



Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge No. 366, F. & A. M.

The Las Palmian

Legacy Chapter No. 555 Order of Easter Star
Sharon Temple No. 92 Daughters of the Nile
Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217 International Order of Rainbow for Girls

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Greetings from the East



Season's Greetings, Brethren and friends, and I hope you and your families all had an enjoyable and memorable Thanksgiving and a pleasant start to our Christmas season. Time certainly seems to fly by these days and our year is almost at a close. This past month I was honored to accept our lodge's nomination for a second term as your worshipful master for the 2017 year. I would also like to thank all our officers that have helped make this year such a success and I do look forward to continuing to work with you all in the year to come.

We should also take a moment to extend our congratulations to Brother Alcantara who this past month has become our lodge's newest Fellow Craft Mason. We also were please to elect a new member to our lodge this past stated meeting and will be looking forward to his coming initiation. Please do join us December 1st for Gary Pullings Entered Apprentice Degree at 6:30 P.M. for dinner. While our calendar for the month of December will be considerably lighter than past months with the coming holidays taking up so much out of all of our respective time, I do still encourage you all too please join us for our stated meeting and dinner, (as always on the third Thursday) for what I'm sure will be another impressive meal prepared by our hard working brothers in the kitchen.




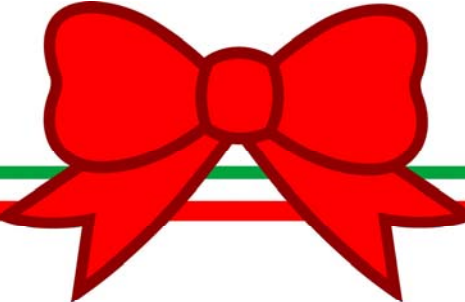
Henry T. Alcantara

Again please do take care over this holiday season and here's wishing you all a very *Merry Christmas* and a *Happy New Year*.

Fraternally;

Andrew, Worshipful Master

2017 Scholarship Applications
now available
Lodge Office
www.lpp366.org



2017 Las Palmas-Ponderosa Officers

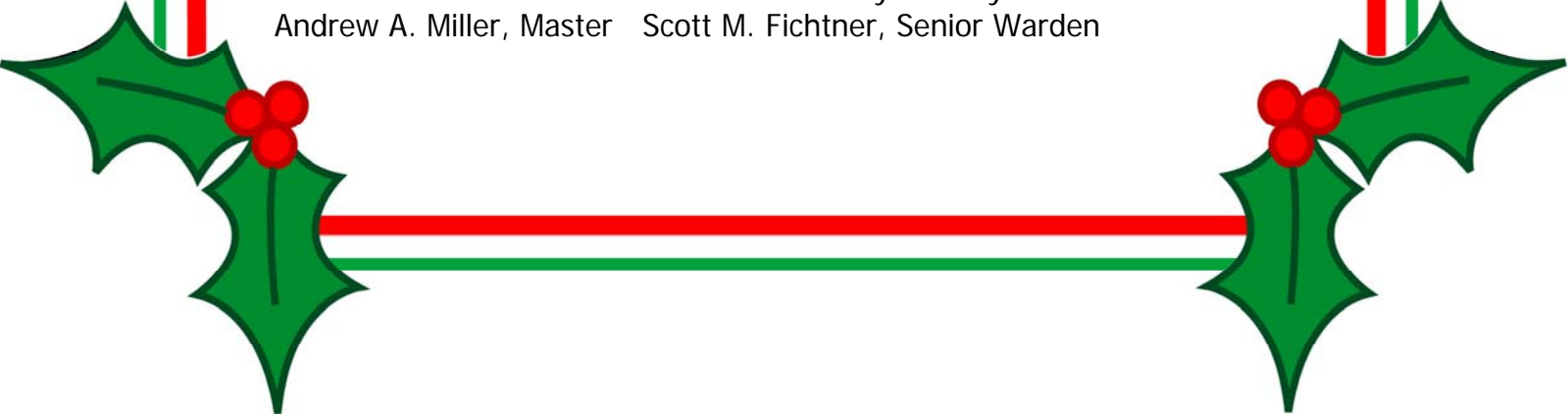
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Greetings from the South

















