



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

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## Greetings from the East

*Happy Valentine's Day!*



Well here's hoping you all had a great start to your 2016 year. Our first month has already gone by very quickly, and a highly eventful month it was too. Thanks to all our members and their families who came out for our Annual Installation of Officers, as well as to our many Grand Lodge Officers who were in attendance.

This past month we saw the raising of two brothers to degree of Master Mason, and we would certainly like to congratulate Brother Joshua Hughes and Brother Casey Sagmaquen for all their hard work and well deserved achievement.

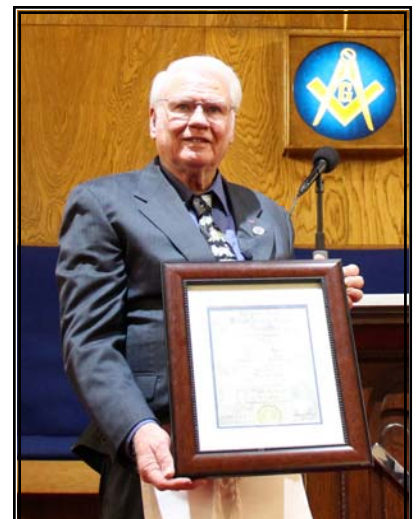
February is of course once again our annual Sweethearts Dinner, and we all look forward to having the many Masonic Widows of our lodge to be our guests.

In addition we also welcome our new Junior Deacon Matthew Guy who stepped up to fill that position this month, and to thank Brother Mike Hamzy for all his hard work and effort. We're sorry to see you go and look forward to being able to work with you again in the future. But I'm sure we all understand that no matter how much we try sometimes work commitments and lodge commitments to often just don't want to reconcile.

Andrew  
Master



Mike Nella P.M., Allan L. Casalou Grand Secretary  
Worshipful Master, Andrew Miller and Allan D,  
Miller P.M, 2016 Installing team and Master



Cliff Henderson  
Golden Veteran's Award

2016 DUES, \$113.50 as of December 31, 2015 are DELINQUENT

## Greetings from the West



Has been a great month for degrees we raised Joshua Hughes on January 14th and Brother Casey Sagmaquen January 28th our first two Master Masons for 2016. February 4th will be doing a Fellow Craft degree for Calvin McCarty, Ryan Marrett will do the Staircase Lecture, his ritual work is really good. We have two more 3rd degrees to do in the month of February.

Join us at 6:30 P.M. on Thursday nights for a really good meal prepared by Worshipful Sallee's dinner crew.

Socialize with the Brothers, prospects and applicants, 7:00 P.m. degrees and the prospects and applicants work in the card room with Past Masters Forrester, Bennett and Frey.

Join us at Las Palmas Masonic Center for the best food and ritual work in the valley! As our kitchen staff, says when we meet we eat!

Mike, Senior Warden



Worshipful Miller, Casey Sagmaquen, Raised January 28, 2016 with his bible he was obligated on, Senior Warden Michael Tyrcha P.M.

Friday, January 15, 2016, Our Public Schools Bike Program was at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, Worshipful Bersani pictured below with 3 of the lucky students in the drawing for bicycles and back packs, had perfect attendance and no taries. Bill Lyons provided the photo's. and assisted with presentation. Two bicycles, two helmets, ten back packs and ten book bags were given away in a drawing of all the students with perfect attendance and no taries. Worshipful Andrew Miller and Richard Ehorn were in attendance at Powers-Ginsburg Elementary School for a presentation of two bicycles, two helmets, ten back packs and ten book bags were also given away in a drawing of all the students with perfect attendance and no taries.



## Greetings from the South



Once again the house was packed for our January stated meeting. The food keeps getting better and better. Appetizers and salad bar earned five stars, and Brother Lee and crew spoiled us with some delicious pork tenderloin and all the fixings. The Rainbow girls make us feel special with their attention to detail while graciously serving our meals and it was wonderful to have so many of our departed Brother's Widows in attendance.



Our lodge is truly blessed to continue to have a link to our past while looking to the future. Brother Clifford Henderson received his Fifty Year Golden Veterans award, a past worth celebrating. It was great to have so many of his family and friends in attendance to celebrate this amazing achievement, congratulations Cliff.

The future looks bright as we also celebrated the second degree proficiencies of brothers Jeremy Hartman and Casey Sagmaquen. They performed a job well done and we look forward to celebrating their third degrees ceremonies.

