



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



Greetings brethren and friends for the month of March, our year here at the lodge is moving right along and we are certainly making some lasting memories and having a good time doing such. Thanks to all who joined us last month for our annual Sweethearts Dinner, and special thanks to all our ladies and widows who joined us as well.

This past month of February we had the pleasure of raising Bro. Trenton Smith to the degree of Master Mason as well as initiating Bro. George Boyajian as our newest Entered Apprentice, and a special thanks to all those who helped and put in such a hard effort

to make this all possible.

Once again we invite you all to our monthly social night which will be held on Thursday March 2<sup>nd</sup>. If any of you have any friends or relatives who may have expressed an interest in masonry this is the perfect venue to introduce them to our lodge and get better acquainted with your members and officers. As always no charge, pizza and beverages and entertainment provided.

We are currently in need of qualified and dedicated Candidates Coaches to work with our many Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft Masons who have yet to complete their candidate proficiencies and move on to being Master Masons, if you have the time and capability please see me about joining us in this endeavor.

We look forward to you joining us at our next stated meeting and our many other upcoming events, hope to see you all soon.

Fraternally;

Andrew Miller P.M.  
Worshipful Master



Worshipful Andrew Miller congratulating Brother Smith as Master Mason

### Youth Orders Month

Please join me at the March 16, 2017 Stated Meeting dinner, March we will honor our Youth Groups with dinner and special presentations.

*Greetings from the West*



The New Year seems to be moving at an incredible rate, I can't believe that we are already nearing the month of March, hopefully all of you are staying dry during these exceptionally wet days. I am excited to see a few new prospects at our Stated Meeting dinner, I think we are going to have a busy Spring performing many wonderful degrees. The month of February has also brought with it the return of our social night on the first Thursday of the month, although there were only a handful of people that were able to attend, it was still great to spend time with a few of my brothers in a more casual atmosphere.



On the 23<sup>rd</sup> we will be performing a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree for brother Trenton Smith and I am excited and honored to have the opportunity to perform the 1<sup>st</sup> section of this degree for the first time as Master. I am looking forward to practicing this degree and hope to be ready to perform a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree lecture in the near future. Congratulations to brother Trenton on his 3<sup>rd</sup> degree, we are all excited to welcome our newest Master Mason to the lodge.

Scott  
Senior Warden



Pictured to the right; Newly raised Master Mason on Thursday February 23, 2017, Trenton Smith with his friend and top line signer, Brother Mike Sahakian.

Scott Fichtner was in the East for the first time, opening and obligating Brother Smith, as always he was awesome! We look forward to his lecture!

If you have not attended a degree at Las Palmas Masonic Center lately, you are really missing great degree work, as we have a group of really fantastic young ritualist.



Brother Fichtner, Applicant Chris Guillen and Brother David Pitts

## Greetings from the South



As another month flies by we are in one of the wettest years in a long time. With that being said it is always dry inside our lodge thankfully. We have been blessed this month not only with initiating a new brother but also raising another. Our February stated meeting was great as always our dinner crew



prepared a delicious rigatoni pasta with sausage. The Rainbow, Heart of the Valley did a great job as always serving we are so very lucky to have them.

I would also like to personally thank brother Stuart Hoskins and everyone else who has helped with the installation of our new ovens and soon our new stove which have been much needed.

Please join us for our March stated meeting for another awesome dinner.

Ryan, Junior Warden



February 23, 2017, Brother Trenton Smith, Master Mason Degree.

