

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



The Las Palmian

Legacy Chapter No. 555 Order of Easter Star Sharon Temple No. 92 Daughters of the Nile Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217 International Order of Rainbow for Girls

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Greetings from the East



Where has the time gone? The kids are back in school and Summer is starting to wind down. It is this time that most Lodges are beginning to come *back* into session. We however are Blessed! It seems as if we might just run out of Thursdays... and that is Great news!

What a busy Summer indeed! We traveled to Dinner once again and even my Mom had a wonderful time at the **Landmark Restaurant**. Always nice to spend time with **Wives and Masons!** We had the honour of bestowing the **Golden Veteran Award** to our **Brother Justin Robertson** for his 50 years of being a Mason. Brother Justin certainly enjoyed the **Shrine** (who wouldn't) and went on to become the "**Potentate**" or elected leader of the Shrine. Thank You **Brother Justin Robertson** for Your more than **50**

Years of fraternal service!

Congratulation to Brother **Abel Herroz** who became our newest Master Mason! What an honour it is to bestow this title on so many incredible Masons in one year! These young minds are hard at work and we look forward to keeping them busy and engaged. Thank You **Abel** for making this a "year to remember!"

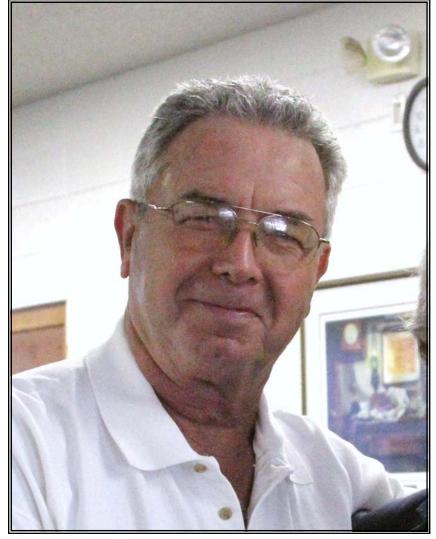
A special thanks to **Marge Machus** for making those beyond beautiful stained glass windows that was once a part of Clovis Lodge and also to **PM Bill Lyons** and **PM Bryan Kincade** for their hard work and effort because those windows look *"incredible"* on the North wall in our Lodge. The wonderful ladies of **IORG Rainbow Girls** said that when they walked in the Lodge room and saw those beautiful windows, they felt as if they were "*home*!" Could not have said it better myself! Thank You to **IORG Rainbow Girls H.O.V.** for their continued efforts in our Lodge and Community as well! These ladies are incredible!

September is when the magic happens! We will have the distinct Honour of bestowing **PM John Herring** with the highest award in Masonry this month. PM Herring has been a Mason for **over 40 years!** His dedication to the Community has been his lifelong passion and he has served us all with great pride. He now helps to build the great minds of tomorrow (teacher) as well as keeping our community a safe place. Please join us on **September 17**th as we have the honour of bestowing this "**Hiram Award**" to one *very* deserving individual. **Thank You PM John Herring** for your years of service to our community and craft.

Past Masters Night is right around the corner! Steak dinner and the opportunity to see ritual "done right..." Mark me there! Who is the lucky candidate? Come join us and find out! Thursdays have been incredible and **You too are invited** to come see what **Freemasonry** is all about. Lots of young minds out there desire more... and we aim to please! The Oldest Fraternity on Earth... right here in the Central Valley!

Come see why we are the fastest growing Lodge in the valley, and have something to eat while You are Here!

From the East Richard Sherrod





Join us
Thursday, September 17, 2015
6:00 P.M. Appetizers and Salad Bar
6:30 P.M. New Strip Steak
7:00 P.M. Hiram Award

To honor , Past Master John W. Herring with the Hiram Award.

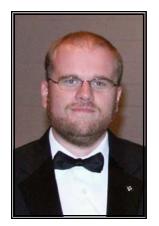
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Greetings from the West



As our year begins to journey into the fall and we reflect back on summer we see what a busy and productive summer it truly was.

Many lodges get this time off to rest but we have been fortunate to be as prosperous as to require weekly activities and degrees with many more to come.