The holidays are upon us, as I write this I am traveling to Arizona to have thanksgiving with my family. It Is dark outside and the only light in the cab is from Charlie browns Christmas on the DVD. It was a wonderful reminder of the blessings this holiday season brings. I may have missed the stated meeting dinner this month, but I know the food was excellent and the Rainbow girls did an amazing job serving all of you. They continue to carry themselves with poise and grace, we are blessed to have them as part of our lodge. Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful, and I am thankful for this brotherhood and the friends I have made within. With an organization so deeply rooted in the past, I am excited to be part of its future. I hope everybody enjoys to much food, not enough wine and the company they keep for this Thanksgiving season.
Scott, Junior Warden

October 28, 2016, Woodrow Wilson Elementary School Public Schools Bicycle Program, pictured below is Joshua Crane and Jeremy Hartman with the bike winners from the drawing for perfect attendance and no tardies.





December 2016 Las Palmas Masonic Center Events Schedule

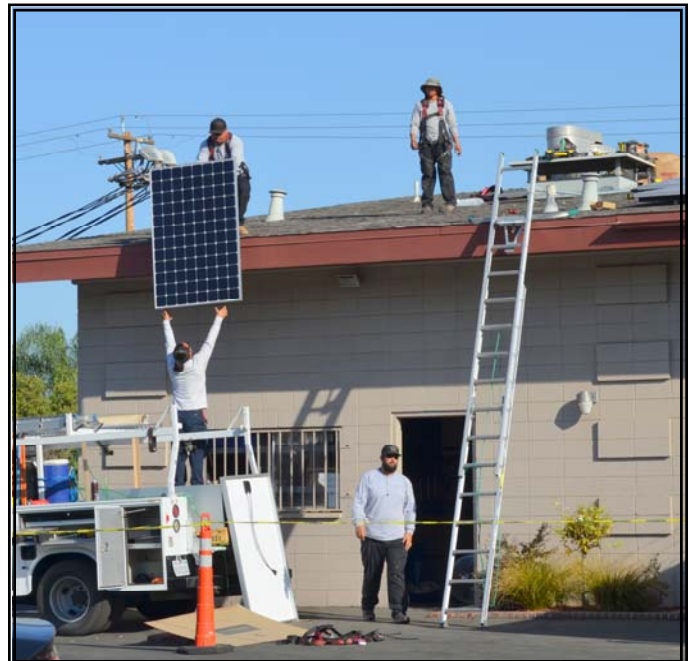
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1  6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. 1st Degree Pullings	2	3  HEART OF THE VALLEY
4	5 ESTRELLITA DARK PROGRESSIVE DINNER	6  HEART OF THE VALLEY	7  O.E.S. 555 6:30 P.M. SUPPER 7:30 P.M. CHAPTER	8  2017 OFFICERS DINNER 6:30 P.M. GEORGE'S Bar & Grill	9	10
11	12	13 6:00 P.M. L.P.M.B.A., LPP 399 7:00 P.M. FRESNO NUMISMATIC	14  7:00 P.M. NILE NO 92	15  6:00 P.M APPETIZERS SALAD BAR 6:30 P.M. DINNER 7:00 P.M. NECROLOGY 7:30 P.M MEETING	16	17 NORTH STAR FOSTER CARE CHRISTMAS PARTY 
18	19	20  HEART OF THE VALLEY	21  O.E.S. 555 6:30 P.M. SUPPER 7:30 P.M	22  LPP 366 DARK	23	24
25 	26	27 OSI 6:30 P.M.	28	29  LPP 366 DARK	30	31  Happy New Year!

