Dennis are asking us to bring socks, hats and gloves to our next couple meetings. They will be then donated to the Center for People in Need.

Another exciting announcement was that the Mason's are once again going to serve us dinner. This time it will be before our December

meeting.

Bro LeRoy Rosenthal will be having cataract surgery soon, we wish him well in his surgery and recovery.

Bro Jim Bannister lost his sister Dee recently. Our sympathies to Bro Jim and his family.

November Birthdays: 11 - Ileen Smith 13 - Marlene Robinson 16 - Bridget Anderson

Sis Terri closed the meeting with some brief information on Scallops.

18 - Nita Babcock

The Real Strength of Freemasonry Todd E. Creason, Midnight Freemasons Founder

I've said it many times before. I was telling somebody the other night that I think one of the great strengths of Freemasonry is that a.) it gives us the opportunity to use skills we wouldn't normally have the opportunity to use, b.) develop skills we wouldn't normally use, c.) use skills we already possess to greater effect, and d.) have the opportunity to improve ourselves as we work together towards making the world a better place.

I went into Freemasonry with well honed skills in leadership, management and organization which I use in a variety of ways. From Masonry I've gained skills in writing, researching, speaking, networking, and fundraising--as well as some refinements in how I conduct myself and present myself (it should be obvious I've got a lot more work to do there). And I've been given the opportunity to build on and use some of what the contributions of the skills I have in art and music.

But I never really appreciated the selfimprovement aspect of the Fraternity until recently. I'm aware that I've changed over the years, and gained a lot of wisdom from my mentors and teachers

along with a good deal of again. His life was off knowledge from my studies. I've always worked to pass that along to new members, and I think I've done a pretty good job as a mentor and teacher. But recently I saw an example that really showed me the potential of what Freemasonry is capable of accomplishing in a man's community, he's got a life when properly applied.

I've been mentoring a young man for about a year now. He contacted me through the Midnight Freemasons with some questions about the Fraternity, thought it sounded like something he could benefit from, and he's now a new Master Mason. He's very enthusiastic about Freemasonry, and it occurred to me in talking with him why. This is the first time in his life that he's been able to see what he has to offer, see the potential of what he can become, and see just one person can do to make one thing better in the world--and then compound that by joining forces with a group of like-minded men all with that same desire.

The Fraternity has opened his eyes, and there's a good chance he'll never be the same track when he joined-our original conversations were about whether a Lodge would even want him. Of course they did, and he joined. Freemasonry helped put him back on the right track. He's contributing to the work of his Lodge, he's helping out in his new job he loves, replaced a few bad habits with a few good ones, and is in a new relationship that's much better than the one that got him off track. He's even begun attending church, which he hadn't done since he was a boy. He's transformed his life, and it's truly been a marvel to see.

I might get boos for this, but it isn't all about doing Freemasonry--attending events, degrees, meetings, etc. It's about living Freemasonry, and when given the opportunity teaching Freemasonry. Those of us who do, who take those ancient teachings and apply them to our life and help others do the same thing find the greatest strength of Freemasonry--the path to a well-balanced, peaceful and happy life.

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Electa Chapter #8

Mike Lagueux

Where has the year gone? It seems like only yesterday we were discussing the new officer's installation and where the year would go...box recipes available. and now, or at least next The people who make month, we will be preparing to elect new officers to our organizations. The officers now installed have begun taking the first of the long sighs they are afforded when a show up, eat chili, and successful term is coming to a close. But there is still much that needs to be done, and little time to get it to completion. Good planning and diligent supervision will help with some of it...the rest is in hands that always help when asked. So, what is coming up in the short term?



You are encouraged to continue to support the blue barrel (food bank) project that is continuing to help the people of Nebraska who have less resources to draw from. The items donated go to those who would not have food or basic health and hygiene items in their lives. You have been encouraged by someone before to "do this for the least of my people" and it still applies over two thousand years later. Is it a moral obligation or a human one...maybe both? Whatever it is, whoever is reaping the benefits of your generosity, you will have done something others have refused to do... help. Please continue to do so.

