



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



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Greetings from the East



Dear Brethren, time flies so quickly sometimes and it has been months since I have written for the trestle board. It is with sorrow in my heart I share the news that we have lost 2 of our brothers, Jim Clark our beloved Secretary and brother Steve Krikorian. Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge was lucky to have such dedicated men and I feel blessed to have had the chance to know them. They leave behind big shoes to fill and their absence is felt every day.

As we approach the final days of 2019, I am grateful to have been Master of such an incredible lodge, I am forever humbled. To say I enjoyed my time at the front would be an understatement, this was an incredible adventure! I did have fun, but now it is time to pass the torch. Installation for the new officers in 2019 is scheduled for January 20th. Be there or be square. I sincerely hope to see all of you there supporting the next lineup as you were all there to support the 2018 officers. Let's celebrate the changing of the guard.

On a separate note I would like to congratulate our newest Master Mason to the lodge, brother Michael Behlen. He received his 3rd degree on November 29th and I anticipate he will be a very active member and future Master of our lodge, I Hope.

I want to also thank Lisa Jones and her husband, Richard, for all of their hard work and great meals.

Fraternally;

Scott
Worshipful Master

Greetings from the West



RIP Jim Clark. We had all hoped that the day wouldn't come, but it did, way to soon. My condolences to his family.

While the lodge had the wind taken out of its sails, we are going to be OK. I want to thank everyone for having the confidence to vote me in as Master of the lodge for the ensuing Masonic year. I will try my hardest to live up to your expectations. I think we are going to have a great year and I look forward to seeing you at the installation on January 20, 2019 at 11:00 AM.

I am looking to try a few new things next year and I hope you will support my endeavors.

Fraternally,

Ryan Marrett

Senior Warden

Greetings from the South



Greetings from the South,

For those who couldn't attend our stated meeting dinner you missed a wonderful turkey dinner with all the fixings and a wonderful cheesecake for desert. Many thanks to all our kitchen crew and our wonderful Rainbow Girls.

We've all experienced tremendous loss this month and our hearts are heavy with the passing of our brother Jim Clark. Jim brought so much to Las Palmas, serving as it's Lodge secretary for so many years. He will greatly be missed and always remember.

The Lodge having been mostly dark the last few months, I've truly missed my brothers. I've missed conducting ritual and further continuing to navigate the path towards finding a better version of myself. Along my travels finding those potentials we often never recognize or exploit, thus hindering our own achievements and successes in life. Masonry has made me not only a better man, but a better supervisor, a better professional, a more devoted person. I further pray to be a better father and husband to my beautiful family. I can't explain the gratification I feel towards our institution and will continue to work toward being deserving of the recognition our brother Jim Clark is worthy of.

Likewise, I hope my brothers and those new Masons in our Lodge will also find something uplifting and inspiring in their travels through Masonry. Fitting to make man wiser, happier, and an all-around better person. In doing this, we will discover the deeper meaning behind the words and how we can apply those teachings in our daily lives. As always, my brothers please join us at every function possible. Help us continue to build and shape our Lodges future. May the blessing of heaven rest upon us and all our loved ones.

Sincerely,
Brother Junior Warden
Joshua Harmon

From the Archives:



In 1972, WM-elect Phil Lewis asked me if I wanted to be appointed to the Las Palmas Officers line. After checking with Therese and my then employer, I told Brother Phil “yes”. Because the election of officers in Masonic Lodges back then was in December, our installation was not until January 6, 1973. The first position in the line was that of Marshall.

At this time, an installation was a well-attended event. Besides all of the seats that are on the sides of the Lodge room, folding chairs were brought in and placed on the floor between the altar and Sr. Warden. Since Brother Phil Lewis was a florist, the Lodge room and Banquet room were filled with beautiful flowers.

I remember standing in the preparation room ready to enter the Lodge when Brother Dan Ecklund, who was waiting to be installed as Sr. Deacon, asked me if I was ready to be the Marshall and if I had memorized the part in the first degree as well as the first degree charge. I said, that was easy, I then jokingly said that I was actually working on memorizing the third degree lecture. Brother Dan gave me the dirtiest look.

While the ritual for the Installation back in 1973 was about the same as it is today, there was one difference. As the individual officers were introduced for their installation, the chairs that they have been seated in were removed by DeMolay members so that when it got down to the installation of the Master, he was sitting alone in front of the altar with no empty chairs in front of him.

The installation organist was Brother Coyle Chambers who played a song that was appropriate for each officer as he was installed. I remember that for the Secretary, Brother Coyle played “I’m Gonna Sit Right Down and Write Myself a Letter.” For me, being an attorney, he played “Lies, Lies, Lies.”



We have many brothers who need your support, be it their wives or family members, a call, a note or stop by just to remind them we are there for them in their time of need.

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Please notify the Lodge if our Brother is hospitalized, in a
Nursing home, change of Address or incapacitated.

From the Desk of the Secretary ,

I want to thank everyone for their patience and understanding during this transformation of the Secretary. We are getting caught up and can start to see the light at the end of the tunnel. If you have any concerns, please call the office and I will try to help you any way I can.

Bryan Kincade PM, Asst. Secretary

Dec. Calendar

Dec. 20, 2018 6:00 P.M. Appetizer/Salad Bar
6:30 P.M. Dinner
7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting

Jan. 20, 2019 Installation 11:00 AM

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