



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



Greeting Brethren and friends, here's hoping you all have gotten a pleasant start to your summer season and had a fun and relaxing Memorial Day weekend.

We had the pleasure this past month of presenting Brother Jake Sexton with his Golden Veterans Award ceremony commemorating fifty years of membership within our fraternity. And we would once again like to congratulate him on his half century of continued membership and service to our fraternity.

This past month we also had the pleasure to initiate two new Masons into our craft, our now Brothers Chris Meyer and Chris Parker.

Congratulations once more on joining our fraternity we wish you well on the beginning of your Masonic journey and look forward to continuing to join us in our lodge's many events to come.



While many of the Masonic groups in our valley may tend to be inactive during the summer months, I assure you our Lodge will stay as active as always. Please feel free to invite your friends and coworkers to join us at our monthly social night and lodge dinners. Also our we will once again be holding our annual baseball night out at Chukchansi Park in August so get your tickets now and we hope to see you all there! In addition I'd like to take this opportunity to remind all our officers that we are now on our casual summer dress code for our lodge functions, lodge polo and slacks for officers and all other brethren as casual as you prefer. Stay cool and we hope to see you all soon.

Andrew, Worshipful Master

Greetings from the West



The heat is on and summer is finally upon us, as the grass turns from green to brown, we shed our tuxedos for the more casual days ahead. Our monthly social was a huge hit and brought many old faces. I hope we can keep the momentum and have all of you guys return for the next meeting. The May Stated meeting brought a wonderful celebration for brother Jake Sexton who received his Golden Veterans award; I was excited to celebrate this historic milestone with him. Sometimes we take for granted the dedication to our wonderful brotherhood this man has made and I am in awe of his commitment. May 25th was a rare

opportunity to perform a duo first degree, these are always a joy for me. I was thrilled to have been a part of this ceremony and

I am excited to introduce our newest brothers Christopher Parker and Christopher Meyer. This Fraternal organization is stronger with you guys in it and we welcome you!

I would be amiss if I didn't recognize the Memorial Day weekend. While lots are celebrating a day off work, I am giving thanks for those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for my freedom and this wonderful but flawed country we call home. Our brotherhood stretches across generations and continents and I for one will never forget the price that has been paid. Thank you to the families and friends who gave more than anyone should have had to and to the veterans who came home forever changed, I salute you!

Scott, Senior Warden



Above;
Richard Jones preparing to BBQ the chicken for the May stated meeting dinner.

To the right;
Heart of the Valley Rainbow young ladies who served your May stated meeting dinner!



Greetings from the South



Christopher Meyers, Entered Apprentice with proud and top line signer, Grandfather, 1988 Past Master, Clovis Lodge No. 417, Alan Burnham.














Isaac Hollomon, spoke about the Knights of St. Andrews and as Scottish Rite Librarian presented an old bible to the lodge at the May stated meeting dinner



Two pictures above from the Degree dinner before the Entered Apprentice Degrees for Brothers Parker and Brother Meyers. Joe Sallee always provides a tasty meal before each degree!



JUNE 2017
Las Palmas Masonic
Center
Events Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		2		1  6:30 P.M. LODGE SOCIAL	2	3  HEART OF THE VALLEY
4	5 ESTRILLITA CLUB 6:00 P.M.	6  HEART OF THE VALLEY STATED MEETING	7  LEGACY O.E.S 555	8  6:30 P.M. DINNER 7:00 P.M. 3RD DEGREE	9	10
11	12	13 LPMBA 6:00 P.M. CMTA LPP 366 OFFICERS COIN CLUB 7:30 P.M.	14  SHARON TEMPLE DARK	15  6:00 P.M. APPETIZER SALAD BAR 6:30 P.M. DINNER 7:30 P.M MEETING	16	17
18	19	20  HEART OF THE VALLEY STATED MEETING	21  LEGACY O.E.S 555	22  6:30 P.M. DINNER 7:00 P.M. FIRST DEGREE	23	24  VANNAK EVENT
25	26	27	28  HEART OF THE VALLEY 7:00-9:00 P.M. ADVISORY BOARD MEETING Card Room	29	30	

