



# The Masonic News



## Lincoln #19

Bruce Anderson

Lincoln Lodge No. 19 has been relatively quiet this past month as we have been preparing our proficiency exam in October.

The following article was turned into the Grand Bethel during my year as Associate Grant Guardian for the Nebraska Job's Daughters. I remember hearing this presentation for the first time and almost had tears in my eyes. It was written with feeling and emotion and was amazing for a teenager. When it was presented to the Grand Bethel girls she received a standing ovation—well deserved. I went up to her later and got her permission to print this in our Masonic News. It slipped away from me but, I came across the paper the other day and decided to use it for my October News. It does say a lot to us as members of the Masonic order. I hope you enjoy. Have a great rest of the year.

### MY GIFT

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Everyday we wake up bearing gifts that help us go throughout our lives to seek a higher purpose. That higher purpose may be to survive, to be the best, or to be pleased when you look back on your life and say you did it all. To use these gifts, you have to find them in you. Your abilities to be you is what brings out the brightness that nobody else has.

Throughout this year I have been blessed with many gifts that I found on my own and though the help of the world. Today I am here to share the gifts that I have learned.

If any of you have followed me during this past year you can see that I have had the pleasure to travel the world. On my first journey around the world I got to go to Africa. No I did not go to a resort and ride an elephant, but I got to experience something greater: I went to the way they live, how they get by day to day. During that trip we went down to the Market, and being mixed and with my mother who is white, we go many looks. But from the physical distinguish, there were many fascinating things that I saw. Women breastfeeding their young out in the open, kids playing in the street without a care in the world, and people enjoying what they have because they have it. One thing I have learned from my relatives was that life is young and we should not waste it on the bad, but celebrate it through what we have.

As I come back home I try to bring back that spirit of life, but there was always something making me feel unsettled. Being back in America, I should feel a warm awakening, but I don't. This past year has brought a bit of trouble in my life. Being African American I have had the experience of understanding the struggle and fight you go through in life being a darker color than others. True, I am white and black, but growing up with colored skin I was always seen different. I was always the one with nappy hair, the one that had a different physical appearance. I had two older sisters that were white and since the age of one when they came into my life, I was taught that to have straight hair or a smaller figure that you were considered beautiful. Throughout this year I have had my breaking point on if my siblings and I are safe to walk in our own skin. I remember one moment where I just couldn't take it anymore. 8'oclock in the morning, sitting in school with blank look on my face. The anxiety of people judging me for who I was born to be was overwhelming, so I ran out of the classroom in tears, not knowing what to do or where to go. In English class we were to write a persuasive essay on any topic. Of course I did mine over police brutality, the act of using unnecessary force by policemen. When I was researching, I learned that African Americans were the most common ethnic group to have suffered hundreds of years with PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) due to racial discrimination, the act of judging someone based

off of ethnicity or origin. Finding this out made me feel a sense of knowing. Knowing I wasn't crazy for thinking that everything is not ok. But light had come. People in many communities stood up for everyone's lives. I would honestly say that social media was the best outlet for anyone at this time. Seeing how many people are with you gives you a strength that can never be put down.

The gifts I bear with me today are self love, respect for any human that is different form me, and all around gratefulness for how blessed we are because we get the chance to have amazing people in our lives who are different but want the same things as us. We must all get along to survive, to be the best we must count on ourselves, knowing that we can do what we that we can do what we are great at, and to be pleased at the end of the day because we do know we did our all to live a better life. Job's daughters has always lent the gift of acceptance, love, and knowing that you can be anything you put your mind to. I say what happened to me this past year was a gift. And me telling you now is an open box. You can recycle your box and throw it away, or you could put the gift in it, wrap it up, and send it out into the world! Give your Gift, and you will receive more today and yesterday!

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We **Masons** are among the fortunate ones who are taught to meet together with others opposing or competitive ideas and yet **respect each other as Brothers.**

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## Liberty Lodge #300

Lynn Friesen

Final quarter of the year. Wow, where has time gone? I don't know which is scarier, Halloween is only a few weeks away or that retailers are already starting to sell Christmas supplies.

September was another busy month for Liberty. We had a Ladies at the Table and a Lodge picnic to celebrate everything we've accomplished the past quarter.



Thursday, September 22nd we had a Ladies at the Table dinner and fundraiser. I must give credit where it is due, Lincoln Lodge #19 had a fundraiser over a month ago for an organization, We Can Do This. Hearing their story of how they work to provide meals to kids on the weekends at the F Street Community Center, it sparked an idea how Liberty could assist as well. Thank you Lincoln Lodge #19 for getting us connected with We Can Do This.

