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A Word from the East

Brethren,



At the first stated meeting of the month Bro. Edwin Steffes read us an essay on the Fellowcraft. The Fellowcraft is the skilled laborer, the man in his prime that is making his mark upon the world. Regardless of our last obtained degree or age in life we are all fellowcrafts in part. Maybe a reason why you must be an adult to be a mason is so that the man joining our fraternity has practical experience as a Fellowcraft? We all leave a mark upon this world we live, no matter if we live a simple humble life or one of wielding power or of extravagance. Leaving our mark is not something we can escape, because it happens by us just being. Therefore it is important for the good man to constantly correct and improve himself, that that his mark will be one that leave the world a better place than when he entered it.

✦ *Brother Carl Peterson, Worshipful Master*

A Word from the West**Values that can preserve Freemasonry**

Part 1 of a series

I was asked what I saw as the greatest problem in the fraternity during my recent term as Grand Commander. My response was that we didn't value the lives and contributions of our membership enough to be able to retain them. We did not impart the sense of worth into them that would motivate them to preserve and sustain this institution. That is a lot to say in just a few words. Membership is the cause of almost all our current stresses and weaknesses as Freemasons. I want to write a series of short articles for this gazette that will guide and redirect our thinking on the values we should have as our guiding principles.

Our current status and our present outlook are the first values I want to examine. Things are not well with our current membership. We have no cause to believe that we either have all the members we should have or that we are giving our current members all the care and consideration they could need. We (the entire lodge, but especially the Officers) are doing something terribly wrong if we are losing more men through resignation and suspension that we are Raising. It is time to recognize that fact and to own our part in that condition. There are only two parts to this problem. We are either a part of the problem or we are a part of the solution. I find that I have been more a part of the problem this past year than I have been a part of the solution. I got too busy with other activities. We can't afford to lose those good men it was so hard to find. Our members are a value that can preserve Freemasonry.

✦ *Brother Harold Peterson, KYCH, Senior Warden*

A Word from the South



Brethren,

This month, the lodge will be having a Wii Bowling kick-off event for the DeMolay in Sheboygan on August 20th. If you know of any young men, from the ages of 12 to 18, who would be interested in the DeMolay or would like to participate in a Wii Bowling event please let Carl Peterson or me know, so we can get that young person registered. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

✦ *Brother Steven Belongie, Junior Warden*

January Anniversaries

Job E. Hou-Seye 8/5/2008

Robert Buchholz 8/17/2010

Richard H. Butler 8/18/2009

Edwin R. Steffes 8/26/2008

Trestleboard of Upcoming Events

Trustee's Meeting, Monday August 8th, 6:30 P.M.

Blue Spruce Picnic, Tuesday August 9th, 5:00 P.M.

Meacham Chapter No. 98 RAM, Plymouth, Thursday August 11th 7:30 P.M.

Stated Meeting, Tuesday August 16th, 5:30 P.M.

DeMolay Wii Bowling Tournament, Saturday August 20th 1:00 P.M.

Trustees Meeting, Monday January 24th, 6:30 P.M