It is wonderful to celebrate my first full year with the Las-Palmas Ponderosa lodge. The many brothers from Clovis Lodge and I are truly blessed to have been accepted with such kindness during the transition. 2015 was an exciting and busy year for the brothers and I anticipate great things to come. I hope to see all of you at our next stated meeting enjoying the awesome food and celebrating the degree milestones of our brothers.

Scott  
Junior Warden



Worshipful Miller and Joshua Hughes, First Master Mason 2016 and Officers



# FEBRUARY 2016 CALENDAR

LAS PALMAS MASONIC CENTER

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|
|   | <p>1<br/>ESTRELLITA CLUB<br/>POT LUCK<br/>6:00 P.M.</p>  | <p>2<br/>HEART OF THE VALLEY<br/>7:00 P.M.<br/>INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS</p>  | <p>3<br/>LEGACY O.E.S<br/>6:30 P.M. DINNER<br/>7:30 P.M CHAPTER<br/>ROARING 20'S</p>   | <p>4</p>  <p>LPP 366<br/>6:30 P.M. DINNER<br/>7:00 P.M. DEGREE<br/>FELLOE CRAFT<br/>McCARTY</p>   | 5   | 6   |
| 7   | 8   | <p>9<br/>6:00 P.M. L.M.B.A<br/>HALL BOARD<br/>LPP 366<br/>OFFICERS<br/>MEETING<br/><br/>7:00 P.M.<br/>FRESNO<br/>NUMISMATIC</p>                               | <p>10<br/>NILE NO 92<br/>7:30 P.M.<br/>STATED SESSION</p>   | <p>11</p>  <p>LPP 366<br/>6:30 P.M. DINNER<br/>7:00 P.M. DEGREE<br/>MASTER MASON<br/>HARTMAN</p>  | 12  | 13  |
| 14.   | <p>15</p>    | <p>16<br/>HEART OF THE VALLEY<br/>7:00 P.M.<br/>STATED MEETING</p>         | <p>17<br/>LEGACY O.E.S<br/>6:30 P.M. DINNER<br/>7:30 P.M CHAPTER<br/>BROTHERS NIGHT</p>    | <p>18</p>  <p>LPP366<br/>6:00 P.M.<br/>APPETIZER<br/>6:30 P.M.DINNER<br/>7:00 P.M.<br/>GOLDEN VETERANS<br/>AWARDS<br/>7:30<br/>STATED MEETING</p> | <p>19<br/>HEART OF THE VALLEY<br/>CARD ROOM</p>  | <p>20<br/>HEART OF THE VALLEY<br/>CARD ROOM</p>  |
| 21<br>HEART OF THE VALLEY<br>CARD ROOM<br> | 22  | 23  | <p>24</p>  <p>LPP 366<br/>OFFICERS AND<br/>CANDIDATES<br/>WORKSHOP<br/>6:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.</p>  | <p>25</p>  <p>LPP 366<br/>6:30 P.M. DINNER<br/>7:00 P.M. DEGREE</p>   | 26  | 27  |
| 28  | <p>29<br/>MASTER'S NIGHT<br/>OUT<br/>AJ's ARMENIAN<br/>CUISINE<br/>5045 N. MAROA<br/>AVE.<br/>FRESNO, 93704</p>                           |   |   |  |   |   |

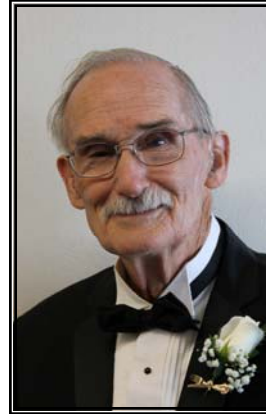
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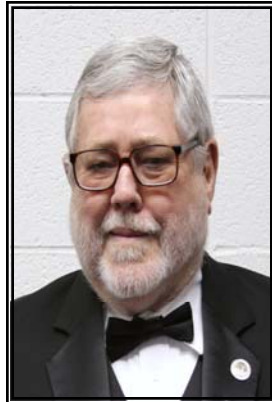
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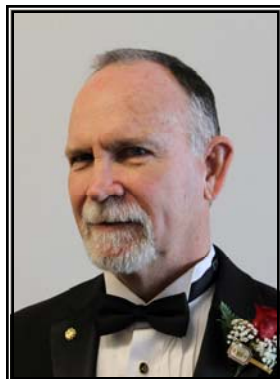
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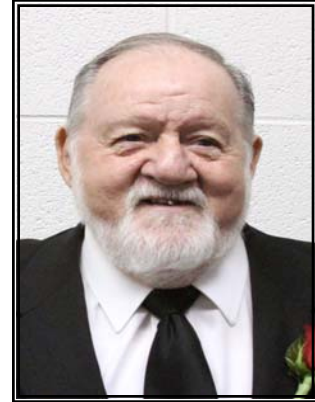
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## *Las Palmas Masonic Center*

