

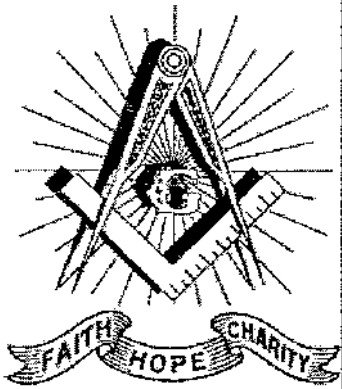
# The Trestleboard

Unity Lodge No. 367

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JUNE 2005

## The Master's Words



WELCOME !!!

BROTHER  
Christopher  
Van Damme

### LODGE NEWS:

The Lodge will be dark in July and August, but you should still receive your Trestleboard.

However, there is a picnic day planned for *Saturday, August 13, 2005* in our picnic area under development behind the lodge building. Many activities in addition to the horseshoes and volleyball are being planned. Please mark this on your calendar.

I am happy to report that the growth of Unity Lodge continues as we are putting on an EA degree for **Chris Van Damme** *Thursday May 26, 2005*. I am sure this young man will be a welcome addition to our Lodge. Additionally, on *Thursday June 23, 2005* **John Walker** will be raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Please attend these degree functions to meet and greet our newest members. I'm sure your sideline support will be appreciated by the candidates as well as the degree team.

We had a spring clean-up day at the lodge *Saturday May 14*. Fellowship, work and a chili lunch were all combined into this activity.

Our golf outing at Muni Golf Course was held on *May 24, 2005*. As you can see this was a busy, but enjoyable month.

This year's **Table Lodge** is scheduled for *Thursday, June 16, 2005* at 7:00 p.m.

The Pike Eastern Star is having officer installation *June 20, 2005*. I have heard rumors that if Secretary Cheryl's latest foot surgery is a success that she along with Brother Wayne may entertain the group at the installation with an abbreviated performance of the **Swan Lake** ballet. I've heard Brother Wayne is having a new tu-tu designed for this occasion.

For all of you snowbirds, it is sunny and 50 degrees in Kenosha County today. Please write to Secretary, Bruce Christianson, PM, PGM and fill us in on what Masonic activities are going on in your area, and what Kenosha area Brothers you have run into in your travels.

### ACCOLADES:

I would like to thank the Trustees Committee, chaired by Brother **Jim Gname** for their on going efforts in keeping the lodge up to standard so we can all enjoy such a nice building for our meetings and events.

Also, for a job well done, **Vince Shuler** deserves much praise for scheduling and following thru on Lodge Rentals. Arranging the rental dates and keeping records

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## Well What D'Ya Know?

- 1) The highest Sand Dunes in Wisconsin are located in Whitefish Dunes State Park in Door County.
- 2) The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom successfully lobbied the Wisconsin Legislature to abolish compulsory military training at the University of Wisconsin in 1923.
- 3) Joe Adcock and Hank Aaron are the only Milwaukee Brewers ever to hit home runs over the 482 foot center field fence at the old Polo Grounds in New York.

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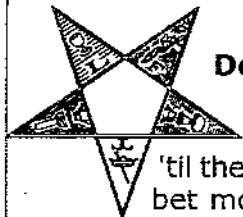
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## Pike Chapter No. 285 Order of the Eastern Star



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

There are only a few weeks left 'til the official beginning of summer! I'll bet most of you have already had the chance to get out the grill and cook up something yummy. Just the smell of the Kingsford fuel and charcoal gets me salivating for burgers and dogs.

How about it, ladies??? Ever wonder if there was a "lodge for the ladies"? Well, the Order of the Eastern Star is "it" and we welcome you to witness our Installation of Officers on the 20th of this month at 7:30 pm. Any female relative of a Master Mason is eligible to join the Star. If you have questions or are interested, come on the 20th or give me a call.

