

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

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Greetings from the East



What an honor it was to have all three Masonic Youth Groups represented at the May stated meeting dinner. **Job's Daughters**, **Rainbow Girls** and **DeMolay** dedicate their time and effort to our community while learning skills such as leadership, organization, teamwork and public speaking. Each of these organizations carries an incredible tradition and heritage while making learning and bettering oneself downright FUN. LPP Lodge is proud of

all the Youth Group Leaders like Jayne Harmon and Omer Durham (Job's Daughters), Dana Regier

**BEYOND** 

and Chandra Blasquez (Rainbow Girls) and Bryan Schmall and Ben Davis III (DeMolay) for shaping the hearts and minds of the young to better themselves while helping others! Thank you all for your great endeavors and successful efforts!

The month of June brings to us Flag Day



(14<sup>th</sup>), **Father's Day** (16<sup>th</sup>) and the coveted **Summer Solstice** (21<sup>st</sup>). Many *operative* Stone Masons built incredible structures such as Stonehenge and the Temple of the Sun (Teotihuacan) based on this solar event. The 43 bluestones of Stonehenge weigh between 2-4 tons each and were transported from **Preseli Hills**, some *250 miles away*! The Pyramid of the Sun, the third largest pyramid on Earth contains thick layers of **mica** which have been brought from Brazil, **over 2,000 miles away!** Amazing stuff! Why do I mention this? Our **Saint John's** Birthdays are emblematic of the Summer and Winter Solstice. The Summer Solstice marked the beginning of the Egyptian New Year, the appearance of the star Sirius and the important beginning of the Nile flood season. The Egyptians literally used heaven to move earth!

Las Palmas-Ponderosa will be giving away four bicycles again (along with helmets, backpacks and more) in June to kids with perfect attendance. We also look forward to supporting **Job's Daughters** (O.V.) on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and **Rainbow Girls** (Installation) on June 8<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget about the Grizzlies game on **June 27<sup>th</sup>** and again with **Fresno Lodge** on **August 1<sup>st</sup>**.

For those wishing to know more about the origins of Freemasonry google the **Halliwell Manuscript or Regius Poem** as well as the **Matthew Cooke manuscript**. These speak of the seven liberal arts as well as the fifteen articles and rules for craftsmen's conduct. The history of our craft is veiled in allegory and always quite intriguing to study but **Brotherhood** is really what it's all about! Have a great June and hope to see you soon!

From the East; Richard

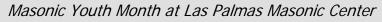
#### Greetings from the West



Over the last couple of days I have been reviewing the Entered Apprentice Degree and it has got me thinking about the three tenants of our fraternity particularly relief. We read in the degree that "to relieve the distressed is a duty incumbent on all men.." but so many of us forget about it. So many of us live our lives thinking about truth and morality and how to live our lives by the square that we forget that there are people that need relief, whether it is a brother or not. The charge we are given is to "soothe the unhappy, to sympathize with their misfortunes, to compassionate their miseries, and to restore peace to their troubled minds..." Over the last week in my life I have heard that some of the people in my life have had troubles and I wanted to remind

everyone that bad things happen but families, friends and brothers are all there to help get you through it. On another note, We balloted to give Cory Alan Hulsey his Degree's in our Lodge, an application to affiliate with our Lodge, Joshua Raymond Barkley was read, and we voted of a Waiver of Jurisdiction for Esteban A. Velasquez, from Channel Island Lodge No. 214, to do his Third Degree, appears we will be very busy.

Nathan





#### Greetings from the South



Wow, what a night, I am truly blessed, we served seventy-five plus dinners, Our chef Richard Vitz and his fine staff of Past Master's,

Chuck Bersani and Marvin Wallace prepared a wonderful salad bar and appetizers, the Salmon was delicious and those who had the apricot glazed Cornish game hens, they were perfectly prepared. Check out the menu for June on page five. Our Stated Meeting Dinners are really a



wonderful social and dinning event, our Hall Association provides us with the linens and napkins for a even better dinner environment. We have our dinner priced at \$10.00, I don't think there is a Lodge in the valley who provides a better dining experience, our Masonic Widows are always guests of the Lodge. Join us, call today for your reservations, if you forget,

not to worry we never turn anyone away. Check out the pictures from our May Stated Meeting Dinner.