## 2017 Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge No. 366 Officers



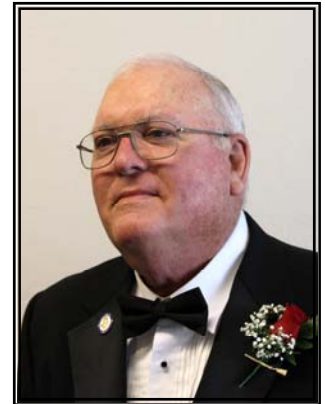
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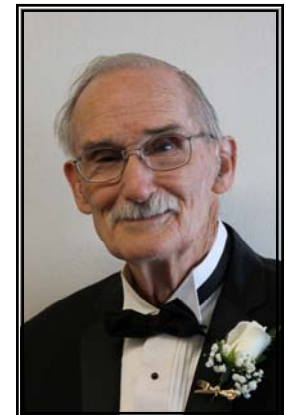
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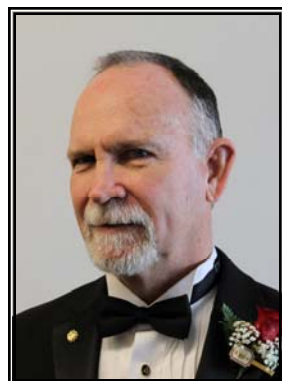
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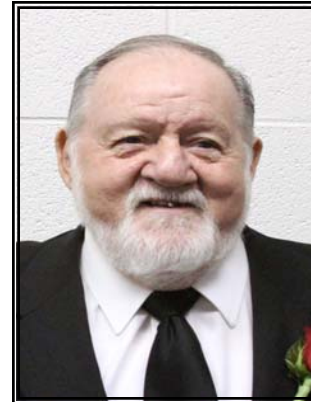
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*March 2017  
Las Palmas Masonic  
Center  
Events Schedule*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1  LEGACY O.E.S. NO. 555	2  6:30 P.M. LODGE SOCIAL PIZZA & DRINKS	3  HEART OF THE VALLEY	4  HEART OF THE VALLEY
5  HEART OF THE VALLEY	6 6:00 P.M. ESTRELLITA CLUB	7  HEART OF THE VALLEY 6:30 -9:30 P.M. 1ST MEETING INSTRUCTIONAL	8  SHARON TEMPLE NO. 92 7:30 P.M.	9  6:30 P.M. DINNER 7:00 P.M. DEGREE/ PRACTICE	10	11
12	13	14	15  LEGACY O.E.S. NO. 555	16  6:00 P.M. APPETIZER SALAD BAR 6:30 P.M. DINNER 7:30 P.M. MEETING	17	18  HEART OF THE VALLEY
19	20	21  HEART OF THE VALLEY 6:30-9:00 P.M. STATED MEETING	22  HEART OF THE VALLEY 6:00-8:00 P.M. ADVISORY BOARD MEETING	23  6:30 P.M. DINNER 7:00 P.M. DEGREE/ PRACTICE	24	25  INSTALLATION PRACTICE 1:00 P.M.
26  SHARON TEMPLE IMSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 2:00 P.M.	27	28.  OSI 6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:30 P.M. School of Instruction	29	30  6:30 P.M. DINNER 7:00 P.M. DEGREE/ PRACTICE		

## February Stated Meeting Dinner

Widows at the Salad Bar



Brother Ed Tanassi with two friends and Worshipful Sherrod



Bernice Dyck, Linda and Bill La Montagne

At the Masters Table  
Brother David Pitts and his friend  
Douglas Segress, a prospect  
Brother Mike Sahakian and  
Brother Trenton Smith



## February Stated Meeting Dinner



Brother Haun and the McCarty's



The Miksch's and Copp's



Pictured, (above,) Marge Machus, Jeanne Esheim, Tina and Wayne Adams and Terri Strickler. (Above right) the Widows table, Bill Neal Fresno Lodge, Louise Gordon and Larry Smith. (to the right) the appetizer table. Natalie Clark, Bernice Dyck, Richard Sherrod and Ed Tanassi  
Below; Mrs. Ehorn helping Brother Walker signing in .





## February Stated Meeting Dinner



Above; Richard Jones, cooking his specialty, Rigatori with a meat sauce.  
Below, Our special Heart of the Valley Rainbow servers!



The Las Palmas Masonic Building Association has been working on many changes in the Banquet Room kitchen, after approval by the Board of Directors, and approval of the Lodge to supply Trustee funds to purchase convention ovens and a stove.

Stuart Hoskins whose expertise in this area ordered the ovens at a cost of \$6,600. 87.

Upon arrival, Stuart with the help of Bill Lyons and Josh Crane and other members removed the ovens and Stuart haul them away. Bill Lyons rewired for the ovens, with that the new ovens with Stuart and several brothers got them set-up in the kitchen. The stove was ordered by Stuart at a cost of \$4,166.00. Last Sunday the 19th of February with Josh Crane and others remove the old stove and in with the new, still needs some sheet metal work and plumbing which Stuart tells me he will take care of.

