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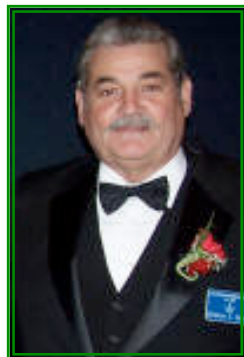
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Greetings from the East



The seasons are again changing and Spring is upon us. The winter brought us much needed rain and we hope for more this spring, so that our wonderful valley may continue to grow its diverse crops and prosper.

Your lodge is also growing, adding two new Entered Apprentices on March 4th, Thomas Musto Jr. and Andrew Peerson. Both young men are very anxious to proceed through the degrees and will be coached by Brother Phil Ford. We hope to have both of our new brothers on the schedule for advancement soon.



As the seasons change so do the jobs of some of the brothers who have stepped up to take a leadership role in the Lodge. Brother Tom Weil who has served the lodge not only on the Building Association but as the Web Master of the Lodge web site will be stepping down do to changes at his paying job. Brother Tom took our very basic web site and single handedly brought it into the 21st century. He selflessly volunteered hundreds of hours to the web site and a simple thank you cannot express how much his hard work is appreciated. We wish Brother Tom success and prosperity as he focuses on his new job responsibilities.

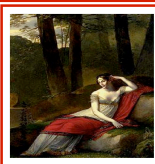
Brother Kyle Elsahi has graciously accepted the responsibility as our new Web Master. This lodge should be proud of these young masons stepping into leadership roles, our future appears bright.

Brothers as an early warning, the May Stated Meeting Dinner will be held on the second Thursday of the month, May 13th, so that we can bring you a special program. There will be no meeting that night, we will have a special speaker, Worshipful Alan L. Casalou, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California will present "Gender in Masonry". He has presented this program throughout the state and has received glowing reviews. This will be a great evening event, so plan now on bringing the wife and family.

In further keeping with the idea of bringing to the lodge more than degree nights and stated meetings, don't forget to reserve for the "Men's Night at the Grizzlies" on July 29th. This will be a great opportunity to socialize with Brothers and introduce fiends to Masonry. Call the lodge for reservations as tickets are limited.

***NOTICE !! MAY STATED MEETING DINNER IS CHANGED,
WILL BE MAY 13, 2010, FOR THIS SPECIAL PROGRAM.***

*April Ladies Program
April, Julie Duty, will be offering
Authentic Scentsy Wickless
Products
to the Ladies of the Lodge*

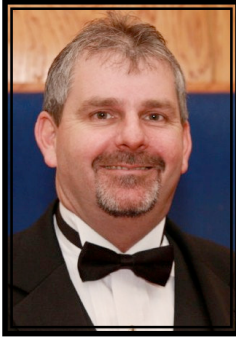


*Gender & Freemasonry
Alan L. Casalou, Grand Secretary,
will be presenting A look into the
history of the different strands of
Freemasonry.*

\$10.00

Appetizers, 6:00 P.M. Dinner 6:30 P.M. Program 7:30 P.M.

From the West



Brethren, Friends, and Family,

Spring has sprung, the trees are in bloom, and the flowers are abundant. The lawn is beginning to grow, and the yard needs maintenance. This is a wonderful time of year, but it comes at a price. Just ask anyone who has allergies; the beauty of the season is offset by the sneezing, wheezing, and watery eyes. I know this first hand.



The same can be said for your lodge officers. The work that they have been doing, the practices that they have been attending, is starting to show. Just as those of us who have to endure hay fever to enjoy the beauty of the seasons, so have the officers' endured practice and put in the hours to put on beautiful ritual work.

The only difference is, that God's beauty is all around for us to see, in order for the ritual work to be enjoyed, YOU must attend lodge. Please come and enjoy the fruits of your brethren's labor. They have put in the work, attended the practices and would love for you to come and be a part of it.

When was the last time you witnessed a ritual, or listened to a lecture? You can only get these in Lodge so why not come and be a part of it.

Lastly, the word on the street is we are going to have a very special guest speaker at the May stated dinner. The Grand Secretary will be giving a lecture on Gender in Masonry. I have listened to him speak, and he is great, mark your calendars and plan on attending. Details will be coming soon.

I hope to see you in lodge...

Fraternally,
Joseph Perry
Senior Warden



Rainbow, heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217

Greetings from South



What is masonry if it is not fraternal growth and camaraderie? While we all enjoy the personal satisfaction of BEING a mason and having that grounding in our lives, that net of the fraternity to fall back upon, I find it to be more satisfying to be one of those holding the net for others. That is where one starts to see masonry at work and experience the fun of being a mason and

our effect in the community. It all starts by simply showing up and remembering how we are connected and what you are a part of.

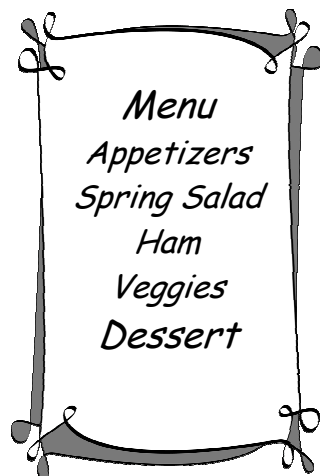
We are very pleased to see more brothers returning to Lodge.

