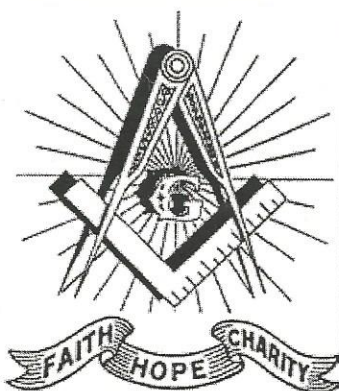


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*"I didn't find
my friends;
the good God
gave them to me."*

*- Ralph Waldo
Emerson*

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The Master's Words

GREETINGS FROM THE EAST

Brethren; as our lodge is now dark for the summer months, there is little to tell you about lodge business. Our awards night was a great night with an excellent dinner. Our **Brother Ray Anderson**, who received his 25 year pin, was with us all the way from Ohio. As I mentioned before, Brother Ray donated a hand made clock to the lodge. Again Ray, thank you very much.

Brothers, remember the *August lodge picnic*. I have requested dispensation from our Grand Master to allow us to serve beer that day.

Now, let me ask our membership for help in keeping our lodge maintained. All we ask is a spare hour or two of your time after our Wednesday morning coffee, to help clean up the lodge, or an hour on the mower, or just to pick up any trash around the lodge. We have some members who can always be counted on and they

are always there for whatever is needed. They not only deserve our thanks but our help as well. These Brethren know who they are. Again my thanks and admiration to you all.

It is hoped one day to purchase the home that sits in front of our lodge building. To do that we need to start now to plan and raise funds to do this. Do we have someone willing to put in the time and effort this will take? If so, please see me or one of the other officers.

*Sincerely and Fraternally,
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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE BRETHREN OF UNITY LODGE

Dear Brothers,

I believe that a strong Masonic Lodge is a result of strong Masonic ties between the various Masonic Bodies. Unfortunately, the ties between Unity Lodge and Pike Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star have become weakened over time. To be honest with you, Pike Chapter is suffering from a lack of active members. If this situation is not turned around, I foresee Pike Chapter either consolidating with another Chapter in the area or surrendering its charter.

We, therefore, will be hosting a membership dinner and program on August 12th at 6:00 PM.

If you believe as I do, that having strong ties between our two organizations will produce a synergy that results in both groups growing and becoming stronger, please plan to attend. If you are married and your wife has thought about joining, now is the time for her to act. She is invited to attend this meeting as well. Dinner will be free and the program will be short, providing ample time for those attending to socialize and enjoy each other's company.

Please make reservations by calling Sister Dona-Rae Baumgart at 262-694-8504 by Tuesday August 12th.

I hope you will take this plea seriously and consider attending the membership meeting. Membership in the Order of the Eastern Star is open to Master Masons and their female relatives.

*Fraternally yours,
Craig Wepprecht, Worthy Patron
Pike Chapter Order of the Eastern Star*



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FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

We had a great turn out for our awards night. Our chef, Brother John Walker, prepared a very good meal. Those who were not present to receive their cards and pins will get them in due time.

Our next family event is our Masonic Family Picnic, Saturday, August 16th at 2pm. It will be at Unity Lodge grounds.

The trustees have changed their meeting to the 4th Thursday of the month at 6pm. This will be one hour before lodge opens. All members are invited to attend and listen to what is happening and what they would like to do and what they are doing right now.

A big thank you to our WM Mike for cutting the grass and also to Brother Olger Bergerson for cleaning the ceiling tile in the kitchen.

Remember, Wednesday morning coffee and rolls.

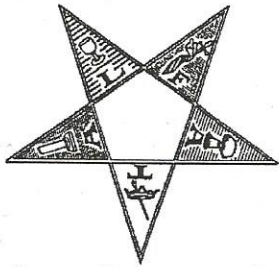
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Harold "Babe" Kreuser, Secretary



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Pike Chapter No. 285 Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I hope you are enjoying your summer. Soon enough fall will be here and we will need to finalize plans for the future of Pike Chapter.

In August we have a Stated meeting on the **4th**, which will be our Star Point Night when we will honor Past and Present Star Points. On **August 18th**, we will hold a membership dinner and program. This will be open to all who have interest in joining Pike Chapter and will be a free dinner. If you know of anyone who has expressed an interest in joining our Chapter please invite them to this evening. Dinner will be at 6:00 PM, followed by a short program on membership. Please make reservations by calling Sister Dona-Rae Baumgart at 262-694-8504 by Tuesday August 12th.

By the time you receive this newsletter, WGM Kris Engbring will have visited our Chapter at our July meeting. Sister Kris will have informed us of the options available to us concerning consolidation or surrender.

If our membership efforts do not produce result that invigorate the health of our

Chapter, it may be necessary to consider one of these options.

If you want Pike Chapter to continue into the future, you must make every effort to attend our meetings and if possible take an active role in the leadership of the Chapter.

Fraternally yours,
Craig Wepprecht
Worthy Patron

DATES TO REMEMBER:

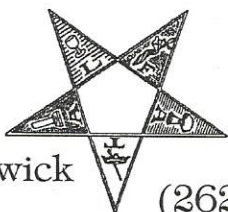
- August 4** Star Point Night
- August 9** Membership Dinner



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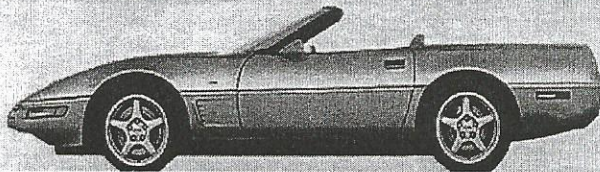
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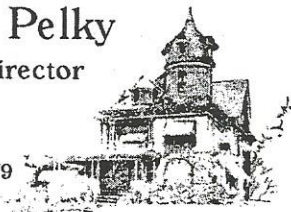
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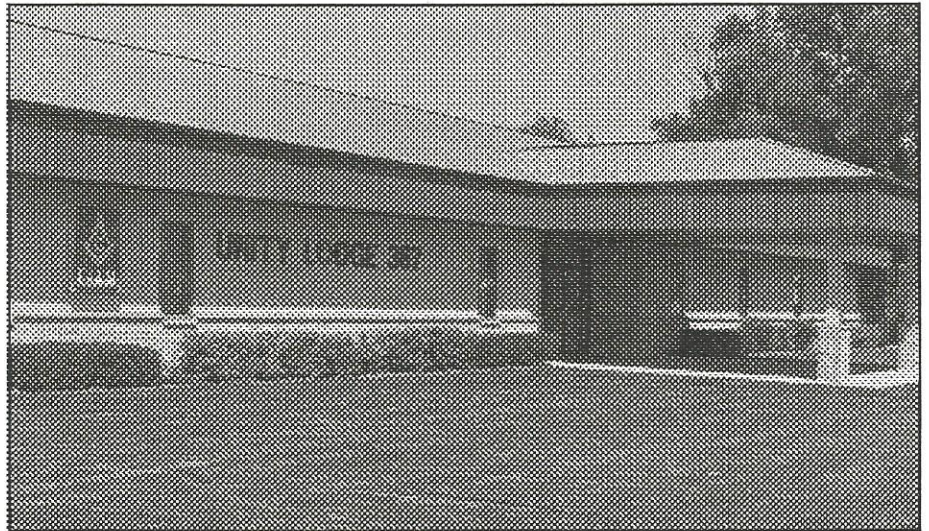
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