God Bless

Freddie







## P.M. Richard Frey's from the Archives



I have been a member of Las Palmas Lodge for over 40 years and have never been invited to a "roll call meeting". For those of you who do not know what such a meeting is, I will explain. Notices are sent out to all members with an invitation to attend one special meeting. At this meeting the names of all active members are read and as your name is read, you stand up. When our membership was over 1,100 in the early 1970's such a meeting would have been a real sight to see had it occurred.

On October 21, 1926 Las Palmas Lodge had its first roll call meeting under the direction of WM Ernest Marvin Myers. While we do not know how many members showed up, we estimate that the Lodge had between 600 and 700 members at that time. Since that first roll call meeting, we have had a couple more such meetings, but never on an annual basis.

If a male was born after the Civil War, it was common for the parents to give that child the name of a famous person. Some examples from our member list are: Ben Franklin Paschall, George Washington Cherry, Benjamin Franklin Walker, Andrew Jackson Lyons, Benjamin Franklin Ellisberry, Benjamin Harrison Delk, Grover Cleveland McWilliams, James Monroe Bandy, William Harrison Gilstrap, Benjamin Franklin Harrell, Paul Revere Fisher, George Washington Myers, Monroe Washington Park (each parent must have had a favorite President) and Theodore Roosevelt Stoetzel.

Going to Lodge in 1927 was also educational. After the installation of officers Past Grand Master Sherman spoke at length on various topics of interest. At the end of the February Stated Meeting, Bro. Hawkes made extended remarks on our late Bro. Geo. Washington. After conferring 3 first degrees in June, "Lodge was then closed and the members repaired to the banquet room where an appropriate flag observation was held with Bros. Tuttle and Hawks as the speakers. At the end of the October Stated Meeting, "Bro. Douglas A. May spoke on the subject of 'Masonic Law'".

### Ten Year Award, Alex Hussain



Worshipful Sherrod presenting Alex Hussain with his Ten year certificate, Evelyn, Brother Hussain wife and Brother Hussain with his Award.

## May 2013 Hall Association and Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge Officers Meeting















## Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217

International Order of Rainbow for Girls





#### Calendar of Events

May 8	Stated Meeting (31 Bag Party @ 6:30)
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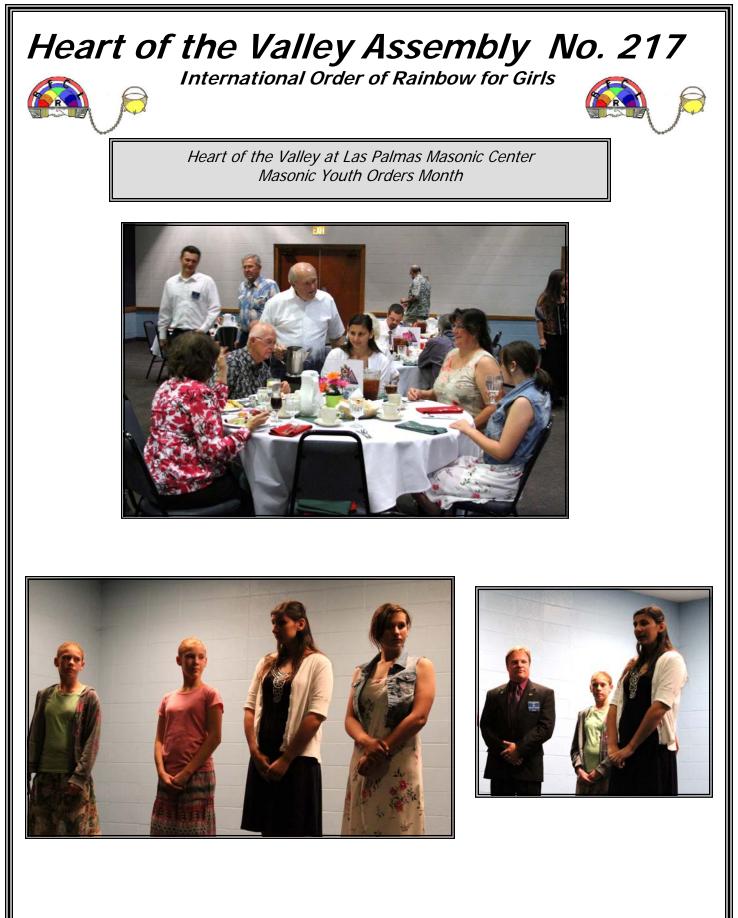
- May 22 Stated Meeting (Graduation/Farewell)
- May 26 First Official Visit (West Hills)
- June 8 Installation of Officers-Clovis Masonic Center
- June 12 Stated Meeting
- June 26 Stated Meeting
- June 29 Grand Bethel (Visalia)

