



# The New **ARCANA HERALD**

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**News from the East**

**News from the South**

Brethren,

May was a great month for Arcana. We formed and had the first meeting of The House and Grounds committee. The purpose of the committee is doing minor repairs and touch-ups around the Lodge. At that meeting we discussed our goals as a committee which include but are not limited to: repairing cracks in the walls; repainting the walls; replacing the wall baseboards, especially in the lobby of the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor; adjusting the Past Master photo wall to fit the last 10 years and future Past Masters photos. When we met last we removed all the Past Master photos and repainted the green wall behind them a shade of blue that closely matches the chairs we have out there. Then we repositioned the photos so that we have a new bottom row to fill. If anyone has any ideas or input into future projects, or wants to join the committee please contact the Chair of the committee Br. Mark Blegen at 218-830-9667, or myself at 612-225-8358.

Arcana raised five Brothers to the sublime degree of Master Mason on May 11<sup>th</sup>. The Brothers raised were Joel Dammann, Peter Everson, Robert Harper, Robert Heinzen & Todd Folta. I'd like to congratulate them all again on

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Greetings from the South

The first half of the year the weather may have been cold and cloudy, but in the South it looked sunny for Arcana Lodge #187. We successfully raised a great group of new brothers with a great set of degrees.

The Arcana Community Service Volunteers Camp Bovey trip was fun and productive and we're all looking forward to trips back there in the future.

The Arcana Officers have visited various lodges spreading goodwill, cheer, and fellowship. We had a great time at Grand Lodge and enjoyed a good showing with the Master of our Lodge, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Senior Deacon, and Junior Deacon all in attendance, as well as Most Worshipful Brother Don Severson. We attended some very insightful breakout sessions and heard a lot of great stories from brothers from all over.

I would like to thank all of the brothers who have traveled to our lodge so far this year. Whether it was to help out with our degrees, to share Masonic light, to recapture a traveling trophy, or just for fellowship, it always makes for a memorable Lodge experience.

I look forward to the second half of the year as we should have another successful round of degrees, a new roof for the Lodge, a rebirth of the Arcana Minute Men putting on our first Pancake Breakfast in I don't know how many years, more good fellowship, and getting ready for 2014.

Fraternally,

John Wallach  
 Junior Warden Arcana Lodge #187



Five new Master Masons raised at Arcana on May 11, 2013. From left: Worshipful Master Joshua Anderson, New Brothers Robert Harper, Todd Folta, Robert Heinzen, Joel Dammann, Peter Everson, and Most Worshipful Brother Donald Severson



**Arcana Lodge #187  
 Pancake Breakfast  
 Sunday, Oct 6, 2013  
 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

**More Details to Follow**

Planning Meeting  
 July 14 @ 1:00 PM

**Experienced Flippers Wanted**

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the completion of their degrees and welcome them to Arcana Lodge. They have all shown that they will be great additions to Masonry and active members of Arcana.



Master Mason Degree at Arcana Lodge, May 11, 2013

We have been doing a lot of community service lately through East Side Neighborhood Services, spearheaded by our Junior Warden Br. Bill Richards. "East Side Neighborhood Services offers a variety of programs and services. Each program targets a specific age group and each service focuses on specific needs of individuals and families." For our latest project with them we were invited to Camp Bovey, a summer camp for 8-14 year old kids. We built a fence on their beach, put fire escape ladders on their cabins, and a few other things. All the lumber was donated by Siwek Lumber. It was a great experience for all who were involved. We were invited back sometime in July and then again in the fall before the camp shuts down. If anyone is interested in joining us for our next trip or helping on any other community service projects please contact Br. Bill Richards at 612-741-8352 or myself.

The members of Arcana Lodge have been invited to Minneapolis Council #2 & Zoin Cammandery #2's Annual Picnic at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, July 30, 2013 at the Mississippi River Community Park in Anoka. This year the picnic is to honor the memory of WB Richard Hunt. Please RSVP to Dave Emery (763) 755-2431.

So, like I said, May was a great month for Arcana and the year's just half over. Let's see what other good we can do.

Fraternally yours,  
WM Joshua Anderson

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## The Great Camp Bovey Build

By Br. Billy Richards & Br. M Justin Thompson

**Camp Bovey and Arcana Lodge team up to reclaim the camp's former glory!**

If you haven't heard of Camp Bovey, then start asking around, because many of us in Northeast Minneapolis have priceless memories of this special place. For over 60 years it has been the summer destination for children of low-income families in Northeast and the metro area. Located in Gordon, WI on 200 beautiful acres with sprawling pines and a private lake, it is a picture perfect example of a classic American summer camp.

Despite its picturesque scene Bovey has fallen on hard times. The camp has been in a spending freeze since 2009, leaving no funds for repair and maintenance. Worse yet, the members of the Lions Club who previously took care of the upkeep have matured to the point where they can no longer keep back the ravages of nature and time. These factors have left Camp Bovey in need of serious maintenance.

But fear not! The men of Arcana Lodge #187, the Northeast Minneapolis chapter of the Freemasons of Minnesota have taken up the call.

