

# The Trestleboard

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# The Master's Words

Greetings, Brethren!

### NOTICE: UNITY LODGE HAS CHANGED ITS MEETING NIGHT!

At the stated meeting held on January 8<sup>th</sup>, the lodge voted to change the meeting nights and amend the by-laws as follows:

#### Section IV

#### Communications and order of business

*Stated Communications – The communications of this Lodge will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month.*

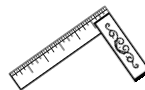
On Tuesday evening of each week for the past year I have worked with brothers to prepare them for their Posting. I am currently working with an FC and I am extending an offer to any FC that wants to work together with us as a group in addition to their regular posting, may join us on Tuesday nights. Please call me and let me know if you are interested.

Remember every Wednesday morning to come for coffee, social time and Lodge clean up and maintenance at 8am. The trustees will meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 8pm.

#### Benevolence Fund

This fund will be used to provide relief for distressed, worthy Master Masons, their widows and orphans. This fund is overseen by the Worshipful Master and Wardens of the Lodge. All actions of the Benevolence Fund are held in strictest confidence. Your donation to the Benevolence Fund will help ensure that we are able to provide assistance as needed.

Fraternally yours,  
Wayne Budwick  
Worshipful Master



**WANTED: Group photos of Unity Lodge officers. We are missing all years of Unity.**

### Pike Chapter No. 285



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**Trestleboard Deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month. Please submit articles via email to: webmaster@kenoshamasons.com**



One of our own, Brother Oral Congdon, PM, was installed as Jr. Deacon of Glen L. Humphrey Lodge #364. The lodge meets at Three Pillars in Dousman. Bro. Oral and his wife, Dorothy now reside there. Congratulations and Best Wishes from your brothers at Unity!



## From the Secretary's Desk

Notice: Change in meeting dates--First and third Thursday evenings 7:00 P.M. On the first Thursday we meet early, we have a 6 P.M. dinner. Please call and let us know if you plan to attend, so the cook can prepare enough food. Our Chief cook for Feb. 5th will be Herr Wilhelm Sterba. Our halls & entrance are going to be painted. Brother Vince Shuler is going to be in charge because he has the experience. Please let him know you are available. The date has not been set as of today. Brother Milt Bergerson did a fine job in scrubbing the kitchen floor. Brother Bob Burgermeister is doing a fine job in putting our Trestleboard together and getting it out early. He is also our Chaplain, Maybe he is getting some extra help from someone else. As of January 14, 2009, I still have 9 dues cards for 2008. This is not good. I will be sending out a letter very soon with bad news. Now for the good news: this is a list of all our perpetual Members:

Clarence H. Jacobs, Paul T. Thompson, Randall F. Upright, Emil L. Garcia, Jr., Robert C. May, James E. Kreuser, Sr., Harold F. Kreuser, Sarkis Apyan, Marlin M. Dunham, Roger A. Mertes, Melvin H. Low, Jr., Charles A. Boxx, Donald D. Boxx, Eugene J. Putman, Oral E. Congdon, Jr., Claire C. Faulkner, Samuel B. Purse, Donald L. Taske, Paul L. Garcia, Wayne C. Lundquist, Danye R. Boxx, George McGilligan, Robert Bradshaw, Pat R. Kuhner, Thomas R. Walker, Harvey E. Zimmerman, Harley L. Falcon, Kenneth J. Oliver, Jay A. Rozell, Donald V. Sparks, Milton Olger Bergerson, Martin P. Davidson, Bruce Christianson, Dale C. Strange, Gerald R. Slogoski, Jr., Emilio L. Garcia, Jack L. Strouf, Donald L. Hall, Vincent Tillona, Bruce Eggert, Robert T. Stoebe, Richard M. Youelis, James D. Gronberg, Frederick C. Duprey, Vincent Shuler, Clarence E. (Skip) Mielke, Scott A. Mielke, Raymond G. Andersen, Jr., Steven H. Davidson, Terrance E. Heeter, Dennis A. Johnson, Jr., James G. Kruse, Wayne Budwick, James Gename, Robert Burgermeister, Gordon Charlton. If any member is interested in becoming a perpetual member, please contact me. Remember, Wednesday mornings: coffee, rolls & who knows what else....

