



# The Las Palmian

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of

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



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LAS PALMAS MASONIC TEMPLE  
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## From the East

My Brothers:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my very sincere thanks to the Brothers who are the regular and "Faithful Attenders" at each of our meetings. Your support and presence makes it all worthwhile and our work so much easier. Let's each make an effort to bring someone to lodge with us this month. I'm sure there are many good masons out there that just need that extra friendly word of encouragement to attend their lodge. Try it, you just might be surprised.



Our Grand Master has designated April as Public Schools Observance month this year, so why not visit your public school right away. Get to know the fine people who have taught your children or are teaching them at the present time. Our Chaplain, Bro. "Wally" Scott has a fine program lined up for us in April at our stated meeting, so come on down to dinner at the lodge on the 15th of April and see what he has to offer. Those of you who know "Wally" as I do, know it will be very enjoyable evening and certainly worth your while. See you in lodge.

JIM KLEINKNIGHT  
W.M.

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### Third Degree?

Are you a Master Mason? Are you interested in being an active participant in the impressive ritualistic work of the Third Degree? Larry Duba, our Senior Deacon, invites you to attend a Third Degree practice on March 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the Las Palmas Temple. Taking part in this work will give a new dimension to your masonic affiliation.

## From the West

The view from the West in our last Las Palmian was very dark; however, with your prayers it is once again light.

At this time I would like to say thank you all for the flowers, the get well cards and well wishes on my behalf, while I was down. Thanks too for those who came to visit, even though some of you did not get in. (It's very lonely in Expensive Care.)

Congratulations to Brothers Tyler and Zwetzig on passing their Third Degree Proficiencies.

Also to Brothers Pool and Bennett on being passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft and passing the Proficiency Examination in that Degree. To Brother Tantow for passing the Examination of the Entered Apprentice Degree and being Passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft.

May I say welcome to Las Palmas to Brothers Walker and Lowrey; our newest Entered Apprentice Masons. Keep up the good work Brethren.

See you in your Lodge and mine—Las Palmas.

Fraternally,  
Eldon W. Cole, SW



## From the South

We're well on our way into 1982, and with spring and summer just around the corner, it's not too early to be thinking about our annual Las Palmas Family Picnic. This year the date is May 23, and the location is the same as last year.

The Park View shelter at Woodward Park. The time will be 1 - 6 p.m. and arrangements



are currently under way to have a menu similar to last year. So mark your calendars so you won't want to miss this annual event!

Several petitions have been received, and several new members are soon to join our ranks. Come to lodge and watch your officers work. We'd love to see you in Lodge this year.

Fraternally yours,

LAWRENCE D. HOPPER  
Junior Warden

### 1982 Officers Installed

Las Palmas Lodge, Number 366 officers for 1982 were installed January 16 by Sam Pavlovich, P.M. Jane Higgins, soloist accompanied by Linda Bauer presented musical selections during the ceremony.

Everything was properly ritualistic until the "Retiring of the Officers", then much to the Master's surprise, all the officers doffed Snap-On caps as they marched out. Eldon Cole, being ill on the 16th was installed on January 21.

The Officers for 1982 are as follows:  
Worshipful Master Jim F. Kleinknight  
Senior Warden . . . . . Eldon W. Cole  
Junior Warden . Lawrence D. Hopper  
Treasurer . . . George B. Posson, P.M.  
Secretary . . . . . Robert E. Paden  
Chaplain . . . . . Wallace R. Scott  
Senior Deacon . . . . . Larry L. Duba  
Junior Deacon . . . . Robert D. Wendel  
Marshal . . . . . Lee I. French  
Senior Steward . . . . . Gene R. Page  
Junior Steward . . . . John L. Denton  
Organist . . . . . Paul C. Shelley  
Tiler . . . . . Walter F. Wright

### Calendar

#### Mar. 1982

4 Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - First Degree

11 Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Third Degree *LARRY*

18 Thurs. 6:30 p.m. - Dinner with Our  
Dates. Reservations.

7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting.

25 Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Program by  
Golden Realm Rainbow Girls

### French Appointed Marshal

Dr. Lee I. French, M.D. and F.P., was appointed by Worshipful Master, Jim Kleinknight, to fill the position of Marshal for 1982 in Las Palmas Lodge.

Lee joined Las Palmas in 1979. He is a member of the York Rite and Scottish Rite Bodies of Fresno and Tehran Temple Shrine. He plays clarinet in the Scottish Rite Fun Band and the Tehran Temple Shrine Band. He hails from Vermillion South Dakota and moved to Fresno in 1967. His hobbies include playing the clarinet and piano and dabbling in oil painting.

