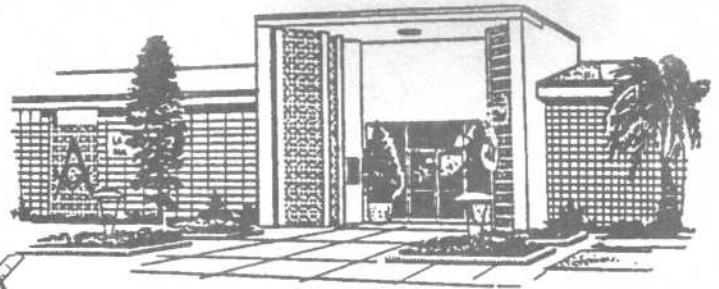


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From the East

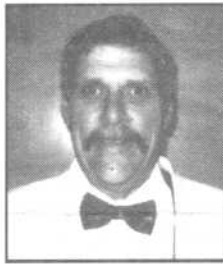
Summer has passed and it is time for the Lodge to go back to work. our first order of business will be on September 10th which will be our annual Past Master's Night Third Degree. We will have dinner at 6:30 followed by the Past Masters putting on a third degree which all the officers look forward to. Past Master Ralph Medeiros has contacted me and informed me all the positions for the obligation and raising have been filled. The next order of business will be our Stated Meeting on the 17th and we will be voting on Mr. Marshella to take the degrees of masonry in this lodge. We will also be giving a fifty year pin to Robert Neilan who is coming down from Sacramento to receive this honor. On the 24th we will be doing a first degree on Mr. Stahl. We would appreciate a nice turn out. Please mark this date on your calendar.

Last month I inadvertently put the wrong name of a fifty year pin recipient. I used John Friesen and it should have been Harry J. Friesen.

The officers from Las Palmas Ponderosa Lodge are preparing to go to Grand Lodge in October to vote on several resolutions and Grand Master recommendations. These will be read at our September Stated Meeting by our Senior Warden. If you are interested, please plan to attend this meeting. A copy of these resolutions are also available in the Secretary's Office for any Master Mason desiring to look through them.

There will be a School of Instruction in Madera, Lodge #280, at 7 P.M. September 16th. We will be doing the Third Degree. All Master Masons are welcome.

Fraternally Yours
John Steven Bjorge
Master



From the West

Brethren and Friends,

I do sincerely hope that you all had a fantastic summer because all of your officers are raring to get back to work. We are all preparing to work in advanced stations.

The Senior Wardens of the Central San Joaquin District 10 got together on August 15th and had our Hot August Nights Car Rally. We were joined by Las Palmas Ponderosa's Junior Warden, Bill Freeman and his lady Sara. The evening jumped off with a LOW calorie dinner at Fat Jack's in Clovis with the course winding from there to FSU, on to Clovis, and Clovis Community Hospital and other stops along the way. Bro. Bill and Sara took home 1st Prize for the evening. Bro. LeRoy Foote and his lady Janette from Clovis Lodge, opened their home for refreshments after the Rally. Our combined thanks to them for their hospitality.

The month of September will be pretty full for all of us at Las Palmas Ponderosa Lodge. The 3rd we will be having 2 or 3 proficiencies. The following week the 10th, will be Past Master's Night the Candidate will be Bro. Hamo Hamamjian; your attendance would be appreciated, and you would enjoy the evening. Stated Meeting follows on the 17th, where the Resolutions for Grand Lodge will be read, and your wishes on how each of them will be voted on will be stated to your officers. We will also be treated to one of Mary's wonderful meals. The 24th, we are scheduled to initiate Mr. Richard Stahl, who has been elected to receive the degrees of Masonry in our Lodge.

We are looking forward to having YOU attend Lodge this month.

