



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

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Greetings from the East



What a wonderful month May was for your lodge. We are busy with conferring of degrees, we have been active with our school bicycle program and we hosted a special stated dinner and program.

The May stated dinner was held the second Thursday for our special program night, but we also had a very special dinner. Congratulation to the dinner crew who provided a 12 oz. New York steak dinner with baked potatoes and all the trimmings. It was enjoyed by about 100 guests who were all raving about the dinner and program.

Thank you to the dinner crew of Junior Warden Steve High, Chef Richard Vitz, Worshipful Chuck Bersani and Marv Wallace. A special thank you to Jim Clark and his lovely wife Natalie who stood over the hot barbecue to prepare the steaks.

The youth from Jobs Daughters, Rainbow and De Molay did a great job of serving the dinner and keeping all our guests happy. At the end of the dinner a collection was taken to show our appreciation and each youth group was presented with a very nice monetary gift to use for their activities.

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**Alan L. Casalou, Grand Secretary, presenting
*Gender & Freemasonry***



Greetings from the West



Whew what a month! Your Lodge and its members have been extremely busy. I just got back from the Senior Warden retreat, and as usual the information presented to us was remarkable. There are several things happening in California Masonry. There are a lot of ideas floating around our craft as to how to deal with our current growth, to continue and sustain it. Some of these changes are warranted, transitioning from a purely fraternal organization to one that is much more familiar in nature, especially when it comes to social programs. You may agree with some of these ideas, you may disagree, but I know you have an opinion. This is where I need your

help, as we move forward I would like to hear ideas from you, what you would like to see from your lodge in the way of social programs, as well as any ideas you may have about the direction of our craft. In short, I need you to be INVOLVED. Call or e-mail the office and let us know what you think.

A little closer to home, your Lodge has been very busy doing degree work, we currently have three Brothers who have completed their second degree proficiency and are awaiting their third degree. A fourth Brother is currently working on his proficiency. We have scheduled these degrees during the next month. The days are longer, and there should be no excuse as to why you cannot come out and support these new Brothers as we raise them to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. If you do not like to be out after dark, or do not want to stay out late, come by for refreshments before the degrees and wish these Brothers well, they are the future of the Lodge, and would love to hear your words of wisdom as "those who have gone this way before".

I hope to see you in lodge...

Fraternally,
Joseph Perry
Senior Warden



Left to Right;

Andrew Charles Peerson;

Born in Fresno, May 8, 1980, is an Inventory & Logistics Clerk.

Thomas James Musto Jr.;

Born in San Diego, California, September 28, 1979, Is a Warehouse Manager for R.F.M. Construction Company.

Omar Alexander Khan;

Born in Fresno, California, February 17, 1981, Is a Law Enforcement Officer.

They were passed to the Fellowcraft Degree April 29, 2010, Joseph E. Perry Jr. obligated the candidates, gave the Master's Lecture and closed Lodge, Gordon D. Keeton P.M. the Carpet Lecture and delivered the charge.

Greetings from the South

Greetings, Brethren!



The pre-Stated Meeting steak dinner went swimmingly well. It was a pleasure seeing such a large turn-out. It was my first time planning and serving a meal for over 100 people and I was quite nervous. Not only did the volunteer kitchen staff exceed expectations, but servers was provided by the Rainbow, Jobs Daughters and De Molay youth groups . So not only did we pull it off, but did so with flying

colors! Special thanks go to Natalie Clark for doing an excellent job whipping out 100 nicely grilled steaks. As the evening was dedicated to 'Women in Masonry' it is worthy of note that it was mostly gals that jumped in and did the grilling, serving and light bussing. And I hope all present "tipped" their servers! As officers, we are looking forward to some busy degree work in the next several months as more applicants are coming on board. We could, in fact, consider this Masonic "spring planting." Again, thank you all for joining us, and we look forward to serving you at the next Stated Meeting Dinner. And please don't forget to RSVP by calling our secretary with your reservations.

Fraternally;
Steven R. High
Junior Warden

*June
Menu
Appetizers
Soup
Tri-Tip
Pilaf
Veggies
Dessert*

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Greetings from the East



We then retired to the lodge room for the evening's program. Before the program started my wonderful wife, Becky, made a presentation to the lodge from the ladies who have been attending our stated meetings. They have been raising money since the beginning of the year with various activities, including silent auction items at the dinners and some other sales. They presented the lodge with a check for \$500 for the Scholarship Fund. Thank you ladies for all you do for the lodge.

