



Sioux Falls Freemasons The Trestle Board

*Three Lodges,
One Brotherhood*

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THIS MONTH'S EDUCATION TOPIC



Masonic Website of the Month!

Masonic Building Association: Our mission is to manage the building maintenance and upkeep for masons and other related entities which partake in charity care of children. This is a great source of information about the building. There is a Google calendar of events at the building and flyers about events that are related to the Masonic family. It is definitely worth checking out.

<http://sfmba.com/>



Masonic Phone App of the Month!

My Freemasonry grants you full access to the My Freemasonry website and discussion forum. Join over 16,000 fellow Freemasons as they share upcoming Masonic events, educational papers, photos and more!

FAST FACTS

A woman named Catherine Babington wanted to know what Freemasonry was all about so she hid inside a pulpit at meetings in Kentucky for over a year. When discovered, she was held for a month and it is said they made her a Mason.

Your Masonic Education

by Brother David McCormick from a Masonic Spring Workshop in 1990

Masonry Tomorrow

I Have a Dream, A Song to Sing To Help me Cope with Anything

If You See the Wonder of a Fairy Tale You Can Take the Future, Even if you fail,

I Have a Dream, A Fantasy to Help Me Through Reality And my Destination makes it Worth the While Pushing through the Darkness still another Mile I Believe in Angels, Something good in everything I see, I Believe in Angels, when I Know the time is right for me, I Will Cross the Stream, I have a Dream.

Some of you may know this song, I Have a Dream. It was made popular by a group known as ABBA in the early 1980s. I have used a portion of it to introduce some ideas about Masonry Tomorrow or Masonry in the Future.

First, we know Masonry is a living and growing entity. It prepares us for the future. Lao Tzu has said, "The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step." But where do we begin? The answer is simple, you begin just where you are. "If thou but settest foot on the path thou shall see it everywhere." This is a quote from Hermus Trismegistus.

Preparing this paper has been extremely exciting for me. It has stimulated my unworked brain cells into action. It has stirred and awakened my imagination.

Something I would like to share with you, this weekend, we have heard about our past, our present and now our future. Has anyone noticed how the speakers were placed? Our past and our present were talked about by two very experienced and seasoned Masons. I would like to thank both Jack and Myron for giving us some further light and giving us encouragement to search for more light with their excellent presentations.

I have "Dared to Dream" - Stan, does this sound familiar? Our dream is to seek further light in Masonry. Our dream is to make the future and also live the future. A very beautiful lady said, "I touch the future, I am a teacher." This was Christa Macauliffe, a

grade school teacher and an Astronaut who was on the Challenger Mission in 1986. Her words are so true for us in the Masonic order. We too are teachers. Our first step into Masonry is as an Entered Apprentice. This, as we know, is where we take a Candidate and introduce him into our order. By teaching him, and tutoring him, not to just the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason, but beyond.

This is where I would boldly like to go where no man has gone before, on an Educational Adventure into the future, and add some more light to the coming light.

Knowledge is attained by degrees. Wisdom dwells in contemplation; there we must seek her.

This is the start of the recipe for success, this is where we take our dream, mix it with motivation and action, add long hours of practice, dedication and discipline, finally giving us our dream.

Through the lectures we are taught and then finally participate in:

By teaching them to others, deal with the future. The Scriptures lay the foundation upon which we build a righteous life. Our lecture about the lambskin talks about the future. And, of course, the North East Corner, this above all lectures, I believe, sticks out in all Masons minds. It, too, deals with the future. "...and, from the foundation laid this evening, may you raise a superstructure perfect in its parts..." Perfection is here. It is attained by a process of taking away; no stroke of gavel or chisel can add anything to a rough ashlar; it may only remove. Perfection, then is already within.

The famous sculptor, Gutron Borglum (a Freemason), asked how he carved stone into statues, answered, "It is very simple. I knock away with hammer and chisel the stone I do not need and the statue is there - it was there all the time."

In the Volume of the Sacred Law we read, "The kingdom of heaven is within you." Images are made by a process of taking away. The perfection is already within. All that is required is to remove the roughness.

"...divesting our hearts and consciences of the vices and superfluities of life..." to show forth the perfect man and Mason, and to find the kingdom within.

