



Liberty Lodge #300

Lynn Friesen

At some point during our lives, we've all likely played capture the flag. A game of strategy with team members to capture a flag from another team and not only be able to capture it, but be able to safely return it to the capturing team's side of the field. It spurred competitiveness, teamwork and strategy. Why not use a similar tactic to help bring lodges together? Instead of capturing the flag why not Capture the Gavel?



At the end of 2019, an idea was born by Brother Myron Coleman from Craftsman Lodge #314 to create a contest for lodges to be able to Capture the Gavel from each other during the 2020 year. Here is how it works: You and at least two of your closest brothers will have to travel to Lodges in Lincoln, NE to capture the gavel. At the end of the day, the Lodge with the most members present will be able to take the gavel home to their lodge for a time. How do you capture the gavel? The simple answer is - you *MUST* travel, and post to the 2020 Lincoln (NE) Lodges - Capture the Gavel group.

The rules:

1. This contest is for Lodges located in Lincoln, NE. Future contests will likely include the rest of the state, but for 2020 this is a trial run in Lincoln.

2. You must travel to other Lodges with your Brethren and attend Lodge events. Any Lodge function will be acceptable, except practice sessions. For example: business meetings, degrees, fundraisers, Ladies at the Table, Past Masters Night, etc. - would all be acceptable times to capture the gavel.

3. A minimum of three members is required to capture the gavel. If more than one lodge is present, the lodge with the most members present will win the battle. If there is a tie in regards to members present, the lodge with the most officers present will win the tie. If officers-

present is unable to break the tie, the oldest subordinate lodge will win the battle

4. Multiple Membership Rule - if a Brother holds multiple memberships which include the Lodge in possession of the gavel, he must be disqualified from the member/officer count of the visiting Lodge trying to capture the gavel.

5. Prior to the victor leaving a Lodge with the gavel, they must post the spoils (their crew holding the gavel) to the 2020 Lincoln (NE) Lodges - Capture the Gavel group. Failure to do so will result in an immediate revocation of the gavel. If unable to post to FB, please take a picture before leaving the lodge and contact Myron Coleman.

6. 60-day Rule - if a Lodge has possession of the gavel for more than 59 days, they are required to present the gavel to the next closest Lodge that hasn't had the gavel.

7. As the "Host Lodge" Craftsmen Lodge (No 314) has the final say on all matters relating to the contest.

On Tuesday, March 3rd, Liberty Lodge #300 was the first Lodge to take possession of the gavel with four members of Liberty attending Craftsman Lodge #314's

March business meeting. What a great opportunity to interact with Brothers from other Lodges, learn from them and have some fun at the same time.

Capturing the gavel wasn't the only exciting event to happen at Liberty this past month. On Thursday, February 27th we held our annual Table Lodge to celebrate the birthday of one of our most prominent members, George Washington. Twenty-five Brothers including Brothers from four different Lodges gathered to eat and toast our Craft. It was an eventful evening of fellowship, camaraderie, and celebration.

Looking ahead, WM Hecht and the Lodge Brothers are excited for the opportunity to mentor our EA's as they work toward their proficiency and passing to the degree of a Fellowcraft. We are also diligently working on our Lodge proficiency. There will be an EA practice Thursday, March 26th.

To keep up with Lodge events and other news follow us on the Liberty Lodge Facebook page, Liberty Lodge #300 A.F. & A.M. Lincoln, NE.



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Dues for all Nebraska Masonic Lodges for 2020 are due Jan. 1. Send payment to your Lodge Secretary. Members with unpaid dues are delinquent as of December 31. 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 2020, 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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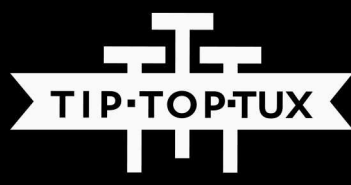
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Myrtle Chapter #94

Brenda Frank-Collins

Wow! It's March already made and Myrtle is ready for Spring! As we finished February, we had our Joint District Grand Supervisor's School of Instruction. The annual event is good for us all to review the ways we do our work, and to learn something new, with our new offices this year. Sister Linda Dubry spent the day with us on Saturday, February 29, 2020. Good fellowship, detailed instruction, and a delicious lunch was enjoyed by all who attended. Myrtle shared this instruction with Columbia Chapter #275. It's more fun when we can do things together!

