



The Masonic News



Lancaster Lodge #54

John Hansen

It's official: our Lodge is proficient for 101 years – the longest in the state! A lot of men put in a whole lot of work to accomplish this and we appreciate every one of them. Thank you to all who made this possible.

Installation of new officers will be on Sunday, January 22 at 2PM. This is open to the public, and will be formal dress for the new officers.

January 20 we will be initiating a new man in our fraternity. January 27 we will be advancing a brother, Michael Williams, in the Fellowcraft Degree.

February 10 is the next business meeting, this is the second Friday due to the Grand Lodge Annual Communication. To review the bills being voted on you may

check them out on the Nebraska Grand Lodge web site.

As a reminder, dues are due. If for any reason you are not able to make your dues payment, please contact WB Adam Thayer, our secretary, and explain your situation to him. Money is getting tight all around, so if you need help please don't be shy about letting Adam know.

According to some, the first native born American Mason is conceded to be Jonathan Belcher. He was first made a Mason in England in 1704.

The first Provincial Grand Master in America was Daniel Coxe. He was appointed by the Duke of Norfolk, Grand Master of the Mother Grand Lodge in June 1730. There is little evidence which shows Coxe ever exercised his deputation.

In April 1733 a deputation was issued to Henry Price as Provincial Grand Master on New England.

So who is the real father of Freemasonry in America? It's a coin toss and depends on whom you speak with

and where they are from.

In 1854 Illinois granted Nebraska Lodge a dispensation to go to work. Their Charter was received in 1855. On May 10, 1855 Missouri granted Giddings Lodge a dispensation and it was chartered on May 26, 1856. On June 3, 1857 Capital Lodge in Omaha was chartered.

These three Nebraska lodges formed the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons on September 23, 1857 with Robert Carrel Jordan being elected as the first Grand Master in Nebraska.

1874 - I'll get around to this date later. It is more important to us than the above trivia.

In the mean time please show you appreciation to all our secretaries for keeping accurate records for our lodge.

Dates and notes are from Freemasonry in American History by Allen Roberts and Introduction to Freemasonry, Master Mason by Carl Claudy.



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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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Electa Chapter #8

Mike Lagueux

Each year it is the duty and responsibility of the President of the United States to go before the American Public and let them know the general health and prosperity of the country by giving a State of the Union address. I have noted that over the past few years this becomes more of an embellishment each and every time we have this report to the American public. So, what I intend to do is give you what I think of where our Chapter is and what we have accomplished this past year. If you're into fiction, watch the State of the Union address...my assessment will be a more realistic look at our Chapter as I know it.

In the last few weeks almost all of the T's have been crossed and the I's dotted with only a couple of things left to do from the outgoing officers of 2022. The audit of the books has been completed and I am pleased to inform you that the Chapter is in the best of hands when it comes to our membership rolls and the fiscal side of our organization.

We have the funds necessary to ensure that our Chapter will continue to thrive and grow even in the questionable economical times we are currently facing in our country. We have operating funds, contingency funds, and a long term outlook that will keep us viable for many years to come. The trustees are looking at new opportunities to expand our assets and the secretary is maintaining our membership accountability to ensure our members are receiving the care and oversight they deserve...you are in good hands. We have welcomed new members through initiation and mergers of other Chapters this past year and welcome each and every one into our family. We have tried to keep you informed, and somewhat entertained through communication whether specific from the secretary or general through the Masonic News. And we have enjoyed serving as your officer line for the past year.

Among the other things that have happened has been the Food Pantry drive

(the Blue Barrel project) to help those less fortunate than most of us in our community. This program helps to ensure others have the basic necessities of life to retain their health and dignity. Our Chapter has sent our joys and condolences to members and their families this year through mailings and visits when life goes right, and wrong. And we have mourned the passing, and rejoiced in the assurance of everlasting life through our Lord and Savior, of six of our members during 2022 at our memorial service. In essence we have fed the hungry, bound up the wounds of the afflicted, and remembered (buried) the dead. I seem to remember that being a requirement from some place... possibly a book I've read. We, as your officers and human beings in this world have those obligations, and I believe we have accomplished them this year.