If you want to have fun and contribute to a good cause come to the annual Chili Cook-off held at the Masonic

Temple, 1635 L St. October 20, 2019 to sample some of the best traditional, new recipe entries, and outside the these culinary delights are vying for the title of best chili recipe among all of the submissions and need your vote to get there. Don't make this an easy contest... vote often and early! What time you ask? 1630 to 1900, or 4:30 to 7:00 PM for all nonmilitary people trying to figure out what that is.

Past Matron Sue Stroud

has been asking for

donations to help the Temple Board refurbish the wonderful chairs in the parlor. Each of these period chairs are irreplaceable in today's world. The craftsmanship corporate farming and and materials are cost prohibitive to replicate in today's furniture market. Having these chairs restored to their original beauty is a very good option and very cost effective. Each chair can be restored for \$250 each. I know, that seems like a lot of money when you first look at it but Sue's idea is to try to get the pumps is 23 cents. I 25 people too donate just \$10 each for the chairs. Most spend more than that each week on designer coffee! Wanna give up a coffee to ensure these pieces of history remain in our temple and useful for decades to come? The next time you see Sue, fish out a ten dollar bill, or two fives, and help restore a piece of our past for our future generations.



In case you were wondering about the pictures included in this article, I just wanted to share some of my travels the air in your tires, and with you. For the last eight years I have had a (very) temporary job traveling throughout the

great state of Nebraska doing inventories of equipment for the Forestry Service. I'm given a truck, a stack of paperwork, a credit card for fuel, and a contact list where the equipment is stored, and told to enjoy the trips. And I do! I usually take a couple of my cameras along to capture some of the things I see during my travels, a lunch, and a map. I never fail to marvel at the wildlife I see and have been lucky enough to photograph some of the animals I see along the way. I love getting pictures of old barns, ornate houses now long abandon and left to the elements which are reclaiming them, and pictures of Nebraska as our ancestors left them to us during the movement to urban sprawl.



The picture of the gas pumps took me back to when I was in my early teens. The price still on remember working a gas station in Lincoln to provide me with spending money for my immediate needs at that time in my life. I had a 1950 Chevy Coupe, a girlfriend destined to become my wife, and belonged to an organization that would take me to Valentino's once a week to enjoy pizza with my friends. I didn't have many needs for money and was able to save a little...and buy gas for my car! These gas pumps I found in my journey still sat on what would have been the drive for the station where you would have had an attendant to pump your gas, wash your windshield, check see if your vehicle fluids were topped off...at no additional cost. Few

people would buy more

than a dollar's worth of gas at one time because money was difficult to come by and that dollar would usually buy you about five gallons of gas! Certainly enough to get you through the week if not longer. There is concrete steps still at the site and the foundation of a good sized building. This was truly a going business during its day. Now it sets on old 92 east/west bound and watches the traffic pass by as the age and elements take their toll on them through the years.



The railroad bridge was something I passed a couple times before I had to stop and get the picture. It reminded me of a more easy paced time when people traveled to get somewhere without forsaking the journey. People were able to look out the coach and watch the vision of Nebraska turning from "metropolitan" around Omaha and Lincoln to the flat prairie grass with the wandering rivers and streams of central Nebraska to the sand hills of the panhandle on its way west. It usually took a few days and the view was always changing. The sound change going over these iron bridges is unforgettable and people would always get a thrill by the sound of the steel rails as they traveled over them.

If you haven't been out to the more beautiful areas of Nebraska lately maybe you should. The

thrill of a bald eagle in flight, watching a set of antlers coming through a cornfield, or the sight of a flock of wild turkeys in a field hunting late season bugs before the harshness of winter sets in are something you will not soon forget. Take a day...maybe two, and go out and see the Nebraska that was. Visit Minden and its Pioneer Village where all manner of vehicles is on display. Go and see the world's longest porch swing, or the remnants of a family farm from the early 1900's. See them now before they are gone... and take children with you so they know what it was in your day or your parent's day. Make sure they know what Nebraska was as well as what it has become and what it will become in their generation.



