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Greetings from the East



What a sweet Summer indeed we have had at **Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge**. In August we had the honor of conferring the **Hiram Award** upon Past Master **Joe Sallee** and it was a marvelous turnout. The Hiram Award is a meaningful and special technique for a Lodge to distinguish a deserving Brother who has given the utmost of himself and who sets a outstanding example for others to follow. Joe Sallee is a leader among men, dedicated to the craft and to his wife and family. We thank PM Joe Sallee for all his continuing efforts and certainly enjoyed this momentous occasion.



Past Masters Night is right around the corner! This is a remarkable opportunity to meet new friends and also learn from the best. **Thursday September 4th** will most likely be the finest degree of the year and the man lucky enough to be the candidate is none other than **Todd Cregar**. This is a night not to be missed as it is a celebration of history and tradition. It is sure to be a night that gives a real sense of continuity - being tied with the past, as well as the future. Come out and see how it should be done. We look forward to seeing you then.

In July and August we go dark (inactive) for Summer but the dinners just kept right on going. We had some of the biggest turnouts and tastiest occasions. We met and made new friends and even traveled with our someone special to several foreign restaurants. In July we traveled to Mitsui Buffet and in August it was off to Maroo's Japanese Korean Restaurant at West and Bullard. Sampling culture and cuisine from around the world while spending time with family... What's not to love?

In the months to come we will ramp up our efforts to educate our younger **Entered Apprentice** and **Fellow Craft** Masons and to put to use those "tools of the trade." Many Freemason symbols teach moral lessons through the use of allegory and symbols. As we know, symbols have always represented a more complex idea with multiple layers of meanings. Like reading the Bible, Masons use of symbols have hinted at a deeper meaning hidden within. It is time to once again explore our ceremonies, word origins and more and see what new light we can find to illuminate these bright young minds. The largest age group joining Masonry now is ages 18-25. They will most likely be our leaders of tomorrow. Are they looking to "Know Thyself" and polish their rough ashlar? Aren't we all?

Be sure to check the calendar and see what is in store. Don't be shy, invite that someone special to join us each third Thursday for dinner as we get set to give away more 25 year awards and more. The ZOO BOO and even bicycle and backpack giveaways are right around the corner. Steaks in September and much, much more. Time to dust off the top hat and get back to the Quarry. So looking forward to September 4th, and seeing you there...

From the man in the East

August Stated Meeting Dinner



The Moreno Family provided an authentic Mexican dinner with strawberry crêpes. Had our largest number of guest this year. Was good visiting with all the Brethren and ladies who have not attended in a while. We had many prospects for dinner and received two applications for Degrees. Looking forward to Past Masters Night, Sept 4th, join us, make your reservations today.



Joe Sallee Hiram Award



August Stated Dinner and Hiram Award



August Stated Meeting Dinner



For the Ladies of the Lodge:

Well ladies fall has once more come upon us... It is September. The time has flown by. I hope all of you have enjoyed your wonderful summer time traditions.

I look forward to September because it is once again time to play "Playing Card Bingo" with our Sweet-heart Ladies of the Lodge... It will be such fun as we get together to play and have a fun evening. You won't want to miss it. Richard will once provide our slush fund to play with. You will be guaranteed a "GRAND" evening.

A thought of a tune...

"Try to remember the kind of September

When life was slow and oh so mellow

Try to remember the kind of September

When grass was green and grain so yellow

Try to remember the kind of September

When you were a young and a callow fellow

Try to remember and if you remember

Then follow--follow, oh-oh."

- *Try to Remember*, Lyrics by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt

See you all in the Card room as we make another great memory to remember at our September Lodge Stated Meeting

You ladies mean the world to me, blessings and peace to you all!

~Nan



Master's Night Out

August 28th, Worshipful Sherrod and Nanette were joined by Courtney & Sheri Bacom, Richard & Eileen Bernier, Charles Bersani, Jim, Natalie & Shawn Clark, Bernice Dyck & guest, Richard & Lee Ellen Ehorn, Sean Ford, Richard & Therese Frey, Randy Forrester, Frenchy & Gayle Johnson, Gordon & Delores Keeton, Bill & Jo Ann Lyons, at Maroo Inc for a fabulous Japanese and Korean dinner, was amazing the different dishes enjoyed by everyone. Was another wonderful social event for Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge.





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*Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge No. 366
Candidate's Proficiency Workshop*

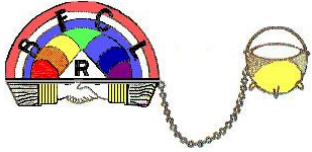
Office and Candidate Coach, Worshipful Charles S. Bersani, Entered Apprentice Gilbert R. Lara, Selma Lodge No. 277, Candidate Coach Larry Bennett P.M. and Entered Apprentice Richard C. Bernier Sr.