In fact, the Stated Meeting Dinner had a terrific turn-out. Enough that it was a very close-run affair. While we very much want your company, the kitchen staff really needs you to r.s.v.p. so we know how many to plan for. Just a simple call to our Brother Secretary, Jim Clark will do. And please do so at least two days in advance. We would really hate to have more people show up than we have food for!

Special mention must go to Bros. Richard Vitz, Chuck Bersani, Marvin Wallace, Kurt Docken, Bob Davis and Jim Clark who run the kitchen like elves and without whose help the dinners just would not be what you have come to expect.

We are looking forward to serving even more at the next dinner – which will be featuring succulent roasted ham accompanied by garden-fresh veggies, spring salad and a surprise dessert. Accommodations can be made for those who cannot enjoy ham, by mentioning it to the secretary when you call.

Steve
Junior Warden



Andrew Charles Peerson



Steven R. High,
Initiated
Thomas James Musto Jr.
and
Andrew Charles Peerson
as Entered Apprentices
Masons on March 11, 2010.

Thomas James Musto Jr.
was born in San Diego
Now lives in Fresno, works
for RFM Construction as a
Warehouse Manage

Andrew Charles Peerson
was born in Fresno,
Is a Inventory and Logistics
Clerk

Thomas James Musto Jr.



March 11, 2010, Entered Apprentice Degree Refreshments



Job's Daughters
Bethel No. 49 Fresno

Youth Groups Month



State Center Chapter
DeMolay



Heart of the Valley
Assembly No. 217



Kyle Elsalhi and Richard Ehorn



Rainbow Advisors



FRESNO MASONIC WIDOWS CLUB

April 28, 2010

Fresno Masonic Center

PIZZA, SALAD and DESSERT

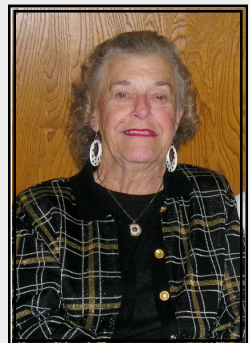
President; Ethel Day
Vice-President; Bobbi Carder
Secretary; Hilda Johnson
Treasurer; Jane James



For Information call (559) 276-2631

The Masonic Widows Club meets for lunch and fellowship on the last Wednesday of each month at the Fresno Masonic Center, all Masonic Widows are welcome to attend. If you have questions or would like to participate please contact;

Bobbi Carter 322-6851
Ethel Day 276-2631





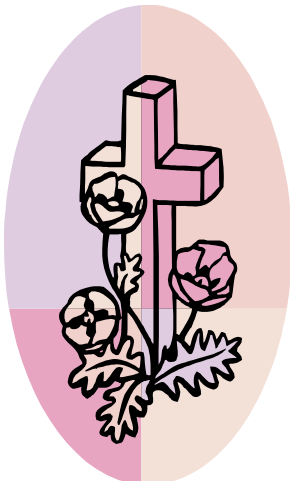
April Birthday's

Jeffrey T. Banks	4/8	James K. Keeton	4/19
Charles S. Bersani	4/7	Ervin W. Kinchen, Jr.	4/23
Leopold Bopp	4/16	Daniel K. Koontz	4/5
Shane L. Burkhardt	4/28	Fred W. Lindeman	4/12
Thomas E. Crossland	4/27	Leon C. Mabrey	4/9
Neale Durgarian, Jr.	4/25	Charles A. Madden, Jr.	4/22
Harry M. Dyck, Jr.	4/23	Robert G. Marshall	4/27
Matthew C. Ford	4/2	Bernard W. Mitchell	4/3
Hans C. Holt	4/21	Glynn L. Polacek	4/30
John A. Hopper	4/9	Harry L. Pretty	4/22
Richard C. Iknoian	4/6	Robert O. Scott	4/11
Gary P. Jacobsen	4/29	Earl W. Vanderburgh	4/10
Earl R. Jennings	4/23	William J. Williams	4/14
Herbert B. Johnston	4/22		

