



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

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Happy Thanksgivi

## Greetings from the East



The days are getting shorter. Jack Frost begins to nip at our nose in the early morning. The leaves are turning brown and the annual plants are going dormant. So is the time of year we call fall. Everything begins to slumber for the long winter. This is not however what is taking place in your lodge. There is much activity and a lot of growth. The new officers are stepping into the full role of next year. We

have had many new candidates applying for degrees, and several others working their way through. It is a warm and glowing time of year for your lodge. We have several exciting things going on. At the suggestion of some newer brothers, we have begun having candidate coaching on Thursday nights during our degrees. We have been so busy with the new candidates we were afraid that some of the others that have been entered or passed were missing

out. We have wonderful meals before every degree, so we have invited all the brothers regardless of their degree to come and eat, and then while the officers are putting on a degree, the candidates meet in the parlor room for some coaching. We have had some very generous brothers volunteer their time to make sure our Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts will get the most out of these coaching sessions. Our Stated meeting dinners are a culinary delight, so if you have not been around for a while, drop in and try some of Brother Vitz's award winning meals. He and his kitchen staff are unparalleled. Speaking of the dinner staff, they are preparing a traditional Thanksgiving dinner for the November Stated dinner. Turkey with all the trimmings, including pumpkin pie will be served. If you missed the October meeting you missed a wonderful meal including Cornish game hen, and cherry cheesecake. In addition to the meal, we awarded a ten year membership pin to Worshipful Bob Davis PM and a 25 year membership pin to Brother Frank Lewis. Brother Lewis and his girlfriend Medina came all the way from Las Vegas to receive his 25 year award. He was pleased to see how well the lodge was doing, and how warm and inviting it is. Looking forward, we will be having a degree every Thursday for the foreseeable future, so get yourself out of the house and come on out and enjoy the fun and fellowship we have. Remember, we have a nice meal before every degree, so come and eat, then catch the degree, or stop in and help with the new candidates, the camaraderie is a reward all its own. If you are really ambitious and have some time to give, we have a couple of offices to fill for next year, as well as several committees that you can volunteer for, just call the office and our brother Jim Clark will hook you up. One last thing, elections for next years officers will be held at the November Stated meeting, try to come out and see the direction your lodge is heading, I know you will be pleased.

### Joe

Worshipful Master

Bob Davis P.M. receiving his Ten Year award from Worshipful Perry. Frank Lewis, Twenty-five year and his friend Medina





### Greetings from West



Finally, Fall, my favorite season, is upon us! I just got my canoe shipshape, new paddles, seatbacks (very handy) and am keeping it on the truck for a quick exit to a brightly colored mountain lake. And with



any luck I will be able to bag my own turkey this year and complete a corral before winter sets in. All in all, a great time of year to be outdoors.

Indoors, we also have some fun degree work in front of us. Officers, coaches, and inspectors are quite busy practicing their techniques and perfecting their performances, preparing our candidates and in

learning various roles for next year. In addition to the myriad holidays coming up we are looking forward to a Third Degree with Nathan Williams, a Second Degree with Trevor Clark, and another Third Degree with Jesse Smart. We also have several candidates that have applied and I urge the brethren doing the investigative work to not put it off as it takes some time to do it properly And brethren, your turn out for the degrees and at lodge is most appreciated!

Steven Senior Warden









## Greeting from the West



What an incredible month we have had with our families here at **Las Palmas-Ponderosa!** With the many degrees and wonderful fellowship, our times together have been joyous and often. The wonderful meals, smiling faces, excellent degree work and educational opportunities made Las Palmas-Ponderosa the place to be this October. What, did not get enough you say? There is plenty more in the month ahead. As we steer into the end of this fast paced year, let us slow



down for just one moment and "give thanks" for the many wonderful

blessings which some of us may unknowingly take for granted. That is what November is, or should be, all about.

We give thanks for the family that we are blessed with, for the many children and smiling faces which grace our presence each day. We give thanks for the wonderful parents who instilled in us this pride to be better, know better and be around others that do better. We give thanks for friendly neighbors who watch over us and our loved ones. We give thanks for this fantastic "*pale blue dot*" we live on, and the many fine individuals who have made our lives better *by giving their own*. Thank YOU all so very much...

