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STATED MEETING – 2nd MONDAY AT 7:30 PM

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July 2006

Greetings Brethren:

It is with sadness that I report the death of a member of Operative Lodge #308. Brother Jack R. Vogt died Sunday, June 25, 2006 at Mercy Medical Center. Brother Jack was a member of the Masonic Brotherhood since 1962.

Brother Jim Blaney officiated at a Masonic funeral for Brother Jack on June 29, 2006 at Hamilton's Funeral Home.

Brother Jack's survivors include his wife, Gay Vogt; his sons, Tim and Brian Vogt; his daughter Marge Moen; his stepchildren, Ronald Hager, Jr., Ronda Brown; and his brother, Harold Vogt.

Cards of condolence can be sent to Brother Jack's wife at: 1504 E. 21st Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50317-2536.

DEGREE WORK:

June 19, 2006 marked a special day at Operative Lodge. Two Brothers were raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Operative Lodge was overflowing with Brethren from a number of Lodges around the State. We are extremely grateful for all of the help we received.

Please welcome Brothers Max Bodermann and Gene Jennings. I'm certain that this night will remain with our new Brethren for many years and will have impressed upon them the true meaning of being a Mason.



Brother Max Bodermann



Brother Gene Jennings

Please extend a welcome to our newest Brethren.

I'm glad to report that our roof replacement project was a complete success. Thanks to all the volunteers who worked very hard, in spite of the extreme heat.

A big THANK YOU goes out to everyone involved. Those Brothers who donated their time and talent to this project are as follows:

Mike Aves
Jim Black
Tim Davis
Larry Epley
Sean Harmon
Dean Johnson
Robert Koss
Jim Matre
Jack Matthews
Asa Moeckly
Steve Moeckly
Tyler Moeckly
Eric Olson
Jim Trotter



Operative Lodge Roof Installation

A special thanks is extended to Brother Lee and Brother Tony Preuninger for helping Operative Lodge obtain the material for this project at a greatly reduced cost.

The Polk – Jasper Study Group will meet on Tuesday, July 25, 2006 at Faithful Lodge in Runnells, Iowa. Dinner will be served starting at 6:30pm with 2nd Section, 3rd Degree being practiced afterwards. All Masons are welcome to participate.

We have received information that Brother John Harmon is recovering at home from a heart related illness.

Please keep Brother John in your thoughts and prayers as we all wish him a speedy recovery.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Please set aside the evening of Monday, August 7, 2006 and come join us as we host an Eastern Star Recognition & Masonic Widows supper. Let's make this a memorable evening for the Ladies.

Fraternally,

Rodney E. Halverson
Worshipful Master