Our consolidation with Clovis Lodge No. 417 brought a lot of stuff, history, plaques, pictures and etc.. We have a really large upstairs for storage and over the years everyone has kind of just toss it upstairs. Last few weeks, Bill Lyons and Cliff Henderson purchased metal storage racks for upstairs. There was so much junk, they spent a couple of days cleaning and filling the dumpster. Pictures 1 and 2 are before they started. Pictures 3, 4 and 5 are the result of a lot of hard work, they assembled four racks and sorted thru a lot of stuff.



Picture 1

There is a lot of boxes that need to be gone thru and labeled. Daughter's of the Nile and Legacy O.E.S. have a lot of boxes of records and files that need to be removed.

We have all the lodge blue prints they will be sorted and properly stored.

There is still work to be done, more brought down, next project is the Card Room.

When you see Brother Lyons and Henderson, they could use a few thank you's for their hard work!



Picture 2



Picture 4



Picture 3



Picture 5

## Secretaries & Treasures Retreat San Ramon California



David Coleman, Treasurer,  
Fresno Lodge 247 and his  
daughter,  
Jennifer Banta,  
Member Services Manager,

January 22,23 and 24 was the annual Secretary and Treasurer Retreat held at the San Ramon Marriott Hotel. I have attended for the ninth time this year and boy did Grand Lodge get right. From Friday night with Allan Casalou welcoming and introductions, Saturday Morning was filled with dynamic speakers and presenters like Jordon Yelinek on Lodge records and bylaws to new Lodge development. Jennifer Banta, Dues, Member Services and i-member. After lunch on Saturday we broke up in groups for Secretaries and training covering the Role of the Secretary, Lodge records, minutes, Member Services, was something for all old and new Secretaries!

Treasurers were covering the role of the Treasurer, lodge budgets, investments and financial services by more outstanding presenters, Tom Boyer C.F.O., Maribel Pasamic, Elisabeth Pinto, Intact representatives.

This was well planned and was made to be a real learning experience for all in attendance, presenters always took the time to answer all our questions. Again I thank the Lodge for the opportunity to attend and serve as Secretary!



Joe Sallee, Assistant Secretary, LPP366, Jim Clark, Secretary LPP366, Richard Ehorn, Treasurer LPP 366, Bryan Coleman, Secretary, Fresno Lodge 247 and David Coleman Treasurer, Fresno Lodge 247 and Inspector 614th District.





*Legacy Chapter No. 555  
Order of Eastern Star*



Worthy Matron  
Darlene Henderson  
Worthy Patron  
Cliff Henderson

- 2016 LEGACY CHAPTER OFFICERS**
- Worthy Matron.....Darlene Henderson PM
  - Worthy Patron.....Cliff Henderson PP
  - Associate Matron.....Juliet Vitz PM
  - Associate Patron.....Richard Haggerty PP
  - Secretary.....Donna Herring PGM
  - Treasurer.....Kurt Docken PP
  - Conductress.....Ruth Sterry
  - Assoc. Conductress.....Debbie Sanborn PM
  - Chaplain.....John Herring PP
  - Marshal.....Carlee Johnson PM
  - Organist.....Jennifer Finn
  - Adah.....Jeannette Foote PM
  - Ruth.....Lynne Haggerty PM
  - Esther.....Cathy Lee PM
  - Martha.....Jill Jacobsen
  - Electa.....Joyce Spoelstra
  - Warder.....Devin Bleak
  - Sentinel.....Gordon Keeton PP



*Calendar*

February 3, 2016 .....*Roaring 20's*  
*Dress, 20's attire, no tuxs*  
*Chairman, Becky Davis PM*  
*Co-chairman, Cindy Perry*

February 6, 2016  
*Social Style Official Visit of WGM & WGP*  
*Business attire*  
*1:00 P.M.*  
*Fresno Masonic Center*

February 17, 2016.....*Brothers Night*  
*Dress;*  
*Chairman, Cliff Henderson WP*  
*Co-chairman, Dick Haggerty PP*

Hello to all;

This will be a very busy month for our chapter. Our first meeting will be February 3rd, the theme is the roaring 20's. There will be a light dinner at 6:30 pm followed by the meeting at 7:30.