Throughout the year we hope, if you have participated, that we have brought you some fun too. The NO liver and onions

supper for instance. For the price of the supper as a donation you have NOT had to get dressed up, NOT had to get in the car and go out, and NOT had to eat something you probably didn't want in the first place! You're welcome!!! And due to your generosity the Chapter has succeeded in its attempt to ensure our fund raising efforts and we thank you for your contributions.

Several of our members continue to make our Chapter the outgoing entity that it is by serving as Grand Representatives, officers and members of other appendant bodies, and contributing members of the communities they live in. If you want to really effect change you have to be involved and Electa has done, and continues to do that. Pride is something that when done correctly has an effect for good. People who do these things for others without fanfare are the ones who make those positive changes in the organization, their communities, and the world. You have every right to be

proud of their work.

Finally, I want you to know that it has been an honor for Worthy Matron Denise and I to have served as the chief officers of Electa in 2022. We also look forward to what direction the officers of 2023 will take the Chapter. One last thing; Electa is 149 years old this year, a few months older than even the Grand Chapter in Nebraska. That is quite a significant milestone. I hear there is a committee in the works to make the 150th anniversary next year a spectacular event. I do hope you will attend some of the festivities for that as well as attending this year to help in making that year so successful. With some of the planning I have heard for the 2023 year if you don't come to visit I can see you missing out on a great opportunity to visit with old friends and meet new ones...and have some fun.

Until next we meet...I wish you good health, prosperity, and God's everlasting love and blessings in your life.

North Star Lodge #227

I know this was covered last month in Lancaster Lodge #54's column. In my humble opinion, we lost what the "poster boy" of Ancient Craft Masonry epitomized in the loss of WB Steve Green, PM of Lancaster Lodge #54. I had the honor of working with WB Steve for over 35 years professionally and fraternally much longer. We worked together at Duncan Aviation, and I took over Lincoln Chapter, Order of DeMolay as Chapter Dad from WB Steve who previously honored that position. He then assisted me as assistant Chapter Dad for an additional 17 years. His counsel was wise and good. His contributions to DeMolay were recognized by the International Supreme Council as WB Steve was bestowed the cordon of the "Honorary Legion of Honor of the Order of DeMolay." The highest honor

bestowed on a non-Senior DeMolay. As a long time Deputy Grand Custodian, we all benefited. He worked with me to shine up my Masonic work. What I remember most, and I've never heard from any other Masonic work instructor; "You are telling a story. Make the words come from your heart. Don't make your work sound humdrum, put feeling in what you are trying to communicate." I could go on but those that knew WB Steve know what I am trying to say and have a similar opinion. "Rest well my friend! Your pain has ended."

MASTER'S DEGREE

A Special Communication was called, December 14th for the purpose of raising Bro. Jacob Scarp to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. In the East, WB Dennis Mundt, in the West, WB Bruce Watkins and WB David Sierks in the South. The usual

Bob Tooker

suspects covered the balance of positions.

TABLE LODGE

A Table Lodge was called December 28th in the Entered Apprentice Degree. Pulled pork, smoked by WB Dan Chesnut and side dishes provided by the attendees was served. Toasts were offered and accepted. A good time was had by all. Always an evening of good fun, food, and fellowship.

BUSINESS AND INSTALLATION

The Business Meeting festive board featured bean soup and hot bread. Again, normal business was conducted, bills were paid, and the usual communications were heard. After the business was conducted, the installation of the 2023 officers and appointees was conducted. Installed as the 2023 Master was Bro. Adam

English. WB's David Sierks and WB Dennis Mundt were installed as Sr and Jr Wardens. WB Dan Chesnut and Bro Lenny Hernoud as Sr and Jr Deacons. WB Keith Brocksmith and John Helter as Sr and Jr Stewards, with WB Bruce Watkins as Marshal and WB Steven Flader as Tyler. WB Steve Wetzel and Bro Allen Plucknett were reinstated as Secretary and Treasure with WB Bob Tooker appointed as Chaplain.

