



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



# The Las Palmian

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## Greetings from the East



Thank you, Brethren, thank you for electing me to serve as Master of our superb Lodge for the 2020 Masonic year. I am honored to assume the office and promise to uphold the values we hold sacred.

It's hard for me to realize that another year has passed. Ringing in the New Year is cause for celebration, for spending time with friends and family, and reflecting on the pass year. As glasses are raised and fireworks explode into the sky, it's important to recognize the special symbolism this holiday brings with it.

A time of new beginnings and fresh starts also comes with a time of reflection. Whether your resolutions consist of keeping your hands out of the cookie jar or giving your heartfelt word to work on relationships with loved ones, it will take work. And it makes all the difference to not just have words, but to put those words in to action. Remember to communicate. Do you know what is going on in lodge? Do you know where to get information? Help those in need to stay informed and spread the word on upcoming Lodge events throughout the year.

Seeing is believing I say and although Masonry is well known for being a progressive science, the true purpose and value in Masonry is to gain knowledge of one's self and his relationship with God.

Have a very Happy New Year!  
May the blessing of heaven rest upon us and all our loved ones.

Fraternally,  
Joshua Harmon  
Worshipful Master



From the West,

Hopefully we all had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I look forward to beginning our new decade. Thank you all for the hard work and determination we have seen in many of our officers through this past year of adjustment and rededication to our lodge and the greater purposes of masonry.

I am both pleased and honored that you have chosen me once again to serve our lodge as pedestal officer in this coming year and I promise that I will continue to strive to improve our fraternal experience in all ways possible.

This year has not been an overly active one by comparison when it comes to degree conferrals and candidate advancement but at our last Stated Meeting we were pleased to both vote on and receive an application for new membership and we will soon have the privilege to confer these degrees in the months to come.

Fraternally,  
Andrew A. Miller  
Senior Warden





From the South:

We will be having a closed installation on January 9th, this means that only Masons will be able to attend. This is another helpful way for us to conserve our funds.

Brother Josh Crane has come up with the idea that we give back to those that have given freedom and safety to our country such as veterans, first responders, etc. If you're interested and would like to contribute ideas or planning for this event, please contact Josh, Worshipful Scott Fichtner, or myself.

I'm looking forward to some degrees happening in the near future, officers please be prepared!

Fraternally,  
Mark C. Stroup  
Junior Warden

## First Responders



## January Birthday's

Shifteh, Bahram	01
Copp, Ronald L.	05
McCarty, Calvin I.	05
Carlson, Thomas D.	07
Nickelson, Thomas A. Sr.	08
Wallace, Marvin E.	10
Weymouth, Chris E.	10
Wagoner, Lewis D.	11
Sigle, Dean L.	12
Byrnes, David M.	15
Beck, Dylan J.	16
Camarena, Brandon G.	17
Sanderson, John R.	18
Stahl, James C.	18
Guillen, Christopher J.	19
Roberts, Kirk W.	20
Fisher, James G.	23
Bower, Robert B.	25
Tamayo, Daniel J.	28
Perez, Mario D.	29
Tracy, Carman L.	29

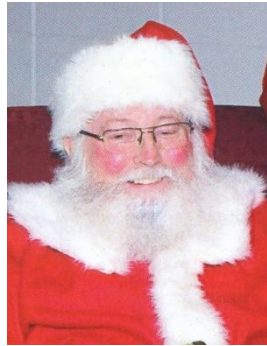
From the Archives:



I truly dislike the fact that this monthly column has too frequently been turned into an obituary. Unfortunately, the passing of our active members is out of my control. Let us pray that 2020 will be kinder to our members.

Richard Haggerty was best known to many of us for his tireless portrayal of Santa at our December Stated Meeting Dinner. Bro Richard moved to Southern California from his birth state of Michigan when he was 13. In high school he was on the track team as a runner. After school, he served 8 years in the military where he got training in missiles.

He then spent his career in the same field working for Lockheed Martin.



In 1985 he served as Master of Mountain View De Anza Lodge No. 194. Subsequent to serving as Master, he affiliated with several other Lodges where he served as Secretary. After his retirement, he and his wife Lynne moved to Fresno. About this time, Las Palmas-Ponderosa was in need of a Secretary and since Bro Richard had previously served as a Secretary, he was asked to affiliate with us so he could be our Secretary and in 2003 affiliated with Las Palmas-Ponderosa. He served as our Secretary for three years starting in 2004. He also served as our Chaplain in 2010 and 2013. He was active in the Eastern Star, having served as

Worthy Matron in various Chapters for a total of eight times. May he rest in Peace!

Currently, it seems to be frowned upon for an elected official or a Judge to be a member of our Fraternity. One reason may be that since we have only male members, the exclusion of females somehow makes us prejudice against women. For many years, however, it was common for elected officials to be members of the Fraternity. We know that we have had about a dozen US Presidents who were members of our Fraternity, starting with George Washington.

In 1925 Earl Warren was appointed District Attorney of Alameda County and was elected to that position three times. In 1935 Earl Warren was elected Grand Master of California Masons. He later became our Attorney General, Governor for three terms and later US Supreme Court Chief Justice. In July of 1974 he passed away at the age of 83. Notice of his passing was placed in our September 1974 Las Palmian.

At our September, 1974 Stated Meeting we elected four candidates to take the degrees of Masonry. Brother George Holstein presented 25-year pins to many of the thirty-six brothers that he raised when he was Master in 1949.



*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,

Hello all,

It's another New Year and a new decade, it seems to be happening faster and faster.

It always makes me think that this is a time for new beginnings and the start of the new growth cycle, soon we will be seeing buds and blooms and spring will be upon us.

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and

Hope to see you all soon,

Bryan Kincade PM, Secretary

**December Calendar**

January 2, 2020	Happy New Years!
January 9, 2020	Management Board 6:00 PM/Installation
January 16, 2020	6:00 Appetizers, 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 meeting
January 23, 2020	Degree practice
January 30, 2020	First degree



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