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MASTER'S MESSAGE



My Brethren:

Your officers have completed another month of activities. We examined Bros. Benson, Harry, Arzrouni, White, Lund and Weigandt in the second degree proficiency. We passed Bros. Wendal, James and Hallmark and raised Bros. Vart Harry and Arthur Arzrouni.

Bros. Shelburne, Vartanian, McKenry, Karabian and Wright were examined as to their proficiency in the lecture of the third degree.

Our stated meeting dinner prepared by Our Dates was well attended.

Worshipful Sam Pavlovich, Inspector of the 416th District; presented a 50 year veteran's button to Bro. Earl M. Follett.

Our Public Schools program consisted of having for our dinner guests a student from each of our six high schools. These young people were asked to speak on any subject of their choosing for three to five minutes. Our Public Schools theme was "Bridging the Generation Gap." We learned of Grade Pressures, Racial Misunderstanding, Family Planning, Compete in School Activities or Drop Out of Society, Being One's Self because things are not as bad as reported. From your Master's point of view, none of these young people came off second best. They will all be a credit to our community. Thank you Paul, for a fine program.

Our trip to Columbia will remain a topic for discussion for some time. Bro. Dick Rodgers (a resident of Sonora) made excellent lunch and dinner arrangements. Bros. Wendal and James I'm sure will long remember their 2nd degree. Bro. Hallmark gave a perfect 2nd degree proficiency. The weather was grand, the countryside was beautiful, and Bros. Green and Joe handled those bus hounds like compacts.

The lodge building is in good condition. It took us back many years, to be conducting degree work in such a fine Temple, and further, to hear horses neighing in the street was authentic atmosphere.

Our Dates have requested that those ladies desiring to help with the dinners to please call Frances Gottner and leave their phone numbers. Our May stated meeting dinner will consist of swiss steak and the trimmings. Please make your reservations early.

Coming events to plan for are:

Our trip to Union City to visit Gray and Rocky with one first degree candidate.

Our picnic for the family on May 10th at the Peace Officers Recreation Grounds at Herndon and old 99 at the San Joaquin River.

Our Fall Harvest Dance to be held after our October Stated Meeting.

Our Membership Dinner (No Charge) on Past Master's Night in November.

Brethren, May is Homes Endowment Month, if you have not sent in your check please do so. We are trying to make the \$3.50 Honor Roll. Only 350 brethren have seen fit to contribute to date. The reasons for giving will be found in the Grand Master's Proclamation found on a following page.

Brethren, those of you who have petitions out please get them in as soon as possible. We have at least two dozen in the possession of various members. If possible I would like to go dark during July and August, "Thank you".

Fraternally yours,

William Ahlenslager, Master

TRESTLEBOARD

Thurs. May 1 — Third Degree, Denver Benson, 7:30 p.m.
(Officers wear white jackets)

Thurs. May 8 — Third Degree, Albert White, 7:30 p.m.

Thurs. May 15 — Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Dinner with Our Dates, 6:30 p.m.

Thurs. May 22 — First Degree, 7:30 p.m.

Thurs. May 29 — Third Degree, Wm. Weigandt, 7:30 p.m.

Thurs. June 5 — Third Degree, Junior Lund, 7:30 p.m.

In Memoriam

BEN F. PASCHALL, 77, Fresno County's last full-time coroner, passed away on Monday, March 31st after a short illness.

He was a native of Breckenridge, Texas and had lived in Fresno County since 1926. He soon became associated in the funeral business, eventually owning his own Home. He was elected president of the California State Embalmers Association in 1942 after having served in the same capacity with the Central California Association.

Bro. Ben was a member of the First Baptist Church in Selma, Las Palmas Lodge, and the Tehran Shrine Temple.

Surviving are his widow, Lona; a son Lisle Benton Paschall of Santa Ana, a daughter, Constance Gray of Fresno two grandchildren and two great grandchildren.



BIG LAS PALMAS FAMILY PICNIC

Date — SATURDAY MAY 10, 1969

Time — 2 p.m. to ? ?

Place — PEACE OFFICERS' RECREATION GROUND
AT HERNDON

What To Bring — { Your Selves
Your Children
Your Grandkids

Lodge will furnish the food and drinks

GAMES FOR ALL

Sack Races — Potato Races — Tube Rolling
Egg Throwing — Three Legged Races — Tug of War

Prizes for kids - big and small

MAKE THIS A DATE AND DAY FOR FUN

No cooking for mom.

