



The  
*Las Palmian*  
of



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

Vol. VII

June 1997

Number 6

*From the East*

Brethren

It seems that Mary just cannot make a bad meal. I'd like to thank her once again for her efforts and hard work. Every month we have a wonderful mouth-watering, delicious dinner. Our stated meeting dinners have become very popular in our Lodge and we usually have a large attendance. These meals are planned according to the number of people who have called in for the head count ahead of time. We would like to ask each of you to help us with this task. If you or your guests are unable to attend, please call the office a few days ahead of time so Marvin, our secretary can let Mary know how many to expect. This will help to modify the amounts of food prepared and cut the over-all cost of the dinner. On the other hand if you are not listed on the count we would like to hear from you so there will be plenty of food for everyone. We don't want anyone left out. It takes Mary and the crew a lot of time to prepare these dinners and on occasion they need a little more time to set up. The dining room will be opened at 6:30 P.M.; we would be most grateful if no one would enter until the doors are opened. This will give adequate time to set up and prepare.

I have had a pressing concern about seating arrangements for the Stated dinners. It seems that there have been problems with some of our Lodge members and their families not being able to find a seat at a table. It has been an on going problem to which I feel we should compromise a solution. In order for everyone to find a seat at a table it is my request as Master of the Lodge that whole tables not be reserved, unless all the seats are used. In behalf of those Lodge members who can't get to the Lodge early or at the appointed dinner time I am asking those of you who have an extra place at your table to invite others to be seated. We have had members and their families leave because there was no place for them to sit. If you must reserve we understand that this is necessary at times. Only reserve enough spaces at each table that you need for you and your guests. This will open up seats for those who must come late for some reason or another. If you cannot find a place to sit please contact the Master or one of the Wardens and a table will be set up for you. These dinners can be used for the purpose of fellowship and making new friends or just getting to know someone a little better. Thank you Brethren for your much needed and appreciated support in this matter.

I would like to congratulate the Scholarship Award Winners of May 15th. At our Stated Meeting we awarded four scholarships out of nine applicants. It was a difficult choice to make. All of the applicants were well deserving. We urge you to keep up the good work.

Aloha Nui,  
Ralph P. Medeiros, Master



*From The West*

Brethren

Fraternal Greetings From The West! In the month of May we had degree work which the officers performed in the normally proficient tradition of Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge. We have done all three degrees and I would like to thank all officers for participation; without it we would be unable to advance to their next degrees. Thanks and well done my Brethren.

We have a full schedule for June. On June 5th, we will have a meeting of the officers at the Lodge and the master will inform us at that time just what his wishes are. So be prepared to travel. On June 12th, Brothers Egel and Keaton will be doing their proficiencies in the first degrees and then will be receiving their second degrees. Brother Thomson will be doing his proficiency in the second degree. Because this will be such a busy night, Lodge will open at 7:00 p.m. All officers please take note of this and plan on being here one half hour early. June 19 will be our stated meeting. As of this time we have one affiliation to vote on and no new members. On June 26, we will be doing a third degree on Brother Thomson. His father will be attending. Let's show him a good turnout as there is no greater thrill then seeing your son become a Master Mason.

The first of July as usual we will be dark while the officers learn their advanced station work. Please contact me if you believe you will have a problem with any of your ritual work that is expected of you for the following year. All officers will be required to wear their white jackets the first Thursday in June. The master of the Lodge has requested this to be done.

Fraternally,  
John Bjorge, Sr. Warden



*From The South*

Brethren,

May is history, and as we move into June, we near the halfway point in our year.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the Lodge for sending my lady Marty and me to attend the Jr. Wardens Retreat in San Ramon, May 16-18. I hope to use the teaching and training to start improvements that will cause our Lodge to return to its former glory. The weekend enabled me to get to know other Jr. Wardens, who are going to be in the East in their Lodges in 1999. To be able to know each other and get used to working with each other, will improve co-operation between Lodges in the



District.

On June 2, Madera Lodge will be hosting Worshipful Bob Winerton, who will be speaking a their laymen's night. If you would like to attend please call the Madera Lodge for details.

June 19 will be our next stated meeting with one of Mary's excellent Shish Kebab Dinners.

Until next month, fraternally from the South.

Ted Sorge, Junior Warden

## CALENDAR

### JUNE

- June 5th OPEN
- June 12th Proficiency First Degree 7:00p.m.  
Confer Second Degree 7:30 p.m.  
Proficiency Second Degree
- June 19th Stated Dinner 6:30 p.m.  
Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- June 25th School of Instruction 7:00 p.m.  
Second Degree @ Fresno Lodge
- June 26th Confer Third Degree 7:30 p.m.  
(Starting the month of July thru August,  
this Lodge will be Dark, except for stated meetings)

*HAVE YOU PAID YOUR 1997 DUES???*  
*DID YOU, SAY NO? Why???*

## IN MEMORIAM

- John August Rohrs, Sep. 1, 1996
- Edd Dodd, Mar. 31, 1996
- Milton Willard Terrill, Nov. 1, 1994
- William Glen Miller, Apr. 14, 1997
- Oren Homer Pearson, Apr. 15, 1997
- Raymond Albert Seiler, Mar 5, 1997
- James Samuel Wright, May 8, 1997
- Donald Gene Halderman, May 9, 1997
- James William Higbee Jr , May 19, 1997

## THINK ABOUT IT

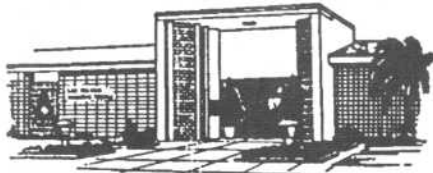
Suppose every Mason did what you do.  
Suppose every Mason thought as you do.  
Suppose every Mason attended meetings  
with the regularity you do.  
Suppose every Mason served on as many  
Committees as you do.  
Suppose every Mason sponsored candidates  
as often as you do.  
Suppose every Mason supported their  
Lodge as you do.  
Suppose every Mason was as friendly,  
thoughtful, and considerate as you are.  
Suppose every Mason had a few, or as many  
excuses as you do.  
Suppose every Mason followed your example,  
what kind of organization would we have?  
NOW THAT IS SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT.

## OFFICERS FOR 1997

Worshipful Master	RALPH P. MEDEIROS	251-4187
Senior Warden	JOHN BJORGE	431-3820
Junior Warden	TED SORGE	275-5817
Treasurer	MICHAEL DAUGHERTY	226-3297
Secretary	MARVIN WALLACE	439-9111
		268-2303 Office
Asst. Secretary	EDD DODD	222-1763
		268-2303 Office
Chaplain	BILL ENNIS SR., P.M.	439-0746
Senior Deacon	VERNON SCOTT ULLSTROM	456-8461

Junior Deacon	BILL FREEMAN	297-4968
Marshal	ROBERT MOORE	485-3543
Senior Steward	THOMAS BEKHDODD	322-9838
Junior Steward	CURTIS C. JACK	299-3699
Tiler	SAM LINARES	224-5164
Organist	CHRIS MORRIS	221-7336

**Stated Meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the Month at 7:30 PM Preceded by a dinner at 6:30 PM RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.**



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

FATHER'S DAY JUNE 15 1997 A363