Many of our brethren have used this time to finish their Masonic degrees and now going into fall many more will have the opportunity to begin as well as we start our month of September with many new first degrees. As for those who recently received their third degree, perhaps consider becoming a bit more active and taking a role in the conferral process. We are always looking for extras and additional support in the degree portrayal

and now you have the ability to impart on a new young candidate that which you yourself have

recently received.

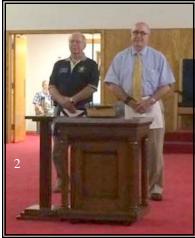
In addition to that the possible opportunity to be a candidates coach can provide a rewarding and lasting experience for both you and the new candidate.

Andrew Miller Senior Warden



Andrew Miller, New Master Mason, Abel Herroz and Worshipful Sherrod







- 1. Cline "Cub" Jack Jr. P.M. with Justin D. Robinson and wife Jill for his Golden Veterans Award.
- 2. Randy Forrester P.M. presenting Brother Robinson.
- 3. Brother Robinson with his Golden Veterans Award certificate with Cline "Cub" Jack Jr. P.M.



Las Palmas Masonic Center September 27, 2015 Andrew A. Miller Obligated Brother Mark Stroup and was pasted to the Fellow Craft Degree

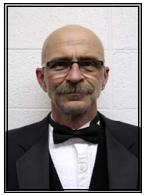
We had a ready good dinner by Chef Mark Le

Worshipful Sherrod
Introduced all
the
Prospects and Applicants
at dinner.

We continue to have many attending our dinners who are interested in Masonry and becoming Masons.



Greetings from the South



Wow, what a fantastic night at Las Palmas Masonic Center, Randy and Pam Forrester doing the guest check in for dinner, Officers greeting the guests, The Past Masters provided a really fresh and tasty salad bar with a selection of cold Mexican beer, the Moreno Family preparing a really good shrimp cocktail, treated us to an authentic Mexican with chicken or beef enchiladas with rice and refried beans.

We find ourselves in a real dilemma with our dinners, we had 25 guests without reservation and not enough tables setup. We have been successful with our dinner as we over cook and have served everyone.

September 17, 2015 Stated Dinner will be special, as Past Master John Herring with be receiving the Hiram Award and we expect a large crowd. Our menu will be a BBQed New York Strip steak and we cannot over cook by a large amount. Normally we prepare for an extra 10% and that seems to work. For this dinner you will need reservations, if you attend without reservations, you will be asked to wait until all reservations are seated. We use e-vite and our Lodge number (559) 268-2303 and our e-mail; lppmasoniclodge@comcast.net is available so take a minute make a reservation today! We have never turned away a guest for

dinner!





Rainbow Servers August Stated Dinner



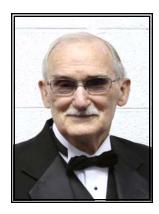
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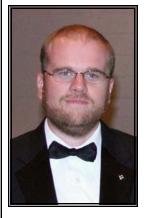
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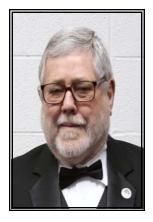
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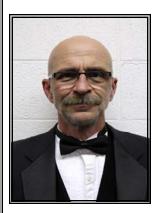
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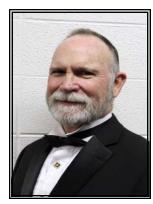
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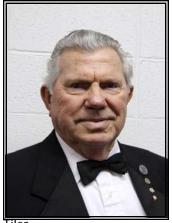


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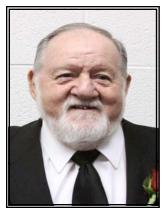
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Legacy Chapter No. 555 Order of Eastern Star



WOW!!!

Without a doubt Becky and I belong to the best, most caring, loving and supportive Chapter in the Western United States. The reception for the Sentinels of California and the Grand

Sentinel was without a doubt the best, most entertaining Eastern Star affair this year. Great food, wonderful decorations and all of our friendly, outgoing members made all of our guests feel welcomed and part of our family. All of the Grand Officers told Becky and I what a great time they had and what a high bar you set for the receptions that will follow.

There is no way that I could write an article that could thank each and everyone of you, my Sisters and Brothers, by name who participated in the reception, I would undoubtedly leave someone out. I hope to personally thank each of you when I see you in the future.

