

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



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

From the East

Brethren,

This is my first opportunity to address you as Master of our Lodge. I stress the word our because I don't view Las Palmas as just my Lodge. Over the next twelve months, I will be calling on you time and



time again for your thoughts and input. An organization such as ours cannot be run by one person alone. It takes teamwork, and I want each and every one of you to feel like you're part of the team. We at Las Palmas are a family of friends and Brothers who work together to accomplish a common goal: to have the finest Lodge possible.

The first order of business is to welcome aboard a new trestleboard Editor, Brother Don Scott. Bro. Don, you have big shoes to fill, but I know you can do the job. To our retiring Editor, Bro. Bill Wharton, we wish you all the best as you accept the new challenge of editing the Scottish Rite Bulletin. Thank you for your many years of service.

We also welcome aboard Brother Chuck Alstrom who has accepted the position of Marshal for 1984. Congratulations Bro. Chuck, and we look forward to working with you. In addition to our new "rookie", the old Corps of Officers have moved to their new chairs. All are highly motivated, highly proficient and highly capable of doing the excellent work for which Las Palmas has come to be known. Come out and see them one of these Thursday nights, you'll be glad you did.

Fraternally, LAWRENCE D. HOPPER W.M.

From the West

Brethren.

Thank you Brethren for your continued confidence and support during the past Masonic Year. The year of 1983 was a truely outstanding Masonic Year under the Leadership of Brother



Eldon W. Cole, P.M. The momentum which was building in the area of new membership is still increasing. We, your Officers, enjoy the opportunities to put our ritual in practice and confer the three principle Degrees of Masonry.

During the past year, we have been fortunate to have Brother Pete Rebensdorf as our Master Chef and in charge of refreshments for all our Degrees. He performed this function in outstanding manner. It is a pleasure to be able to assign a devoted volunteer to duty, and then observe him show initiative and carry out the job in a prefessional style. Thank you Brother for your dedication and sacrifice.

We just enjoyed the Christmas Season. Let us not forget that Charity is one of our most important teachings. It is more Blessed to give than to receive. We should not become overconcerned about material things. My wife Alice and I wish you and your families a joyous and prosperous New Year! Please allow me to share an inspirational passage of scripture with you:

Lord, make me to know the measure of my days on earth, to consider my frailty that I must perish.

Surely, all my days here are as an handbreadth to thee, and my lifetime is as naught to Thee. Verily, mankind walketh in a vail show, and their best state is vanity.

Man passeth away like a shadow, he is disquieted in vain, he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them. Now, Lord, O, what do I wait for? My hope is in Thee.

But the righteous souls are in the hand of God, nor pain, nor grief shall nigh them come. (Psalm 39,5)

> Fraternally, LARRY L. DUBA Senior Warden

From the South

Brethren,

Faternal Greetings from the South.

It will be my distinct pleasure and honor to serve you and the Lodge as Junior Warden For 1984. The holidays are now over and our Labors begin



a new. Hopefully you will bring in petitions and make me work very hard on first degrees. Special recognition must go to the fine coaches we have in our Lodge, they truly have patience. This lodge is filled each Thursday nite with an abundance of Brotherly Love and affection and it is here free of charge. I hope to meet each and everyone one of you soon.

I am pleased to have the opportunity to congratulate our Brothers who have recently experienced the following ritual work: Brother Grant Walker examined Brother Henry Kole as to his proficiency in the Lecture of the Entered Apprentice Degree. Brother John Hagen examined Brother Kenneth Hanson and Ellery Kirkbride as to their proficiency in the Lecture of the Fellowcraft Degree. The same evening Brother Hanson was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason.

Again, I Thank You. Y'All Come

> Fraternally, Jonh Denton Junior Warden

From the Secretary

We feel it may be necessary to pass out a little information to our members concerning applications for degrees and for affiliation. Some have been coming into the office incomplete.



The candidate's name must be in full. Middle initials will not do the job. The application form on line 1 specifically says IN FULL. The Masonic Code states that an application will not be accepted unless it is filled out completely.

Our next problem is the address of the candidate. He must include his zip code in his address or it is not complete. We recently had a form which had no zip code and it was too new to be in the Fresno Zip Code Directory.

Line 7 is for the applicant's occupation. Occasionally we get the place where he works but not what he does there. The name of the firm does not always tell us what he does.

The application must be signed by two members of Las Palmas Lodge and in their own handwriting. Master Masons of other lodges cannot sign for applicants for degrees in our lodge. The references may be filled in by the candidate and can be almost anyone we can contact. This does not include friends who live out of town. All recommendors and references must have zip codes in their addresses or the form will not be considered complete.

Applications should be in the lodge office at least a day or so before our stated meeting in order to allow time for checking. If we get them the day of the meeting and find something wrong or omitted, there will not be time enough to get it right before the meeting, and will have to lay over for another month before being presented to the lodge. Sometimes the candidate does not understand why it takes so long for the lodge to act.

If you see a man who will make a good member you may approach him with the question of "Have you ever thought about joining a masonic lodge?" In this way you are not asking him to join, but just giving him an opening to ask for a petition for membership. You may even tell him that he can't be asked to join but he must ask to join. Keep those applications coming.

Bob Paden, Secretary

Calendar

5 Thur. 7:30 pm Installation Practice;

Officers wear Tux for

Pictures.

7 Sat. 8:00 pm 80th Installation of

Officers

12 Thur. 6:30 pm First Degree

19 Thur. 6:30 pm Dinner with Our Dates

Reservations required: Contact Bob Paden or

Mary Perch.

7:30 pm St

Stated Meeting

26 Thur. 7:30 pm 3rd Degree, Ellery Kirkbride

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.