Masonry is also a progressive science. Continuing further, as we advance in stages, we are continually learning and being taught. One of the seven liberal arts and sciences, we are taught, is Astronomy. This is a "sublime science, which inspires the contemplative mind to soar aloft and perceive the wisdom, Strength and Beauty of the great Creator in the heavens."

I attended a workshop last fall to do with my work and our Instructor, Dr. Jim Reubian, talked about the future and how we were in the pre-colonization age. That is, we are now building space stations to take us further out into space and start colonizing. The drawings on the boards are now being built; the technology is advancing at an ever-accelerating pace. A new computer chip has just been developed called the fuzzy chip. It has the ability to judge and reason, in that the old technology or binary system, which is very basic, is either on/off: yes/no. The fuzzy chip can judge and will either slow down, speed up, or be incremental. These things have come from dreams, from ambitions, from planning and I will go so far as to say as being from Masons. Our dreams will take us into the future. Our initial beginnings in Masonry came from within. Therefore, our future will come from within. Within every one of us, the future comes from building faith. The first step being dreaming. This is faith taking the first cautious step. Mountain moving faith begins with a dream. Unquestionably, the greatest power in the world is a creative idea.

All success begins with a dream.

Scientists at the Brain Research Institute at the University of California at Los Angeles believe that the creative capacity of the human brain approaches infinity. Your brain can store, combine, and create, more bits of information and imagery than thousands of videotape recorders, tens of thousands of computers and millions of microfilm cartridges. There are no limits other than the self-imposed. So, don't censor your dreams - give them free reign.

A potent quote from Woodrow Wilson, a former President of the United States of America, says:

We grow great by our dreams. All big men are dreamers. They see things in the soft

haze of a spring day or in the red fire of a long winter's evening. Some of us let these great dreams die, but others nourish and protect them, nurse them through the bad days till they bring them to the sunshine and light, which comes always to those who sincerely hope that their dreams will come true.

Dreams and imagination go hand in hand. The Aluminum Company of America coined a wonderful word: "Imagineering." It means letting your imagination soar and then engineering will make it happen.

Another word I would like to introduce to you was once lost and now is found. It came to light when I was asked to present this paper. Why are we here this weekend? And what are we doing? We are sharing thoughts. This word will give a new meaning to the Banff Springs Workshop and will probably be introduced as its new Logo. I learned of it from the Canadian Bible Society. A minister who was in Africa, spreading the good word in one of the back regions needed a word for Church, or gathering of people. The word that the Villagers gave him was this "Haimunsheeigungakhetigwagfiya". It translates into this - *A place where people habitually and reciprocally come to hear one another's thoughts.* So next year when the posters come out, they will read - 26th Anniversary Haimunsheenigungakhetigwaguya, Banff Alberta. One important thing about this word, is the placement of the accent. It must fall on the next to the last syllable, or it takes on an entirely different meaning.

Another ingredient to the future is enthusiasm, which we get from living Masonry. True enthusiasm, however, has very little to do with outward exuberance and very much to do with an inner fire. The word enthusiasm stems from the Greek word Enthous, meaning inspired, and the word enthous is derived from an even more ancient Greek word that combines Theos, which means God, and Entos, meaning within. So the original use of the term "Enthusiasm" literally means "The Spirit of God within you."

The Supreme Architect of Heaven and builder of the Universe created all the beauty of this earth; is the source of all goodness, truth and love; is the Spirit who energizes us, encourages, truth and love; is the Spirit who energizes us, encourages us, enriches us with the fervour to excel. When we come to understand that God's spirit is always within,

we will be surprised by the joy and unbounded enthusiasm we have burning inside.

The great writer, Ralph Waldo Emerson observed, "We do not yet trust the unknown powers of thought," No matter who is or what job he holds, it is the man who uses his brain who will gain the most power.

How can we harness this power? Let's look at what power is.

P - Power is Purpose. Ideas, dreams, and goals - any product of the mind's eye harnessed to a purpose will produce a storehouse of power.

O - Power is Open-mindedness. It is having a mind open to new ideas. It is thinking unfettered by preconceived notions.

W - Power is Wisdom. It means strength tempered by good judgment, combined with learning and knowledge.

E - Power is Energy. It is the engine of work, the force of human expression. The capacity for action.

R - Power is Responsibility. The greater the power the greater the responsibility. Power united to responsibility is the source of good works and the increased well-being of all. The definition of power is not force or manipulation or domain over others. Power is the ability, the vigor, the strength to influence others and to control our own density.

