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From The EAST!

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Greetings from the East!

What a great March! Last month saw a flurry of activity from the Brethren of Cataract Lodge. Our annual Sweetheart's Dinner took place on March 24 at the Minnesota Valley Country Club. We had a full showing from our Masonic family

for a night filled with great food and fellowship. The following evening, Brothers from Cataract Lodge attended the Wounded Warrior



Project Fundraiser at Jimmy's Event Center in Vadnais Heights. The event was a huge success, and both Cataract Lodge and Minnesota Masonic Charities received recognition for our contributions to such a great cause. We rounded out the month with our Master Mason Degree on March 27 as we raised seven new Brothers! The Cataract Lodge Candidates were joined by three Candidates from Lake Harriett Lodge. Participants in the Degree included Brothers from Cataract Lodge, Minnehaha Lodge, and Lake Harriett



Quits for Vets including two WWII Veterans

Lodge —everyone working together to put on a fabulous degree. I am so grateful for all the hard work put in by the Brothers in preparation for ensuring the night's success.

If you haven't signed up for Grand Lodge on April 13-14, please do so. It's always great to see old friends and make new friendships with Masons from Minnesota and beyond. This year will be special to Cataract Lodge, as we celebrate MWB John Studell's year as Grand Master of Masons of Minnesota, and the retirement of RWB Doug Campbell as Grand Secretary (though I suspect RWB Doug isn't going too far).

Next month, we will be holding our annual Officer elections at our Stated Meeting on May 8. Please join us for supper at 6:30 and stay for the meeting in support of the new Officers. We have great leaders in the line and I am looking forward to what our next year has in store.

Remember, if transportation to and from events is ever a concern for you, please contact me directly (612-360-1531). Our gatherings are better when you are there, and we will be happy to ensure you have a ride.

Keep bringing your guests by the Lodge for supper and fellowship. It is always great to get to know new friends. Also, please continue to reach out to me with your ideas and suggestions. Thank you for all the work you do! I look forward to seeing you in Lodge!

Cataract Lodge #2 Master Mason Degree



Mike Peterson, Aaron Cooney, Richard Hopkins and Brad Peterson with Hiawatha lodge new Master Masons The Degree Crew and Guests

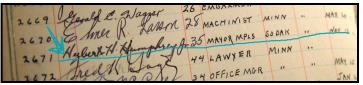


Cataract No.2 New Master Masons



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MWB Douglas Campbell pointed out that our new MMs were signing the same book as Br. Hubert H. Humphrey



Annual Acacia Cemetery Spring Clean Up



Saturday May 5th, 2018, starting at 8:30 AM (or whenever you can make it). Rain or Shine, Warm or Cool. Come and join us for a fun day of service! Clean markers, rake, or help with other projects around the grounds. Refreshments and lunch will be provided when we finish at 11:30. Meet members of other Masonic bodies from around the state. Bring a rake, shovel or other useful tools for cleaning around the cemetery markers. 2151 Pilot Knob Road Mendota Heights, MN 55120

Wounded Warrior Project Banquet





2018 Cataract Lodge No. 2 Scholarship Program Now Open

Once again the lodge has authorized a total of \$20,000 for the annual scholarship program, with \$17,000 coming from the lodge and \$3,000 from Minnesota Masonic Charities. Scholarship applications are available from the Secretary



Douglas Campbell (Douglas.Campbell@me.com or 612 -281-2184). The scholarship program is open to sons, daughters and other relatives of members, as well as friends of family members and even others with no lodge connections. Your recommendation can help the recipient obtain one of the awards. We prioritize the awards first to the recent high school graduating class members and if we still have funds available then we might also make the awards to returning college and/or technical school attendees. These are one year, non-renewable awards and the exact amount awarded will depend on the number of applicants and other factors such as grades and community service. Don't delay, the completed applications are due to the lodge by April 15, 2018.

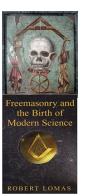




<u>Cataract Bowling Night Out</u> A stroll down Memory Lanes April 27th 5:30PM

Memory Lanes 2520 26th Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55406 RSVP and Info: WB Dave Ott @ dave.ott@guycarp.com





Trestle Board Club

Our new book we are about to start is: Freemasonry & the Birth of Modern Science. By Robert Lomas We meet in the Lodge library Usual meeting is 2nd Sunday at 6pm (write to verify meeting) Everyone is Welcomed! For more information contact: Lee Love at togeika@gmail.com OR

LEO Mark Campbell at campell@tcq.net

Calendar

April 12, 13,14– Grand Lodge Annual Communication	W
April 27– Bowling Outing @ Memory Lanes 5:30PM	S
May 1– Officers' Meeting 6:00PM Lodge May 8– Stated Meeting. Dinner 6:30PM 7:30PM Stated	
June 5– Officers' Meeting 6:00PM Lodge	<u>J</u> 1
June 11– Trestle Board Book Club 6:00PM Lodge Library	<u>S</u>
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Good news!	
The Celestial Lodge	<u>S</u>

The Celestial Lodge has been dark for two months in a row!

Please RSVP all Dinners with our Secretary

From Your Newsletter Editor:

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