

OUR NEW LODGE HOME

WE'VE MOVED!

Starting Dec 1st, 2022, Braden Lodge #168 moved into the Lodge building owned by **Minnehaha Lodge #165**, located at: **5149 Bloomington Ave S ♦ Minneapolis MN 55417**

We look forward to getting to know our new neighbors, the Brothers of **Minnehaha Lodge #165** and **Catact Lodge #2**, plus active **Eastern Star**, **Job's Daughters**, and **DeMolay** groups that also share these beautiful facilities. We hope you can stop in and see us soon — we'd love to show you around our new home!



Photos by Br Harvie Holmes and WB Erick Crail

ON-GOING EVENTS

STATED COMMUNICATIONS (♦ Masons only)

Business Meetings & Degree Rituals.
1st & 3rd Thurs ■ 6:30pm Dinner ■ 7:30pm Meeting
(3rd Thursdays only in July & August)

FELLOWSHIP NIGHTS (▲ Open to all)

Coffee, Conversation, and Community.
2nd & 4th Thurs ■ 7:00pm Dinner

SOCRATES' CAFÉ (▲ Open to all)

A moderated group discussion held during Fellowship (see schedule), Socrates' Café offers an in-depth moderated discussion on a single subject each night exploring how Masons *"make good men better."*
4th Thurs ■ 8:30pm

FAMILY-FRIENDLY FIFTHS (▲ Open to all)

Whenever a month has five Thursdays, we devote the 5th Thursday to activities the entire family can enjoy!

- Mar 30th** ♦ An Artists' Salon
- Jun 29th** ♦ Family BBQ Picnic
- Aug 31st** ♦ Bowling Night
- Nov 30th** ♦ Winter Revelry

(see Calendar inside for more information)

OFFICERS ▲ 2023

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Junior Deacon **WILLIAM OTTO**

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Junior Steward **DUSTIN KORBEL**

Marshal **TBD**

Tyler **WB STEVE O'DAY**

Chaplain **WB TIMOTHY GRUBE**

Funeral Coordinator ... **WB JOHN STITELY**

Musician **WB ERIK FAIRCHILD**

Historian **WB TIMOTHY GRUBE**

Librarian **CHARLES KNUTSON**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Trustees@BradenLodge.Org

▲ **WB TIMOTHY GRUBE** thru 2023

▲ **NICHOLAS MACDONALD** thru 2024

▲ **CHRISTOPHER LARSON** thru 2025



BRADEN LODGE

*"Making Good Men Better
 Since 1886"*

2023

TRESTLE BOARD

"...and improve myself in Masonry."

♦ **LIGHT:** Masonry is all about **improving**: ourselves, our community (Lodge), and by extension, the world around us. To this end, Masonry provides us with **Tools**. One of this year's goals is to master the proper use of these **Tools**.

♦ **LOVE:** Masonry provides us with a **community**: our **Lodge**. One of this year's goals is to improve our **Lodge**. Moving to a more conducive environment was a good start. Let us continue to strive to build **harmony** and **ritual excellence**.

♦ **LIFE:** As part of the larger Masonic community of **Brothers** around the world, Braden builds community with **Fellowship**: table lodges, murder mysteries, meals, puzzles, Socrates Café, an artists salon, "killer" ritual, and sage discussions.

This Year... Let us look at the Trestle Board drawings, choose our **Tools**, **Labor** as a **Team**, & do the necessary improvements on **Ourselves**, our **Lodge** — and perhaps **Masonry** itself.

~ WB Jay W Koelsch,
 Worshipful Master • 2023

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Ancient Free & Accepted
 Masons of Minnesota

TRESTLE BOARD FOR 2023



Dinner served at **6:30pm** on all **Stated Meeting** nights, and **7:00pm** on most **Fellowship** nights!