Finally, the Very Worshipful Alan Casalou, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge gave his presentation, "Gender and Freemasonry".

Alan is a natural public speaker and held everyone's attention. It was a very interesting and informative presentation.

Last, check the lodge calendar, we will be conferring several Third Degrees and hopefully some First and Second degrees between now and the summer. Please come join us as we welcome new Masons to our great lodge.

Fraternally, Bob Davis
Worshipful Master





David A. Coleman P.M. and wife, Louise from Fresno Lodge 247

May Stated Meeting Dinner



1. Lynne Haggerty
Richard L. Haggerty P.M.
Courtney D. Bacom
2. Julie Duty
Ryan A. Duty
3. James D. Currie
Jimee Currie
4. Sharon Reynolds
Michael W. Reynolds



FRESNO MASONIC WIDOWS CLUB

June 30, 2010

Fresno Masonic Center

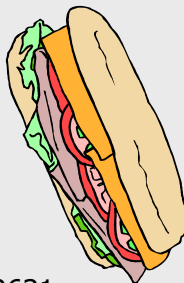
Deli Bar, Make your own Sandwich

President; Ethel Day

Vice-President; Bobbi Carder

Secretary; Hilda Johnson

Treasurer; Jane James



Reservations Required

For Information call (559) 276-2631

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

Bobbi Carter 322-6851
Ethel Day 276-2631





June Birthday's

Kenneth M. Bratcher	6/23	John J. Kaser, Sr.	6/17
Edward M. Bufford	6/14	William B. Lee	6/2
Neil A. Camin	6/23	Ronald H. Markarian	6/21
Elie N. Choufani	6/21	Chester A. Melikian	6/23
Dennis R. Claborn	6/26	Shiro Minabe	6/16
Alphord P. Dickinson	6/28	Joseph E. Perry, IV	6/11
Louis W. Futrell	6/4	Justin D. Robinson	6/2
Vernon J. Gaylord	6/5	Michael J. Sahakian	6/17
Chester M. Guffy	6/25	John C. Schaeffer	6/5
Hamo Hamamjian	6/4	Alan Steven	6/17
Ned J. Harnish	6/27	John O. Sutherland	6/13
Gary A. Hernandez	6/8	Vernon S. Ullstrom	6/11
Richard W. Hopper	6/5	Nathan B. Walker	6/14
Matthew M. Houk	6/18	William W. Weigandt	6/14
Nicholas P. Ionescu	6/17	George M. Zertuche	6/20
Curtis C. Jack	6/8		

Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center Presents
The 7th Annual Fishing Derby
Saturday, June 5, 2010

1st Place: \$500
 2nd Place: \$300
 3rd Place: \$200
 4th Place: \$100
 5th Place: \$75
 Top three children win
 CASH-Lots of it!
 Plus lots of raffle prizes!

Where: Shaver Lake – Camp Edison
 Fishing from 6am to 2pm
 Weigh-in --- no later then 2pm
 Lunch from 1-3pm
 Registration Fee:
 \$40/person \$15/Children under 16
 Blind Bogey \$10/Person
 Call 432-6521, 485-3890 or 222-9063 for more information



Fresno High Twelve Summer Fund Raiser

June 13, 2010, 5:00 P.M.
 4631 N. Bond Street, Fresno
 Raffle for Door Prizes
 \$12.50 per person
 222-8157 or 259-9310 by May 10, 2010

Secretary's
 Meeting
 May 13, 2010
 Jennifer
 Banta
 and
 Group



*La Sierra Venus Chapter No. 555
Order of the Eastern Star
2010*

Stated Meetings
First and Third Wednesdays
Dark; July and August
7:30 P.M.

For Information Call:
Donna Herring, Secretary
(559) 298-6042,
e-mail; donnaherringj@aol.com

2010 Officers

Worthy Matron:
Janet Plettner
Worthy Patron:
Jim Wilson
Associate Matron:
Juliet Vitz
Associate Patron:
Richard Haggerty
Secretary:
Donna Herring
Treasurer:
Kurt Docken



Janet Plettner; Worthy Matron
James W. Wilson II, Worthy Patron

JUNE 2, 2010

"Friendship Party"
Theme: Mad Hatters Tea Party"
Guest Officers do Opening
Chairman;
Pam Wilson

June 12, 2010

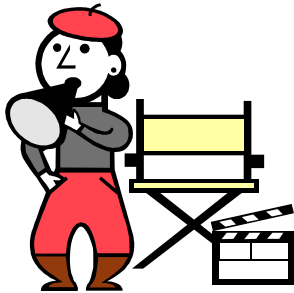
Dinner and Entertainment
Chairman;
Jim and Pam Wilson



Greetings from the Worthy Matron;

2010 is perking right along, but there is still much more to come. We have added three new members to our chapter and hope to have more in the near future.