We are truly blessed to have Stuart Hoskins as he is plant manger at Fresno Pacific University with many talents he has applied at our facility.

Bill Lyons retired Chief Engineer for Kaiser Hospital System in Fresno, multiple talented as well, continues to make many changes with his electrician expertise and general skills.

Josh Crane a retired Army Veteran and talented in many fields, he is always there in our time of need.

As well as many more Past Masters and Brothers who have helped with making our facility the best in Masonry!

These Brothers with help from others have accomplished many projects. Will attempt to list a few

- Rewired the foyer and entry installed sensors in foyer.
- Totally reorganized the up stairs room with new shelving and lighting after a thorough cleaning!
- Redid the card room, updated with Clovis Lodge book cases, memorabilia and pictures.
- Redid the Mens restroom storage area with new shelving after a much needed reorganizing and clean up.
- Repaired the drainage in the parking lot.
- Rewired the no.1 service room, plumbed for the ice maker and move all the refrigerators and freezer and removed all the old shelving and add new.
- Added the boxes in the lodge room with the stained glass from Clovis Lodge, wired the electrical.
- Repaired and serviced the faucets in the restrooms.
- Moved to the foyer from Clovis Masonic Center with a lot of help, the soda machine, repaired and serviced the machine now in good working order.
- Richard Frey has spent countless hours on our web page and lodge history as well as in the card room, redoing our Past Masters pictures, Framing and hanging the Past Masters pictures from Clovis Lodge with help from Brother Ehorn. They also repair the stage curtain, replacing all the cord.

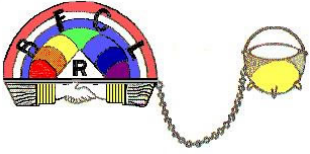
Our facility has seen many changes in the last couple of years, new parking lot LED lighting, all lighting in the building replaced with LED lighting and of course our soar project was completed.

There are so many brothers who answered the call when asked to help, I apologize to all and any if you were missed.



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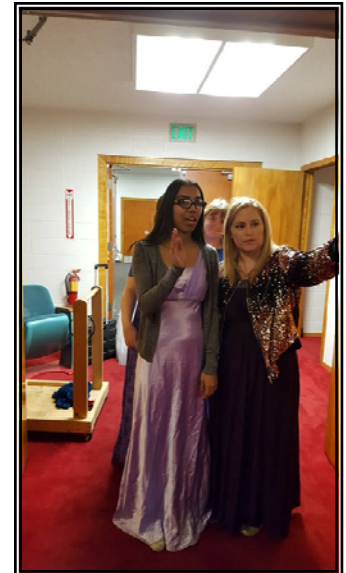
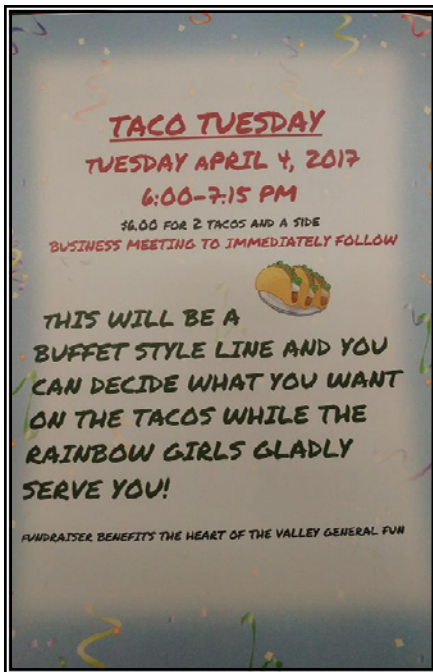
## Heart of the Valley Assembly March 2017 Newslette

### Hope's Taco Tuesday Fundraiser - April 4, 2017

Please mark your calendar and join us for a delicious Taco Dinner. Dinner is served from 6-7:15 PM, business meeting to immediately follow. If you would like to be added to our guest list for dinner please reply with how many tickets you would like to purchase & contact number. Tickets cost \$6.

## Stated Meeting-Sparkle Night - February 22, 2017

The second meeting of Heart of the Valley Assemblies spring term was as exciting as advertised. Ritual and floor work were awesome. Our assemblies 2017 Budget was presented by our Treasurer and approved by vote of assembly. After the meeting, all adjourned to the dining room for some delicious brownies. Thank you to all who attended.



