

# The Trestleboard

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# The Master's Words

Greetings, Brethren!

## **NOTICE: UNITY LODGE HAS CHANGED ITS MEETING NIGHT!**

*Reminder: Stated Communications – The communications of this Lodge will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month.*

On Mar 17 we held a St. Patrick Day dinner at O'Unity Lodge! This was a combined event with Kenosha Lodge #47. Everyone one had a great time and plenty to eat. The final tally is not in but it looks like we may be a few dollars to the good. We had 45 adult and 1 child meal served. I want to thank everyone who worked hard to make this event happen.

The trustees have been busy making the improvements that are needed at the Lodge. Brother Vince Shuler and his band of Picassos have painted the reception area and the bathrooms. The office and library are next! So if you have some spare time can sling a brush, let brother Vince know that you are willing to help the lodge. Also the soda machine has been relocated and the new refrigerator was moved into the kitchen. The carpets in the lodge, office and library area will be professionally cleaned also. A new mail box will go up in front of the lodge to replace the one destroyed this winter.

And in Lodge we currently have 8 entered apprentices, and 4 fellow craft working on posting. We have one Entered Apprentice from out of state that the Grand Lodge has approved us for conferral of degrees. He is a student at Carthage Collage. There are two petitions for degrees and there have been two request for plural membership submitted. That is potentially twenty eight degree nights!

I am extending an offer to any FC that wants to work together with us as a group in addition to their regular posting, to join us on Tuesday nights at 5pm. Also, Entered Apprentices please call me and let me know if you are interested in supplementing your posting by working as a group.

Fraternally yours,  
Wayne Budwick  
Worshipful Master



**WANTED: Group photos of Unity Lodge officers. We are mssing all years of Unity.**

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## From the Secretary's Desk

IN MEMORIUM: The roll of the workmen has again been called and Brother B. J. Ingram answers not. Brother B.J. passed on to that Celestial Lodge on March 5, 2009. There were over 35 members of the Fraternity at the Masonic Service. Brother Vince Shuler, P.M. gave a very fine service.

To the members receiving pins this year, it will be in June but at this time, I do not know what day.

The painters: Brothers Vince Shuler (Boss) - Gene Welter - Don Hall - Babe Kreuser - Milt Bergerson (2nd Boss) did a fine job on the inside of the lodge. Brothers Chris Van Damme and Royce Ingraham are fixing the fans in the bathrooms. Brothers John Walker and Gus Orozco installed the rolling door in the kitchen with an assist from Milt. Thanks go out to Pat Kuhner for picking up the sweet rolls every week and making the coffee. And when he was on vacation, Brother Izzy Miller filled in and did a very good job. And Brother Gene Welter for being our Sanitary Engineer.

The outside of the Lodge could use a paint job. If you want to volunteer, please let Vince Shuler know...if we get enough help, we can do it in one day.

At our last Stated Meeting, a dues increase was discussed and the lodge members are going to vote on it at our April 16, 2009 meeting...Try and attend this meeting.

One last thing I have to mention: if you are sick or house-bound or go to a hospital for an operation, please let us know so we can send you a card or visit you...Brother Jim Dowell, P.M. is the chairman of our visitation committee. My phone number is in the trestle board.

Brother John Walker is our chief cook for our supper on April 2nd, 6 P.M. He guarantees a good meal...Every Wednesday morning, coffee, rolls, and you never know what else.

Your Secretary,  
Harold "Babe" Kreuser



### April Birthdays

4/01 Eddie R. Lofton  
4/03 James M. May  
4/04 Donald D. Boxx  
4/05 Kenneth M. Antaramian  
4/06 John K. Shannon  
4/11 Jack L. Strouf  
4/21 James D. Gronberg  
4/22 Michael D. Axelson  
4/26 Robert W. Haggarty Iii  
4/27 Charles W. Brown  
4/30 William A. Calder  
4/30 Guy Benvenuti



"It requires the educated mind to appreciate and give expression to the high ideals of Freemasonry. Illiteracy, therefore, is an enemy to the Masonic institution. This is not a new conception as is evidenced by the fact that in the Fellowcraft degree as handed down to us through the ages, the candidate's attention is pointedly directed to the necessity of becoming familiar with the liberal arts and sciences. It is not only vital to Freemasonry but absolutely essential to the establishment and perpetuation of democracies." (Aldro Jenks, P.G.M., Wisconsin).



