

A MESSAGE FROM THE MASTER

It was gratifying to see so many brethren and their ladies enjoying dinner at our last stated meeting. Because we came out two dinners short, Mary Perch would like you to make reservations for April 20 by calling the Lodge, 268-2303.

Our newest Master Mason is William Taylor, who received his 3rd degree on Mar. 9, 1972. Congratulations, Bro. Taylor. Bro. Gene Blonder has taken the chairmanship of our new "Community Affairs" committee. Those of you who are interested please contact Bro. Blonder. Bro. Allen Graves is our new refreshment chairman.

A baseball trip to Candlestick Park has been planned for April 22, 1972, by our senior Warden, Green Young. He can be reached at 222-1771. Bro. Danny Dake is the chairman of our annual Picnic, June 17, 1972. Picnic details will be given later. Save the date. April 24 to 28, is designated Public Schools Week, and our Lodge will be dark.



THE SECRETARY'S CORNER

Our stated meeting of March 16 was like old times. Over 100 of our members were in attendance and good fellowship was enjoyed by all. We have such a wonderful group in "Las Palmas" and I hope such attendance will repeat itself many times in the future. Get away from the "old rocking chair" now and then and endeavor to attend your Lodge at least once each quarter. If we all did this, we would enjoy a good attendance each meeting which your officers would appreciate and particularly, too, the candidate of the evening receiving his degree, it would be impressive as to your interest in our Lodge. So you all "come out you hear."



We have added from our meeting of March 16 - "3 new 50 year members" to that illustrious plateau of their Masonic life. They were Brothers Fred Fost, H. R. "Bud" Fine and Henry L. Suderman. It was a wonderful evening for them and the pin presentations were made in a very able manner by our Illustrious Sam Pavlovich P. M., who is also the Grand Lodge Inspector of our Masonic District. Responses from each of the recipients were wonderful and gave you the feeling of being so proud to be a Mason.

Our Grand Master of California has proclaimed the month of May; "Masonic Homes Endowment Month". Many of our members have already contributed to this worthy cause. Those of you who have not, please do so now and let's put Las Palmas at the top of the list. Remember when doing so, your contributions are tax deductible. So "spread some ink on a check" and include it with your 1972 dues payment to me. My thanks to you in doing so together with the residents of our "Homes", who are spending the twilight years of their lives in comfort and peace of mind.

I will look forward to hearing from you and to seeing you in "My Lodge and yours" - Las Palmas.

Norm Foley, P.M. Secretary



CALENDAR

- April 6 3rd Degree Bro. Peeler
- April 13 2nd Degree Bro. Sells
- April 20 Stated Meeting
Dinner with our Dates
- April 27 Dark, Public Schools Week

WATCH FRESNO BEE FOR ANY CHANGES

<i>DEMOLAY</i>	<i>IN MEMORIAM</i>
<i>Henry W. Schneider - Board Chairman Devan Neuenschwander - Chapter Advisor A. D. Dadmun - Ritual Advisor</i>	<i>John Thomas Deinstadt</i>

PROCLAMATION
**MASONIC HOMES
ENDOWMENT MONTH**

The Masonic Homes Endowment Fund has grown by our voluntary contributions and by gifts and bequests. Only the income, however, from this fund may be used toward offsetting the costs of operating our Masonic Homes.

Income from the fund is not yet large enough to cover all of such expenses — so each Lodge annually pays from its funds an assessment in proportion to its size to offset a portion of the deficit. It is our goal that members' voluntary contributions will sometime in the future increase the size of the fund to the extent that income from it will be sufficient to cover the costs of operation.

A visit to our fine homes makes us realize more clearly the need not only to support this great Masonic charity, but to expand our giving commensurate with the additional needs and rising costs.

What a grand way for us as Masons to express our concern for those in our care — for each of us to reaffirm our realization that these are our homes and our loved ones. Let us not be found wanting in our desire to do our share!

Accordingly I proclaim the month of May, 1972, to be Masonic Homes Endowment Month.

Lester S. McElwain
Grand Master