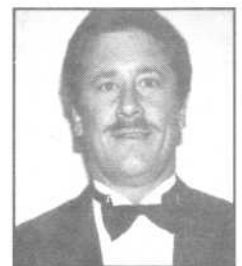
Ted Sorge, Senior Warden



From the South

Brethren,

I hope all the members of Las Palmas/Ponderosa and their families have had a great summer. There were 92 mebers, family and guests for dinner and a great time was had by all. Thanks to brothers Jim Clark and Michael Carrigan, they both put in more than 4 hours each to make the dinner a success. Without their help dinner probably would not have been served until 8:00 o'clock. I hope that after the summer season more people



NOTICE

A certified letter will be sent to all those brothers who have not paid their 1998 dues. The letter is a 60-day notice of intent to suspend for NON-PAYMENT of dues. Those brothers who have not paid their 1998 dues by Jan. 21, 1999 will be subject to suspension at the stated meeting on Jan. 21, 1999. For a brother to take a demit from Masonry without being suspended for nonpayment of dues, his dues must be current.

Marvin E. Wallace, Secretary

will be volunteering their valuable time to assure that Las Palmas dinners will continue to be famous through out California.

It was very disappointing to show up at lodge the day of our stated meeting only to find out that over 100 of our wine glasses were missing. If anybody used them for another function and forgot to bring them back yet, we would love to have them returned. Thanks for your help in this matter.

From the South,
Bill Freeman, Junior Warden

THANKS FOR THE HELP

A great BIG HAND to MARY PERCH and her helpers for another fine dinner. There were 92 members and their guest who enjoyed the dinner. I would like to thank the following Brothers, Sisters and Friends who helped prepare the food: Jim Clark, Leo Bopp, Harry Dunlavy, Michael Carrigan, Frank maul, and Marvin Wallace. The following helped in the dinning room George & Marian Posson, Lora Vogt, Lois Parker, Betty Morine. The following helped serve dinner: John Bjorge, Bill Freeman, Randy & Pam Forrester, Sam & Barbara Linares, Marty Sorge, Hilda Johnson, Eleanor Miksch and, Denice Ratley. Thanks to each and every one of you from Mary Perch. Mary can use more help in the kitchen -preparing the food. A lot of hard Work and effort go into the planning and preparation of the dinners. Your help is deeply appreciated and needed to prepare the dinners. Won't you come out for a little work, a lot of fun and fellowship? You know the atmosphere is great and you will have fun. If your name was omitted, let us know and a correction will be made in the next news letter.

FUN TRIP

Atarah Court No. 6, Ladies Oriental Shrine FUN TRIP to Laughlin, Nevada - October 14 - 16,1998 Contact Dee Carr at 291-7316 for information and reservations.

IN MEMORIAM

Earl Roscoe Gerard May 2, 1998
Norman Blair Showalter August 20 1998

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Calendar

September

- 3 - Proficiencies, 7 pm
- 7 - Holiday, Labor Day
- 10 - Past Masters' Night, 3rd° 7:30 pm
Dinner at 6:30 pm (Masons ONLY)
- 16 - School of Instruction, 3rd° 7:00 pm
Madera Lodge Host
- 17 - Stated Meeting, 7:30 pm
Dinner at 6:30 pm (Y'all come!)
- 22 - Building Association, 7:00 pm
- 24 - 1st Degree, Mr. Richard Stahl, 7:30 pm
- 27 - Officers' Qualifications, Fresno Lodge
See Notice for times.

MASONIC WIDOWS CLUB

Do you know of a Masonic Widow who would enjoy the friendship of other widows? We have a group of ladies who are called the FRESNO MASONIC WIDOWS CLUB and we meet the LAST Wednesday of each month in the Fresno Masonic Lodge dining room. Your husband could have belonged to any Masonic Lodge in our district. If you need transportation, please Contact any officer listed below.

Our lunches are varied... SEPT. 30th (which is a 5th Wed.) we voted at our last meeting to have a Pot-Luck... just bring your favorite dish ... and perhaps a good friend.

Sometimes we have Pizza brought in - maybe a Chinese Dinner and often a Salad Pot-Luck - then we play card Bingo if members want to and if we can build our membership up a little more, we can have speakers and a variety of programs.

For further information, call:RUTH DAWSON, PRESIDENT 454-1520, WANDA GOODRICH, SECRETARY, 486-5359, BOBBIE CARDER, VICE PRESIDENT, 322-6851.

Wanda Goodrich

Officer Qualification/ District Inspector

September 27,1998 - Fresno Lodge

Masters - 9:00 am to 10:30 am
Sr. Wardens - 10:30 am to 12:00 noon
Jr. Wardens - 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm
Sr. Deacons - 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm

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