On Saturday, February 6th at 1 pm will be the Official Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron Chris Diaz and the Worthy Grand Patron John Scott at the Masonic Center on Shields Ave. We will be having a visit from the Animal Compassion team and they will have several dogs available for adoption. They would like appreciate any gifts of Dog food canned or dry, beds, blankets or towels. There will be refreshments in the Banquet room following.

Our second meeting will be on Wednesday February 4th the theme is Brothers Night. The light dinner will be prepared by the Brothers (good cooks) Meeting to follow at 7:30.

On January 21st our Worthy Patron Cliff Henderson was honored at Las Palmas for his 50 years of Masonry, Our Daughter Heather and our grandsons Wiley and Skylar came from Ben Lomond to be with him. Cliff was overwhelmed by how many of his sisters and brothers from Eastern Star particularly Legacy Chapter that attended. The members of Eastern Star are very proud of him.

Cliff was very honored that John Herring presided over the Golden Veterans Award Ceremony and as usual John did a wonderful job.

# Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217

International Order of Rainbow for Girls



*California Rainbow is going to Disneyland! ~ April 23, 2016*

California Rainbow Leadership Team is excited to announce that the 2016 Leadership Training will be the Disney's Approach to Leadership and Teamwork workshop held inside of the Disneyland Park.



It will be a 3 hour interactive program throughout the park put on by Disney's Youth Education Team. This cost includes a 1-day ticket into Disneyland (*not California Adventures*), the 3 hour leadership workshop and an event t-shirt. There are only 200 spaces available for active girls, so we strongly encourage assemblies to be mindful of deadlines as they approach. Those 200 spots will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

We are fortunately able to offer tickets into Disneyland at the same group rate, so everyone will still be able to spend the day in the park. This group rate is also extended to family members, majority members, or any other adult supporters who would like to spend a day in Disneyland with the CA Rainbow extended family.

Please forward your assembly's head count of who is interested (girls and adults) in attending to the CA Leadership Team ([caiorleadership@gmail.com](mailto:caiorleadership@gmail.com)) by January 31, 2016. In the email please list the Assembly Name, head count for girls and head count for adults.

# Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217

International Order of Rainbow for Girls



Last Official Visit ~ January 17, 2016



# *Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217*

*International Order of Rainbow for Girls*



## *Membership Party ~ January 16, 2016*

Congratulations Alexis on chairing a fun and exciting Membership Party! The girls met at River Park Mall for a photo scavenger hunt. After the hunt, all enjoyed a delicious pizza lunch. We sent home two applications for membership and our Pledge member Lily hopes to initiate at Grand Assembly!



# *Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217*

*International Order of Rainbow for Girls*



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*Las Palmas Lodge Installation of Officers—January 9, 2016*



# 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.

|             |                                |           |                           |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| January 31  | Julia & Samantha's Reception   | 6:00 P.M. | Las Palmas Masonic Center |
| February 2  | Installation of Officers       | 7:00 P.M. | Las Palmas Masonic Center |
| February 13 | New Mother Advisory Workshop   | 1:00 P.M. | Auburn                    |
| February 13 | Recorder Treasurer Workshop    | 1:00 P.M. | Auburn                    |
| February 14 | Grand Worthy Advisor Reception | 1:00 P.M. | Fair Oaks                 |
| February 16 | Stated Meeting                 | 7:00 P.M. | Las Palmas Masonic Center |
| February 18 | Dinner Serving, Group A        | 6:00 P.M. | Las Palmas Masonic Center |
| February 24 | Advisory Board Meeting         | 6:30 P.M. | Las Palmas Masonic Center |

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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!*





Happy  
Valentine's  
Day!



Carole Rea Littleworth  
Queen

Hi everyone,

There is no article this time because time got away from me. In the past few weeks I have been busy getting ready for the Supreme Queen's Official Visit which was on Friday the 29<sup>th</sup>. The next morning Stan and I drove Her Supreme Majesty and one of her attendants to San Francisco for her next Official Visit which was that afternoon.

