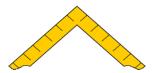


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Message from the East



Brethren,

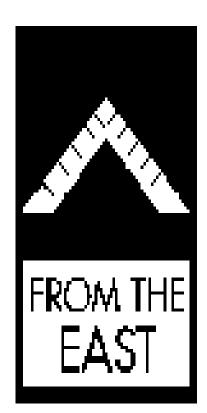
April is here, and as I sit here watching it snow, I can only hope that nice spring weather will be upon us soon. Time is flying for sure. On April 5th we held the Reunion Dinner with brothers coming in from near and far and nearly 30 people in attendance. We broke bread together at another wonderful Hungry Man dinner while reminiscing and chatting with brothers we have not seen in a long time. We were reminded how important our roots in Masonry are with being proficient in our knowledge of degree work, while we also look to the future and making lodge a very fun place to be. The Blood drive date is officially set now for June 15th, and if you would like to donate there is still time to sign

Our lodge sent three people to the

Masonic Day of Light (MDoL) in Madison on April 7th, and I am pleased to welcome Brother Mike Smith, Brother Jeff Froderman, and Brother Wes Bernardt to Unity #367 as Master Masons. Thank you to their mentors for the day that guided and helped them throughout the day. We have a Fellowcraft degree coming up on April 19th and I hope everyone can be there. Please continue to sell the Shotgun Raffle tickets and get them turned back into the Junior Warden, Brother Jeff Woolsey.

Let me offer a gentle reminder to get your 2018 dues paid if you haven't done so yet.

Fraternally, Denny Krahn WM Unity #367



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Recent Events at Unity Lodge

2018 Raffle

Reunion Dinner

The Reunion Dinner on April 5th was a smash hit! We had nearly 30 Brothers attend the dinner and then Lodge. Everyone was having a great time catching up and chatting, Lodge was opened a little late that evening. Dinner was a delicious ham, scalloped potatoes, and vegetables followed by angel food cake for dessert.

Cleaning Crew

I want to thank all who have been coming to lodge on Wednesday mornings to help with keeping our lodge looking great. It's a time when brothers can come together, have a cup of coffee and some donuts, and just be together as brothers. We will continue doing this on Wednesday mornings starting around 7:30am. I hope you can make it.



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From the South

On Saturday, the 7th of April I had the honor of mentoring a new Brother through the Masonic Day of Light in Madison. It was a long day. Let me repeat that for those in the back of the house: It was a VERY long day.

Our new Brother picked me up at 5.30 to start our drive out to Madison. Along the way, I did my best to answer his questions and let him know how the day was expected to go. Shout out to the

Marshals, including our own Worshipful Master, on their keeping the schedule mostly on time.

I know there are brothers who have expressed some measure of skepticism over the Masonic Day of Light programs. I understand their concerns. It is, in many ways, a Masonic meat grinder. It will take the members weeks, months, or even years to mentally unpack and try to understand everything that happened on that day.

Is that really all that different from those of us who were raised in the "traditional" manner? I'm still learning and trying to understand the degrees. I'm sure many of the Brethren are as well. Our new Brother Jeff who I mentored is eager to start attending lodge

and to learn his final posting. I'm sure that's the same with the others who experienced the Masonic Day of Light.

Mentoring a new Brother is a new experience for me. In many ways

I'm learning along with him and I'm enjoying that more than I might have expected. I hope as we continue to initiate new members, more Brothers will step forward and mentor them on their first steps up the winding stairs.

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Be sure to visit https://367-wi.ourlodgepage.com/ for pictures of our Lodge events. Let me know what you think of our new online layout.

Bro. Jeff Woosley, Junior Warden

The Unity/Joppa Blood Drive Has a Date!

The Unity and Joppa 2018 Blood Drive will be held at Unity Lodge on the afternoon of Friday, June 15th. Sign-up sheets for appointment times will be made available as we get closer, as will flyers and other advertising from the Blood Center.

Now that we have a firm date, we should be able to get donors for this important event. Being so close to the 4th of July could potentially make the donations we collect that



day even more critical.

The more donors we can get for this and future drives, the more likely we are to get a Saturday date for a blood drive. It would be great to see Unity and Joppa start bringing in enough donors to reach that goal by 2020 at the latest.

Behind the Desk

WBro. Joe Layne passed on to the Celestial Lodge Above on April 10. He was a PM of both Sunrise and Unity Lodges. WBro. Joe was also chief Fish Fry cook for several of our dinners.