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## Pure Service Project - February 18, 2016

Food Distribution at University Presbyterian Church during their monthly open pantry. The girls were amazing and had a great time giving back to their community! Great Job Girls!!!



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## *Las Palmas Valentine's Dinner Serving-* *February 16*

Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge celebrated Valentine's Day with a delicious Rigatoni Dinner prepared by Mr. Jones and lovingly served by our smiling Rainbow Girls.



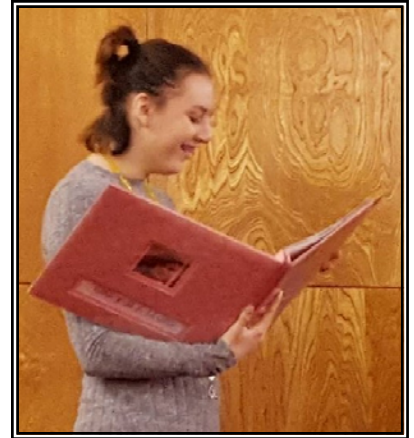
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## First Meeting Instructional - February 7, 2017

Area Grand Deputy and Mother Advisor discuss dress code and answer girls questions prior to First Meeting Instructional.



**Jr. Past Worthy Advisor  
receives her term  
scrapbook**



**Traditional Line Officer Pass Downs**



**Jr. Past Worthy Advisor  
signs Assembly Bible**

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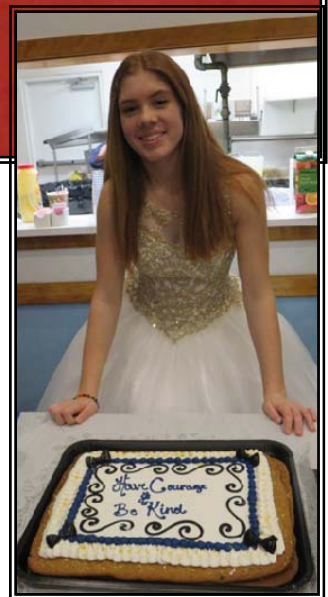
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## *Installation of Officers*

*January 28, 2017*

Heart of the Valley Assembly held its 38th Installation of Officers. Worthy Advisor - Elect Alexis theme is "Have Courage and Be Kind" Congratulations to the Officers and Members on an awesome Installation of Officers. Alexis, may your term as Worthy Advisor be full of fun and fond memories.



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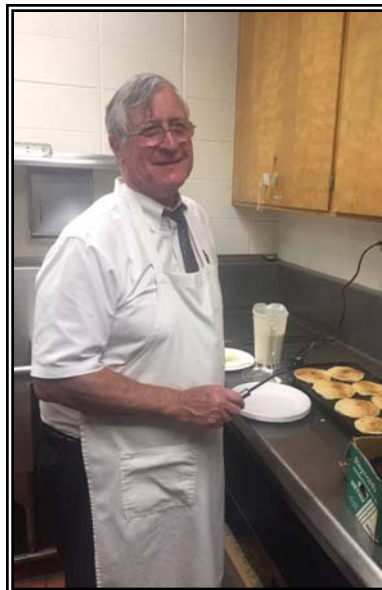
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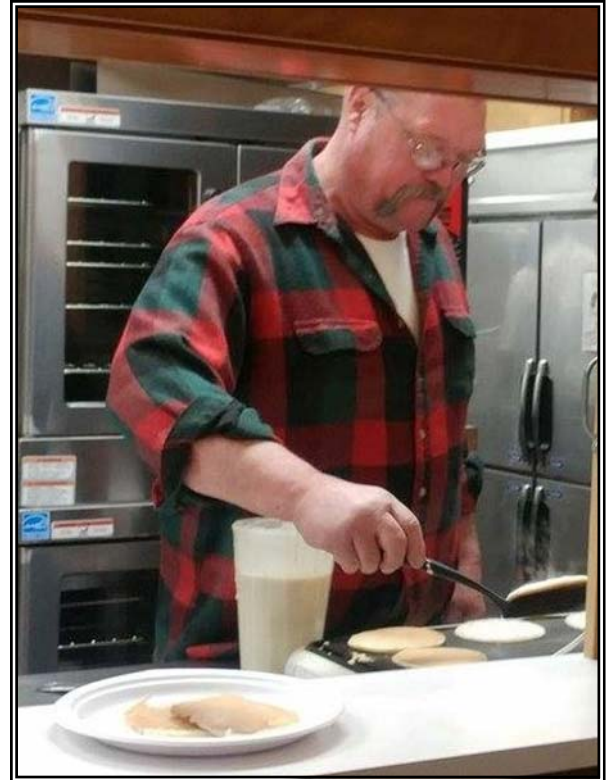
The girls arrived for Installation Practice to a surprise pancake breakfast served by the Advisory Board.