Your Secretary,  
Harold "Babe" Kreuser



## The Editor

We are making an effort to include EAs and FCs in the workings of Unity Lodge. Therefore, all EAs and FCs are now receiving the Trestleboard.

Our electronic distribution is now 47 copies. A quick calculation tells me that saves the Lodge over \$200 each year in postage...not to mention the printing cost. Thanks to all who help. If you wish to receive an electronic copy rather than a paper copy, please send me your email address.

You can find all the back issues of the Trestleboard on our website: [www.kenoshamasons.com](http://www.kenoshamasons.com)

Fraternally,

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### February Birthdays

02/01 Hobert R. Layne  
02/01 Randall C. Holton  
02/04 Greg G. Glista  
02/06 Louis P. Metallo  
02/07 Victor L. Dillbeck  
02/08 James A. Becker  
02/08 Eric D. Mellor  
02/13 Bobby L. Gober  
02/13 Kenneth A. Robinson  
02/17 Allen J. Braun  
02/18 Ralph A. Moehrke  
02/18 Dale E. Soden  
02/19 Harold E. Scherer  
02/19 Vincent Desantis  
02/20 Richard M. Youells  
02/23 Fred W. Ecklor  
02/25 Vincent L. Shuler  
02/25 Jerome L. Konicek  
02/26 Terry A. Griffiths  
02/27 Thomas H. Christiansen



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## Pike Chapter #285 Order of the Eastern Star

Please remember that Pike Chapter is dark in  
January and February.

## February Masonic Anniversaries

James A. Becker  
Sydney C. Batten  
William A. Calder  
Louis H. Vandermoon  
Robert F. Hamilton  
Richard G. Anderson  
Lee J. Swett  
Early G. Crane  
James H. Gename  
Jerry L. Funk  
Wilhelm Sterba  
Kenneth W. Stein  
Gerald W. Harbin  
B. J. Ingram  
Spencer J. Howe  
James P. Layne  
Gary D. Thomas  
Rickey J. Widmar  
John R. Brunner  
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Gary B. Heiberg Sr  
Peter J. West



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## Dates to Remember



### January 2009

**29** District 11 Area 1 meeting will be held at Unity Lodge. Dinner will be included and will be served at 6:00 PM. This meeting has been set up for all the new officers in Area 1 to have an opportunity to meet each other. Also there will be education on the Masonic Code of Wisconsin. The meeting is open to all Masons and all the officers should plan on attending. Please let Wayne know that you plan to attend.

### February 2009

3 FC Instruction 5pm & Officers Meeting 6pm  
**5 Dinner 6pm STATED MEETING 7pm**  
10 FC Instruction 5pm  
12 Lincoln's Birthday Day/ Degree Practice  
14 Valentine's Day/Sweetheart Day dinner  
brothers and wives invited.  
16 Trustees 8pm  
17 FC Instruction 5pm & EA Degree Practice 6pm  
**19 STATED MEETING 7pm**  
24 FC Instruction 5pm

### March 2009

3 FC Instruction 5pm & Officers Meeting 6pm  
**5 Dinner 6pm STATED MEETING 7PM**  
8 Daylight Savings Time starts  
10 FC Instruction 5pm  
16 Trustees 8pm  
17 St. Pats Day Dinner  
**19 STATED MEETING 7PM**  
20 First Day of Spring

**Every Wednesday** – Donuts, Coffee and Philosophy at 8 AM, Lodge Clean Up 9 AM, and Degree Practice 10 AM.

Last night I knelt where Hiram knelt  
And took an Obligation,  
And now I'm closer to my God  
For I'm a Master Mason.

And as I feel his friendly grip  
It fills my heart with pride.  
I know that while I'm On The Square  
He is by my side.

His footsteps on my errand go  
If I should such require,  
His prayers will plead on my behalf  
If I should so desire.

My words are safe within his breast  
As though within my own,  
His hand forever at my back  
To help me safely home.

Good counsel whispers in my ear  
And warns of any danger,  
By Square and Compass, 'tis Brother now!  
Who once would call me stranger.

I might have lived a moral life  
And risen to distinction  
Without my Brother's helping hand  
And the fellowship of Master Masons.

But God who knows how hard it is  
To resist life's temptations  
Knows why I knelt where Hiram knelt  
And took that Obligation.

Author Unknown