This brings up two important questions that I must ask. With what you have heard not only tonight but in the two other papers, Can man become a Master of his Destiny? If so, what is the Destiny of Freemasonry?

The time has come to close my Brother but before I do, I would like to do a quick summary. My topic was Masonry Tomorrow, which was introduced by a dream. Masonry is 'a - living' program, coming from within. I introduced you to some science, a little Astronomy, some technology, taught you a new word, talked about the Great Architect of the Universe, enthusiasm, power - all being presented as an Educational Adventure in Masonry Back to the Future - and closed with two questions. I have also tried to call upon the three essential senses peculiar to Masonry, hearing, seeing and feeling. You have heard a small portion about the future. Just look around this hall, you see the future and best of all, with every brother we

greet this weekend with a handshake and a smile, we touch the future and will continue to do so.

News to Know!

Squires and DeMolay will be raising money for the Humane Society October - December

The Squires and DeMolay just completed raising \$250 for the Masonic Services Association in Sioux Falls! Their efforts will begin by raising money from family and friends in October. Be on the lookout for chances to donate at your meetings in November and at the Shrine on Wednesday nights in December.

We Need Brothers to Join Committees!

Hopefully your respective Lodges were able to assign some Brothers to the committees listed on page 10. If you are interested in joining one of those committees, please make sure you reach out to your WM and let him know. Hopefully we will see some of our newest members joining these committees as part of their Masonic journey.

DeMolay is Holding a Mini-Conclave in November

Liberty Chapter of DeMolay will be joining other Chapters from around the state in a mini-Conclave this year. As of right now, Sturgis, Aberdeen, Watertown and Sioux Falls are all planning to send young men to this event. It will be held in Watertown on November 9th and 10th. Dad Runge is planning some educational and fun events for those in attendance.

Don't Forget to Send in Your Stories, Pictures and Events!

Brothers please remember to send anything that you want included in the Trestle Board to your Worshipful Masters whose e-mail addresses can be found on the last page of the newsletter. We have gotten some good feedback on the new Trestle Board and we would like to keep highlighting our Brothers.

Trinity Lodge Brothers Help Celebrate an Anniversary and Birthday



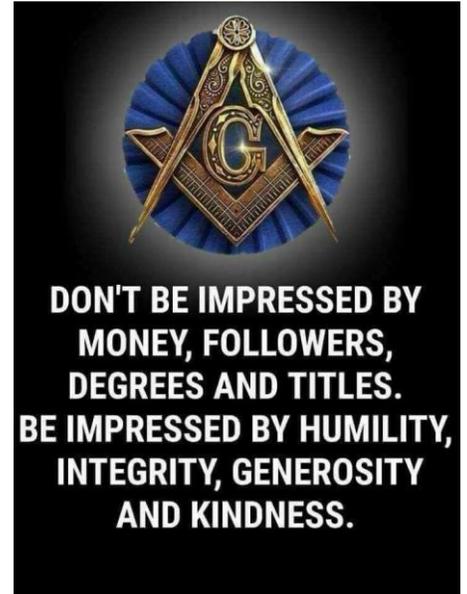
Top row: WB Lonnie Breslow, WB Stephen Rosenthal, WB Robert Smith, WB Bob Sala, Margie Jensen. Bottom row: RWB Terry Knutson, WB Rich Jensen, WB Bill Rise

On Sunday, September 8th several brothers attended a very special occasion for Worshipful Brother Rich Jensen. WB Jensen has unfortunately over the last few years had some health problems and not been able to attend lodge. As such we have a very special place in our hearts for him and his family. Our brothers were invited to celebrate WB Jensen's 65th Birthday and his 40th Anniversary in marriage to Margie Jensen. What a very special occasion. Pictured is RWB Knutson presenting a 35 year Certificate of Membership to our honored Worshipful Brother.

Trinity Helps Assist in the Storm Cleanup



With the storm and tornado that went through Sioux Falls late in the evening of Tuesday, September 10, Worshipful Master George Hamilton issued a call to the brethren. "Are there any brothers in need of assistance to help clean up after the storm? Are there brothers with strong backs and equipment to help those brothers in need? Let's come together on Saturday, September 14." As we know, we are obligated to come to the assistance of worthy brothers. A couple of brothers asked for assistance and several members of Trinity Lodge No. 200 with the help of several Widows Sons answered the call. With so many brothers, the work was not difficult, and a great time was enjoyed by all.



