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The Master's Words

Greetings from the East my brothers!

On a very warm and sticky August 14, Unity Lodge held its annual picnic. Attendance was down a little because of the weather, but a good time was had by all. Special thanks to all the Brothers who helped make it a success, especially Bill Shelley, Vince Shuler, Don Hall and Wayne Budwick.

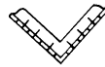
Bro. Paul Garcia, a Perpetual Member of Unity passed on to that Celestial lodge above on August 15, 2010 and services were held on August 18.

We will have a MM degree for Bro. Don Glenn on September 9 at 6:30 PM. Please fill the sidelines and show your support for Bro. Don.

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

Have a safe and happy summer.

Fraternally, Hobart (Joe) Layne, WM



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From the Secretary's Desk

IN MEMORIUM: The roll of the workmen has again been called and Brother John K. "Jack" Shannon, Sr. and Thomas A. Olson answer not. Brother Shannon received his M.M. degree on August 27, 1942 and passed on to that Celestial lodge above on July 23, 2010. Brother Olson received his M.M. degree on March 9, 1982 and passed on to that Celestial lodge above on July 27, 2010...May they find eternal rest in the house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Received a phone call from Brother Vince DeSantis. He lives in Sun City West, Az. and he and his wife are going to visit us at lodge on Wednesday morning, Sept. 29. I hope some of his old army buddies can make it here also.

Our Grand Lodge per capita tax will increase \$6.00 per year making it a total of \$37.00....If anyone wants to get a perpetual membership under the old price, it will have to be done before November. Contact me or Grand Lodge for the price.

The lodge has six folding tables, 6 ft. long for sale at \$25.00 each. They are very big and very heavy. First come, first served.

I still have a few 2010 dues cards left. Your names will be read off at our next stated meeting.

Our water meter was changed recently. I asked the man how many years he has worked for the Utility and he replied around 15 years. I asked if he knew Martin Davidson. He said yes. I asked if he knew Jim Hansen. He said yes and I live next door to Phil Wade. I said you know some Masons. He replied, I also know Jim Gename. I said you know some good men. Have you ever thought of becoming a Mason??? He replied, I am one. I belong to Unity Lodge. I said I'm going to check the record book. Sure enough, he belonged to Pike Lodge first and then to Unity. I said I never sat in lodge with you and he had a grin on his face. Like I said before I would like to meet all our members at least once. Oh, by the way, his name is Brother Eric D. Mellor. Now you know the rest of the story.

Remember every Wednesday morning, coffee & rolls & you never know what else .

Your Secretary, Harold (Babe) Kreuser



(The following was "stolen" from the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin website, <http://www.wisc-freemasonry.org>)

In The Farmers Almanac for 1823 published at Andover, Mass., the following was printed under the heading, Definition of a Freemason:

"The real Freemason is distinguished from the rest of Mankind by the uniform unrestrained rectitude of his conduct. Other men are honest in fear of punishment which the law might inflict they are religious in expectation of being rewarded, or in dread of the devil, in the next world. A Freemason would be just if there were no laws, human or divine except those written in his heart by the finger of his Creator. In every climate, under every system of religion, he is the same. He kneels before the Universal Throne of God in gratitude for the blessings he has received and humble solicitation for his future protection. He venerates the good men of all religions. He disturbs not the religion of others. He restrains his passions, because they cannot be indulged without injuring his neighbor or himself. He gives no offense, because he does not choose to be offended. He contracts no debts which he is certain he cannot discharge, because he is honest upon principal."



SEPTEMBER

September Birthdays

09/01 Sydney C. Batten
09/01 Anastasios Kokkinakis
09/01 James P. Layne
09/01 Robert W. Haggarty Jr
09/02 Vernon J. Hansen Jr
09/03 George E. Mc Gilligan
09/03 Mark E. Goertler
09/10 Charles J. Houston
09/10 Ted P. Kyriazes
09/11 Joseph L. Mc Clelland
09/11 Richard G. Anderson
09/12 Patrick M. Mc Nally
09/12 Loren W. Tolnai
09/13 John R. Brunner
09/17 Eulis L. Oswalt
09/17 Gerald W. Harbin
09/17 Boyd A. Frederick
09/20 Roy A. Holle
09/21 John M. Antaramian
09/22 James E. Hansen
09/27 Clifford W. Bailey
09/28 Ryan D. Bonell
09/29 James J. Adams
09/29 Shawn M. Bell
09/30 Robert S. Stone
09/30 Michael S. Guerra

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back to school!



The Editor

Bro. Wilhelm tells me that he will be cooking his famous "Russian Chicken and Ribs" for our September 9 meeting. Get there early!

I joined the club. There are now at least five "on board" defibrillators around the table on Wednesday morning. All seem to be working just fine, although Bro. Marty has to be reprogrammed, I think.

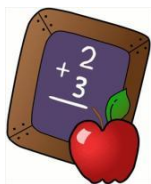
See you in Lodge!

Fraternally,

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Dates to Remember

August-September 2010

August 19 – DARK NO MEETING

Sept 2 -- Stated Meeting 7 PM (Dinner @ 6PM)

Sept 9 – Special MM Degree 6:30 PM (D. Glenn)

Sept 16 – Stated Meeting 7 PM

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

September Masonic Anniversaries

O. M Best

Richard L. Cross

Robert C. May

Ronald C. Peck

Alan V. Frederick

Roger A. Mertes

William C. Yenawine

Martin P. Davidson

Claud D. Wideman

Jack L. Strouf

Thomas A. Eide

Hugh K. Sherron

Dean C. Sukus

Thomas H. Christiansen

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WHERE THE FAST LANE ENDS

by William R. Fischer

Members come to Masonry for many reasons. Because of a relative, because of a friend, because of fellowship, because of curiosity, or maybe because they think they will get ahead. The reason we join is irrelevant.

After joining, we found men who treated us with brotherly love. This, in turn relieved the stress of the day. It also gave us a feeling of self worth and helped us see the true meaning of Freemasonry.

The fast movement of everyday life, causes a lot of changes in our life style. We move from one situation to another at such a speed, that most of the time, we seldom see the conclusion of one problem before another comes. Except if it doesn't turn out right, then we hear every detail of what went wrong. That is where Masonry comes in.

We come to lodge to meet old and new friends that demand nothing from us. Thus we demand nothing from our Brethren. We teach and are taught a more even way to live and cope with problems. We learn that, all that matters is within ourselves. We learn, through watching others, that a better way to do anything is through love, understanding and trust.

As we speed on and on through this ever changing world, we come to lodge for a little bit of peace and understanding, we come to slowdown, we come because this is:

Where The Fast Land Ends.