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MASTER'S MESSAGE



Brethren:

It is good that we look ahead to the coming months and notice what is important to us and plan to allow time to take part in the things we want to do, and know we should do. Each of the next three months has a significant Masonic activity and responsibility:

March 15-21 is **YOUTH ORDERS WEEK**. As you know, we are closely tied to five Masonic Affiliated Youth Groups, those which meet in Las Palmas Temple. Technically, we sponsor Las Palmas Chapter Order of DeMolay, but greatly assist one Assembly International Order of Rainbow for Girls, and three Bethels, International Order of Job's Daughters. We are closely involved in each of these through those of our worthy Brothers who serve as officers or advisors to them, those of us who patronize their self-help fund raising projects, and in the 50% rental arrangement for the Temple space they occupy. See the "Youth Activities" page in the back of this Las Palmian, and the committee on "Affiliated Youth Groups," Brother Dick Moody, chairman, for the names of some of those who fill our Lodge's obligations to them. It is the responsibility of all of us to attend one of their meetings during this week at least, to encourage them and let them know that we are interested.

April 20-24th is **PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**, and the 50th anniversary of its founding. We believe that the Public Schools system is a strong factor in our country's greatness. It is possible that now is a crisis in its history which will determine its course and policy for the future. We are bound by our precepts to become involved in influencing its destination. Are you pleased with what is happening in our Public Schools today? Are you unhappy about some trend or permissiveness? Should there be additional source of revenue in funding its expenses besides your tax dollar? Look into these or other factors and become properly informed, and then let our Public School Administrators know your desires. They are hungry for your "feed back" and support. They need your opinion and support for fuel in subduing opposing forces. Our Grand Master, Chester R. McPhee, feels so strongly about your becoming involved in supporting the Public Schools and attending their programs, that he has proclaimed that Lodges in this jurisdiction have no sessions other than regular stated meetings during the week of April 20-24th, and that you will attend

and support your Public Schools programs.

May has been proclaimed by our Grand Master as MASONIC HOMES ENDOWMENT MONTH. Plan ahead to make certain that you will have made your contribution by May 30th, the time of reckoning our faithfulness as a Lodge to support the two wonderful Masonic Homes in California. Our position on the Honor Roll is a gauge of our support. Try tasting the pleasure of giving an extra amount in the name of one who cannot make it.

So, my space is nearly gone. Usually reviews of our activities of the past month are given here, and praises sung to our industrious committee people. But this time it is all eyes front to the future - pledging ourselves to meet our obligations and responsibilities - Join me, will you?

Ed Carpenter, Master

TRESTLEBOARD

- Thurs. March 5 - Third Degree, Brother Frank W. Maul
Thurs. March 12 - Third Degree, Brother Dan R. Russell
Fri. March 13 - Officers Degree Ritual Practice
Tues. March 17 - 416th and 418th Masonic Districts Candidates Coaches School of Instruction, Scottish Rite Temple, 8:00 p.m. All coaches of candidates directed to attend, others invited.
Thurs. March 19 - Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Dinner With Our Dates, 6:30 p.m.
Thurs. March 26 - Third Degree, Brother John Carpenter
Sun. March 29 - HAPPY EASTER
Tues. March 31 - Lodge opened for Proficiencies in all three degrees, 7:30 p.m.
Thurs. Apr. 2 - First Degree
Thurs. Apr. 9 - Third Degree, Brother Bernie Mitchell
Fri. Apr. 10 - Second Degree, Brothers Stovall, Fouts, Snyder and Blonder
Thurs. Apr. 16 - Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Dinner With Our Dates, 6:30 p.m.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

BROTHER GRAY NEWARK, one of our guests in the "Home," will be 91 years young on March 23rd. Be sure to send him a card.

DEGREES

Bro. BILL TUNNELL became a Master Mason on February 5th and Bro. JOHN SAVONA a Fellowcraft on February 26th. Our congratulations to them and to those who helped them along the way.

KNOW YOUR OFFICERS YOUR CHAPLAIN



BRO. WALLACE RAYMOND SCOTT was born in Pasadena, California July 27th, 1923. He attended the Pasadena City schools through the fourteenth grade. After a wartime interruption his schooling continued at Occidental College where he earned a B.A. degree and a general secondary teaching credential.

When he was thirteen he began the scouting trail he is still following. He was awarded the Eagle Scout badge with two palms, became Scout Master of his church troop, a Vigil Honour member of Order of the Arrow and is now an Area Commissioner. He was recently awarded the Sequoia Medal for outstanding service to boys. Somewhere in his teens he found time to be a DeMolay.

He entered the armed services in 1943 as a combat infantryman in the Pacific Theatre where he acquired a Purple Heart and considerable hospital time. After finishing school he was employed by Consolidated Engineering for two years. After seven and a half years of professional scouting as district executive, he turned again to teaching and is now employed by the McKinley Roosevelt School District as a teacher of U.S. history and civics.

He and his lovely wife Helen have two children, Susan, 13 and Robert, 11. The family attends St. Luke's Methodist Church where they are very active. He lists among his hobbies camping, stamp collecting, carving and gardening.

Bro. Scott became an entered apprentice Mason on January 7, 1967 and was raised to Master Mason July 13, 1967. Last year he headed the refreshment committee. Welcome Bro. Scott. Look to the Book and point the way.