I suspect I have rambled long enough. Till next month!



Starcraft Chapter #307

Bridget Anderson

Our January meeting took place on January 4th, and once again we had a very sparse crowd! Sis Terri was lounging on the beach in Florida, so Sis Bridget opened the meeting. We didn't have much business to conduct, so it made for a very quick meeting!

Our charter was reverently draped in memory of Sis Cyn

Norman, PGM, who passed away in December.

I must apologize to our January birthday celebrants – I have misplaced my list! Although we did recognize one member present who will be celebrating a birthday in January! Sis Kristen Swisher will be celebrating her birthday on the 27th!

After the meeting closed, we retired to the lower level for cookies and drinks provided by Sis Bridget!



George Washington Lodge #250

Mark Poston

George Washington Lodge #250 held their monthly meeting on the evening of January 3, 2023. W. M. David Sierks welcomed everyone; the Lodge business was conducted in a timely manner. By the time you read this article, our new slate of Officers for 2023 will have been installed; we had a Closed Installation on Saturday, January 14th. Congratulations to all of the Officers as we begin a new Lodge year!

We will be having a February "Second Saturday" meal. We will continue to serve

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: February 11th from 4:30 – 7:00 - 4430 N. 70th Street - Havelock Masonic Temple. We look forward to seeing everyone in February! As always, you can enjoy your dinner by "eating in" or taking them "to go"!

Save the Date!! Martha Washington Chapter No. 153 will be having their

Annual Roast Beef Dinner and Silent Auction on Sunday, February 19, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Havelock Masonic Temple. Cost of the meal is \$12.50 and includes tender roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, a vegetable, roll, salad, and pie!! Calling all Lodge Brethren to come out and enjoy this wonderful meal!

Our George Washington Trivia for this month makes note of the marriage of George Washington and Martha Dandridge Custis on January 6,

1759. They were married at her home in New Kent County. She was a young 26-year-old widow but the owner of more than 17,500 acres of land. Even though grief-stricken at the loss of her husband, she considered remarrying in a relatively short time, not out of necessity but for love and companionship.

When Martha and George met, the attraction was mutual, powerful, and immediate. Martha found someone that she could trust as well as love...she never wrote a legally

binding premarital contract, which was common in the day, to protect her vast assets but willingly wanted George to manage and protect their financial interests as well as become the legal guardian of her two children. The marriage lasted for 40 years, until Washington's death in 1799. Martha died three years later.

In closing, we have the words of Vern McLellan: "What the new year brings to you will depend on what you bring to the new year". Happy 2023 Everyone!

Lincoln Assembly #6

Karan Birdsall

Happy New Year one and all! May each of our Masonic Family organizations be energized and fueled for 2023! I share this graphic from the Supreme Assembly web site of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. Each year Supreme tracks new initiates with the graphic display of the number of new members displayed in this pot of gold. It is updated each time a new member joins. Across IORG, nine new members have been welcomed so far in 2023 and LOOK WHO IS NUMBER ONE! Congratulations to the three new families and the five new members that joined Bellevue Athena Assembly #24 this Saturday!

Nebraska Rainbow

currently sits as number 1 in 2023 growth yet the broader truth is our Nebraska Masonic Family organizations are also number one in other ways! We are blessed in Nebraska with a sense of family among our organizations and within our organizations. We are family! We respect each organization and partner well among our family. Let us celebrate and grow together. We make a difference in all generations and so many lives!

Our three youth organizations deserve your support! Our three youth organizations are key to our adult successes in the coming decades. How are you serving the youth and their

organizations? How are you encouraging them and adding richness to their Masonic family experience? I encourage you to reach out and become a part of their Chapters, Bethels and Assemblies! As you give, so shall you receive!

