



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

# The Las Palmian

Legacy Chapter No. 555 Order of Easter Star  
Sharon Temple No. 92 Daughters of the Nile  
Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217 International Order of Rainbow for Girls

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## Greetings from the East



Greetings to all our brethren and friends for the month of August, and here's hoping

you all are staying cool and having an enjoyable summer. We here at Las Palmas-Ponderosa have been having quite a full and productive schedule. In the coming weeks we will be having several degrees and other events and hope to see you all there. We would particularly like to welcome you all to our stated meeting on August 17<sup>th</sup> as this will be also be the reception of our state's Senior Grand Steward, and a brother here at Las Palmas the Worshipful David Coss, and we look forward to seeing him soon. This month as well will be our annual Grizzlies Baseball night on Aug 24<sup>th</sup>. So if you haven't done so yet be sure to call our office and get your tickets for this event.

We were pleased to announce at our last stated meeting that our Brother Stuart Hoskins had been selected to receive the Hiram

Award for 2017, and we will be overly pleased to present this award to him at our September Stated meeting, so make your reservations now to show your support for this truly deserving brother. In addition next month will be our annual Past Masters Night, on Sep 7<sup>th</sup>, and we look forward to seeing our lodges many Past Masters not to mention the excellent and quality meal which always accompanies this evening.

And speaking of dinner, we reluctantly made the announcement last month that our well beloved brother Wor. Joe Sallee would be having to step down as head of our banquet committee. We all want to thank him for the years of service to the lodge and his quality food preparation. It can be said that the enjoyment we take away from any fraternal group is defined by the caliber of their food, and in this regard we have been truly blessed these past years, thank you Joe!

Andrew  
Worshipful Master



Fellow Craft Degree Gary Pullings

*Greetings from the West*



As we close the books on the first half of 2017, life at the lodge continues to thrive with many new prospects waiting to join the brotherhood.

This month I had the pleasure to pass Brother Gary Pullings to the degree of Fellow Craft. Brother Joshua Harmon gave an outstanding first

staircase while Brother Mark Stroup presented his first charge which was flawless.

We have a truly blessed lodge to continue to have our newer Brother's become so active.

Housekeeping requires I inform everyone that the sale for the Clovis Masonic Center is complete. Although it saddens me so see it go, I am grateful for the Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge and all its

members.

Moving forward I am excited and looking ahead to my time as Master. I have a surprise or two up my sleeve with the hope we can increase our monthly meeting turnout.

All in all July has been a HOT and quiet month; September is just around the corner and hopefully a little relief from the higher temperatures. I hope to see you all in August.....until then my friends.

Scott  
Senior Warden



Scott Fichtner with Gary Pullings  
Passed to the Fellow Craft Degree



Past Master Joe Sallee presented  
Richard Smith his Golden Veterans  
Award 07/25/2017 in his home.



Prospect  
Jacob Davey

*Greetings from the South*



Ryan C. Marrett, Junior Warden



Secretary Jim Clark  
checking in the dinner  
guests Stated Dinner



Past Master Joe Sallee our  
retiring dinner committee  
Chairman, weary and worn out.  
Great job Joe, Thank You!



Richard Jones, our new  
Stated Dinner Chef!



Pictured above is brothers at  
the Fellow Craft degree  
dinner for Gary Pullings.  
To the right, brothers  
enjoying dinner!



*AUGUST 2017  
Las Palmas Masonic  
Center  
Events Schedule*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1  HEART OF THE VALLEY STATED MEETING MAJORITY	2	3  6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. 1ST DEGREE WARD	4	5
6	7	8 7:00 P.M. COIN CLUB	9	10 6:00 P.M. LPMBA CMTA LPP366 OFFICERS MEETING	11	12
13	14	15  HEART OF THE VALLEY STATED MEETING	16	17  6:00 P.M. APPETIZER SALAD BAR 6:30 P.M. DINNER	18	19
20	21	22 HEART OF THE VALLEY STATED MEETING	23  HEART OF THE VALLEY 7:00-9:00 P.M. ADVISORY	24 5:30 P.M. CHUKCHANI PARK 	25 	26 
27 	28	29	30	31  6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. 1ST DEGREE NICHOLS		

July Stated Meeting Dinner



Our fabulous appetizer table



Devon & Mellissa Bleak, Bernice Dyck, Linda & Bill La Montagnes



Marge Machus, Jeanne Eshiem, Tina & Wayne Adams



(Above) Jacob Davey, Prospect

(Right) Delores Keeton, Eleanor Miksch & Ray Miksch.



