

# SPELEOBEM 15.1

In 1959, at the Detention, SAPS had the best table at the banquet, thanks to the reservation of said table by either the OE, Toskey (as I remember) or by Wally Weber (as Eney remembers). At Pittcon SAPS again had an excellent table, reserved for us by the OE, OEney. Regretfully, I goofed off at Seacon, and the SAPS table was stuck in a corner, so I resolved to make up for it this year.

Now, however, comes Chicon's PROGRESS REPORT 3, announcing that it (the con committee) will reserve tables for groups that want them, provided the group (of ten people each) all pays up ahead of time. SAPS should have a table at Chi, and it would be nice if we could have one right in front of the rostrum, but the only way we can do this is to get ten of the members who are going to pony up their banquet fee early (like, NOW) and get that reservation in. So this is being sent to all SAPS listed in the membership list of the Chicon, in hopes that enough of them will be interested in a SAPS table to send in their money and reservation ticket to me NOW so they can be forwarded to the ConCom in time to snag the best table. I need nine others besides myself, and the first nine to get the money in will be at THE SAPS Table -- if there are ten besides, we can reserve a second table. In any event, I'll forward the reservations as soon as possible.

Or, if anyone has an alternate plan, I'm open for suggestions. Meantime I'm going to start collecting reservations from LA SAPSites.

Afterthought: If you've already sent in your banquet reservation, drop me a note, and I'm sure you can be counted in on a SAPS table, as long as you've paid.

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I would appreciate finding out when you received your copies of Mailing 59, as all of the domestic ones except Bergeron's were sent by Library Materials rate, and they seem to have arrived faster than they would have by Parcel Post or anything other than first class! Hamifan and Deindorfer both reported receiving theirs 7 days after I posted them, as did Don Anderson. Busby reported receipt in 6 days, Schultz in 5. The overseas mailings went by parcel post, as Library Materials rate doesn't work in such cases. Locke reported receipt in 28 days. And the rest of you? (Some were mailed on each of the days April 18, 19, 20, and 23, with the last two WL mailings - Kaye & McInerney - going out on 1 May.)

Due to the fantastic saving on postage this time around, SAPS may actually make money this quarter, and the awarding of another year's free dues is almost a certainty, though new members whose dues should be in by the 61st and 62nd mailings will still have to pay before getting the free year.

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