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Greetings from the East



The month of June brought us St. John's Day, the Summer Solstice and even a Supermoon. It also brought us pictures and memories of wonderful kids with perfect attendance receiving bicycles for their endeavors. Thanks to our Officers Coach **Chuck Bersani**, our AGL **Cub Jack** and also Capt. **Skip Dyck** for helping us give away these coveted gems. This is just one of the ways that Masonry gives back to its community. (pictures page two)

We had the pleasure of attending Past Masters Night at Clovis Lodge and helped to raise an incredible young man by the name of **Dylan Beck**. We then traveled to **Selma Lodge** and helped with a first degree. Congrats to **Brother Dougherty!** We even attended the **Fresno Lodge** stated meeting and watched **Milton Snavely** receive his 50 year award. **Las Palmas-Ponderosa** also initiated our

newest Brother **Cory Hulsey** this past month. Congratulations to Cory as he sets foot beginning "*The Journey*!"

On June 27th we attended the **Fresno Grizzlies** baseball game and had a great time. The **Widow's Club** had their meeting on June 26th and we would like to thank my wife **Nanette** for helping with the food. LPP also attended the educational **OSI** (Officer School of Instruction) on the 26th as well. Don't forget that we have another Grizzlies game (this time with Fresno Lodge) on Aug 1st.

"A person starts to live when he can live outside himself." One of the great minds said this. There have been many great minds that have guided this Mason. One of the more persistent ones has to be **Soichiro**. With no formal education this 15 year old man went to Tokyo looking for work. He founded his own company and after having his plant bombed in 1944 and then leveled by an earthquake in 1945 he sold what was left (including his wife's jewelry) and began again! This is what led **Soichiro Honda** to build a multi-billion dollar corporation.

Whatever our dreams may be, they must be achievable. Baby steps along with firm resolution will lead you to **your** dreams. To achieve our greatest goals we must have direction, motivation and a good mentor. "Happiness and success in life are not the result of what we have, but rather of how we live. What we do with the things we have makes the biggest difference in the quality of life." Write down your goals or simply what makes you happy. Visualize that happiness and then share it with others.

Try something new. Movies like "The Secret" and "Courageous" and books such as "Awaken the Giant Within" and "Think and Grow Rich" have encouraged and inspired many great individuals. Who inspires you? Reading about Isaac Newton, Galileo Galilei and Albert Einstein will enlighten and instruct. My favorite (I love underdogs) has to be Nikola Tesla. What didn't this guy invent? His dream was free energy for all mankind... and it worked to! Free wireless power (Tesla Coil and Tesla Turbine). He harnessed the power of the Earth and Mother Nature. Imagine if we did not need to rely on coal, nuclear or hydraulic fracking.

The human mind can accomplish all things. "**Know Thyself**" is above many Masonic doorways. Never tell me the sky is the limit while there are footprints on the moon. Find your inspiration, your mentor and follow your dreams! **Have a Joyous and safe July!**

From the East - Richard

Bicycle Presentations at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School Worshipful Bersani, winning students and Worshipful Sherrod





Ladies of the Lodge....

It is summer so I thought I would do something a little different... I am going do an article on our Notable Neighbors. Sometimes we get a little closed sighted on our programs we sometimes miss opportunities that are around us. Our first Notable neighbor is the Fresno Art Museum. If you have not been to this Fresno treasure I hope you will look them up. Richard and I had the pleasure of going to the "Men Can Cook" event there. What a fun night. The food was wonderful. We enjoyed looking at the exhibits as well. If you get a



chance be sure to check out the Mayan Art Exhibit. The pieces were gorgeous and the displays were done really well. I got a kick out of the recycled goodies dresses. This could be an interesting fund raiser make such a dress and have a modeling show and auction the dresses. Just a thought...

