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Beer, Berrocks and Comedy



Masonic Widows;
Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge No. 366 would like to announce starting with the April Stated Meeting Dinner, all Masonic Widows will be our guest for Stated Meeting Dinners.

Greetings from the West



We celebrated the wonderful month of March at Las-Palmas Ponderosa Lodge in fashion and style. The ladies looked wonderful in their "envy" green and my wife said that was the best corned beef and cabbage she had ever had! Thank you Brother Vitz! We are truly blessed to be surrounded by so many fine individuals whether it be in Masonry, Eastern Star, the Widows Club or our own family. Thank you to the Great Architect of the Universe for the wonderful times spent with friends and family!

April is here and we have the pleasure of recognizing our over achieving students and fabulous teachers this month. Teachers are the future of tomorrow and have the wonderful task of shaping and inspiring the youth of today. This is not always an easy task. We want to give them the "thanks" and recognition they deserve. It takes a special person to do all that they

accomplish. Exciting and stimulating the minds of tomorrow...

My wife and I had the pleasure of attending the Warden's Retreat once again and had a wonderful time. We learned a great deal about Masonry and got to spend time with fantastic people from all over the state. In the years ahead, our goal is to Educate, Engage and Excel and we look forward to all that Masonic Education has to offer.

Having the pleasure of being the Candidates Coach this year, I get to work with the youth of our organization. Even though our ritual is quite complex, it is just one of many "Stepping Stones" that brings us to *amazing* and *unique experiences* as we journey through this life. "Sacred Geometry" is just one of the many "Ancient Wisdoms of Mankind" that is just recently being "rediscovered." As the Egyptians knew of "Pi" and "Phi" these numbers were incorporated into their very foundations of life including temples, megaliths, monuments, sacred spaces, altars, art, iconography, music, light, cosmology and much, much more! It incorporates the *basic patterns of existence* (no kidding) involving space, time and form. The greatest painters, composers, musicians and architects used "Phi" (the ratio of 1 to 1.618) to create some of the most amazing works of mankind! From the Parthenon and Great Pyramid to the Vetruvian Man and the Mona Lisa, even nature uses it in to create sunflowers, pinecones, pineapples, mollusk shells, stems and petal ratio of flowers and even more amazing stuff; bone segments, geometry of crystals and even *our own DNA helix*. Phi is also known as the "Golden Mean" and "Golden Ratio." It is also the Fibonacci sequence. If you have not heard of this fantastic number you are not alone. It was only after many years of Masonic research that I was lucky enough to be "enlightened." To not share these examples of what could possibly be "Gods Number" would be almost criminal. The TV show called "Touch" starring Kiefer Sutherland just premiered March 22 and is based on this "Fibonacci Sequence" and seems quite thrilling. This is *but just one stepping stone* on the road to enlightenment and all this life has to offer us. Enjoy!

Thank You to all the Ladies and Brethren who join us each month in camaraderie and harmony and make Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge the place to join and unite.

Fraternally;

Richard

Senior Warden

Greetings from the South



This month I would like to say that I am proud to say that I am one of the newest members of the Fresno Scottish Rite. The last few weeks have been a been one that I have had to ask myself how to balance my life. As I sit and write this article I can help but to think about else I have to do today and this week. We all have thing that demand different things from us but we all have to decide where we put our priorities. I am reminded of one of the things Worshipful Haggerty once told me when I was working on my first degree three things come before masonry God, family and work. I would like to think that we all balance our lives the best we can we give up things that we want to do so we can work or be with our family and never miss a blink.

As you look at your life and try to balance it, I would like to urge you to think about how you can take an hour or two to come by the lodge have a cup of coffee in the morning with some of the brothers or come to dinner. This next month is Youth Orders Month and I am looking forward to learning more about the youth orders, if you are in the same boat as me and know almost nothing about them, I would like to urge you to Google it or go down and talk to some of the kids and find out if they need any help.