We combined a fundraiser for We Can Do This and a

Ladies at the Table dinner. The money raised from attendees paying for their dinner was donated to the organization. Mark Rossignol, the Lodge Secretary, and Secretary for two other Lodges, challenged the Lodges to match the money from the dinner. We received a matching donation from Liberty and Craftsman. We Can Do This will be receiving over \$650 to help them with their mission.

If you would like to know more about the organization, check out their website, [wecandothislincoln.org](http://wecandothislincoln.org).



At the end of each quarter this year we've taken time to celebrate what we've accomplished the previous quarter and enjoy some Brotherly fellowship. Family is a priority and there are times when Brothers can't attend events because of family commitments. These quarterly celebrations are a time for Brothers to bring their families and have a fun relaxing evening. This quarter we had a backyard picnic at the Worshipful Master's home. What an

amazing opportunity to enjoy a cool Fall evening.

We have a lot planned to finish the year. Thursday, October 20th is our Fall BBQ. We'll be serving ribs from 4 till 8. Come join us for a great evening to enjoy amazing ribs and fellowship. The evening will include a silent auction. The following week (27th) we will be having a baby celebration for one of our newest Master Masons, Nathanael Gabel. He and Samantha are expecting a baby girl in December, and we will be sharing an evening to celebrate their growing family.

In November we will have our regular business meeting the 3rd, Past Master's Dinner the 10th and have our Lodge Master Mason proficiency the 17th.

Follow the Lodge Facebook page for details about upcoming events.



**LIBERTY LODGE NO. 300**  
1635 L STREET

**BBQ** THURSDAY, OCT. 20TH  
4:00PM—8:00 PM

\$25 FULL RACK OF RIBS & 2 SIDES, 2 ROLLS  
\$15 1/2 RACK OF RIBS & 2 SIDES, 1 ROLL  
\$10 DINNER PLATE (1/3 RACK OF RIBS OR CHICKEN) & 1 SIDE, 1 ROLL

EAT IN OR TAKE TO GO



## Electa Chapter #8

Michael Lagueux

And the cry went out from far and near... the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron are not going to be at the stated meeting! No problem, that's why there is an advancing line of officers in organizations such as ours. Thank you very much for all of those who stepped in and did a magnificent job of getting the work of our Order done in October. These instances happen, although not often, and we are extremely pleased with the assistance rendered by our Brothers and Sisters during these trying times.

I was very pleased this month that this month the blue barrel project was able to turn in a total of 179 pounds of donations to the Food Bank - 59.67 lbs was designated to each: Rainbow Assembly #6, Bethel #5 Jobs Daughters, and Chapter #8 OES. Thank you so much for making peoples lives a little easier in these trying economic times we are going through. Please don't stop, there is never a time when we will have

too much to help those needing help in our community. Your generosity serves not only Lincoln, but all of our fellow Nebraskans. As we approach winter, your donations will become much more of a blessing for those who may not make it without your help. Again, thank you and God bless you.

We are very excited to have an initiation coming up on the 15th of this month and also to have the OES Grand Family in attendance to do most of the work! This is very exciting and offers a chance to see an uplifting performance of the work. Thanks to the coordination of our Secretary, Beth Benson, who is one of the Grand Officers, this was arranged and made possible. If you can make it at all, please try to be in attendance for this event.

Last month the new members of Electa from both Capital and Columbia donated \$2,500 to the procurement of the new sound system in the building. I am

pleased to announce that the President of the Temple Board, Joe Huskey has put in motion the steps necessary to have this system installed and all will most likely be able to use it during the installations next year. This is great news for all of our members who become frustrated by not being able to hear during meetings. Currently over \$10,000 of the \$15,000 necessary to purchase this equipment has come from donations and we are still hopeful that others will contribute as they can. No amount is too small...and obviously, the Temple Board will take large donations as well! Your generosity is greatly appreciated and hopefully will serve the building and its tenants well into the future.

As we go into the next few months there will be significant time for all of you to enjoy the company of friends, relatives, and loved ones as we transition into the Holiday season. We do have some work that

needs to be done however. Next month is elections and preparations for the new officers to begin putting their officer line together is currently in the planning stages. I would ask that you give them all of the support and enthusiasm that you have shown Worthy Matron Denise and I this year. Please continue to come and enjoy old friends while making new ones.

A significant milestone is coming for Electa next year... our Chapter will be 150 years old and still going strong. Committees have been started, and plans are being made for this occasion and we would love to have you all celebrate it with us. There will be more news coming in the future, but for right now just plan on helping us celebrate this once in a lifetime event.

