

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



# Merry Christmas

December 1988



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### From the East:

Greetings from the East.

Wishing all of you a Happy Holiday Season for 1988 and a challenging and fulfilling New Year.

Now that my year as Master is drawing to a close I would like to reflect on the year past. In thinking back



on the many changes that have occurred in the Lodge during this past year I feel confident that these changes have been of a positive nature.

We have seen many changes in the past year, the most visible being the facelift of the Lodge Buildings and the new surface of the Parking Lot. These were made possible by your support and the hard work of the Temple Board.

I would like to give a special thanks to Jim Hall P.M. as President of the Temple Board and Head Officers' Coach for all his hard work in these two areas plus his personal help and support to me. Brother Ray Esheim has always been willing to be of any help wherever there is a need. Head Candidate Coach Larry Bennett has spent many hours encouraging and instructing the candidates and coaches. There are numerous other Brothers that I would like to mention but time and space are limited, but I do appreciate all who have helped me during this year, and I hope to thank each of you personally. It would be remiss of me to not mention the support of my wife this past year, without someone keeping "The Home Fires Burning" I would not have been able to serve as vour Master.

I am sure that under Brother Lee French's leadership and fine corps of Officers that the Lodge will be in good hands during this next year.

Remember Brothers, please try to attend at least one more meeting this year than you did last year.

Fraternally Charles E. Alstrom Worshipful Master You are cordially invited to attend the

85th Annual Installation of Officers

of Las Palmas Lodge, #366

Free and Accepted Masons

on Saturday, January 7, 1989 — 7:30 p.m.

Las Palmas Masonic Temple

2992 East Clinton Avenue

Fresno, California

Refreshments following

## From the West:

Greetings from the West Brethren

May everyone have that Yuletide tingle.

Enjoy the merriment and jingle.



Ring in the New Year and with good friends mingle.

Round the Christmas tree with old Kris Kringle.

Yule tide happiness to married or single.

Christmas greetings to one and all.

Happiness reigns, just have a ball.

Reach out and share, give friends a call.

Invite someone in to share the hall.

Send cards and packages or maybe a doll.

To friends and relatives short and tall.

May Peace, Properity, Health and Happiness on you fall.

And let the Christmas Spirit pall.
(Some said this poem was off the wall and to write it needed a lot of gall!)

From the West. Lee I. French Sr. Warden

# From the South:

Fraternal Greetings from the South

Brethren

Well 'tis the season to be jolly. At Las Palmas it is. We can be jolly about all the Degree work that your Lodge has done this past year. We can also be jolly about all the



degree work that is left for and after the first of the year. The Lodge Schedule as I have it at this moment is for December 1st a Second Degree; then December 8th two more second Degrees. Then the stated meeting on December 15; then the following week, December 22 Dark for Christmas. At this point I am thinking that there was some talk about a degree in the week between Christmas and New Year's but I am not sure the best way to find out is to attend Lodge and it will be announced at the end of the meeting. The most important thing is to attend Lodge and if you haven't this year the month of December is a good time to do so. Don't you think?

This year at Las Palmas I have really enjoyed serving your Lodge as Jr. Warden and I was most pleased to do some fifteen first degrees and now we are having many of the New Brothers returning for the Second Degrees. There is much knowledge contained in the first degree and in the second degree and in the third degree. I have always enjoyed listening to each one of them and am continually amassed at what I haven't heard before. Masonry for me is a continually learning process and I think that upon becoming a Master Mason I have become a better person.

Congratulations are in order here to Brother Jon Kinsey for receiving The Hiram Award at The November Stated Meeting. Jon My Worthy Brother your long hours and your love of our great fraternity really show. Our fine Lodge is the better because you cared and took the ball and got the job done. Our Hats are all off to you. Well Done!

Well I guess I had better save some for January so I will close for now, wishing each

one of you and your families the best ever Holiday Season. I am,

Fraternally, Bill M. Ennis, Sr. Jr. Warden

### Calendar

#### December

- 1 7:30 p.m. Second Degree
- 5 Widows Club Luncheon at the Garden Tea Room
- 8 Second Degree 7:30 p.m.
- 13 Las Palmas Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- 15 Stated Meeting Dinner and Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Roast Pork

Santa Claus will be present in the Dining Room

Bible presentation in the Lodge Room by Jim Kleinknight and Wally Scott.

Necrology

Stated Meeting Annual Election of Officers

- 22 DARK
- 29 DEGREE

#### January

- 5 Officers Installation Practice and Pictures, (Tux)
- 7 (Saturday) Installation of Officers

### Secretary's Corner

Your secretary would like to take this opportunity to wish each member, and the widows of members of Las Palmas Lodge, a very "Merry Christmas" and a "Bright & Happy New Year."

This is the time for each one of us in our great fraternal family to give much thought and consideration to those who are less fortunate than we may be.

It's very easy my Brothers and Sisters. A check to the Masonic Homes Endowment Fund will do a great deal of good. Remember, these homes are supported by you and I, no Government money is sought for. It's up to us, as Masons, to fulfill our obligations. Just send your check to the Lodge Office, it will be forwarded to the proper source.

Our elderly Brothers and Widows in our home in Union City are very grateful that they have their beautiful home. It does, however, require the help of each and every one of us that they, and our children in the home in Covina, may continue to live in a good Masonic atmosphere.

Let the true "Spirit Of Christmas" govern the size of your contribution. Also, it is "Tax Deductible."

> Fraternally, J.F. Kleinknight, P.M. Secretary

### Las Palmas Dates

After Santa visits in the Dining Room we will meet in the Card Room to reflect on the Bible Story of Christmas...All women and children are invited...