



LODGE LIGHT

*Cataract No.2
A.F. & A.M.
established 1852*

July 29th - Aug 12th



FROM THE
Worshipful Master



WB Scott Wood (center) at Sleep in Heavenly Peace

This past week, on behalf of the Lodge, WB Scott Wood presented \$1000 (incl. \$500 from MN Masonic Charities) to 'Sleep in Heavenly Peace' - a charity that helps provide beds to children who otherwise would sleep on the floor, ensuring them a safe, comfortable place to rest.



FROM THE

Worshipful Master



L TO R: WM Troy Laumann (Compass), WB Andy Hall, WB Colin Abrams (Compass)

WB Andy Hall visited Compass Lodge No. 265 recently to propose a joint presentation of Fire Suppression Tools (FST) to the Robbinsdale Police Department.

WB Andy raised nearly \$7500 for FSTs at a Taco Bar Fundraiser he hosted at Lodge in Oct 2023.



CATARACT WALKING GROUP

Saturday July 20th, 9 am
Lake Nokomis Community Center



I can
&
I will

CHILL

THREE
MILES!

Fun

WOW!

Happy Birthday

**OLDER &
BOLDER
TODAY**

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| David Martz | August 1 |
| James A Olsen | August 3 |
| Roger L. Berge | August 3 |
| Brian L Thorson | August 4 |
| Alexandar B Hunkins | August 4 |
| Richard N Carlson | August 5 |
| Dale C Johnson | August 5 |
| Roger A Goebel | August 7 |
| Craig Thrane | August 7 |
| A Brooks Clark, Jr. | August 8 |
| Joel Friedman | August 8 |
| Brent M Peterson | August 9 |
| Arun Natarajan | August 10 |
| Terry L Henthorn | August 12 |
| Kevin Anderson | August 15 |
| Richard Hopkins | August 16 |
| Steven J Sichterman | August 18 |
| William C Flick | August 19 |
| Richard J Wett | August 19 |
| Benjamin Perrin | August 21 |
| David B Mensing | August 23 |
| Reeve J Bowling | August 26 |
| Jeffrey S Nielsen | August 27 |
| Ben J Marker | August 28 |

GET TO KNOW YOUR Brother



Bro. Jeff Nielsen

Born: August 27, 1956 and grew up in Richfield, two blocks from the end of the MSP runway. I lived in MN for the majority of my life. While away from MN I lived in Bolivia in 3rd grade, and spent 17 years in the US Air Force stationed in Sacramento, Okinawa, Germany, and England, retiring in Omaha. I have lived in Burnsville for the last 26 years.

School: Richfield HS (1974), College of St. Thomas (BA, Math, 1978), and Boston University (MSCIS, 1991).

Career: In the Air Force, I was a back seater in RF-4C aircraft and a Program Manager. After retiring, continued working as a program manager at Northwest Airlines. In 2001, I started training organizations in Europe, Asia, the Middle East, and the Americas.

Masonic career: I was introduced to Masonry by my close friend, Glenn Kiecker (RIP). Raised in Jan 2010. My friend MWB Ed Halpaus encouraged me to get active by installing me as his Grand Tyler. I focus my efforts on Cataract and Sojourners.

Fun: I am a certified drone pilot and am active in genealogy.

Family: My wife of 41 years, Sandy, and I have four children. One daughter, three boys and two adult grandsons.

Final Thoughts: Those in Cataract, MN Grand Lodge and lodges around the US that I have visited, I say thank you. It is such a blessing to know that no matter where you go, there will be a group of men you can call Brothers.

JULY 29TH - **AUG** 12TH

CATARACT
LODGE EVENTS

Cataract No.2 Regular Officer's Meeting

DATE/TIME: AUGUST 7TH, 6:30 PM

ADDRESS: CATARACT LODGE NO.2,
5149 BLOOMINGTON AVE. SOUTH,
MINNEAPOLIS

Cataract No.2

S T A T E D
M E E T I N G

DATE/TIME: AUGUST 13TH, 7:30PM

FELLOWSHIP DINNER: 6:30PM

PLACE: CATARACT LODGE NO.2



Cataract Walking Group

LAKE NOKOMIS COMMUNITY CENTER
2401 E MINNEHAHA PKYWY, MINNEAPOLIS

AUGUST 3RD, SATURDAY, 9:00 AM

ALL ARE WELCOME

Lodge Monthly Luncheon

2ND FRIDAYS EVERY MONTH



NEXT LUNCH:
AUGUST 9TH
MANDARIN KITCHEN
8766 LYNDALE AVE,
BLOOMINGTON

Freemasonry teaches its members to prioritize the safety and well-being of themselves and others, and fire safety is a critical aspect of that.

CATARACT NO.2
COMPASS NO. 265

FIRE SUPPRESSION TOOL (FST)
PRESENTATION

WB ANDY HALL, PRESENTS FST TO:
CHIEF PATRICK FOLEY, ROBBINSDALE POLICE

AUGUST 5TH, 6:00 PM
ROBBINSDALE CITY HALL
4100 LAKEVIEW AVENUE NORTH
ROBBINSDALE, MN 55422

ALL ARE WELCOME



MINNESOTA
MASONIC
CHARITIES



Sunday, August 11th, 2024



Join us for this historic Masonic event!

AS THE GRAND LODGE OF MINNESOTA REENACTS THE CORNERSTONE DEDICATION CEREMONY OF THE HISTORIC CATARACT MASONIC TEMPLE, CURRENT HOME TO AVEDA ARTS AND SCIENCES INSTITUTE. THIS MOMENTOUS EVENT NOT ONLY HONORS THE LEGACY OF THE MASONIC FRATERNITY IN MINNEAPOLIS BUT CELEBRATES THIS ICONIC BUILDING APPROACHING ITS CENTENARY YEAR IN 2025. DON'T MISS THIS ONCE IN A CENTURY CELEBRATION.



**Aveda
Arts & Sciences
Institutes**



OLD TOWN
— MINNEAPOLIS —

SAVE THE DATES

Lodge Monthly Luncheon

2ND FRIDAYS EVERY MONTH



NEXT LUNCH:
SEPTEMBER 13TH
PLACE: TBD

WITH
WALK
CATARACT

1ST AND 3RD

Saturdays

LAKE NOKOMIS
COMMUNITY CENTER,
9AM

SAVE THE DATES



TWINS GAME! NIGHT!

*All are
Welcome!*

September, 14th, 6:10pm

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| Aveda building cornerstone re-dedication (not a Grand Lodge event) | August 11th, 2024 |
| Chili Cook Off | October 22nd, 2024 |
| Heritage Dinner Table Lodge | November 16th, 2024 |
| Family Lodge Night - Eastern Star presentation | December 10th, 2024 |
| Entered Apprentice degree night (subject to change) | January 28th, 2025 |
| Sweetheart's Dinner | February 15th, 2025 |
| Fellowcraft degree night (subject to change) | February 25th, 2025 |
| Master Mason degree night (subject to change) | March 25th, 2025 |

“We do not stop
exercising because
we grow old – we
grow old because
we stop exercising.”

-DR KENNETH COOPER

Hugs YEAR OF THE

MWB Foster Solem