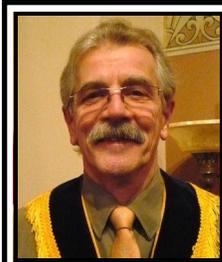




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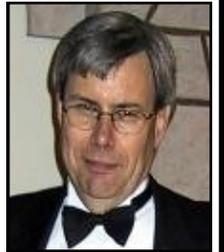
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From The EAST!

It was good to get out October 17 for another Feed My Starving Children event at their Eagan facility. A couple hours later, a few of us took a trip to Clearwater Lodge #28 (pictured to the right). Prior to their stated meeting, we visited the Acacia Cemetery just outside of town (yes, there's one in Clearwater, too) and Bro. Paul Hodnefield provided us with quite a bit of history on the founding fathers of Clearwater and of its Masonic history. The Lodge building was completed in 1888 and the room was furnished with the same items as it was then, including the chairs we sat in.



Inspiring. Our degree team did a great job on the Fellow Craft work on the October 27 with a courtesy candidate from Phoenix Lodge and we're looking forward to passing our candidate this Tuesday. Don't forget the other events coming up this month:

the Chili Cook-Off as well as the Annual Heritage Dinner (see calendar).

With November here, we all look forward to spending time with our families for the holidays.

WM Kevin Schwab

Toys for Tots fundraiser is hard underway!

Brethren,We have our presentation date and time set for **December 9 at the 5:00 PM newscast on Kare 11.**

This will be our 7th year and are at a total gift to the Marines for this GREAT purpose of making our local children's Christmas a Merry one. We are at a total for the last 6 years of \$75,000. That is fantastic that we can help so many under privileged children in our community enjoy the spirit of Christmas. This is the one fundraiser that our lodge actually asks you to participate in by sending your donation to support this event. Please send your donation to: Cataract Lodge #2 AF&AM, 5149 Bloomington Ave S, Minneapolis MN 55417. Make your check payable to Cataract Lodge #2, Memo it to: Toys for Tots. The Worshipful Master and the lodge appreciate your support.



Thank you, WB Terry Henthorn tlhenthorn@gmail.com: committee Chairman, Joel Freidman: Co Chairman.

**It's time for the Cataract Lodge #2
2015 CHILI COOKOFF!**



Categories are Best Hot, Best Mild, Best Non-Traditional and Best Overall. No Entry Fees! Bethel #16 and the Job's Daughters will provide their Excellent Potato Bar to make a full meal of the event!

Hope to see you with your entry at 5:30pm on Tuesday November 17. Tasting begins at 6PM. Even if you don't have an entry we would love to have you judge!

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Courtesy Candidate from Phoenix Lodge #350



Brother Josh Gerdes was not well for the event but we had a candidate from Phoenix Daylight Lodge to pass. Bro. Gerdes will be Passed on November 10th, 6PM Dinner 7pm, Degree. Plans are made for a Courtesy MM degree at Lake Harriet Lodge December 7th. Lodges assisting each other! You must RSVP with Lake Harriet Lodge for MM Degree.

Trestle Board Book Club



Our current reading is **John J. Robinson's Born in Blood: The Lost Secrets of Freemasonry.** Next discussion is on chapters 16 to 20. (You don't have to read the book to attend.) We meet in the Lodge library. **Next meeting is Sunday December 6th 6:30PM** About half the meeting is about the book and the rest has been about history, ancestry and genealogy. If you have an article or paper you'd like to share, bring it or send it to me and copies will be made. ***Lee at togeika@gmail.com***

Cataract and Simon Says Worked Together to Bring Stuffed Toys To The Shiners' Children's Hospital!



On November 6th, over 75 stuffed toys were donated from the Simon Says Give program to the children of the Shriners' Children's Hospital. The plan is to make this an ongoing gift where Cataract member help keep the hospital with a steady supply from Simon Says. Nothing like putting a smile on a child! Especially one in the hospital!



Celestial Lodge

James C. Wallner
Born 7/6/1970, degrees in Century Lodge No. 338
Entered Apprentice Degree 7/2/1996
Fellowcraft Degree 8/6/1996
Master Mason Degree 9/3/1996
Served as the Jr. Warden of Century Lodge No. 338 1997
Died 1/21/2012



Douglas D. Warne
Born 2/17/1940, degrees in Humboldt Lodge No. 87, South Dakota
Entered Apprentice Degree 4/13/1964
Fellowcraft Degree 5/11/1964
Master Mason Degree 6/22/1964
Member of Century Lodge No. 338 prior to the merger
Died 9/2/2015

Donal C. Thomas (NO D on the end of Donal)
Born 11/28/1926, degrees in Cataract Lodge No. 2
Entered Apprentice Degree 5/6/1949
Fellowcraft Degree 5/26/1949
Master Mason Degree 6/9/1949



Who Is Who At Cataract Lodge #2 Brother Fred L. Smith



FRED L. SMITH -- Masonically he was Past Master -- 1873, 74 & 75-- of Cataract Masonic Lodge #2 where he was initiated as an (EA) Entered Apprentice 15 Feb 1868: died 17 Feb 1928 - apparently was a MN Freemason for over 60 years....