A VERY WORTHY VENTURE

As was discussed at the last stated meeting, the California members of "The International Order of Job's Daughters," in cooperation with the Masonic Lodges of this jurisdiction and Grand Lodge, are this year starting a most worthwhile project. The Job's Daughters have asked that they be supplied a list of "shut-ins" so they can call on them and make their troubles a little easier to cope with.

The Grand Master has therefore requested that all Masons notify the secretaries of their Lodges with a list of "shut-ins." The secretary will forward a list to Grand Lodge. My brothers, this is an opportunity to share the burden of our less fortunate brothers and their families. Please forward a list to our secretary, Bro. Norm Foley.

THE SECRETARY'S CORNER



Attendance at our meetings continues to improve and we hope it will even more so in the future. If each of our brethren attended at least once every two months we would have a good weekly gathering which would be appreciated by your officers and I am sure would also mean a whole lot to our new members in receiving their degrees. Strive to do this please, and you will enjoy the good fellowship that always prevails at Las Palmas.

Over 50% of our members have paid their 1970 dues and the contributions to our Masonic Homes is running about 50% from those paying. Keep up the good work.

My best wishes to you and I will look forward to seeing you in "My Lodge and Yours" - Las Palmas.

Norm Foley, P.M., Secretary

"A Broad Platform"

It is historical that Freemasonry was established in this country early in the Colonial Period. Most of the noted personages in the great events of our country's history, up to the present time, have been members of our society. Let it not be forgotten that Masonry, while it is the most ancient of the social organizations of mankind and the most influential, is qualified by the distinctive word "Free," and stands for toleration in the great questions which divide the minds of men. It aims, not to govern opinion, and it steadfastly resists coercion on all sides. On the other hand, it professes and enforces adherence to the moral law, which binds civilized mankind in a common brotherhood. We stand, therefore, on a platform broad enough to hold all good men, but let us remember that those who are to be of us must come of their own accord, and not by solicitation. Our precepts are not proclaimed from the rostrum, pulpit, housetops or streets, but should be exemplified in our daily life and conduct according to the words of Holy Writ: "Behold how good, how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

M.W. Henry Sayre Orme,
Grand Master 1893

A MILE-STONE

Happy anniversary to FRANK and MARG WRIGHT. They celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary this month.

"On Masonic Funerals"

Brother:

"It has been a custom among the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, from time immemorial, at the request of a departed brother or his family, to assemble in the character of Masons and, with the solemn formalities of the Craft, to offer up to his memory, before the world, the last tribute of our affection."

This, as you may know, is the first part of the Masonic funeral service. The entire service, when properly rendered and attended, is a wonderful experience. It is most satisfying, both to the bereaved family and friends, and to ourselves for properly paying this final fraternal tribute to the memory of a departed brother.

As it says, "before the world," and this is so, it obligates us all to put our best foot forward, live up to our obligations to each other, help to comfort the family, and make the service worthy of the Masonic name.

The main service takes 20 to 25 minutes, and if there is to be the committal at the grave, this takes about 5 minutes. A small part of our day, but a most worthy part. Weigh the satisfaction of doing your part against the feeling of unfulfilled desire in not doing it.

When there is to be a graveside service, usually the family requests that brethren of the Lodge be pallbearers. Bro. Arch Addington, P.M. has been most helpful in arranging for them.

I would like to have each of you who are able to serve as pallbearers to notify Arch, or our secretary, Bro. Norm Foley, so a record can be kept and enable more brethren to share this responsibility. You will be pleased that you did, and I will be grateful to you.

Masonic aprons are always available at Masonic funeral services. You are expected to wear one when in attendance.

I, as Master, and Brother Pope as chaplain do our best to render the service properly. Your attendance will make it much more meaningful and comforting to the bereaved family.

Ed Carpenter, Master

MASONIC INFORMATION MEETING AND SOCIAL

The Masonic Information meeting and social held February 12th was a success and attended by about 50 members of the Lodge. We all enjoyed Bro. Bill Wharton's presentation on Masonic Law and other subjects the brethren asked opinions on. Bro. Danny Dake's Mulligan Stew was great and P.M. Bob Larsen couldn't lose in the cribbage match and won the coveted crib board made from wood used in construction of our Temple.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES . . .



Las Palmas Chapter, Order of DeMolay

Monte Doris, Master Councilor

Henry W. Schneider, Chapter Dad

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



Fresno Assembly 51,

International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

Donna Samelson, Worthy Advisor

Miss Barbara Robinson, Mother Advisor

Ron Baten, Rainbow Dad

Meet 1st and 3rd Wednesday in Las Palmas Temple, 7:30 pm



Bethel 243, International Order of Job's Daughters

Laura Spears, Honored Queen

Mrs. Barbara Contreras, Guardian

Ed Allred, P.M., Assistant

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



Bethel 197, International Order of Job's Daughters

Nancy Burrow, Honored Queen

Mrs. Eileen Smith, Guardian

Leonard Moller, P.M., Assistant

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



Bethel 49, International Order of Job's Daughters

Earlene Engleman, Honored Queen

Mrs. Thelma Stocks, Guardian

Clyde Brough, P.M. Assistant

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



In Memoriam



Since our last Las Palmian, three of our Brethren have departed for the Celestial Lodge above. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Bro. WILL FRED SCHLACHER on February 9th and for Bro. GEORGE JAY PALMER on the 16th. Services were held at the Congregational Church on February 16th for Bro. EARL M. FOLLETT.

Our sincere sympathies are extended to their families.