Summer is a great time for travel and I am sure you are off and about with the season. We have been blessed by back to back weekends in Monterey, CA. Our favorite thing is to play "Where's Waldo" with the many Monterey Deer. They love the golf course. We learned that the ground squirrels love carrots but don't feed them anything if you are in sandals and shorts. The Ladies of the Lodge want to do a few outings this summer. If you have any ideas let me know. The next baseball game is August 1st. We are planning to go to the Woodward Park Shakespeare Festival at 7:30 on Aug. 1. The Show will be "Inherit the Wind" but it is not Shakespeare; rather a modern play... a great play for 11th graders to see or students taking Biology. This is a good company of players and tech crew. It will be enjoyable to be sure! This is a story that is a bit controversial. Of course, I look forward to seeing it. It will end after dark. If you could take a Widow with you to this event, they would appreciate it to be sure. This is a free event. \$5 for parking or free with a disabled placard. Come early for closer parking. Please let me know if you are coming so I can save seats (Nan: 559 579 8464). Bring a pillow, a sweater and maybe a lap blanket. You can bring snacks but there are snacks sold as well. Some bug spray can be wise or you can bring used drier sheets to tie around your ankles. If the ladies like the thought of the Jazz Hop, we can talk about it at this month at stated meeting dinner and plan for August. Jazz Hop is the 2nd Thursday in the Tower District. I hope this is great summer for all! We look forward to Mexican Dinner night in JULY! I look forward to sharing a great evening with the ladies. For our game we will play Loteria which is Mexican Bingo. It will be fun to be sure!

Greetings from the



June 13, 2013, I had the pleasure of Opening Lodge and Obligating Brother Cory Hulsey. Was a great evening with a good turnout for dinner. I would like to thank our Chef Richard Vitz for all his hard work for the past years of cooking for our Lodge, we look forward to his being in lodge. Worshipful Bersani and Worshipful Wallace did a great dinner in June, with help from Worshipful Sallee,





Worshipful Sherrod and Patrick Martin for helping setup the Banquet Room. Many thanks to the Brothers who served dinner. Our July dinner will feature authentic Mexican Cuisine prepared by our Janitorial Company, the Moreno family, with our tasty salad bar and appetizers, Call today for reservations.

First Degree Dinner Pictures



God Bess, Freddie











June Stated Dinner





P.M. Richard Frey's from the Archives

In my story for June, I made reference to a "Roll Call Meeting." On October 25, 1923, Las Palmas Lodge opened in the third degree under the gavel of Master Andrew W. Horn. The Lodge had convened for the purpose of conferring the Third Degree of Masonry and to have its third "Annual Past Masters' Night and Charter Members' Roll Call".

Charter Members Elliott Wm. Lindsay, Wm. Angus Sutherland, Herbert Z. Austin, Duncan Donald Allison, Albert Graves Wishon and Charles Lewis Walter were present and "made very interesting remarks on the early history

of Las Palmas Lodge."

There were twelve past Masters present who were designated "Officers of the Evening" and conferred the Third Degree upon Brother Cyril Tyres Turney. After Lodge closed, the brethren retired to the banquet room where there was a musical program that consisted of violin and organ selections as well as an orchestra that played "March and Two-Step—'Zonobie.'"

Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge continues the tradition of a yearly Past Master's Night, but our last Charter Member, William Oscar Miles went to the Celestial Lodge Above on August 4, 1955.

Cory Hulsey's Entered Apprentice Degree

















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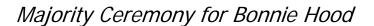


Help Heart of the Valley Rainbow Girls save the environment and collect funds without spending a dime! Joy (Pictured Right) is collecting your used aluminum cans and plastic bottles as her Hopes Project. Please place used cans and bottles in separate trash bags and let us do the rest. We can come and collect the cans and bottles from you or you can bring them to our stated meetings. Saving the environment and helping our assembly is as easy as that. If you have questions, please contact

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International Order of Rainbow for Girls



Bonnie received her Majority Degree at our April 26th meeting. We'll miss Bonnie as an active Rainbow Girl. We know Bonnie will hold Rainbow forever in her heart!



Masonic Youth Nights



Fresno Lodge No. 247



Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge No. 366

International Order of Rainbow for Girls

Eastern Star Scholarship Presentation during June 12th Installation of Officers

Past Grand Matron Donna Herring presented 2013 Eastern Star Scholarship Certificates to Miss Julia Holman and Miss Jessica Regier. Congratulations to these two hard working ladies!



