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The fact that we have a common bond, tied by the obligations which we took in the three degrees, has no doubt had its effect in your every day life. You can trust a brother and also confide in him, knowing that he will keep your confidence when required to do so. He will give you good and timely notice, so that you can ward off any approaching danger. He will attempt to whisper good counsel in your ear and should in a most tender manner remind you of your faults and endeavor to aid in any manner he can. (However you must be receptive and accept your brother's good intentions, at least as an indication that a change might be necessary.)

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As for the future, I believe your Lodge will progress as it has in the past. As the years go by, changes to keep progressing will always be necessary. Your present line of Officers are dedicated men who want progress, mostly in making good men better! They will need your support, your prayers, confidence, and good counsel.

It is my earnest prayer that each of you will become better men through your Masonic affiliation. That as you go through life, you yourself will cause men to become Masons and the Masonic Fraternity will continue as a force for good until the end of time.

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CHARLES O. ROLLEFSON

Worshipful Master

75th
Anniversary
Minnehaha Lodge No. 165
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

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SCOTTISH RITE
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

No. _____



1886 - 1961

September 8, 9, 10



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VISITATION COMMITTEE



Front row, left to right: Worshipful Master Charles O. Rollefson, Sigfrid Odahl, Edgar Ozmon, Albert Brodhag, George Davis, Hilding Nilson. Second row, John Frolander, Reuben Anderson, W.B. Neil Russell, W.B. David Muhly, W.B. H. Stanley Hanson, Chairman, Oscar Bergquist.

Not pictured: Fred Black, William Lovass, W.B. Gustav Nybeck, Alan Wold.

The visitation committee was organized by W.B. Max R. Fairman while he was Master of the Lodge in 1958. This group under the continual leadership of Oscar Bergquist, has performed beyond the expectations of the Lodge. They call on all known sick and shut-in members of Minnehaha Lodge and include all known Masons on their visits to the hospitals, rest homes. They have been cited for their work at the Veterans Hospital in Minneapolis. This group asks to acknowledge the splendid cooperation received from the lodge officers in reporting our sick and shut in members to them. The success of the Minnehaha Lodge Blood Bank is a direct result of the outstanding work of Brother Oscar and his committeemen.

OFFICERS OF MINNEHAHA LODGE NO. 165



Officers of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165. Front row left to right Warren A. Dahl, Charles O. Rollefson, Alan F. Wold. Second row, Raymond L. Johnson, W.B. Gustav Nybeck, Neil A. Hakko, Glen G. Nybeck. Third row, Lawrence O. Carroll, W.B. David G. Muhly, and Charles O. Zimmerman.

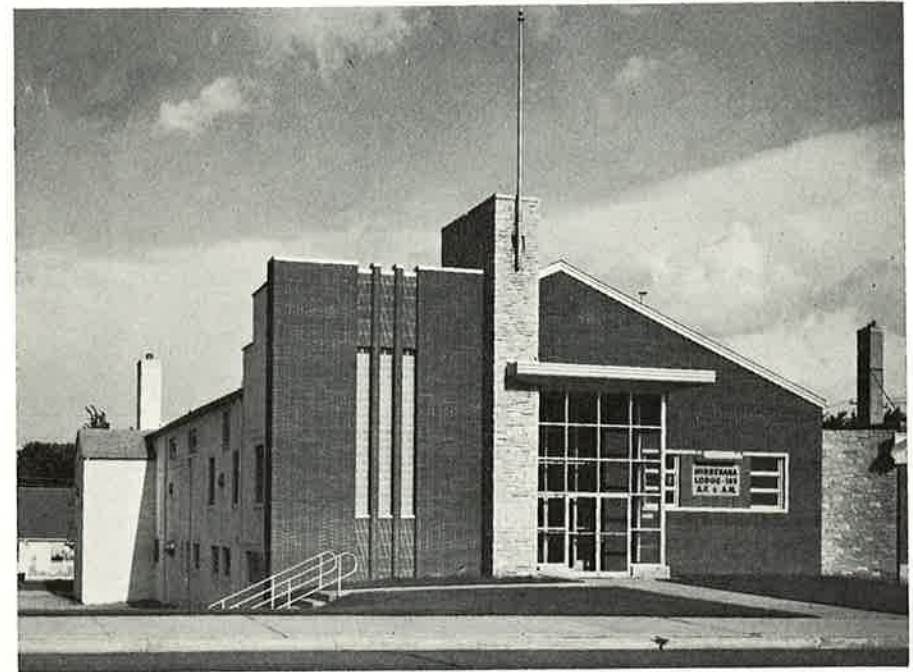


Worshipful Master	Charles O. Rollefson
Senior Warden	Warren A. Dahl
Junior Warden	Alan F. Wold
Treasurer	W.B. Neil W. Russell
Secretary	W.B. David G. Muhly
Chaplain	W.B. Gustav Nybeck
Senior Deacon	Neil A. Hakko
Junior Deacon	Raymond L. Johnson
Senior Steward	Lawrence O. Carroll
Junior Steward	Glenn G. Nybeck
Marshal	Charles O. Zimmerman
Tyler	Sigfrid Odahl
Trustees:	Oscar R. Swanson, P.M. Gunnar G. Widen Maurice A. Engen, Sr., P.M.