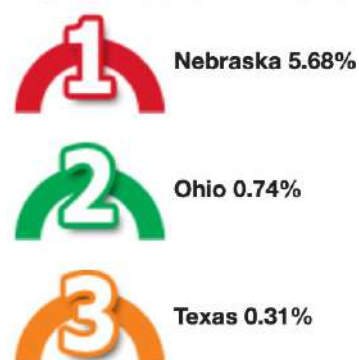
Thank you to all supported IORG Supreme Temple Capital Campaign Challenge of 2022 securing funds for the renovation of the IORG Supreme Temple in McAlester, Oklahoma! In December 2022 Nebraska Grand Assembly received \$3000 from donors, chapters, and assemblies and helped push the challenge to raise \$100K and receive matching funds from

Oklahoma's Masonic Charity. THANK YOU for your support and participation in our efforts! A special thank you to Temple Chapter #271 and Worthy Patron Monte Dietrich. Worthy Patron Monte issued a challenge to the chapter in October

which produced a \$1050 donation from Temple Chapter to this financial challenge! THANK YOU! Together we make a difference! Again I encourage you, your lodges and chapters to support our youth! They are worth it.



Top Ten Jurisdictions (2023 Growth)



Bethel #63

Kennedy

Hello, my name is Kennedy and I'm the Spring Term Honored Queen for Bethel #63 in Lincoln. During our last meeting, we received a very special letter. In that letter was the Honored Queen's pin of Elaine P. Beeman-Allen. She was from Bethel #60 and was Honored Queen around 1958. Sadly, she passed away recently at the age of 81, but her family has told us that she always talked dearly of the time she spent in Job's Daughters. They wanted her pin to go to Bethel #60, but that Bethel has been closed for over 10 years, and one of their members had moved to Bethel #63. We will be putting Elaine's pin on our Honored Queen's cape in remembrance of her and Bethel #60.

As Honored Queen, I was wondering how I could look into the past of my Bethel and Job's Daughters, without building a time machine, and how I could memorialize it. This is when I realized that our Bethel has many old photo books that we used to make for Grand Session each year. I have decided that these books deserve to be looked at because of how nicely put together they are. So I made it my priority to do something about it. That being said, I'm going to take 1 or 2 home after every meeting and look

through all of them. During our meetings I will tell the girls what our Bethel did and accomplished that particular year. I will then have the book(s) for them to look at after the meeting. I will also post every Thursday a picture and a brief summary of what the Bethel did that year on our social media accounts. I will be calling this Throw Back Thursday. If you know anyone that was in Bethel #63, please tell them to watch for posts and pictures, you never know it might be a picture of you!

If you have a daughter or know a girl between the ages of 8-20 that would be interested in learning more about this organization, you can contact us at info@bethel63.org.

Follow us on Instagram @jdi_bethel63 and Facebook @Bethel 63 Lincoln, NE. Feel free to contact us with any questions.

Martha Washington Chapter #153

Betty Kirby

By the time you will be reading this article, a new corps of officers will have been installed on Jan. 14 at a closed installation for Martha Washington Chapter. We wish to thank all the 2022 officers of the chapter for their service and dedication as the year comes to an end.

The essay by S. E. Kiser title "I Will" is very relevant this month as a new corps of officers begins another year:

I will start anew this morning, with a higher, fairer creed.
 I will cease to stand complaining of my next door neighbor's greed.
 I will cease to sit repining while my duty's call is clear;
 I will waste no moment whining and my heart shall know no fear.
 I will look sometimes about me for the things that merit praise;
 I will search for hidden beauties that elude my grumbling gaze.
 I will try to find contentment in the paths that I must tread;
 I will cease to have resentment when another moves ahead.
 I will not be swayed by envy when my rival's strength is shown;
 I will not deny his merit, but I'll try to prove my own.
 I will try to see the beauty spread before me, rain or shine;
 I will cease to preach your duty and be more concerned with mine.

