

At the September, 1967 stated meeting, the Lodge officially received a large Masonic Tapestry which had been made by PM Speed B. Leas for his father in 1904. This gift was from the widow of Brother Leas.

Brother Speed B. Leas was our Master in 1912 and afterwards served as Lodge Treasurer for 32 years. He was the father of Hambleton Leas who was the first Master to serve in our present temple in 1961.

In August of this year, we were contacted by Brother Hambleton Leas's grandson who attended one of our dinners.

At this time in our Lodge's history, we had a visitation committee that kept up on our Brothers who were sick and/or in the hospital. Reports were usually given at the end of each Lodge meeting.

On November 7, 1968 Las Palmas had its formal Past Master's night. As usual a free dinner was served to all in attendance. After the degree, but before Lodge closed, the Master from 25 years earlier presented 25 year pins. On this evening, PM Ira Farley, Master in 1943, presented pins to 15 twenty-five year members. (30 brothers were raised in Las Palmas Lodge in 1943).

1968 was the official startup year for the Trestleboard. There had been similar Lodge newsletters in the past, but nothing on a monthly basis. WM Len Gottner had asked Brother Harry Buckalew (Master in 1947) to be the editor. Worshipful Gottner named this monthly newsletter the Las Palmian.