Thanksgiving is celebrated primarily in the U.S. and Canada and comes from a mix of European and Native American traditions. In Europe, festivals were held before and after the harvest cycles to give thanks for a good harvest. In the U.S. Thanksgiving traces its origins to a 1621 celebration at Plymouth in present day Massachusetts. Initially, the Plymouth colony did not have enough food to feed half of the 102 colonists. It was the **Wampanoag Native Americans** who helped the pilgrims by providing seeds and *teaching them how to fish.* Sound familiar?

Although the **exact origins** of Thanksgiving may never be discovered, one thing is for certain, this coming holiday will be exactly what **you** make it. Put an "I Love You" card under your spouse's pillow *for no reason at all*. How about this one, "Plan to be Spontaneous!" Write your kids an inspirational note letting them know how proud you are. Give your neighbor something small yet meaningful. You could even leave no name on it at all and keep them guessing. A secret admirer is sometimes the most fun...

These are just a few ideas on how to make Thanksgiving a day to remember. You can do better I'm quite sure. Don't be known for *how much* you spend but *how* you spend. You can **and do** 

make the difference in *many* lives around you. Be good to yourself and especially those with less this holiday. Many of our brothers and sisters will unfortunately be overseas. Let us say a prayer for them *and their families* this holiday. Be safe and come home soon...From our Masonic family to yours, Happy Holidays from **Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge.** 

Fraternally; Richard, Junior Warden







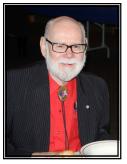




		Raised Date			Raised Date
James L. Bailey	11/17	6/13/1985	Leroy D. Mc Michael	11/20	6/12/1975
Raymond R. Baird	11/17	3/25/1948	Raymond W. Miksch	11/24	4/6/1978
Lawrence T. Bennett	11/24	3/11/1982	David E. Miller	11/26	3/12/1964
William B. Bissell	11/10	1/18/1995	Paul R. Morrison	11/1	7/10/1954
Leroy T. Boos	11/1	11/13/1952	James L. Omer	11/6	9/22/1983
Kenneth B. Budd, Jr.	11/10	10/25/1983	Gene R. Page	11/15	3/27/1980
John L. Denton	11/6	3/12/1981	Joseph E. Perry, Jr.	11/24	11/2/2006
Norman J. Dick	11/12	12/29/1956	Billie R. Pool	11/12	2/25/1982
Daniel H. Diel	11/18	12/29/1949	Miles M. Rainwater, Jr.	11/17	10/30/1965
George E. Dildine	11/17	11/26/1985	Patrick A. Riley	11/16	5/1/1988
Richard L. Ehorn	11/22	12/6/1973	Robert L. Rosenthal	11/27	12/1/1954
Jack W. Enos	11/16	11/5/1960	Brian K. Rowland	11/28	1/13/2000
Thomas J. Ewing, III	11/18	5/2/1974	Marion A. Schaeffer	11/3	11/7/1957
Tyler D. Faruzzi	11/12	9/13/2007	John D. Sorge	11/3	4/23/1994
Sean W. Ford	11/16	12/3/1998	Knut O. Steinnes	11/2	2/1/1968
Lawrence S. Hagopian	11/1	10/22/1974	Frank J. Volpa	11/1	12/26/1956
John W. Herring	11/11	10/4/1973	Brenton R. Weiner	11/3	4/2/1992
Don W. Hilderbrand	11/14	6/19/1948	Garroll E. White	11/21	5/9/1974
Theodore T. Kitamura	11/29	3/12/1975	Donald H. Williams	11/5	12/16/2000
George B. Knapp	11/18	12/22/1960	Marsden L. Willingham	11/7	11/19/1948
David C. Mc Coy	11/29	1/28/1970			







# FRESNO MASONIC WIDOWS CLUB

November16, 2011 12 Noon<br/>Carrows Restaurant<br/>4280 N. Blackstone AvenuePresident;Ethel DayVice-President;Bobbi CarderSecretary;Hilda JohnsonTreasurer;Jane James