We want to wish all the Lincoln Chapters Incoming Officers a wonderful New Year and a successful year for your Chapter.

On a side note, please contact any one of our officers for tickets for our Annual Roast Beef Dinner on February 19, 2023. We will be serving our traditional full roast beef dinner with homemade pie between 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. that Sunday at the Havelock Masonic Center. This dinner is our only fund-raising project for the Chapter and proceeds are used for our charitable contributions

throughout the year. Tickets are \$12.50 apiece and all tickets must be purchased in advance. What a bargain you will be getting! You can hardly go through the drive-up window for that price and you will be treated to a lovely dinner and good company. We also will be having a silent auction that is being coordinated by Sis. Sue Hedges. You may order tickets by contacting any officer of Martha Washington or you may drop Betty Kirby an email at bkirby9137@gmail.com.

We will be having our Temple Board's monthly winter dinner on the 2nd Saturday of the month again in January and February. Come and enjoy the good company and a warm, hearty meal with us.

Myrtle Chapter #94

Emily Schoenleber

I chose the theme for the year of "Altogether Lovely" not only as a reference to our cabalistic motto, but also in hopes of it being a call to our members for the joy of togetherness that we experience as Star members. COVID took a toll on our Chapter, taking from us - not our friendships - but our familiarity. We broke habits, routines, rituals. And 2022 gave us the opportunity to reform those connections. I pray that we all found some degree of connectedness at Myrtle in 2022, as I believe this is a foundational element of a family (Masonic or otherwise).

As you all know, I work in human services. Those in the field often say "humans are hard" - meaning navigating human behavior, growth and development, as well as relationships is complex and challenging. As Worthy Matron in 2022, I found the navigating member health and safety, schedules, and remaining COVID conditions complex and challenging. However, I was reassured that whenever asked, my Sisters and Brothers would answer my call (or more likely text) and chip-in or step-up, and help.

Thank you to all my Officers who agree to serve this year - whether it was your first time or fiftieth, I appreciate your willingness to say "yes" last January (and then February when Installation was rescheduled), and flexibility to work with me throughout a year of let's say "evolving" plans. Together, we overcame challenges to accomplish some great things in the last year. We launched a Chapter google drive and shared inbox: myrtlechapter94@gmail.com with hopes for more consistency and digital sharing to come. We recognized awareness months and celebrated heritage days at our stated meetings. We celebrated birthdays and anniversaries. We shared monthly devotionals, rooted in our common faith in the divine. We initiated 8 new members into our Chapter, and we're so glad to have Larissa, Katrina, Nadah, Karla, Dan, Charity, Shelby, and Elena as a part of our Chapter. We raised:

- over \$30 for our Chapter in Myrtle Swag Sales
- approximately \$60+ for our Chapter through our Stars at the STARS hockey night
- over \$250 for the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children in Fremont and the Masonic Home for seniors in Plattsmouth with

our red Nebraska shirts through Star Swag Sales

- over \$300 for the WGM & WGP project, in collaboration with the District 5 Chapters, through the Grand Visit & Stars at the SALDOGS event
- over \$400 for our Chapter in dine-out fundraisers

That's over \$1,000 total this year! Kudos to all of you for making that happen. While some plans did not come together as hoped, I am eternally grateful for the willingness of those who said they would take-on a piece of the planning and help organize these events. It was an honor and a privilege to serve the Chapter in coordinating this work. A photo journal of the several other events we held is provided as a supplement to this report.

As I reflect on the year, I would like to thank all of you who helped keep me on track, remember what needed done, filled in (sometimes at the last minute), and cheered me on throughout the term. I want to give a special thank you to Robyn for her faithful service as Treasurer these last 3 years. You haven't always been able to be here, but your consistency in seeing to the background workings of the Chapter are so appreciated. Jenn, thank you for being so willing to learn and "figure it out" with me as you took on the role of Secretary this year. It's such a big job, and I so appreciate your work at it. There are many others I should thank personally, but in the interest of time, I will go now to Caid. Thank you for saying yes when I asked you to take this journey with me. Between completing your year as State Master Councilor, and living in Wayne while attending school, it's no small task to also give Myrtle Chapter your time. You've only been a member a short time, but you've already shown your commitment to your Masonic family, and I am eternally grateful.

