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Peoria #35

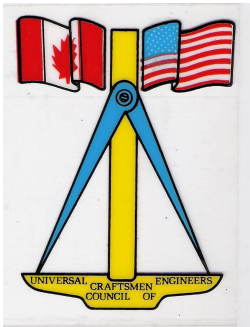
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July 23, 2008

Grandview Lodge
Peoria Heights, IL
4th Wednesday
Potluck 6:30 p.m.
Meeting 7:30 p.m.



Richard Carman
Worthy Chief



To: The Brethren and Ladies of Peoria Council #35 UCCE

Happy New Year! I guess this is appropriate as we have started a New Year in the UCCE calendar. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for trusting me to fill the chair as Worthy Chief. Also, thank all of you who are filling chairs. I do appreciate Grand Worthy Chief G. James Bonney who was making his official visit for doing the installation.

As Past WC Jeff Lasswell noted in his last newsletter, a group will be going to attend the 104th UCCofE Grand Convention in Kanata, Ontario, Canada August 4-7 and some will go on to Akron Council #15 for initiation of 14 new members on August 9th. We all wish them traveling safety and know they will have a great time.

As with all Masonic and non-Masonic organizations MEMBERSHIP is the hot topic. We need new and younger members. Not that being "old" is a bad thing,

but without the younger generations joining there isn't much future. In preparing the annual report for another group (National Sojourners) something was brought to my attention. A question on the form asked "What percentage of your membership is over forty years old?" A review of the roster revealed that 100 percent was over that age. I am sure that if the age range was changed to fifty or even sixty, the answer would have been the same. The figures would probably be the same for Peoria Council #35. I don't have the answer to the situation. However, one thing we can all do as we attend our Blue Lodge and other meetings (you do attend them don't you) is to let people know about the UCCE.

Well, I'll get off my soap box now and close with another Thank You to all of you for your help which I know will be there this coming year.

Richard Carman Worthy Chief

Peoria #35 Ladies UCCE News

Eric Johnson will be bringing the meat dish Wednesday, July 23, 2008

Greetings!

It's that time again. The Grand Convention is approaching us fast. There is much to do around here with the fruit being in such abundance this year. The cherries are still there and the plums are going strong now.

The cookbook for the Ladies UCCE is almost finished. Be sure and look for it at the

Share Booth at Convention. Be sure to bring your items for the Share Booth as it is the main money-making event we have to support the Grand Council. If you cannot attend, send your items with someone who is going to attend. We're going to have a wonderful time, we always do. We invite everyone to come and share in the festivities and meetings this year August 4 through 8. This year we're go-

ing to Ottawa, Ontario, Canada! Kanata, Ontario to be exact. It's a long drive and we have a lot of stuff to take with us. So much for traveling light to save gas!

God Bless all of our members who are not feeling well. God Bless the ones who are feeling well also.

Linda Berry

WP, PGWP, Grand Musician