IN MEMORIAM

Ivan C. Smith

Born 08/06/1921– Raised 04/02/1958
Called from labor
March 6, 2010



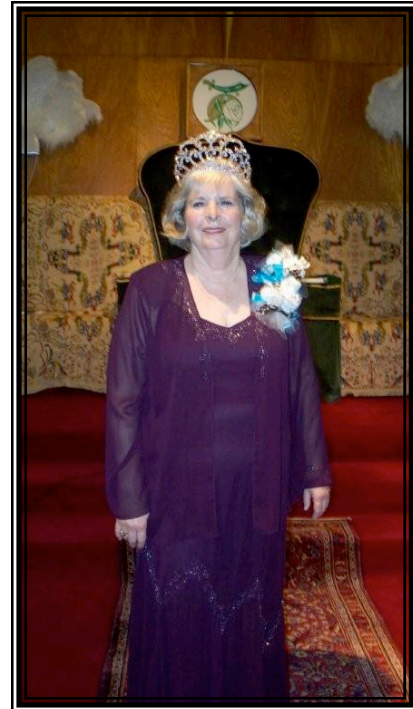
Stated Meeting Dinner



*Sharon Temple No. 92
2010-2011*

Officers

QueenCheri Detweiler
Jr. Past QueenLaVon Stroud
Princess RoyalDale Obernolte
Princess TirzahBonnie Gorden
Princess Badoura
Princess RecorderMarilyn DeCamp
Princess BankerSusan Morris
Princess MarshallJoAnn Evans
Princess ChaplainJeanne Esheim
Lady of the KeysElaine Crosno
Lady of the GatesJo Ann Morse
Princess NydiaLinda Wolfe
Princess ZuliokaLenore Stork
Princess Zenobia.Carol Rea Littleworth
Princess Zora
Princess Zuliema.Jeri Rouch
Princess MusicianVirginia Bergeron
AttendantJanet Cunningham
AttendantBrenda Matias



2010-2011 Queen,
Cheri Detweiler



Calendar of Events:

April 07, 2010

Tulare-Kings Nile Club No. 1 – 11:30 a.m.

April 14, 2010

Nile Stated Session - 7:30 p.m.

Las Palmas Masonic Center

April 21, 2010

Fresno Sewing Group - 9:30 a.m.

Tehran Shrine Center

May 05 2010

Tulare-Kings Nile Club No. 1 - 11:30 a.m.

May 12, 2010

Nile Stated Session – 7:30 p.m.

Las Palmas Masonic Center

May 15, 2010

*PAGEANTRY CHUCK WAGON DINNER
5:30 p.m., Veteran's Memorial Building,
453 Hughes Ave., Clovis, CA*

May 19, 2010

*Fresno Sewing Group – 9:30 a.m.
Tehran Shrine Center*

I am very honored to serve as Queen of Sharon Temple No. 92 for 2010-2011. My installation was wonderful thanks to the Past Queens and the Ladies of the Household for doing an excellent job and making this day very memorable for me. I am much indebted to Ron Manfredi, the members of Ft. Millerton OES chapter and the Job's Daughters for providing food, serving and cleaning up.

This year I am focusing my goals on an acronym, MASH, which stands for Membership, Attendance and Shriner's Hospitals. Our temple needs to increase our attendance and membership so that we are assured of continuing our support for the children.

We are also looking forward to some fun events: a Mexican fiesta, a Bunco Party, a surprise day trip, the Chuck Wagon dinner, a Hawaiian dinner and our annual fashion show luncheon. Our first event is the Chuck Wagon dinner on May 15, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Clovis. Tickets at \$20.00 – we would love the members of other fraternal orders to attend. Please feel free to email me at cheridet@earthlink.net for tickets.

Cheri Detweiler, Queen

A very impressive ceremony was conducted on March 20, 2010, at 2:30 p.m., at the Las Palmas Masonic Center to install the new slate of officers headed by our Queen, Cheri Detweiler. She received a lovely bouquet of roses from her mother Margaret Jones. Her two sons, Stephen and David, were in attendance. Potentate Jim Stahl, his Lady Jennifer, and several of his Divan were in attendance. A delicious combination of salads was served to all the guests in the beautifully decorated banquet room. The members are looking forward to a fun filled, productive year.

Betty Arnold, Editor



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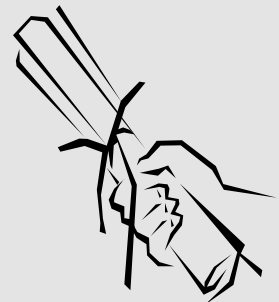
A REQUEST TO THE FAMILY OF THE ADDRESSEE

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

From the Desk of the Secretary,



2010 Scholarship Applications are available for qualified applicants who have graduated or will be graduating in 2010. planning to go to advanced or graduate education or vocational training.
Two Scholarships, 1. \$1,000.00 ~ 1. \$500.00
Deadline for applications is May 20, 2010 at the close of the Stated Meeting.



NOTICE!! *May 20, 2010, Stated Meeting Dinner is Moved to May 13, 2010, May Stated Meeting will be May 20, 2010*

April Lodge Calendar of Events

<i>April 1, 2010</i>	<i>Maundy Thursday, 6:00 P.M. Social, 6:30 P.M. Dinner, Fresno Scottish Rite</i>
<i>April 8, 2010</i>	<i>6:30 P.M. Refreshments 7:00 P.M. Second Degree's,</i>
<i>April 13, 2010</i>	<i>6:00 P.M. Las Palmas Masonic Building Association Board Meeting</i>
	<i>7:00 P.M. Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge Officers Meeting</i>
<i>April 15 2010,</i>	<i>6:00 P.M. Appetizers</i>
	<i>6:30 P.M. Dinner</i>
	<i>7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting</i>
<i>April 20, 2010</i>	<i>7:00 P.M. O.S.I. Madera Masonic Lodge</i>
<i>April 22, 2010</i>	<i>6:30 P.M. Refreshments, 7:00 P.M. Degree</i>
<i>April 29, 2010</i>	<i>6:30 P.M. Refreshments, 7:00 P.M. Degree</i>