No yard work for dad.

No kids crying for lack of something to do.

MAKE RESERVATIONS

Cal Fox, Chairman - - - - 229-9624

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Bud Pope - business, 264-4767 - home, 229-9842

Las Palmas Chapter of DeMolay Meetings

Gregory Barisich, Master Councilor

Meet at 7:30 p.m in Las Palmas Temple

Sat. May 3rd - Center Division Workshop, Tulare, Calif.

Sun. May 4th - Councilors Meeting

Sun. May 11th - Mothers Day Breakfast
Las Palmas Temple

Wed. May 14th - Stated Meeting - Initiatory Practice

Wed. May 28th - DeMolay Degree

Parents Day
Mothers Club Meeting

J. W. Bud Pope Is Injured At His Mountain Home

Bro. G. W. "BUD" POPE, Junior Warden, was quite seriously injured on Saturday, April 26th, when he fell while working on his cabin in the mountains. He is in St. Agnes Hospital.

KNOW YOUR OFFICERS YOUR SECRETARY



NORMAN S. FOLEY, P.M. - Norm started out life in Fresno on May 17, 1908 and has been an active member of our community through the years. His first enrollment in school was at Emerson Elementary, then to Longfellow and on to Fresno High School. Leaving high school, he entered Four C's Business College where he majored in business administration and accounting, and he was then ready to take on the world.

Norm was one of the first members of the Order of DeMolay in Fresno and was their Master Councilor in 1927. During his work with DeMolay he headed the DeMolay Degree Team for several years and with this team conferred the degree before many Masonic Lodges throughout the county.

His first major business position was with Bradstreet's as a reporter. It was his responsibility to assign financial ratings on firms throughout the city and county of Fresno. After several years of this experience he became an employee of Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company as credit and operations manager in this city, and later transferred to its sales department and worked his way up the ladder to factory sales representative in charge of District operations. Norm resigned from Goodyear during 1940 after 10 years of service and entered business for himself. For approximately 25 years he successfully operated an Automotive Service and Supply business in this city. Following the sale of his business operations, he entered the real estate field in which he is now actively engaged, specializing in the sale of residential and commercial properties.

Norm has always been active in our civic and community affairs. He was a member of the original boards and organizing committees of the Fresno Community Council and the Fresno County Safety Council. He was also a member of the boards of the Fresno County and South San Joaquin Valley Health and Hospital Committee, Fresno Convention Center Authority and the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District.

In 1952 he was elected to the Fresno County Board of Supervisors and was re-elected for two additional 4 year terms by a large majority. During this period he was elected by his fellow supervisors as Chairman of the Board four successive years.

He married his school days sweetheart, Winnie, on March 22, 1930. They have a son, Norman, Jr. who is a Civil Engineer with our State Division of Highways. One of the

highlights of Norm's life was to confer the Masonic degrees on his son in Las Palmas during 1956. He was also proud to confer the degrees of Masonry in Las Palmas on his brother Earl during 1946.

Norm received his degrees in Las Palmas in 1943 and has been chairman of the Candidates Coaching Committee, and served as Worshipful Master during 1951. Last year at Past Masters Night, he was presented his 25 year pin.

He continues to be very active in our community affairs, serving for several years and at present as a member of the Advisory Council of the Boy Scouts, a member of the Industrial Committee of the Fresno County and City Chamber of Commerce, and the High Twelve Club. For relaxation he "bats the ball around" at University-Sequoia-Sunny side Country Club. He is a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies and a charter member of Tehran Shrine Temple.

CHEER-UP CORNER

BROTHER REINHOLD KOCH of 821 Harrison St. has been ill and will enter the Fresno Community Hospital on April 30 for surgery.

WILLIS B. KYLE, JR. is convalescing at home.



Bethel 197 Order Of Job's Daughters

Pat Chatfield, Honored Queen

Meet 2nd and 4th Saturday in Las Palmas Temple, 10 a.m.

Sat. May 3rd. - Bike Hike

Sat. May 10th - Election of Officers

Farewell
Junior Princess Nancy Burow,
in charge of Farewell
Mother and Daughter Luncheon,
Hacienda, 2 p.m.