With a very generous materials donation from Siwek Lumber Co., help from Josh and Alex Siwek, and support from local contractor Cory Smith of CKS LLC, Arcana Lodge was able to send a group to do repairs.



Over a weekend of volunteering Arcana volunteers were able to; install fire escape ladders for the cabins, replace a fence around the swimming area, build storage containers for trash and beach supplies, and replace rotted boards on the deck.

Camp Bovey is again looking as great as it feels when you're there. With Arcana's continued commitment to Camp Bovey, for the great things it does for the children of Northeast Minneapolis, the camp will continue to do its good work for another 60 years and longer.

For more information about Camp Bovey go to:  
[www.ens.org/campbovey](http://www.ens.org/campbovey)



## Our Masonic Family



**Minneapolis Council No. 2  
Cryptic Masons**

Last Tuesday

7:30 PM



**Lincoln Chapter  
Order of DeMolay**

First and Third Thursday

7:00 PM

Now at Saint Paul Masonic Center, 200 Plato Blvd.

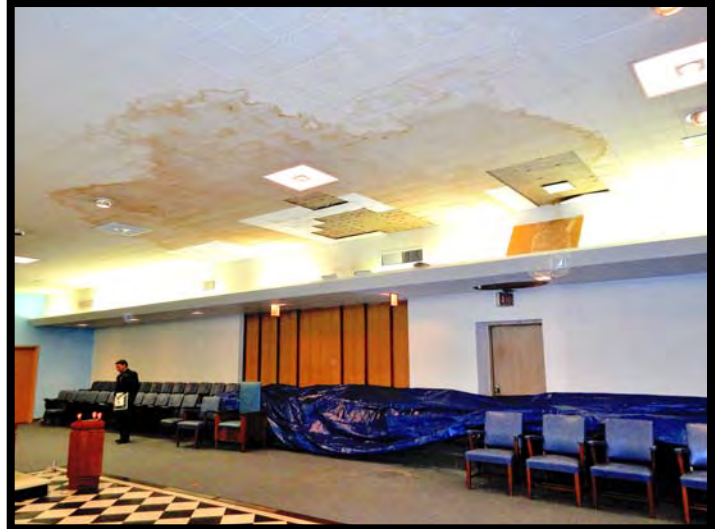
### Secretary & Trustee's Report

Greetings Brethren,

The Arcana Lodge Board of Trustees has reviewed several bids to replace the roof on the lodge building. As you can see in the picture to the right, the leaking roof has caused significant damage to the lodge room ceiling. We received a bid of \$36,000 to repair the East half of the roof, the section that is posing the most problems (the roof over the lodge room.) We've also received bids from \$51,000 - \$80,000 to replace the whole roof. It's the Trustee's recommendation that we should to replace the whole roof.

The Board of Trustees, to comply with the Arcana By-Laws Article III, Section 10, will submit a resolution at the Arcana Stated meeting on July 8, 2013 requesting approval from the Lodge to contract the roof repair and in agreement with Minnesota Masonic Code section G13.27 request approval from the Grand Master for a building expense in excess of \$20,000. Additionally we will request that the Lodge apply for a \$20,000 loan from the Grand Lodge under section G3.05 of the Minnesota Masonic Code. These resolutions will require a final vote at our stated meeting on July 22, 2013, and we invite all interested members to attend that meeting so your concerns may be heard, and your vote counted.

Thanks to a very generous bequest we received from an Arcana member who answered the roll call of the Great Architect of the Universe several years ago we were able to establish an investment fund for Arcana thru the Grand Lodge. Drawing down the principal in that fund, along with a \$20,000 loan from the Grand Lodge, and all the generous



Water damage to the ceiling of the Lodge room, evidence that we need to replace, and not just repair, our 54 year old roof.

donations we've received in the past several months for the Arcana **Building Renewal Fund** we can afford doing the roof repair at this time. However, that will leave us in very precarious situation of being left with limited funds on hand for unexpected expenses, maintenance and emergencies.

The bottom line is that we need to raise more money. One approach we're going to take is to send letters to all the local Masonic Lodges, and local Concordant and Appendant Masonic bodies to advise them of the availability at Arcana Lodge should they be in search of a new meeting location. We will offer them a discount on rent if they are able to pay for ten years in advance to help Arcana fund these building improvements.

Another fundraiser we are going to reestablish is the Arcana Minute Men Pancake Breakfast. This Fall on October 6<sup>th</sup> we will be holding the first Pancake Breakfast at Arcana in decades. As with the Spaghetti dinner we will be mailing out tickets in advance to our members. We especially encourage our local members to sell those tickets at your church, to your friends, and your co-workers. We will be providing a flyer with each letter for you to display at your church or have included in your church bulletin on the day of the breakfast. Of course we will also welcome your generous donations if you are not able to attend.

Next year Arcana Lodge will be 125 years old. With your continued support we will be here on the corner of Central & Lowry in Northeast Minneapolis for another 125 years!

