



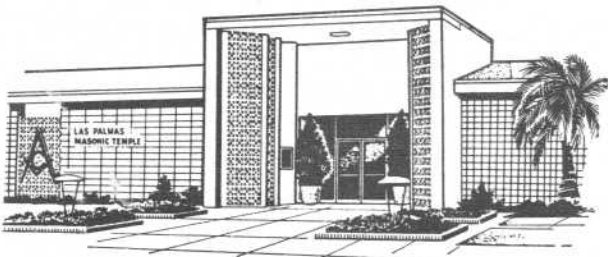
# The Las Palmian

FRATERNAL ORGAN  
OF

LAS PALMAS-PONDEROSA LODGE #366



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## From the East:

Fraternal Greetings to you all and thank you Brethren for your excellent support of our Lodge activities. This is our Lodge and each and every one of us responsible for the way others see us. Words such as, warm, friendly and comfortable are often heard when talking about Las Palmas. Thank you Brethren for maintaining that feeling of warmth that has always been Las Palmas.



This brings me to another very important point. The consolidation of two of the finest Lodges in Fresno, Las Palmas and Ponderosa. The Grand Master has reviewed all the paper work and has approved the consolidation! On April 1st, the new Lodge will be known as Las Palmas-Ponderosa #366. It will become official on that date. These two Lodges bring together a rich heritage and a strong determination to carry forward a tradition of strength and caring. Brethren these lodges are the result of years of work, hope and dreams of all the Masons that forged their way through the fires of life, we can take great pride in what has developed.

The Brethren of Las Palmas and Ponderosa are excited about sharing that great history that has made the consolidation possible. A Lodge History Night and Social is being planned for April. This will be an exciting evening and a wonderful chance to see and hear our history. It will be a powerful, vibrant, exciting time, a chance to be a part of history and be with your Brethren to share your conviction, and belief in your Lodge.

Fraternally,  
Stephen M. Harrelson  
Worshipful Master

## From the West:

There is always a bright side to dark clouds. The bottom may be dark and gloomy but God's Light shines on the top. All's right with the world when you are on top of dark and gloomy situations. Let's dwell on the sunny-side; think positive think of the good things. Let the good outweigh the bad.



Speaking of good things, congratulations to Brothers George Herbert Cary, John Lee Pogue and Bruce Michael Stotts who completed their proficiencies in the Master Mason Degrees. Welcome aboard gentlemen, you have now been exposed to all that the science of Craft Masonry can offer. How you apply it is for you to determine. Just as when you first knocked on our door seeking light, it is important that you know if there are problems, or you need answers, you have but to ask and you will receive. All Master Masons world-wide are ready and willing to aid and assist when called upon.

Most of the officers were present at a very enlightening evening recently. It was a visit to Bethel #243, of the International Order of Job's Daughters. Although they are feeling the pinch of total membership, as are we all, the quality of the work and the spirit of the entire group, was wonderful. They seemed happy to see us and treated us as royalty. The young ladies and young men of the youth groups represent the bright side of the future. It is these young people who in a few years will be adults and have an important part to play in the conduct of our nations affairs. We must encourage them and help in any way we can, NOW. It's a tough old world out there; let's help them to prepare for it. The organizations they belong to provide excellent fundamentals. Let us all lend a hand and help them get prepared for what lies ahead.

Respectfully, Don Scott, Sr. Warden

## *From the South:*

As I sat reading the paper this morning, I noticed a lengthy article about how the Eagles and the Elks organizations are in trouble. I had to ask myself why these once strong and active organizations are having a hard time attracting and keeping new members while others are succeeding. If you have any ideas as to why this happens please come to Lodge any Thursday and let me know. With your help and ideas we can make sure that our Lodge remains strong and that Masonry avoids the same pitfalls. I will look forward to talking with you!



April is a very special month. The Grand Lodge has approved the consolidation of Las Palmas and Ponderosa Lodges and we are now known as Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge #366. I am extremely proud and pleased that Ponderosa Lodge has chosen Las Palmas to affiliate with and I look forward to meeting many new brothers. We are planning a special celebration on Thursday, April 25, so I hope you will all plan to attend.

I am pleased to report that our Past Master Jim Hall although still in the hospital, is making excellent progress and is getting that old twinkle back in his eye. He and Anna expressed their thanks to all of you who have called and visited Jim, or have mentioned him in your prayers. Jim, we pray that you and all of our infirmed brothers will make a full and speedy recovery.

Thought for the Month: Webster defines "fraternity" as the state or quality of being brothers. Being brothers there should be no secrets among us regarding the affairs of our Lodge.

Fraternally yours,  
Randy Forrester  
Jr. Warden

## CALENDAR

April 1991

- 3 **Wed.** Degree, John Bjourge.
- 4 **Thurs.** School of Instruction. Clovis Lodge, 7:30 p.m.
- 10 **Wed.** 1st Degree.
- 11 **Thurs.** 2nd Degree School of Instruction.
- 18 **Thurs.** 6:30 p.m. Dinner Make reservations. 7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting.
- 25 **Thurs.** History Night and Ice Cream Social.

### **Note: Degree on Wednesday night**

All officers required to attend schools of instruction unless excused by the inspector. All Master Masons are invited.

### **Ladies Program For After Dinner Meeting of April 18st.**

Please come, join us in learning "How to deal with stress." We can all use help at different times in our lives. JoAnn French, one of our own members, will be presenting this program.

Many thanks to her for taking time from her busy schedule for us.

Pat Scott

### **History and Heritage Night**

**Thursday, April 25**

Las Palmas and Ponderosa  
from Past to Present

**Ice Cream Social**

**A-VERY-SPECIAL-NIGHT**

**6:30 p.m.**

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