I hope you have a chance to celebrate the upcoming holidays with loved ones, family and friends, always keeping in mind the

holiday you are celebrating and what the holiday is for. Next month is Veterans Day and I hope you hold in due veneration all those who gave their all that we may live in the freedom we have been blessed with. Truly celebrate Thanksgiving for what it is intended for... to give our thanks for all the blessings we have in this land of ours. And Christmas, that season we as Christians hold to for spiritual comfort in the realization of our Lord and Savior's birth. I'm sure there will be presents, a tree, beautiful lights... but always remember the real reason for the season.

I don't want to go much further or I will not have anything to talk about in the coming months, but I do wish you a safe and happy Halloween. I also wish you good health and God's blessing as we go forth into the next few months of this year.

## North Star Lodge #227

Bob Tooker

WB Dennis Mundt prepared a delicious chili for the October festive board. Wasn't much left over. The October Business Meeting was opened in the EA Degree at 7:30 PM. Minutes were read and approved, correspondence

read, bills were read, approved and paid. Bro. John Helter was examined in the FC degree and was determined to be proficient. A petition for Masonry was read and the ballot cast was favorable.

An EA Degree will be held for Jeff Cochran at 7:00 PM on Oct. 19. A master's degree is also scheduled Oct. 24 at 7:00 PM for John Helter.

This month's news is a little short. Didn't have any humor I

could use. If I could use political humor I would have an endless supply. Nate Birnbahm once said: "Too bad all the people who know how to run the country are busy driving taxis and cutting hair."

You ask, who is Nate Birnbahm? Everyone knew him as George Burns.

Till next month.

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## Martha Washington Chapter #153

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Betty Kirby

Thanks to our Worthy Matron, Sis. Julie Fowler, we all learned some trivia facts about Halloween that I would like to share with you readers. Did you know that Reese's Peanut Butter Cups are the most-preferred candy by the little Trick or Treaters that will come to your door on Halloween night? But don't worry if you have already purchased your treats...Skittles, M&M's, Starbursts, Hot Tamales, Sour Patch Kids, Hershey's Kisses, Snickers, Tootsie Pops, and Candy Corn all round out the Top 10 treats!

Also, did you know that the White House is haunted? The most-frequently reported ghost residing at the White House is that of Abe Lincoln. And for us Boomers, do you know that The Monster Mash was once banned from being played across the air waves in the United Kingdom because it was too scary?

Well, you can see that we all had a lot of fun at our October meeting. The business of our meeting was handled by our Worthy Matron in the customary efficient form. It was great to have PGM Sis. Wanda and Bro. Albert Fisher, our plural members from Thedford, NE, in attendance that evening.

By the time you are reading this, we will have already had our first Creamed Chicken and Hot Roast Beef Sandwich Dinner on October 8. Mark your calendars for November 12 and make sure you come out for our November dinner. We will not be having a dinner in

December, so this might be the only chance you get for our delicious creamed chicken this winter since we are trying to look at other options.

We also want to let everyone know that we will be having our Annual Roast Beef dinner in February rather than this fall. We will be letting you in on the details of that dinner next month.

We want to report that Sis. Maxine Buchardt is recovering from a broken hip that she sustained a couple weeks ago. In her usual fashion, she is not letting that slow her down too much. Brother David Sierks is riding around on a scooter for the next month or so, after he had surgery to repair his ankle after an injury he sustained as a small child. We want to report on the death of Bro. Elbert Marshall, a long-time member of our Chapter. Bro. Elbert passed away on January 24 of this year, but we only recently received that news. Our get-well wishes are extended to Sis. Kelsey Larsen after her recent surgery and Sis. Shellie Smith who was not feeling well the night of our meeting.

Birthday wishes are extended to the following members: Thom Johnson (1), Shirley Boardman (4), Betty Kirby (15), and Eric Bachenberg (25).

In closing, I would like to share the following thoughts that I came across this month, words attributed to John D. Rockefeller Jr. and printed in one of my deceased mother's books:

I believe in the dignity of labor, whether with head or hand; that the world owes no man a living, but that it owes every man an opportunity to make a living.

I believe in the supreme worth of the individual and in his right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

I believe that truth and justice are fundamental to an enduring social order.

I believe in the sacredness of a promise, that a man's word should be as good as his bond; that character--not wealth or power or position-- is of supreme worth.

I believe that every right implies a responsibility; every opportunity, an obligation; every possession, a duty.

I believe that law was made for man and not man for the law; that government is the servant of the people and not their master.

I believe that thrift is essential to well-ordered living and that economy is a prime requisite of a sound financial structure, whether in government, business or personal affairs.