Milton Snavelly, Gordon D. Keeton P.M. & Ray Miksch



July Stated Meeting Dinner



Larry Hopper, Stacy & Stuart Hoskins, Sharon & Mike Reynolds, Randy & Pam Forrester.

(above) Worshipful Andrew Miller and our Chaplain Dom Williams blessing dinner.

(Right) Richard Ehorn, Las Palmas Masonic Building Association President, presenting our Heart of the Valley Assembly with a donation.



Rainbow girls serving dessert!



# *Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217*

*International Order of Rainbo*



## *Heart of the Valley Assembly August 2017 Newsletter*

### *Founders Day Swim Party - July 30*



The order came into existence in 1922, when the Reverend W. Mark Sexson, a Freemason, was asked to make an address before South McAlester Chapter #149, [Order of the Eastern Star](#), in [McAlester, Oklahoma](#). As the [Order of DeMolay](#) had come under his close study during his Masonic activities, he suggested that a similar order for girls would be beneficial. The first Initiation consisted of a class of 171 girls on April 6, 1922, in the auditorium of the [Scottish Rite](#) Temple in McAlester. The original name was "Order of the Rainbow for Girls".

Today, our order prepares the girls of today to be the leaders of tomorrow. Rainbow teaches leadership skills and public speaking. It builds self-respect, confidence, poise, patriotism, fidelity, integrity and character, all while providing a fun and safe environment for girls to meet other girls their age and to build friendships that will last a lifetime.

Rainbow also teaches girls to be a part of a team, to successfully communicate with each other and to trust members. We want our girls to have positive role models and mentors, so that younger girls can continue to influence the new members of the assembly, as they grow older.

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*Quilt Square Party - July 30*



[Fun time working together sewing patterns into quilt squares for our two Grand Officers](#)



At the track with our Masonic youth friends from DeMolay and Job's Daughters! First Spider-Man Movie and now ready to race! 8



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International Order of Rainbow



*Initiation Ceremony - July 22*



Congratulations Kairyn and Kiara on your Initiation into the International Order of Rainbow for Girls. Heart of the Valley Assembly and California Rainbow welcome you! Congratulations to the Initiation team and thank you for your beautiful Ritual and Floor Work. During Initiation our pledge group worked on crafts and joined us in the dining room for refreshments after the meeting. Thank you Legacy Chapter for providing delicious refreshments.

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## *Heart of the Valley Assembly and Pledge Membership Party- July 22*

Membership Party at Fresno Grizzlies Game. We had a nice evening and Fresno took the win. Thanks to the Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge for gifting tickets.



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## *Las Palmas-Ponderosa Serving - July 20*

Las Palmas Dinner Serving - Heart of the Valley Assembly sends a special thank you to Las Palmas Building Association for your generous donation.



*Rainbow Girls serve with a smile!*



# *Heart of the Valley Assembly No. 217*

*International Order of Rainbow for Girls*



## *Balloting and Disney Night - July 18*

Disney night, the girls wore as much Disney memorabilia as possible and our favorite Disneyland ride was shared as part of roll call.



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## *Service Saturday - July 15*

It's [Service Saturday](#)! Heart of the Valley Assembly helped at University Presbyterian Church's monthly food pantry. The food pantry helps provide food to low-income families in the community. The girls sorted canned goods into bags, harvested herbs from the community garden, and helped distribute the food. That morning, the members helped serve 68 families in the surrounding neighborhood.



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## *Shrine Crab Feed - July 14*

We had the honor of serving our local Shrine this afternoon at their crab dinner fundraiser benefiting the Shriner's Hospital in Sacramento. Our girls did an outstanding job! Thank you to the adults who were there to support the girls.



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## **Rainbow Girls, Pledge and DeMolay**

Our Pledge member Kailee is introduced as a patient of the Shriner's Hospital by Dale Olberholte, Supreme Princess Tizah. She was happy to help us serve this afternoon and we were grateful to have her!



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We invite all members of our sponsoring orders to come out and attend our meetings.

## Heart of the Valley July 2017 Calendar of Events

August 1, 2017	Stated Meeting/Majority/Formal	7:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
August 15, 2017	Stated Meeting/Back to school	7:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
August 17, 2017	Stated Dinner Serving Group a	6:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
August 19, 2017	Food Pantry	8:00 A.M.	University Presbyterian Church
August 23, 2017	Advisory Board Meeting	7:00 P.M.	Las Palmas Masonic Center
		7:00 P.M	Card Room
August 26, 2017	Valley Animal Shelter Work Day	9:00 A.M.	Valley Animal Shelter

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Hello from Sharon Temple No 92,

I felt like royalty at Supreme Session and enjoyed every moment. I send a very special "Thank You" to all that attended.

