



# LODGE LIGHT

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

Aug 12th - Aug 23rd

FROM THE  
*Worshipful Master*

**Fire Suppression Tool**

**Donation to the**

**ROBBINSDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT**



WB ANDY HALL ON BEHALF OF CATARACT NO 2, ALONG WITH WM TROY LAUMANN OF COMPASS LODGE 165, PRESENTING TEN FST KITS TO CAPTAIN JOHN ELDER, ROBBINSDALE P.D., AT ROBBINSDALE CITY HALL MEETING ON MONDAY, AUG 5TH

CATARACT #2

&

COMPASS #165



BROTHERLY LOVE AT ITS FINEST!

AUG 5TH, 5:30PM: CAPTAIN JOHN ELDER GRACIOUSLY INVITED US TO VISIT THE ROBBINSDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT (RPD).

AUG 5TH 7:00PM: AT A WELL ATTENDED PUBLIC CEREMONY AT ROBBINSDALE CITY HALL, WITH THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL WARD MEMBERS, THE DONATION WAS APPROVED AND ACCEPTED BY R.P.D WITH A VOTE OF THANKS SPEECH BY CAPTAIN JOHN ELDER.



# CATARACT WALKING GROUP

Saturday Aug 3rd, 9 am  
Lake Nokomis Community Center



Who's counting?

WOW!

(~ALMOST)

THREE  
MILES!

STRETCH  
IT OUT

join us for the next walk  
AUG 17TH, 9AM

# Bowling!

## Memory lanes

Minneapolis  
July 26th



WONDERFUL TIME WITH  
BROTHERS AND THEIR FAMILIES



# Happy Birthday

**OLDER &  
BOLDER  
TODAY**

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

## W.M. Joel Friedman

Cowabunga, dudes! (Betcha didn't expect that for an opening, huh?)



My name is Joel Friedman and I was born so long ago that Sputnik was still a Soviet engineer's dream, phones were still connected to walls and Al Gore had yet to invent the Internet. In fact, the place where I was born, Maternity Hospital in Minneapolis, no longer exists. For the past 70 years, I have never had the money or the inclination at the same time to live anywhere else but the Twin Cities, although I progressed through North Minneapolis, Cottage Grove, St Louis Park, New Hope, Uptown, South Minneapolis and for the last 31 years in Eagan.

From high school in St Louis Park ('Go Orioles'), I received degrees with honors from Goldie Gopher's U of M but before going on to Med School, I worked as an optician, book store manager, Deli clerk and baker (the label of artisanal baker had yet to be born). After a surgical residency at Hennepin County Medical Center, I was a consulting surgeon at Park Nicollet until retiring, where at various times I served as Chief of Surgery, Director of Trauma Services and Clinical Adjunct Professor of Surgery with the U of M. Despite that, what got most people's attention was the brief time I worked part time at Apple after retirement.

Both my grandfather, Manny, and my dad, Mike, were not only Masons, but Past Masters of Cataract, but they never even hinted that I should consider becoming a Mason. Instead, around the time I was facing retirement, I began to feel a need to connect with other men in something other than a work related environment and Masonry seemed the perfect fit despite not knowing anything about what went on beyond that closed Lodge door. Once my work load settled down 3 years later, I asked the then sitting Master, how I could become more active and, BAM, 10 years later here I am sitting in the East for the second time. There's a lesson there, somewhere.

Linda, my wife of 47 years and my high school sweetheart, and I are empty nesters, but our boys, Sam (Library Science) and Jon (School Principal), live in town and despite my parenting, seem to enjoy (or at least pretend they do) spending time with us. I still bake breads and love pattering around in the kitchen but my main avocation is doing whatever Linda tells me to do.

**AUG 12TH - AUG 25TH**

**CATARACT  
LODGE EVENTS**

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Cataract No.2

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**STATED  
MEETING**

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

FELLOWSHIP DINNER: 6:30PM

PLACE: CATARACT LODGE NO.2

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**Cataract Walking Group**

LAKE NOKOMIS COMMUNITY CENTER  
2401 E MINNEHAHA PKYWY, MINNEAPOLIS

AUGUST 17TH, SATURDAY, 9:00 AM  
ALL ARE WELCOME

# SAVE THE DATES

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Lodge Monthly Luncheon

2ND FRIDAYS EVERY MONTH



NEXT LUNCH:  
SEPTEMBER 13TH

PLACE:

THE HYDERABAD INDIAN GRILL  
2137 W 80TH 1/2 ST #1,  
BLOOMINGTON, MN 55431

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WITH  
CATARACT

1ST AND 3RD

Saturdays

LAKE NOKOMIS  
COMMUNITY CENTER,

9AM



# SAVE THE DATES

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## TWINS GAME! NIGHT!

*All are  
Welcome!*

September, 14th, 6:10pm

**SECTION 208 \$33**

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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