



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



The Las Palmian

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Greetings from the East



Hello all,

Masonic humor:

Three Worshipful Masters met and were talking over conditions at their Lodges. The first Master said, "You know, since summer started, I've been having trouble with mice in my Lodge. I've tried everything - noise, cat's spray - nothing seems to scare them away.

The second Master said, "Yeah, my Lodge too. There are hundreds of them living in the Lodge basement. I've set traps and even called in an expert exterminator. Nothing has worked so far."

The third Master said, "I've had the same problem. So, I initiated all mine and made them members of the Lodge. Haven't seen one of them since."
Have a great Fourth of July.

I hope to see you all soon,

Fraternally,

Ryan Marrett

Worshipful Master



From the West,

Hello Brethren and greetings from the West.

Summer time in Fresno is usually quite interesting. We have been fortunate this year so far, but I think that will come to an end soon. As people begin vacationing to escape the heat, please be careful on the roads, they are going to be busy and frustrating.

We are starting to get a handle on degree work and our backlog is dwindling down, thank goodness. I want to congratulate all of our candidates who have continued on with their journeys. Soon you will be Master Mason's and helping the Lodge to expand.

Have a wonderful summer and make sure you hydrate. Again, if you are traveling, be careful.

I will see you in Lodge!

Fraternally,
Chuck Bersani PM
Senior Warden



From the South:

Greetings Brethren,

THE SILENT SUMMONS

A member of a certain Lodge, who previously attended meetings regularly, stopped going. After a few months, the Worshipful Master decided to visit him. It was a chilly evening, and the Worshipful Master found his brother at home alone, sitting before a blazing fire.

Guessing the reason for the Worshipful Master's visit, the brother welcomed him, led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited. The Worshipful Master made himself comfortable, but said nothing.

In the grave silence, he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After several minutes, the Worshipful Master took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth, all alone. Then he sat back in his chair, still silent.

His host watched all of this in quiet contemplation. As the one, lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow, and its fire was no more. Soon, it was cold and dead. Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The Worshipful Master glanced at his watch and chose this time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember, and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately, it began to glow once more, with all the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

As the Worshipful Master reached the door to leave, his host said, with a tear running down his cheek, "Thank you so much for your fiery summons, my brother. I'll be back in our Lodge next meeting."

-- Author Unknown

I look forward to seeing you all again at our next stated meeting.

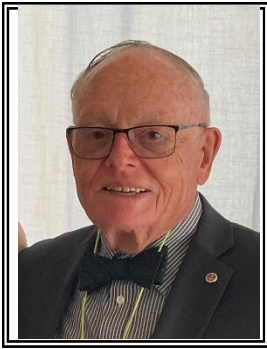
Joshua Barkley
Junior Warden

July Birthday's

George	Richmann		2
Morris	Bradshaw		4
Gary	Goyette		4
Stanton	Walker		5
Thomas	Heckel	II	10
Omer	Durham		11
Lawrence	Hopper	PM	12
Martin	Gann		14
Mark	Thornton		14
Raymond	King		17
Bradley	Smith		19
Franklin	Champ		21
Larry	Duba	PM	25
John	Gentle		27
Matthew	Pascua		27
William	Halsey		31
John	Moore		31
Wallace	Richey		31
Ronald	Ulrich		31

"The good men who come to our meetings invest life's most valuable asset: their time. We must welcome all of them, especially our new members, and we must speak to them as brothers. Every member, not just officers, should see this as a duty. Our members pay attention. It matters."





From the Archives:

In the November, 1985 Trestleboard, WM Larry Duba gave a special thanks to our Entertainment Committee and particularly to Brother "Whitey" Owen who was the Project Chairman for the 1st All Masonic Invitational Golf Tournament. With the assistance of Brother Crossland and the committee members, we had a very professional activity for our Masonic Community at Sunnyside Golf Course.

Activities like this get brothers from various Blue Lodges to get together and have fun. Does anybody know if there have been any more All Masonic Invitational Golf Tournaments?

Sr. Warden John Denton attended our Grand Lodge Communication and reported that next year, at the Rose Bowl Parade; we will have a beautiful float entered to represent Masonry in California and Hawaii.

Clovis Lodge had their 75th Anniversary on November 9th. All members of Las Palmas were urged to attend and show them that Las Palmas cares.

At the 1985 Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge in October, the following changes in our rules were adopted: Widows' pins will be made available to all widows regardless of the jurisdiction of the husband's membership.

Hiram Award recipients are now permitted to display an appropriate pin or tie-tac attesting their valuable services to the lodge. (The Hiram Award was introduced in California around 1977.)

The Grand Secretary was relieved of being Grand Librarian. (There is a Special Committee which governs the Grand Lodge Library and Museum which has competent members to act as secretary of this body.)

Applications for affiliation must now be accompanied by a dues receipt showing dues paid in advance by at least three months. A photocopy of the dues receipt is now authorized.

Until now, members of California lodges could not become members of any organization not in existence on September 27, 1957. This provision of Section 2068, Masonic Code, was rescinded to make legal certain Temple Boards, Youth Organization committees and similar groups which have been illegal for almost thirty years.

Our Grand Lodge now recognizes the York Rite College (Google it to find out more about it) and also recognizes as regular the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

Approved a special assessment of 60¢ a member to provide a float in the 1987 Pasadena Tournament of Roses.

Permits consideration of non-masonic applicants for admission to the Children's Home at Covina.



Happy July!



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.

*John Prichard
Mike Reynolds*

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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,

Congratulations to Brother Benny Contreras for becoming our newest Master Mason. He received his third-degree last evening. We are finally getting busier which is nice to see.

We will not be having stated meeting dinners in July and August, the cooks need to refresh their batteries, we will start back in September. Have a great holiday!

See you in lodge.

Bryan Kincade PM, Secretary

July Calendar

7-6	TBD	7:00 PM
7-13	TBD	7:30 PM
7-20	Stated Meeting	7:30 PM
7-27	TBD	7:30 PM



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