



# The Las Palmian

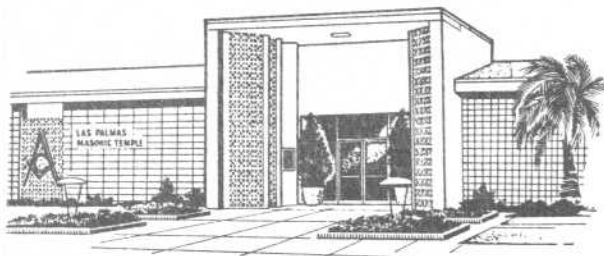
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Las Palmas Lodge, No. 366  
F. & A. M.



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## From the East



Hi Brethren:

Well, summer is almost over and vacations were too short or they seem to be.

I had a nice visit with Bro. Joe Ogden and his lovely wife, Caroyl, in July. They now live in Flagstaff, Arizona and were in Fresno on vacation.

Back to degree work now — so mark your calendar for a Thursday and come out and enjoy the work.

Congratulations to Brother Ralph Boucher on receiving his 50-year Golden Veterans Award.

You received some Masonic light in your degrees. You can receive more Masonic light if you will put yourself in this position. Just suppose you had to run as a Candidate for Membership in our lodge. Just as any Candidate runs for a political office. Suppose the Membership was good only for one year and that re-election to the rights and benefits of Masonry depended upon the good you had done in the Lodge during the year. Would you be reinstated or not?

Suppose you were called on to explain just why your lodge should keep your name on the roll. Have you a record of helpful service to offer in your defense?

Suppose every member in our Lodge did as much for Masonry as you are presently doing. Would more seats be needed or would the Lodge be "dark" half of the time. Think this over Brethren. Come on out and support your Lodge and have 50% of the members present instead of less than 2%.

Fraternally,

PAUL FORD, Master

## From the South



I hope that all of you enjoyed the summer vacation. The kitchen crew informs me that they are anxiously waiting for the next degree night so they can show off their skills.

All lodges serve refreshments at the conclusion of degrees, but Las Palmas is the *only* Lodge in this area to serve cookies and coffee during the break. We do this for a very important reason. Fellowship is one of the major reasons for attending Lodge, and the fellowship is greatly improved when you can talk to one another at the break with a cup of coffee in one hand and a cookie in the other (if you talk with your hands, you've got a problem).

Don't you want to partake of the *fellowship*? Join us at Lodge this fall and also see the officers at advanced stations.

Fraternally

RICHARD FREY, J.W.

### IN MEMORIAM

|                         | <i>Raised</i> | <i>Died</i> |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Henry Leonard Sudderman | 12- 8-21      | 7-14-78     |
| Max Duane Randall       | 7-23-50       | 7-23-78     |
| Wayne Homer Watson      | 2- 7-29       | 7-30-78     |

## Out of Action — Temporarily

Of interest to all is the latest report concerning the health of P.M. John Reynolds. John is showing some improvement, thank the Lord. He's had a long hard pull and still has a way to go. We miss him in Lodge and are looking forward to the time we can put him to work. He is a good man, a big cut above the average. The kind you like to have around.

## From the Secretary



We have been happy to receive several large gifts of clothing from widows of members who have passed away. These are kept in the lodge office until one of our members going to Union City delivers them to the Masonic Home there. Our guests up there thoroughly enjoy these

clothes and appreciate the thoughtfulness of the ladies who donate them to the home.

The donors will receive a letter from the Administrator, which they should keep and attach a list of items sent, together with an estimated value of the gift. When it comes time to file an income tax form, these items are deductible as gifts to charity and both the giver and recipients benefit.

We have heard reports from members that after they finish their degree work the lodge has nothing to offer. It is hard to agree with these statements. Those who are sincere about masonic work and wish to further their masonic education can find many things to do. Here are a few important items to think about.

About 2% of our membership attend meetings. We do not understand why, but have reasons to believe other things interfere with a habit that has not been fully developed. After attending several meetings in a single month, it's something which we automatically do every month. Those who do not participate in the degree work just sit and relax and enjoy watching others work. Some of us like to remind the degree teams where they made mistakes. In time we miss the regular Thursday night meeting.

