



ANCIENT LANDMARK No. 5

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons



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Greeting from the East:

Brethren,

I hope this time of year finds everyone in good spirits with the Holidays upon us.

My year as Worshipful Master is coming to a close and it has been unique to say the least with the pandemic and all. Myself and the principle officers were present for the election of Most Worshipful Brother Tony Krall in St. Cloud at the Grand Communication in April.

I had the honor of presenting the Alvin Boney scholarship award to the College of St. Thomas ROTC cadets.

June brought the annual Golf Tournament at Oak Marsh.

AL 5 was able to travel to Canada on Labor Day weekend and spend time with our Brother's of Ancient Landmark #3 in Winnipeg. In fact some of our Brothers stayed in Winnipeg longer than planned to enjoy some added comradery.

Ladies Night in September was enjoyed by everyone in attendance with another fine meal provided by Brother and Master Chef, my words not his, Mike Doyle.

We had many enjoyable and memorable degrees put on this year and raised two new Master Masons.

I would like to thank all the brothers and Worshipful Brothers of Ancient Landmark #5 for all their help and support this past year

Fraternally,

David Roussopoulos
Worshipful Master 2022



Greetings from the West:

Would you look at this, our newsletter is back! With the assistance of some of the Brethren Ancient Landmark #5 will resume getting out a newsletter at least on a quarterly basis.

As we look forward to 2023 I would like to extend invitations to join us again at our Stated Meetings. Our sidelines have become a bit barren and it'd be good to see some old familiar faces joining us again or if you haven't attended a meeting in the recent past reacclimating yourself to a group of new brothers.

I am hopeful to have some Worshipful Masters from past years attend and speak briefly of their time when they sat in the East as well as a visit from the Most Worshipful Grand Master at some point in 2023.

While being mindful of our budget I also hope you will find some events occurring in 2023 that you will attend and you will find some of them listed in this newsletter.

Sincerely,

Eric Jokinen
Senior Warden 2022

24+1 Hour Game Night 2022

Each year over the weekend where daylight savings happens, Ancient Landmark, along with Nienow Cultural Consultants (NCC), work together to host a 25-hour charity game event. The event is part of the Extra Life program. The Extra Life community fundraises to change kids' health and change their futures. Donations go to member children's hospitals to fund critical life-saving treatments and healthcare services, along with innovative research, vital pediatric medical equipment, and child life services. Since its inception in 2008, Extra Life has raised over \$100 million dollars. Here in Minnesota, the sponsored hospital is Gillette's Children's Hospital.

This year's event fell on November 5th and 6th with board and video games, silent auctions, raffles, nerf guns and even laser tag throughout the days starting at 7am Saturday morning and going all the way to 7am Sunday morning. The cost was just \$5 at the door and attendees were fed throughout the event and allowed to come and go as they wanted – hopefully bringing back more participants each time. By the end of the weekend, Ancient Landmark and NCC had raised over \$3,000 dollars!

A special thank you to all of our other subsidiary sponsors this year who helped make this event the best we have had so far: Balance Accounting & Financial, Gangway Games, Prolific Games, Pinnacle Entertainment Group, Leder Games, Chip Theory Games, and Adam's Apple Games.



Remembering our Past

This edition looks back to an article written by Worshipful Brother Austin Harris in December 2006

“As we begin a new year together I want to thank all my Brothers for their trust in voting me the Master of our lodge for 2008. Due to the splendid work of our whole line and WB Bruce Sherman's leadership I am able to start this year with confidence in the continuation of our growth in the understanding and enjoyment of our craft that has become the hallmark of Ancient Landmark 5.

WB Bruce has been responsible for the establishment of our Web Page ancientlandmark5.com. For the many new candidates that have come to us through that effort. For actively involving our newest Brothers in our degree work. And for organizing the line as a cooperative team in which each officer has duties that go beyond filling a space in the ritual. WB Bruce has also helped to setup an updated computer system for handling Lodge affairs and rather than relaxing from his duties to the lodge will be serving as secretary in the coming year.

It would be appropriate to say that few masters-elect can look forward to the degree of support and competence from the officers of the lodge that I am privileged to have at this time.

May the Great Architect of the Universe grant me the strength and skill to realize the potential thus afforded.

