



# The Las Palmian



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## Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge #366, F&AM

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### From the East

Brethren, Ladies and Friends,

With the end of June comes the end of the 1st half of this Masonic Year. Whew! Time really flies when you're having a FUN!

The Month of June was a busy one.

On June 6th, Brother (son) Curtis Jack became our newest Master Mason. Senior Warden, Ralph Medeiros gave an excellent Lecture and Past Master, Robert Moore delivered a perfect Charge. Thanks to all the officers, members and visitors who contributed to the success of that special evening.

On June 11th, four Entered-Apprentices and one Fellowcraft gave their proficiencies at a meeting called for that purpose. Congratulations on taking this important step in progressing thru your degrees. The E.A.s were; Sean W. Ford, Richard A. Mechikoff, Charles R. Rabb, and Russell W. Wyatt. The F.C. was Michael E. Ratley. Again, we will look forward to you all receiving your next degrees in the Fall.

On June 20th, at our Stated Meeting, Brother Leland Morris Edman was presented the Golden Veterans' Pin (50 years as a Master Mason) by our District Inspector, Worshipful Douglas N. Cairns. Congratulations Bro. Edman on this historic milestone! Also on this night we were pleased to welcome Mrs. Conchita Ramos, a visitor from the Philippines. A letter of introduction from the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines was read. She and her son, Tom, attended the dinner and 50 Year Pin presentation. Mrs. Ramos is planning on visiting Lodges in California and throughout the U.S. We wish you well in your travels. At this meeting, we also read two petitions for affiliation. Brothers John Corter and Mark Eisenberg.

On June 26th, Fresno Lodge will host the District Officers at a 2nd Degree School of Instruction.

On June 30th, the Grand Lecturer, Ulysses Patropulos, will present his 3rd Degree School of Instruction at Clovis.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our next Stated Meeting on July 18th.

Cline "Cub" Jack  
Master



### From The West

Brethren,

The time has come as timely as the seasons for our Lodge to fade into darkness, giving us all the opportunities to do those things with our families and loved ones that draw us closer together. During this time of darkness it is my sincere hope that you will enjoy your activities and your summer vacation time.

There is also another purpose to this dark period, that is for each officer to use this time to school himself in the preparation of the advanced stations coming up in September. It is imperative that you contact your respective coaches. Also, it is very important when there is a practice session within the Lodge all officers should attend. Not only is it important to learn the work, it is important to learn to do it with confidence. I want each officer or brother to know I am there for you and eager to help.

I will be seeing you at the stated meetings and also when the Lodge reopens in September.

Aloha Nui

Ralph Medeiros, Senior Warden



### From The South

Brethren,

I would first like to graciously thank all who helped Mary in the kitchen at our last Stated Meeting dinner, (you know who you are!). Our shish-kebab dinner was a complete success. We fed 171 people. By volunteering your time in the kitchen to help Mary, you enable us to continue this great tradition.

Next month, Mary is planning to serve her famous "All American Dinner" consisting of roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables and what Mary calls her 4th of July Special for dessert.

Also, I would like to thank those who contributed to the wine fund. As long as you continue to do this, we will be able to enjoy wine at all of our dinners.

Again, please remember that we will still need your help in the kitchen during our DARK Summer months.

Yours Fraternally,

John S. Bjorge, Junior Warden



CALENDAR

- JULY - 4th - DARK (Holiday)
- 8th - Building Assn, 7:00 p.m.
- 11th - DARK
- 18th - Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.  
Dinner, 6:30p.m.
- 25th - DARK

The 293rd Masonic District Officers Assn.  
Cordially invites you to attend a Brunch Reception  
honoring  
the Grand Master of Masons in California,  
**THE MOST WORSHIPFUL  
CHARLES H. ALEXANDER**

At 10:00 a.m. on Sunday the 25th of August, 1996  
Fresno Masonic Temple  
3444 East Shields Avenue, Fresno, CA

\$7.00 per person RSVP by 17 August 1996  
Contact the Lodge Secretary for Tickets

Cline C. Jack, Dr. Douglas N. Cairns,  
Association President Inspector, 293rd Dist.

IN MEMORIAM

Raised to the Celestial Lodge above:

- Melvin Albert Weber Sr., Mar. 30, 1996
- Marion Lewis Tucker - Apr. 10, 1996
- Orval Lee Cook - May 14, 1996
- John Marshall Harvey - Feb. 25, 1996

**BE TRUE TO OUR  
FOREFATHERS**

How many times have we sat back and listened to a Masonic speaker extol the virtues of Masonry? How often have we sat basking in the glory of those great men who have gone before, patting ourselves on the back and accepting at least some of the credit for belonging to a fraternity which produced such men? They stood for freedom, in all its forms, and human rights - the right to worship according to our dictates, the right to elect our government, and other rights we all enjoy. We tend to forget that with every right comes responsibility and the provision to respect the rights of others. With freedom comes the requirements of law and order as well as respect for the constituted authority. Let us remind ourselves that we did not achieve our status alone. We are deeply indebted to the Masons of the past.

Yes, these Great Men left us this heritage, together with a form of government and a Constitution and Bill of Rights, that have formed the foundation upon which has been built, the greatest nation known to man.

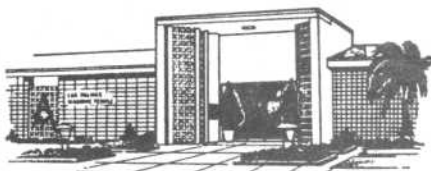
To us, they have left the responsibility of preserving this heritage. I am afraid if some of our forefathers were to return today, they would be severely critical of the manner in which we have handled our stewardship.

We should, as individual Masons, take an active part in the civic affairs of our community, state, and nation, and by our words and actions, attempt to lead the way back to law and order. An example can be given by showing our respect for the established authority. We, as individual Masons, should be willing to stand up and be counted. Then, and only then, will we be doing our part to preserve our country and, by doing so, will restore Freemasonry to the high plateau it should hold. (By Bro. Clinton H. Lang, California Freemason.)

OFFICERS FOR 1996

Worshipful Master	CLINE (CUB) C. JACK JR. ....	432-8262	Junior Deacon	VERNON SCOTT ULLSTROM	456-8461
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Stated Meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the Month at  
7:30 PM Preceded by a dinner at 6:30 PM **RESERVATIONS  
REQUIRED.**



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