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# 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 6:00 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.

March 5	Girls Worlds Expo	1-4:00 P.M.	Doubletree Hotel Fresno
March 7	Stated Meeting (Balloting)	7-9:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
March 11	Membership Ice Skating Party	1-3:00 P.M.	Gateway Ice Center
March 16	Las Palmas Serving (Group B)	6-7:30 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
March 18	Line Officers Mtg/Epic Craft Day	1-4:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
March 18	Grand Family Assembly Meeting	4-5:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
March 21	Stated Meeting Initiation	6-9:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
March 22	Advisory Board Meeting	6:45-9:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
April 2	Rainbow Sunday	*****	*****
April 4	Taco Tuesday Fundraised	5-9 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
April 4	Business Meeting	*****	Las Palmas Masonic Center
April 8-11	Grand Assembly	*****	Selland Area Fresno

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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.



## 2016-2017 NILE OFFICERS

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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
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Canadian Flag Bearer.....	Tins Bernier
Nile Flag Bearer.....	Lisa Marzuilo
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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

March 1, 2017 Tulare-Kings Nile Club 11:00 A.M. Queens Official Visit Installation of Officers, Lamp Litr Inn 3103 S. Mooney Blvd, Visalia
March 8, 2017 Nile Stated Session 7:30 P.M. Las Palmas Masonic Center Election and Farewell Banquet Room, Appointed Officers
March 15, 2017 Nile Sewing 11:00 A.M Salad Bar and Dessert Luncheon Tehran Shrine Center
March 19, 2017 Queens Luncheon Farewell Manhattan Restaurant Chairman, Carole Rea Littleworth JPO
March 25, 2017, Installation Practice 1:00 P.M., Las Palmas Masonic Center
March 26, 2017, Installation of 2017-2018 Queen and Sharon Temple Officers 2:00 P.M. Las Palmas Masonic Center



Happy St. Patrick's Day



Queen  
Jan Arnold

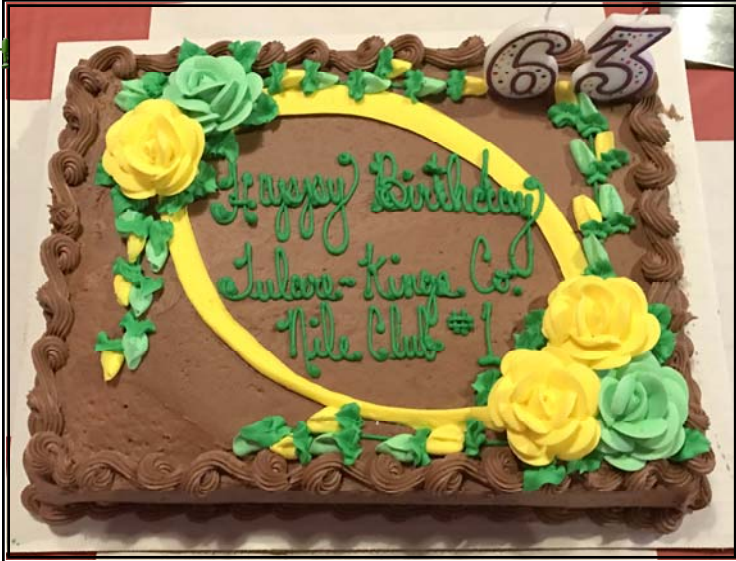
While life usually slows down after the holidays the short month of February was filled with fun and celebrations. We started off the month with a birthday celebration for our Tulare Kings Nile Club and enjoyed pizza and cake and a quick review of the clubs proud history. Our next celebration was our Ladies of the Household Luncheon always chaired by our Princess Badoura which this year was Susy Searcy. This luncheon is a recognition of our new members who were initiated into Sharon Temple in November at the Supreme Queen Official Visit and a presentation by each of our temple clubs. The choir, patrol, pageantry and sewing took the opportunity to show off their unique talents and interests which are used to enhance the monthly sessions with music, marching, dancing and service. It also provides a smaller group environment to develop friendships, interests and social opportunities. Our other visit in February included several of us attending the Supreme Queen Official Visit to the temple in Los Angeles and a unique visit to the new Shriners Children's Medical Center being completed and will be formally opened in April of this year in Pasadena. This state of the art facility will not be a hospital but will have surgery facilities, technology, teaching and research programs and provide outpatient services for rehab and continue the services that have been part of the now old hospital. I was fascinated by the planning and features that have been incorporated to make this new center kid and family friendly and will obviously be of great benefit for decades to come. I was also impressed by their mission statement. This summed up to me why we are a part of this organization and philanthropy.