Fraternally;

Nathan, Junior Warden

GRIZZLIES BASEBALL CHUKCHANSI PARK *THURSDAY, June 7, 2012*

*LAS PALMAS-PONDEROSA LODGE NO. 366
MEMBERS AND FRIENDS (GUYS NIGHT OUT)*

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| *BOTTOMLESS POPCORN | *HOT DOGS AND CHILI DOGS |
| *TRADITIONAL CAESAR SALAD | *HAMBURGERS & CHEESEBURGERS |
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IN MEMORIAM

Joe C. Yoakum

Born 12/18/1926—Raise 05/07/1964
Called from labor
April 20, 2012

May Menu

*Appetizers with a Mexican
theme*

Mexican style tortilla soup

Rolls/Butter

Salisbury Steak

Mushroom Gravy

Garlic Mashed Potatoes

Corn

Strawberry Short Cake

With

Whipped Cream

Beer, Berrocks and Comedy

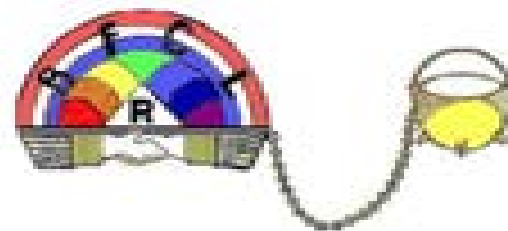


Las Palmas Masonic Center was Host for the Secretaries and Treasurers from Canal Farm No. 312, Clovis No. 417, Fresno No. 247, Olive Branch No. 269, Sanger No. 316, Orange Belt No. 303, Visalia-Mineral King No. 128, Selma No. 277, Hanford No. 279, Sierra No. 788 and LPP No. 366

Heart of the Valley returned from our annual Grand Assembly with so many distinguished honors again this year. We were so excited to support our 2012



Grand Officers - Jessica Regier (Grand Chaplain/Rep to Bolivia), Bonnie Hood (Grand Love/Rep to Indiana and Kentucky) and Mr. Jim Redman (State Rainbow Dad) - as they performed their Delightfully Dazzling duties at Grand Assembly! We were also honored to have TWO ladies from the assembly chosen to be in Grand Choir - Samantha Jones and Makayla Forse made us so proud! We returned from Grand Assembly with an appointment of Jessica Regier to the State Leadership Team and two young ladies took home First Place in the Arts and Crafts Recycle Division for their age brackets...congratulations to Jessie Beavers and Briana Jones! And Julia Holman had the honor of being asked to assist the Installing Grand Musician at the Installation of Officers for the 2013 Mesmerizing Mustangs!



We are also delighted to report that California Rainbow raised \$72,746.64 for the 2012 Grand Service Project, the San Diego Adaptive Sports Foundation. Heart of the Valley is so happy to have been able to actively contribute to Grand Service again this past year. We look forward to finding out what our new Grand Service project will be for 2013.



Is heavy fruit weighing down your fruit trees? Do you grow

more fruit than your family can eat? Heart of the Valley would love to take that excess fruit off of your trees and donate it to local charities! Give us a call and we'll set up a time to come out and pick your trees. We'll weigh the fruit and donate in batches to local organizations such as the Povorello House, Fresno Rescue Mission and various food banks. Do YOU have Spring Cleaning that needs to be done? Give us a call and we will dispatch a team of Rainbow Girls to your house to tackle basic outdoor chores such as raking leaves, sweeping, weeding, knocking down spider webs, clean the outsides of your windows, etc. Payment is based on your donation. Contact one of our Awesome Advisory Board Members to arrange to have your outdoor chores taken care of!

Our next installation of officers is scheduled for June 9th...time of day to be announced. We would LOVE to see you there!

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!

Heart of the Valley Assembly meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 7pm at the Clovis Masonic Lodge. We invite all members of our sponsoring bodies to come out and attend our meetings - we value your support and would love the opportunity to meet you!

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from the WIDOWS CLUB

Wednesday, May 30 2012, 12:00 P.M. Widows Meeting
Reservations Required



May, Masonic Homes Month

Join us for

CHINESE
FOOD

Wednesday, May 30, 2012
Fresno Masonic Center

History from the Past;

Several years ago I was looking at our Lodge web page and found interesting articles on our first 30 Masters. These were the brothers who served us from 1905 until 1934. A year ago I was again looking at our website and could not find these stories. I discovered that they had been removed because we had changed Web-Masters.

I tracked down the original stories, made some edits, and got them re-posted on our website. I also started my research on the remaining brothers who have served our Lodge as its Master. I am now pleased to say that we now have on our Lodge website the stories about all of our Past Masters. My research involved reading the Lodge files on all of these brothers, their obituaries if they were deceased, talking to some of the senior Past Masters and bugging the living Past Masters for information about themselves.