From the Bodies of the Lodges

Minnehaha #5

Minnehaha #5 was able to raise 4 new Master Masons on October 3rd. They are looking forward to these new Brothers continuing their Masonic journey and finding their own way in Masonry.

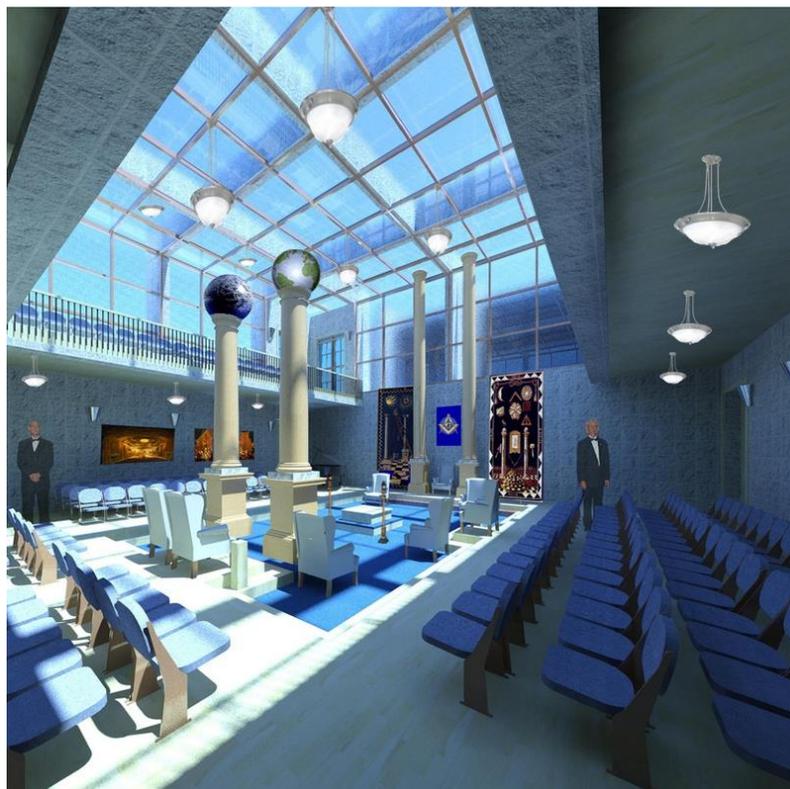
The flow of new petitions has not stopped and the Lodge is looking at the potential of having one of its largest classes in some time to close out the calendar year. After that there are more men ready to join in 2020.

Unity #130

Unity is finishing up its degree work and looking forward to their holiday party. They have some new Brothers who are planning to prove up via catechism which is always a treat for the members to see.

Trinity #200

Trinity scheduled back to back EA degrees to ensure their new Brothers could proceed as one class. It was some extra work for the Lodge but it was appreciated by their new Brothers. They are also asking for Dispensation for a Chance to Advance.



Progressive Masonic Architecture

Brother Charles Lloyd Mashburn Jr. from Savannah Georgia has an interesting website that showcases his design concepts for modern Masonic architecture. His Progressive Masonic Architecture site proposes "Architecture that expresses the Masonic ideas of 'Education, Knowledge, Unity & Masonic Light' in a visual & physical form." The site has rendering of several of his original concepts for large Masonic spaces: a Universal Temple of Freemasonry in Jerusalem, a North Texas Masonic Historical Museum and Library and an exterior treatment for Thunderbolt Lodge No. 693 in Georgia.

– Freemasonry for Dummies –



Scottish Rite News

Sioux Falls Valley of the Scottish Rite



Notes from the East

By Venerable Master, Kevin Tomshack

Well, I am coming to the end of my second year as Venerable Master of the Sioux Falls Valley of the Scottish Rite. It has been an awesome ride! We have had a few low points, but the good far surpasses the bad.

We have had a couple trips to Omaha. One for the leadership seminar, where we had 10 individuals attend. The second as a thank you for all the hard work our valley has done. We have had picnics, fundraisers, clinic parties and degree work. We have seen the return of the Knights of St. Andrew. We have made upgrades to our building above and beyond what we contribute to the Masonic Building Association. We have seen big changes to our Clinic staffing as well as record numbers of patients served. We have had record numbers of USD students both in our clinic as well as scholarships given. Although the Black Camel has taken some wonderful brothers, our valley continues to recruit new, younger members eager to make their mark. The members of our valley continue to improve masonry in general through their participation in Blue Lodge, Shrine and York Rite. It gives me great pleasure to be associated with so many wonderful brothers.

