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From the East

May is the month of flowers. We wonder what happened to the April showers that we were supposed to have.

I give thanks to all the Brothers who helped to keep Las Palmas successful. Congratulations to our newly raised brothers and our new Entered Apprentices.

The trip to Columbia Masonic Lodge will be a good time for getting out and renewing friendships. We are thankful for receiving applications for the Degrees and membership in Las Palmas, and welcome those who came by Affiliation. We should always be appreciative of the nice compliment paid by applicants to become members of our Lodge. Please, Brethren, when you have an application out, follow up on it, take him under your wing, and let him know our investigation process, that he may feel special, knowing that you believe he qualifies. With Affiliation petitioners, remind them that the same procedure is required as when he first applied, that he may refresh his memory.

When visiting another Lodge, remember always that it is a great privilege and not a right, that we ask to be admitted and thank them afterward. It is well to be sensitive to any different rules or procedures they may have.

Let Brotherly Love Prevail!

From the East
Lee I. French
Worshipful Master



From the West

Brethren,

Fraternal greetings from the West!

Our advisor mentioned that this article for the May Trestleboard was a little bit long and would I make my remarks a little bit short. So this, as I have a tendency to be long-winded, may set a record. For the month of May, the 6th in particular, we will be doing a third degree at Columbia. I would urge all Master Masons to attend. The Columbia Lodge, #28, was originally built in 1854. The lodge room is on the second floor. On the first floor, there is an authentic reproduction of the original Columbia Lodge, that is viewable to the general public. Brother Yelkin, who will receive his third degree at Columbia, joins a fraternity in our great Fraternity of the brethren at Las Palmas Lodge, who have received third degrees there, including James O. Hall, PM, and John S. Schmidt, Senior Steward. After the third degree, there will be a dinner with all the trimmings served at the Forrester/Kinsey cabin about 15 miles above Columbia. Again, let me urge you all to attend and now I will close my article and donate the rest of the space to the Worshipful Ed Carpenter, PM, editor.

Fraternally,
Bill M. Ennis, Sr
Senior Warden

(Thank you Bill, Ed.C)



Trip to Columbia Masonic Lodge

Hope you can join the car pools to Columbia Masonic Lodge, May 6th, to confer the Third Degree on Brother Yelkin.

Dinner is planned at Bros. Forrester and Kinsey Cabins afterward.

Get your reservation in right away!

LAS PALMAS DATES

The program for the ladies when the men are in their Stated Meeting, will be "American Glass", presented by Eleanor Reynolds. The ladies are encouraged to bring treasured pieces they wish to learn more about.

From the South

Greetings From the South,
The following quote caught my interest and I wanted to share it with you, my Brothers.

Referring to Truth, "Hypocrisy and deceit are unknown among us; sincerity and plain dealings distinguish us". I believe in this, and I believe it to be embodied in each one of you! Thank you for being Good and True!



Spring arrives, and is even at the door, I'm reminded of new beginnings of another yearly cycle of growth, and of what this Fraternity of ours is all about--"People". People helping each other as equals, endeavoring to grow together.

I believe as well, all contemplate growth, none of us can deny the impact that many of the youth groups have had on the perception that the world has of our ancient fraternity, and upon our continued growth today. Brethren, many of your line officers are taking renewed interest in what can be done to support our Masonic youth in a proper and positive manner. I personally commend these men, but in particular Bro. Frank Lewis on his dedication and devotion to these organizations! Keep it up, Frank!

The picnic in June has been moved to Sunday, June 11th, due to improvements which are being completed on Umbrella Grove in Roeding Park. We will have the privilege of being the first to use the all new tables.

See you there!!!!!!

Bye for now,

Stephen M. Harrelson
Junior Warden

STATED MEETING DINNER

Please make reservations for the Dinner prior to the May Stated Meeting no later than 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 10th. The menu entree will be Swiss Steak.