As we jump into March, it's time to celebrate our members' birthdays.
March 5 - Alexandra Titsworth
March 15 - Jim Wier, PP
March 19 - Rachel Williamson
Happy Birthday, everyone!

Worthy Matron Dehnia has a special focus this year: Mental Health Awareness. Each meeting she shares information and quotes from those who live with Mental Health issues, from famous persons to ones closer to home. "Be Kind" is her theme this year, and we should all Be Kind, for we know not what others are going through.

We are collecting for both the FoodBank of Lincoln, and for the People's City Mission. Feel free to bring items to any of our activities or stated meetings. Every thing will help those in need in our community.

We are having an Easter party on April 4th, from 1:00-3:00 at the Chapter. There will be a Silent Auction to benefit both the FoodBank and the Mission, Egg Hunt, and fun crafts to make. There will be snacks and fellowship, plus other fun

activities! All ages are welcome and encouraged.

Come join us for the April Stated Meeting on April 14th, 2020, at 7:30pm. We will be honoring our Honor Stations of Ruth & Martha. If you are, or have been, either of these offices please join us to celebrate those who have served our chapter. WM Dehnia will have a special gift for each of you. Hope to see many of you that evening.

Last, but not least, our April Fundraiser will be April 21st, at Blaze Pizza, in downtown at 13th & "Q" streets. There is parking close and yummy toppings to build your own pizza! Join us from 4:30pm-8:30pm! If you have any questions, contact Worthy Matron Dehnia. See you all soon!



Bethel #27

Shelby Chesnut

Bethel 27 here! This last month has been WILD! In February we attended the MNJD reception for Katie Warwick on February 22nd as well. Our Bethel had a blast! Plus, who doesn't like bowling?

We've been busy raising funds for our International Supreme Session in July. Our parents night fundraiser on the 14th of February was a success! We had a blast hanging out with your kids while you guys were out on the town!

We also served dinner for Masonic Lodge 227 on March 4th. We hope those guys enjoyed the Philly cheesesteaks! We have a lot coming up in the future too! On the 7th we're cleaning Ecco park and visiting the Nebraska History Museum to celebrate women's history month- which we are always thrilled about!

March 20th from 7-11p we are having a toga party fundraiser! Funds will go to the Masonic All Star Marching Band for the Grand Bethel Honored Queen's Project.

We are hosting at the Masonic temple at 1635 L Street in Lincoln and ALL are invited! Admission is \$8 with concessions available. Togas are recommended for a good time!

On April 5th we have an open friendship meeting at 1:30p at our Bethel, which is at 2610 North 48th Street. Bring your friends and family as all are welcome and information will be sent out soon!

We love seeing our Masonic family at our events! Be on the lookout for our dine-in fundraisers to raise money for Jobie Supreme Session in July. March 12th is our Dine Out at Don & Millies at the 84th & O location from 4-10p. Make sure to say you're here for Bethel 27!

You guys support us so much and we love every bit of it. See you at our next event!

CREAMED CHICKEN DINNER

George	Washington	250
Martha	Washington	153

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, Mashed Potatoes, Veggies,
Coffee, Tea, or Water.

Martha Washington Chapter #153

Betty Kirby

Whew!!!! What a month for Martha Washington #153! There was no grass growing under our feet in February. We started the month with our Regular meeting on Thursday, February 6 where we all learned about the significance of the color red for our Order. Valentine bags were presented to our new Worthy Matron, Sis. Sue Hedges, and Worthy Patron, Bro. Andy Martin, thanks to the efforts of our Associate Matron, Sis. Julie Fowler. We voted on our Scholarship recipient, Brianna Harris, who is the daughter of Sister Sherin Harris and granddaughter of Sister Ardelle Boardman.

On February 8, the **SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH**, we had our regular creamed chicken/hot roast beef

sandwich dinner. Remember, by the time you are reading this article, there will only be one more Winter Dinner, served on April 11 from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Be sure to come and join us. Starting in May, we will begin our Summer Fish Fries!

