



## **CATARACT LODGE NO. 2, A.F.& A.M. CONSECRATED 1852**

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## **Cataract #2/Minnehaha #165 Annual Joint Meeting**



On July 10, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Minnesota, Brian Beermann was kind enough to join us for our Annual Joint Stated Meeting with Minnehaha Lodge. WM Jason Pibal and his line of officers opened the meeting. Hawaiian shirts were the uniform of the day and with the AC on the frits, it was probably cooler in Hawaii. Business of both Lodges was taken care of in short order followed by an inspiring talk from the Grand Master. A delicious prime rib dinner preceded the stated. Pictured, above left, is Cataract WM Conrad Jackson, Grand Master Brian Beermann, and Minnehaha WM Jason Pibal. Above right is a group of hungry masons lining up for that prime rib.

Kudos go out to Herb Berzelius and his family for hosting this month's officer's meeting at their home in Bloomington. Burgers, brats, tater salad, and all the summer fixings were great. We actually covered a lot of business as well. JW Ivan Smith is organizing Service Appreciation Dinners where we invite members of the police, firefighters, vet groups, to join us for dinner on our stated evenings. Tentative dates are October 9 and November 13. Stay tuned. WM Conrad Jackson is contacting members to start awarding 5,10, and 15 year pins and certificates to members of the Lodge starting next month.

## Cataract Scholarships



There were nine worthy recipients of Cataract Lodge Scholarships this year. The awards were handed out in June (yes, I know I'm late with this) to-

Samantha Bengston– University of Wisconsin River Falls  
Kali Guyot– University of Minnesota Twin Cities  
Cassie Johnson– Michigan Technological University  
Sophia Tracy– North Hennepin College  
Jessica Johnson– University of Wyoming  
Charles Sullivan– University of Minnesota Twin Cities  
Benjamin Leaf– St. Thomas University  
Receiving the George Eckles Scholarship this year was Samuel J. Martin who will attend, of course, Normandale Community College.

The first ever recipient of the Frank Harris Scholarship is Katherine Eckstrom who will attend the University of Chicago.

Two Minnesota Masonic Charities Heritage Scholarships were also awarded to Zachary Fink and May Khang.

Congratulations to all for your scholastic achievement and community service.

## 17th Annual Dave Highum Open



It was an overcast, muggy afternoon at Creek's Bend Golf Course July 22nd when a group of men, women, and children (well....child) took to the links to demonstrate what real golf is all about. There was much sweating and fluids were consumed but there were no casualties. Dave supervised the operation in the field while Blake English held down the fort in the clubhouse staying updated on the Twins game. Awards were given for proficiency on the final three holes-

Hole 7-Closest to pin– Marilynn Schwab

Hole 8-Longest drive– Terry Henthorn

Hole 9-Longest putt– Terry Henthorn

A drawing was held afterwards for two more prizes and the lucky winners were Marilynn Schwab and Doug Beach. Each prize is \$100 gift to the recipient's favorite charity.

We all had a good time and if you have yet to participate, consider it for next year no matter what your skill level. Really!

## Masonic Charities Matching



Last Monday WM Conrad Jackson and SD Kevin Schwab met up with Wanda Wasika at Donitelli's for lunch to present her with the check issued by Masonic Charities to match our earlier contributions. Wanda is the president of the local chapter of Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy. Our contributions are used to send families, who couldn't otherwise afford it, to the annual conferences for information regarding this genetic disorder.

## **Toys for Tots**

Brethren of Cataract Lodge #2:

For the past three years we have been making a donation to the "Toys for Tots" campaign sponsored by the United States Marine Corps. The last two years we have been able to present a \$2000 check on Live Kare 11 TV to the Marines. This year I would like to try and increase this amount with your help. I am asking you for a donation, no matter how small or large, from the members of our great Fraternity to support the Marines in this endeavor. I already have an approval from the Lodge to have them match your donations up to \$1000. The Marines are always short for the amount of requests they get for gifts for the Kids. They, as well as I, would certainly appreciate any amount you care to give. I will have the date and time of the presentation on Kare 11 at a later date, which I will publish in the newsletter. I wish to thank you in advance for your support in this great endeavor. I must receive all donations by November 30th 2012. If sending a check, make checks payable to "Cataract Lodge #2".

Please send donations to:  
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Thanks Brethren,  
WB Terry Henthorn

There is also talk of organizing a couple of poker nights at the Lodge with all the proceeds going to Toys for Tots. Prizes awarded. Stay tuned for further details but don't hesitate to donate.

## **A Little History**

From Cataract Lodge #2 Minutes  
Volume 1 — 1852-1857

In The Beginning...

"The members of Cataract Lodge U. D. of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons met at the private parlour of Brother Ard Godfrey, Saint Anthony Falls Minnesota [Territory] pursuant to previous arraignments on Saturday the 14th of February A. L. 5852 at 7 o'clock p.m." [At this meeting the dispensation to form Cataract Lodge, issued by the Grand Master of Illinois, was read, and the first meeting of Cataract Lodge U. D. "was opened on the Master Masons Degree in due and ancient form."]

The first meeting of Cataract Lodge U. D. must have been a late night. Not only was the dispensation from the Grand Master of Illinois read, but the appointed officers were installed, the By-Laws were read and approved, and 16 petitions for membership were read and referred to investigating committees. Also, "On motion – ordered the treasurer to pay Sister Mary Murphy five dollars for making aprons for the lodge; and that the thanks of this lodge as tendered to Sister Mary Murphy for her sympathy in our welfare and progress – by the secretary of the lodge." At this meeting, Ard Godfrey's sister served as the Tyler so that all members could be inside the lodge room for the reading of the dispensation.

"Lodge called from labor to refreshment for the space of one week – to meet at the Odd Fellows Hall." (to be continued...)

*Thanks to WB Gary Bill for this submission*

## Calendar

**Aug 14-** Stated Meeting. Dinner 6:30.  
Meeting 7:30

**Aug 28-** EA Degree practice 6:20

**Aug 29-** MWMW Meeting. Monti-  
cello Lodge. Dinner 6:30

**Sept 4-** Officer's Meeting 6:30

**Sept 10-** Stated meeting Dinner 6:30  
Meeting 7:30

**Sept 16-** EA degree practice 6:30

**Sept 25-** EA Degree Dinner 6:00 De-  
gree 7:00

**Oct 2-** Officer's meeting 6:30

**Oct 9-** Stated meeting Dinner 6:30  
Meeting 7:30

**Oct 16-** Chili Cook-off. Details to fol-  
low

**Oct 23-** FC Degree Dinner 6:00 Work  
7:00 (Practices to be determined)

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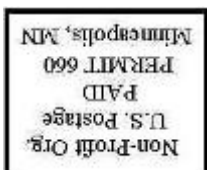
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