# The Trestleboard

## Unity Lodge No. 367 F & AM

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## The Master's Words

Greetings All.

I agree; this winter can end any day now. It seems, it just keeps hanging on.

We have been busy this month with minor repairs in and to the lodge. All those little things that seem to pop up. You know, those things that no one knows how or when it happened, they just appear broken. I continually find myself looking for those two culprits named "Not Me" and "I Don't Know." They sure are responsible for a lot of damage around the Lodge. I would like to tell them, to report damage as it happens. (Remember our Tenets.)

We have heard from several Brothers outside the area. It's great to hear from you. Please continue to let us hear from you and how you are doing. By the time you receive this, we will have exemplified an FC degree which will give us points toward our LEA Award. We are also in the process of interviewing a Petitioner for the Degrees. So we may be back to sharpening our tools and putting them to work soon.

As published in our last TrestleBoard, we have read and taken action to adopt the proposed Amendment to our By-Laws. (Art. III, Sec. VII, Para. 6) Although not the most pleasant action taken by the Lodge, it was definitely a needed one. I thank all of you for your understanding.

We do not have any special events scheduled for the month of April. We do have a reading scheduled for May 29<sup>th</sup>. It will be the "Defense of the Ruffians." It is a very interesting performance, which will be presented by W. Brothers Pat Cholka and Robert Burgermeister. For the month of June, we will be hosting our 10 year Anniversary, in the form of a Birthday Party on June 14<sup>th</sup>. More details to follow.

I wish you all well and pleasant travels. In Brotherhood, Bro. Bill Shellev



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The following motion was presented at the March 6<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication of Unity Lodge. It was discussed and then voted on at the Stated Communication on March 20<sup>th</sup>. The motion passed, and will be submitted to Grand Lodge for review and approval before it becomes effective.

To the Worshipful Master of Unity Lodge #367, F & AM

I hereby move that the bylaws of Unity Lodge #367 be amended as follows:

Add the following to Article III, Section VII, Paragraph 6: "Dues including the per capita tax will be at least two times the per capita tax."

The amended paragraph will read:

"Dues – The annual dues of this lodge including per capita tax are due and payable in advance on or before the first day of January in each year. The Lodge will determine the dues including the per capita tax at the time the annual budget has been passed each year. Dues including the per capita tax will be at least two times the per capita tax."

This amendment will take effect as soon as it is approved by the membership of Unity Lodge #367 in compliance with Article IV of the Lodge bylaws and approved by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

Respectfully submitted this 6th day of March, 2014,

Jerry E. Slater, Senior Warden Unity Lodge #367

Seconded by Bro. Olger Bergerson, HPM



Greetings from Sunrise Lodge. It was a quiet month at Sunrise for the most part. Of significance on a sad note, we lost Bro. Raymond H. Holtz. He was well respected in the Kenosha masonic community and will be missed.

On the lighter side, I must mention that on February 29th, Lee and I, along with other area Blue Lodge Masters attended the Kenosha Shrine Club "Master Mason Night" dinner at Villa De Carlo Restaurant. We were treated as special guests and enjoyed the evening very much.

Thanks to our Kenosha Shriner Nobles and Brothers.

The District #11 Travelling Gavel is at Sunrise Lodge. Come and get it!

As a reminder, if anyone wishes to attend Sunrise Lodge on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 9:30am, you'll be welcomed. And if anyone needs a ride, please call me at 262-455-5564.

Randy Holton WM Sunrise Lodge #359 F&AM





## 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

## **KENOSHA LODGE #47**

Kenosha Lodge #47 meets at 7:00 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month. Please join us!

Sincerely & Fraternally, Tom Smith, WM



"The first day of spring is one thing; the first spring day is another. The difference between them is sometimes as great as a month." ~ Henry van Dyke





## **Kenosha Chapter Order of DeMolay**

We meet at 6:30 PM on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month. Please join us!

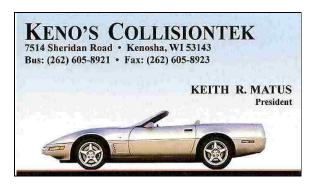




## **April Birthdays**

04/01 Eddie R. Lofton
04/03 James M. May
04/04 Donald D. Boxx
04/05 Kenneth M. Antaramian
04/11 Jack L. Strouf
04/19 Gregory M. Mach
04/21 James D. Gronberg
04/22 Michael D. Axelson
04/26 Robert W. Haggarty III
04/26 Aaron L. Pomerening
04/27 Charles W. Brown
04/30 Guy Benvenuti









## **The Editor/Secretary**

The bylaws amendment shown elsewhere in this issue was voted on and passed at the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. If it is approved by Grand Lodge, it will let our dues keep up with any changes made with the Grand Lodge per capita tax without changing anything in the future. It will also let our local Lodge component of the dues be at least what we send to Grand Lodge. It's a much more equitable formula, in my opinion. At present, this would mean that dues for Unity members would be \$74 (\$37 + \$37) next year.

Bro. Bob Sands has closed the "Show Office" telemarketing operation here at Unity Lodge. While he would like to restart the office in the Fall, the room is available for rent. If you know of a responsible tenant, please get in touch with me, Bro. Jerry Slater or WM Bill Shelley.

At this writing, there are still sixteen Brothers who are in arrears and carrying blue dues cards. Let me know if you need help. If anyone knows how to get in touch with Bro. Brian Samuelson (recently of Lemoore, CA), please let me know.

Welcome Bro. Ken Antonoff who transferred in to Unity Lodge from Centralia Lodge in Illinois.

I'll see you in Lodge!

Fraternally,
Bob Burgermeister, HPM
Editor, Web Manager and Secretary/Treasurer

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# Dates to Remember January-February 2014

March 24- Sunrise Lodge 9:30 AM

March 25 – Kenosha #47 7 PM April 3 – Unity Stated 7 PM

April 7 - Unity Trustees 6:30 PM

April 8 - Kenosha #47 7 PM

April 14 - Sunrise Lodge 9:30 AM

April 17 – Unity Stated 7 PM

April 20 – Easter Sunday

April 22 - Kenosha #47 7 PM

April 28 - Sunrise Lodge 9:30 AM

May 1 – Unity Stated 7 PM

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

## **April Masonic Anniversaries**

W. Gordon Charlton

W. Edward J. Jelinek Charles A. Cornell

James L. Shaffer

W. James E. Hansen

Mw. Bruce A. Christianson

Guy Benvenuti

Ted P. Kyriazes

Jerry D. Maddox

Donald J. Everett

W. James D. Gronberg

George O. Howen

Bruce M. Hoening

Keith R. Matus

Kenneth M. Antaramian

W. Boyd A. Frederick

Vincent S. Tillona

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With God, All Things Are Possible Elisa Marshall, Worthy Matron Doug Moorhouse, Worthy Patron



