

Las Palmas Lodge. No. 366 7. & A. M.



November 1983

Happy Thanksgiving



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From the East

Brethren,

The annual communication of Grand Lodge has come and gone, and it appears that we are on the proper course for the next twelve months. The printed reports are available in the secretary's office for your inspection;



and brethren, you are hereby assured that Las Palmas Lodge was well represented again this year, thanks to all of you.

The Las Palmas Widows Club was not forgotten at Grand Lodge. Two of our Officers were present at the meeting on Masonic Widows Club program formation, which was held at seven forty-five a.m.

You can be very proud of your own Widows Club. The information they gave to the Officers of this Jurisdiction sounded as if they were using the format of your Club.

Ladies, your Club may not be perfect yet, but all it needs is your full cooperation.

Brethren and Ladies, by the time this goes to print, the little Goblins will have visited your home for "Trick or Treat"; hope you enjoyed them. After all, they will not appear again for another year.

Our October dinner was cooked on, and in, our new kitchen equipment. We sincerely hope that everyone present enjoyed the meal. The new equipment is "beautiful".

November third will be a special evening with the Golden Realm Assembly #217 Rainbow for Girls. They will exemplify their work for Las Palmas; and brethren, this one you must see for yourself, they are great. You may be assured that our Senior Deacon will have a special interest in this program.

Brethren, we will only have one Degree Nite during the month of November. That will be our annual Past Masters Nite on November tenth. This Degree will be preceded by a Swiss Steak Dinner prepared by Mary and her Trusty crew. Thank you Mary, and pass it on to each of your

willing workers.

The Past Masters will be guests of Las Palmas on this special occasion and so will the Candidate. The usual five dollars will be charged to all others. We know that the food and the work will be outstanding. Make your reservations early for this one.

See you in your Lodge and mine — Las Palmas.

Fraternally, Eldon W. Cole, WM

From the West

Brethren:

It doesn't seem to me that it's been a whole year since we last celebrated Thanksgiving and Christmas, but once again it's November and the Holiday season is upon us. Before we know it, 1983 will be gone, and we'll be



starting on January 7th, at our annual Installation of Officers. For the past several weeks, next year's Corps of Officers has been working in their advanced stations; that is, the stations that they will occupy in the ensuing term. I am pleased to report that all is going well, and that there is no doubt that next year's team will carry on the excellent reputation that Las Palmas has earned for our proficient ritual work.

It is with optimism that I look forward to the prospect of serving my lodge as Master in 1984. With your help, it will be a year of positive growth fueled by the energy that can only be achieved by individuals working together to achieve a common goal. Toward that end, I am in the process of selecting the Committees. Positions are available for those of you who have a great deal of time to devote, as well as those of you that have only limited availability. In short, there is something for everybody. If you would be interested in helping with the government of your Lodge, please contact me at 226-7202 between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Fri-

lay. In the evenings, I am available at 432-0206. Just give me a call and I'll be happy to put you to work. Better yet, come to Lodge on Thursday night and catch me there!!!

Fraternally, Lawrence D. Hopper Senior Warden

From the South

Brethren:

I am happy to report that your representatives to Grand Lodge participated in your best interests and returned safely. Before reporting to you some of my impressions about this, the 134th Annual Communication, I would like



to congratulate the following Brethren for the progress they have made in their degree work. Brothers Markos Garabedyan, Clyde Winfred Broyles and Bill Lynn Henry received their Fellowcraft Degree. It is a pleasure to add that only one week later, Brother Clyde Winfred Broyles passed his examination in the Candidate's Lecture of the Fellowcraft Degree. He was accompanied by Brother Bradley Charles Smith. After Brother Smith completed this examination, he was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. We also had a treat on Stated Meeting night, when Brothers Don Wayne Scott, John Lee Hagan, Bill Marcus Ennis and Dee Taylor Lewis gave their Third Degree Proficiencies. A special thanks should be given by all of the members to these dedicated Brothers and their coaches.

The theme for Grand Lodge was "Hold High The Torch of Freemasonry". Most Worshipful Harry L. Maynard presided admirably, and I can say proudly that he served all of us in an outstanding manner. The results of the voting was reviewed at the October Stated Meeting. If you have questions, you may drop by and review the results.