Worshipful Richard A Sherrod and Entered Apprentice Michael D. Dick
Enjoyed pizza and worked on their proficiencies.



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International Order of Rainbow for Girls



Heart of the Valley Assembly Newsletter

Delta's Minion Madness Conclave – July 26th

DeMolay, Jobs Daughter and Rainbow members met at [Wild Water Adventure Park](#) for a fun afternoon of swimming, sliding, food and friendship.



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New Jersey Grand Assembly – August 8-10

Julia Holman, Grand Musician and Representative to New Jersey and New York, attended New Jersey's Annual Grand Assembly. She returned with fond memories of her visit to New York and New Jersey and is anxious to

share



Reunited with Mrs. Sullivan at New Jersey Grand Assembly!!

Northern Instructional and Rainbow University – August 16

Heart of the Valley Assembly was well represented at the Northern State Instructional and Rainbow University held Saturday at San Francisco Scottish Rite. The 2015 Grand Officers were fantastic with their Ritual and Floor Work showcasing Opening, Initiation and Closing. Afterword's we were treated

to a delicious Polynesian Lunch where the Grand Officers sat with their respective Assembly Officers to discuss their responsibilities and fun activities. After lunch, the girls returned to the Assembly Room, with the Leadership Team, who provided helpful life skits and programs. The Publicity Team met with the Adults to discuss Social Media, Communications and Membership. We also made a video to send to one of our sister jurisdictions. Worthy Advisor Joy accepted the Awesome Assembly Award on behalf of our Assembly. We're looking forward to next year's event and hope you will all post it to your calendar and attend.



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Official Visit of the Grand Worthy Advisor – August 18, 2014

"Get in the game with Rainbow" was the theme of Districts 25A & 25B Official Visit of the Grand Worthy Advisor. Our evening started with a delicious dinner prepared by the Adults of District 25 A & B. The members of Cloud 7, Manteca, Oak Summit and Stockton Assemblies won the game with excellent Theme, escort sayings, skits and flag tributes were fabulous. At the conclusion of the Official Visit, we all returned to the dining room for refreshments and socializing.



H.O.V with 2015 State Rainbow Dad, Mr. Bill Lind.

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Heart of the Valley Calendar of Events

August 27	Stated Meeting/Back to School Night	7:00 P.M.	Clovis Masonic Center
September 2	Advisory Board Meeting	6:30 P.M.	Clovis Masonic Center
September 10	Stated Meeting/Elections	7:00 P.M.	Clovis Masonic Center
September 24	Stated Meeting/Farewell	7:00 P.M.	Clovis Masonic Center
October 5	Installation of Officers	1:00 P.M.	Clovis Masonic Center

Heart of the Valley Pledge Group and Assembly meets the 2nd and 4th Wed each month. Pledge Group 6:30 and Assembly 7:00 pm. at Clovis Masonic Center. We invite all members of our sponsoring bodies to come out and attend our meetings – We have a stellar group of young ladies who LOVE Rainbow and it shows!!

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Do you know of a girl between the ages of 8-20 that could benefit from the wonderful teachings of Rainbow and our Pledge group? Let us know! We would love to invite prospective members to our fun and fantastic events!



Greetings All;

Wow, the summer has flown by, and here it is almost September and Fall again. Soon we will be back to our regular Stated meetings, and then having the Halloween celebration and Thanksgiving.



Nile Queen
Lenore Stork

Our Bunco Party on August 2, was very successful. We had ten tables of Bunco players, and I know they all had fun and enjoyed the Taco Salad lunch prepared by Carole Soutas and her committee. We also had a successful opportunity drawing, so our Temple will benefit by just over \$500.00.

On August 12, we had a very enjoyable trip to the Gold Country, planned by Tina Adams and her committee. We stopped in Angels Camp, Murphy's, and had a delightful wine tasting, lunch, and tour at the Ironstone Vineyard and Winery. The wine tasting was of six different wines, including canapés especially prepared to go with each wine. We were also treated to music from the Alhambra Theatre Organ in their Music Room, and an impromptu dance put on by the Pageantry members. I believe all the ladies and gentlemen on the trip really enjoyed themselves, and I want to thank all of them, again, for the beautiful Black Hills gold necklace I received as a gift.