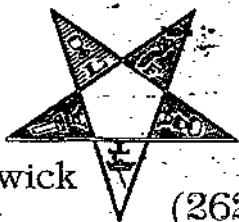
We will honor the Masons on June 6th. During our meeting, we will honor and introduce all Masons who come out. Sorry, boys, if you are not a Star member, you cannot attend our meeting. We'll ask you to remain outside the closed doors until the proper time and then invite you in. You can keep Wayne company as he is our Sentinel (Tiler). (Of course) we will serve refreshments afterwards, so don't leave early!

Well, I better go and start packing, as we leave for Grand Chapter Session in a bit. Hope to see you at Installation.

P.S. Please watch for your Dues Notices. I'll get them out earlier than I did last year.

*Fraternally;*  
**Cheryl Budwick, Secretary**  
(262) 697-9364

## Pike Chapter No. 285 ORDER of the EASTERN STAR



Cheryl Budwick  
Secretary

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## Due & Timely Notice - a note from our Junior Steward.

**Brethren;**

Like many of you, I look at the Best Seller list of books in the newspaper for good reading material. I don't read much fiction, but I do like non-fiction and self-improvement books. Topping the charts recently is a book called "Winning" by Jack & Suzy Welch. Jack, as you may know, is the very successful former CEO of General Electric. Notable people like Warren E. Buffet, former Mayor of New York, Rudy Giuliani, and Bill Gates refer to him as one of the best managers and innovators of recent times. I read his book to glean information from the business world that could be applied to Masonry.

In the beginning of the book, "Winning", Mr. Welch talks about how vitally important it is for an organization to have a clear mission and values. Masonry already has mission and values in place and its members exhibit the behaviors to support them. One of the areas we do need to improve on in our Masonic organizations is what Jack refers to as "The Biggest Dirty Little Secret in Business." The secret is lack of candor and I quote from his book:

"What a huge problem it is. Lack of candor basically blocks smart ideas, fast action, and good people contributing all the stuff they've got. It's a killer."

So, my Brothers, those of you attending Grand Lodge this June must give special attention to Monday afternoon's guest speaker, Bro. **Glen Opp**. Bro. Glen is the secretary of the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education and speaks with candor. Some of us heard him for the first time last year in Milwaukee at one of the Masonic Leadership sessions. I commend Most Worshipful Brother, Keith Chamberlain for inviting Bro. Glen to speak at our Annual Communication so that more of us can learn what it will take to make Freemasonry a successful, "Winning" organization in the 21st century.

*Regards;*  
**Mike Stancato, Jr. Steward**

Note: Bro. Mike, our current Junior Steward, is a Past Master of Kenosha Lodge No. 47 and is now also serving as Worshipful Master of Sunrise Lodge No. 359.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING !

(From the Minutes)

- 1) Our Trustees are in the process of having our property surveyed. It sure is money well spent !
- 2) A favorable ballot was taken to confer the Degrees of Masonry on **Mr. Christopher Van Damme**.
- 3) The Master Mason Degree for **Bro. John Walker** has been scheduled for June 23rd.
- 4) "**PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP**" - **Still Why Not !!!**

Sincerely and Fraternaly;  
Bruce Christianson, Sec.

## DINNER NIGHT

**Thursday June 9th at 6pm - \$3**

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is a never-ending job. Thanks Vince.

Congratulations are also in order for Brother Gordon Charlton's (PM) Lady, Margie and Brother Vince Shuler, PM for their upcoming officer installation with the Pike Chapter # 285 of the Order of the Eastern Star.

**IN CONCLUSION:**

Brothers, please continue to support our monthly Unity Lodge events. Your support is so essential to the success of the Lodge. **Remember; keep the Lodge ALIVE in 2005!!!!**

*Fraternally & Respectively,  
Jim Dowell  
Worshipful Master*

## Unity Lodge Up-coming Events

Please mark your Calendars

- 6/16 Table Lodge**  
Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
- 8/13 Unity Lodge picnic**  
Saturday, 12:00 noon until 5:00 p.m.  
Games, eats, refreshments  
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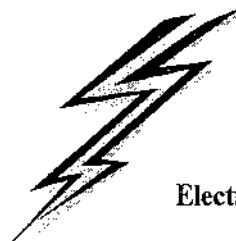
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