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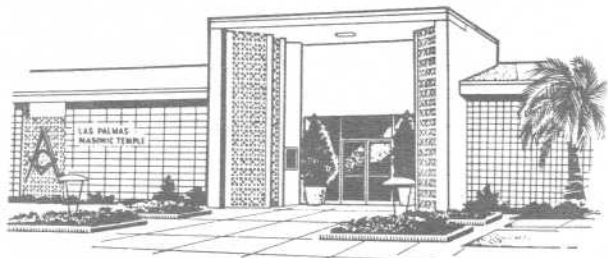
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*Las Palmas Lodge, No. 366
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From the East:

Brethren,
Greetings from the East.

I hope you have had a relaxing summer and now are ready for a change of season and the quickening activities of fall.

Lodge Programs are ready to resume again. Our Stated Meeting Dinner for August 18 will be the traditional Chinese Dinner that we have enjoyed for some years now. On August 25, we have planned an all-degree proficiency and practice night to get your officers ready for their advanced stations in September. We have been fortunate to have several petitions submitted to our lodge for membership, so this fall should be active in degree work.

As you know, at our June Meeting we voted to spend \$16,000 to refurbish our temple. If you have not been by recently, please come to see the improvements; the newly painted trim, entry area, banquet room, card room, foyer, and offices. A new curtain for the stage has been installed, plus the floors have all been waxed and polished. All this has been done, plus there are several other projects that will soon be completed, all due to the hard work of the Las Palmas Temple Association, John Perch, Larry Hopper, Vic Munzy, John Kinsey, and headed by President Jim Hall. Thank you from all the Brethren.

A special thanks to the Brethren who have assisted in investigating the applicants for degrees and affiliation with our lodge. This requires quite a bit of time but is a vital part of the work of the Lodge.

There are several other important dates coming up this fall which we need to keep in mind. On Saturday, September 17 our lodge will be co-hosting with the Tehran Temple Shrine The Second Annual All



Masonic Congress. Lodges from the entire valley are invited to participate. It will begin at nine in the morning and will be over around four. If you wish to be involved please let our secretary know, as lunch will be provided. On the following day, Sunday, September 18 Las Palmas Lodge along with Clovis and Ponderosa Lodges will be hosting The Annual Grand Master's Breakfast. Please make plans to attend one or both of the events, any of your officers can assist you with tickets.

Remember to plan to attend at least one or more meeting this year than you did last year.

Fraternally
Charles Alstrom
Master

From the West

Fraternal greetings from the West!

The summer heat of August permeates the air as the last mad dash to finish all of those vacation plans and that last little project that has been postponed for too long now that vacation is almost over.

How quickly the time has gone.

Oh well the end of vacation means the renewal and changes involved in the return to the regular order of things. Las Palmas will be busy with fall activities.

Right before September will be Proficiency night and officers rehearsal before starting off with a 3rd degree in September five new petitions have been received.

The lodge has been busy restoring, remodeling, replacing, and revamping.

My goodness you should see all the work that the brothers have done. The hours in-



volved are impossible to calculate.

Come join us to ooh and aaah!

And also perchance to see and celebrate with the brethren a few degrees and see if the summer's efforts are reflected in the officers who are now completing plans to move on to advanced station.

See you in the lodge from the West.

Lee I. French
Senior Warden

From the South

Fraternal greetings from the South!!

Well, as I sit here putting this article into my computer, I am thinking that the summer is almost gone and in a few short weeks we at Las Palmas Lodge will be back to work again. This year should prove to be no exception, as I understand we have six (count em) applications for degrees pending. Wow!!! We are really the envy of all other Lodges in our area. So much work, however, not too much work but just enough I am thinking. Let each one of us do our best to replace ourselves in our great fraternity. This way we may insure that in the next few years and beyond that it will continue to grow. We have so very much to offer and I for one believe that becoming a Master Mason I have become a better person. What finer gift could we give to a friend or relative? All of us are aware that we must not ask a man to become a Mason but that by our own example is the way to attract new members.

As I understand the schedule for the month of September on the first Thursday, we will have a first degree and then, on the second Thursday, we will have a second



degree. So we are again off to a great start! Congratulations are in order here to Brother Frederick Allen Richburg, II, who gave a very fine proficiency in the Master Mason Degree at the July Stated Meeting. Brother Richburg is now off to Medical School following in the footsteps of his father, Brother Frederick A. Richburg, who was a very proud father in July and is also a member of Las Palmas Lodge.

The first Thursday night of September is also advancement night for your officers who have all been putting in long hours this summer learning their work and continuing the excellence of Ritual that makes Las Palmas Lodge well known. I am so very proud to be a member of such a great line of Officers and extremely proud to be a member of Las Palmas Lodge.

Fraternally
Bill M. Ennis, Sr.
Junior Warden

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August

- 18 Stated Meeting — Chinese Dinner (Discussion of Grand Lodge Resolutions)
- 25 Proficiencies and Practice

September

- 1 First Degree
- 8 First Degree
- 15 Stated Meeting; Dinner with Our Dates — Barbecued Steak Dinner, call for reservations
- 22 First Degree
- 29 First Degree

October

- 22 Please note change of date for October's Stated Meeting

The Secretary's Corner:

Las Palmas Lodge No. 366 has received a Dispensation from the Grand Master, Leo B. Mark, to change our October 1988 Stated Meeting from October 20th to October 27th.

This is the official notice, required by the dispensation, to all members of Las Palmas Lodge No. 366.

The change to the October 27th date has a twofold purpose. First, it will give the officers returning from the Grand Lodge Communication in San Francisco an additional week to prepare their report to the brethren at the Stated Meeting. Second, it will free the Lodge building for use by the Order of the Eastern Star. That week is the week that the O.E.S. is having their Grand Chapter Communication here at Fresno. They have indicated that they would very much like to rent our facilities for various meetings and dinners that are in conjunction with their Grand Chapter Meeting.

On September 17th Las Palmas Lodge No. 366 F&AM, with Tehran Shrine Temple, AANOMS, will host an ALL MASONIC CONFERENCE here at Las Palmas Temple. The conference will begin at 9:00 a.m. Luncheon will be served at noon in the banquet room. Fred Richburg, Past Potentate of Shrine Temple & Vernon L. Gordon, Past Grand Master of Masons in California and Hawaii will be the principal speakers and coordinators of the conference. The Chief Officers of all Masonic related organizations are urged to attend. The members of all Masonic bodies are invited to attend.

On September 18th at 8:30 a.m., the 416th & 418th Masonic Districts are hosting the Grand Masters Reception and breakfast here at Las Palmas Temple. Ladies are invited to the breakfast and will have the opportunity to hear the address

of the Grand Master, Leo B. Mark. The breakfast donation is \$7.00 each. All officers have tickets and there is a limited supply.

Jim Kleinknight, PM, Secretary

DATES CLUB NEWS:

Summer is gone and fall is now around the corner. I hope everyone has had a healthy and happy summer and now look forward to getting back in the groove of things.

Our August program with Patricia Fridley, Interior Magic, speaking to us on the use of colors in the home was most delightful and informative. Thanks to all who attended!

For our September 15th meeting, we have Dr. Frederick Richburg, who is a well-known eye specialist and also member of Las Palmas Lodge, to speak with us on cataracts...all you ever wanted to know!!! He has a new machine to diagnose them and will tell the alternatives to surgery, etc. I'm sure you will not want to miss this program as they can happen to anyone at any age.

Mark your calendar and plan on being with us as I look forward to being with you!!!

Sincerely,
Hilda H. Ennis
President