Sat. May 24th - Installation of Officers, Las Palmas, 8 p.m.
Susan Patterson, Senior Princess

Sun. June 1st - Spaghetti Dinner, Progressive Home Club
12 to 4

FRATERNAL BONDS

FRED VOGT'S father-in-law of Monterey passed away. Funeral services and burial were in Fresno on April 24th.

**Grand Lodge
Free And Accepted Masons Of California**

ROBERT A. CRIGLER, *Grand Master*
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Proclamation

MASONIC HOMES ENDOWMENT MONTH

To relieve the distressed is a duty incumbent on all men but particularly on Masons who are linked together by an indissoluble chain of sincere affection. The greatest manifestations of affection and Brotherly Love are our Masonic Homes in Union City and Covina.

We can be justly proud of our accomplishments in taking care of our own. There are three-hundred twenty-five guests whose average age is eighty-three at the Home for the elderly in Union City where they are receiving the finest care. There are seventy children of our less fortunate brethren who are given true loving care and affection at the Home for Children at Covina.

The Great Book which adorns our altar states, "Blessed is the man who seeth his brother's need and supplieth it."

There is no finer work in Masonry than performing this - our duty and our obligation.

I therefore proclaim the month of May 1969 as "Masonic Homes Endowment Month" and ask all Masons in California and Hawaii to share in the support of our two wonderful Homes. I direct that this Proclamation be read at the April and May Stated Meetings and that a copy be sent to each member.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Robert A. Crigler, *Grand Master*

Dated: March 1, 1969



Bethel 49

Order Of Job's Daughters

Janice Larsen, *Honored Queen*

Meet 2nd and 4th Tuesday in Las Palmas Temple, 7:30 p.m.

Sat. May 10 - Mothers Day Luncheon, 1 p.m.

Tues. May 13th - Election of Officers

Lynn Sanders in charge of Refreshments

Sun. May 18th - Ice Cream Social, 4484 East Robinson Ave.

Sun. May 25 Bass Lake Family Picnic, Lunch at 2 p.m.

Tues. May 27 - Farewell Night

Junior Princess Earlene Engelman, chairman

NEW STRENGTH

BRO. GEORGE JOHN SAMUELSON affiliated with Las Palmas on Jan. 6 from Stanislaus Lodge, No. 206, Modesto. He was born in LeGrand, California on June 9, 1915. His early schooling was all in Fresno, being graduated from Fresno High. He attended Stockton College and U.C. at Berkeley, also U. of Arkansas.

A Lt. Colonel, retired after 30 years in the U.S. Army, he served in WW II and the Korean War, specializing in Guided Missiles and Rockets. He attended several advanced military schools in Electronics and Surface to Air Missile systems. His last duty station was Heidelberg with Technical Intelligence on Foreign Soviet Missiles. While in the Army he served with: 4th Infantry Division, 69th Infantry Division, 6th U.S. Army, 7th U.S. Army, 8th U.S. Army, 5th Armored Division, Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland, White Sands Missile and Proving Range in New Mexico and the Redstone Arsenal in Alabama.

George was stationed in: North Africa, Italy, France, Germany (3 times), Korea (2 times), Japan, Guam, Presidio of San Francisco (2 times), Fort Lewis, Washington, Fort Sheridan, Illinois, Fort Monmouth, N.J., and Fort Hamilton, N.Y. He entered the service from Presidio at S.F., was a Captain in WW II and a Major in the Korean War.

His wife, Ella, was born and raised in Germany, attended Homburg and Frankfurt Universities and worked as a licensed Masseuse in Germany. They have a daughter Gayle and a son John, both married and living in Napa, and a 5 year old daughter, Linda, attending Morris Dailey Kindergarten in Fresno. They also have 5 grandchildren.

Fraternal interests include: Afifi Temple in Tacoma, Wash.; Stockton Consistory at Stockton and Pyramid No. 10 AEO Sciots.



Bethel 243

Order Of Job's Daughters

Johnae Steinhilber, *Honored Queen*

Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday in Las Palmas Temple, 7:30 p.m.

Tues. May 6th - Election Night

Jr. Past Honored Queen Patt Horsley in charge of refreshments

Tues. May 20th - Farewell Night

Parents Night in charge of refreshments

Sat. May 31st - Installation of Officers

Athol Wright, Honored Queen-Elect

Tues. June 3rd - Practice Meeting

Tues. June 17th - Installation of Officers

NEW STRENGTH

PAUL W. FORD was born Aug. 6, 1921 in Henryetta, Oklahoma, attended grade and high school in Wheeler, Texas. He took a special course in supervisory human relations in San Francisco and one in business English in Bakersfield. He is employed as a Greyhound bus driver.