That day, Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup>, was our 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. We stayed in San Francisco at the Fairmont Hotel for the weekend; coming home on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup>. We had a wonderful time on both occasions.

I will write more about the Supreme Queen's visit in the next time.

Nile love,

Queen Carole Rea



*from the WIDOWS CLUB*

## *Las Palmas-Ponderosa February 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. Lena Cook President (559) 227-0690 • Betty Veffredo Secretary (559) 431-6260  
with exception of July, August and December*

*DARK July and August*

### *Masonic Widows Club January Meeting*

*Wednesday, January 27, 2016, Marie Callender's  
Restaurant & Bakery, Pictured below Worshipful  
Andrew A. Miller, guest speaker, Secretary Bette  
Veffredo, President Lena Cook and Treasurer, Pat  
Westpal.*

*Was about 23 in attendance, was a speaker from  
Chaffee Zoo, she spoke and answered questions.*

*Exciting the club moving from Denny's Restaurant  
think there will be a much better attendance, food  
and service was really good.*

*Bill Neal, Fresno Lodge 247, Larry Smith and Jim Clark  
Secretary from Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge 366  
attended.*

### *THE LAMBSKIN APRON*

*It is not ornamental,*

*The cost is not so great.*

*There are other things fare more useful,*

*Yet, truly here I state*

*Though of All my Husbands Possessions*

*There's none which can or could compare,*

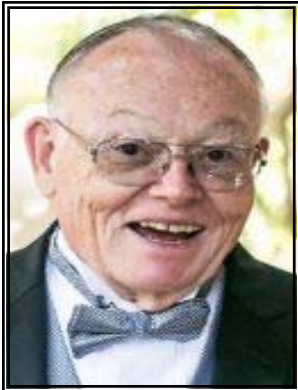
*With that White Leather Apron,*

*Which all Freemason's Proudly wear.*

*Lena Cook: Pres: Masonic Widow's Club*



## Greetings from the Archives



The History of Las Palmas Lodge does not always reflect the fact that Masons are supposed to walk upright and treat others as they would like to be treated.

From the time of WW I through WW II, there were a lot of black cubes cast in our ballot box for men that had a last name that was of German origin, especially if these men were not born in the United States. While we may look back upon these actions with disgust, we must remember that anti-German sentiment was quite prevalent through the whole United States at this time.

By June, 1959 another part of the very dark past of Las Palmas Lodge had ceased. Before that, worthy men of Armenian descent, or at least with a name ending in "ian" were always "black balled" by secret ballot. Because of this, Las Palmas, in open Lodge, would grant a waiver of jurisdiction to the man of Armenian descent so that he could petition one of several Lodges in San Francisco or Berkeley for the degrees of Masonry. Thankfully these out of town Lodges did not have our problem and they would then grant them membership.

Sometimes all three of the degrees were conferred in their home lodges, but many times these men would receive their first degree in their home lodge and then be coached, passed and raised in Las Palmas as a courtesy to the candidate and their home lodge. It was not uncommon for Las Palmas to host the Lodge from San Francisco or Berkeley for a dinner on the night of their candidate's third degree. I can only presume that this problem continued to persist in the other local Lodges or these fine men of Armenian descent would simply have petitioned another local Lodge for the degrees of Masonry. While some of these men who gained Masonry by joining a Lodge out of town later affiliated with Las Palmas, many never did.

The first two successful candidates to be voted in as members of Las Palmas were Archie Nahigian and Leon Peters. Today the Leon Peters Foundation helps our bike fund for students with perfect attendance as well as our Child ID program.



2016 Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge No. 366  
Scholarship Applications

Applications are available  
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e-mail; [lppmasoniclodge@comcast.net](mailto:lppmasoniclodge@comcast.net)





# FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY'S

|                      | Birthday | Raised |                         | Birthday | Raised |
|----------------------|----------|--------|-------------------------|----------|--------|
| John K. Baird        | 2/6      | 5/18   | Jared B. Lyons          | 2/29     | 12/4   |
| Richard D. Childs    | 2/16     | 6/13   | James J. Mc Cown        | 2/18     | 10/3   |
| Harold C. Cox        | 2/10     | 10/11  | Larry C. Minasian       | 2/27     | 10/11  |
| Robert L. Davenport  | 2/20     | 6/27   | Robert A. Papazian      | 2/4      | 6/1    |
| Richard M. Donaldson | 2/10     | 6/9    | Gene H. Pattee          | 2/4      | 5/29   |
| Robert R. Ewing      | 2/23     | 5/22   | Byron A. Pretzer        | 2/10     | 10/22  |
| Richard W. Frey      | 2/21     | 4/11   | Michael W. Reynolds     | 2/29     | 5/2    |
| Alan A. Hansen       | 2/19     | 9/6    | Rodney B. Rowlett       | 2/21     | 4/10   |
| Roy S. Harris        | 2/4      | 11/19  | John R. Scott           | 2/16     | 6/6    |
| Ali R. Hatamaria     | 2/19     | 12/11  | Gerald L. Sharp         | 2/14     | 3/15   |
| Steven R. High       | 2/22     | 9/14   | David J. Sorge          | 2/15     | 10/26  |
| Cline C. Jack, Jr.   | 2/23     | 10/31  | Gary P Spoelstra        | 2/6      | 5/16   |
| Lonny G. Johnson     | 2/7      | 1/26   | Michael A. Sullivan     | 2/1      | 11/18  |
| Bryan K. Kincade     | 2/18     | 4/9    | Jerome A. Thormann, Jr. | 2/9      | 11/6   |
| Khoa V. Le           | 2/19     | 2/5    | Timothy R. Tyler        | 2/10     | 11/5   |
| Wayne E. Lindsley    | 2/7      | 3/13   | Jason I. Weiner         | 2/17     | 3/5    |

## IN MEMORIAM

### Howard D. Suttliff

Born 01/01/1928-Raised 07/03/1957  
Called from labor  
December 9, 2015

### Gordon D. Speiser

Born 12/17/1928-Raised 09/29/1966  
Called from labor  
January 25, 2016  
Hiram Award October 7, 1993



### Roy A. Gibbs

Born 07/22/1924-Raised 03/29/1973  
Called from labor  
January 9, 2016

### John F. Corter

Born 10/30/1930-Raised 10/19/1977  
Called from labor  
January 23, 2016

## Fresno Masonic Widows Club

Marie Callender's Restaurant  
1781 East Shaw Avenue  
February 24, 2016

President; Lena Cook  
Vice-President; Judy Gross  
Secretary; Betty Veffredo  
Treasurer; Pat Westpal

Reservations Required  
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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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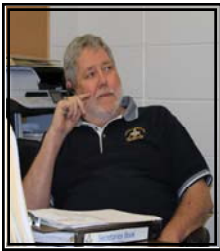


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A REQUEST TO THE FAMILY OF THE ADDRESSEE

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

*From the Desk of the Secretary*



2016 installation was a huge success, the south side of the lodge room was filled with the Officers families. Thanks to the Installing team for a fantastic installation. Grand Secretary, Allan L Casalou, Installing Officer, Michael D. Nella P.M., Master of Ceremonies and Allan D, Miller P.M., Chaplain. After the installation ceremony we retired to the banquet room for refreshments, wow what a spread was laid out for everyone's enjoyment. January 14, 2016, the Officer's raised the first Master Mason for 2016, Joshua T. Hughes, as always a great ritual. Our January 21, 2016 Stated Meeting dinner, we honored Cliff Henderson with his Golden Veterans Award presented by Past Master John Herring. Had a really good attendance for dinner and the award. Casey Sagmaquen was our second Master Mason of 2016 in January!  
Join us for coffee most weekday mornings!

*February Calendar*

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|-------------------|---|
| February 4, 2016  | 6:30 P.M. Dinner<br>7:00 P.M. Second Degree, McCarty  |
| February 9, 2016  | 6:00 P.M. Hall Association Board<br>LPP Officers Meeting  |
| February 11, 2016 | 6:30 P.M. Dinner<br>7:00 P.M. Third Degree, Hartman   |
| February 18, 2016 | 6:00 P.M. Appetizer/Salad Bar<br>6:30 P.M. Dinner<br>7:00 P.M. Honor our Widows<br>7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting |
| February 25, 2016 | 6:30 P.M. Dinner<br>7:00 P.M. Degree  |



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2016 dues are \$113.50  
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Stated Dinners are \$11.00  
Shirts, Ciphers, Monitors + \$1.00