KEY:
BLUE ▲ = OPEN TO ALL
RED ♦ = OPEN TO MASONS ONLY

JANUARY

- 5 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
Lodge of Sorrows (Close 2022, Open 2023)
- 12 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR**
WB OTTO CHRISTENSON
- 19 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
- 26 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café

FEBRUARY

- 2 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
- 9 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
- 16 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
George Washington Program
- 18 ▲ Sat ▫ 6:30pm... **"MARDI GRAS" TABLE LODGE**
Cajun Menu ▫ Tickets: \$30 ▫ Order at BradenLodge.Org
- 23 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café

MARCH

- 2 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
Deadline for Candidate Petitions for Spring Degrees
- 9 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
- 16 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
- 23 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café
- 29 ♦ Wed **METROWEST MASONS MEETING**
Compass Lodge #265 ▫ 5549 Xenia Ave N, Crystal
6pm Dinner ▫ 7pm Meeting
- 30 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:30pm **AN ARTISTS' SALON**
Art ▫ Music ▫ Conversation

APRIL

- 6 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE
- 13 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm **FELLOWSHIP**
- 14-15 ♦ Fri - Sat..... **GRAND LODGE OF MN**
170TH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
Park Event Center ▫ Waite Park MN
- 20 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
- 27 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café

MAY

- 4 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
FELLOW CRAFT DEGREE
- 11 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm **FELLOWSHIP**
Special Vegan Fellowship Meal
- 18 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
- 25 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café
- 31 ♦ Wed **METROWEST MASONS MEETING**
Mound Lodge #320 ▫ 2372 Commerce Blvd, Mound
6pm Dinner ▫ 7pm Meeting

JUNE

- 1 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
Annual Financial Review
- 8 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:07pm..... **ST PAUL SAINTS GAME**
See website May 1st for details
- 10 ♦ Sat..... **MASTER MASON DEGREE**
8:30am Breakfast ▫ 10am Degree
- 15 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
- 22 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café
- 29 ▲ Thu ▫ 6:30pm **FAMILY BBQ PICNIC**
See website June 1st for details

JULY

- 6 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm **FELLOWSHIP**
- 6-8 ▲ Thu - Sat **CONVERGENCE**
Braden Puzzle Room ▫ Hyatt Regency Minneapolis
- 13 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm **FELLOWSHIP**
- 20 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
- 27 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café

AUGUST

- 3 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
- 10 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
- 17 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm..... **STATED MEETING**
- 24 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café
- 30 ♦ Wed **METROWEST MASONS MEETING**
Templar Lodge #176 ▫ 6509 Walker St, St Louis Park
6pm Dinner ▫ 7pm Meeting
- 31 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **BOWLING NIGHT**
See website Aug 1st for details

SEPTEMBER

- 7 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm **STATED MEETING**
Deadline for Candidate Petitions for Fall Degrees
- 14 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm **FELLOWSHIP**
- 16 ▲ Sat ▫ 6:30pm **A PIRATE'S TABLE LODGE**
"Pirates' Galley" Menu ▫ Speak (& Eat!) Like a Pirate!
Tickets Available Aug 1st ▫ Order at BradenLodge.Org
- 21 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm **STATED MEETING**
- 28 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café
- Sep 29 - Oct 1 ♦ Fri - Sun ... **YORK RITE RETREAT**
Dunrovin Retreat Center ▫ Marine on St Croix MN

OCTOBER

- 5 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm **STATED MEETING**
ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE
- 12 ▲ Thu **ANNUAL AWARDS NIGHT**
6:30pm Dinner ▫ 7:30pm Program
- 19 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm **STATED MEETING**
- 26 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
8:30pm Socrates' Café

NOVEMBER

- 2 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm **STATED MEETING**
FELLOW CRAFT DEGREE
- 9 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
- 16 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm **STATED MEETING**
Senior Warden's Night
- 23 ▲ Thu **THANKSGIVING** (Lodge Closed)
- 29 ♦ Wed..... **METROWEST MASONS MEETING**
MN River Valley Lodge #6 ▫ 4821 W 124th St, Savage
6pm Dinner ▫ 7pm Meeting
- 30 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **WINTER REVELRY**
Carols ▫ Cake ▫ Comfort & Joy

DECEMBER

- 2 ♦ Sat..... **MASTER MASON DEGREE**
8:30am Breakfast ▫ 10am Degree
- 7 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm **STATED MEETING**
Election of Officers for 2023
- 14 ▲ Thu **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**
6:30pm Dinner ▫ 7:30pm Program
- 21 ♦ Thu ▫ 7:30pm **STATED MEETING**
Lodge of Sorrows (Close 2023 / Open 2024)
- 28 ▲ Thu ▫ 7:00pm..... **FELLOWSHIP**
Annual Cheese & Crackers Holiday Get-Together

SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

See BradenLodge.Org for latest calendar updates