Las Palmas Masonic Building Association

Tuesday, November 22, 2016 our Solar System has been approved by the City and P.G. & E. and is up and running, just could use some sunshine. Many thanks to Bill Lyons and Larry Hopper for keeping the project on track and getting it to competition!



Las Palmas Masonic Building Association Solar Project



November Stated Meeting

Diner



Enjoying Andrew Miller's Appetizer table



Brother's Rodriguez and Guy



Brother Marrett, Candy ?



The Bleak Family, P.M. John Herring and a prospect interested in Masonry.



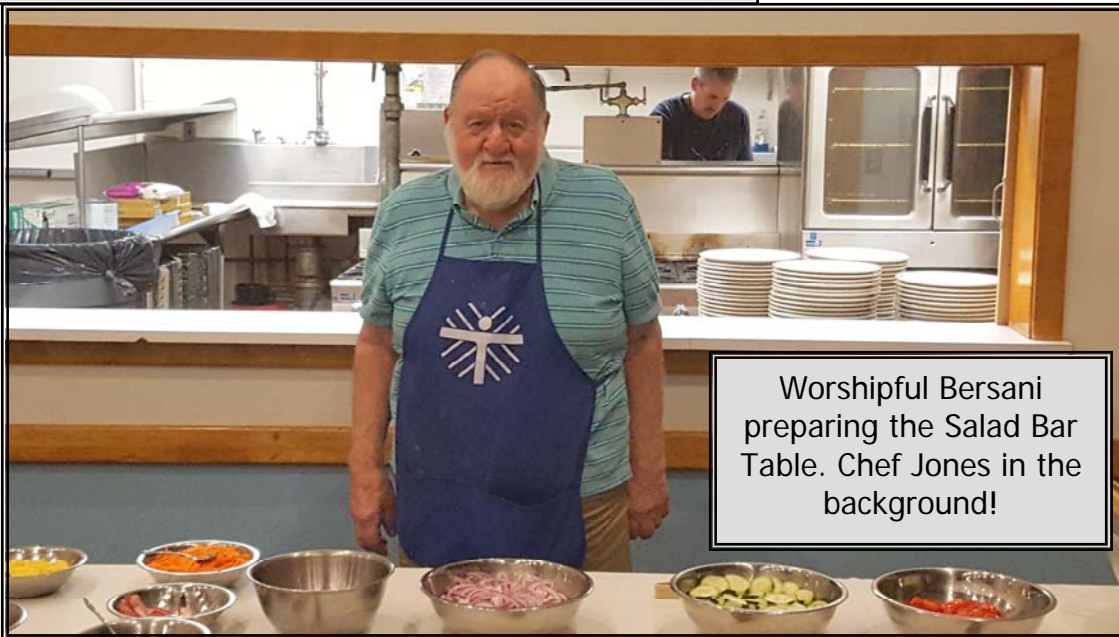
November Stated Meeting



Worshipful Andrew Miller with P.M. Randy Forrester doing the Chaplain duties.



David Kemp, Prospect



Worshipful Bersani preparing the Salad Bar Table. Chef Jones in the background!



Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217

International Order of Rainbow for Girls



Heart of the Valley Assembly
December 2016 Newsletter

Merry Christmas

Masonic Youth Leadership Scholarships

The Masonic Youth Leadership Scholarship honors and recognizes the hard work and commitment of our youth order leaders. This year, 24 scholarships, \$3,000 each, were awarded to youth leaders during the 167th Annual Communication in San Francisco. Recipients were chosen by adult leaders of all four California Masonic youth orders.

(Northern and Southern California DeMolay, Job's Daughters, and Rainbow for Girls).

The California Masonic Foundation is proud to announce the 2016 Fresno Area scholarship winners: Opal Amermen, Gabrielle Hadley, Julia Holman and Courtney Perry

(We co-claim Courtney with Napa Assembly).