**Special Summer Events** - Be sure to join us for these special "OPEN" events. **You and your family and friends can join our:**

**Choir Unit "Luau"** on August 27<sup>th</sup>. I have been told it is as wonderful as last years and the price is only \$15 a person.

**"BUNCO"** on September 23<sup>rd</sup> will be full of good food, prizes and a lot of fun \$10 per person!

**Monterey Bay/Cannery Row Bus Trip**- I am really looking forward to the September 26<sup>th</sup> trip back to the beach where we can enjoy the Monterey Harbor, Cannery Row, have lunch on your own and may even have to put on a light jacket – can you imagine that – a jacket? Please join us, there will be room for

"40" DON, family or friends! The cost for the bus trip, snacks, games and driver tip is only \$55 each.

**Hot, Hot, Hot** that is what has hit our valley! Past Master John Denton and I were able to escape for three weeks and

picked up our daughter,



Queen  
Jean Denton



Tonia Denton-Turnbull, PWA Golden Realm Assembly and grandchildren from New Zealand and headed for San Diego (to visit my son's family). Then onto LA (shopping at garment district-John loved that one), Hollywood, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Solvang (saw the big fire), Moro Bay and then they made me leave the ocean behind and return to the Valley! I left my heart, soul and mind at the beach!

We did get home just in time to attend the **"Patrol/Past Queen's Ice Cream Social"** and it was pretty **"Cool"** there. There were pies, cakes, ice cream and cookies. Have you ever noticed that people are very much like cookies? Some are plain, others fancy, some are hard, others soft, and so on, and so on. The ingredients are what make the cookie, from the plain sugar cookie, to the most decadent chocolate chip cookie. The American cookie favorite by far is the Chocolate Chip Cookie. It out sells almost all others combined. The special ingredients of course are the chocolate chips. If, you look at your cookie rack in your favorite store, you'll find plenty of chocolate chip cookies. There are no bad chocolate chip cookies, and I can attest to that. Like life, it's what you put into it that makes the difference. We are all different flavored cookies traveling through life. In our **Sharon Temple, Daughters of the Nile**, we add our own special talents and give it a better flavor. How we act and treat each other can add a favorable quality to any cookie. **You all are the special chocolate chips in the cookies of my life.**

Queen Sharon Temple No. 92  
Jean Denton

*from the WIDOWS CLUB  
July Dinner Las Palmas Masonic Center*

**JOIN US**

*Come join us and enjoy great fellowship with kindred friends.  
We meet the last Wednesday of each month, at 12:00 o'clock noon for lunch at  
Maria Calendar's Restaurant 1781 East Shaw Avenue, Fresno CA.*

***Looking forward to seeing you!***

*R.S.V.P. President (559) 276-2631 • Betty Veffredo Secretary (559) 431-6260  
with exception of June, July, August*



Lena Cook, President

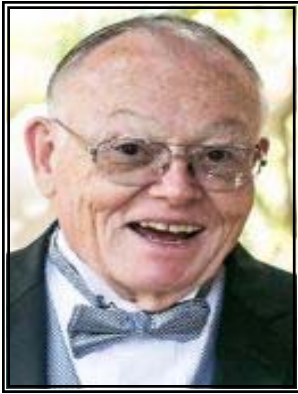


The widows and Ed Spangler



Larry Smith and the widows

From the Archives



It is always sad when a member of our Lodge passes away, it is even sadder when that member served our Lodge as Master and continued to show his presence at our functions.



By now you probably know that I am talking about Brother George William "Bud" Pope Jr. who passed away June 14.

Brother Bud was born in Fresno and after attending Fresno State College served 2 years in the U.S. Army. At age 24 he petitioned Las Palmas Lodge. His father, George Pope Sr. was a member of Las Palmas. He was raised a Master Mason on September 8, 1955. Brother Pope was our last Past Master to have been raised a Master Mason in the Old Masonic Temple on Merced Street in downtown Fresno. He received his 50 year pin in December of 2006. Until his retirement, Bud owned Pope Tire Company which he took over from his father.

When I was raised a Master Mason in April of 1968 Brother Pope served as Sr. Deacon. Brother Pope served as Master of Las Palmas Lodge in 1971.