I will be sending out second dues notices for the 21 Brothers who are in arrears for 2018. Pay up!

Bro. Jeff has taken over duties of the Trestleboard Editor. Ten years was enough. Best wishes to Bro. Jeff in meeting the monthly deadline.

I'll see you in Lodge!

Fraternally,

Bob Burgermeister, HPM Web Manager and Secretary/ Treasurer



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Joppa Lodge #9, MW Prince Hall F&AM

Joppa Lodge #9 meets on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. Lodge opens at 6 PM.

Worshipful Master: Frederick McCauley

Masonic Day of Light—Madison 2018





Job's Daughters Bethel #77

Hello Masonic Family,

We hope to see you at some of our upcoming meetings. Meetings are held every second Tuesday and fourth Saturday each month.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining Job's Daughters, please feel free to contact Mom Alicia Bohman at 262.488.7172.

Jobie love, Mom Alicia Bohman Bethel Guardian, Bethel #77



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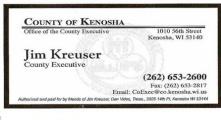
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Mailing raffle tickets to the Brothers of Unity Lodge





2018 Unity Lodge Reunion Dinner





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MAY 2018

Birthdays		Hugh Sherron Richard Williams	Dannye Boxx			Larry Day William Barton
			Lodge Cleanup 7.30 AM			Joppa Stated 6PM
Masonic Anniveraries			W. Fred Ekornaas	Gerald Slagoski Jr.	Gustavo Orozco	Adrian Viveros
	1	31	30	29	27 Memorial Day 28	27
James Pittman		Alan Vittori		Vincent Tillona		James Kreuser
Bethel #77 Stated			Lodge Cleanup 7.30 AM			
Jerry Brown James Schweitzer	W. Wayne Budwick			Larry Day	W. Bobby Gober Frederick Duprey	W. Robert Hall
	25	24	23	22	21	20
Adrian Viveros Thomas Robbins III			Gene Ingram			Douglas Moorhouse
		Unity Social Night 7PM	Lodge Cleanup 7.30 AM			
W. Bruce Hannah Jerome Konicek		W. Donald Howland				Mother's Day
	18	17	16	15	14	13
			Todge Cleanup 7.30 AM Nicholas Austin	Bethel #77 Stated		
	James Kruse W. Terrance Heeter	Eric Mellor Aaron Pomerening			Donald Hall	
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	Jeffrey Frodermann	Roger Gename		Wesley Bernhardt		Birthdays
		Hungry Man 6 PM Stated 7PM	Lodge Cleanup 7.30 AM			Meetings
		W. Royce Ingraham		Russel Gename		Masonic Anniversaries
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SATURDAY	FRIDAY	THURSDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY	MONDAY	SUNDAY

Book Review—Tracing Boards of the Three Degrees in Craft Freemasonry Explained by Julian Rees

Tracing Boards of the Three Degrees is a colorful and interesting book to page through as well as read. The book is concerned with, "Tracing Boards" used during the conferring of degrees.

They're still used in many European lodges, but they've largely fallen out of favor in the United States with one notable exception. Instead of using them for education, we use our Trestleboards (the original name of the tracing boards) for our monthly newsletters.

The author divides the book into five main sections. One section for each of the three degrees of our Craft, one for the history and international variations of the boards, and a chapter focusing on the boards used by the English Lodges.

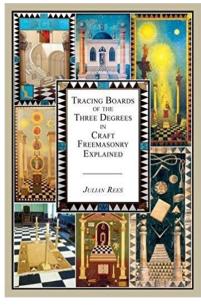
Reading the book helped me revisit the allegorical stories of the degrees. I enjoyed seeing the evolution of the boards as our Craft has evolved over the centuries. I'm determined now to revisit #47 soon with the hope of comparing the boards they have hanging in their lodge room to the ones pictured in the book.

The book was a very easy read. I read it in just under a day. Normally I feel a little let down when I am able to finish a book so quickly. That's not the case with this book as I know I'll be looking back at it over and over to enjoy the artwork used by our past Brethren. Having read this before reading a book on the history of American Freemasonry is a

boon, as I am able to understand references I might not have been able to understand otherwise.

The book is available from Amazon. I recommend it for anyone seeking to educate themselves on our history, but wanting to avoid 'heavy' reading.

-Brother Jeff Woosley





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