We celebrated with George Washington Lodge #250 on February 16 at our annual George and Martha Washington Banquet. Tables were decorated in red, white, and blue. A wonderful meal was enjoyed by all in attendance, and special thanks go to Sister Paula Beezley who provided all the home-made cherry pies. Our guest speaker for the evening was Michelle Fulmer, the Assistant at the Grand Lodge office. She provided a wonderful

program explaining the history of the Masonic Band camp. Stories of the successes of the many attendees were shared and the evening brought to all's attention the wonderful work this camp provides to youth throughout the state. It was wonderful to have Sis. Marolyn Robson join us that evening for fellowship. Sis. Marolyn is enjoying her residence at the Masonic Home in Plattsmouth.

Rounding out the month of February was our special meeting with District Grand Supervisor, Sister Linda Dubry, Associate Grand conductress on February 22. Sister Linda did a beautiful job of giving her instruction throughout the day and all who were in attendance appreciated

her loving manner and careful preparation for the day. Thank you, Sister Linda! I would be remiss if I didn't mention that Brother Dennis Dubry also attended and had the sound system running at par excellence!

We are sad to report the death of Sis. Marie Rustermier who passed away on January 17. Her memorial service will be held this spring. Sis. Laura Chytka continues to recover from the bad break to her ankle December 31 and is still not able to put weight on her ankle. Bro. David Sierks is wearing a boot for a broken bone in his foot. Along with our Grand Secretary, it looks like things have been plenty rough on ankles and feet this past month! Sis. Ardelle Boardman is

currently in Lancaster Manor and is hoping to return to Assisted Living very soon. Bro. Troy Tuhey continues to reside at Lancaster Manor.

We extend belated birthday wishes to Sis. Arlayne Orthengren (Feb. 14), Bro. Elbert Marshall (Feb 15), Sis. Kristy Williams, Kelsey Larsen and Bro. Albert Fisher (Feb. 21), Sis. Julie Fowler (Feb. 23), and Sis. Janice Nitz (Feb. 27).

That just about rounds out our February here at Martha Washington #153. Come and join us for a meeting or for any of our activities. We love to have visitors!

College View Lodge #320

P.J. Hadley



Awards highlight year of achievements

At our March 4 business meeting, David Johnson, Master of College View Lodge #320, displayed two awards that the Grand Lodge of Nebraska presented February 7 at the 163rd Annual Communication.

College View lodge received its second-ever "Nebraska Pillar Award" and was among lodges that earned one of the first "Lodge Vitality Awards" for the 2019 calendar year.

The Nebraska Pillar Award salutes planning and implementation of annual programs designed to meet the interests of current members while strengthening the lodge to benefit future generations of Masons. College View also earned this distinction in 2014.

The new Lodge Vitality Awards from the Grand Lodge of Nebraska recognize fulfillment of criteria that can lead to a stronger, more vibrant, active and engaged lodge. These four areas include membership,

Grand Lodge programs, lodge activity and proficiency.

Worshipful Brother Curtis Wolbert also received a "Grand Master's Leadership Award" as a well-deserved acknowledgement of his many contributions before and during his time in the East.

Project memorializes late brother

College View Lodge's Masonic charter was displayed in its new "home" during the March business meeting. Brian Pabst, of Alexander's Specialty Werks in Lincoln, handcrafted a custom red oak frame to replace the charter's frame that's hung in our lodge since July 1, 1927. This all came about following last fall's sale of some of the late WB Don Schaufelberger's tools. He was our Bronze Jordan Medal holder for many years.

Money raised from tools donated by his family will help fund several projects around the facility. Pabst bought some of that woodworking equipment, which he used to craft the new frame, so now we have a visible reminder of WB Don hanging above our meetings for all time – a great tribute to a great man and a great Mason.

In other action, the brethren agreed to continue supporting the annual Nebraska All-Star Masonic Marching Band by approving a \$350 band camp scholarship.



George Washington Lodge #250

Mark Poston

George Washington Lodge #250 held their monthly meeting on the evening of March 3, 2020 with several members present. Worshipful Master Roger Warnke welcomed everyone and conducted all of the Lodge business in an efficient manner!

On Tuesday, April 7th, Deputy Grand Custodian Carl Plants will assist the Lodge in their Proficiency work. This annual event provides an evening of instruction while adding to the meaningful ritualistic work of Freemasonry.

