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The Master's Words

Greetings from the East,

WOW! We are halfway through the year already!

I had the opportunity to attend the Annual Communication and talk to Brothers from all over the state. It seems like we are not the only Lodge that has a low turnout of members attending Stated Communications. I would like to take this time to plead with you my brothers to come out and join us in lodge. Now I'm not asking for you to come to all the meetings, just maybe you can make it once a month or once every two months. I'm sure you can spare a few hours on a Thursday evening to visit your Lodge that you swore an obligation to. If you need a ride feel free to give me a call (262-748-3535). I would be happy to pick you up or to arrange a ride to and from Lodge!

The Lodge will be Dark the month of July. On August 6th we will have our next meeting and we will have Hungry Mason at the Lodge at 5:30. Come out have a dinner and stay for the meeting. I have a busy last half of the year planned so come join us.

We awarded our scholarship this year to Kathryn Howe, an Indian Trail Graduate who will be attending Parkside in the fall.

I would like a few volunteers to help get a group together to visit our Brothers that are not able to attend Lodge. Please contact me if you are interested in joining us.

I would like to apologize to any Brother that received a second notice of dues that had already paid. I in no way tried to offend anyone... just trying to make sure everyone has a current dues card in their wallet, please check and if not contact Bro. Burgermeister and get up to date. I really don't want to have to suspend anyone for non-payment of dues.

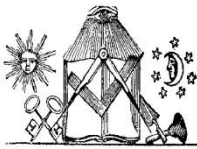
Remember the Lodge is here to help!

See you in Lodge,

Bro. Jerry Slater W.M.



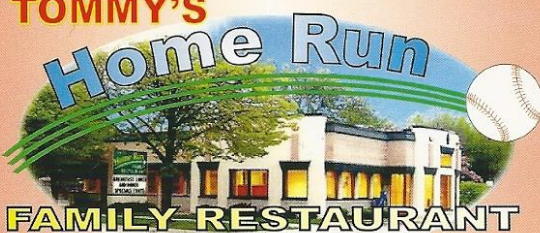
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July Birthdays

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07/02 Phillip L. Wade 07/05 Pat R. Kuhner
07/05 Robert F. Hamilton 07/05 Brian E. Snavelly
07/09 Early G. Crane 07/09 Robert J. Klein
07/09 Jeffrey B. Woosley 07/09 Craig C. Houston
07/15 Steven H. Davidson 07/16 Robert A. Gray Jr
07/17 Christopher P. Peters 07/18 Harold F. Kreuser
07/18 Robert J. Burgermeister 07/20 Norman E. Greening
07/21 Russell A. Gename 07/22 Dennis A. Johnson Sr
07/23 Nicholas P. Gochis 07/24 Daniel R. Angotti Sr
07/24 William J. Shelley 07/29 Clarence D. Gerlach



Brethren,

This has been an exciting year for Sunrise Lodge. We have had visits from the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge representatives, including Brothers Clint Cagle, Bill Hahnfeldt and Randy Holton.

We presented fifty-year awards to two of our original members, Bro. Gordie Charlton and Bro. Ed Jelantik.

On Saturday, June 13 we had our 37-year anniversary party. 73 tickets were sold and it was a wonderful party atmosphere. It was well attended by O.E.S 92, Kenosha Shrine Club, Kenosha Lodge #47, Unity Lodge #367, employees from Gateway Café, Hillcrest Restaurant and many friends and relatives.

We're looking forward to seeing you in Lodge. Have a wonderful Summer.

In Brotherhood,

Tom Hamilton, WM



Job's Daughters Bethel #77


Our meetings are the 2nd and 4th Saturdays - and we would love to see you here.

Thank you - Jobie Love
Bethel 77



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Dates to Remember July 2015

The Editor/Secretary

I am not perfect. I sent "second notices" for 2015 dues to several Brothers who had already paid. Please accept my apologies. I will do a better job of recording dues payments in the MORI system from now on!

Thanks to those of you who have sent in your dues. However, we still have 22 Brothers in arrears.

Thanks to Bro. Don Hall for trimming our shrubs and to Bro. Ben and Bro. Milt for keeping up with the lawn mowing.

The Blood Drive (June 13) got about a dozen units donated! Thanks for helping save some lives! (Let's do it again in 8 weeks!)

I'll see you in Lodge!

Fraternally,
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July 2 – Unity Meeting cancelled

July 4 – Independence Day !

July 6 -- Unity Trustees 6:30 PM

July 13 – Sunrise (Dark)

July 16 – Unity (Dark)

July 27 – Sunrise (Dark)

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

July Masonic Anniversaries

Billy S. Owens
Olger M. Bergerson
W. Randall C. Holton
Gary V. Shuler
W. Christopher P. Peters
Kenneth Antonoff



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Is Masonry a Religion?

Franklin Struble on June 25, 2015

No, but we value sacred things and the Holy Writings. In our petition for Membership, the petitioner is asked what Volume of Sacred Law he wants on the Altar as he proceeds in his degrees.

Masons place the Holy Writings as one of our Three Great Lights on the altar at the center of the lodge. They are to guide our thoughts our plans and actions. When we raise a new Mason and give him a copy of his chosen Holy Writing, we refer to it as his Trestle Board.

It is the underpinning for his plans by which he may measure his actions and consider his options in light of the teachings contained therein.

Proverbs 3, Vs. 5,6 tell us, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make straight your paths."

It is basic to Freemasonry that we accept this important teaching as guidance for our daily lives. This coupled with reliance on the power of faith a force strong enough, as described in Matthew 17, to move a mountain and that nothing is impossible.

Masonry is not a religion. We encourage every man to pursue the guidance of his own faith wholeheartedly, as Masons we embrace any good man who believes in God and life eternal. We do good works, but offer no path to heaven. Our concern is with how a man behaves in relation to his Brothers, family, community and all humankind. We treat the duty to relieve suffering through good works and charity as a natural course of action since we hold the concept that a man's destiny is determined by the quality of his actions.

Frank Struble, Grand Master