The officers to be installed this year at our open installation on January 7 are: B. Drew Bjorklund, Tyler; B. Larry Glassing, Junior Steward; B. Michael Wachowiak, Senior Steward; B. Alan Floyd, Junior Deacon; B. James McKenna, Senior Deacon; W.B. Alan Peterson, Junior Warden; B. Todd Henderson, Senior Warden; B. Austin Harris, Master; W.B. Art Lingo, Lodge Education Officer; B. Phil Desroches, Chaplin; W.B. Bruce Sherman, Secretary, And B. Chris Buck, Treasurer. Please join us for the initiation dinner and ceremony at the lodge Saturday January 7. Dinner will be served at 6:00pm with the Ceremony following at 7:00pm.

This years theme is building on a firm foundation if you have not been attending lodge regularly you will be pleasantly surprised to see where we are now, and if you continue to come we will be able to continue to build on the renewed spirit of Ancient Landmark 5 during the coming year.”

Austin Harris, Master 2006 (Elect)

2022 Hiram Award Winner WB Jeremy Nienow

At this year’s Hiram Award night, held at Mancini’s Supper Club in downtown St. Paul, our Worshipful Master bestowed upon Worshipful Brother Jeremy Nienow the Hiram Award for his years of service to the Lodge, including his joining the line in 2007 and never leaving it until 2022. As part of his acceptance speech, WB Nienow called on his fellow brothers to increase their participation in the Lodge, restart their newsletter, and to consider Life Membership. WB Nienow then further emphasized the point by pulling a check out of breast pocket for the full \$2,420 dollars representing his effort to “put his money where his mouth is”.

The objective of the Life Membership plan is to give Brothers the opportunity of making a reasonable, one-time dues deposit for life membership in the Masonic Fraternity. This saves them from getting those annoying dues notices each year and gives your lodge the piece of mind to know you have already paid. Furthermore, this payment never changes once it has been made – even if the Lodge raises dues in future years.

The amount of your payment is calculated by your current dues multiplied by an age factor shown in the Grand Lodge’s schedule, which is part of the application you fill out with your secretary. For WB Nienow the age factor was 22 x 110.00 or \$2420. If you are a 50-year member of the Lodge, you get an additional 25% discount to this amount (WB Nienow has a few more years on that one!). Won’t you consider answering the call of our worthy Brother and also join the ranks of our Life Members?





Upcoming Events:

January 7th 9AM at Ancient Landmark #5 Officer Installation

January 12th 7pm: Stated Meeting.

January 21st: One day to Masonry. Join us as WB Danny Baker will be featured in the role of King Solomon at this event. 2011 Dupont Ave S. Mpls at 8am. RSVPs required and can be done through Grandview.

January 26th 7pm EA Degree for two candidates. We are putting on this degree as one of our candidates, Mr. Weinberger, is currently in basic training in the US Marine Corps and will be back on leave during this period of time.

February 9th Stated Meeting and 6pm*Chili Cook-off. WB Godfrey looks to reclaim his trophy after losing to Br. Knudsen in 2020. Will Br. Perez retain this year or will a new champ arise. All Br's are invited to bring a batch & review of 2023 Budget

February 19th 5pm Sweethearts Dinner at Mancini's Supper Club *RSVP needed

March 9th 7pm: Stated Meeting. 6pm Dinner will feature Charitable Organization #1 presentation

April 13th 7pm Stated Meeting. 6pm Dinner will feature Charitable Organization #2 presentation.

May 11th 7pm Stated Meeting. 6pm Dinner will feature Charitable Organization #3 presentation.

Tuesday May 16th AL 5 travels to St. Paul 3 to attend their stated meeting. *RSVP needed

June 3rd 9am Master Mason Degree

July 13th: AL 5 Riverboat Cruise on the mighty Mississippi. More info to come.

Other upcoming Lodge Events with dates yet to be determined

In the month of May join us at AL 5 for a Mother's Day brunch with a meal provided by Br. Doyle

In the month of August, possibly the 17th St. Paul Saints game at 7pm at CHS field.

Month of July BBQ at AL 5

Our 2023 Newly Raised Master Masons



Br. Evan Jarmusch raised on December 3rd

Br. Grant Robinson raised on 4th.

