



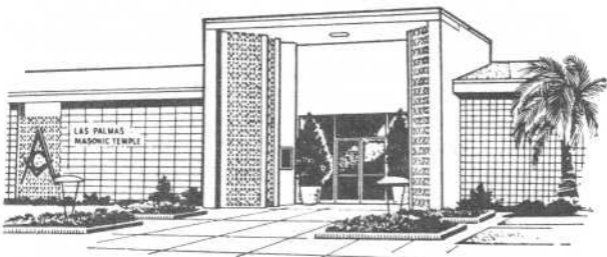
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From the East



Brethren,

May is our Masonic Homes Month for contributions. Many of you made a contribution when you paid your dues, but many did not. If you are one of those who did not make a contribution, please try to make one this month. Make your check payable to the Las Pal-

mas Lodge and you will receive a receipt for your tax deductible donation.

Brother George Posson, P.M. and Grand Lodge Committeeman on the Masonic Homes Endowment Board will be showing a film of our Homes and answering your questions at our Stated Meeting on May 18.

If you think of giving, but never do; if you think of helping, but never come through; if you think of being encouraging, but grumble instead; my brother, think not of dying — you're already dead."

Congratulations, Brother Jack Renner on receiving your "50" Year Button.

Brethren, June will be our Shish Ka-Bob dinner with our dates. The cost this year will be \$5.00 per person. Please make your reservations early. Only those having reservations will be served. If you make a reservation and then for some reason you cannot attend, please phone and cancel not later than Wednesday Noon, June 14.

Please set aside and plan to attend our annual picnic at Woodward Park, Sunday Afternoon, June 11, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

As Masons, we are committed to year round support of our Public Schools. Our Lodge has just completed the annual Public Schools Obse- vance during April, but Masons should actively support Public Education all year long. Below are listed some of the ways we can accomplish this objective.

Attend School Board Meetings.

Visit Classrooms.

Attend Cornerstone Laying Ceremonies for Public Schools.

Be alert for adverse legislation and, as individuals, let your lawmakers know where you stand on issues. Write letters.

Drop a complimentary note to teachers or school administrators who do, or say,

something publicly that merits commendation.

See that favorable publicity about students, teachers and administrators gets into the local newspapers.

Retirees or other members who have the time should volunteer their talents and skills to the local schools.

Let's get behind this project and let the Public Schools know that they have the support of the Masons in this community throughout the entire year, not just in April.

Our bus trip to Columbia was very successful and all had a good time. Thanks to Brother Green Young, P.M. for handling all the arrangements. Keep in mind and the date open for our overnight trip to Los Angeles on September 30 and October 1, 1978.

PAUL FORD, W.M.

From the West



Congratulations to the following Brethren who have passed their proficiencies. On March 29 Brother Ronnie Rogers and Brother Jack Bennett passed their Second Degree proficiencies. They were examined by Brother Eldon Cole. On the same night, Brothers Robert Wendell and

Don Milligan passed their Third Degree proficiencies. They were examined by Brother Dan Eckland, P.M.

The following Brethren have received their degrees since the last stated meeting. Brother Ed Ridenauer received his Second Degree on March 30. On April 6 Brother Ray Miksch received his Third Degree. He was obligated by his father-in-law, Brother George Posson, P.M. On April 13, Brother Jack Bennett received his Third Degree in the historical temple at Columbia. He was obligated by Gary Starr, Sr. Deacon of this Lodge. Congratulations to these Brethren.

Fraternally,
BOBBY C. BINGHAM
Senior Warden

From the Secretary



Time is drawing near when applications for scholarship grants, made by the California Masonic Foundation, must be submitted. Students desiring to apply for grants to attend college classes starting in September should submit their applications before June 30.

Those entering advance studies in February should apply before November 30.

Funds from which these college grants are made have accrued from sale of two student centers, one at the University of California, and the other at the University of Southern California; also from the sale of a hospital formerly owned by the Order of Amaranth in southern California.

Applications can be received from any student now enrolled in or about to enroll in certain prescribed courses, and who have maintained a 3.5 grade average in their former studies.

Further information on making application for financial assistance may be obtained by calling the lodge office any morning during the week or writing to Las Palmas Lodge at 2992 East Clinton, Fresno, CA 93703.

Applicants must be in need of assistance, and by enrolling in college it would create a hardship on the family of such student. Funds from the above-named sources must be expended each year in order to maintain a tax-free status. Some years this has been difficult.

If you know of a young person needing help, please let them know of the availability of these grants.