PAST MASTERS

1886 Chas. W. Drew	1924 John M. Merritt
1887 Edward E. Smith	1925 Jacob H. Rice
1888 Edward E. Smith	1926 William C. Mossberg
1889 Gilbert F. Mitchell	1927 Frank S. Breager
1890 Gilbert F. Mitchell	1928 Emil W. Johnson
1891 Chas. H. Lee	1929 Edward Bull
1892 Frank Gunther	1930 Oscar Carlton
1893 Frank Gunther	1931 Albert O. Klingen
1894 Harry G. McLaskey	1932 John Hedley
1895 Harry G. McLaskey	1933 Neil W. Russell
1896 Edmund H. Abbott	1934 George J. Petersen
1897 William O. Clark	1935 E. A. Bolin
1898 Edwin R. Williams	1936 Andrew Frandsen
1899 Edwin R. Williams	1937 Clarence O. Sundwall
1900 George E. Cessford	1938 Ed. A. Olson
1901 Bert L. Smith	1939 John E. Klingen
1902 Albro A. Baker	1940 Ollace L. McKenzie
1903 William G. Stranahan	1941 Dr. L. J. Petit
1904 Carl J. Stockdale	1942 I. W. Irgens
1905 Thor O. Dahl	1943 Bernie M. Olson
1906 Thomas W. Allen	1944 Thorvald M. Nielsen
1907 Leonard R. Ellis	1945 George H. Ahnmark
1908 Benjamin A. Sandy	1946 Raymond C. Anderson
1909 H. Stanley Hanson	1947 Jos. E. Bailey
1910 Henry S. Goff	1948 Andrew M. Olsen
1911 Edwin H. Rathbone	1949 Gustav J. Hamre
1912 George W. Pasko	1950 Dr. Conrad A. Hansen
1913 William Hall	1951 Clyde Carter
1914 Evan T. Morgan	1952 Ernest R. Spetz
1915 Willard E. Arnold	1953 David G. Muhly
1916 George W. Bester	1954 Maurice A. Engen, Sr.
1917 Walter A. Mueller	1955 Raymond M. Hauser
1918 Oliver H. Bemis	1956 Charles H. Candy
1919 Magnus P. Monson	1957 Oscar R. Swanson
1920 Julis A. Dahl	1958 Max R. Fairman
1921 John R. Williams	1959 Richard Waltz
1922 P. Emil Foss	1960 Curtis R. Fosen
1923 Barney Anderson	

Present Home Of Minnehaha Lodge



AFFILIATED BODIES

Minnehaha Chapter No. 98 Royal Arch Masons

Minnehaha Chapter No. 37 Order of the Eastern Star

Hiawatha Chapter, Order of DeMolay

Sponsored by Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 A.F. & A.M.

Job's Daughters

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"Sons of Light"

"The science of Freemasonry often has received the title of Lux, or Light, to indicate that mental and moral illumination is the object of the Institution. Hence Freemasons are often called 'Sons of Light.' " (Mackey) The Operative Masons built temples of stone. We, as Speculative Masons, are engaged in building the temple of the heart, in which the Spirit of God is the Master Builder. Without His help we should labor in vain; in fact, our Rule and Guide of Faith declares: "Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain." Ps. 127:1.

As Speculative Builders, or "Sons of Light," we are the beneficiaries of the labors of brethren of far distant and comparatively recent years. Their thoughts have been preserved ⁴⁵ for in written or printed form, for which we are most grateful. Just to mention a few of such writers, I suggest the names of Gould, Jones, Pike, Mackey, Newton, Claudy, Haywood and Street. There are numerous others, but space will not permit naming them. Most of the works of those mentioned are available in our library, and they have in them nuggets of spiritual gold. This raises the question: What inspiring thoughts or works are we, individually or collectively, leaving for those who shall come after us? Let us think it over.