Happy Hanukkah
Festival of Lights

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Stated Meeting - October 4

Tonight's meeting started with the announcements of Mrs. Manion as Mother Advisor and Mrs. [Blasquez](#) as assistant Mother Advisor.

During the business portion, members and adults swapped seats by donating \$1 to this term Reading Heart Project.



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Don't be late to District 28 Official Visit!

Heart of the Valley and Visalia Assemblies held the Official Visit of Grand Worthy Advisor and Supreme Deputy. Thank you to the girls and adults of District 28 for a fun and exciting Official Visit. Ritual, Floor Work and Tributes were awesome!



Informal Opening - Don't Be Late for District 28!



Bible Signing

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GRAND CROSS OF COLOR MYSTIC BANQUET

"November 15th is a special day for Masters of the Grand Cross of Color. It is a reminder that our continued service to Rainbow does not end with being honored as a recipient of a Grand Cross. Masters of the Grand Cross of Color enjoyed a delicious brunch, fellowship and renewal of our vows at the annual Area Grand Cross of Color Mystic Banquet and Bread Service Brunch.



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AREA RITUAL COMPETITION



Area Ritual Competition - Representing Districts

28 and 36: Sadee (Central Coast) 11-13 non PWA, Haleigh (Heart of the Valley) 14-16 non PWA, Katie (Visalia) PWA 16 and younger and Makayla (Heart of the Valley) PWA 17 and older. Congratulations to all who participated!



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Stated Meeting - LOVE AND ACCEPTANCE NIGHT



NOVEMBER LAS PALMAS LODGE SERVING

All enjoyed a delicious Thanksgiving Dinner at Las Palmas Lodge at their November Stated Meeting Dinner. Thank you to girls and adults who served and greeted guests with their beautiful smiles.



Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217



Heart of the Valley Pledge Group and Assembly meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month. Pledge Group meets at 6:15 pm and Assembly 7:00 pm. at the Las Palmas Masonic Center.

We invite all members of our sponsoring orders to come out and attend our meetings.

December 3	Children's Christmas Party	1:00P.M.	Scottish Rite Center
December 6	Installation Practice	6:30 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
December 15	Las Palmas Serving	6:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
December 18	Mystery Trip	?????????	????????????????????????????????????
December 20	Jingle Bell Sock Hop	7:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
December 21	Advisory Board Meeting	6:00 P.M.	Redman Home

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Heart of the Valley Assembly has 4 month terms for their officers. Term calendars are prepared by the incoming Worthy Advisor for Feb – May, June – Sept and Oct – January. We would love to include your public events. Please send your events at least one month prior to publication of our term calendars.





What a fabulous month we have had for Sharon Temple! We had our regular November session at 1:00 in advance of the Supreme Queen Official Visit on Sunday, November 13th and got our regular housekeeping chores out of the way to concentrate on the Ceremonial at 3:00. We were fortunate to initiate NINE very special ladies into Daughters of the Nile. We had a fantastic ceremony that



Queen
Jan Arnold

2016-2017 NILE OFFICERS

- Queen.....Jan Arnold PQ
- Jr. Past Queen.....Carole Rea Littleworth
- Princess Royal.....Jean Deaton
- Princess Tirzah.....Janeen Roberts
- Princess Badoura.....Susy Searcy
- Princess Recorder.....Marilyn DeCamp
- Princess Banker.....Cheri Detweiler PQ
- Princess Marshal.....Joann Evans
- Princess Chaplain.....Jeanne Eshreim PQ
- Lady of the Keys.....Sandra Ashlock
- Lady of the Gates.....Jeanette Foote
- Princess Nydia.....Debbie Sanborn
- Princess Zulieka.....Brenda Matias
- Princess Zenobia.....Elaine Lewis
- Princess Zora.....Janet Plettner
- Princess Zuliema.....
- Princess Musician.....Karen Lasky
- Attendant.....Erla Hildebrand
- Attendant.....Louisa Bowron
- American Flag Bearer.....Mary C. Cairns
- Canadian Flag Bearer.....Tins Bernier
- Nile Flag Bearer.....Lisa Marzuilo
- Page to the Queen.....Dorothy Wethey
- Page to the Pr. Royal.....Marge Machus
Eria Hildebrand
- Page to Pr. Tirzah.....Lena Cook
Darlene Morris
- Page to Pr. Badoura.....Carol Woods
Brenda Matias
- Page to Pr, Recorder.....Louisa Bowron