Robert E. Paden, Secretary

50 Year Pins

Thursday, March 20th, it was our great pleasure to participate in the presentation of two 50 year pins. The recipients were William H. McCaslin and Jack V. Renner, two fine Brothers, well deserving of the honor. Presenting the pins was our Brother and Inspector, Worshipful Sam Pavlovich, who as usual did a warm and proficient job. Also present at the presentation was Right Worshipful Vernon Gordon, Sr. Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of California, always a most welcome guest.

Our dinner March 20, with our dates, was also marked by a Public Schools Observance Program, chaired by Brother Wally Scott. The roast beef dinner was excellent, the only complaints heard were from overeaters. Following dinner we were addressed by Mr. Peter G. Mehas, Asst. Supt. of the Clovis Unified School District. It was an excellent talk and received well earned applause for his remarks close to all masonic hearts. It was a good evening well attended and enjoyed by all.

Important Notice

Cornerstone Laying
Capitol Building — Sacramento

The Grand Lodge of the State of California will officiate at the cornerstone laying at the State Capitol at Sacramento, May 15th, 1978. Arrangements have been made for transportation as follows — Date, May 15; Depart, 7:00 a.m. from Las Palmas Temple or Fresno Temple; arrive at Sacramento 10:30 a.m.; cost round trip \$10.65 per person. Ladies welcome of course.

Grand Lodge will open at 11:00 a.m. A picnic lunch will be supplied (cost \$2.00). Lunch in the park. Reassemble 1:00 p.m. at Masonic Temple, form in procession at Masonic Temple and march to site. Leave Sacramento approximately 4:30 p.m. Arrive Fresno approximately 6:00 p.m.

The cut of date is May 10th. Make checks payable to Las Palmas Lodge. Call Green young 222-1771; Paul Ford 222-2687; Bob Paden 268-2303; Sam Pavlovich 229-1022. All Masons should attend if at all possible, this will be a big event.

IN MEMORIAM

	Raised	Died
Thomas Wilbur McCloskey	5-12-38	3-3-78
Myron Merrill Haney	10-4-45	3-16-78
Charles LeRoy Young	5-11-15	3-25-78

CALENDAR

May

- 2 Tues., 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Advisory Council Meeting, Master Masons only.
- 3 Wed. 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Meeting, Master Masons only.
- 4 Thurs. 7:30 p.m. First Degree, Willard Elmer Miller and Ermo Willard Tompkins.
- 11 Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Third Degree, Ronnie Rogers.
- 15 Mon. 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. See notice — Cornerstone Laying in Sacramento.
- 16 Tues. 7:30 p.m. Temple Board Assoc. Meeting.
- 17 Wed. 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Meeting, Master Masons Only.
- 18 Thurs. 6:30 p.m. Dinner with our Dates. Reservations a must. Phone Bob Paden 268-2303 or Mary Perch 486-2923. Masonic Homes Program.
7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting.
- 21 Sun. 8:15 a.m. 418th Masonic District Meeting and Breakfast, Cedar Lanes, Officers should attend.
- 22 Mon. 7:30 p.m. Proficiency Pre-exams in all three degrees.
- 24 Wed. 7:30 p.m. Proficiencies, all degrees.
- 25 Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Second Degree, shiro Minabe and Robert Boyd.
- SPECIAL DATE* — June 11, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Annual Picnic.

Rosters Available

The new 1978 Membership Rosters are available and ready for delivery. All out-of-town members may have one mailed to them upon request to the secretary. Members living in the Fresno area can stop by the lodge office any morning before noon or pick one up from the tiler's desk at stated or special meetings. We are certain some members do not use a roster, so will not get one in the mail as in the past. There are plenty available for those wishing them.

From the Ladies

Mrs. Mattie Ivy, President of the Widows Club, opened the meeting on Monday, April third at Cedar Lanes with a welcome and a prayer, after which self-introductions were made.

Mrs. Ivy announced for the benefit of the new comers that the club's project for this year is the same as last year which is Guide Dogs for the Blind. A donation from this group will be made at the end of the year.

This Club is celebrating its third birthday with Mrs. Leona Comstock as the first president for the first two years and succeeded by Mattie Ivy as the second president.

Mr. Ford, Master of Las Palmas Lodge, reviewed the status of associate members and mentioned that other Blue Lodges in this area are interested in forming clubs for the widows. He also reminded the ladies of the trip to Columbia on April 15th. This will be a fun day. Breakfast will be in Merced and dinner at Scandia.

The next meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn on Monday. May first at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Pauline Hart

The group picture taken at the annual Widows Club dinner is now available. Please contact Green Young, P.M. if you wish a copy. He will inform you as to cost. The picture along with a cover story will appear in the California Freemason, we hope the next issue.