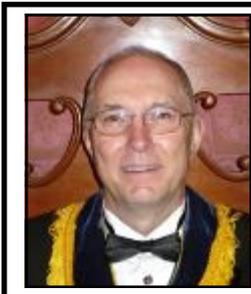




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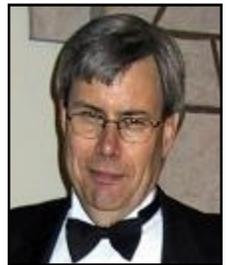
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159th Annual Communication

This month was a busy one for us. The Grand Lodge Communication was at the top of the list. Cataract Lodge #2 was in charge of opening Grand Lodge this year. RW Brother Tom Hendrickson was handing over the gavel to our new Grand Master Brian Beermann.

We were honored with the privilege of opening Grand Lodge with George Washington's Inaugural Bible. St Johns Lodge #1 of New York was very gracious to allow our lodge to use this GREAT, historical, Masonic artifact for our opening. I am going to send St. John's Lodge of New York a very sincere thank you from the Brotherhood of Cataract Lodge. Brother Senior Warden, Ivan Smith, was instructed on how to handle the Bible for the opening. It was GREAT! I have to applaud the officers of Cataract Lodge on a very well done job. I received a lot of compliments on our opening. So Brothers, Congratulations.

The following Tuesday evening, we attended the Lynnhurst turkey dinner honoring the new Grand master. It was a nearly full showing. There were representatives from all the lodges. The turkey was also great.



Silent Auction

On April 22, 2012, Metro Friendship Foundation held its 4th annual Ice Breaker Social at beautiful BayView Event Center on Lake Minnetonka. It is MFF's primary fundraiser of the year.

Cataract Lodge #2 was very well represented with Worshipful Master Terry Henthorn and wife Diane, Worship Brothers Doug Campbell and wife Patty, Mark Campbell and wife Leila, David Kampf and wife Barbara, as well as Brother Allan Jensen and his wife Debra, who is currently MFF President.

The first part of the evening was a silent auction where everyone could bid on a bounty of donated items ranging from golf bags to food items, artwork and electronics. Worshipful Master, Terry Henthorn, and Worshipful Brother, Lane Guyot, were very generous and donated items that sold right away.

The highlight of the evening for me was the award ceremony when the client recipient, an 8th grader named Jacob, stood up and told his story to a room full of strangers. This shows how effective social skills therapy can help these kids with Autism. Jacob's story was followed by a portion of the program called Fund-a-Need, which is basically asking people to open up their wallets and donate money. It was a very successful evening netting over \$12,000.00

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my Brothers at Cataract Lodge #2 and Masonic Charities for your generous donation to Metro Friendship Foundation.

Again thank you very much.
Brother Allan Jensen



Books For Bikes



On Friday, May 4, several members of Cataract Lodge were on hand to present new bikes to the twelve 5th grade students at Bancroft Elementary who reached their goal in reading and comprehension. An additional eight students were awarded bikes for over-all achievement. SW Conrad Jackson spearheaded this program, made possible by Cataract donations and matching funds from MN Masonic Charities, and hopes to continue it in the coming years. Cataract Lodge was recognized for our involvement in Bancroft over the years in volunteerism, field trip donations as well as the Books for Bikes by several faculty members, PTO, and scores of students from the 4th and 5th grade classes.

As always, Cataract members received a warm welcome from the gracious staff, faculty, and students of Bancroft.

Elections, Installation, & Twins Stuff

Elections for the 2012-2013 Lodge Officers will be held at the May 8th Stated Meeting. Installation will be on May 20 at 1:00 PM. Family members and visitors are welcome. Light lunch will follow.

Also, there will be a drawing for tickets to a Twins game on July 15 courtesy of WM Terry Henthorn. The drawing will take place just before closing of the Stated on May 8. Must be present to win.

From the editor:

I would like to apologize to anyone who may have been offended by the piece in last month's newsletter "True Theology and That of Superstition". While it was not my opinion, nor the opinion of the person who was credited with the submission, but an excerpt, it is a topic that is best left for a different venue. Rest assured, I will avoid such topics in future newsletter publications.

Brother Kevin Schwab

News from Richfield Chapter #293, Order of the Eastern Star

Largest International Fraternity of Women and Men with Masonic Relationships

Meetings at Hope Presbyterian Church, 7132 Portland Ave, Richfield, MN Enter Door #6.
7:00PM Meetings.

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CALENDAR:

May 3-5 – Grand Chapter at
St. Cloud Civic Center
and Kelly Inn
May 14 – Honor Mothers & Sisters
May 28 – Dark
Jun 11 – Honor Fathers
Jun 25 – School of Instruction

From the East: Many of you were unaware of the passing of my Mother on April 2, 2012 at Pender, Nebraska. There were many weekend trips and extended stays during the weeks proceeding; thank you for your concerns, cards and support.

Thank you, also, for the memorable Installation on March 31 at the Bloomington Masonic Home. The sidelines had more than 35 attending including many residents of the home. Past Grand Matron Josie Ferguson and her installing officers kept things moving with poise and decorum.

Looking ahead, we have some decisions of great importance: The notice from Hope Church informing us that our space will be needed for church activities was received and read. We will continue to hold our meetings there through June 2012. We have options to consider and discuss. There will be a vote by the Chapter members on June 11, 2012 to act on the location recommendations of our line officers and trustees. Please try to attend and make your thoughts and concerns known.

Mark your calendar for Sunday, August 19: Our summer **Salad Luncheon**. Location will be at the home of the WM, 7326 Harriet Ave. S., Richfield; lunch time of 12:30pm.

The station of Electa has been filled by Sister Jeanine Kretchmer. Sister Jean is our newest member and has accepted the challenge of being a first-time officer. Welcome!

Marian Suter, WM

Remember, "You have an angel on your shoulder."

Grand Chapter: Richfield Chapter is honored this year to have a Grand Officer appointment. Since the installation of Grand Officers has not occurred at the time of this writing, you will have to come to Chapter or wait for the next newsletter to find out who is so honored! Also, results of the legislation will be included in the summer editions of the *Cataract News* including the changes in the per capita.

Past Matrons: The March meeting was held at the home of PGM Jeanne Castle. Following a delicious dinner, the election of new officers was held. They are **Jeanne Castle**, President; **Elsie Erickson**, Vice President; **Joanne With**, Secretary/Treasurer. We also voted to change our meeting night to the **4th Wednesday** of the month. April meeting was held at Carol Vihovde's, May is TBD, and Wednesday, June 27th will be the annual picnic at the home of Pam Larson. No meetings scheduled in July or August. All Past Matrons are welcome and encouraged to attend. We have a delicious meal for which we pay \$5.00, and an evening of sociability. Put these dates on your calendar.

The Past Matrons will provide hamburgers, brats and hot dogs at the annual picnic; attendees are requested to bring a dish to pass and their own beverages. Dining at 6:30pm.

Chapter Refreshments Sister **Ardy Hendrickson** is again coordinating the scheduling of serving refreshments following the meetings for this year. Please call her to get on the schedule. She can be reached at 612-866-1410.

SEE YOU IN CHAPTER

Calendar

May 8- Stated Meeting. Dinner 6:30 Meeting 7:30

May 20- Installation of Officers 2012-2013

May 30- MWMW Meeting. Cataract/Minnehaha. 6:00pm

June 5- Officer's Meeting 6:30

June 12- Stated Meeting. Dinner 6:30 Meeting 7:30



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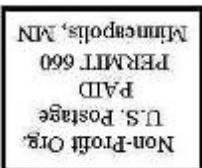
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