I do want to give a special thank you to Sister Donna and Brother John Herring, the chairpersons for the Sentinels reception for all their hard work and time to make it such a special evening. Also, thanks to Big John for writing and leading his choir (the Marshals) in the song they sang for me..."Big Bad Bob"! I will be the only Grand Officer who had a song written and sung for them...it brought tears to my eyes. I also announced my Page for Grand Chapter, as I said at the reception I was looking for someone who had good legs in a dress, a strong back and a weak mind like mine...and Brother John agreed to do it. Thank You my Brother.

Switching to my Worthy Patron hat, it is almost time to get together again after getting the summer off. We have a full calendar coming with the dinner play and also the possibility of having some new sisters joining us. So as a reminder to the officers, brush up on your initiation work, we surely will have an opportunity to grow our Star family and we want the first impressions to be positive.

Also, to the members, what a wonderful time to come to chapter and recall the beautiful

lessons taught in our initiation. Our initiation ceremony is one of the things that sets us apart from other non-Masonic fraternal groups. Hoping to see you in chapter soon...

Worthy Patron Bob aka Lucky Dog



International Order of Rainbow for Girls



Heart of the Valley Assembly September 2015 Newsletter Back to School Night – August 18, 2015

Heart of the Valley Assembly celebrated back to School Night at its Stated Meeting. Members donated children's books to support literacy for ESL Students within our community.



Julia performed the Rose Lecture in honor of our new initiate's Mothers. This ceremony is used at other Jurisdictions Initiation Ceremonies. California's tradition is the Lamb Skin Apron Lecture. Thank you for sharing the Rose Lecture with our assembly.









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Visalia Friendship Meeting and Becca's Majority -8/10/15

We had fun attending Visalia's meeting! But the fun began before we got to Visalia. We played HOV's Traveling Disney Trivia in the cars on the way and it was fun for all who played! Upon our arrival to Visalia, we were treated to a fun and delicious dinner. All attending were asked to bring their favorite cooking utensil. We had to use that utensil to eat dinner. After dinner, we retired to the assembly room for Visalia Assembly's Stated Meeting and Becca's Majority Ceremony. Mrs. Hooper and Mrs. Martin brought all to tears with the confirming of the Majority Ceremony. After the meeting, we adjourned to the dining room for games and refreshments. We continued our Traveling Disney Trivia Game on our way home. Thank you to the members and adults of Visalia Assembly for an awesome evening!







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Visalia Assembly and Pledge Group



Congratulations Becca on your Majority



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Open Meeting-Membership Party – August 4, 2015

Heart of the Valley Assembly had an open meeting and membership party in lieu of its regularly stated meeting. We were honored by a visitation from Visalia Assembly and many family members and friends. Congratulations to our Sister of Faith, Mary, on a fun Membership Party after the Open Meeting.













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CLOVIS LODGE ESTATE SALE





FRIDAY, AUGUST 28 3 PM TO 9 PM

Heart of the Valley Assembly is holding an Estate Sale for excess items from the Clovis-Las Palmas Consolidation. Items include: Dishes, Silverware, Cooking Utensils, 2 Refrigerators, 2 Chest Freezers, Plastic Lawn Chairs, Secretaries Desk, Treasurers Office Furniture, Blue Fabric Chairs with coasters, 2 Oak Bookcases, Two Electric Organs and other miscellaneous items. Our Assembly was honored to call the Clovis Masonic Center our home. Now is our opportunity to thank the Masons of our area and clear the remaining items from the Clovis Masonic Center. Anything not sold at the Estate Sale will go to our Sunnyside Swap Meet Project in September.

Heart of the Valley Pledge Group and Assembly meets the 1st and 3rdTuesday each month. Pledge Group meets at 6:15 pm and Assembly 7:00 pm. at the Las Palmas Masonic Center.

We invite all members of our sponsoring orders to come out and attend our meetings.

September 15 Stated Meeting Elections 7:00 P.M. Las Palmas Masonic Center September 23 Advisory Board Meeting 6:30 P.M. Las Palmas Masonic Center

September 26 Sunnyside Swap Meet 6:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.

October 6 Installation of Officers 7:00 P.M. Las Palmas Masonic Center

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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!



Las Palmas Masonic Center Stated Dinner, Assembly servers!



State Center Chapter

State Center Chapter's Brother Nick Holsworth completed his Initiatory Degree Obligation!
Loren Kennedy received DeMolay of the term as well as Mr.. Congeniality!