As we come to the end of the year with our "Feast", Patient Halloween party, KCCH Investiture in Deadwood, Feast of Tishri and annual meeting/installation of officers, I look forward to seeing you all a lot more. Speaking of installation of officers, I am pleased to see Jeff Landborg taking over as Venerable Master. Jeff has done so much for our Valley, our building and the Shrine. I have no doubt he will have an awesome year.

Thank you all for allowing me the privilege to be your leader for the last 2 years. There will be many great memories that I will take with me in the future. You all make the Sioux Falls Valley the best Valley in the state! Keep up the good work!

Valley News Brief

The Scottish Rite Valley is busy this season. By the time you read this our Fall Reunion and Brunch will both have occurred. We are a very active Valley and sponsor a number of charitable activities including "our" Speech and Hearing Clinic, and Warm Clothing and School Supply Drives. The Scottish Rite has also been active in helping to clean the Temple over the Summer and Fall of 2019. We encourage all MBA Bodies to do the same. A little sweat equity will save us all many thousands of dollars in the long run.

Please join us the evening of Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2019 for the Feast of Tishri which commemorates the dedication of King Solomon's Temple. We will sit down to a catered meal and the traditional toasts at 7:00 PM that night. **Please RSVP to Tim Schendel at 605-201-0610. Masons, spouses and friends are welcome.**

Beyond that, we have a Library and Museum in the Masonic Temple that we are proud of and are constantly seeking to upgrade. We would welcome all Master Mason's in good standing into our organization. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM. Our Knights of St. Andrew meets the same night at 7:00 PM.

Have a wonderful holiday season Brothers!



The Knights Watch

The Knights of St. Andrew are sponsoring a Warm Clothing Drive this fall and winter that will benefit the Bishop Dudley House and the clients they serve. Since everyone is likely starting to dust off their clothing from winters past or buying new, the Knights of St. Andrew would like to request that you consider donating the following items that they need the most:

- Gloves all sizes kids-adults (not the stretch knit gloves)
- Stocking hats
- Thermal underwear
- Hand warmers
- Thermal socks

There will be a collection point at the Masonic Center lobby soon for you to drop off these items through December. We have been asked to not collect any coats as they do not have room to store them. If you do have coats to donate, they can be dropped off at the Center of Hope located at 225 E 11th St #101, Sioux Falls.

Thank you Brothers!

Clinic Corner

Sioux Falls RiteCare Clinic Report for October:

The Clinic is running fully staffed, with 2 new Clinicians - Jessica Schneider and Stacie Carlson. There are 11 student clinicians this semester and 2 graduate assistants to help with clerical duties. The Clinic has just under 40 clients receiving therapy on Tuesday and Thursdays and are providing evaluations – both dyslexia and speech-language – on Mondays and Wednesdays. Clinicians Stacie and Jess are piloting a new social skills/communication/play group on Mondays that will be starting soon. There will be 8 clients participating, so there will be lots of activity and fun. The staff is also already planning for the annual Halloween party on Tuesday, October 29th.



York Rite News

Sioux Falls York Rite Bodies



An Introduction to the York Rite

The York Rite Bodies of Sioux Falls S.D. are as follows.

- Alpha Council #1
- Sioux Falls Chapter #2
- Cyrene Commandery #2

This article is going to refer to the Degree's involved with Royal Arch Masonry. They are as follows, Mark Master, Past Master (Virtual), Most Excellent Master, and the Royal Arch. In this article I am going to refer to the Mark Master Degree only.

The Mark Master degree is perhaps the oldest Masonic degree, and is one of the most highly respected. It teaches practical lessons for everyday living this degree supplements the Fellowcraft degree. This degree is free to any Master Mason in good standing with his home lodge, when performed in Sioux Falls SD, other parts of the country may charge a fee to witness the degree. The next time the Mark Master degree, is scheduled to be put on is February 4th 2020, if you wish to be a part of the degree you will need to complete a petition ahead of time, and we will welcome all who wish to attend and witness this degree. At that time if you wish to continue with the other degrees you will be required to pay a fee, for them.