GUSTAV NYBECK,

Chaplain



STAFFORD KING
M.W. Grand Master A.F. & A.M.
Minnesota
1961

OFFICERS

Grand Lodge Of A.F. & A.M. Of Minnesota

M.W. STAFFORD KING	Grand Master
R.W. HARVARD B. OLSON	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. EDWIN W. TOMS	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. PAUL M. OLSTAD	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. LOUIS K. THOMPSON	Grand Treasurer
R.W. DAVID E. PALMER	Grand Secretary
W. E. CLAYTON BURGESS	Grand Chaplain
W. FRANK E. EDEY	Senior Grand Deacon
W. MORTIMER M. MILEY	Junior Grand Deacon
W. JOSEPH L. SELTZER	Grand Marshal
W. D. WILLIAM TIFFANY	Grand Standard Bearer
W. FRANKLIN G. EMRICK	Grand Sword Bearer
W. DONALD L. BARNES	Senior Grand Steward
W. WILLIAM W. WIDSTRAND	Junior Grand Steward
W. LLOYD DUXBURY	Grand Pursuivant
W. CHARLES W. PANUSHKA	Grand Tyler

MINNEHAHA MINUTEMEN

Back in May 1960, the then Master of Minnehaha Lodge, W.B. Curtis Fosen, decided that it might be well to get together a group of Master Masons and organize them into a service organization. Out of this idea came the Minnehaha Minute Men, with a present membership of 47, representing many talents and professions, but all pledged to be the good right arm of the Master whenever and wherever and for whatever the need might arise.

Our service has included financial projects and those involving personal service to our fellow Masons. On the money-making side of the ledger, we have organized into an annual affair, a Pancake Breakfast serving 2000 people. It has been very successful and represents a combined effort by many organizations within the Lodge. In turn we have turned to with a will to assist our Sisters in the Eastern Star with their Pancake Breakfast. Our first project was the printing of a new roster for the Lodge. Money for this was raised through the sale of advertising.

Among our non-financial projects have been such things as the Old Timers Night, for which we furnished transportation as needed, and after the meeting we served a Smorgasbord. It was a pleasure this year to be of assistance to a Brother from Colorado whom we met at the Airport and transported to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

In June of this year Minnehaha Lodge was host to Harbor Light Lodge of Chicago, Ill. on their Annual Pilgrimage. The Minute Men organized transportation, lodging, meals, and entertainment for a delegation of 35 Brother Masons.

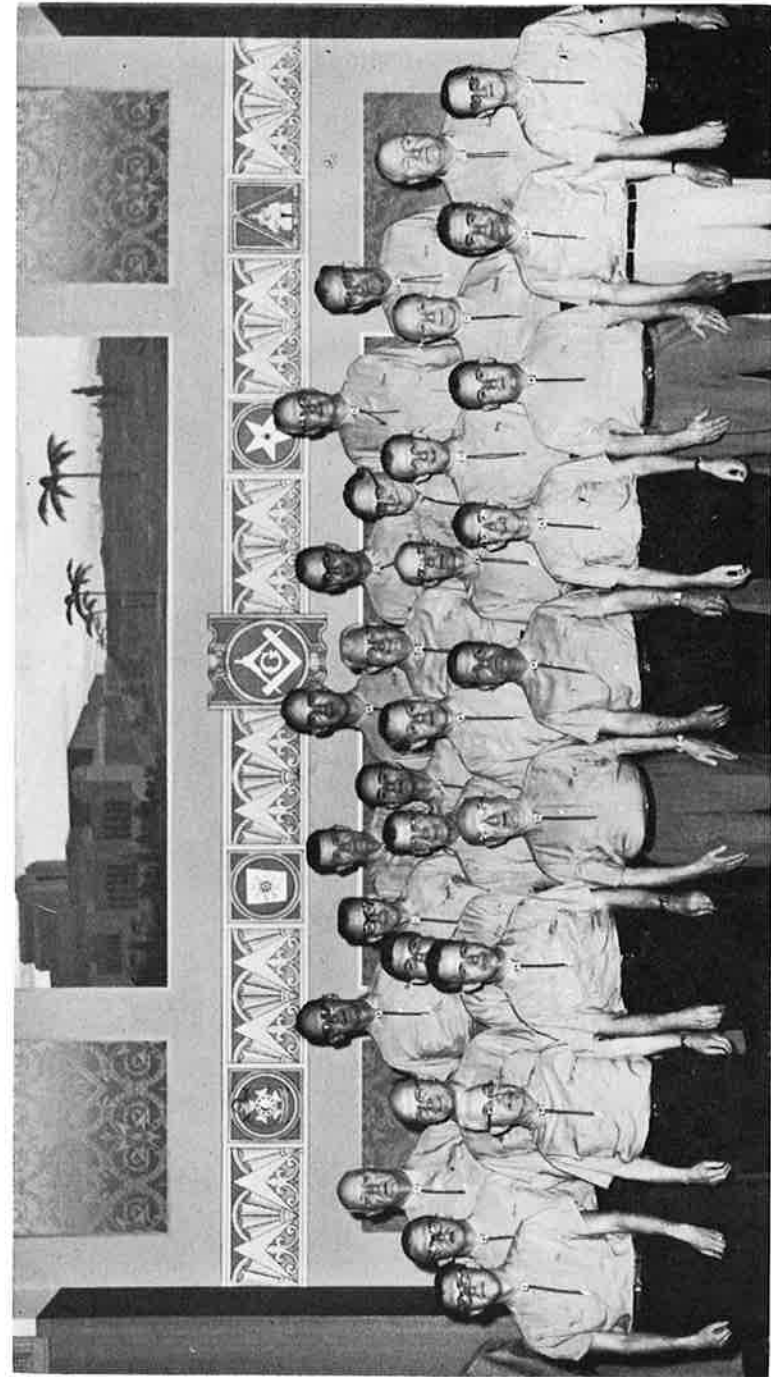
With the help of other members of the Lodge, the Minute Men redecorated the Lodge Hall, and we are very proud of our work. We have enjoyed a wonderful fellowship in our associations, and highly recommend it to other Lodges. Our present officers are:

Charles L. Jacobson, Chairman

Curtis Fosen, P.M., Vice Chairman

Bob Enger, Secretary

Arvid Lund, Treasurer



First row, left to right: A. Drolet, H. Muff, S. Larson, A. Weisman, T. Mathison, G. Widen, E. Fisher, V. Erhardt, C. Jacobson. Second row, left to right: D. Jacobson, L. Starkey, R. Harley, A. Wilson, B. Enger, E. Foss, R. Fredrickson, A. Lund, R. Bergman. Third row, left to right: M. Smith, C. Morgan, C. Fosen, R. Torman, H. Sorenson, D. Ohlhausen. Fourth row, left to right: B. Danielson, O. Bergquist, R. Waltz, C. Zimmerman, D. Muhly.

ADDRESSES OF HOME LODGE

**2006 Cedar Avenue
February 1885 to February 1886**

**1551 East Franklin Avenue
February 1886 to December 1902**

**1533 East Lake Street
December 1902 to March 1924**

**1508 East Lake Street
March 1924 to April 1, 1946**

**1419 East Lake Street
April 1, 1946 to April 1, 1950**

**3900 10th Avenue South
April 1, 1950 to 1954**

**5149 Bloomington Avenue
1954 to Present**

Warren A. Dahl
Chairman

Committee Chairmen

Raymond Houser, P.M. Entertainment
Charles E. Morgan Decorations
Charles L. Jacobson Dinner and Buffet Lunch
Maurice C. Smith Tickets
Tom B. Mathison Publicity
Gunner G. Widen Souvenirs
Allan Wold, Glen G. Nybeck Picnic

WHAT IS A MASON?

A Mason is a member of the world's largest fraternal organization. He can enjoy the friendship of other Masons in his community, and he will be welcomed as a "brother" by Masons anywhere in the world.

A Mason shares the aspirations and obligations of men of good will who seek to make themselves better than they are—not better than others.

A Mason worships in his own fashion according to his own religious faith whether he be Christian, Jew or Moslem, Protestant or Roman Catholic, Buddhist or Hindu, but free of regimentation by society or the state.

A Mason holds that the brotherhood of man is an imperative, and it is the bond that unites him to other men.

A Mason endeavors to grow in things spiritual through the exercise of sobriety, truth, justice, charity, and faith in God.

A Mason insists that every man has the right to freedom of worship and freedom of expression, the right to vote according to his conscience, and the right to a public school education.

A Mason honors other men by respecting each man's inherent dignity, by succoring a brother Mason or any man in need, by devotion to his community's welfare.

WHY IS HE CALLED A "MASON?"

For many centuries, the ancient craft of builders—masons who worked in stone erecting temples, cathedrals and public works—shared high standards of workmanship and conduct. The brotherhood of such masons worked in imperishable stone and gave rise to the crafts of Apprentices, Fellows and Master Masons. The tools of their trade were the square, compass, plumbline, level, trowel and other instruments of precision workmanship.

Over two hundred years ago, the great principles of operating masons were adopted by countless others who did not necessarily work in stone. Ever since, still others have joined voluntarily in thousands of local groups called "lodges" that are dedicated to the same principles of brotherhood, rectitude, sobriety, charity and invigorated by a common dedication to high ethical and spiritual purposes.

Employing the words and titles of the ancient craft of masonry allegorically, Masons today band together for building not structures of stone but men of character. There is a dynamic force in the ancient institution of the "lodge" that continually gives fresh impetus to a man's individual striving.