GIVE HOPE – HEAL KIDS – CHANGE LIVES



February 1, 2017  
Tulare-Kings Nile Club  
Birthday Celebration  
Howie & Sons Pizza Parlor  
Visalia

February 25, 2017  
Ladies of the Household Luncheon  
Chairman  
Pr. Susy Searcy





Lady Supreme Queen and Mickey



Ladies of the Household Wooden Heart Drill



Ladies of the Household Choir Serenade



Las Angeles Official Visit Medical Center Kid Hi Tech Video Play Wall



Ladies of the Household Pageantry Bling



from the **WIDOWS CLUB**  
**Las Palmas Masonic Center**

**Happy**   
**St. Patrick's Day**

**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!**

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with exception of June, July, August*

Dear Brothers;

Just a note to say a "HUGE THANK YOU" for the lovely "Sweethearts dinner and  
"box of chlorates"

Tell Jim Clark he is in our Prayers for a "Speedy Recovery".

We appreciate all the many other things you do for us!

Here is a little St Patrick's wish.

BLESSED are they who GUIDE instead of Dictate, for they shall have CO-OPERATION

BLESSED are they who give CREDIT to Others, for they shall have WILLING HELPERS

BLESSED are they who have FAITH in their Fellow Man, for they shall be JUSTIFIED

Thank you again!

*2017 Masonic Widows Club Officers*

Lena Cook, President

Judy Gross, Vice President

Betty Veffredo, Secretary

Pat Westphal, Treasurer

Ethel Day, Presidential Advisor



Barbara Corter, Nancy Madden  
and Lee Ann Shults.

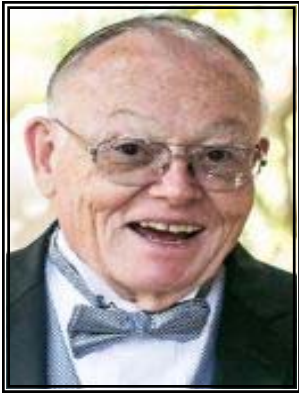


Ethel Day, Lena Cook  
and Mary Catherine Cairns



Lena Cook with the Heart of the Valley Rainbow  
Servers February Stated Dinner.

## From the Archives



My monthly article in the Las Palms-Ponderosa Trestle Board will now be talking about my personal contacts with Masonry and Las Palmas Lodge.

During my father's funeral, (March, 1967) I was impressed with the fact that so many of his friends were wearing aprons. Several months later I approached my Uncle Royal, who was a Mason, and asked him if he would go over to Las Palmas Lodge and get me an application. At the time I thought that much of Masonry was secretative and that I could not go into the Lodge building and ask for a petition. Several days later Uncle Royal called me and told me that he had my petition. He also explained how I needed two members of Las Palmas Lodge to sign the petition as well as two friends.

My barber, Ralph Manfredo was a member of Las Palmas and getting his signature was not a problem. Getting the second signature of a member was, however, a problem. One of my father's employees was a Mason in Kansas and somehow he found Amil Brodersen who was a member of Las Palmas who knew my dad and was willing to sign my petition. I remember when Amil was in the process of signing my petition; he had a problem in answering the question "How long have you known the applicant?" He thought for a few seconds and then said, "I don't know you, but I have known your father for over 10 years so I will put down 10 years." Getting the signatures of the two friends was not a problem as one was an ophthalmologist who was a family friend and the other was my urologist who treated me for kidney stones.