Our new Grand Master is Most Worshipful E. Arthur Haglund, Acalanes-fellowship Lodge No. 480, Lafayette. He was quick to point out that "Each and every Mason is important, and that each of us is an investor in the growth of Masonry. He regretfully stated that there has been a decline in membership of 10% in the last five years. The decline during the previous five years was 7.5%. The three goals he established are as follows: 1. Increase the knowledge and enthusiasm of our members; 2. Improve the quality and excellence of Lodge operations; and 3. Make each Lodge a respected place in the community. Something which he added was that "Those things that you keep to yourself die with you! Those things that you share live forever."

Let us all renew our enthusiasm and bring a

Brother to Lodge next Thursday.

Fraternally, Larry L. Duba Junior Warden

Calendar

Nov.

3 Thurs. 7:30 pm Golden Realm Assembly

#217 Will Exemplify

10 Thurs. 6:30 pm Dinner Master Masons on-

ly. Past Master's night

17 Thurs. 6:30 pm Dinner with our Dates 7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting

7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting
Dark-HAPPY

THANKSGIVING

Dec.

1 Thurs. 7:30 pm 1st Degree

OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR MASONIC FAMILY MEETING IN LAS PALMAS TEMPLE

Order of The Eastern Star
 La Sierra #555 — 1st and 3rd Friday
 Fresno #295 — 2nd and 4th Monday
 Raisina #89 — 1st and 3rd Monday

· White Shrine - 4th Friday

Daughters of the Nile #92 — 2nd Wednesday

· Youth Groups

Las Palmas DeMolay — 1st and 3rd Wed. Jobs Daughters #243 — 1st and 3rd Tues. Jobs Daughters #49 — 2nd and 4th Tues. Jobs Daughters #197 — 2nd and 4th Sat.

· Amaranth Court #27 - 2nd Sat.

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

The 416th and 418th Districts, which usually publishes the Lodge Roster, has voted to not issue a booklet for 1984. The officer association thinks that by this time next year there will be enough changes to make it worthwhile. If your address or phone number has changed since last year, please let us know.

While we are on the subject of addresses, we might as well urge our members to be sure to remember to let us know when they move. All address changes should be sent to the lodge office. We will correct our records and notify Grand Lodge and the California Freemason. If you think you are saving time by notifying the Freemason directly, you are not. Your note comes back to us for a change through channels and they get the change several months later.

About twenty members who have changed addresses without telling the lodge are behind in their dues because we are unable to mail a reminder. If you are one of them and have a chance to read this you now know what to do.

A number of petitions are in the hands of members or prospects. They should be completed and turned in as soon as possible. We have just about caught up with our degree work and need something to start next year. Our new Master is gung-ho and anxious to go.

We have been lucky the past couple of months. No members have died. We hope this trend stays with us. We never like to hear about a new widow. We have lost a good friend of the lodge, however, Harold G. Stith, a member of Sun Garden Lodge who was a big help to Brownie for a few years, passed away last week. We will miss him greatly. Now there is no one to heckle several times a month when he visited us for coffee.

Seven members received 25 year pins at our last stated meeting. They were Duane Barker, Rollin Hitchcock, Leonard P. LeBlanc, Fred MacDonald, Victor P. Muzny, Harry Pretty and John C. Schaeffer. They were raised during the year when Marshall B. Barker was Master. Bob Reynolds, senior warden in 1958, did a very good job making the presentations.

The Past Becomes the Present

The Worshipful Master has already discussed the coming event of Past Masters night. But here it is again. This is an occassion we have always looked foreward to with great anticipation. We kid about it a lot, but they are good, and they are sincere and dedicated men.

Our Master will open and close Lodge but they will do the rest. It will of course be a third degree, one that the candidate will not soon forget.

The meeting will be preceded by another one of the fine dinners that Mary Perch prepares. The Past Masters will be the guests of the lodge. Brethren be sure that you make reservations for this affair. It has always been a popular event and this time should be no exception. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m., swiss steak as only Mary can prepare it.

SEE YOU THERE FOR A ONCE A YEAR EVENT