May Stated Meeting Dinner



Donna and John Herring



Stuart Hoskins



Jake Sexton Family



Chris Parker, applicant with his daughters

May Stated Meeting Dinner



Dom Williams and the Bleaks



Jake Sexton, Golden Veteran's recipient and family



Richard Bernier



Bernice Dyck, Linda and Bill La Montague

May 25, 2017 First Degree



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Heart of the Valley Assembly June 2017 Newsletter

MEMORIES TAKE US BACK, DREAMS TAKE US FORWARD

By Haleigh, Pot of Gold Reporter

There have been many fun and happy memories made in 2017 at Heart of the Valley Rainbow Girls. To start off a great term with Worthy Advisor, Alexis, we took a trip to University Presbyterian Church to help with a food bank on February 11th. The girls helped pass out food to many people in need and learned some helpful skills along the way. Another exciting trip that we took was to Gateway Ice Center for a Faith Membership Party hosted by Olivia on March 11th. With 7 prospective members, we had a great time skating on the ice and singing along with the music. Also, on April 4th, Gwen planned a Taco Tuesday Dinner as her Hope's Fundraiser. We made and served tacos all night and had a great turnout with over \$350 raised and over 100 tacos served. Off to a great start, we had an even better ending at Grand Assembly with Heidi as Grand Worthy Advisor. With the theme being "A Stroll Down the Rainbow Beach Boardwalk", everything was just perfect with palm trees and pineapples in every direction. This years Grand Assembly was by far the most we've ever had. Our amazing Assembly had lots of contest winners ranging from Grand Talent competitions to Ritual, Sew and Show, and Arts and Crafts competitions.

The first day of Grand Assembly on Saturday April 8th started out well with the fantastic voices of the Soundsational Sun Rays and ended even better with the Boardwalki Bash later that night. With a Dutch Brothers truck and fun music on the dance floor, the girls had a great time ending the night with lots of sleep and preparation for the next day. Sunday morning was off to a great start with breakfast and Starbucks. One of the best parts of Sunday afternoon was initiation with one of our sisters, Sydney, becoming a Rainbow Girl. Also Volleyball and Revelations soon approached with Briana Jones being announced as Grand Nature and soon followed by Makayla being announced as Grand Recorder. We were so proud of our girls for earning such great offices.

Monday, April 10 was filled with lots of entertainment and awards. Later that night was sadly closing, bringing lots of happy and sad tears. Tuesday being the Installation of the Grand Officers for 2018, Grand Assembly had come to an end but it was a great trip and a fun adventure for everyone.

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Congratulations to Worthy Advisor Alexis and the members of Heart of the Valley Assembly for a fun and successful Fall term. Your commitment to serve others through Faith, Hope and Charity was displayed every day.

Elections - Big and Little Sister Night - May 2

Alexis seventh meeting as Worthy Advisor was magical and exciting. All were awaiting the election of officers for our next term. The following were elected: Joy - Worthy Advisor, Haleigh - Worthy Associate Advisor, Gwen – Charity, Olivia – Hope and Mary – Faith.

Big and Little Sisters exchange gifts and hugs



Makayla, Mrs. Blasquez and Briana



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Legacy Chapters Dessert Judging - May 5

The Girls of Heart of the Valley Assembly did an amazing job of judging desserts tonight at Legacy Chapter's "Cat's Meow" Friendship Party! Great job Girls!!



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Fresno Lodge Public Schools and Masonic Youth Recognition Night - May 5

Fresno Masonic Lodge held its annual Public Schools and Masonic Youth Recognition Night prior to its May Stated Meeting. Guests were treated to a delicious dinner.

After dinner to celebrate Public Schools month, Worshipful Eric Thor read Grand Masters proclamation dedicating Public School Month. Staffs from Bud Rank Elementary School were introduced by their Principal Ryan Gettman. Mr. Gettman was presented a donation to Bud Rank Elementary School on behalf of the members of Fresno Lodge. To cap Public Schools Month Celebration, Fresno Masonic Lodges Teacher of the Year was announced. Congratulations to Bud Rank Elementary School Administration, Teachers and Staff!