Bro. Paul belongs to Post No. 481, The American Legion, and the Villa Southern Baptist Church. He lists golf as a hobby.

His wife is Lois and they have a son, Harold Paul, 26, who is stationed with the army at Ft. Huachuca, Arizona.

NEW STRENGTH

WALTER STANLEY CONKEY came to Las Palmas from Brawley Lodge No. 402 in Imperial Valley. Walt was born November 22, 1906 in Navaro, California and his schooling reads somewhat like George Samuelson's tours of duty, beginning at El Centro then to San Francisco from there to St. Maries, Idaho then on to Spokane, Washington, finally finishing at University of California at Berkeley.

Walt teaches at Fresno City College. He is married and Mrs. Conkey answers to Georgia Jean. The Conkeys have a daughter Claudia Conkey Wendel. Walt belongs to the Scottish Rite in Fresno and Tehran Shrine Temple. He is a Horseman for sure, his membership in the Tehran Mounted Patrol attests to that.

Las Palmas DeMolay Install Officers

Gregory G. Barisich was installed as Master Councilor of Las Palmas order of DeMolay. He is a senior at Fresno High. The installing officer was Don Coffin, Northern California Master Councilor.

Other Chapter officers are Monte Doris, senior councilor; Michael Bopp, junior councilor; Terry Bavin, senior deacon; Robert Barnes, junior deacon; Glen Scott, senior steward; William Lehr, junior steward; Charles Anderson, marshal; Mark Doris, chaplain; James Tarver, scribe; Brian Thompson, sentinel; Erick Strohm, standard bearer; Neil McArthur, musician; Donald Anderson, orator; Bradford Jacobsen, treasurer; Jeffery Johansen, almoner; and Steven Vucovich, Michael Montgomery, Neal Kimble, Bruce Rube, David Austin William Coopman and Sage Gunderson, preceptors.

The Degree of Chevalier was bestowed upon Marshall Doris, a past Master Councilor of the Chapter.

Susan Patterson was crowned the new Sweetheart of the Las Palmas Chapter of the Order of DeMolay.

THE SECRETARY'S CORNER

Our Grand Master of California, Robert A. Crigler, has issued a proclamation naming the month of May as Masonic Homes Endowment Month. His excellent and timely message will be noted in the pages of this issue of the "Las Palmian" for you, and I trust that you will take it to heart.

We are all justly proud of our Masonic Homes and this is as it should be. We can all recall the saying we read in the Holy Writings - "and though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor - and have not Charity, it profiteth me nothing." This is one of the basic truths of Masonry and one our ancient brethren lived by, long before our Grand Lodge came into being. This truth also our Brethren understood when they founded our two wonderful homes and today these homes stand as a shining beacon to the devotion and brotherly love of the hundreds of thousands of Masons of California and Hawaii. The principles of Freemasonry lives and thrives over the years because of our dedication to this truth. The opportunity to share in this great Masonic Charity is yours and I urge you to respond.

For your information I wish to advise you what your Lodge has contributed to our homes so far this year. Of our total membership 360 of our members have contributed \$2482.00 or an average of \$6.90 each. These 360 members comprise 33.8% of our total membership and in taking their payments to realize an average of all the members of our Lodge it totals only \$2.33 each. Surely we in Las Palmas for such a worthy cause should do better than this.

To the Brethren that have contributed, we say thanks, and to those who have not done so as yet, there is no better time than this, our "Masonic Homes Endowment Month" to do so.

Stretch forth a helping hand and I am sure it will be joyously received by those who are dependent upon us and most assuredly a great sense of satisfaction to you in assisting to accomplish this fact.

I will be looking forward to hearing from you and to see you in "My Lodge and yours - "Las Palmas."

Norm Foley, P.M.

FRATERNAL BONDS

GEORGE C HOLSTEIN P.M. of Las Palmas Lodge and GEORGE E. HIATT P.M. of Fresno Lodge were among the twenty-five Californians appointed by Grand Master Robert A. Crigler to spearhead the 50th anniversary celebration of Public Schools Week.