Calendar of Events

- December 3, 2016 1:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M.
Queens Holiday Open House
Queen Jan Arnold's Home
5231 N. Nantucket Ave. Fresno
- December 07, 2016 Tulare-Kings Nile Club
1100 P.M. Christmas Luncheon
Lamp Liter Inn, 3300 W. Mineral King
- December 14, 2016 Nile Stated Session
7:30 P.M. Las Palmas Masonic Center
Soup Dinner, 6:30 P.M.
Banquet Room Election of Officers
Pr. Royal; Chairman

made guests, officers, members, past queens and our angel past queens so proud of our performance. As Queen this year I have been so blessed with officers who have been faithful and conscientious in their attendance and ritual work. So many others have assisted in decoration, music, special events and work on fundraisers and club activities and to each and every one from my heart – Thank you!

Forty two members and guests in my circle of friends enjoyed the Queen's Bus Trip on the 29th to the Duarte Poinsettia Farm, lunch at the Hilmar Cheese Company and topped it off with

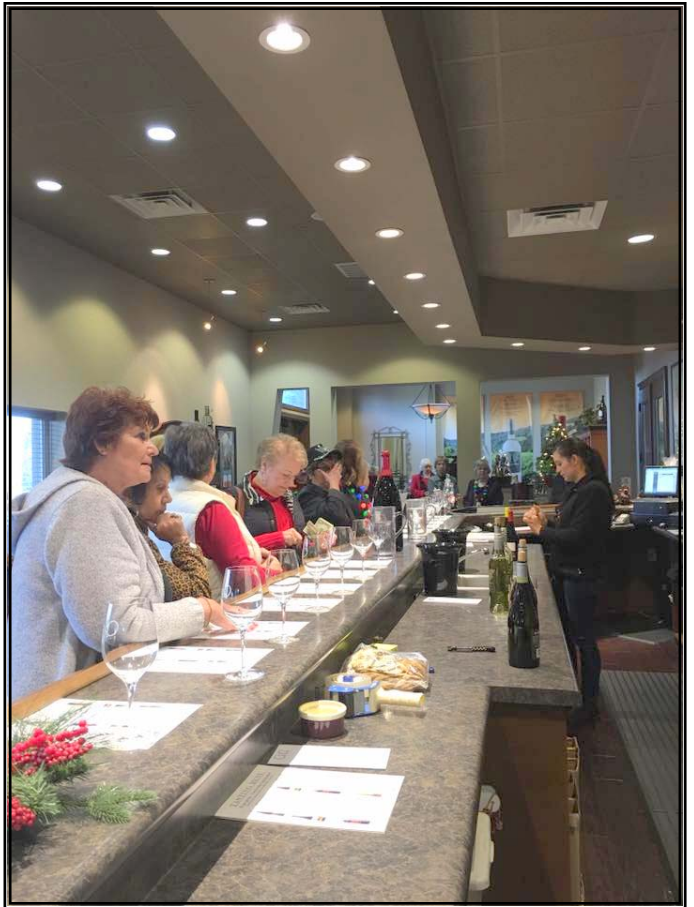
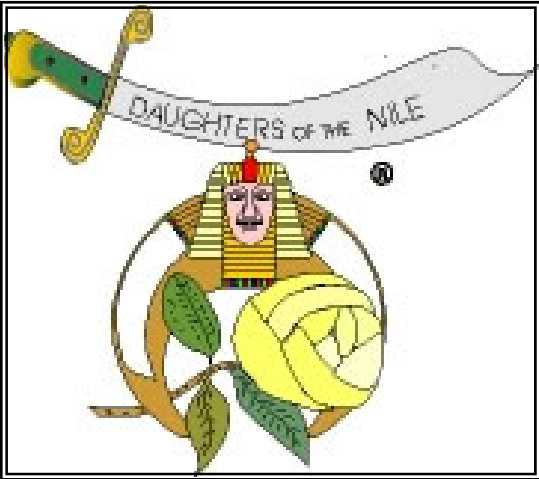