Worshipful Master Roger will be planning a visit for our Lodge to the Nebraska Masonic Children's Home in

Fremont in the near future. What a great opportunity to support the children and view their projects and activities that they are currently involved in. More details on this event will follow shortly!

Worshipful Master Roger added his congratulations to WB Dave Sierks as he became a plural member of Geo. Washington Lodge...the Brethren add their hearty welcome as well!

The Lodge Brethren truly enjoyed the new format of the Masonic Education. This month's article "The Critical Role of Cement in Masonry" was very informative and educational.

WB Roger Warnke and WB John Kirby attended the 163rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska held in Kearney on February 6-8. They had an enjoyable time and were both very impressed with how smoothly the voting went; they especially enjoyed the speaker at the Masonic Breakfast! It's always such a pleasure to bring home some great, new ideas to try in Lodge!

And now...it's trivia time! George Washington had some favorite foods...the table at Mount Vernon frequently held Mashed Sweet Potatoes, String Beans with Almonds, Steak and Kidney Pie and Fish Muddle. Some

of his favorite desserts were Topsy Cake (a type of Trifle) and Martha Washington's Whiskey Cake!

As we honor this month of shamrocks, we close with this Irish limerick:

A jolly Irish fellow named Hugh,
Was arrested for saying
"Look, Snoo!",
"What's Snoo?" they would cry,
And he'd always reply
"Oh nothing much,
what's Snoo with you!"

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

North Star Lodge #227

Bob Tooker

MARCH BUSINESS MEETING

Dinner was prepared and served by the girls of Bethel 27 consisting of beef and chicken cheese steak hoagies. It was different but excellent.

Education was presented by WB Steven Flader and involved columns, pillars and pilasters. Otherwise it was the normal bills and business. WB Dan Chesnut reported on the storage room clean out

and organization project. Amazing how much crap accumulated over the years. I personally think fairies deposit it at the Lodge when they no longer need it at home. Just my idea.

ATTEMPT AT HUMOR

For quite a while I included humor in my monthly ramblings. At a Masonic News Board Meeting, it was brought to my attention my brand of humor was not

appreciated. Apparently I had crossed the line and impugned some one's honor. I'm done pouting about it and ready to continue. I need to find more "fresh" material. In the mean time I will recycle.

A woman goes to her doctor's office, afraid of the strange developments on her cheeks and her shoulders....green spots at each of those points. They won't wash off,

they won't scrape off, and they seem to be getting worse. The doctor assures her he'll get to the bottom of the problem, and tells her not to worry until the tests come back. A few days later, the woman's phone rings. It's the doctor. She immediately begs to know what's causing the spots? The doctor says, "You're perfectly healthy... there's no problem, but I'm wondering, is your boyfriend a Harley guy?"

The woman stammers, "Why, yes, but how did you know?" "Tell him his earrings aren't real gold."

TILL NEXT MONTH

East Lincoln Lodge #210

Joel Green

WB Monte Dietrick filled in as Master and after an excellent dinner, he led 210's business meeting during which several items were attended. Brother Mark Becker proved up in the EA. WB Joel Green was named to chair the Membership Sustaining Committee, and WB Monte Dietrick was named to chair the Education Committee. WB James recapped voting results at Grand Lodge again, and he also previewed the upcoming school of

instruction dates and duties. WB Bill Hayes inquired on the topic of the term 'freeborn' in ritual, which might have spurred a new Masonic Education topic. The meeting was well attended!

Attached photo: while at a recent presentation and book signing in Schuyler, NE, WB Joel Green noticed this cornerstone at the town's new public library. It had been recently laid in Jan of 2018 - the Grand Master Rick Myers of Fremont opened the ceremony.



Lincoln Lodge #19

JUST S'POSE

“Suppose your membership (as a Mason) was good for one year only, and that re-election to the rights and benefits of Masonry depended upon the good you had done in the lodge during the year. Would you be reinstated or not?”

Suppose there was a long list of those wanting to obtain membership. Would you be more alive to your obligation to support your lodge?

Suppose you were called on to explain just why your lodge should keep your name on the roll. Have you a record of helpful service to offer in your defense?

Suppose every member in the lodge did as much for Masonry as you are presently doing. Would more seats be

needed? Or would the lodge be 'dark' for the time?