Until next month, enjoy what you have time to look at and truly see. God bless you and keep you safe.

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COMING EVENTS IN MASONRY

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Masonic Family Chili Cook-Off, 1635 L St., 4:30 PM

Wed. Oct 23: \$3 Burger Night, Lincoln Valley Scottish Rite, 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Custodian School of Instruction, Kearney, 8:30 AM Sat. Oct 26: Sat. Nov 2 - 3: Rainbow Mini-Grand, Kearney Inn & Suites

Cotner Masonic Family Soup & Chili Supper, Cotner Temple, \$7 Fri. Nov 8:

per adult, 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM

Lancaster Lodge #54 Tribute to American Veterans, 7:00 PM Creamed Chicken Dinner - George Washington Lodge and Sat. Nov 9: 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

Veteran's Parade, Downtown Lincoln on K Street, 2:00 PM

Tales From The North (Dakota)

Tyler T. Hall

Greetings from Bismarck/ Mandan, North Dakota, from our society welcoming new Brother Tyler, a perpetual member of North Star Lodge No. 227 in Lincoln, Nebraska, and dual member into our places of gathering, of Mandan Lodge No. 8 in Mandan, North Dakota. I bring you news and experiences from my travels new friendships while not from DeMolay to Masonry to neglecting the journey, 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.

Fall SEASON Esoterics

Fall is definitely here...with school starting back up; college football, college volleyball, marching band seasons are starting strong. Parades, picnics, conventions, Fairs, and other summer activities are slowing down. Masonic Lodges, and our related Units/Clubs, Chapters, Valleys, Bethels, and Assemblies are again going into "regular" activities of meetings, Fall rush, ceremonials, degrees, and initiations are underway.

That being said, Fall starts the new seasons of the television series Bless This Mess stated its Season Two of a couple moving to a small Nebraska town where they inherited a farm with farm house. Get used to the Nebraska rural life beyond the New York City lifestyle. We started this Season having them learn about Husker Watch Parties...Go Big Red!



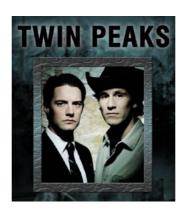
What does that say about folks in the community? How can we improve that experience of those coming including our Masonic Groups. How can we share our space, journeys, and individual, and sense for belonging for our new members in our Masonic Fraternity, Eastern Star Chapters, DeMolay Chapters/Jobs Daughter Bethels/Rainbow for Girls Assemblies, Shrine Units/ Clubs/Auxiliaries, Scottish Rite Valleys, and York Rite Chapters/Councils/ Commandaries.

Lodge 49 is also on it's second season. About an ordinary surfer dude named Dud who stumbles upon a ring for a Lynx Lodge: a cross between the social groups such as Elk's, Eagle's, Moose, and the Fraternity we know as Masons. He joined this said Lynx Lodge enthusiastically. We find the characters entwined with their own businesses, personal issues, Lodge politics; all while enjoying their own way of being a member of the Lodge. Social Membership loved drinks in the Lounge of the Lodge building as well as fun events such as Open Mic Nights. Some members crave being a part of the Ritual for initiations and meetings along with the "Leadership" roles and politics of the Lodge. The members who are about the come...Thanks for listening. esoteric lessons show up in the alchemical practices of its teachings and search for the ancient Scrolls of its founder. At this point in the drama, it's hard not to try and discern which character

is aiming to benefit him/ herself, or if the Lodge member would benefit them in a way it was meant to in a more deeper way, or just getting carried away in whichever he/she things is the "right way" of being a member of the Lodge.



Back in April, 2018, the Tales from the North (Dakota) article was Episode 1 of Twin Peaks. We talked about the "Symbolism, esotericism, enlightenment, all within the mystery of life, of our small towns or small communities within our larger cities, of the dimensions of travel of time, space, and the Masonic journey..."



Until Episode 2...We'll see you on the flip side of our television series...Which of the characters represents you? And how do you feel about your journey in the Masonic Series?

Lots of stories in between, but more articles yet to

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