I am sure that you will find these stories interesting so go to www.lpp366.org click on the HISTORY tab and scroll down to PAST MASTERS. This page will have links to all of our Past Masters in groups of 20. Take the time to start at the beginning and read about all of these brothers.

My current project is to read all of the Minutes of every meeting of our Lodge starting in January, 1906. Each month I will write something about our early days. For instance, in the early days, what was a major expense that our Lodge paid for each month? I will give you a clue; I am not talking about rent.

Richard Frey P.M. 1980

Public Schools and Scholarships



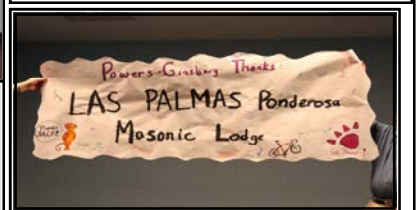
Madison Rinehart \$1,000.00
Brother Earl Cousins,



Harry Dyck Jr., Cline Cub Jack A.G.L., Principle.
Linda McLaughlin, Powers-Ginsburg Elementary
Schools, Master Steven R.High



Master High presents Madison
Rinehart with her \$1,000.00



May Birthday's



	<i>Raised Date</i>				<i>Raised Date</i>
Eugene H. Griffin	5/31	11/30/1950	James M. Vaughan	5/17	9/27/1977
George D. Winterberg	5/28	9/24/1952	Joseph H. Phillips	5/7	4/3/1975
Robert N. Wills	5/20	4/3/1952	Gary A. Starr	5/30	3/1/1973
Robert E. Schlotthauer	5/24	6/5/1954	Donald L. Milligan	5/26	11/3/1977
Fred M. Haines, Sr.	5/19	5/10/1990	John S. Schmidt	5/12	4/19/1986
John P. Lamborn	5/21	12/29/1956	Robert L. Davis	5/7	6/7/2001
Eldon L. Garrett	5/17	3/24/1955	Gordon D. Keeton	5/14	9/26/2002
Calvin A. Macpherson	5/24	1/23/1964	James A. Tarver	5/3	4/18/1978
Warren D. Sonnenburg	5/18	11/12/1986	Phillip C. Ford	5/11	9/30/1978
George W. Pope	5/19	9/8/1955	Jonathan L. Pierro	5/3	10/9/2008
John Gahvejian	5/21	3/14/1963	Bert A. Flores	5/12	5/1/2003
Richard D. Graffis	5/22	5/27/1980	Andrew C. Peerson	5/8	6/3/2010
Jerry F. Tabor	5/8	6/24/1965	Nathan A. Williams	5/21	10/27/2011
Richard C. Francis	5/30	4/19/1977	Shawn P. Clark	5/12	4/9/2011



April Stated Meeting Dinner



FRESNO MASONIC WIDOWS CLUB

Wednesday, May 30, 2012, Noon
 Fresno Masonic Center
 Chinese Food

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. All Masonic Widows are welcome to attend. If you have questions or would like to participate please contact;

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Youth Orders Month



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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 Secretaries Desk



My Beer, Berrocks and Comedy fundraiser for our Bicycle Fund, was a success. Blimprov was enjoyed by all. \$400.00 was raised for the Bicycle Fund. June 7, 2012, Grizzlies Baseball, We will have another Guys Night Out. \$40.00 per person, all the comfort and food the Sky Box affords. May is Youth Orders Month, we got nothing from Job Daughter's, or DeMolay for our e-mail edition Las Palmian. I have received nothing from Eastern Star and Daughters of the Nile.

Join us for Coffee weekday mornings .



May Lodge Calendar of Events

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| May 3, 2012 | 6:30 P.M. Dinner
7:00 P.M. Allan Hansen Fellowcraft Degree |
| May 8, 2012 | 6:00 P.M. Hall Association Board Meeting
LPP Officers Meeting to follow. |
| May 10, 2012 | 6:30 P.M. Dinner
7:00 P.M. Degree/Practice |
| May 17, 2012 | 6:00 P.M. Appetizers
6:30 P.M. Dinner
7:00 P.M. Youth Groups Month
7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting, Public |
| May 23, 2012 | 6:30 P.M. Dinner, Officers School of Instruction, Sanger Masonic Center
7:30 P.M. Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge, 1st, 2nd, 3rd candidate examinations |
| May 24, 2012 | 6:30 P.M. Dinner
7:00 P.M. Degree/Practice |



Youth Orders Month