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From The EAST!

Where has the time gone?

It's hard to believe I'm already writing my final newsletter article as Master of Cataract Lodge #2. I was deeply honored when you put your faith in me to lead our historic lodge last May. The past year of work in the Craft has deepened my understanding of our symbols and ritual, and solidified friendships with lodge members that began years ago when I first joined the officer line as WB Terry Henthorn's Senior Steward. Like those who came before me, I had BIG PLANS for the lodge during my time in the East. And, as those who came before me will surely relate to, I only managed to cross about HALF of them off my list!

Brethren, you are a member of one of the finest Masonic lodges in the state of Minnesota. Our philanthropy and degree work is second to none. Be proud of this, but never take the hard work that makes us so great for granted. Like many other lodges, Cataract #2 continues to suffer from a lack of participation from its member base. I've seen attendance decline steadily each year that I've served as an officer. Good men repeatedly knock on our door and we lose them shortly after they are raised. Why is this happening? I encourage anyone reading these words to contemplate this occurrence and consider ways our lodge can reverse the trend going forward. At some point we will reach a breaking point if others aren't willing to step in and do the work. We all lead busy lives and are pulled in many directions, both personally and professionally. Being active in the lodge doesn't mean you need to become an officer. Get involved by participating in one of our many volunteer opportunities. Attend a social outing with your wife or significant other, so they have the opportunity to see the kind of good men that make up Cataract #2. Agree to mentor a new member of our lodge and help them study the ritual, or simply discuss Masonry with them over coffee. Each year we struggle to find men willing to serve as a lodge officer. I knew from the moment I was raised that I wanted to become Master of a lodge, following in my father and grandfather's footsteps. It took a bit of juggling to make this yearlong commitment work professionally, but it was easily one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. If you're interested in serving the lodge speak with one of the officers and ask how to get involved. I guarantee they can find work for you!

While my time in the East is quickly coming to a close, my relationship with our lodge is still very much in its infancy. I've agreed to remain part of the officer line by serving as your Marshal for 2017-2018. I've also been asked to assist with our new Mentoring program, which will allow me to remain active in Cataract Lodge #2 by working with candidates and new brothers for years to come. I only hope I can provide as much wisdom and guidance to future lodge members as I received from the fine gentleman who mentored me these past 12 months.

As always...see you in lodge! Fraternally, WM Dave Ott

Bro. Glenn Keicker's Hiram Award Banquet



Installation of Officers

The members of Cataract Lodge No. 2 A.F. & A.M.

invite you and your guests to join us for
our Installation of Officers:

Saturday, May 20, 2017

1:00 PM Sharp

Luncheon to follow

Dress for officers is formal. Dress for friends and
family is business / business casual.

RSVP Lodge Secretary:

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Simon Says Teddies Delivered!



To Shiners Children's Hospital



Visit to The Aveda Building



May 16th Tuesday

WB Mark Anderson has arranged a tour of the old
Cataract #2 building located at:
400 Central Ave SE, Minneapolis.

We plan to carpool from our Lodge parking lot on
Bloomington meeting at 6:15PM
Tour to begin at Aveda at 7:00PM

It is an "Open" event. Bring your friends and family.
Please RSVP our secretary@ grandlodge@qwest.net
or call him: 952 948-6700

Who Is Who At Cataract Lodge #2?

W.B. Frederick Thornton Paul



The 60th Master of Cataract Masonic Lodge #2-1927, Frederick Thornton Paul was raised as a Master Mason at Cataract Lodge on 30 Sep 1921 and served as Master in 1927. He was exalted in St Anthony Falls Chapter 28 May 1926; received all the degrees as usually conferred in Adoniram Council 18 Dec 1926 and Knighted in Darius Commandery 1 Apr 1933. WM Paul attended

Central High School and graduated from the University of Minnesota. He worked as a Minneapolis Civil Engineer and was a member of the Metropolitan Airport Commission. He retired in 1948 after serving 15 years as city engineer and 40 years in the Minneapolis Engineering Dept. He also served on the Minneapolis Charter Commission and as a consultant for the Minnesota Highway Dept. He was a member of the Boy Scouts over 30 years and served in many other civic and professional groups. He served for 16 months in World War II.

When Frederick Thornton Paul was born on July 3, 1883, in Watertown, South Dakota, his father, James, was 23 and his mother, Neomi, was 23. He married Mildred B Gout on August 14, 1912, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They had two children during their marriage. He died on August 20, 1964, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, at the age of 81, and was buried in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Lakewood Cemetery.

--submitted by Lodge Historian Glenn D. Kiecker

Bro. Walter Alonzo Higgins



Walter Alonzo Higgins was born 8 Dec 1891, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He became a Master Mason at Cataract Masonic Lodge #2 on 22 Dec 1913 and serves as Jr and Sr Steward and Jr Dea-

con until 1917 when he joined the Army for WW I. He was discharged in 1921 and relocated in California. He married Miriam Burgett Worden in 1941. He died on November 27, 1958, in Glendale, California, at the age of 66, and was buried there.



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W.B. CHARLES ERVINGTON LAURETTE



CHARLES ERVINGTON LAURETTE
WM Cataract Lodge - 1922

Brother Charles was born on August 27, 1877, in East Fairfield, Vermont. His Dad had passed away before he was born and his mother was not expected to live, so he went to live with an aunt and uncle near Groton South Dakota at a tender age. till he was 19 years of age. He then came to Minneapolis looking for a job.

He worked at Saxon Heating Company for several years and then enlisted in the Spanish American War's Army Medical Hospital Corps and was sent to Cuba and was honorably discharged in Nov of 1901, having served a 3 year term.. Bro Laurette was raised as a Master Mason at Cataract Lodge #2 on 29 Jan 1915 and received the Royal Arch Degree on 2 Dec 1915. He was knighted in Darius Commandery #7 on 1 Nov 1946 and served as WM of Cataract Lodge in 1922. He was Worthy Patron of Harmony Chapter OES in 1928.

Bro Laurette worked as a Chief Engineer at Deere and Webber for over 11 years and then went to Montgomery Ward & Co. St Paul for 17 years. He was also the Chief Engineer at the Shriners Hospital over 10 years and retired at the age of 75.



He married Nina Leach on March 3, 1903, in St Johnsbury, Vermont., died on 23 Sept. 1972, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, at the age of 95, and was buried at Fort Snelling National Cemetery with his wife at his side.

--submitted by Lodge Historian Glenn D. Kiecker

Trestle Board Club



We meet in the Lodge library. **Next Meeting Sunday May 14 @ 6:00PM** We are reading part 3 of **Revolutionary Brotherhood by Steven Bullock** Everyone Welcomed! Lee will bring Sushi. For more information contact: Lee Love at togeika@gmail.com

Calendar

- May 9** – Stated Meeting Election of Officers
6:30 dinner 7:30PM Stated
- May 14** – Trestle Board Club Meeting 6:00PM
- May 16** – Aveda Building Visit 7:00PM
- May 20** – Installation of Officers 1:00PM to 3:00PM
- June 4** – Officer's Meeting 1:00PM @ Scott Wood's House. Phone for directions: 612-360-1531
- June 13** – Stated Meeting 6:30 dinner 7:30PM Stated

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Please RSVP all Dinners with our Secretary

**Our Lodge Has Spared the Celestial Lodge
this Month!**



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