



Great Lights Lodge #181
Monday, May 14th, 2007
May Stated Meeting

Dear Brethren,

I am sorry for not publishing an April newsletter. My schedule became very full quickly and I did not have a chance to get to it. My apologies.

The lodge held a social dinner at Nob Hill on March 22. After dinner, the two exchange students that Kimberly and I are hosting gave very informative talks on their homelands. I feel that we had a great turnout for this event.

On April 14, Brothers Tom Raulerson, Jon Sommermeyer, and I assisted West Union with three 3rd degrees. This was the first time that I had ever witnessed three candidates receiving the degree simultaneously. I felt that it was a very good degree and the attendance was spectacular for a Saturday afternoon.

On Wednesday, May 9, Brother Adam Riley presented a Grand Lodge scholarship for \$2,000 to Michael Knudson, a senior at the Decorah High School. This is one of quite a few that have been presented to students in our corner of the state in recent years.

On May 12, the Cedar Rapids Scottish Rite is having its spring reunion. I will be assisting with the 30th degree.

Our next stated communication is on Monday, May 14. We still have a 3rd degree to put on for James Stansfield and I will work with him to find a date. I hope that we can do it before he leaves for the summer.

We also need to have a Building Association meeting soon. The bylaws indicate that there has to be 10 masons present to hold a meeting. My plan is to hold this meeting immediately after our first communication that has at least 10 brothers present.

Fraternally,

Eric J. Sommermeyer, WM