wine tasting at the Cru Winery just north of Madera.

A perfect day for weather, fun, fellowship and a load of flowers in the cargo bays of a very big bus! We look forward to more fun on December 3rd at the Queen's Christmas Open House at my home so everyone can see the ginormous poinsettia that had my name on it!



Christmas greetings to all and blessings to all who have shared this very special year with me.
Queen Jan





from the WIDOWS CLUB

Las Palmas Masonic Center, November 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
Maria Calendar's Restaurant 1781 East Shaw Avenue, Fresno CA.*

Looking forward to seeing you!

*R.S.V.P. Ethel Day President (559) 276-2631 • Betty Veffredo Secretary (559) 431-6260
with exception of June, July, August*

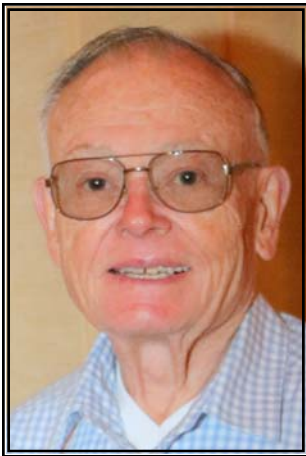
*Merry
Christmas*

From the Widows Club!



Bernice Dyck with her wonderful young girls from Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217

Greetings from the Archives



During 1964 Las Palmas Lodge was able to pay off its mortgage on our new Temple and our membership exceeded 1,050 making us one of the largest lodges in California.

April 16, 1964 It was moved and carried that, from now on, dues for all fifty year members be remitted. (To my knowledge, this is not being done today, perhaps due to Grand Lodge rules.) The budget committee recommended, and the Lodge adopted, the following salaries: Secretary raised from \$225 to \$250, tiler and organist raised from \$30 to \$50 per month.

November, 1965 A resolution passed that raised the salary of the Lodge dishwasher from \$1.25 per hour to \$1.40 per hour.

January, 1968 The Secretary reported a net loss of 10 members during the 1967 year. As of December 31, 1967 we had 1057 members.

November, 1969 Annual dues were increased by 25% from \$20 to \$25 effective 1/1/1970.

Las Palmas continued to be a very busy Lodge. In June of 1973 Lodge was opened on Wednesday June 27 and conferred a Third Degree, on Thursday the 28 they conferred three 2nd degrees, and on Friday the 28 they conferred another 3rd degree.

In 1969 a fund in memorial to Eugene Draper Kelly was established for the upkeep and repair of our Lodge Building. He took his degrees in Las Palmas Lodge in 1947 and 1948 and died on July 9, 1969. This fund has long since been spent.



November 10,
2016 Fellow Craft
Degree for Henry
T. Alcantara
Worshipful
Coleman
in attendance.



We have many brothers who need your support, be it their wives or family members, a call, a note or stop by just to remind them we are there for them in their time of need.