Jo Ann, his wife, is a R.N. and works as Night Supervisor at the Veterans Hospital. Four children complete his family, Mark age 20, Elizabeth 18, Adrienne 17, and Laura 10. He commented that he was looking forward with the greatest pleasure for service to the lodge. So are we Lee.

### Gilma Vick Moyers Feted

Gilma is the honoree at a reception, sponsored by La Sierra O.E.S., being held February 27, at 8:00 p.m. at the Fresno Convention Center. She is Worthy Grand Ruth of the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, a Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of California O.E.S. and a

Past Worthy Matron of La Sierra O.E.S. number 555.

Her present position is especially noteworthy as only three other O.E.S. members have ever been appointed from California to the General Grand Chapter.

Her late husband, T.D. Moyers, is a Past Master of Las Palmas Lodge, and was very instrumental in the building of the present Las Palmas Temple.

### **Dinner With Our Dates**

Mary Perch and crew always put on a great dinner on the third Thursday each month for the Las Palmas Dates night. 150 to 175 people can testify this \$5.00 dinner is a real bargain. The menu for March 18 is Roast Beef and the menu for April 15 is Easter ham. Fellows bring your Dates and stay for the Stated Meeting. Reservations are required. Call Bob Paden 268-2303 or Mary Perch 486-2923.

### **Las Palmas Members Receive Honors**

Sam Marko Pavlovich, past master (1967), was coroneted a 33-deg. honorary member. He is now secretary of the four Fresno bodies and a member of the board of trustees of the California Masonic Memorial Temple in San Francisco. He was Inspector of the 416th Masonic District from 1967 to 1979 and served as Assistant Grand Treasurer during the 1979-80 term. Sam recently retired from his position with Caltrans, where he was a civil engineer. Besides his lodge, Sam is also a member of the Central California Research Lodge, Fresno York Rite bodies, La Sierra Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star and Tehran Shrine Temple. He has been a member of the advisory board of Las Palmas Chapter Order of DeMolay for many years.

Leon Samuel Peters, a native of Fresno County, has spent a lifetime participating in

civic projects. He is president of the Valley Foundry and Machine Works, which does business all over the world. He is past president of the Fresno Chamber of Commerce, a director of the Fresno YMCA, a past president of the Fresno Community Hospital (11 years), and is now a member of its board of trustees. Leon is involved with many boards and committees of the California State University in Fresno and has contributed many dollars to benefit this institution. Brother Peters has been a member of Las Palmas Lodge since 1960.

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MAER HESCHIA, age 59, passed to his Heavenly Reward November 2, 1981, after a long illness. He had a spleen operation several years ago, and had been troubled with it since. Maer was born in Bucharest, Hungary, on February 16, 1922, and moved to Los Angeles shortly before World War II, where he entered the jewelry manufacturing business. He became a master mason in Elysian Lodge No. 418 in that city on May 15, 1975. Shortly after that he moved to Fresno where he continued his trade in downtown Fresno. He is survived by his wife, Maria.

FRANCIS RAYMOND KENDALL, age 74, passed away May 26, in Redding, California. No information as to what his illness was. Brother Kendall applied to Las Palmas Lodge for degrees in 1941 and was transferred by the Army to Vancouver, Wash., before he could receive his degrees. The first degree was conferred by Mt. Hood Lodge No. 32 in Vancouver. After receiving his basic training in Vancouver he was transferred back to Hammer Field in Fresno and Las Palmas completed the work. Before entering the Army Bro. Kendall was an examiner for the Motor Vehicle Department in Los Angeles and Merced. He moved to Fresno in 1940. He was made a master mason November 3, 1943.

RALPH CRUM JAMES, age 77, passed away Sunday, November 22, 1981, following a very severe heart attack. He had been bothered with numerous heart attacks during the past several years. Following each one he would be back among his lodge brethren working as hard as ever in his lodge, the Scottish Rite and Tehran Novkeps. Ralph was born at Kittanning, Pa. on February 4, 1904. After moving to California he resided in Taft, where he was raised to master mason in Midway Lodge No. 426 on November 21, 1934. In 1939 Ralph moved to Fresno where he was employed by PG&E as a sub-station operator until he retired. He affiliated with Las Palmas Lodge on December 21, 1939 and was active in coaching candidates. He very seldom missed a meeting of the Lodge. Ralph was one of the tilers for the Fresno Scottish Rite bodies for many years. When Tehran Temple was instituted by the Shrine in Fresno, he was one of the charter members and also a member and past president of the Tehran Novkeps and became an expert at deep pit barbecuing for that unit. Masonic services were conducted by Las Palmas Lodge with Sam M. Pavlovich, P.M. and George Posson, P.M. as chaplain.