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!! *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 Contact Information:

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Princess Zenobia
Princess Zora Debbie Sanborn
Princess Zuliema Marlene Gardner
Princess Musician Karen Lasky
Attendant Brenda Matias
Attendant Jeanne Cunningham



Queen, Jeri Rouch



*June-July Calendar* June 5, 2013, 11:30 A.M. Tulare-Kings Nile Club June 16 thru 20th , 2013 SUPREME SESSION Grapeville., Texas July 10, 2013 , 6:00 P.M. Ice Cream Social Las Palmas Masonic Center





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## from the WIDOWS CLUB

Las Palmas-Ponderosa May 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 May 29, 2013, We will meet at Fresno Masonic Center for a Pot Luck June 26, 2013 we will be back to Las Palmas Masonic Center







Legacy No. 555 O.E.S.   Image: Constraint of the system of the sy	2013 OfficersWorthy Matron:Susan QuinvilleWorthy Patron:Gordon KeetonAssociate Matron:Kathy LeeAssociate Patron:John HerringSecretary:Donna HerringTreasurer:Kurtis DockenConductressBecky DavisAssociate Conductress:Darlene HendersonChaplain:Judith HealyMarshall:Frieda CazierOrganist:Carol LittleworthAdah:Jeanette FooteRuth:Kay DockenEsther:Beth AbateMartha:Ruth SterryElecta:Lynn HaggertyWarder:Dick HaggertyFlag Bearer:Stan LittleworthFlag Bearer:Cliff HendersonPhotographer:Linda Rodie

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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* 

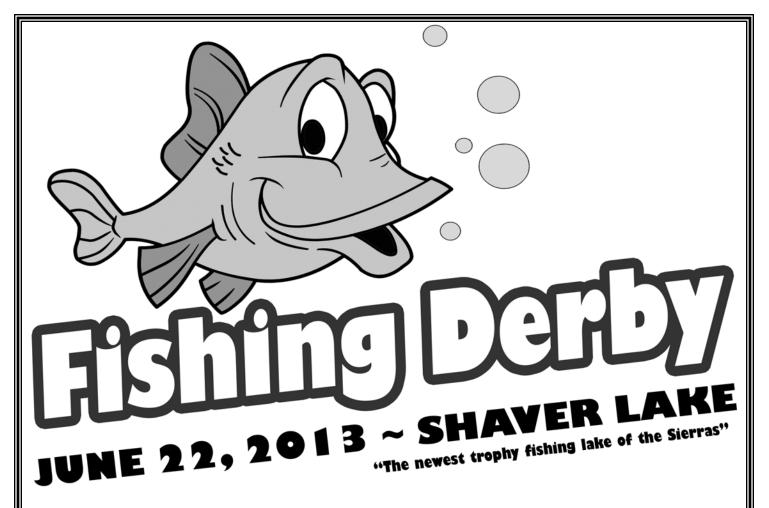
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Adult: \$500, \$300, \$200, \$100, \$75 Children (15 and under): \$200, \$100, \$75, \$50

## **Entry Fee:**

## 840 Adults 820 Children

# Breakfast and Lunch included 50/50 Blind Bogey Raffle

For more information and pre-registraion, contact Jim Wilson 559-779-8727 or the office 559-268-9631

A fundraising event benefitting children with language, literacy, and learning challenges served for free by the Fresno Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center.

