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From the East



Summer is here and it is almost time for school to be out. Vacation Time. We will have no degrees in July and August — just Stated Meetings. Our Las Palmas De Molay Chapter will continue to have meetings through July and August. Why not try to make one of their meetings.

I guarantee that you will be pleased and surprised at the fine degree work our youths really do.

The first six months has been very rewarding for me and our Lodge. I know that September, October, November and December will be even more rewarding. We have been saddened by the passing of many of our Brethren and also been rewarded with many becoming members in Las Palmas.

Wishing each of you a very nice summer and pleasant happy vacation.

Fraternally,
PAUL FORD, Master

From the West

Since our last stated meeting, the following Brethren have received their degrees.

On April 27, 1978, James Carl Wolter and Jack G. Seymour received their First Degrees. On May 4, 1978, Willard Elmer Miller received his First Degree. On May 11, 1978, Brother Ronnie Rogers was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

I also noted a misprint in last month's trestleboard. On April 15, 1978, Brother Jim Hall received his Third Degree in the historic temple at Columbia. He was obligated by Gary Starr, Sr. Deacon. Congratulations to Brother Jim.

Fraternally,
BOBBY C. BINGHAM
Senior Warden

From the South

The Las Palmas Family Picnic is all set. Again we are having our annual family day at Woodward Park. Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 11, 1978, the entire Park View Shelter area has been reserved from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

As always there will be plenty of good food, Bro. Gil Darnell has planned to serve his famous "pit-barbecued-beef", with all that goes with it there will be chili beans, potato salad, french rolls, ice cream and drinks. We will serve around 4:00 p.m. L.P. day lite time, plus or minus a few minutes.

While you are waiting, you will be entertained by the Scottish Rite Fun Band, the discards from the "fill-har-har-monic". All you will need is an appetite, a place setting and yourself, your kids or somebody elses. See you then.

RICHARD FREY, Jr. W.

P.S. Do you like the slides during the first degree? Let me know.

From the Secretary

For the benefit of many of our members and their wives it might be well if we make known some of the rules governing admission to the Masonic Home. Recently a widow of one of our members asked for an application to the home and we had to tell her she wasn't eligible.

The following is quoted from the California Masonic Code, pages 236 and 237: "Applications for admission to this home are made to the lodge in the California jurisdiction in which membership is held.

To be eligible for admission as a guest, the applicant must be:

(a) A master mason in good standing in a

lodge in this jurisdiction continuously for the past five years; or

(b) The wife of such a master mason; or

(c) The widow of a master mason, who at the time of his death was a member in good standing in a lodge in the California jurisdiction under (a) above.

(The mother of a master mason who is eligible under (a) or who at the time of his death was eligible may be admitted by the Board of Trustees only under extraordinary circumstances, provided, however, that wives and widows take precedence).

Except in unusual circumstances the applicant must be:

(a) In need of financial aid.

(b) Without relatives who are able and willing to support him (or her).

(c) Available for medical examination.

(d) Willing to abide by the rules and regulations governing guests in the Home.

(e) Willing to execute an assignment under which he (or she) turns over to the Masonic Homes of California whatever assets he (or she) may be possessed or may become possessed."

The important words to note in the above set of rules are "good standing for at least five years." Whether a newly-raised member or one who has transferred from another jurisdiction, this rule applies. This prevents a member coming from another jurisdiction to affiliate for the purpose of immediately applying for and receiving admission to the home.

Members should show this article to the wives so that they may be acquainted with the requirements and avoid disappointment in the future should they wish to consider entering the Home. It is indeed a sad duty for the officers of a lodge to inform a widow she is not eligible to enter the California Masonic Home because her husband was not a member long enough.

Members transferring from another jurisdiction having death benefits should maintain their membership as dual members of both lodges for at least five years. In this way he will establish eligibility in California while protecting himself and his family in his other jurisdiction.

ROBERT PADEN, Secretary

From the Ladies

The Las Palmas Widows Club held their monthly luncheon meeting at the Ramada Inn on Monday, May first.

Mrs. Doris Lewis, President Pro Tem, opened the meeting and self-introductions were made.

The members were very sorry to hear that our President, Mattie Ivy, fell and broke her leg. She is now at Twilight Haven. A card for Mattie was signed by all present. It conveyed the best of get well wishes for a speedy recovery and we are eagerly awaiting her return to this group.

Mr. Paul Ford, Master of Las Palmas Lodge, announced that a trip to Los Angeles and Covina will leave Fresno on September 30th and return October first. He also said that a trip to Sacramento is being planned for May 15th, at which time Grand Lodge will re-lay the cornerstone at the State Capitol. At this time the officers and Past Masters can wear their aprons which could not be done before. (The ladies said they will bring their own "aprons".) The cost of the trip is \$10.65 and all who are interested should contact Bob Paden.

Mr. Green Young, the God Father, told the ladies they should think about the forthcoming trip to Grand Lodge this fall. Any suggestions will be welcomed at the next meeting. Members of Las Palmas Lodge presented Mr. Young with a plaque in recognition of the splendid and un-tiring work he has done for the Widows Club.

Mrs. Sue Collins, who is with Grand Lodge and not the Home in Union City as was previously mentioned in this column, announced that a husband has to be affiliated with the California jurisdiction five years before his widow is eligible for residency in the Home.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, June fifth at the Ramada Inn.

Respectfully submitted,
Pauline Hart

Calendar

JUNE

- 1 Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Third Degree, Ed Ridenauer
- 3 Sat., Research Lodge, 6:30 p.m. Potluck Dinner; 7:30 p.m. Meeting, Master Masons only.
- 6 Tues., 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Advisory Council Meeting.
- 7 Wed. 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Meeting.
- 8 Thurs., 7:30 p.m. Second Degree — Alexander Georgian & Phillip Ford.
- 11 Sun., 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Annual Picnic. Will eat about 4:00 p.m., Members, ladies, and friends invited, Woodward park, Parkview Area. As usual the Scottish Rite Band will be playing beautiful music.
- 15 Thurs. 6:30 p.m. Shish Ka Bob Dinner with our Dates. \$5.00 per person. Reservations served only. Please make your reservations with Mary Perch 486-2923 or Bob Paden 268-2303.

7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting.

- 21 Wed., 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Meeting.
- 22 Thurs. 7:30 p.m. First Degree, Thomas G. Nelson, Ermo W. Thompkins and George D. Burkhart.
- 25 Sun., Las Palmas DeMolay Belgian Waffle Breakfast. Las Palmas Temple 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

JULY

- 4 Tues., 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Advisory Council Meeting, Master Masons Only.
- 5 Wed., 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Meeting.
- 16 Sun., 8:15 a.m. 416th Officers Assoc. Breakfast, Cedar Lanes, Officers Attendance required.
- 19 Wed., 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Meeting.
- 20 Thurs. 6:30 p.m. Dinner with our dates, for reservations phone Mary Perch, 486-2923 or Bob Paden 268-2303.
7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting.

AUGUST

- 1 Tues., 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Advisory Council Meeting, Master Masons only.
- 2 Wed., 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Meeting.
- 16 Wed., 7:30 p.m. Las Palmas DeMolay Meeting.
- 17 Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Annual Chinese Dinner. Reservations served only. Phone Mary Perch 486-2923 or Bob Paden 268-2303.
7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting.
- 22 Tues., 7:30 p.m. Proficiency Pre-Exams in all Three Degrees.
- 24 Thurs., 7:30 p.m. Proficiencies — All Degrees.

NEXT SPECIAL DATE — OUR OVERNIGHT TRIP TO LOS ANGELES ON SEPT. 30 AND RETURN ON OCT. 1.