



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

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Greetings from the East



I hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas and Holiday Season. If the December Stated meeting was any indication of how you planned to spend the Holidays, then I know it was great. We had a nice turnout and the food was excellent. Santa was there to bring joy to both young and old. If you missed it, you need to try and make the January meeting, or at least our installation. There are a lot of great things happening in your lodge and we want you to be part of it. As I look back at the past year, I am filled with pride on some of the things we accomplished, some of the events we scheduled, and the participation we received from our members, both long time Masons and brand new Masons. We cannot, however, rest on our laurels, mostly because laurels wrinkle easy, but in order to continue to grow we must look forward, and as we look forward there is a lot to be excited about.

In February we will kick-off the Grand Master's project "By Your Side". This is a program that will set up scholarships for nurses to work with cancer patients. It will give them the tools to better serve these patients. We will also be honoring our Widows at our Sweetheart dinner at the Stated Meeting, and we are planning several "Brother Nights" where we can get together and socialize. Yes, it is going to be an exciting year and I hope you will come out and be part of it.

Finally I would like to give a sincere thank you to Worshipful Bob Davis and his wife Becky. They have spent the last year planning and executing many of our functions, as well as being staples at all of our events. Bob's leadership has been outstanding, and he has guided our lodge in a very positive direction. He has been a mentor and confidant to me as he has prepared me to take over the helm of our wonderful lodge. I know this is going to be a fantastic year, and I am fortunate to take over from such a strong and gracious leader, and of course he is a great individual, after all, he is a Mason.

See you in lodge...

Fraternally,
Joseph Perry
Worshipful Master



Santa, Richard L. Haggerty P.M. and
Joseph E. Perry Jr., Worshipful Master

Greetings from the West



I trust you all have survived and thrived this past holiday season. We are looking forward to a strong and fruitful 2011, with lots of young brothers coming on board and queuing up to move through their degrees. And as new officers we have been working diligently to be ready for the work ahead, of maintaining the momentum of the previous year and continuing to build our colorful Blue Lodge! We look forward with pleasure and pride at the influx of both new and "traditional" faces that grace the lodge each Thursday evening. It is through you – the individual Mason - that bolsters us with your presence, your firm handshake, and warm attendance that our lodge glows and grows with your united, brotherly spirit and camaraderie.

So it is with delight that I close my opening words from the West, with a sort of limerick from T.S. Permain:

*While at the alter
Of the dim lodge room
The young mason mis-passed the missing Masters Word
And thus was assaulted
By loud whispered reprimands from corners in the gloom*

*But carry on did he
Til hushed the room in silence pleased
A feared of what might be
Should he pause too long on square-bent knee
Or mal-sign a du-guard, token, or step of two, not three*

*Initiate, Pass, and Raise
Sublime journey of time and ways
Learning, growing, conversing with brothers young and old
The Lodge Blued, full and ripe with days*

*Fraternally;
Steven R. High, Senior Warden*



HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Richard L. Haggerty P.M., Thomas J. Musto Jr.
Daughter



Guillermo Moreno and sister, with
Santa, Richard L. Haggerty P.M.

Greetings from the South



What a great year we had in 2010! The friends and events that we shared and the memories made within our year will last a lifetime. So backup your hard drive and get the camera ready for the New Year! 2011 is already off to an exciting start at our Lodge. So what does 2011 bring *for you?*

Many of us have committed to New Year's "Resolutions". To be resolute is to *"be characterized by determination of our spirit and actions."*



Masonry has helped us shape our "rough ashlar" and become more resolute individuals. This New Year is a new beginning for those individuals here at Las Palmas-Ponderosa *to come together as a family* and be a stronger and brighter example of Masonry for all.

My New Year's resolution was to spend more time enjoying the things I simply take for granted each day. My wonderful wife (Nan), son (Chance) and daughter (Kasani) are my "precious jewels" which help me each day to be a better man and Mason. They inspire those around them to use their "working tools" with efficiency and enthusiasm. I am truly blessed each day and I resolve to enjoy my family even more this year.