*Charles Bersani, Georgette Bersani
Stuart Hoskins, Stacy Hoskins
Don Ott
Alvin Hopkins Jr*



DECEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

	Birthday	Raised		Birthday	Raised
Dewayne R. Bien	12/9	7/13	Robert E. Mc Colaugh	12/22	4/5
Devon F. Bleak, III	12/12	3/5	Mitchell L. Mirigian	12/23	4/1
Don J. Blosser	12/27	10/6	Leonard T. Ogden	12/12	1/27
Douglas C. Boudakian	12/11	4/5	Don E. Ott	12/9	6/11
Kenneth C. Bryson	12/31	2/19	George M. Pavlovich	12/13	7/9
Robert B. Buchanan	12/7	1/28	Daniel L. Pearce	12/4	9/30
Gregory T. Burton	12/27	12/1	James H. Peloian	12/4	12/15
Kevin P. Casey	12/20	9/4	Gerald S. Rasmussen	12/1	3/13
James C. Clark	12/19	4/12	Paul E. Redondo	12/27	11/8
William E. Clark, D.D.S.	12/14	7/3	Robert W. Roberts	12/31	6/6
Michael D. Dick	12/7	11/13	Maher M. Saber	12/5	10/5
Kenneth J. Elia	12/23	10/27	William E. Sawtell	12/25	4/22
Charles E. Garabedian	12/20	10/18	Elvin M. Sherwood	12/8	7/3
Charles R. Gomez, Jr.	12/10	7/23	Steven W. Shute	12/9	4/30
Matthew C. Guy	12/6	5/31	Kenneth H. Smith	12/29	6/20
Johnnie E. Harshman, Jr.	12/25	5/16	Lawrence H. Smith	12/5	2/23
John D. Kitchel	12/20	3/30	Edward C. Stumpf	12/1	1/26
Benjamin F. Lewis	12/14	5/27	John B. Swank	12/4	7/27
Dee T. Lewis	12/20	9/8	Thomas E. Topjian	12/7	6/10
Stanley F. Littleworth	12/2	5/1	James S. Wadkins	12/7	11/16
William E. Lockie, Jr.	12/16	10/11	Ronald W. Weiner	12/20	11/1
L. Dean Lowe, Ph.D	12/25	6/12	Rex F. Wellendorf	12/31	2/29
James C. Mc Clain	12/3	7/3			

IN MEMORIAM

Jeff D. Ringer

Born 05/26/1930—Raised 06/27/1963
 Called from labor
 July 7, 2016



Menu for December

Appetizers and Salad Bar
 Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes
 Mushroom Gravy, Kennel Corn
 Rolls and Dessert

Fresno Masonic Widows Club

Marie Callender's Restaurant
 1781 East Shaw Avenue
 November 29, 2016

President; Ethel Day
 Vice-President; Judy Gross
 Secretary; Betty Veffredo
 Treasurer; Pat Westpal

Reservations Required
 For Information call (559) 431-6260



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.

From the Desk of the Secretary



The election of our 2017 Officers are in the books, Qualifications to be finished, and Installation will be Saturday, January 7, 2017, 2:00 P.M.. Our Hall Association solar project is finished and is up and running. It has been a tough year with the passing of our Senior Warden, Mike Tyrcha, he is truly missed and always in our thoughts. Our Masonic District has changed again, we are now Masonic District 502, with Madera Lodge 280, Sierra Lodge 788, Fresno Lodge 247 and Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge 366 and Worshipful David A. Coleman is our Inspector. Our 2017 Scholarship Applications are available in the Lodge Office or www.lpp366.org.

Stop by our office any week day morning, socialize and enjoy a cup of coffee .

December Calendar

December 1 2016	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. 1st Degree Gary J.B. Pullings	
December 8, 2016	6:30 P.M. 2017 Officers Dinner Georges Bar & Grill	
December 13, 2016	6:00 P.M. Hall Association Meeting LPP Officers Meeting	
December 15, 2016	6:00 P.M. Appetizer/Salad Bar 6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Necrology 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting	
December 22, 2016	Dark Christmas	22
December 29, 2016	Dark, New Years	



We are accepting credit cards payments using the Square System.

2016 dues \$113.50
Credit Card \$117.65
2017 dues \$120.00
Credit Card \$124.50
Stated Dinners are \$11.00
Shirts, Ciphers, Monitors + \$1.00