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The Master's Words

Greetings from the East my brothers!

This past year as your WM has been a great experience. However, I couldn't have done it alone. This is a good time to say "Thank You" to everyone who helped.

Our annual Sweetheart Dinner was a great success. In June, Bro. Jim Dowell put together our Awards ceremony and dinner. We also hosted a Lodge Picnic in August.

Thanks to Bro. Pat Kuhner for all his help with posting and coordinating our degree work. This year, Unity Lodge raised five Master Masons, passed four Fellowcrafts and initiated five Entered Apprentices. Thanks to Bro. Gene Welter for all the lawn mowing and cleaning effort.

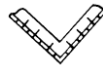
Brothers Vince Shuler and Milt Bergerson are tireless when it comes to Lodge maintenance and cleaning. Bro. Jim Kruse helps us with maintenance and keeping our soda machine filled.

Bro. Jim Gename is always there to keep our windows sparkling.

Thanks to Bro. Wayne Budwick for the excellent job with our rentals and cleaning and general maintenance. Also thanks to anyone I may have missed...you know who you are.

Thanks for a truly wonderful year!

Keep warm and drive safely.
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 Brothers Martin Davidson and Casper Hanson answer not. Brother Martin received his degrees in Pike Lodge and also was a Past Master of Pike Lodge in 1972. He passed on to the Celestial Lodge above on October 25, 2010. A masonic service was held on October 29 in Elkhorn. Bro. Vince Shuler gave the service. Brother Casper received his M.M. degree in Pike Lodge on August 22, 1974 and his last address was in Tomah, Wis. He passed on to the Celestial Lodge above on Nov. 6, 2010. Decora Lodge #177 located in Galesville, WI conducted the Masonic Service for our departed brother on Nov. 11 in the town of Whitehall. May these brothers find eternal rest in the house not made with hands eternal in the heavens.

Brother Wayne Budwick, area administrator, received two awards for excellence from John Mara, District Deputy at the District 11 fall meeting at Geneva Lodge #44.

Brother Gene Welter has put the lawnmower away for the winter and has volunteered to work inside the lodge. He is now our Chief Sanitary Engineer.

Brothers Vince Shuler and Bill Shelley are visiting brothers who are ill, not feeling well or just not attending lodge. They do it Wednesday mornings after coffee & rolls. Anyone who would like visitors please let them know. Phone 657-5575

Gus Orozco retired so he could take it easy. Now he gets up very early every Wednesday morning so he can pick up the sweet rolls, make the coffee and clean up the floors. Who fixed the fence? Thank you to whomever did it. Thanks to Arlen Wade for getting our rope on the flag pole back so the flag can fly again. Gordon Charlton has a good handle on the vacuum cleaner. Thanks to the painters who painted the dining area. The room looks beautiful. Milt Bergerson and Joe Layne are always doing something. The trustees are very busy and will let everyone know what is going on with the building and enlarged parking lot. Bob Burgermeister, our editor does a fantastic job and also our chaplain. We never know what he is going to say.

To all our members where ever you live: have a Merry Christmas and a very good New Year. Remember every Wednesday morning, coffee, rolls and you never know what else.

Your Secretary, Harold (Babe) Kreuser



NOTICE !

The election of Officers for 2011 was held on Nov. 4, 2010. The officers elected are as follows: W.M Royce Ingraham, S.W. Gordon Charlton, J.W. William Shelley, Treas. Vince Shuler, Sec'y. Harold Kreuser. Trustees are as follows: 3 yrs. Don Glenn & Wayne Budwick, 2 yrs. Jim Gename & Gus Orozco, 1 yr. Vince Shuler & Loren Tolnai. The appointed officers have yet to be chosen as of this writing.

Once again, Unity Lodge will be hosting a Christmas party for Kids. Join us at 1:30 on Sunday, December 12. There will be food, fun and Santa! (Please call Babe Kreuser at 262-694-5925 to let us know how many will be attending)

Unity Lodge #367 will be assisting with a Christmas Giveaway for Families in Need on December 16 and 17. This is annual even organized by Jody Armstrong (4-time cancer survivor) to give back to the community. We have offered our dining room for the two days and could use a few Brothers to step up and help with preparations. Call Wayne Budwick if you want to help or contribute.

Several local Brethren are putting together a Cigar and Irish Whiskey tasting event to be held on December 3 at Kenosha Lodge #47. There will also be a Prime Rib dinner. Cost should be about \$50. See Craig Wepprecht or Wanye Budwick for details.

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December

December Birthdays

12/02 Royce G. Ingraham
12/03 Karl C. Dahl
12/06 Gregory C. Zgorzelski
12/13 Ronald E. Nelson
12/18 Joseph E. Mika
12/18 James R. Schweitzer
12/23 James H. Gename
12/23 Claud D. Wideman
12/23 Randall W. Scott
12/24 Marlin M. Dunham
12/24 Robert D. Hall
12/25 Bruce T. Haubrich
12/25 John N. Krahn
12/31 Gerald R. Slogoski Jr.
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KEITH R. MATUS
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The Editor

At the November 18 meeting of Unity Lodge, WM Joe Layne awarded the title of "Honorary Past Master" to Bro. Harold Little and Bro. Tom Hamilton for all their hard work for our Lodge. Congratulations and Thanks to Bro. Harold and Bro. Tom.

Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, Happy Kwanzaa !
Happy New Year !

See you in Lodge!

Fraternally,

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Dates to Remember November-December 2010

Nov 18 – Stated Meeting 7 PM

Dec 2 -- Stated Meeting 7 PM (Dinner: 6PM)

Dec 12 – Kids Christmas Party 1:30 PM

Dec 16 – Stated Meeting 7 PM

Dec 25 – Christmas !

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

December Masonic Anniversaries

Harold F. Kreuser
Daniel R. Angotti Sr
Charles W. Brown
John S. Gray
George H. Easton
John M. Antaramian
Robert S. Stone
Robert J. Klein
James W. Dowell
Jeffery A. Sutherland
Brian J. Samuelson
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Definition of a Freemason

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.”



Happy Holidays