Take nothing for granted, for *each day is a gift*. Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery but today is *a present!* Call that Masonic Brother that you have missed in the past months or years and bring him with you to Lodge. Masonry is *the* family which has introduced so many of us to each other. Carpooling is brotherhood at its finest. We have many fine things happening this year at LPP and we would not want you or any Brother to miss out on what's in store for 2011. Fraternally;

Richard A. Sherrod, Junior Warden



Becky Davis, Santa, Richard L. Haggerty P.M.
and Junior Past Master, Robert L. Davis



Timothy Taylor, Entered Apprentice and
Richard A. Sherrod, Junior Warden

December Stated Meeting Dinner



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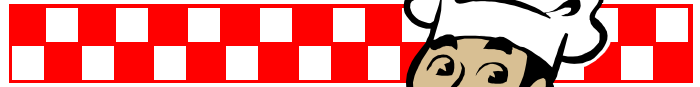
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Picture above; 1. A.G.L. Cline Cub Jack Jr. to present Golden Veteran's Awards.

2. Kenneth J. Elia, Marshal, Benjamin F. Davis III and Ronald H. Markarian.

3. Kenneth J. Elia and wife, Ronald H. Markarian.

January Menu



Minestrone Soup

Rolls

Roast Beef

Mashed Potatoes, Mushroom Gravy

California Mixed Vegetables

German Chocolate cake

Reservations
(559) 268-2303



Above, The Herrings and Santa, Kylie Wheelock, Bethel No. 49, Jobs Daughters, Santa and the Casey's

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January Birthday's



<i>Anthony L. Atkission</i>	<i>1/30</i>	<i>Armen Michaelian, D.D.S.</i>	<i>1/3</i>
<i>Thomas J. Bekhdoud</i>	<i>1/9</i>	<i>Robert J. Porter</i>	<i>1/1</i>
<i>Robert B. Bower</i>	<i>1/25</i>	<i>Michael E. Ratley</i>	<i>1/22</i>
<i>David M. Byrnes</i>	<i>1/15</i>	<i>John R. Reynolds</i>	<i>1/17</i>
<i>Thomas D. Carlson</i>	<i>1/7</i>	<i>John R. Sanderson</i>	<i>1/18</i>
<i>Ronald L. Copp</i>	<i>1/5</i>	<i>Gordon G. Scott</i>	<i>1/12</i>
<i>Akram S. Elbanna</i>	<i>1/2</i>	<i>Bahram Shifteh</i>	<i>1/1</i>
<i>James G. Fisher</i>	<i>1/23</i>	<i>Dean L. Sigle</i>	<i>1/12</i>
<i>Kenneth M. Hoskin</i>	<i>1/29</i>	<i>James C. Stahl</i>	<i>1/18</i>
<i>Alan H. Jespersen</i>	<i>1/12</i>	<i>Howard D. Sutliff</i>	<i>1/1</i>
<i>Dennis M. Johnson</i>	<i>1/17</i>	<i>Lewis D. Wagoner</i>	<i>1/11</i>
<i>Clifton L. Kennedy</i>	<i>1/25</i>	<i>Marvin E. Wallace</i>	<i>1/10</i>
<i>William D. Mackrill</i>	<i>1/25</i>	<i>William D. Yelkin</i>	<i>1/27</i>
<i>Kendrick M. Mc Kinley</i>	<i>1/9</i>		

IN MEMORIAM

Marvin L. Potter

Born 12/11/1919– Raised 05/24/1943
 Golden Veteran's Award
 July 15, 1993
 Called from labor
 November 9, 2010

Piano For Sale

*There has been some work on the
 finish, strings and action are all
 original with moderate wear. Tone
 and playability are average.
 Tuning stability is good*

\$2,000.00
 (559) 268-4330



FRESNO MASONIC WIDOWS CLUB

January 26, 2010, 12 Noon
 Home Made Soup & Dessert
 Bring your own bowl and spoon