There are a number of committees which need active participation—Sick Visitation, Delinquent Members, Candidate Coaching, Applicant Screening, and many others which can use your help. It would be nice if more members would attend the Las Palmas DeMolay Chapter meeting. They meet the first and third Wednesdays of every month and need the support we can give them when a large number of members show interest in them by simply attending their meetings.

When we hear the lodge has nothing to offer its members we have trouble believing

that statement. If a member is sincerely trying to further his masonic education and practice our masonic teachings, there is more than sufficient ways to participate.

Bob Paden, Secretary

## Calendar

September

7 Thurs., 7:30 p.m. Third Degree.

14 Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Second Degree.

17 Sun., 8:15 a.m. Grand Masters Breakfast.  
All Master Masons.

21 Thurs. 6:30 p.m. Dinner with our Dates.  
Reservations a must. Phone Mary Perch 486-2923 or Bob Paden 268-2303.

7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting.  
Bible Presentations.

24 Sun. 8:15 a.m. 416th Officers Assoc.  
Breakfast, Cedar Lanes. Officers  
Attendance required.

27 Wed., 7:30 p.m. Candidate Coaches School  
of Instruction, Las Palmas.

28 Thurs., 7:30 p.m. First Degree.

30 Sat., 7:00 a.m. Trip to Los Angeles —  
Overnight — 3rd Degree. L.A. Historical Temple, Lunch at Covina, visit to Universal Studios, back Sunday at 6:30 p.m.

## This Is The Big One — L.A. and/or Bust!

It's time again for fun and fellowship!

Our annual safari to Los Angeles for a third degree at the old Los Angeles Historical Masonic Temple, a luncheon visit with the wonderful kids at Covina, and a visit to the Universal Studios to see the stars at work.

Each time we have taken this trip it has been a success. This one promises to be as good if not better.

We leave Las Palmas at 7:00 a.m. Sept. 30, have lunch at Covina (this is very interesting and good food). Then Lodge for the Master Masons and a visit and shopping for our ladies and guests at the famous Olvera Street; the oldest street in the city, the Mexican Spanish way. At 10:00 a.m. Sunday a tour of Universal Studios; a tram and walking tour 3½ hours. See how movies are made, live entertainment, demonstrations of special effects, the complete works. If you have never been there, this is a must. Leave the studios at 2:30 p.m. and arrive in Fresno at about 6:30 p.m.

Cost per person 39.79. Includes transportation, lodging, Universal tour, lunch at Covina (you might want to leave a little something here for the kids).

Rumor has it, that some of our rooms at the hotel will be very cordial. See you there!

## THE LAS PALMAS WIDOWS CLUB

The ladies have been meeting regularly for their business meetings at breakfasts and luncheons. Perhaps the men should take notice, their attendance is better than ours.

While our dear Mattie is recuperating Doris Lewis is acting as President "Pro Tem". Our spies tell us she's doing a swell job. We all hope Mattie gets back in the saddle soon, we all miss her.

Pauline Hart sends us reports regularly, we appreciate it. She reaffirms what we knew from the beginning. These ladies are terrific. They are planning to attend Grand Lodge again this year and no doubt we will see them on our annual trip to Los Angeles. Keep it up "Gals," show the men how it's done.

*(A last minute addition just received by the editor):*

Mattie Ivy has returned in all her glory and presided at the last meeting, breakfast at the Ramada Inn, Aug. 7. Welcome back, Mattie.

### Officers

Las Palmas Lodge No. 366

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| Paul Wyatt Ford . . . . .        | Worshipful Master |
| Bobby Carl Bingham . . . . .     | Senior Warden     |
| Richard Wesley Frey . . . . .    | Junior Warden     |
| William E. Wharton . . . . .     | Treasurer         |
| Robert Eugene Paden . . . . .    | Secretary         |
| Wallace Raymond Scott . . . . .  | Chaplain          |
| Gary Allen Starr . . . . .       | Senior Deacon     |
| James F. Kleinknight . . . . .   | Junior Deacon     |
| Larry L. Duba . . . . .          | Marshal           |
| Eldon William Cole . . . . .     | Senior Steward    |
| Lawrence Donald Hopper . . . . . | Junior Steward    |
| Frank Walter Wright . . . . .    | Tiler             |
| Paul Chandler Shelly . . . . .   | Organist          |