Mr. Smith was an exemplary member of the Masonic craft and was quite active in various Masonic circles. He was

a member of Cataract Lodge; St. Anthony Falls Chapter; Adonirum Council (Past Illustrious Master); and Darius Commandery (past Commander), in all of which he held the executive chairs. He was a member of the Zuhrah Temple of the Mystic Shrine and of the Scottish and York Rites, having attained the thirty-second degree in Minneapolis Consistory. Mr. Smith also was a member of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 44, Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He was a life member of the Minnesota State Historical Society; a member and ex-president of the Hennepin County Territorial Pioneers.

Brother Fred L. Smith was born in the little village of Lee, Maine, on the 2 Jul 1843. When a boy of fourteen years he went to the then small town of St. Anthony MN. he had received a diploma from the Lee Normal Academy of Maine, entitling him to teach, but he never entered that profession. During the first summer of his residence in St. Anthony-- In September the Falls Evening News was established and published by Croffith & Clark, and he secured the position of carrier, working in the office setting type and also feeding the job press, an old Ruggles.

Mr. Smith's ability as a printer manifested itself early in life and he was rewarded with a salary of twenty-seven dollars a week, which was not so bad for a boy of twenty. Mr. Smith was quick to take advantage of every opportunity that came his way and he was a most efficient and trusted employee. At that time there was no transportation with St. Anthony save by stage coach, and the fare by this route was one dollar. Many times Mr. Smith walked up from St. Paul on Saturday night, returning in the same manner Monday morning. He readily recalls how he used to

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walk across St. Anthony Falls at low water.

In 1868 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Smith and Miss Roxana G. Sinclair, and to their union two children were born: Henry S., who is in business with his father; and Agnes M., who is the wife of H. C. Rompage of this city. Mrs. Smith died on the 12th of January, 1915. She was essentially a home woman and her demise came as a severe shock to her family and many friends. Mr. Smith, first vote was for Abraham Lincoln. He was active in public life and was a member of the city council of Minneapolis, as a representative from the fifth ward, for five years. He was occupying the president's chair of the city Council when he resigned in 1881. He served for twelve years on the Park Board of Minneapolis and was -president of this board for a time.

Mr. Smith always stood for advancement and progress in everything that pertained to the welfare of the craft of which he was dean and in 1884 he assisted in the formation of the first organization of job printers in Minneapolis, known as the Employing Job Printers Protective Association, and became president of this body. This was just three years prior to the organization of the National Typothetae of America, which took place in Chicago in 1887. He served over fifteen years as a member of the executive committee of the United Typothetae of America and held the office of president for many years. His assistance could always be counted upon when needed and his counsel often sought. At the printers' picnic on Saturday, July 2, 1910, in honor of his sixty-seventh birthday, Mr. Smith was presented with a diamond ring. On his seventy-fifth birthday he was presented with a handsome gold watch, Swiss, by the employing printers and the supply men. Mr. Smith had a host of friends in every walk of life and his picture was hung in many offices of prominent business men throughout the county and state. A contemporary writer said of him: "He never attempted the unattainable--he lived his life as he deemed fit, and no one can deny that he earned every honor accorded him."

Submitted by Lodge Historian Glenn Kiecker

South Metro Food Packing



Cataract Masonic Lodge #2 was well represented at a **Feed My Starving Children**

food packing session, on a this beautiful fall afternoon in Minnesota. Sat 17 Oct 2015-- All had a great time---All pledged to return for a large South Metro Food Packing session the first week of February 2016. You will be notified of the details as the time draws near. A donation was made and well received. *Submitted by Bro. Glenn Kiecker*

Calendar

November 10— FC Degree Dinner 6:00pm Meeting
7:00pm

November 14- Big Tent MM Degree, Scottish Rite 7:00AM

November 15— Heritage Dinner MN Valley Country Club
Valley Country Club 5pm Social 6pm Dinner RSVP our Sec-
retary.

November 17— Chili Cookoff 6:00pm (entries 5:30pm)

Nov. 22- Minnehaha Lodge Installation 2:00pm

Dec. 1- Officer's Meeting 6:30

Dec. 6— Testleboard Club 6:30

Dec. 7— Lake Harriet Lodge MM Degree 4PM Dinner 6PM
RSVP at (612) 927-5426

Dec. 8- Annual turkey Dinner and Stated Meeting 6:00pm
dinner; 7:30 meeting

Dec. 9— Toys For Tots 5pm Newscast Contact WB Terry
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Dec.11-12- Scottish Rite Centennial Reunion

*Cataract Lodge #2 is so active that not all of our activities
can be listed in the newsletter. Please visit our Facebook
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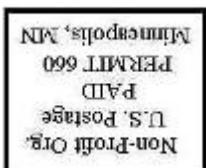
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