Some of the activities that Brother Pope had during his year as Master were a bus trip to a Giants game, a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree at the old Columbia Masonic Temple, a shish-k-bob dinner and an Easter Egg hunt at the temple for the young children and grandchildren of members. In Brother Pope's September Trestleboard message he told us that Las Palmas was backlogged with candidates for degrees. We will all remember Bud for his great sense of humor. Brother Bud, you will definitely be missed.

NOTICE  
LAS PALMAS MASONIC BUILDING ASSOCIATION  
AND  
LAS PALMAS-PONDEROSA LODGE NO. 366 OFFICERS MEETING  
CHANGED TO THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH



*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.*

*Stuart Hoskins, Stacy Hoskins*

*Don Ott*

*Alvin Hopkins Jr*

*Richard Sherrod  
Family*

*Ethel Day*

*Jake Sexton*

*Richard Frey Family*

*Larry Bennett*

*Ralph Mederios*



# AUGUST BIRTHDAY'S

	Birthday	Raised		Birthday	Raised
Jack M. Afonin	8/26	9/5	Dick J. Manoogian	8/7	8/30
Henry T Alcantara	8/12	1/12	Jack V. Mattox	8/3	10/5
Richard E. Avila	8/19	5/17	Andrew A. Miller	8/8	5/11
Albert F. Blumer	8/6	3/9	Wayne A. Newquist	8/23	5/24
Eugene L. Bos	8/22	10/3	Robert F. O'Dell	8/21	10/21
Linley P. Cole	8/5	12/16	Derek J. Olsen	8/26	9/3
Jack E. Constance, Jr.	8/13	3/29	Robert M. Preston	8/10	11/18
Thomas B Dean	8/26	5/29	Brian K. Richburg	8/2	2/24
Howard L. Ford	8/15	3/29	Frederick A. Richburg, M.D.	8/12	5/12
Leonard A. Gottner	8/7	4/18	Aulta J. Sexton, Jr.	8/5	3/2
Bernard R. Hollenbeck	8/28	10/20	Richard A. Sherrod	8/4	3/1
James B. Holley	8/16	6/21	Richard D. Silva, Jr.	8/6	1/29
Alvin L. Hopkins, Jr.	8/12	4/2	Milton G. Snavely	8/24	10/3
Earl M. Hudson	8/24	1/26	Edward B. Spangler	8/10	5/21
James M. Keeton	8/11	9/25	Charles R. Vaughn	8/1	5/1
S. S. Krikorian, Jr.	8/2	2/13	James W. Wilson, II	8/18	2/25
Walter E. Kron	8/21	9/29	Jeffrey R. Woods	8/11	5/6

## IN MEMORIAM

### George (Bud) W. Pope

Born 05/19/1930—Raised 09/08/1955  
 Called from labor  
 July 14, 2017  
 Golden Veterans Award  
 December 17, 2006  
 Master 1971  
 Las Palmas Lodge No. 366



August Stated Dinner,  
 Guillermo Moreno 's Family will provide  
 Taco's, beans and rice

## Fresno Masonic Widows Club

Marie Callender's Restaurant  
 1781 East Shaw Avenue  
 August 30, 2017

President; Lena Cook  
 Vice-President; Judy Gross  
 Secretary; Betty Veffredo  
 Treasurer; Pat Westphal

Reservations Required  
 For Information call (559) 431-6260

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

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**AUGUST 2017**



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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*



Join us for a Mexican dinner provided by the Moreno family, 6:00 P.M. appetizers and salad bar, enjoy a glass of wine or a cold Mexican beer. 6:30 P.M. Chips and salsa, tacos, beans and rice. Make your reservation today!

August 24, 2017 we will be at Chukchansi Park in the Grizzlies Den skybox, Tickets are available, call (559) 268-2303. lots of food, sodas and water, it is Thirsty Thursday, \$2.00 Tecate Beer downstairs. We are need of a

Assistant Secretary to help in the office a couple days of the week in the mornings. It was announced at the last state meeting brother Stuart Q. Hoskins has been selected for the 2017 Hiram Award, to be presented at the September stated meeting. Congratulations brother! Thank You for all you do!

*August Calendar*

August 3, 2017	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. 1st Degree Ward
August 10, 2017	6:00 P.M. L.P.M.B.A Board C.M.T.A. Board LPP Officers Meeting
August 17, 2017	6:00 P.M. Appetizer/Salad Bar 6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting
August 24, 2017	5:30 P.M. Grizzlies Game
August 31, 2017	6:30 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. 1st Degree, Nichols



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Credit Card \$124.50  
Stated Dinners are \$11.00  
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