Suppose you were to set the pattern for attending your lodge. Would your lodge grow and expand, or would it be forced to disband?" *MWM Past Grand Master of New Mexico.*

Our new returning Worshipful Master has taken the Lodge by the horns and wants to build our Lodge. In February he asked all officers to meet with him and give the Lodge direction for the coming year. There a lot of good discussion.

First, he expects all officers put the Lodge on their top priority list. He expects all officers to be at business meetings, proficiency exams and practices, and at as many degree nights as possible. Finally, he wants

Bruce Anderson
our officers to set a good example for the other brothers in the lodge by being present and active.

We discussed several events for this year:
- An open house for all new and existing/inactive members
- A Table Lodge
- A family event in the fall – Picnic in the park or go to a Salt Dogs game.
- A Tailgate in the fall either in our parking lot or in the Railyard
- A Past Masters Night.

Several new officers have taken upon themselves to learn lectures such as Questions and Answers and other lectures.

We are hosting a school of instruction with a light dinner before the school.

We have our Proficiency dates set. EA/FC April 21 and Masters August 18.

All these items are in addition to conferring degrees to new Masons throughout the year. We have several already lined up for the month of March. An Entered Apprentice on March 10 and a Master's degree on March 31. We are trying to make this Masters degree done by all Lincoln Lodge No. 19 Past Masters. If you are a Lincoln Lodge No. 19 Past Master, let Will Folsom know and he will get you a part.

We also have another EA candidate in waiting.

LINCOLN LODGE NO. 19 IS BUSY. COME ON DOWN ON TUESDAY.

Several Brothers attended the Grand Lodge of Nebraska

in early February and our Master was proud to receive a certificate for the increase in membership in the Lodge. The convocation was the first time the Grand Lodge used electronic voting. It went very well and was well received.

On February 11 we conferred the Masters degree on Brother Tom Buescher. MWB Reg Kuhn conferred the degree with WB Kent Folsom in the West and Bro. Beau Ballard as Senior Deacon. All brothers did a great job.

We still have a few members who have not paid their 2020 dues. These need to be paid as soon as possible so that our Lodge can continue with the work of the Lodge.

Electa Chapter #8

Mike Lagueux

to fly by and a good time was had by all.

Be sure to watch for more information about the Worthy Matron's tea and Charter Day celebration which will be coming up the 21st of March. Starting at 4:00 PM, I promise you will have a wonderful time if you attend. It promises to be filled with good food, good friends, and great memories.

The officers and members of Electa have been busy since the beginning of the year. They provide basic life necessities to the less fortunate of Lincoln through the Blue Barrel program and the Food bank of Lincoln.

They are doing what we have all sworn an oath to provide for the least of our human family and these people are living that mantra. They are instrumental in programs to help refurbish the Temple we call home, and care for the people who work there to make the brick and mortar building a welcoming and beautiful place to gather.

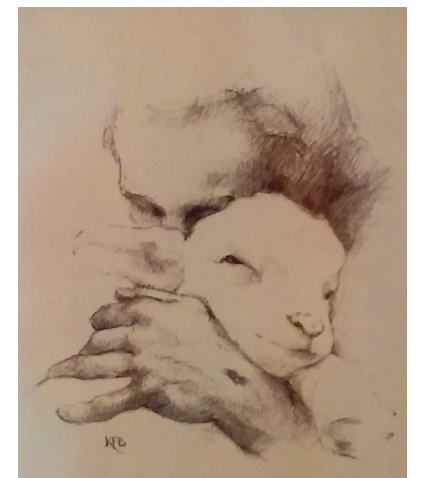


Sister Mary Ann Higgins was presented her 50-Year Pin by Junior-Past Matron Brenda Frank-Collins, in February 2020, at her residence. WP Don Frank was also present, but not pictured.

If you haven't been to a meeting of Eastern Star lately you're missing out. There are great people there and they have great stories to share if you have the time to listen. You may even have a story in your life that needs telling. The thing you must realize is that we are here on this earth for a very limited time...do something with it. The time you have is God's gift to you, don't waste it by not doing something you should have, by waiting for the perfect time to go somewhere, see something you have always wanted to see or do. If only one person is affected by what you do for them and remembers it, and tells it to someone else...you, through

your memory from them live forever. Be that memory for someone who desperately needs something...someone, to hold onto for the rest of their lives.