The main event for the Chapter is our USO show with steak dinner and Silent Auction on June 12th. This will be an evening of great food, entertainment, and bargains galore at the



auction table. Not many places that you can get a such a deal for \$25.00 a ticket these days! Officers of the La Sierra Venus Chapter will have tickets, and this is not only for the Masonic members.

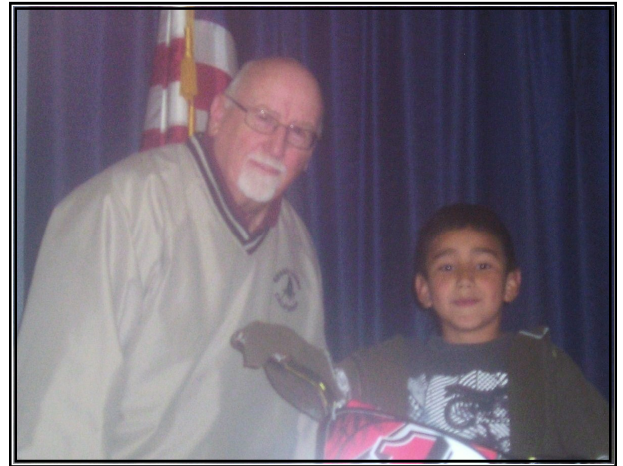
As Memorial Day is nearing, I probably do not have to remind you to keep in mind and prayers those men and women who have given so much for their country. Also there are many of us who have served, or have family members who are still active in the many branches of the Armed Forces. It is also something to keep in mind for Armed Forces Day, or any other day of the year.

Looking forward to seeing as many as possible and participating in Masonic events.

Cheers!

Janet Plettner, Worthy Matron

Wilson School Bicycle Program Presentation
By
Cline Cub Jack P.M. and Worshipful Master Robert L. Davis



Clovis Lodge No. 417

*Cordially invites you to join the Brothers of
Clovis Lodge No. 417 in celebrating*

Cliff Henderson's Hiram Award Presentation



*Saturday June 5, 2010
2:00 P.M.*

Clovis Masonic Center

375 5th Street, Clovis, California

\$5.00 per person

Salad, Chicken, Sweet Potato Fries, Dessert

RSVP by June 1, 2010, Richard Sherrod, (559) 432-6469

e-mail, Richard_Sherrod@hotmail.com

Brethren and Ladies;

We encourage you to attend this event Honoring this very worthy gentleman Cliff Henderson.

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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,



June Stated Meeting, Scholarship Awards, Public School's Night, presentations. Please check your dues card, should be for 2010, If not, you are delinquent. Please call if you need assistance with your dues.



Brother James C. Forshey's wife, Dortha, Passed away Sunday, May 17, 2010, keep the family in your prayers.



July 29, 2010
Grizzlies' Sky Box
\$40.00
call (559) 268-2303
for reservations

June Lodge Calendar of Events

<i>May 27, 2010</i>	<i>6:30 P.M. Refreshments, 7:00 P.M., Benjamin F. Lewis, Third Degree,</i>
<i>June 3 2010</i>	<i>6:30 P.M. Refreshments, 7:00 P.M., Andrew C. Peerson, Third Degree</i>
<i>June 8, 2010</i>	<i>6:00 P.M. Las Palmas Masonic Building Association Board Meeting</i>
	<i>7:00 P.M. Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge Officers Meeting</i>
<i>June 10, 2010</i>	<i>6:30 P.M. Refreshment, 7:00P.M. Third Degree</i>
<i>June 16, 2010</i>	<i>7:00 P.M. O.S.I. Fresno Masonic Center</i>
<i>June 17, 2010</i>	<i>6:00 P.M. Appetizer's</i>
	<i>6:30 P.M. Dinner</i>
	<i>7:00 P.M. Program, Public Schools, Golden Veteran's Awards, Scholarship Awards</i>
	<i>7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting</i>
<i>June 24, 2010</i>	<i>6:30 P.M. Refreshments, 7:00 P.M. Two First Degrees</i>