CALENDAR

MAY

- 4 Degree, to be announced
- 6 Third Degree - Columbia Masonic Temple,
Bro. Bill Yelkin
Dinner at the Forrester and Kinsey Cabins
- 11 Degree, to be announced
- 18 Stated Meeting
Masonic Homes Guest Speaker
- 25 Degree, to be announced

JUNE

- 1 Degree, to be announced
- 8 Degree, to be announced
- 11 Officer's Assn. Meeting
- 11 Las Palmas Annual Picnic
Roeding Park - Umbrella Grove
- 15 Stated Meeting
Hiram Award

Secretary's Corner

When we give of our possessions, we give nothing. It is only when we give of ourselves that we are truly charitable. When we horde our possessions unto ourselves — we are like the dog which buries its bones in the shifting sands of time on the journey to the Holy Land. "The Prophet" K. Ghibran

The Masonic Homes are in continuing need of every brother's support in order to provide for our distressed brothers and families to which numbers we could all one day be joined.

This being Masonic Homes Endowment Month, please send your donations now through the Lodge and remember charity extends beyond the grave.

Jon Kinsey, Secretary

Vital Statistics:

NEW STRENGTH:

- Bro Daniel Dees - Affiliation
from Blue Lake Lodge No. 714
- Bro's. Bret Allan Ball, and Michael R.
Sonksen, Entered Apprentices
- Bro. Bill Yelkin, Fellowcraft
- Bro. Tom Crossland, Master Mason

SHUT-INS: *A Brother needing your visit, a call, or a "Get Well" card:*

Bro. Dale Orr
Bro. Rocky Shaw
Bro. Ben Schaeffer
Bro. Fred Diel
Bro. Bud Shirton

Please let our Secretary, Bro. Jon Kinsey, know of any Brethren needing our reassurance, so he can spread the word.

IN MEMORIAM:

None - Again, (pleased to report)

ARMED FORCES WEEK

Armed Forces week is May 14th to 20th. There are many programs and sessions promoting the theme, "Keeping America Strong". The Air National Guard installation on East McKinley, airport, is having Open House Saturday, May 20th, showing their equipment, including the new F-16's. Pay them a visit and show our support and interest.

HAVE YOU PRIDE IN LAS PALMAS MASONIC TEMPLE? BECOME INVOLVED AS A "BUILDER OF THE TEMPLE"!

It is true that guilds of Operative Masons built many of the finest cathedrals and public buildings in Europe, and their integrity, pride of workmanship, and moral code is the foundation of our Speculative Lodges.

There are also fine structures in modern times built by present day Speculative Masons. In many cities in the United States, some of the outstanding edifices are Masonic Temples. The magnitude of the structure being proportionate to the population and thus the number of Master Masons in the area.

Las Palmas Masonic Temple is no exception. It was conceived and built with love and care by its members about thirty years ago on land donated for the purpose by P.M. T.D. Moyers and his good wife, Gilma. Subscription by Las Palmas members swelled the Building Fund, and all pitched in to create the fine temple we have. It inspires admiration by those who see or visit. During the construction, many of the

tasks were overseen by groups of members. I remember contributing a lot of Saturdays helping with the landscaping and the sprinkler system, and many cabinetry items. Others, many Past Masters, made or donated our pillars, altar, Deacons' Rods, the elaborate letter "G" in the East, Kitchen equipment and furniture. There are plaques on some items honoring the providers, but not all by any means. The stalwart flagpole to fly the Flag of our Country was donated by PM Allard Dadmun and his wife, Cecile. Many other members' manhours helped install it. And, so it goes — Las Palmas involved in its creation.

Next, of course, is maintenance. Even the finest structures in the world designed by our Bro. Sir Christopher Wren need maintenance — and some have fallen to rack and ruin for the lack of it. Again, our Las Palmas Masonic Temple is no exception — much has been done in recent years to keep the good condition: a new roof, repainting, carpeting, tiled floors, tapestry in the banquet room, to mention a few. Most of these were contracted to members in the business, but a lot of contributed personal time was involved too, particularly by members of our Las Palmas Masonic Building Assn. We do appreciate their devotion and salute them for keeping the building in good shape.

Being involved, contributing hours of work, and helping to maintain, is not an historic thing of the past — it is ever present, needed now and forever.

Our building Association is now making this an easy task for you to become involved and impart your pride and abilities. Our Secretary, Bro. Jon Kinsey and P.M. Jim Hall have a list of needed maintenance and a sign-up roster for jobs you would like to take on. Bro. Sigmund Gai has scheduled the last Wednesday evening of each month to guide, help, and oversee this betterment of our temple. Necessary materials will be furnished.

Look over the list and pledge yourself to accomplish one or more jobs, and

Become a BUILDER OF THE TEMPLE —
and ENJOY!

Ed Carpenter, PM