Reservations Required 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



#### Sharon Temple No. 92 2011-2012 Officers

Unicers
Queen
Jr. Past Queen Cheri Detweiler P.Q.
Princess Royal Bonnie Gorden
Princess TirzahJeri Rouch
Princess Badoura Lenore Stork
Princess Recorder Marilyn DeCamp
Princess BankerSusan Morris P.Q.
Princess Marshall JoAnn Evans
Princess Chaplain .Jeanne Esheim P.Q.
Lady of the Keys Barbara Lockwood
Lady of the Gates Jo Ann Morse
Princess Zulieka Brenda Matais
Princess Zenobia.Carol Rea Littleworth
Princess Zora Adrienne Cantrell
Princess MusicianVirginia Bergeron
Attendant Eria Hildebrand
Attendant Louisa Bowron

#### Calendar:

November 2, 2011, 11:30 A.M. Tulare/Kings Nile Club Visalia Country Club

November 9, 2011, 7:30 P.M. Stated Session Las Palmas Masonic Center

November 12, 2011, 10:30 A.M. Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon University Square, 4961 N. Cedar Luncheon, 11:30 A.M. \$30.00

November 16, 2011, 11:30 A.M. Nile Sewina **Tehran Shrine Center** 

## Ladies of the Household

We are approaching the holiday season, starting with Thanksgiving and moving quickly into Christmas. We look forward to this time of the year for the holiday meals with family, which are always joyous occasions.

We anticipate shopping for gifts for those we love. We enjoy



decorating our homes to reflect our happy state of mind. We give thanks for all the blessings we enjoy as citizens of this wonderful country.

We were pleased to welcome two quests at our October Stated Session from Menzaleh Temple No. 16, Sacramento, CA. In the photo 1(L to R) are P.Q. Millie Dunn, Recording Secretary, Queen Dale and P.Q. Susan Eggleston, Supreme Escort to the American Flag.

We also are thrilled to greet two new members of Sharon Temple No. 92 who were initiated at the Ceremonial during the October Stated Session. They are shown in the photo 2 (L to R): Pr. Carole Soutas, with Queen Dale and Pr. Tina Bernier. We look forward to greeting these new members at socials as well as Sessions in the future. Oueen Dale





# Raisina-Fresno Order of Eastern Star Chapter No. 89

2011 (	Officers
Worthy Matron	Carole Rea Littleworth
Worthy Parton	Stan Littleworth
Associate Matron	Linda Rodie
Associate Patron	Cliff Henderson
Secretary	Diana Gardner
Treasurer	Ellen Sharp
Conductress	Dorothy Heskett
Associate Conductress	Bernice Dyck
Chaplain	Jean Hodge
Marshall	Judy Gross
Organist	
Adah	Lee Ann Shults
Ruth	Helen Jane McKee
Esther	Elaine Lewis
Martha	Ethel Day
Electa	Dorothy Krug
Warder	Dona Mincy
Sentinel	Leroy Stoner



Worthy Matron, Carol Rea Littleworth Worthy Patron, Stan Littleworth



You are cordially invited to the

## "126<sup>th</sup> Installation of Officers" of RAISINA-FRESNO NO. 89 ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Worthy Matron Worthy Patron Worthy Matron-Elect