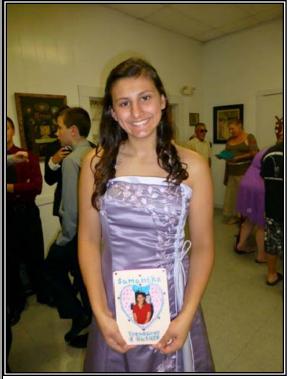


International Order of Rainbow for Girls Installation of Officers - June 8, 2013



Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217 held its 27th Installation of Officers at the Clovis Masonic Center. Makayla Forse was installed as Worthy Advisor.





Fresno Bee Academic All Stars CONGRATULATIONS to two of our Heart of the Valley Rainbow Girls who made the Academic All-Stars list as HONORABLE MENTIONS! Once again, our girls shine not only because of their academic achievements but because of their integrity, leadership and dedication to their communities through service as demonstrated



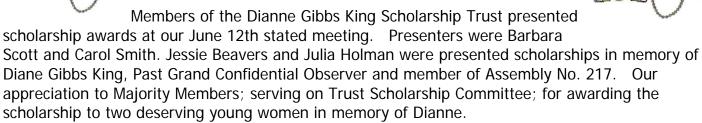
Samantha Jones

by the core values of Rainbow!

Rhiannon Corgan.

International Order of Rainbow for Girls

Dianne Gibbs King Scholarship





Calendar of Events

July 10	Stated Meeting (Disney Night)
July 24	Stated Meeting (Music Night)
August 3	Northern Instructional ~ San Francisco
August 14	Stated Meeting (Initiation)
August 24	Rainbow University ~ Clovis Masonic Cente
August 28	Stated Meeting (Back to School Night)
September 11	Stated Meeting (Veterans Night)
September 24	Our Official Visit ~ Clovis Masonic Center
September 25	Stated Meeting ~ Farewell
October 5	Installation of Officers

(1 pm Clovis Masonic Center)

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!

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If you have not attended a Heart of the Valley meeting in some time, please join us any 2nd or 4th Wed of the month, 7:00 pm. at Clovis Masonic Center. We invite all members of our sponsoring bodies to come out and attend our meetings – We have a stellar group of young ladies who LOVE Rainbow and it shows!!

Our Lodge Fishermen
So how have you been doing?
e-mail us some pictures today for next month.



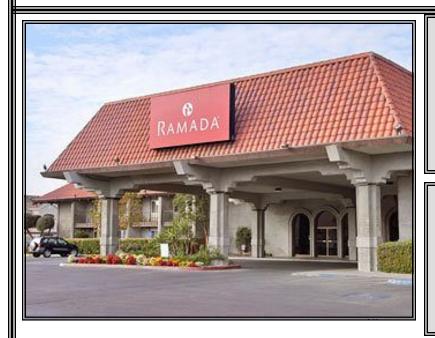












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Queen, Jeri Rouch

July 10, 2013, 6:00 P.M. Ice Cream Social Las Palmas Masonic Center

Ladies of the Nile:

Fifteen of our Past Queens, Officers, and Ladies of the Household have returned from Supreme Session held in Grapevine, Texas. We attended many educational meetings and voted in or defeated several items of legislation. All delegated had a new experience as we cast our ballot using electronic devices, it took awhile to "get the hang of it", but it is quicker.

Our group of sewing ladies definitely proved their worth. This group may be small, but they are "mighty." The quilts made, hours donated, pull tabs saved and sundries donated put this team of diligent ladies above over seventy-five percent of the Temples in the U.S. and Canada. Ladies, we are so very proud of you and the work you do!!

On the 10th of July, the Temple Patrol and Past Queen's are having their Ice Cream Social. This is always a very enjoyable evening. Lots of wonderful desserts and plenty of ice cream.

Check your roster and the flyers sent in the Nile Notes for other upcoming events.

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. It is really flying by. It won't be long and we'll be getting back into the swing of things. Hopefully, we'll have a group of about four to initiate in October, and that is something to look forward to. Remember, we are here to "Help the Children, and it takes many hands to keep this endeavor moving.