State Center is having a funnel cake breakfast Saturday, September 12 from 8:00am - 11:00am at the Fresno Masonic Center.



Come and support State Center Chapter's Funnel Cake Breakfast. We will be serving funnel cakes with all the yummy toppings! Tickets will be \$6, so grab them from any DeMolay or Advisor. For more information you may contact the Chapter Dad, Brad Becerra bbecerra74@hotmail.com. Hope to see you there!



at





The Bleak's



Another great Masters Night Out! Did not know there was so many kinds of chicken! Lemon, Orange, Pineapple, Spicy, Mushroom. Many had dinners with soup, won tong, almond chicken chow mein, appetizers, egg rolls, Chinese chicken salad, pot stickers. And a scoop of ice cream for dessert! Will be looking for another restaurant for September.



A mystery has been solved! On August 18th at 8:00AM a bus load of 34 people set off on the Queen's Mystery Trip. (The destination was a mystery even to the Queen.) It turns out that there were four stops on the trip.

The first stop was at the Fossil site at Fairmead where we enjoyed muffins

and coffee before taking a tour of the visitor's center. An interesting note – there was a Masonic Plaque on the outside front corner of the building. Next we stopped at the Hilmar Cheese Factory. There the bus and we got a riding After the tour we went



Carole Rea Littleworth
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tour guide boarded the guided tour of the facility. inside for a wonderful

lunch; saw some displays, and had time to shop in the gift shop.

Back on the bus and on to the McHenry Mansion in Modesto for a tour of the house which was built in 1831. On the way back to Fresno we stopped at the Cru Winery for wine tasting. We enjoyed a snack of cheese, crackers and grapes; and of course we shopped in the gift shop. There was a pistachio store in front of the winery and some of us went there also. In between our stops we visited with each other and played bingo. At about 6:30 P.M. we arrived back in Fresno after a busy, interesting and fun day.

Coming up on Sunday the 30th is the annual Choir Luau at 4:00PM at the Shrine Center. You can still come and buy a ticket at the door.

On Saturday October 24th is our annual Fashion Show Luncheon. This year's theme is "The Valley's Harvest." It is our main fund raiser. Help us help the Children at the Shriners Hospital. Tickets can be purchased for \$30.00 each from Cheri Detweiler – (559) 431-8935.

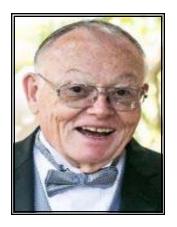
All the schools are now back in session and our sessions start again on September 9th. It will be good to get back in the "swing of things."

I hope you had a wonderful summer.

Nile love, Oueen Carole Rea



Greetings from the Archives



As you may remember from my last article, after the installation of officers in January, 1959, Brother Dee Moyer announced that he had given 2 ½ acres of land to Las Palmas Lodge to construct its new Masonic Temple. The only caveat was that it had to be erected by January 1, 1962. In February of 1959 the Las Palmas Temple Association was incorporated.

On June 4, 1959 a kickoff meeting was held and 175 members attended. More than \$15,000 was pledged. In addition, stock certificates in the new corporation were auctioned off to the highest bidders. No. 1 was purchased by P.M Dee Moyers. No 366 was given to the family of Willard Tanzer who had made a very generous donation. Brother Tanzer had been our secretary from 1935 until his death in 1954. By October, \$50,000 had been pledged and half of that amount had actually been paid in cash.

The directors of this new Temple Corporation met every Tuesday at the Hotel Fresno for a "Dutch lunch". All members of the Lodge were cordially invited to attend.

In January of 1960, Bro Harold E. Paul, chairman of the Building committee, reported that the talents and skills of many of the brothers of the Lodge are being employed by the committee to lower the actual costs of the various steps in the construction. At the April, 1960 Stated meeting with 150 members present, Bro Ken Wakefield, secretary of the Building Association, stated that they had approximately \$47,000 in cash from contributions and another \$25,000 in pledges. "We still needed another \$55,000 to start construction with a possible need of another \$75,000 for completion." At this time a motion was adopted to transfer the sum of \$55,000 from the General Fund of the Lodge to the Building Association. A resolution was also adopted directing the Building Association to borrow a sum not to exceed \$75,000 from a qualified lender. P. M. Reynolds announced that the ground breaking ceremonies would be held June 4, 1960.