My next articles will discuss the degree of Council and Knight Templar Masonry.

Our regular meeting night for York Rite in Sioux Falls is the first Tuesday of each month, and if you are a current York Rite member, and haven't been to a meeting in some time come and join us.

York Rite Secretary/Treasurer

Roger H. Hansen
Hyldgaard2@aol.com



Scottish Rite's Feast of Tishri

November 12, 2019 at 6:30 pm

RSVP to Tim Schendel 605-201-0610

Please join us the evening of Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2019 for the Feast of Tishri which commemorates the dedication of King Solomon's Temple. We will sit down to a catered meal and the traditional toasts at 7:00 PM that night.

By observing the Feast of Tishri, Scottish Rite Masons share the fraternal spirit and reaffirm our dedication to human concord and the brotherhood of all men. As Brothers, we resolve to build, as King Solomon did, peace for all mankind.

Brothers please bring your spouse or significant other to enjoy this event. This is a fun event and a great way to spend time together outside of a meeting. **Please RSVP prior to November 5th.** Scottish Rite Brothers please wear a jacket if possible.

Masonic Spotlight!



The Order of the Eastern Star

Dr. Robert Morris, the poet laureate of Masonry, founded this Order in the late 1800's using beautiful and inspiring Biblical examples of heroic conduct and moral values. These portray the noble principles which should adorn the personal lives of Eastern Star members. Eastern Star strives to build an environment for its members and its Order which are truly dedicated to Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness by uplifting each other and through service in our communities.

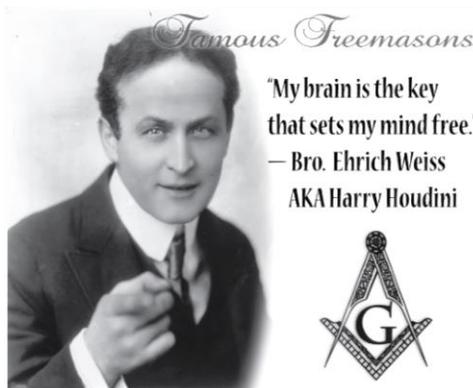
Eastern Star Chapters donate funds to a wide variety of worthy charities. Some examples are: Cancer Research Project, Arthritis Fund, Heart Fund, orphanages and many other charities within each Grand Jurisdiction. Assisting Children to Smile also known as the A.C.T.S. program, is an Official program of the Grand Chapter of South Dakota, Order of the Eastern Star to provide orthodontic care for eligible children in South Dakota.

Eastern Star gives support to young people who are members of Rainbow for Girls, Job's Daughters, and the Order of DeMolay. These fine young people who are training themselves to be leaders are likely prospects to become valued Eastern Stars or Masons. The Order of the Eastern Star and the Masonic fraternity are highly rewarded by their support of and interest in these youth organizations. Additionally, they also support the Eastern Star Home in Redfield which is a highly rated assisted living facility.

An Influential Brother

Harry Houdini

Raised in St. Cecile Lodge No. 568, New York, New York, August 21, 1923



Brothers to Keep in Our Thoughts

Brother Wade Welding of Minnehaha #5 will undergo a heart operation to replace two valves. Hopefully this will allow him some better health while he continues his battle. Please keep him and his family in our prayers. There is a benefit being organized by WM Jensen with details below on Page 11.

Brother Bill Rise is still working through his treatments and we hope he will get them done soon.



Help Donate to the Scottish Rite or Shrine by Using Amazon Smiles

Remember Brothers, you can donate to the worthy cause of your choice by using Amazon Smiles. If you order items through Amazon a portion of that will be donated back to the organization you choose. It's easy and its for a good cause. Just go to <https://smile.amazon.com>



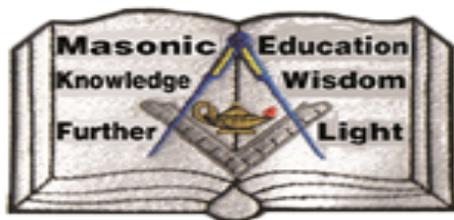
Committee Cornerstones {We need Brothers!}

by Your Committee Representatives



Good Works and Outreach Committee

This Committee is in charge of finding opportunities within the community to do good works, finding ways to help Masonic widows, and working with the other Masonic organizations to aid in charitable efforts. This Committee will also work to find opportunities to reach out to the community and get Freemasonry noticed again.