Sparkles of Nile Love, Jeri Rouch Queen



Fun at the Supreme Session

Nile Supreme Session











from the WIDOWS CLUB Las Palmas-Ponderosa JULY Stated Dinner

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 Las Palmas Masonic Center, 2992 East Clinton Avenue, Fresno CA.

Looking forward to seeing you!

R.S.V.P. Ethel Day, President (559) 276-2631 • Bobbi Cabbie Carder, Vice President, (559) 322-6851

• with exception of July, August and December

DARK July and August



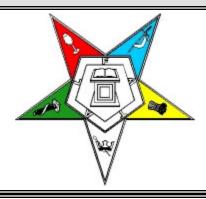
Widows at Las Palmas Masonic Center June Stated Meeting Dinner



Legacy No. 555 O.E.S.



Gordon Keeton, Worthy Patron Susan Quinville, Worthy Matron



2013 Officers

Worthy Matron: Susan Quinville Worthy Patron: Gordon Keeton Associate Matron: Kathy Lee Associate Patron: John Herring Treasurer: Kurtis Docken Associate Conductress:... Darlene Henderson Chaplain: Judith Healy Organist: Carol Littleworth Adah: Jeanette Foote Ruth: Kay Docken Electa: Lynn Haggerty Warder: Stephen Healy Sentinel: Bob Davis Prompter: Dick Haggerty Flag Bearer: Stan Littleworth Photographer: Linda Rodie





State Center Chapter DeMolay International

MEETING DATES First and Third Mondays 7:30 P.M. Fresno Masonic Center Contact: Bryan Schmalll



Bethel No. 49 Jobs Daughters

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Paradise Park Masonic Club is the best kept secret in Masonry! Paradise Park Masonic Club, Inc. is located about 2 miles from downtown Santa Cruz, California along the San Lorenzo River. This area was once dotted with saw mills in the early 1800's, followed by a short lived San Lorenzo Paper Mill in 1860, and then finally the California Powder Works in 1861. The company ceased operating at this location in 1914.

In 1924, the land was purchased by a group of Masons seeking a place to get out of the heat of Fresno. Their vision was a place for campsites and family recreation. Today the 138 acres of land are jointly owned by 391 members belonging to the Freemasons or the Order of The Eastern Star. On a walk around Paradise Park,

besides the numerous places to live, one would find historical structures and markers, a covered bridge (1872), picnic grounds and a social hall for all our many activities and various recreational facilities. With all this, it is the fellowship of our Masonic members that makes Paradise Park Masonic Club, a paradise.



Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge No 366 has several Brethren who own allotments in Paradise Park. Below is one allotment that is for sale in Paradise Park today;



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\$275,000.00 with some financing available. Call (831) 423-1530 for information.

GRIZZLIES BASEBALL

CHUKCHANSI PARK
THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2013

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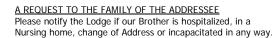
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From the Secretary's Desk



Thank you, Richard Vitz for all the wonderful dinners and luncheons you have prepared for Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge, we will really miss your tasty dinners, look forward to having you in lodge. August 1, 2013 we will join Fresno Lodge No. 247 at Chukchanis Park in the Grizzlie's Den, call (559) 268-2303 or e-mail lppmasoniclodge@comcast.net today for reservations. Hall Association Phone (559) 268-4330 should be used for facility rentals ONLY, Lodge number (559) 268-2303 for all other business, Thanks!

Join us for coffee week day mornings!!

July Calendar;

July 9, 2013 6:00 P.M. Hall Association Meeting LPP Officers Meeting to follow

July 18, 2013 6:00 P.M. Salad Bar and Appetizers

6:30 P.M. Authentic Mexican Dinner prepared by the

Moreno Family

7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting

August 1, 2013 5:30 P.M. Grizzlies Game, Sky Box







GRIZZLIES BASEBALL

CHUKCHANSI PARK

THURSDAY, August 1, 2013

LAS-PALMAS-PONDEROSA LODGE NO. 366
FRESNO LODGE NO. 247

ALL LODGES, MEMBERS AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED

Guys night out



\$45.00 per person

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