I believe that the rendering of useful service is the common duty of mankind and that only in the purifying fire of sacrifice is the dress of selfishness consumer and the greatness of the human soul set free.

I believe in an all-wise and all-loving God, and that the individual's highest fulfillment, greatest happiness, and widest usefulness are to be found in living in harmony with His will.

I believe that love is the greatest thing in the world; that it alone can overcome hate; that right can and will triumph over might.



## Starcraft Chapter #307

Terri Sherman

Starcraft met on October 5th for their regularly scheduled meeting. Worthy Matron Sis. Terri Sherman and Worth Patron Bro. Dennis Brydl welcomed everyone to the meeting. We were pleased to have members of the Bethel 5 present the living cross prior to our meeting. They all did a great job and we enjoyed having them in attendance.

We approved distribution of Christmas funds for both the Children's Home in Fremont and the Masonic Home in Plattsburgh. We also voted last month to provide one new resident kit of \$300 to the children's home.

Sis Kristen reported that Bethel 5 will have several attending the Masonic Youth

Conference in Kearney Oct 6 & 7. We had recently received a gift from the James Scharton estate and decided to use part of this by donating to the Local Food Bank for the Bethel's food drive. The other part of this gift was for the new resident gift.

Sis Joann Rosenthal has a new granddaughter named Juniper. Our prayers are with her son who will soon be having a major surgery. Bro. Tom and Sis. Marcia Michaelson are disappointed due to the cancellation of a trip. But Bro. Tom is on the mend so that is good news.

Members Bro. Dillon and Sis. Marissa Dawson have a new daughter named Lyra. Prayers are with the family since she was born a bit premature.

Before we adjourned the meeting we celebrated Bro. Don Jelinek's birthday. Following the meeting we enjoyed some refreshments provided by Sis. Terri.

November Birthdays

- November 11 Ileen Smith
- November 13 Marlene Robinson
- November 16 Bridget Anderson
- November 18 Nita Babcock



## George Washington Lodge #250

Mark Poston

George Washington Lodge #250 held their monthly meeting on the evening of October 4, 2022. W. M. Mark Poston welcomed everyone; the Lodge business was conducted in a timely manner. The highlight of the evening happened when W. M. Mark Poston instructed Senior Deacon W. B. Eric Bachenberg to conduct Junior Deacon W. B. George Wright to the East whereupon, the Worshipful Master gave W. B. George his Past Master's apron. All Brethren congratulated W. B. George; he was so pleased to receive this special gift from the Lodge.

Following the meeting, a Masonic Trivia game was played which

helped to sharpen our understanding of the Craft. We always enjoy the fellowship of our Comet Lodge Brethren from Ceresco.

It has been determined by our Temple Board that we will have a November "Second Saturday" meal. As the days are starting to get cooler, we will be serving a favorite among our patrons, the Creamed Chicken/Biscuit Meal as well as the Hot Beef Sandwich Meal. The price is still \$12.00 for these delicious choices. Make your plans to join us on:

- November 12th from 4:30 – 7:00
- December 10th: There will be NO "Second Saturday" meal due to the busy holiday

season!  
4430 N. 70th Street  
Havelock Masonic Temple

We look forward to seeing everyone in November!

Our George Washington Trivia this month tells us of the laying of the White House cornerstone. Then President George Washington selected the site for the new Executive Mansion. The cornerstone was laid on October 13, 1792. The city of Washington was created to replace Philadelphia as the nation's capital because of its geographical position in the center of the existing new republic. The states of Maryland and Virginia ceded

land around the Potomac River to form the District of Columbia; work began on Washington in 1791. In 1792, work began on the neoclassical "White House" because its white-gray Virginia freestone contracted strikingly with the red brick of nearby buildings. In 1800,

John Adams became the first president to reside in the Executive Mansion.

Our Closing Thought for October is: "The wind is rising, and the air is wild with leaves. We have had our summer evenings; now for October eves!"... Humbert Wolfe





## Lancaster Lodge #54

John Hansen

October 14, Practice for Master Mason Proficiency exam at 7PM  
 October 21, Practice for Master Mason Proficiency exam at 7PM  
 October 27, School of Instruction for Master Mason degree, 7PM East Lincoln Lodge.  
 October 28, Practice for Master Mason Proficiency exam at 7PM  
 November 4, Business meeting and Election of New Officers  
 November 11, Annual Veterans Ceremony, Dinner and Awards.  
 December 2, Business meeting followed by Master Mason Proficiency Exam.

Masonic responsibility towards voting.