The application process for Masonry in California Lodges has changed a lot since my petition in 1967. I later learned that I could have met with the Lodge Secretary who would have loaned me a book with all of the member's names in an attempt to find someone in the list that I knew and would sign the petition.

Today we invite prospective applicants to "break bread" with us on several occasions so that we can get to know them. The brethren who get to know the applicant at these meals then sign his petition, however, the top line signer is supposed know the applicant by, perhaps, visiting the applicant at his home and meeting his family.



**Our Thoughts  
and Prayers  
are With you**

*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*

*Richard and Juliet Vitz*

*Richard and Lynne Haggerty*

*Ed and Mary Jane Kerber*

*Ethel Day*

*Mary Catherine Cairns*



# MARCH BIRTHDAY'S

	Birthday	Raised		Birthday	Raised
Wayne P. Adams	3/10	6/29	Timothy E. Jurkowski	3/18	9/19
Jordan L. Bachman	3/3	6/1	Ronald G. Letterman	3/17	9/29
Clifford M. Carrigan	3/18	6/11	Franklin P. Lewis	3/3	10/9
Michael M. Chapman	3/24	6/4	Theodore L. Marsella	3/31	4/18
Dwight N. Clark, Jr.	3/25	8/4	Norman Meachum	3/19	9/25
William M. Coughran	3/2	6/6	Donald T. Mroz	3/29	5/2
Joshua C. Crane	3/31	12/10	Michael D. O'Connell	3/17	5/21
Robert D. Crossland	3/5	7/24	Jack J. Ouzounian	3/20	3/30
LeRoy J. Foote	3/8	9/16	Gerald H. Peloian	3/18	10/9
Michael W. Garrett	3/6	4/25	Gary C. Petty	3/3	5/27
William D. Gover	3/24	10/31	Donald G. Pribble	3/28	4/28
James F. Grabner	3/14	5/5	Robert F. Rohan	3/7	2/21
Richard L. Haggerty	3/30	7/27	Sean H. Rutledge	3/25	11/1
Mike A. Hamzy	3/4	4/3	Herbert O. Spencer	3/21	5/30
Stephen P. Harlan	3/12	6/27	Richard T. Stilwell	3/26	5/27
Rollin C. Hitchcock	3/21	4/15	Boyd L. Whitener	3/27	3/24
Denton H. Hollifield	3/18	10/29	Jeffery D. Whitener	3/13	3/24

## IN MEMORIAM

### *Douglas N. Cairns*

*Born 06/13/1925—Raised 07/22/1954  
Called from labor  
January 31, 2017  
Hiram Award  
March 3, 1999*



MENU  
Appetizers  
Salad Bar  
Corn Beef & Cabbage  
New Potatoes  
Carrots  
Rolls  
Dessert

## Fresno Masonic Widows Club

Marie Callender's Restaurant  
1781 East Shaw Avenue  
March 29, 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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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*



Well I have been out of the office since January 19th, have really missed the daily time in the office. Many thanks for all the cards, phone calls and prayers! I was able to attend the Hall Association meeting and the February Stated Dinner. The food was fantastic, appetizers were very good as well as the salad bar. Richard Jones's rigatoni was out of this world along with the garlic bread! Joe Sallee's dessert, strawberry short cake was so tasty! As always Heart of the Valley Rainbow and staff were there to serve and bus the tables. March appears busy, will ballot on an application. All the paper work is now in order to sell the Clovis Masonic Center. Many thanks to Larry Hopper for doing the appraisal, saved the lodge thousands of dollars! Thanks to all the brothers who assisted in cleaning the building and preparing it for sale! Hope to be back soon, working from home has been tough, but thanks to my wife, Natalie, Joe, Andrew and Richard it has worked!

*March Calendar*

March 2, 2017	6:30 P.M. Lodge Social, Pizza & Drinks
March 9, 2017	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Degree/Practice
March 14, 2017	6:00 P.M. L.P.M.B.A. Meeting LPP 366 Officers Meeting
March 16, 2017	6:00 P.M. Appetizer/Salad Bar 6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting
March 23, 2017	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Degree/Practice
March 30, 2017	6:00 P.M. Dinner/Degree/Practice



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