Worshipful Eric Thor presented representatives of Bethel No. 49, Heart of the Valley Assembly and State Center Chapter with generous donations from the Leverne O'Bryant Fund. Each recipient thanked Fresno Lodge Members for their support of our Masonic Youth Groups and discussed how donation impacted their organizations.



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Jobs Daughters



Rainbow Girls

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Bud Rank Teacher of the Year



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Heart of the Valley Pledge Group and Assembly meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month. Pledge Group meets at 6:00 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.



Heart of the Valley May 2017 Calendar of Events

May 21	80 Years of Rainbow BBQ	2:00-5:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
May 24	Advisory Board Meeting	7:00-9:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
May 27	1st OV Paraphernalia (Adults)	7:30-8:00 A.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
	1st OV Paraphernalia (Adults)	8:00-11:00 A.M.	Memorial High School
	1st OV Decorating/Skit Practice	1:00-5:00 P.M.	Memorial High School
	Area Swim Party/BBQ	5:00-8:00 P.M.	Jones Residence
May 28	1st OV Practice	8:00-10:00 P.M.	Memorial High School
	1st Official Visit	1:00-4:00 P.M.	Memorial High School
	1st OV Tear Down/Clean-up	5:00-Until Done	Las Palmas/Memorial High
June 3	Installation of Officers	*****	Las Palmas Masonic Center
June 6	Stated Meeting	7:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
June 15	Dinner Serving (Group A)	6:00-7:30 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
June 20	Stated Meeting	7:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
June 28	Advisory Board Meeting	7:00-9:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center

ADDITIONAL O. V. DETAILS TO FOLLOW

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.

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Greetings from Sharon Temple No. 92

"Summer time and the living is easy" – remember that tune? Summer has arrived and Sharon Temple is preparing for some fun events and I am sure you will not want to miss any of the open events.

On **June 11-15th** I will be traveling to Buffalo, New York with seventeen others from Sharon Temple for our Annual Supreme Session. I am looking forward to hearing what Daughters of the Nile Temples from the U.S. and Canada have donated over the past year to the Shriner's Hospitals for Children. There will be time to enjoy the sites and I have never seen Niagara Falls and looking forward to the boat ride around the Falls, not over the Falls, a trip into Canada, meeting up with friends I have made these past four years and representing Sharon Temple as Queen.

Sharon Temple's Patrol Unit and the Past Queens put on each year an event you are all invited to attend and that is the **Ice Cream Social**. There will be plenty of ice cream, pies, cakes and lots of fun games. Be sure to place **July 12 at 6:00 pm** on your calendar now. Admission is only \$7.00 and is held at the Las Palmas Masonic Center.

Grab your Mumu's ladies and those colorful shirts men and head on over to Tehran Shrine Center for **Sharon Temple's Choir Units "Luau"**. Social hour begins at 4:00 and Dinner will be served Luau style at 5:00 pm on **August 27**.

One thing you can always count on is Sharon Temple having a lot of summer fun.

Now for some of the events, I have attended as Queen, since the last newsletter saw many of the members of Sharon Temple by my side as we joined Illustrious Sir Ron Obernolte and his first Lady Dale Obernolte, Supreme Princess Badoura, at the **Nobility Ball on May 13th** and enjoyed the evening.

I also attended the **May 21st Pageantry Units Annual "Fiesta"**. The afternoon was enjoyed by a full house of members and guest at the Tehran Shrine Temple. The "Happy Hour" had the Margaritas flowing and the Hors d'oeuvres were delicious.

How many of you have planned your summer vacations? Are you headed to the coast where the temperature is cool and the living is easy? Let me share a few "**LAWS**" in some of those beach towns so you will not end up behind bars.

Camarillo - it is illegal for any man to purchase liquor without the written consent of his wife.

Carmel - it is against the law to eat ice cream while standing on the sidewalk.

Malibu - it is against the law to laugh out loud in a movie theatre.

Pacific Grove - bothering the butterflies carries a \$500 fine.

San Diego - it is illegal to swim on dry land.

San Francisco - there is a law that guarantees sunshine for the people.

Santa Monica - the law states that "any person who shall be in the city of Santa Monica use or carry a concealed or unconcealed any bean snapper or like article, shall, upon conviction, be fined."