Fraternally yours,  
Douglas Roswold, PM, Secretary, Trustee



At Arcana's Stated Meeting on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013 the Royal Arch Masons of Anoka-Shekinah #104 presented the Past Master Allegory.

# Arcana Building Calendar

## July

- 1 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 1 Mon 6:30pm Arcana Lodge Officers Meeting
- 1 Mon 7:00pm Arcana Lodge Degree Practice
- 4 *Thu Independence Day*
- 4 Thu 7:00pm Lincoln Chapter DeMolay - St. Paul Masonic Center
- 8 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 8 Mon 7:30pm Arcana Lodge Stated Meeting
- 10 **Wed 5:30pm Arcana Lodge Visitation to Wayzata Lodge #205**
- 14 Sun 1:00pm Pancake Breakfast planning meeting
- 15 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 18 Thu 7:00pm Lincoln Chapter DeMolay Stated Meeting - St Paul Masonic Center
- 22 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 22 Mon 6:30pm Arcana Lodge Dinner Meeting
- 29 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 30 **Tue 5:00pm Minneapolis Council #2 & Zion Commandery #2 Picnic in Honor of WB Richard Hunt**
- 30 Tue 7:30pm Minneapolis Council #2

## August

- 1 Thu 7:00pm Lincoln Chapter DeMolay - St. Paul Masonic Center
- 5 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 5 Mon 6:30pm Arcana Lodge Officers Meeting
- 5 Mon 7:00pm Arcana Lodge Degree Practice
- 12 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 12 Mon 7:30pm Arcana Lodge Stated Meeting
- 15 Thu 7:00pm Lincoln Chapter DeMolay Stated Meeting - St Paul Masonic Center
- 19 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 26 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 26 Mon 6:30pm Arcana Lodge Dinner Meeting
- 27 Tue 7:30pm Minneapolis Council #2

## September

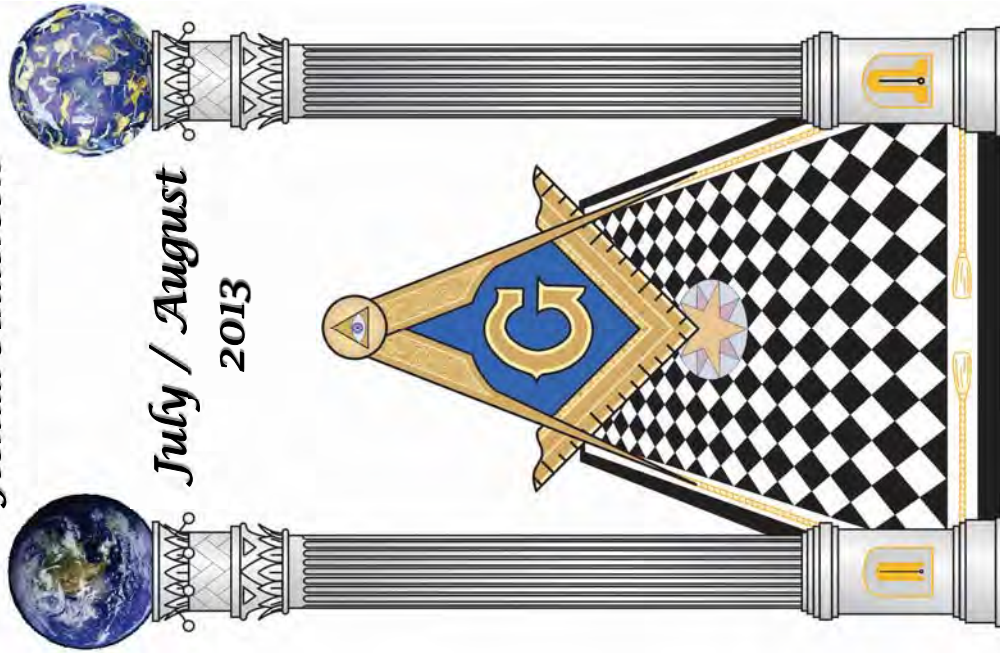
- 2 *Mon Labor Day*
- 2 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 2 Mon 6:30pm Arcana Lodge Officers Meeting
- 2 Mon 7:00pm Arcana Lodge Degree Practice
- 5 Thu 7:00pm Lincoln Chapter DeMolay - St. Paul Masonic Center
- 9 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 9 Mon 7:30pm Arcana Lodge Stated Meeting
- 11 *Wed Patriot Day*
- 16 Mon 5:30pm Lincoln Chapter DeMolay Stated Meeting
- 19 Thu 7:00pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 23 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 23 Mon 6:30pm Arcana Lodge Dinner Meeting
- 24 Tue 7:30pm Minneapolis Council #2
- 30 Mon 5:30pm Zuhrah Patrol Drill Practice
- 30 **Mon 7:00pm Arcana Lodge Entered Apprentice Degree**

Put these dates on your *home* calendar

# The New ARCANA HERALD Arcana Lodge #187 Ancient Free & Accepted Masons

*Worshipful Master  
Joshua Anderson*

*July / August  
2013*



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