

Las Palmas Lodge, No. 366 7. & A. M.





MAY 1976



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A Message from the Master



My Brethren:

At our Stated Meeting in May our Worshipful Inspector, Sam Pavlovich, presented 50 year buttons to four of our own and one sojourner. Those receiving these coveted awards for faithful service to our craft were Brothers Sam B. Adams (raised on May 1, 1926), Chester E. Hansen (raised on March 4,

1926), Allen V. Dick (raised on March 25, 1926), Arthur E. Turner (raised on February 26, 1926), and Leon Pate member of Bluff Springs Lodge No. 103, Westgrove, Arkansas (raised on January

17, 1925).

At our Stated Meeting in June we will be having our annual Shish-Ka-Bob dinner and as usual a big crowd is expected; so get your reservations in early by calling our secretary Bob Paden at 268-2303 or Mary Perch at 486-2923. The price of this dinner will be raised to \$3.50 each, due to the cost of lamb.

The Lodge's picnic this year will be held at Woodward Park (Mountain View area) on June 20th (Father's Day). The menu this year will be changed to Barbecue Beef, Cole Slaw, Peda Bread and "Dake" Beans with hot sauce, ice cream and soda pop. We will again be having as our guests our own chapter of the DeMolay, so plan to attend this Annual Event.

Fraternally, DAN ECKLAND, W.M.

From the West

Brethren:

April 1st, 1976, Brother Mitchell Lee Mirigian received the Third Degree. April 8th, 1976, Richard Michael Torres received the Third Degree. April 22, 1976, Robert Buck Jones received the Third Degree.

Brother Paul Cecil Hurst gave his 1st Degree proficiency on May 6, 1976. He was coached by Brother Green L. Young, P.M. Brother Stewart Lee Wilkinson, George William Blake, and Paul Cecil Hurst, received their Second Degree on May 6, 1976. Brother Kenneth Leo Schram, Sr. received the Third Degree May 13, 1976.

Fraternally, JOHN REYNOLDS, S.W.

From the South

Thanks again my Brethren for a job well done in assisting with the refreshments. Chairman Brother Robert Garvin and assisting him as Co-Chairman Brother Hollon Kinney and assisting Brother Kinney were Brothers George Blake, Robert McNamara, Lee Mirigian and Delmer Moore. Chairman Mike Reynolds and assisting him were Brothers Jimmie Jones, Hollon Kinney, John Mincy, LeRoy McMichael, Jerry Thorman, Jim Watson, Robert McDonell, Stanley Littleworth, Roger Kite and Jerry Alexander. Chairman Ben North and assisting him were Brothers Basil Perch, Stephen Collins and Victor Sahatdjian.

"All things are possible to him who believes; they are less difficult to him who hopes; they are easy to him who loves; and they are simple

to any who do all three."

Fraternally, PAUL FORD, J.W.

Secretary's Corner

Occasionally we get a phone call from a member who has been assigned to investigate an applicant. Some of the questions put to us are outlined in a small booklet entitled "Investigation of Applicants" and is enclosed in the envelope to each member of the committee.

We often wonder if the investigator has read the booklet. Answers to most of the questions asked are clearly stated. Also, there is a page to be read (or told) to the applicant before the interrogation is started. In order to make a satisfactory investigation, this booklet should be read by each committeeman before leaving home.

When the investigation is completed, the sheet should be filled out completely and returned to the Master of the lodge, together with the booklet. We can use it again. It has been necessary to buy more several times a year because of failure to return them to the lodge. We urge you, if you are appointed to this committee, to please make sure we get everything back that was sent to you.

Fraternally, BOB PADEN, Secretary

Calendar

May

23 (Sun.) 8:00 a.m. Fresno Masonic Temple 418th District Breakfast

26 (Wed.) 7:30 p.m. Proficiency Nite all degrees 27 (Thurs.) 7:30 p.m. First Degree

June

3 (Thurs.) 7:30 p.m. Second Degree

10 (Thurs.) 7:00 p.m. 3rd Degree (Larry Hopper)

17 (Thurs.) 6:15 p.m. Dinner with our Dates. Reservations please. Phone Mary Perch 486-2923 or Bob Paden 268-2303. 7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting

20 (Sun.) 2 p.m. - 6 p.m. Lodge Picnic, Woodward Park (Mountain View Area).



On the occasion of the President's visit to Fresno, March 22, 1976, two brothers meet for the first time. In the picture above that's Bro. Gerald R. Ford 33° shaking hands with Bro. Bobby Bingham 3° S.D., Las Palmas Lodge 366. Bro. Bingham was in charge of the President's motorcade. His official title is "Lieutenant in Charge, Special Enforcement Section." Bro. Ford has arrived; Bro. Bingham is on his way. We are looking forward to his arrival at the chair in the East.

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PROCLAMATION

MASONIC HOMES ENDOWMENT MONTH

The true happiness we have is that we share with others, and no virtue is greater than that of sharing — the precious gift of charity. Each degree in Masonry teaches that lesson, and the Holy Scriptures provide us with countless examples of charity as guides for abundant living.

Our greatest Masonic charity in California is for our Homes in Covina and Decoto. The residents there are our charges, and we wish for them the best care that we can provide. Rising costs of that service and depreciated money are taking their toll in meeting our obligations to the children at Covina and the elderly at Decoto. Outside cases for relief also are substantially increasing the need for relief funds.

At the present time we have collected only about half the amount we need if we are to top last year's contributions in excess of one million dollars. Our task is great, but we can meet the challenge if each of us will help. Now is the time to act.

I, therefore, proclaim the month of May 1976 to be

"Masonic Homes Endowment Month"

and request that this proclamation be read at the April and May Stated Meetings of all Lodges in California and Hawaii. Wherever practicable, send a copy of this proclamation to each member of the Lodge.

Dated: March 10, 1976

JOHN F. ROBERTS, JR. Grand Master