God bless you all.



Bethel #63

Kristi Thornburg

Member Spotlight!
Name: Cadence
Favorite Color: Periwinkle
Favorite Movie: Newzies
Age She Joined Job's Daughters: 10
Favorite Office: Librarian
Favorite thing about JDI: Grand because we get to meet so many new people and make connections with the ones we already know
Favorite memory in JDI: My first year in JDI, at Grand, we stayed up super late naming bugs on the ceiling

SAVE THE DATE!

Job's Daughters philanthropic project is the Hearing Improvement Kids Endowment (HIKE) Fund, a not for profit charity which provides hearing devices to children from birth to age twenty whose parents are

unable to meet this financial need.

Bethel 63's 6th Annual Fiesta Feed for HIKE is on Saturday, April 25, 2020 from 5:30 to 7:00PM. The event will be held at the Sesostris Shrine Center, 1050 Saltillo Rd in Roca, Nebraska 68430. All proceeds earned at this event will benefit The HIKE Fund, Inc. and be used to provide hearing devices to children.

Job's Daughters International and The HIKE Fund, Inc. are 501(c)(3) organizations, and all contributions are 100% tax-deductible!

Keep an eye out for ticket sales and on our Facebook page (Bethel 63 Lincoln, NE) to see what items are up for grabs in our silent auction

this year! We will also be running a silent auction ONLINE so you don't have to be present to bid or win!

We hope we can count on the support of our Masonic family to help us provide hearing devices to children and youth through the Hearing Improvement Kids Endowment Fund.



The 8th of March was the visit from Linda Dubry, Associate Grand Conductress and area supervisor for area 5. The day started early and continued through the day. There was a very good lunch, snacks, and valuable information. The day seemed



Hosted by Bethel 63 of Job's Daughters | Co-host Lincoln Chapter DeMolay

Grand Chapter OES

Karan Birdsall



services, community information and pet professionals. It also serves as a fundraiser for Domestic-Pups, a 501c3

managed and tore down our display. The Star Dog house is always a crowd pleaser and great attention getter. Hopefully the Blue Lodge and OES information and petitions that were shared prove to bring new members our way.



Eastern Star and the Star Dogs made a big splash at the 2020 Love My Dog Expo at the Lancaster County Event Center on Saturday and Sunday, February 22 and 23. It was a great opportunity to share our Masonic Family and relevance of our organizations with the more than 3500 attendees.

foundation in Lincoln that trains, places, and supports service and therapy dogs. It is our privilege to partner with Domesti-Pups and its mission.

Thank you to all the great hands and servants that set up,

The Love My Dog Expo is an opportunity for dog owners and lovers to connect with vendors, demonstrations,



Starcraft Chapter #307

Terri Sherman

Starcraft chapter met on March 4th for their regular stated meeting. All the officers were dressed in green and Worthy Matron Bridget read St. Patrick's poem to open and close the meeting.

that he is now the President of the Masonic News. The paper is on track and reminded us that articles are due by the 10th and the paper will be out on the 15th of each month. Sister Terri reported that the chapter members collected 10 hats, 27 pairs of gloves and 5 pairs of warm socks to the City Mission in December. It was reported that several people attended Sis. Alma Wilson's 96th birthday party. She

looked good and is living in Iowa with one of her sons.

We will be holding our Supervisor School of Instruction on Saturday March 21st with Temple chapter. Our Supervisor will be Sis. Linda Dubry.

We voted to present one band scholarship and 3 school scholarships this year. The school scholarships will go to Sis. Bridgett Anderson's adopted niece, Sis. Terri

Sherman's nephew and Sis. Bev Ryba's grandson.

Joan Rosenthal's aunt passed away and we lost a member this year, Bro. Larry Shafer who passed away on March 1st. Sympathies go out to his wife Sis. Willie Shafer.

We were happy to share our March meeting with Sis. Dee Coad who celebrated her birthday with us. Sis. Terri Sherman served us St.