On August 21, I flew to Helena, Montana, for NW Daze, a 3-day conference put on by ladies of the Helena Sapphira Temple and the Shriners of Algeria Temple. It was a very enjoyable event, and I was accompanied by PQ LeeAnn Shults, PQ Jan Arnold, PQ Susan Morris and PQ Jeanne Esheim, Supreme Goodwill Ambassador to the Pacific and Mountain areas. We arrived in sunshine, but the next two days brought us rain, which was a pleasant surprise. It made us wish we could have brought it back to Calif. The Shriners and ladies had planned a parade for Saturday afternoon, and they didn't let the rain stop them. It was my first ride in a parade in the rain!!!

Don't forget that the Choir Luau is Sunday, Sept. 7, 2014, 4:00 pm at the Shrine Center, 5047 E. Olive. They will be having snacks, a Hawaiian dinner, desserts, entertainment, and a 50/25/25 drawing, all for only \$22.00. If you haven't gotten your ticket yet, contact Pam Forrester, 323-6211 or any choir member.

September 10 will be back to business with a regular Stated Session of Sharon Temple. Tulare-Kings Nile Club will start up again on Sept. 3 with a meeting at Joy Boydston's home in Porterville; and sewing start again on Sept. 17 at the Shrine Center. I hope I will see many of you at all these meetings.

Also, hope you had a great Labor Day weekend!

Shining Star Love,
Lenore Stork, Queen





August 2nd Nile Bunco Party with a wonderful lunch prepared by Carole Soutas.

On August 12th, we had a very enjoyable trip to the Gold Country, planned by Tina Adams and her committee.



from the WIDOWS CLUB
Las Palmas-Ponderosa August Stated Dinner

JOIN US

*Come join us and enjoy great fellowship with kindred friends.
We meet the last Wednesday of each month. * at 12:00 o'clock noon for lunch at
Denny's Restaurant 1110 East Shaw Avenue, Fresno CA.*

Looking forward to seeing you!

R.S.V.P. Ethel Day, President (559) 276-2631 • Bobbi Cabbie Carder, Vice President, (559) 322-6851

• with exception of July, August and December

DARK July and August



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY'S



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IN MEMORIAM

Donald P. Dick

Born 0710/1933-Raised 12/29/1956
Called from labor
July 27, 2014

Jack W. Enos

Born 11/19/1933-Raised 11/05/1960
Called from labor
August 28, 2014
Golden Veterans Award
November 18, 2010



September Menu

September 18th, State Meeting Dinner, Past Masters. Joe D. Sallee, Charles S. Bersani and Marvin E. Wallace will prepare a wonderful Salad Bar with a fabulous array of appetizers. and glass of your favorite beverage .

Chef Mark with the help of the Past Master's will serve a perfectly prepared New York Strip Steak smothered in sautéed mushrooms, pilaf, lightly roasted asparagus with a dinner roll.

A dessert of Chocolate Pudding and Strawberries.

Fresno Masonic Widows Club

September 24, 2014
Denny's Restaurant
1110 East Shaw Avenue



President; Ethel Day
Vice-President; Bobbi Carder
Secretary; Betty Veffredo
Treasurer; Jane James

Reservations Required
For Information call (559) 276-2631

The Masonic Widows Club meets for lunch and fellowship on the last Wednesday of each month. All Masonic Widows are welcome to attend. If you have questions or would like to participate please contact;

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A REQUEST TO THE FAMILY OF THE ADDRESSEE

Please notify the Lodge if our Brother is hospitalized, in a Nursing home, change of Address or incapacitated in any way.

From the Secretary's Desk



August Stated Meeting Dinner was wonderful, largest group this year for dinner, shrimp cocktails, Authentic Mexican Dinner and strawberry crêpes, out of this world. We retired to the Lodge Room for Joe Sallee's Hiram Award Presentation, was a great event! We are now accepting credit cards, Visa, Master Card and American Express, will be a small fee, Lodge Shirts, Stated Meeting Dinner, Caps and etc. \$1.00 fee, Dues will be an additional \$4.00 fee. We received two applications for Degrees at our last Stated Meeting and expecting more next month.

September 4, 2014 is Past Master Night, they will initiate an Entered Apprentice, join us for a special night, steak dinner and Past Masters will do the work, they always do outstanding ritual! Call for reservations today!

Join us weekday mornings for coffee!



September Calendar

September 11, 2014	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Degree
September 18, 2014	6:00 P.M. Appetizers 6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Twenty-Five Year Awards 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting
September 24, 2014	12:00 P.M. Widows Luncheon and Meeting Denny's Restaurant 1110 East Shaw Avenue
September 24, 2014	6:30 P.M. Dinner, Selma Masonic Center 7:30 P.M. Officers School of Instruction Las Palmas Second Section, Third Degree
September 25, 2014	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. First Degree's



Joe D. Sallee and Worshipful Sherrod