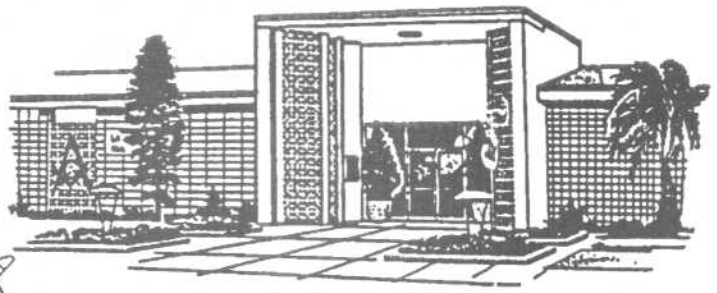


The Las Palmian

of Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge
#366, F&AM

2992 East Clinton Avenue • Fresno, California 93703

(209) 268-2303



Vol. VII

October 1997

Number 10

From the East

Brethren,

On September 4th as most of you know, we held Past Masters Night. I am sorry if you missed it, because it was flawless and was great to see. There was a good turn out. I'd like to thank the Past Masters for the warm heartfelt way that everything was performed. A job -well done!

On our first advanced station we did a First Degree. The officers did a good job and I am pleased with the uniformity. I'd like to encourage all of the officers to still see your coaches, in order to stay in tune with your work.

In October, from the 11th to the 15th the Grand Lodge will be holding its 148th Annual Communication. The official opening will be on the 13th. The resolutions are in the secretary's office if anyone would like to look at them. If you have any comments to be made, contact the representatives who will be going. That would include myself, Worshipful Cub Jack P.M., John Bjorge S.W., and Ted Sorje J. W. Also Worshipful Douglas N. Cairnes District Inspector, has called a Special School of Instruction on October 2nd, to read the resolutions. The meeting will be held at Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge at 7 P.M. There will be a reading and discussion of the issues.

See you at the Lodge.

Aloha Nui,
Ralph P. Medeiros, Master



From The West

Brethren. First let me start out by thanking all the past masters for attending the past masters night. What a wonderful turn out. There were 23 past masters in attendance. Their participation in doing the first and second sections of the third degree were truly outstanding. Most Worshipful Jack should receive high marks for not only putting the dinner together, but also making sure that all the past masters knew and were able to perform their duties at the given stations of the lodge. There were 53 brethren in the lodge that evening which was the biggest turn out I had ever seen for a third degree on past masters night. Congratulations Brother Eagles on receiving your third degree and becoming



a master mason. A special thanks to Mary for an outstanding dinner and to all of those who helped in the preparation.

I would now like to briefly mention Grand Lodge which will be held the second week in October. There are some very important amendments coming up for vote which could change the direction of masonry in California for many years to come. Please take the time to ask one of the Officers to explain these to you and give us your input on how you would like the lodge to vote. Many of these amendments have to do with the ritual work and its memorization. We will have a School of Instruction on October 2nd at Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge and these amendments will be discussed. All master masons are cordially invited to attend this 7 P.M. meeting.

At the Grand Masters Brunch we had approximately 64 people attend and the Grand Master was presented with a beautiful rosewood framed stained glass square and compass and his wife was presented with an Ansel Adams framed picture of Bridal Veil Falls.

Congratulations to our Worshipful Master Ralph Medeiros and to Susan who were married September 8th. This announcement was made at the Grand Masters Brunch by our Inspector Doug Cairns.

I am now preparing a list of brothers to head the committees for our 1998 Masonic year. If any of the brethren would like to volunteer to chair any of the committees, please contact me. The importance of the committee chairmen will dictate the direction in which this lodge will operate over the next twelve months. I would definitely like to start a Phone Committee. If there are any brothers out there who are infirmed and confined to the home, please contact the secretary so that we can get your name on a phone list to inform you of what is going on in the lodge. This list will be given to the chairman of the phone committee and we will try to contact you after every stated meeting to keep you informed of what's going on in **your lodge**.

Fraternally yours,
John Bjorge, Sr. Warden

From The South

Brethren, Greetings from the South,

The month of September is almost a thing of memory, and October is upon us along with time change and the scary goblins of Halloween.

Our Stated Meeting for October will



NOTICE

It will soon be time to send out letters of SUSPENSION to those BROTHERS who have not paid their 1997 DUES. If a dues card is paid through December 31, for any year other than 1997, your dues are not current and you may be subject to suspension for NON-PAYMENT of dues. If you are in doubt, call the Lodge office to verify if your dues are current. Should you be suspended, it is YOUR OWN FAULT AND, NOT THE FAULT OF THE MASTER OR ANY OTHER MEMBER OF THE LODGE. LET SOMEONE KNOW IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO PAY YOUR DUES. Brethren, let the Lodge know if a brother needs help.

The Fresno-Clovis Rainbow girls are having a x-mas boutique on Dec. 6, booths are available for rent. Call Pauline Elkins at 439-4625 or Karen Mattson at 323-8901 for information.

Golden Realm Rainbow girls will be taking orders for dried fruit and nut x-mas baskets starting Nov. 1, to order a basket call Linda Oates at 229-3728.

Golden Realm and Fresno-Clovis Rainbow girls are in dire need of a location within the city or county of Fresno to sell fire works next 4th of July. This is one of the fund raising events that help keep the assemblies going. If you have a location or know of a location please call Judy Weymouth at 299-9146.

For additional information on Rainbow for Girls activities, call Judy Weymouth at 299-9146.

CALENDAR

- Oct. 2nd School of Instruction,
Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge 7:00 p.m.
- Oct. 9th Possible, Second Degree 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 11th
- to the 15th 148th Grand Lodge Communication
- Oct. 16th Stated Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 23rd Confer First Degree 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 30th Open

From The South (cont. from p. 1)

be on the 16th of the month and will be one of my favorites, Swiss Steak with all the trimmings. Again I make the appeal, will some brothers, wives and friends, please make the effort to come to the lodge and help prepare the wonderful meal that we all enjoy so much. Call the Secretary to get more info, or call me.

Special thanks to Mike Kandarian for the wonderful job he did on the filets at the September Stated Meeting.

The officers are anticipating our Annual Communication coming up the third week of October in San Francisco. Those of us who go to represent the Lodge bear the burden and privilege of representing all the members of our Lodge. This year we will have the distinction of voting our consciences on issues that will have a vital effect on our Fraternity as it approaches the new century.

Ted Sorge
Junior Warden

ARE YOUR 1997 DUES PAID?

OFFICERS FOR 1997

Worshipful Master	RALPH P. MEDEIROS	268-2303	Junior Deacon	CURTIS C. JACK	299-3699
Senior Warden	JOHN BJORGE	431-3820	Marshal	P.M. ROBERT L. MOORE	485-3543
Junior Warden	TED SORGE	275-5817	Senior Steward	THOMAS BEKHOUD	322-9838
Treasurer	MICHAEL DAUGHERTY	226-3297	Junior Steward	P.M. CARL H. WILCKEN	432-2550
Secretary	MARVIN WALLACE	439-9111	Tiler	SAM LINARES	224-5164
Chaplain	P.M. BILL M. ENNIS SR.	439-0746	Organist	CHRIS MORRIS	221-7336
Senior Deacon	(BILL) WILLIAM R. FREEMAN .	297-4968			

Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge #366 F&AM

LAS PALMAS MASONIC TEMPLE
2992 East Clinton Avenue
Fresno, California 93703
(209) 268-2303

Do Not Forward
Address Cor — Return Guar

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT NO. 159
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

HELP THE LODGE BICYCLE FUND A352