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



Golden Veteran's Awards



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Above; Left to right; Kenneth J. Elia, Marshal, Benjamin F. Davis III, Ronald H. Markarian; Cline Cub Jack Jr. A.G.L. Division Six; Row 2, Kenneth J. Elia, Marshal, Benjamin F. Davis III, Ronald H. Markarian; Kenneth J. Elia and Wife; Third Row; Treasurer, Kurtis L. Docken, Kenneth J. Elia and wife, Richard H. Markarian; Master, Robert L. Davis, Treasurer, Kurtis L. Docken, Kenneth J. Elia and wife, Richard H. Markarian

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

The newsletter and member rosters for La Sierra Venus will be sent out before the New Year! We have some fun things planned for the coming year! (Details Later)

La Sierra Venus Chapter has been asked to help in the dining room during Las Palmas-Ponderosa Installation on Sunday, January 9th. Please give me a call, (559) 381-6432, if you can help in the dining room. I would like to see the members support the Las Palmas – Ponderosa Lodge by attending their Installation of Officers on Sunday January 9th at 11:00 AM. Our own Joseph Perry is being installed as Master of the Lodge. If you have never attended a Masonic Installation, it's really interesting. Hope to see you there!

Please think about who of your friends you would like to share Eastern Star with. What a wonderful gift to give your friends by asking them to become a member of La Sierra Venus, therefore becoming your sister or brother. The answer is always no until you ask them to be a member.

I hope your Holiday Season was filled with friendship and love. Please keep your Masonic Sisters and Brothers in your thoughts and hearts throughout the year!

Fraternally
Juliet Vitz



What the Road Passes By.....

*Heart of the Valley Assembly #217
International Order of the Rainbow for Girls
Cordially invites you to a reception honoring
Miss Jessica Regier
Grand Recorder &
Grand Representative to Maryland &
West Virginia*

January 22, 2011

7:00pm

*Las Palmas Masonic Lodge
2992 East Clinton Avenue
Fresno, California 93703*

*Miss Bonnie Hood
Acting Worthy Advisor*

*Mrs. Judy Weymouth
Acting Mother Advisor*

*Mrs. Dana Regier
Grand Deputy*

*Mrs. Tina Thomason
Area Grand Deputy*

*Attire: Ladies: floor length or tea length dresses are requested
Gentleman: dress pants with shirt and tie, jacket is optional*



*Lodging for Grand Officers Available
Please contact Brenda Sullivan for details at 559.942.0484
Day of event contact: Shannon Major at 559.906.8194
Directions on the back,*



***"TRAVELING THE FLAMINGO
HIGHWAY"***

**The Faithfully Fearless Flamingos are warming
up their engines and ready to roar down the
highway on**

Sunday, January 23, 2011

Noon

Las Palmas Masonic Center

2992 E. Clinton Avenue

Fresno, CA 93703

**So, put your pedal to the metal and race on over
to Fresno and join District 28 in honoring our
very own**

Flappy Pappy (Mr. Chris Weymouth)

State Rainbow Dad 2011

Dress: Men-slacks and shirt, no tie

Women-Rainbow casual attire

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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



*For 2011 members and their wife's, we will
now offer transportation to Stated
Meeting Dinners and Degree's
We will provide transportation to and from the
meeting's and dinner's.
You may call (559) 268-2303*

Join us for coffee weekday mornings



January Lodge Calendar of Events

January 6, 2011	7:00 P.M. Madera Lodge No. 280, Installation of Officers
January 8, 2011	7:00 P.M. Visalia-Mineral King Lodge No. 128, Installation Of Officers
January 9, 2011	11:00 A.M. Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge No. 366, Installation of Officers.
January 11, 2011	6:00 P.M. L.P.M.B.A. Board Meeting, L.P.P. Officers Meeting
January 13, 2011	6:30 P.M. Degree/Practice
January 20, 2011	6:00 P.M. Appetizers 6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Golden Veterans Awards
January 27, 2011	6:30 P.M. O.S.I. Las Palmas Masonic Center, Selma exemplify (2nd Degree,)