Ventura - it is illegal to make "ugly faces" at dogs that are found "freely roaming the community".

So now that you know what the coast cities have to offer besides a cool place to camp out while Fresno is in the 100 plus weather have fun but be sure not to break the law.

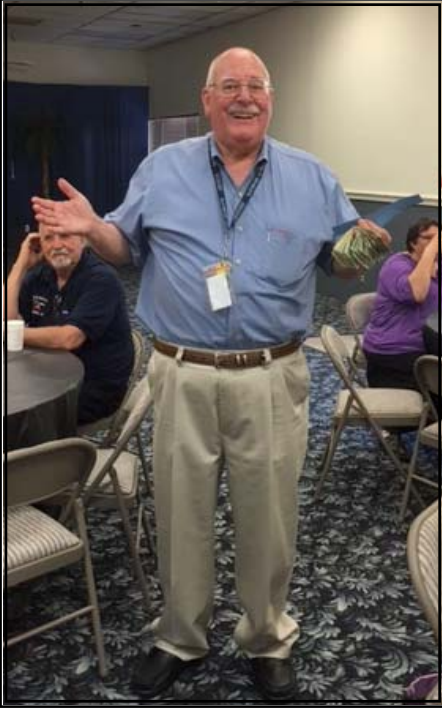
Have a great summer and we hope to see you at some of our events.

Wishing you Pixies in your life, stardust in your soul, and magic in your days.



Queen
Jean Denton

Nile Pageantry Fiesta





Potentate
Nobility
Ball



from the WIDOWS CLUB
May Dinner Las Palmas Masonic Center

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. President (559) 276-2631 • Betty Veffredo Secretary (559) 431-6260
with exception of June, July, August*



Now that we are older, here are a few things we have discovered.

1. It's a whole lot Easier to get Older, than it was to get Wiser.
2. Some days you're the Top Dog, other days you're are the Hydrant.
3. It is hard to make a comeback when you haven't been Anywhere!
4. If all is not lost, then where in the heck is it?
5. Remember, goodness will be rewarded, Smiles will pay youn back!
6. Every Survival Kit includes– A Sense of Humor.

Thank you Brothers for all your kindness, Ethel Day sends her love, she is feeling better.

From the Archives



For starters this month, I want to thank all of you who have been praying for a recovery for our daughter, Erica. She is in the midst of chemo treatments and seems to be tolerating the chemicals a little better each week.

Last month I told you how busy Las Palmas was in 1967. Two days (Saturday) after I and three others were initiated, Las Palmas opened at 10 a.m. in the morning so it could confer the third degree upon three brothers who were all educators. While all of the Las Palmas officers were present, the degrees were conferred by members of other Lodges who were all educators. About 60 brothers were present for the occasion. "Lodge closed at approximately 3 p.m."

The following Thursday evening a degree team consisting of State employees conferred a 3rd degree on Brother Cecil MacFarland. One week later Brother Loy Leo Earles was raised a Master Mason by the Greyhound Bus Lines degree team. (Brother Earles passed away this last March having been a member of Las Palmas for 49 years.) I haven't seen a candidate's occupational degree team confer a degree in many decades. Things were definitely different 50 years ago.

Another difference 50 years ago was that the election of officers was held in December, not in November like it is now done. Just before the election of officers, the "steam roller" talk was given by Past Master Dan Winters. The purpose of the "steam roller" talk was to explain to the brothers the usual smoothness of elections at Las Palmas as symbolized by the steam roller. This presentation was instituted in 1928 as it was not uncommon in other Lodges in the area to let a brother serve as a Warden and then not nominate, nor elect him to the next office. Las Palmas was above this practice and the "steam roller" speech was to remind the brethren of this fact before they voted. Today the "steam roller" speech is not given before the election of officers, but instead is given at the Installation of Officers. While it is acceptable to give it at the Installation, I would like to also see it given at the time and place as originally intended.



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..