Masonic Education Committee

This Committee will be charged with keeping the Brothers tools from gathering dust. This can be done by coming up with presentations that can be carried out in each Lodge or inviting in speakers on things that may be interesting to the Brothers. This Committee will also help with things like putting together education packets for new Masons.



Mentoring Committee

This Committee will be charged with helping set up guidelines for vetting potential candidates and finding committed Masons to act as mentors to new brothers. This Committee will find ways to help shepherd new Brothers through their first year of membership.



Ritualistic Excellence Committee

This Committee will be charged with helping conduct our rituals at the highest levels. This Committee will help train Brothers with an interest in learning rituals as well as helping everyone get sharper at their ritual work. This Committee will help build degree teams as well as educating those who are interested in having a deeper understanding of our rituals.



Communication and Technology Committee

This Committee will be charged with helping all of our Brothers stay informed of Masonic happenings around the city, state and region. This Committee will also be in charge of our on-line presence and ensuring that we are communicating with our Brothers in ways that are most impactful to them.



Masonic Building Association Committee

Due to the impending repairs to the building the MBA as decided to raise their per capita on all adult organizations by \$12 per year. They are also looking for Masons who can lend their time or talents to help take care of some of the minor repairs that are also on the list of things to be done. If you are interested please contact your MBA Committee representative.

From the President of the Masonic Building Association, Tom Hoy

It has been a productive year for your MBA board. In January we collected insights from individuals and appendant bodies about the building's need for repairs, maintenance and suggested improvements. We informed all that the MBA has had a deficit budget for several years and has drawn down upon the Mayer fund for operating expenses to make up the difference, and that the fund was being rapidly depleted. The Mayer fund was intended for the growth from the investment to be used for capital improvements, not routine operating expenses.

In February, the board received the feedback. Printed information was given to each representative to inform their membership. Significant input was received about maintenance, repairs and improvements. Several did not know much about the MBA or its purpose, its frail financial position, or the lack of periodic per capita increases, which provide the majority of funding for the organization's operating budget. Many acknowledged the need to raise the per capita rate to balance the budget and better maintain the facility.

The board has taken action to reverse the financial loss and address repairs. Several cost reductions and income enhancements have been made. Lodges were informed in June of a Per Capita increases effective January 1, 2020. Prioritized repairs and improvements will occur over several years to spread out the costs.

Five roof replacement bids were received March through July. The board accepted the roof committee's recommendation from Nohava Construction for \$111,074. The insulation R-value for the roof will increase 50%, saving annual utility expenses. It will be a fully adhered, seam welded roof installed this fall. The money will be borrowed through a loan for a 5 year period.

Interest is building for projects and services to benefit our 60-year old structure. Exterior windows were all caulked and painted in September with DeMolay and Squire participation led by Brian Pulling. Scottish Rite recently donated a new ice machine. Retired engineer Jim Block evaluated our very complicated HVAC system noting ways to understand and tweak its operation. Jeff Landborg is leading a fundraiser to replace the hard metal chairs in the dining room with a softer seat. These are the sorts of needed

efforts and increased interest and pride in our building that will move us and our craft forward. Voluntary actions aimed at improved creature comforts, function, hospitality and appearance will aid beyond the reaches of our tight operating budget. Anybody or organization with ideas is welcome to present them to the board. Coordination and communication of efforts is key to a great outcome. The board applauds those who have given generously of their time, talent, and treasure to the association.

The board will participate in strategic planning education in October aimed at strengthening its service to the appendant bodies and to help guide future sustainability. I am thankful to our representative members for their service and commitment to excellence. The board meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6pm in the Mayer room at the Masonic Center. All are welcome.



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SONGWRITER SUMMIT

WITH MICHAEL MCDERMOTT

A benefit concert presented by Minnehaha Lodge #5

October 18, 2019

El Riad Shrine

510 S Phillips Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Tickets \$20.00 at the door

Doors at 6:30 PM, music at 8:00 PM



"Michael McDermott is one of the best songwriters in the world and possibly the greatest undiscovered rock & roll talent of the last 20 years" -**Stephen King**

"McDermott may well become one of his generation's greatest talents" - **Washington Post**

FEATURING: Mat d



Dubbed as the "Hemingway of the Highway" by fans, singer-songwriter Mathew deRiso has recorded and toured regionally since 2006. Critics have hailed him as "A Young Steve Earle with a more powerful set of Pipes" "Lynyrd Skynyrd meets Rob Zombie" and "Gritty, Soulful Hard Luck Americana"

www.matdhardluckamericana.com

All proceeds to benefit the Elmer C Anderson Scholarship Fund and Pulmonary Hypertension research.