Carole Littleworth Stan Littleworth Linda Rodie

Las Palmas Masonic Center 2992 E. Clinton Fresno, California

November 28, 2011 7:00 pm

Refreshments: Following Dress: Formal Attire

## *La Sierra Venus Chapter No. 555 Order of the Eastern Star*

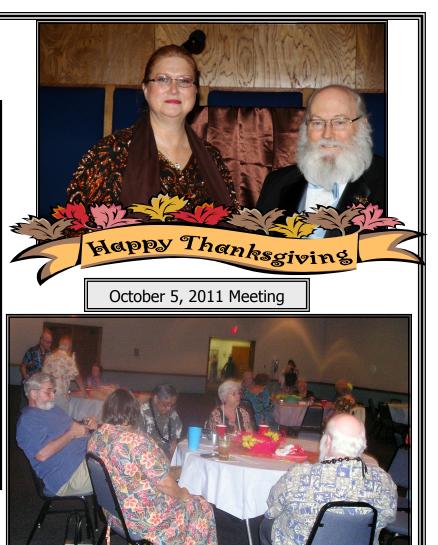
## 2011 Officers

Worthy Matron	Juliet Vitz, P.M.
Worthy Parton	Richard Haggerty, P.P.
	Susan Quinville, P.M.
Associate Patron	Gordon Keeton
Secretary	Donna Herring, P.G.M.
Treasurer	Kurt Docken, P.M.
Conductress	Jackie Docken, P.M.
	Cathy Lee
Chaplain	John Herring, P.P.
Marshall	Betty Veffredo, P.M.
Organist	Virgins Bergeron, P.M.
	Becky Davis, P.M.
Ruth	Kay Docken
Esther	Judy Wallace, P.M.
	Lynn Haggerty, P.M.
	Darlene Henderson, P.M.
Warder	Jim Wilson, P.P.
Sentinel	Bob Davis, P.P.
Prompter	Beth Abate

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Flag Bearer	Marvin Wallace, P.P.
Electrician	Cliff Henderson P.P.







Estrellita Club, November 1, 2011

November 2, 2011 Farewell to the 2011 Officers Chairperson; Janet Plettner Co-Chairperson; Jim Wilson 2010 Officers

November 16, 2011 La Sierra Venus' Installation of the 2012 Officers Chairperson; Susan Quinville Co-Chairperson; Gordon Keeton



Heart of the Valley Assembly

Heart of the Valley extends a warm THANK YOU to all that supported us in our fundraising effort during the month of October. We sold savings passes for MACY'S COMMUNITY



SHOPPING DAY and all money raised went to support our assembly in our upcoming terms. This fundraiser was hosted by Miss Julia Holman and your support helped immensely!

During the month of November we will be selling GOLD CANYON CANDLES. There will be 15 autumn and winter fragrances available for purchase and delivery will be guaranteed in time for Christmas gift giving! Sales will begin November 9<sup>th</sup> and conclude at our specially-dated meeting on November 30<sup>th</sup>. Distribution will be at our December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be to support Miss Jessie Beavers in her upcoming term as Worthy Advisor in 2012. To order candles, please contact any Rainbow Girl or one of our awesome advisors! We will also be accepting orders during both of our November meetings.

Heart of the Valley is hosting a special meeting on November 30<sup>th</sup> due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. This will be an exciting meeting, as our Worthy Advisor Miss Corey Titman has invited some NATIVE AMERICAN POW WOW DANCERS to come out and dance for the Assembly. This will be a wonderful sharing of the Native American culture and we would love to see some of our Masonic supporters come out for the experience!

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!

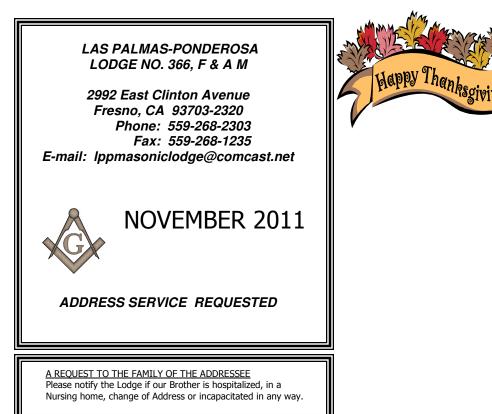
Heart of the Valley Assembly meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month at 7pm at the Clovis Masonic Center. *Please note that our second meeting in November has been moved to November 30<sup>th</sup> to accommodate the Thanksgiving holiday!* We invite all members of our sponsoring bodies to come out and attend our meetings – we value your support and would love the opportunity to meet you!

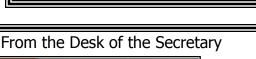
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Assistant Mother Advisor: Brenda Sullivan <u>demolaysgirl@gmail.com</u> 559-942-0484

Grand Deputy: Dana Regier jdjregier92@aol.com 559-289-6536







Thank you, Brethren for your generous donations for our Scholarship Program and Bike Program you included with your 2012 dues. Please remember to notify the office when you have a address change. We have really tasty dinners for every Degree, come join us at 6:30 P.M. see the calendar below. Any member may bring a friend for dinner and introduce them to the Brethren. Check your dues card, should now read December 31, 2012.

Join us for Coffee weekday mornings!

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November Lodge Calendar of Events