Stuart Hoskins, Stacy Hoskins

Don Ott

Alvin Hopkins Jr

Ed and Mary Jane Kerber

Ethel Day

Jake Sexton

Richard Frey Family

Larry Bennett



JUNE BIRTHDAY'S

	Birthday	Raised		Birthday	Raised
Timothy S. Bezzerides	6/11	5/30	Brian R Lee	6/26	3/19
Kenneth M. Bratcher	6/23	4/9	William B. Lee	6/2	11/13
Edward M. Bufford	6/14	5/30	William H. Lyons	6/17	4/14
Elie N. Choufani	6/21	5/9	Ronald H. Markarian	6/21	11/21
Dennis R. Claborn	6/26	1/25	Dee D. Marlin	6/4	2/27
Sidney B. Cox	6/22	5/5	James J. Marshall	6/17	3/30
Dwayne A. Farrow	6/14	10/15	Richard T. Mets	6/16	6/15
Vernon J. Gaylord	6/5	12/3	Allen N. Munroe, Jr.	6/16	12/22
Hamo Hamamjian	6/4	9/10	Joseph E. Perry, IV	6/11	4/30
Devin D. Hanson	6/7	5/30	Albert L. Petersen	6/27	12/30
Terrance J. Haun, II	6/15	9/20	David R. Pitts	6/17	5/28
Milburn C. Holt	6/15	5/20	Raymond Reyes	6/2	1/28
Richard W. Hopper	6/5	3/5	Justin D. Robinson	6/2	1/27
Matthew M. Houk	6/18	6/1	Anthony R. Rodriguez	6/21	11/12
Henry W. Howard	6/10	10/14	Michael J. Sahakian	6/17	11/2
Joshua T. Hughes	6/18	1/14	Bassem A. Saredidine	6/5	4/5
Nicholas P. Ionescu	6/17	10/28	Alan Steven	6/17	4/20
Curtis C. Jack	6/8	6/6	Vernon S. Ullstrom	6/11	9/30
Arthur K. Johnson	6/4	4/3			

IN MEMORIAM

Wayne E. Lindsley
 Born 02/07/1936—Raised 03/13/1965
 Called from labor
 May 20, 2017
 Golden Veterans Award
 August 26, 2015



Robert L. Rosenthal
 Born 11/27/1927—Raised 12/01/1954
 Called from labor
 May 11, 2017
 Golden Veterans Award
 January 5, 2010

Fresno Masonic Widows Club

Marie Callender's Restaurant
 1781 East Shaw Avenue
 June 28, 2017
 President; Lena Cook
 Vice-President; Judy Gross
 Secretary; Betty Veffredo
 Treasurer; Pat Westphal
 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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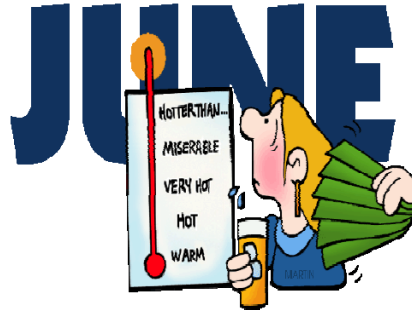
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A REQUEST TO THE FAMILY OF THE ADDRESSEE

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

From the Desk of the Secretary



Thank you for all the cards and prayers. Now home trying to recover, the new drugs seem to be working in controlling my heart rate.



Need to think about calling the lodge office (559) 268-2303 or e-mail lppmasoniclodge@comcast.net for your Grizzlies Den sky box tickets today!

Grizzlies baseball cap, lots of good food and \$45.00 provides a is always on thirsty Thursday, \$2.00 Beer. All sodas you desire. Chukchansi Park has been really a good event for our lodge! August 24, 2017. This year the Fresno Grizzlies will provide at least 25 tickets for Heart of the Valley Rainbow girls for a game of their choice!

June Calendar

June 1, 2017	6:30 P.M. Lodge Social, Pizza & Drinks
June 8, 2017	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Third Degree
June 13, 2017	6:00 P.M. L.P.M.B.A Board C.M.T.A. Board LPP Officers Meeting
June 15, 2017	6:00 P.M. Appetizer/Salad Bar 6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting
June 22 2017	DARK
June 29, 2017	DARK



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2017 dues \$120.00
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Stated Dinners are \$11.00
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