Calendar of Events

Minnehaha Lodge #5

Stated Meeting: First Thursday of the Month
Dinner at 6pm, Lodge at 7pm

Degree Work: Will be scheduled in the next
Masonic Term

Unity Lodge #130

Stated Meeting: Second Thursday of the
Month

Dinner at 6pm, Lodge at 7pm

Degree Work: Will be scheduled in the next
Masonic Term

Trinity Lodge #200

Stated Meeting: First Monday of the Month
Dinner at 6:30pm, Lodge at 7pm

Dark: July and August

Degree Work: Will be scheduled in the next
Masonic Term

Cigar Lodge

Date and Time: ad hoc

Contact Bro. Kyle Orth

Masonic Stag Night

Date and Time: Second Saturday of the
Month

7-9pm (maybe longer)

Masonic Center Basement

Contact Bro. Brian Pulling

(Dark May - August)

High Twelve Lunch

Date and Time: Thursdays, 11am-1pm at the
Royal Fork

Good Works and Outreach Committee

Date and Time: ad hoc

Contact Bros. Brian Pulling or Jose Arreola

Masonic Education Committee

Date and Time: TBD

Mentoring Committee

Date and Time: TBD

Ritualistic Excellence Committee

Date and Time: ad hoc

Contact Bro. Virgil Andersen

Communications and Technology Committee

Date and Time: ad hoc

Contact Bros. Brian Pulling or Darius Polk

Masonic Building Association Committee

Date and Time: Third Tuesday of the month
in the Mayer Room at 6 pm

Scottish Rite

Stated Meeting: Second Tuesday of the
Month at 5:30pm

Degree Work: Third Tuesday of the Month,
Spring Reunion Degree Work May 17th and
18th

Knights of St. Andrew

Stated Meeting: Second Tuesday of the
Month at 7pm

York Rite

Stated Meeting: First Tuesday of the Month
at 7pm

Dark: July and August

DeMolay and Squires

Stated Meeting: First Monday of the Month
is the business meeting and the third

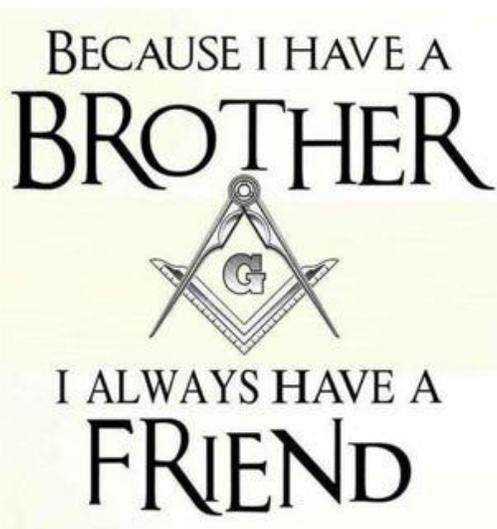
Monday of the month is a fun meeting

Squires meet from 6pm – 7pm

DeMolay meet from 7pm – 9pm

Monthly Shrine Rush Party

Third Wednesday of the month at the Shrine
Temple



Part Upon the Square

A Real Mason

BY FRANK F. BAER

My Brother, Masonry means more
Than just to wear a pin,
Or carrying a dues receipt
So the Lodge will let you in.

You wear an emblem on your coat,
And on your hand a ring.
But, if you're not sincere at heart,
This doesn't mean a thing.

It's just an outward sign to show
The world that you belong
To this Fraternal Brotherhood
That teaches right from wrong.

What really counts lies buried deep
Within the human breast;
Masonic teaching brings it out
And puts it to the test.

If you can do outside the Lodge
The things you learn within,
Be just and upright to yourself
And to your fellow men;

Console a brother when he's sick,
Or help him when in need.
Without a thought of a reward
For any act or deed;

Conduct yourself in such a way
The world without can see
None but the best can meet the test
Laid down by Masonry;

Respect and live up to your trust
And do the best you can;
Then you can tell the world you are
A Mason and a Man!



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