# GRIZZLIES BASEBALL

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	Birthday	Raised		Birthday	Raised
Kenneth M. Bratcher	6/23	4/9	William B. Lee	6/2	11/13
Edward M. Bufford	6/14	5/30	William H. Lyons	6/17	4/14
Neil A. Camin	6/23	2/9	Ronald H. Markarian	6/21	11/21
Elie N. Choufani	6/21	5/9	Shiro Minabe	6/16	10/5
Dennis R. Claborn	6/26	1/25	Joseph E. Perry, IV	6/11	4/30
Vernon J. Gaylord	6/5	12/3	Justin D. Robinson	6/2	1/27
Hamo Hamamjian	6/4	9/10	Michael J. Sahakian	6/17	11/2
Richard W. Hopper	6/5	3/5	Bassem A. Sarieddine	6/5	4/5
Matthew M. Houk	6/18	6/1	Alan Steven	6/17	4/20
Henry W. Howard	6/10	10/14	Vernon S. Ullstrom	6/11	9/30
Nicholas P. Ionescu	6/17	10/28	George M. Zertuche	6/20	4/5
Curtis C. Jack	6/8	6/6			

#### IN MEMORIAM

Billie J. Murray Born 03/09/1926-Raised 10/10/1952 Called from labor April 3, 2013



IN MEMORIAM

Edward L. Esheim Born 03/20/1934-Raised 03/25/1971 Called from labor May 11 2013

## June Stated Dinner Menu

Chef Vitz and his cooking crew of Past Master's , Chuck Bersani and Marvin Wallace will prepare a tasty group of appetizers and a full salad bar and a choice of wines.

Santa Maria Tri-tip, Baked Potato with sour cream and chives. Corn on the cob , rolls



and butter and a tasty dessert. Make your reservation today with the Lodge Secretary, (559) 268-2303 or e-mail Ippmasoniclodge@comcast.net Join us for a wonderful social and dining experience at Las Palmas Masonic Center.

### Fresno Masonic Widows Club

June 26 2013, 12 Noon Las Palmas Masonic Center

President: Vice-President; Bobbi Carder Secretary; Treasurer;

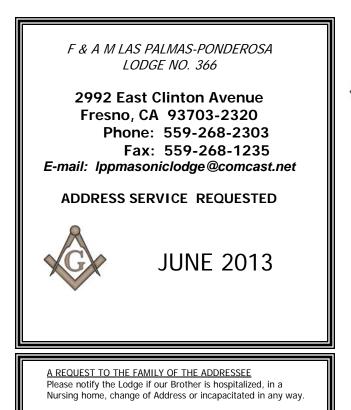
Ethel Day **Betty Veffredo** Jane James

**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;

Bobbi Carter 322-6851 Ethel Day 276-2631





## Masonic Sojourners

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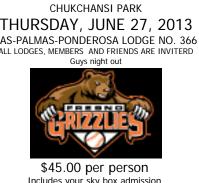


Join us Thursday, June 27, 2013, at Chukchansi Park for Grizzlies Baseball, it is again thirsty Thursday, lots of good food and drink. All Lodges are invited to attend along with your friends, children or grandchildren, is a great guys night out. We had wonderful attendance for our May Stated Meeting Dinner and honoring our Masonic Youth Groups. Alex Hussain received his Ten Year award, was great to have Brother Hussain and his wife Evelyn join us for dinner.

Join us for coffee week day mornings!!



	<b>IE CALENDAR</b> 12:00 P.M. Widows Club Luncheon and Meeting Fresno Masonic Center		
May 29, 2013	6:30 P.M. Dinner, Sanger Masonic Center 7:30 P.M. First Degree Las Palmas, Exemplify with two raps to obligation.		L   ,
June 6, 2013	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Degree/Practice Possible Third Degree		
June 11, 2013	6:00 P.M. Hall Association Meeting LPP Officers Meeting to follow		
June 13, 2013	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Degree 16		Bo
June 20, 2013			B



GRIZZLIES BASEBALL

\$45.00 per person Includes your sky box admission Bottomless popcorn, potato salad, seven layer dip, hot dogs and chili dogs, hamburgers and cheese Burgers, fast ball subs, unlimited soda & bottled water.

Call today for reservations (559) 268-2303