Patrick's cookies 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

At the meeting we recognized Bro. Dennis Brydl who received a Grand Lodge Achievement Award with Distinction. Congratulations Bro. Dennis. He informed us

Lancaster Lodge #54

Adam Thayer

What a whirlwind month it has been! Between our super compressed Valentine's Day business meeting (thank you again to all of the brothers who attended!), preparing for the Fellowcraft lodge proficiency, and planning for upcoming events, it seems that the officers and brothers of Lancaster #54 took WM Matt's missive to get busy to heart!

At our March business meeting, we had a fantastic discussion about helping our local elementary students; more information will be coming out in upcoming months, so be sure to stay tuned!

We also discussed the various committees that help maintain a healthy lodge. If you aren't certain what committee you're on, or would like to help with the work these different committees perform,

please contact WM Matt or WB Adam for more information.

Looking forward, we have an upcoming Lincoln Stars hockey game soon, and the first camping trip of the year is next month!

Your humble secretary would like to remind you that dues are now past due. Double check your dues card; if it doesn't say 2020 on it, please contact me ASAP, and we can get it handled for

you. If you are experiencing any hardship in paying your dues, please let me know, as we have programs in place to help with that, but we can't help if we don't know!

Finally, the April business meeting will be on April 3rd; if you haven't been to lodge in a while, now is the perfect time to come back and reconnect with your brothers. We hope to see you all there!

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Cafe & Pie Shoppe

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COMING EVENTS IN MASONRY

EDITOR'S NOTE: Due to a Grand Master's edict released late in our publication cycle, ALL Masonic activities are hereby cancelled until May 1, 2020. This includes all regular and special communications, ritual practices, fund raising activities, and social events.

While a similar edict has not yet been issued for any appendant bodies, Eastern Star bodies, or Masonic Youth bodies, you are advised to contact the appropriate host organization prior to attending any events listed in this month's issue, to verify if cancellation has occurred. Please see the Trestleboard on page 7 for the appropriate contact information.

May the Great Architect watch over you all until we can meet again.

- The Masonic News staff and directors.

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 Tenets – Truth

Brotherly Love; Relief; and Truth...For three months, we'll take another look on the Tenets or Principles of Freemasonry and discuss what that means for our

Masons, our Lodges, and appendant bodies. I encourage each of you to take these into account, research more about them, and discuss further, as there is never one answer for these topics.

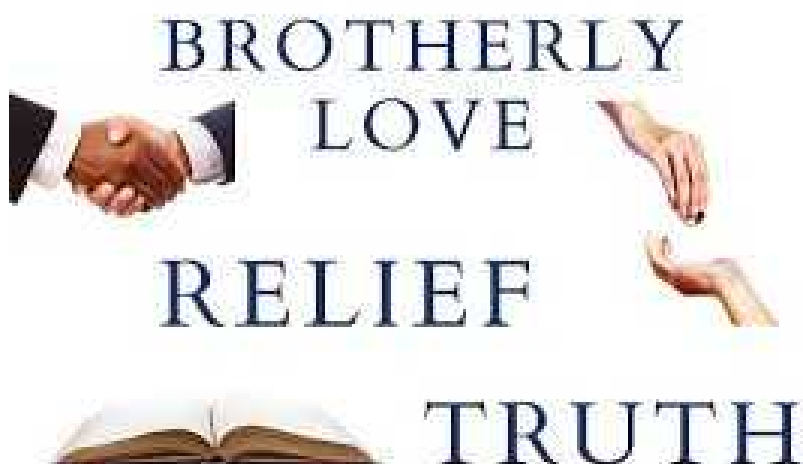
This month we discuss the third of these three Tenets/Principles of Masonry and is that of Truth.

"Truth" does not just mean to tell the truth in actions or the mind. This "Truth" can also be that of the "Light" we strive to get out of Freemasonry. We gain light by being truthful to our Brothers in everything. That trust reposed in Jacque DeMolay, for example, by his faithfulness, loyalty, character he proved to his friends, his Sir Knights, that they could trust him with their secrets to death.

That is the type of Truth I'm bringing up here: The Truth of Light through our honesty, trust, loyalty, faithfulness, and character of a good person. Brotherhood brings Brotherly Love which gains Truth and finds the Relief we may need in our Fraternal ties.

Again, don't stop with these ideas and thoughts. Feel free to have discussions on the esoteric, philosophy, different ways to interpret, and what this means to you. Remember that there isn't one final answer, but many truths to include in these topic discussions.

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



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