

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

# The Las Palmian

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## Greetings from the East



I hope that everyone had a nice Thanksgiving. This year has come to an end and a new one is getting ready to start. With the coming of the new year, we can imagine all of the positive things that await us. With a new year come new dreams, new expectations and new goals. A clean slate so to speak, with indefinite possibilities.

As with any new beginning, we are able to make changes in the life that we live. After the past couple of years, it would seem easy to make changes, however, once you start something that seems comfortable, it is harder to change than you may think. Comfort is one of the many things that we as humans desire, so it is hard to change once we have it.

The lodge is much like us, it has a comfort level and sometimes the balance changes. It seems as if it is too much of a bother to attend, and when we don't, we feel guilty. It is often heard that the lodge has changed, and it does constantly. People come and people go, but the lodge and the tenants of Masonry are still there, waiting.

Have a blessed Holiday Season

Fraternally, Mark Stroup Worshipful Master



From the West,

Hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and are staying safe and well moving into the winter season.

We had our annual election of officer last month and I want to with the newly elected officer's good luck. We also had several new officers step up and take those all-important middle of the officer line roles that lodge truly depends on.

It is great to see that no past masters are in the top three positions and it is something that has been missing.

We here at Las Palmas are now back to a more social and energetic pre-meeting scenario with plenty of refreshments to go around. Your involvement is a crucial part of the continuance of a healthy and successful lodge.

I hope you all have a pleasant and safe holiday season, be careful out there traveling and see you soon at lodge.

Fraternally, Andrew Miller PM Senior Warden



## From the South:

Season's Greetings from the South!

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with family and good times. I wish you all a great Christmas season as well.

Please remember in this season of giving that service, to our neighbors, our friends, and especially our brothers in need can be the greatest gift of all.

Thank you so much for your faith in me in the upcoming year to fill the role of Senior Warden, I will do my best to serve the Lodge to the best of my ability.

Until next time, may your cup be full, your fires warm, and your days filled with laughter and good times.

Fraternally yours,

Jeremy Kern, Junior Warden

## December Birthday's

Gerald	Rasmussen		1
Edward	Stumpf		1
Derek	Taggard		1
Daniel	Pearce		4
James	Peloian		4
Matthew	Guy		6
Michael	Dick		7
James	Wadkins		7
Christopher	Kim		8
Dewayne	Bien		9
Steven	Shute		9
Charles	Gomez	Jr.	10
Douglas	Boudakian		11
Devon	Bleak	III	12
Leonard	Ogden		12
William	Clark	D.D.S.	14
Benjamin	Lewis		14
Kevin	Casey		20
Charles	Garabedian		20
Dee	Lewis		20
Ronald	Weiner		20
Robert	Mc Colaugh		22
Kenneth	Elia		23
Mitchell	Mirigian		23
Johnnie	Harshman	Jr.	25
Don	Blosser		27
Gregory	Burton		27
Paul	Redondo		27
Kenneth	Smith		29
Randall	Cox		30
Kenneth	Bryson		31
Robert	Roberts		31





#### From the Archives:

As Covid closures of Lodge have come to an end and we are now advancing candidates, it is time to resurrect a long standing tradition at Las Palmas Lodge. Past Master's Night was created so that our Past Masters could refresh their ritual talents and show off these ritual talents to new Masons.

When Las Palmas had many candidates and some had to wait for their 3<sup>rd</sup> degree, we would help out other Lodges in the area by loaning them a candidate to receive his 3<sup>rd</sup> degree sooner than we could confirm it and to allow another Lodge to have a Past Master's Night. Normally, the Jr. Past Master had the duty of coordinating the program which started off with a dinner which was followed by the degree.

Delano Lodge asked Las Palmas for a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree candidate and our Bro. George Richman was raised in Delano Lodge #309 on Saturday September 17, 1983. Las Palmas had five members in attendance. One Las Palmian was especially proud and happy, Bro. Richman's father-in-law, Ray Snider. This was a Past Masters Night for Delano Lodge and of course they also served a very nice dinner.

In November of 1983 we had only one Degree Night. That was our annual Past Masters Night on November tenth. This Degree was preceded by a Swiss Steak Dinner prepared by Mary Perch and her trusty crew. The Past Masters were guests of Las Palmas on this special occasion and so was the Candidate. The usual five dollars was charged to all others.

Hopefully we can get our LPP Past Masters together in early 2023 so that we can continue our tradition of Past Master's Night.

As I write this article on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, I was pleased to see so many of you at our Turkey dinner and Stated Meeting last night. Las Palmas-Ponderosa is getting back "to life" after the pandemic. If you missed the dinner, you missed a great dinner thanks to Bro Bryan Kincade and his kitchen crew. If you missed the election of officers at our Stated Meeting you missed something that is very unusual for Masonic Lodges at this point in time. All three of our elected Lodge Officers are newbies, none are Past Masters.

We will be having a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree on December 8<sup>th</sup> which will be preceded by a free dinner for Masons at 6:30. I hope to see many of you at this 3<sup>rd</sup> degree and at our December Stated Meeting dinner.

Welcome December





We have many brothers who need you r 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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A REQUEST TO THE FAMILY OF THE ADDRESSEE

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,

I want to wish everyone Happy Holiday's. I hope that you are surrounded by loved ones and are enjoying your life. We had our election of officers and we will be having a real live installation in January. We will have a dinner following the Installation, just like the old days! Maybe these are the new "old" days, it has to start somewhere. I hope that you will make every attempt to make it and show support for your officers. Officers get very little in way of support. Most of the time it is the sideliners waiting to pounce on them for missing a word or stepping the wrong way! Let's try another way.

Bryan Kincade PM, Secretary

### December Calendar

12-1 Degree practice

12 - 8 3rd degree (Oak)

12 - 15 Stated meeting

12-22 Dark

12-29 Dark

6:30 dinner / 7:30 degree

6:30 Dinner- 7:30 mtg.







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