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From The EAST!

Once again, thanks to all those who hung in there for the late night installation at the stated meeting on May 12. And again, thanks to PM Ivan Smith for his leadership this past year. I think things went pretty smooth in spite of the hour and I didn't notice anyone dozing off. I think we're off to a good start with getting out of the Lodge to events to let people know what we're about- Feed My Starving Children on May 30, Bancroft Bikes for Books June 1st, and even our visit to the Masonic Home for the Dan Patch Club just last Saturday, while Masonic related, still gave a person a sense of assisting. As I said in previous notes, an occasion where we might help may come up on short notice and sure enough just last week I got an e-mail from our Grand Master John Gann on the upcoming 2015 U.S. Paralympics National Championship happening June 17-20 at Robert and Alexandra Klas Center which is located on the Hamline University campus in St. Paul, Minnesota. It may be hard to get a group together on this short notice but there is a link to a page to submit your name as a volunteer and show up with your Square & Compass attire.

Go to-<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b44afab28a4fc1-volunteers>

I will forward his e-mail to all on my mailing list which also contains the above link. We have a great bunch of men coming through the officer line. I look forward to working with them as well as with all the fine members of Cataract Lodge.

Thanks, WM Kevin Schwab 2015-2016

Annual Joint Meeting

Hawaiian Shirt Night July 14th!!

The Joint Meeting with Minnehaha Lodge will be Wednesday July 14th @ 6:30. Stated starts at 7:30PM. Dinner is \$10. Please RSVP with Secretary RWB Doug. If you have never attended this joint meeting make it point to add this event to you calendar! Great Fellowship, Build Your Burger Night! And remember your Hawaiian Shirt!!

Please send your email and address corrections.

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Cataract #2 Mason Of The Year!



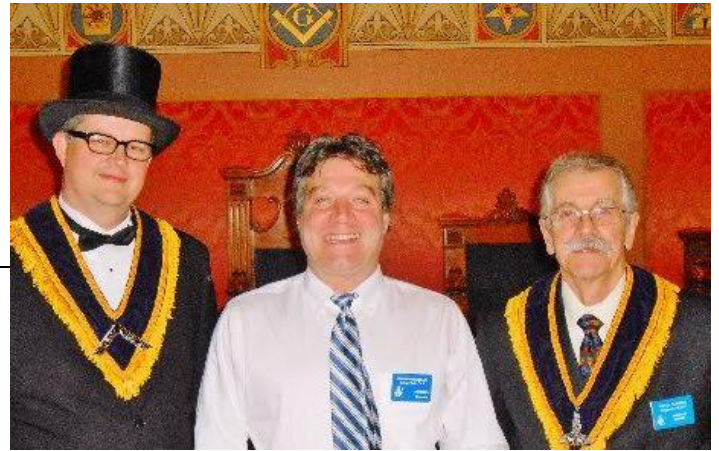
JD Arun Nartarajan receiving Mason Of The Year Award from PM Ivan Smith.

Books for Bikes at Bancroft School



WM Kevin Schwab and several Brothers took charge distributing 14 nice shining bicycles to Bancroft Elementary School students today, 1 Jun 2015. 14 Recipients read at least 25 books during the school year... and they also received gift certificates for a shiny new helmet as well as security cords and locks to keep the bikes secure. The youth, as well as the teachers and parents of those receiving the bikes, were very enthusiastic in encouraging other students to get on the book reading program and mingle with this energized group of students

New Fellow Craft Mason!



Our newest brother, Bill Halfrich, received more Masonic light on Tuesday, May 26 as he was passed to the degree of a Fellow Craft. Here he is pictured with acting Master Dave Ott and Senior Warden (and actual Master) Kevin Schwab. The Master Mason degree is set for Tuesday, June 23, beginning at 5:00 PM. Please clear your calendar and join the officers of Cataract Lodge #2 for what will surely be another sublime event! .

New Officers Installed for 2015-2016



Pictured: From left to right-- Tyler Pat Carver, JR Deacon Allan Jensen, Chaplain WB Robert Selden, Treasurer WB David Kampf, SR Warden David Ott, Worshipful Master Kevin Schwab, JR Warden Scott Wood, Sr. Deacon Arun Natarajan, LEO WB Mark Campbell, Marshal Paul Hodnefield Installation ceremonies went quite well with Past Master Conrad Jackson presiding and WB Ray Fransen's flawless work as Marshal.

High Five for Supplies 2015 Weekend!

Cataract member and friends will be packing backpacks with school supplies at Saint Thomas Academy-- Vincent Flynn Hall on 10Am-12 Noon Sat 8 Aug 2015. For more information, contact WM Kevin.

Feed My Starving Children Event



On May 30th, In two hours, a couple dozen Cataract members and Friends helped pack over three pallets of food, 172 boxes, 37,152 meals worth \$8173.44 that will feed 102 children for a year. And we all had fun doing it!

Proposed By-law Change for Cataract Lodge No. 2 Annual Dues Increase

Whereas our current lodge by-laws call for an annual dues payment of \$26.00 plus the Grand Lodge of Minnesota per capita amount; and Whereas the Cataract Lodge portion of the annual dues payment has not been increased for several years; and Whereas inflation and annual lodge operating costs continue to increase; Now, therefore be it resolved that the annual dues of Cataract Lodge No. 2 will be \$66.00 plus the Grand Lodge of Minnesota per capita amount, starting with the dues payable for 2016.

