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LAS PALMAS MASONIC TEMPLE 2992 E. Clinton Ave., Fresno, Calif. 93703 Ph. 268-2303

From the East My Brothers:

Seldom in a Masons life does he experience the pride and joy of raising his son to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. In just this one lifetime, and during this year as Master of Las Palmas, I had the very



distinct privilege of raising both of my sons, Bob and Steve, on the same day. I will have been a Master Mason for 25 years on the 24th of December of this year and this experience has been the "highlight" of those 25 years. To those of you who had a part in the degrees, you have my heartfelt thanks. My particular thanks go to Brother Bill Wilson, Master of Orosi Lodge No. 383 who brought his officers to Las Palmas so that my son, Steve, a member of Orosi Lodge, could be raised by his father in Las Palmas Lodge along with his brother Bob on the same day. Brother Bill brought approximately ten percent of his membership with him. I can't help but think how great it would be if ten percent of the membership of Las Palmas attended any degree night. We have plenty of room my Brothers, why not make Thursday night a special night for attending Lodge. See you there.

Fraternally,

JIM KLEINKNIGHT W.M.

Las Palmas Officer Changes

Robert Wendel, Junior Deacon and Gene Paige, Senior Steward have resigned as officers of Las Palmas due to personal reasons. Jim Kleinknight, Worshipful Master, has advanced John Denton to Junior Deacon and Lee French to Senior Steward and appointed John Hopper to Junior Steward and Joe Yoakum to Marshall. It speaks well of our Las Palmas membership that positions can be filled with capable men in midterm.

From the West

This time congratulations go to Bros. Lowry and Kleinknight for finishing the work in the second Degree.

By the time this goes to print, both of these brothers will have been raised to the degree of Master Mason.



Bros. Haley, Banks and Ream are also in line for congratulations for finishing the work in the First Degree. They will be receiving the Second Degree of Masonry in the very near future.

To our newest Masons we say Welcome to Las Palmas Lodge, we hope that you enjoy Masonry as much as we have in the past.

These new brothers are Brad Smith, Scott Jabcobsen and John Hagan.

Keep a Smile on your Face and a Song in your Heart; this is the greatest place on Earth to Live.

See you in your Lodge and mine — Las Palmas.

Fraternally, Eldon W. Cole, SW

Can You Coach

Brothers of Las Palmas Lodge:

We are a lodge of more than 800 members. This year has been very good to us. We have over 20 candidates working in all the degrees. As we grow in number the need for new coaches grows.

We need master masons with a desire to be of service to their fellow brothers. This is also a good way to get started back in your lodge.

If you feel you can help and would like to be one of our degree coaches, please call John Hopper, chairman of the coaching committee (225-1926), or Bob Paden at the lodge office (268-2303).

Thank you for your help.

John A. Hopper

Calendar

Sept. 1982

23 Thurs. 7:30 p.m.—Second Degree, Tom Haley, Lawrence Banks

30 Thurs. 7:30 p.m.—Second Degree— Glen Ream, Michael Fittro

Oct. 1982

- 7 Thurs. 7:30 p.m.—First Degree, William L. Henry
- 14 Thurs 7:30 p.m.-To be announced
- 21 Thurs. 77:30 p.m.—Dinner with Our Dates; Roast Beef; Reservations Required - call 268-2303 or 486-2923.

7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting

New Appointment

Jim Kleinknight, Worshipful Master, has appointed Joe Yoakum to the station of Marshall of Las Palmas Lodge to be effective in October. Joe was initiated into Frontier Lodge No. 48 in Stillwater, Okla. on January 27, 1950 the same day he graduated from Oklahoma State University. He is a native of Stillwater but moved to Fresno in 1950 when he was employed by the McClatchy Newspaper (Fresno Bee). He is now Personnel Manager of that organization. He was raised to master Mason at Las Palmas on May 7, 1964 as courtesy to Frontier Lodge and has since moved his membership to Las Palmas Lodge. He is married to Norma Lee and they have two daughters, Linda Crane and Sandra Britton, both married. Joe's hobby is old cars and he has a 1930 Model "A", a 1947 Mercury convertible, and a 1965 Buick Riviera. He also does some woodworking and garderning.

It Happens Every Year!

Vacations for school children have ended and they flock back to their classrooms this month.

As school activities resume so, too, we can expect renewed action by segments of our society who are everlastingly trying to weaken or even destroy our system of public education.

This is no idle threat! They've tried many times in the past; they're bound to try again, As sure as the "past is prologue to the future", we can be sure that right now... even as you read this... schemes are being concocted whose purpose is to attack our schools. It happens every year!

These threats usually surface in Sacramento where powerful lobbies push for their passage. This is where you can do much good for our schools by staying alert to such measures. Whenever a legislative bill is brought to your attention that would adversely affect our schools, immediately contact your legislators and express your opposition.

Remember the fight for the preservation of our public schools is a year-round project!

Signed

Robert McDonald

Chairman of Grand Lodge Committee on Public Schools

DeMolay Awards

At the Las palmas Masonic Lodge Stated Meeting on August 19, Eldon Cole, a member of the Advisory Board of Las Palmas DeMolay, presented Bob and Perl Steincepher with DeMolay Medals of Appreciation for a decade of service to deMolay. Roy Eshiem and Bob Paden presened George Posson with a fifty year DeMolay pin on behalf of the International Supreme Council of DeMolay. Posson joined DeMolay on May 19, 1932 and has been active in DeMolay work since joining. Sam Pavlovich presented the T.D. Moyers Scholarship to a very deserving Douglas Boudakian. Scribe of Las Palmas DeMolay. VERNON EARL MADDOX, age 70, a retired railroad engineer, died july 3, 1982, in Springfield, Oregon. The masonic portion of the funeral service was conducted by Liberty Lodge no. 171, assisted by Jess Mortenson of Cresswell Lodge No. 112. Bro. Maddox is survived by his wife, Muriel.

JAMES H. BORT, age 76, passed to the Celestial Lodge Above on August 15, 1982, follwoing a long il-Iness with cancer. He was born June 17, 1906, at Batavia, New York. Jim was raised in Jerusalem Lodge No. 19 at Hartford, Ohio, on Feb. 16, 1956. Several years later he moved to Fresno and affiliated with Las Palmas Lodge on August 18, 1960. He was an auditor for Schenley Industries until his retirement. Jim also was a musician with the Shrine Band at Tehran Temple and conducted the Scottish Rite Band for several years. He was alos a faithful member of the Fresno High Twelve Club. He leaves a widow, Mary Jo.