I will close with a wish for a wonderful 2023 term for WM-elect Deb, WP-elect Tom, and the Chapter as a whole. It has been an honor and a joy to serve this amazing group of Altogether Lovely friends and family.

In reverent service.



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 Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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 Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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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.

New Year 2023 Special – Quotes from Famous Brother Masons:

Benjamin Franklin –
 “Be at war with vices, at peace with your neighbors, & let every new year find you a better man.”
 “Love your enemies, for they tell you your faults.”
 “Motivation is when your dreams put on work clothes.”

Samuel Clemens (AKA Mark Twain) –
 “Everyone is a moon, and has a dark side which he never shows to anybody.”
 “It is better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to open one's mouth and remove all doubt.”
 “Patriotism is supporting your country all the time, and your government when it deserves it.”

Franklin D. Roosevelt –
 “The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much; it is whether we provide enough for those who have too little.”
 “Men are not prisoners of fate, but prisoners of their own mind.”
 “It is common sense to take a method and try it. If it fails, admit it frankly and try another. But above all, try something.”

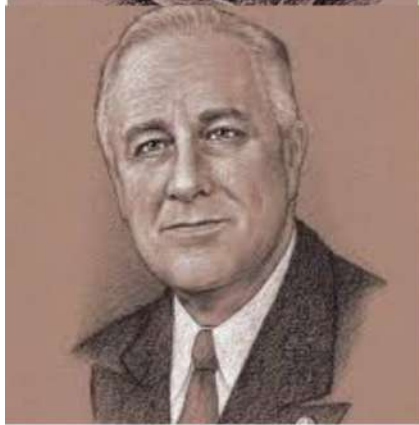
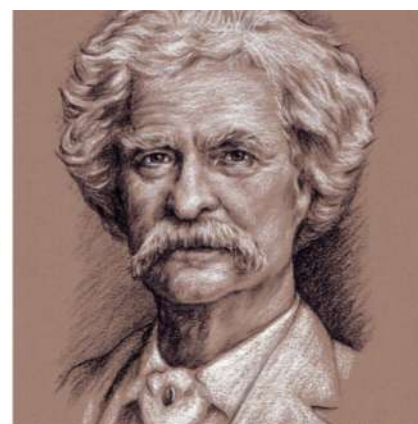
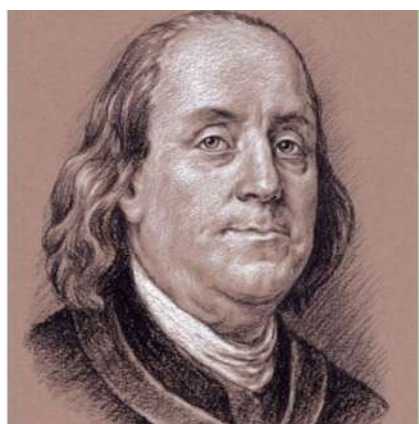
Theodore “Teddy” Roosevelt –
 “If you could kick the person in the pants responsible for most of your trouble, you wouldn't sit for a month.”
 “Nothing in the world is worth having or worth doing, unless it means effort, pain, difficulty...I

have never in my life envied a human being who led an easy life.”
 “Believe you can and you are halfway there.”

George Washington –
 “Be not glad at the misfortune of another, though he may be your enemy.”
 “It is far better to be alive than to be in bad company.”
 “Real men despise battle, but will never run from it.”

Robert Burns –
 “Oh would some power the gift give us, to see ourselves as others see us!”
 “Suspicion is a heavy armour and with its weight it impedes more than it protects.”
 “I pick my favourite quotations & store them in my mind as ready armour, offensive or defensive, amid the struggle of this turbulent existence.”

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





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