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From the East

Brethren and Friends

This is my first Trestleboard for the 1999 Masonic year, and I would like again to thank the membership for having the confidence to elect me to serve you this year. In looking at the number and quality of events planned, it is ming to be a terrificence for the

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I would like to thank those who helped with all the work that made the installation of your slate of officers work. First, let me thank my wife for all her help during the months and days leading up to the day, her patience in doing the planning for the day allowed me to concentrate on other details I needed to pay attention to. A big thank you to Mary Perch for all her work. The officers' wives for pitching in to set-up the dining room, the brothers and widows who helped prepare the dinner, and everyone else who helped. The installing team, MW Vernon Gordon, Sam Pavolich, and Worshipful Jim Wilson. Thank you!

We are looking to do many nights of degree work during the year. We have many nights open, so if you brothers and ladies know of any man who exhibits the character necessary to become a Mason, ladies you can ask him, and if interest is shown, tell your husband or another member. Brothers, use the friend to friend materials available from the Secretary to give him the necessary information.

I had the distinct honor to assist Worshipful Harry Dunlavy at the funeral of Bro. Earnie Munier on Saturday the 23rd of January. It was a real honor, and brought out the need that the lodge has for certified funeral masters. If you brothers who would like to serve our departed brothers families in their time of need, please contact me or the secretary, and we will provide you with the necessary information so that you can serve.

This year is going to be terrific, and will be more so with you. Please feel free to contact me either at home or through the Lodge office.

Ted Sorge, Master

From the West

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From the South

Fraternal Greetings from the South.

I would like to thank the brothers for electing me to serve as Junior Warden of the Lodge. I will to the best of my ability perform to the standards set by my predecessors. As the Lodge resumes its labors under the leadership of our new Master Ted Sorge, I unfortunately am still at refreshment. Over the holidays, I began to have problems with my back which have changed my life style for the moment. I am progressing and hope to return soon. A big Thank You to all the brothers who have called to check on my progress and offered to help. I wish to congratulate all the 1999 officers and I am looking forward to being with you in the near future.

Curtis Jack, Junior Warden

NOTICE

The dinner on Jan 21, was GREAT. For those of you who did not come to the dinner, it was your loss. Mary with the little help she had prepared a fantastic dinner. Contrary to popular belief, Mary is not and does not receive any pay of any kind for preparing these dinners each month. What Mary is doing she is doing out of love. Love for her sisters and brothers, love for the Masonic Lodge and Masonic families. Mary needs help in the preparation of these dinners. Please, if you have the time, or take the time and come down and help with the dinners. Your help is needed and deeply appreciated. Call Mary at 486-2923 and tell Mary to call you when she needs help. Thank each and every one of you that help and a big thank you in advance for those of you who will answer this call for help in the future.

To the Ladies

Greetings Ladies,

Our ladies program after the February Stated Meeting Dinner will be GAME NIGHT. If you like to play Bridge, Cribbage, Scrabble, board games, checkers, dominoes, poker, or whatever come join us. Everyone is welcome. It's a great night to get out and visit with friends. We also will have a door prize. March ladies program will be a floral arranging demonstration by San Francisco Floral-If you always wanted to know the secret on how to arrange those centerpieces and more be sure to come. See you there!

Marty Sorge

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A 3rd degree will be held at Columbia on April 17, 1999. There are 4 sites available at the Marble Quarry RV Park at \$25.00 a night for April 16, and 17, 1999 depart on the 17th. To reserve a RV Site call the Office 268-2303. The sites



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and decorations, to preparing the food. It is a real wonder that she was standing after the stated meeting dinner, filet mignon no less. Once again there was little help through the day and the dinner, although excellent, was about 30 minutes late. If there is someone out there who can assist in any capacity it would be greatly appreciated.

The Lodge has a 1st and 3rd Degree work coming up the first 2 weeks in February. Come out and support the officers in their new stations. The officers are all prepared to do all of their own work and it looks like we are getting back to our old roots. If there is someone out there who would like to volunteer for a part in the 3rd Degree, just check with the Senior Deacon Richard Newcom and he would have a better idea where help is needed.

Bill Freeman, Senior Warden

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NORDSTROM SHOPPING TRIP

You won't want to miss this! Mark your calendars for June 5th for a one day shopping trip to the Pleasanton Mall. Cost is \$20.00 per person which includes transportation by bus to and from Pleasanton, a Continental breakfast, lunch at Nordstrom's, and a snack on the way home. Nordstrom's will have a special hospitality room for us while shopping all day and you can get your name in a Nordstrom drawing. What more could you ask for? Reservations must be in by March 30th. Contact Marty Sorge at 275-9734. Ask a friend or loved one to join you. It will be great fun!

P. S. Nordstrom will be having one of their main sales of the year on this date!

	CALENDAR	
February	10 - 3rd Degree Practice (Officers Mandatory)	
	11 - 3rd Degree Bro. Stahl	
	17 - Officers Meeting (7:00 p.m.)	
	18 - Stated Meeting	
	25 - School of Instruction (LPP Hosting)	
March	3 - 3rd Degree Br. Keligian (Spec. Mtg Tentative	
	4 - 1st Degree or practice	
	11 - 2nd Degree or Practice	

HELP...

The Lodge is in need of replacing the upright freezer in the Banquet Room. The old one has breathed it's last...we could sure use a new one. Any one wishing to donate funds for the purchase of a freezer can contact the Secretary at 268-2303 or Cub Jack at 432-8262. Your consideration and support of this matter is greatly appreciated.

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NOTICE

The Estrellita Club of La Sierra Venus Chapter 555 of the Easter Star is tentative planning a biscuit and gravy fund raising breakfast on Mar. 7, 1999. Breakfast will be served from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please look for further announcements. For information Call Marvin at 439-9111.

NOTICE

Eight of our brothers were declared suspended for nonpayment of dues on January 21, 1999. There is no reason for any of these brothers to have been suspended. If a brother is unable to pay his dues because of, health, financial or other reasons, LET SOME ONE KNOW. It is not the intent of the Lodge or the Master to suspend any brother for nonpayment of dues. However, at times the Lodge and Master are left with no other choice but to suspend.

Marvin E. Wallace, Secretary

NOTICE

Business Card size ads are now accepted for advertisement in the Lodge treatle board from members of the LODGE. The cost is \$120.00 a year for 12 publications with a distribution of 1,150 monthly. For more information call the secretary at 268-2303.

NEW OPTION FOR MAKING HOMES ENDOWMENT CONTRIBUTIONS

There is a new envelope available (green) from the Homes Endowment Fund that can be used for honorary, memorial, or regular contributions, with it gifts can be by check or credit card. A supply of these envelopes Is on display, or they are available from the secretary.



OFFICERS FOR 1999

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