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## The Master's Words

Greetings from the East my brothers!

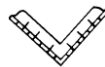
Thanks to Jim Dowell, Linda Dowell, Gus Orozco and all the brothers that had a hand in helping with the Awards Dinner. Thanks also to all who showed up and participated.

We have a new Master Mason, Adrian Viveros who was raised on May 27<sup>th</sup> to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Also we have two new Entered Apprentice, Nicholas Gochis on June 9<sup>th</sup> and Don Glenn on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Please congratulate the new brothers when you see them.

Come join us at our picnic on August 14<sup>th</sup> starting at 1pm. Lodge will furnish a meat and beverage. Please bring a dish to pass. Food will start at 2pm go until???

Please keep the following brothers and family members in your prayers, Joe & Edie Layne, Roger Strouf, Cheryl Budwick and the Jim Adams family.

Fraternally, Hobart (Joe) Layne, WM



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## From the Secretary's Desk

Half the year is gone, like my Dad use to say:  
When you are busy, time flies. Truer words were  
never spoken.

Your lodge has been very busy. We are receiving  
new members and the posters are really doing a  
fine job getting our candidates moving right along.

All the snow birds should be back by now. If you  
get a chance, come on over and visit. Wednesday  
mornings, we usually have a good turn-out.  
Coffee, rolls and you never know what else.

To all our members: Brother Bruce Christianson,  
P.G.M. and his wife, Willa are residents at  
Dousman. Also, Brother Oral Congdon, P.M. and  
his wife, Dorothy. If you get a chance, drop them a  
few lines.

With all the wet weather, the grass keeps growing.  
In between showers, Brother Gene Welter gets  
the grass cut. To all the brothers that help out in  
one way or another, I certainly want to thank each  
and every one of you.

In case you haven't noticed, the large sign on the  
building is back on Unity Lodge 367.

Have a nice Fourth of July.  
Your Secretary, Harold (Babe) Kreuser



### Plan Ahead!

## Unity Lodge #367 Picnic!

### August 14 1 PM



### July Birthdays

7/01 Dean C. Sucus  
7/01 Jerry E. Davis  
7/01 Mark P. Filwett  
7/02 Phillip L. Wade  
7/05 Pat R. Kuhner  
7/05 Robert F. Hamilton  
7/05 Brian E. Snavely  
7/07 James O. Glover  
7/09 Early G. Crane  
7/09 Robert J. Klein  
7/09 Jeffrey B. Woosley  
7/09 Craig C. Houston  
7/12 Leonard Clark  
7/14 Timothy J. Krueger  
7/15 Steven H. Davidson  
7/17 Christopher P. Peters  
7/18 Harold F. Kreuser  
7/18 Robert J. Burgermeister  
7/20 Norman E. Greening  
7/21 Russell A. Gename  
7/22 Dennis A. Johnson Sr  
7/23 Nicholas P. Gochis  
7/24 Daniel R. Angotti Sr  
7/24 William J. Shelley  
7/29 Clarence D. Gerlach  
7/31 Samuel B. Purse

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## The Editor

There are now 80 members on the Unity Electronic distribution list. That means that the Lodge saves about \$53 each month on printing and mailing of the Trestleboard. Thanks to each of you who have gone Electronic.

Bro. Vince is back from his annual fishing trip, and I still haven't got a license. The boat is running fine, but so far no time for fishing. Can't let Summer get away from me...

See you in Lodge!

Fraternally,

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## Dates to Remember

June-July 2010

June 17 – Stated Meeting 7 PM

July 1 – DARK NO MEETING

July 5 – Trustees Meeting 7 PM

July 12 – Officers Meeting 7 PM

July 15 – Stated Meeting 7 PM

August 5 – Stated Meeting 7 PM

August 14 – Lodge Picnic 1 PM

August 19 – DARK NO MEETING

Every Wednesday – Lodge Clean Up with coffee and rolls 8 AM, and Degree Practice 10 AM.

## July Masonic Anniversaries

A. Paul Martin  
Eulis L. Oswalt  
Billy S. Owens  
Richard M. Youells  
Milton O. Bergerson  
Randall C. Holton  
Gary V. Shuler  
John N. Krahn  
Christopher P. Peters  
Michael Galayda



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*Happy Birthday*  
**AMERICA**

## Prince Hall Freemasonry

Prince Hall Freemasonry derives from historical events in the early United States that led to a tradition of separate, predominantly African-American Freemasonry in North America.

In 1775, an African-American named Prince Hall was initiated into an Irish Constitution military Lodge then in Boston, Massachusetts, along with fourteen other African-Americans, all of whom were free-born. When the military Lodge left North America, those fifteen men were given the authority to meet as a Lodge, form Processions on the days of the Saints John, and conduct Masonic funerals, but not to confer degrees, nor to do other Masonic work. In 1784, these individuals applied for, and obtained, a Lodge Warrant from the Premier Grand Lodge of England (GLE) and formed African Lodge, Number 459. When the UGLE was formed in 1813, all U.S.-based Lodges were stricken from their rolls – due largely to the War of 1812. Thus, separated from both UGLE and any concordantly recognized U.S. Grand Lodge, African Lodge re-titled itself as the African Lodge, Number 1 – and became a *de facto* "Grand Lodge" (this Lodge is not to be confused with the various Grand Lodges on the Continent of Africa). As with the rest of U.S. Freemasonry, Prince Hall Freemasonry soon grew and organized on a Grand Lodge system for each state.

Widespread segregation in 19th- and early 20th-century North America made it difficult for African-Americans to join Lodges outside of Prince Hall jurisdictions – and impossible for inter-jurisdiction recognition between the parallel U.S. Masonic authorities.

Prince Hall Masonry has always been *regular* in all respects except constitutional separation, and this separation has diminished in recent years. At present, Prince Hall Grand Lodges are recognized by some UGLE Concordant Grand Lodges and not by others, but they appear to be working toward full recognition, with UGLE granting at least some degree of recognition.

There are a growing number of both Prince Hall Lodges and non-Prince Hall Lodges that have ethnically diverse membership.

(This article is from "Wikipedia")