At the May 19, 1960 Stated meeting, a resolution was adopted directing the Trustees to deed the property for the new Temple from the Lodge to the newly created "Las Palmas Building Association, Inc." At this time P.M. Moyers announced that the original gift deed had a revisionary clause if the new Temple was not completed by January 1, 1962. At this time he was confident that the new Temple would be erected so he and his wife, Gilma, were going to execute and record a Quit Claim Deed so that this reservation would be eliminated.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

James A. Carney	9/8	3/31	Paul L. Locker	9/24	12/6
Steven D. Clifton	9/8	4/1	Leonard L. Mazorra	9/29	7/20
Craig R. Constance	9/17	3/9	James C. Meeks	9/30	2/5
Joe D. Crider	9/25	10/28	Sonny Mehrtash	9/12	9/1
Homer D. Davis	9/8	6/7	Kasra K. Monazzami	9/22	9/8
Kurtis L. Docken	9/21	9/8	Bruce A. Morrow	9/25	11/17
David M. Doll	9/6	11/17	Thomas J. Musto, Jr.	9/28	9/2
Loy L. Earles	9/29	12/14	Devin B. O'Connell	9/20	4/2
Gary G. Garant	9/9	3/24	Charles A. Oliver	9/25	3/24
Gerard Gulgulian	9/30	4/30	Rufus T. Price	9/4	7/10
Stephen M. Harrelson	9/3	5/25	Frederick A. Richburg, II	9/2	10/29
Robert P. Hupp	9/27	11/6	Richard E. Tarango	9/15	2/26
Ara M. Karkazian	9/24	3/28	Robert W. Thomason, Jr.	9/22	6/26
Sahrad K. Kerkochian	9/9	9/13	Michael A. Tyrcha	9/12	10/4
William M. Kidd	9/27	11/19	Melvin A. Welch	9/27	9/18
Hollon O. Kinney	9/26	9/25	Thomas C. Young	9/12	11/9
Gary G. Lewis	9/30	6/16			

Kenneth Walsh

Born 10/15/1924-Raised 07/05/1962
Called from labor
August 8, 2015
Golden Veteran's Award
October 18, 2012

Floyd "Doc" B. Buchanan

Born 02/02/1924-Raised 12/28/1959 Called from labor August 11 2015 Golden Veteran's Award November 12, 2009



September Menu

Appetizers
Salad Bar
New York Strip Steak
Baked Potatoes
Green Beans
Rolls
Dessert

Fresno Masonic Widows Club

Denny's Restaurant 1110 East Shaw Avenue September 20, 2015

President; Lena Cook Vice-President; Judy Gross Secretary; Betty Veffredo Treasurer; Pat Westpal

Reservations Required

For Information call (559) 431-6260

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;

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From the Secretary's Desk



Thursday, August 20, 2015, our stain glass window shadow box lighting was lit up for the first time in our Lodge Room. Bill Lyons has been a godsend, with one issue after another, the end result, he has saved the Hall Association several hundred dollars with his perseverance in finding ways to get the work done!

Stuart Hoskins, Bryan Kincade, Cliff Henderson and Marvin Wallace helped get this done, so look to the North in the Lodge Room for Marge Machus's magnificent work! Monday, August 24th Legacy Lighting will begin the

upgrade of all the lighting in and out of the faculty. Our Club Room has many additions from the consolidation with Clovis Lodge No. 417. Will have a lot of changes as our groups return from their summer break!

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Join us weekday mornings to socialize and enjoy a cup of coffee!

September Calendar

September 3, 2015 6:00 P.M. Dinner

7:00 P.M. Past Master Night

September 08, 2015 6:00 P.M. Hall Association Board

Officers Meeting to follow

September 10, 2015 6:30 P.M. Dinner

7:00 P.M. First Degrees, Rodriguez

September 17, 2015 6:00 P.M. Appetizer/Salad Bar

6:30 P.M. Dinner

7:00 P.M. Hiram Award

7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting

September 24, 2015 6:30 P.M. Dinner

7:00 P.M. First Degrees







We are accepting credit cards payments using the Square System.

2015 dues are \$109.50

Credit Card Dues are \$114.00

Stated Dinners are \$11.00

Shirts, Ciphers, Monitors + \$1.00