In the upcoming weeks we as citizens and as masons have several opportunities to vote,

voting for national, state, local, lodge, and some appendant body elections. We are taught growing up, at least in the house I grew up in, you should get out and vote. If you don't vote, you can't complain about who won or how things are run.

A century ago, my grandfather who was a Master Mason, voted frequently and often, all on the same day. A fella would wait around at the local tavern and a truck would stop buy and collect a group of guys and take them to different polling places, given them a name and a list of how to vote. When you come out you were paid. Then off to another polling place and on and on. I guess it was a way to get extra coin for the family coffers.

So what is the Master Masons responsibility for voting? When in lodge each master mason holds the same amount of voting power as any other member. Any master can cast a black cube/ ball against anyone seeking admission. According to Claudy ; "It is his duty to cast it (black cube) if he knows something about the applicant which would prevent him from becoming a good Mason, a useful member of the lodge." He admonishes us to "consider well and think tolerantly and broad-mindly of his 'peace and harmony'". The black cube should not ever be used for simple dislike, getting even over hurt feelings for something. Using a black cube is serious and should be taken as such.

A rejection refuses the applicant for admission to all lodges for a specific period of time. In Nebraska it's for one year. The refusal creates a jurisdiction over the man. He may not apply to another lodge without permission of the lodge which initially refused him. The power of the black cube holds immense power and responsibility. "No king, prince, potentate; no law, custom or regulation; no masonic brother or officer can interfere with a brother's use of his power." No one knows who used the black cube.

To be a good citizen first is a requirement of all masons. Voting in civil elections is every masons responsibility. No mason can ask another mason how

they voted. It is an offense to the peace and harmony of a lodge. Frankly, how one person votes is nobody else's business.

There are many elections coming up in the near future. We all have an obligation to vote. Men and women throughout our country's history sacrificed themselves to protect your right to vote in elections. Our country holds the right to vote as sacred, as do all Masons. So vote. Then come to the Masonic Temple on November 11 to watch the annual Veterans Ceremony. I mean, after all the veterans gave up...you can come down and participate in the ceremony.

## East Lincoln Lodge #210

Joel Green

East Lincoln 210 enjoyed a well-attended dinner and business meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2022. Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Patrick Barger joined in to presented three of East Lincoln 210's brethren with honors: Bro Harry Lipert earned his 60-year pin, and WB Mark Reece and Bro Adam Homan earned their proficiency coins for all three degrees!

If you like music, whisky, steak, and/or cigars, or if you'd like to simply have a good time, the Steer Creek band will perform (and copious amounts of meat will be served) at 5:30 pm on November 19 at East Lincoln 210.



210 invites all to Pioneers Park shelter #1 on October 13, 2022 at 5:30 for a picnic. There will be plenty of food and conversation enjoyed at one of Lincoln's oldest and most-loved parks.



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 Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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 Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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 Business meeting 7:00 p.m.

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# 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 Sherburne Lodge No. 95 in Osseo, Minnesota, and 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.

Falling through 2022

How's the weather? At least here in North Dakota, it's beginning to look like Fall as far as the weather is concerned. Down to the upper 50's to lower 70's with lows starting late September and early October ranging from the mid-40's to the mid-30's even. Our first deep freeze warning was the first Thursday night in October with the lows down to the mid-20's.

Hmmm, what an introduction, right? Talking about weather? Really, Tyler???

Tis the season...As I recall from my childhood, along with one of my childhood friends from across the street (who later became a Brother), we made a song called "Fall is Here." The collaboration of work of 3 people was pretty good for us kids back then. As the leaves change color and fall, and the change in temperatures become chillier, we are reminded of the Seasons and Autumn is definitely here with Fall Sports and the decorations of

Halloween and pumpkin flavored treats.

In North Dakota, we are really active in our area when it comes to Masonry and our appendant bodies. Masonic Lodges had traditionally been "dark" during the summer months of July & August while the Eastern Star Chapters went "dark" in the winter months of January and February. However, we are still active...Even without any official Stated Meetings during those months, we still gather, have our dinners before a called meeting, ritual practice, Masonic education, or instruction. For Eastern Star, we even have Zoom gatherings to update each other during the winter months that we don't hold Stated Meetings – or even a fun game night with our neighboring Chapter.

Fall season also brings a new season of candidates for initiations for our degrees and joining us in membership and activities. I enjoy seeing the news from back

home in Lincoln, Nebraska, as well as my other Dual Membership in Minnesota, and seeing how busy the Fall brings in activities.

Keep up the good work... Keep rolling...And don't forget your jacket/sweatshirt/sweater when you have to wear it in the morning, but it gets too warm to wear it later in the day...Fall is here; so let's ride with it!

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





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