The final vote on the proposed lodge by-law change will take place at the stated communication on **August 11, 2015.**

Cataract at Dan Patch Masonic Club at The Masonic Home

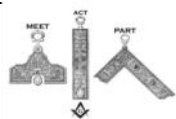


The Pledge of Allegiance on June 6, Anniversary of D-Day

On Saturday, June 6, Cataract Lodge #2 sponsored the June meeting of the Dan Patch Masonic Club in their new home in the Community Room of the Minnesota Masonic Home. This lively group of Brother Masons meets monthly on the first Saturday of each month at 9:30 AM and draws its members from the assembled Brethren at the Masonic Home. Once opened by Officiator Bro. Merle Cole, the eight Cataract Brethren in attendance were introduced by WM Kevin Schwab. Our own LEO, WB Mark Campbell gave a brief talk gleaned from an article written by Bobby J Demott about our 17th US President Andrew Johnson who was both Mason and the only President to receive degrees in the Scottish Rite. The interesting Minnesota tie in was that ATC Pierson, who at the time was the Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Minnesota, performed the degree work in the White House. There followed a discussion of remembrance of the events of 71 years earlier on the beaches of Normandy.

At the conclusion of the meeting, all Cataract members were invited to return again for fellowship and instruction. Next month's special guests will come in period costume to celebrate Independence Day.

—Submitted by JS Joel Friedman



Pillars of Light

MN Chapter Philalethes Society

Dear Brethren:

We the Pillars of Light Minnesota Chapter of the Philalethes Society June Quarterly meeting will take place Friday, June Friday, June 12, 2015 at the Triune Temple 1898 Iglehart Avenue, Saint Paul, MN. We will meet at 6:30 PM with dinner at 7:00 PM. There will be a \$20 cost for the meal. The presentation of lecture will begin at 7:30 PM. This quarterly meeting our guest presenter, Mr. Rodney K. Williams will be presenting a practical approach to the understanding the complex subject of String Theory.

Please RSVP Brother Bruce Nelson at the following email address: brucenelson84@gmail.com. Open to the public!

Fraternally, Joe R. Gonzalez, President
Pillars of Light MN Chapter Philalethes Society

Who Is Who At Cataract Lodge #2 (3 Generations): Emanuel Friedman

Dec. 14, 1908 — Sep. 16, 1966



PM Emanuel Friedman, JS Joel, Friedman and PM Michael Friedman

Brother Manny, as friends called him, was said to be a dedicated individual who exerted maximum effort during his many endeavors. His motto was "Never walk when you can run." He was initiated, passed and raised as a Master Mason in Sep/Oct 1958 and served as Cataract Lodge Master in 1964. He took the royal Arch degrees in St Anthony Falls chapter 18 Mar 1963 and in Adoniram Council 5 Dec 1964. and served for a time as Editor of the Cataract News and was also active in degree work at the Scottish Rite Temple as well being known as a real work horse at many performances during Shrine Circus events; Both he and his wife, June, were active in the order of the Eastern Star and June was active in providing meals at Cataract Lodge.. For many years Brother Manny served as Scoutmaster. He enjoyed golf and fishing somewhat less than kissing his grandchildren. On the evening preceding his death he and June entertained his children and family at a dinner party at his home. he was surrounded by the family which he loved ever so dearly, it was said that he kissed each of his 10 grandchildren good-night, after a pleasant evening and went to see his Maker on 16 Sep 1966 en route to Mt Sinia Hospital after suffering a massive heart attack. On 18 Sep 1966: Members of Cataract lodge, all close friends and associates acted as pallbearers included, Sherman Masler, Nathan Chesler, Edward Schwartz, Charles Lerner, Bernard Goldstein, Vince Berna and Mickey Segal. Services were held at Adath Jeshuran Synagogue with Rabbi Arnold Goodman officiating and internment followed at Adath Jeshuran Cemetery.

Celestial Lodge

Randall B. Skipton, Sr.

Born 10/24/1924

Degrees in Century Lodge No. 338:

Entered Apprentice Degree 3/12/1957

Fellowcraft Degree 4/23/1957

Master Mason Degree 5/11/1957

Died 5/6/2015



Calendar

June 9– Stated Meeting, dinner 6:15; meeting 7:30. Scholarship presentations.

June 16– MM degree practice 6:30

June 23– MM Degree; degree work 5:00pm, dinner 6:30

July 7– Officer's meeting 6:30

July 14– Cataract/Minnehaha Lodges joint meeting 6:30 Dinner; 7:30 Meeting

August 4– Officers Meeting 6:00PM

August 8– Back Packing 10:00-12:00

August 11– Stated Meeting 6:30pm Dinner 7:30 Meeting

August 19– Kids ID Bancroft Time (tentative)

August 23– Dave Highum Memorial Golf Outing

September 1 Officers Meeting 6:00pm

September 8– Stated Meeting 6:30pm Dinner 7:30 Meeting

September 28– Kidspo Kids ID 10:00-3:00pm
Minnesota Masonic Charities Gala 5:30-9:00pm

visit www.cataractlodgelodge.com/calendar for further calendar information and details

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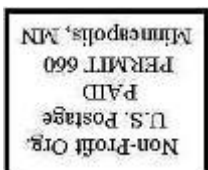
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