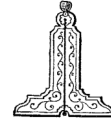




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News From the West



As Senior Warden it has been my privilege to work alongside our current Master, Joe Tebbe. His efforts have been tireless this entire year and he has inspired the Officers to excel at all the Degree work we have done. Our pancake breakfasts, Widows dinner and all the rest of our events this year have benefited from his leadership and I think we should all let Joe know that we appreciate what he has done.

The Thanksgiving feast at the Lodge was a resounding success. Once again we had more requests to attend than we had seating. It takes many volunteers to hold events of this nature and I want to thank all the Brethren who assisted in cooking and serving the dinner.

Junior Warden Joe Viavattine and the rest of the Officers and I have been working on the calendar for 2010 and beyond so that we can coordinate a multi-year plan for the direction that the Lodge wants take. The Annual Communication is December 14th so please come out and see what is in the works, vote for your Officers for the ensuing year and support your Lodge. I am excited to begin the new year and I hope you are too.

See you at Lodge!
Fraternally,
Rich Wogensen



Come join us

Garnet Christmas Pot Luck Dinner

Saturday Dec. 19th at 5:00PM

Bring a dish to share

The Lodge will provide beverages

**Bring a non-perishable item for
the White Bear Food Shelf**



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White Bear Chapter #200 O.E.S.



Thanks to our good Eastern Star cooks, before our October Stated meeting we enjoyed a delicious Soup and Pie supper. This is our yearly event to increase our gift to E.S.T.A.R.L.. We have already interviewed 5 Seminary students and submitted their names to receive an E.S.T.A.R.L. Award. The meeting was interesting with the honoring of the visiting A.M & A.P, and Conductress and A. Conductress. Due to illness of some of our officers, some of these visitors filled their stations.

The yearly Chapter Christmas dinner party will be at 12:00 noon at Gulden's Restaurant on Highway 61 in Maplewood on Saturday, December 5th. Even though we will be ordering from the menu, please make your reservations to me---651-777-3349---so that enough space can be set aside for us.

For the December Social meeting, the Chapter will attend the Bethel 76 Job's Daughters Meeting on Tuesday, December 8th for their honoring of the members of Eastern Star and Masons. Their meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

At the December Stated meeting which starts at 7:30 p.m. The Family will be honored.

Once again it is time to begin to prepare for the CANDLE OF HOPE Cancer Benefit Dinner /Dance on Saturday January 30. Items are needed for the Silent Auction.

Smile for the Month

Sign outside a secondhand shop:

WE EXCHANGE ANYTHING: - BICYCLES, WASHING MACHINES, ETC. WHY NOT BRING YOUR WIFE ALONG AND GET A WONDERFUL BARGAIN?

Arlene Glander



The Ten 'Cannots'

- You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.
- You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.
- You cannot help little men by tearing down big men.
- You cannot lift the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer.
- You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.
- You cannot establish sound security on borrowed money.
- You cannot further the brotherhood of man by inciting class hatred.
- You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than you earn.
- You cannot build character and courage by destroying men's initiative and independence.
- And you cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they can and should do for themselves.

The Rev William Boetcker in 1916, but often mistakenly attributed to Abraham Lincoln



December 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Over the Hill Gang 9:00AM	3	4	5 OES Chapter Christmas Party Gulden's @ noon
6	7 NO OES to- night, see Dec 8th, meet with Jobies	8 IOJD #76 Stated Meeting 7:00	9 Over the Hill Gang 9:00AM	10	11	12 M & W 3rd Degree at Plato, 8:30 AM
13	14 Garnet Stated - Annual Meeting 7:00	15	16 Over the Hill Gang 9:00AM	17	18	19 Garnet Christmas Pot Luck dinner 5PM
20	21 OES 200 Stated 7:30	22	23 Over the Hill Gang 9:00AM	24	25  Merry Christmas	26
27 St John the Evangelist Day	28 Garnet Educational 7PM	29	30 Over the Hill Gang 9:00AM	31		



Garnet Lodge 123rd Annual Communication

Garnet Lodge will hold its 123rd Annual Communication on December 14 starting at 7:00 PM. This is our annual meeting where we elect our Officers for the following year, approve our operating budget and take care of any other business for the year. This years agenda may include discussion on raising the current dues. We are now paying \$84.00 per year, only a portion of which goes to our Lodge as we have to pay per capita to the Grand Lodge for each member.



The election of Officers will also take place. If tradition prevails the following Officers would move up one station or remain in their current places: Senior Warden Rich Wogensen to Master, Junior Warden Joe Viavattine to Senior Warden, Senior Deacon Mike Brady to Junior Warden, WB Bob Golder to remain as Secretary, Don Cogswell to remain as Treasurer and Master Joe Tebbe to Trustee.

SW Rich Wogensen and the Officers have spent much time on the budget this year to make sure your Lodge is fiscally responsible and can manage its resources into the future.

Mark your calendars and attend the Annual Communication on December 14th.

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From the Desk of the Secretary



Garnet Lodge's Annual Meeting will be on Monday, December 7 at 7:00 PM. Come attend this special night to select your Lodge's officers for 2010 and learn of the plans that are being made for another exciting year.

Garnet Lodge will have two Fellow Crafts raised to Master Masons on Saturday, December 12 starting at 10:00 AM. The Degree will be performed by the MetroEast Masters & Wardens (including Grand Master Tom McCarthy) at the St Paul Masonic Center (200 Plato Blvd). Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5 will be the host Lodge. They will have coffee and rolls ready at 9:00 AM.

The Grand Lodge will also present a One-Day-to-Masonry class at the Minneapolis Scottish Rite Temple on Saturday, January 16. The fee for the One-Day class is \$250. The Lodge would have to approve Petitions at the January 11 Stated Meeting. Contact me for Petitions.

I am sorry to announce the recent death of WB Don Larson. WB Don came to Garnet Lodge in the merger with Fellowship-Shekinah Lodge. Alas my Brother.

WB Bob Golder, Secretary