## The Editor

Some of our records are incomplete or not accurate. Please help us get current by sending us your contact information. See the last column of this TB. If you have already sent current information, no need to do it again.

We are up to fifty-seven "electronic" members. Every month we add a few more. Won't you join in helping us save Lodge \$\$ ? Send your E-Mail address to me and you will get your TB much sooner via E-Mail.

Fraternally,

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Fran Rice likes to keep her hands busy. She does beautiful work with a Crochet hook. Fran, who is Past Worthy Matron of Pike Chapter #285, Order of the Eastern Star, also likes to help people, especially Veterans. For the last year, she has been making "lap robes" for disabled Vets in wheelchairs and donating them through VFW Post 1865 to The Southeast Wisconsin Veterans Facility at Union Grove. On March 5, Randy Holton and Adam Stoll, Case Manager/Volunteer Coordinator at the Facility went to Fran's home to pick up five more lap robes and to present a letter of thanks and a certificate of appreciation to Fran for her kind efforts. (Randy is Commander of Post 1865 and a member of Unity Lodge. Adam is a Fellowcraft in our Lodge)

Fran goes through a lot of yarn. If you would like to keep Fran busy and help some disabled Vets, get some yarn to Randy Holton. He will see that Fran gets to work with it.




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Question: How many Masons does it take to change a light bulb?

Answer: After much research on this tricky question, it can now be answered. It takes 20, as follows:

- 2 to complain that the light does not work;
- 1 to pass the problem on to the Trustees.
- 3 to do a study on light in the lodge;
- 2 to check the type of lights the Knights of Columbus use;
- 3 to argue about the liability involved in using volunteer labor to change it;
- 5 to plan a fund raising dinner to pay for the change;
- 2 to complain that "that's not the way we used to change bulbs";
- 1 to borrow a ladder, donate the bulb, and install it; and
- 1 to order the brass plate and have it inscribed.





## Dates to Remember

### April 2009

- 2 Jambalaya Dinner 6pm MEETING 7PM**
- 7 FC Instruction 5pm & Officers Meeting 6pm
- 12 Easter Sunday
- 14 FC Instruction 5pm
- 16 STATED MEETING 7PM**
- 20 Trustees 8pm
- 21 FC Instruction 5pm
- 28 FC Instruction 5pm

**Every Wednesday** – Donuts, Coffee and Philosophy at 8 AM, Lodge Clean Up 9 AM, and Degree Practice 10 AM.

### April Masonic Anniversaries

Joseph L. Mc Clelland  
Gordon Charlton  
Edward J. Jelinek  
Charles A. Cornell  
James L. Shaffer  
Bruce A. Christianson  
Guy Benvenuti  
James E. Hansen  
Ted P. Kyriazes  
Jerry D. Maddox  
Donald J. Everett  
James D. Gronberg  
Fred W. Ecklor  
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Michael Tapley  
Keith R. Matus  
Ralph C. Leese  
Kenneth M. Antaramian  
Boyd A. Frederick  
Vincent S. Tillona  
Shawn M. Bell  
Richard G. Williams  
Douglas R. Sawyer



Brethren:

A recent examination of our roster and records has revealed that we are not very accurate, especially on certain items. We really need to get current telephone numbers for many of you, and would like to add E-Mail addresses to our records. In addition, some of the address information is not up to date. Please help us get more current by sending the following back to the Lodge, either in an envelope, or via E-Mail (that costs less). Send your current information to Worshipful Master, Unity Lodge #367, 4320 Washington Rd., Kenosha, WI 53144-4250 or [wm@kenoshamasons.com](mailto:wm@kenoshamasons.com)

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Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a "Snowbird", please provide your "Winter" address and the dates you will be there.

(If you have already sent your current information, no need to do it again)

