



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



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Greetings from the East



November is upon us and the year is starting to close out. Soon it will be Christmas with New Year's following closely behind. I want to thank the brethren of Las Palmas – Ponderosa Masonic Lodge for the opportunity to be Master. I wish it had been a more normal occurrence, but it was what it was.

November is elections month and is the time for all of us to come together and chart the course for our lodge. It is a time for recollection and figuring out what we like about our lodge and what we need to change about our lodge. One of the things that I have noticed is that Lodge's are constantly changing, we get new members and we lose members so the dynamic is constantly changing. I implore you to be part of the change to serve as a steward for what you want your lodge to become.

In closing, I hope that everyone has a very Happy Thanksgiving and the happiest of holidays. I encourage each of us to practice out of the lodge those lessons we learned from it. Peace be with you!

Fraternally,
Mark Stroup
Worshipful Master



From the West,

Well, this past week we held our annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

This year things didn't seem to go as smoothly as in years past. Aside from my own personal experiences which were a bit like a National Lampoon vacation movie, too numerous to go into full detail, but involved jumping off trains, being assaulted by intoxicated locals, and having my foot ran over by a motorized vehicle...it was interesting. However as always it happened, the grand schedule didn't exactly go as planned but everything wrapped up nicely.

The legislation passed a bit as expected. Don't worry you will still be able to have a beer with the brothers after lodge, that ballot went down in flames. And the resolution to allow for zoom participation in lodge also failed so the doors will remain fully tiled.

We will soon be preparing for several third-degree ceremonies and will need to hold many practices as this is something we haven't done in a while.

At our last practice attendance wasn't the best and I encourage all our officers and degree participants to please attend so we can brush up and put on a good show.

Next month will be our election of officers and we will begin to prepare for our 2023 Masonic year. If you are interested in serving your lodge in any capacity please step forward and contact myself or our secretary.

I hope all you and your families had a great Halloween and have an even better thanksgiving.

Fraternally,
Andrew Miller PM Senior Warden



From the South:

Hello Brothers and Happy November,

As October ends, we are enjoying those fall temperatures and bracing for winter. In the month of November, I know that we will be spending time with our families and enjoying the Holidays.

Please remember to make some time for our Masonic family as well and come to the Lodge to participate in the various activities we will have, if nothing else, come enjoy a meal with us!!

May your cup be full and your turkey fat!!

Fraternally yours,

Jeremy Kern, Junior Warden

November Birthday's

Lawrence	Hagopian		1
Jeremy	Kern		2
John	Sorge		3
Brenton	Weiner		3
Karekin	Khatchadoorian		5
Donald	Williams		5
John	Denton		6
Michael	Jensen		6
John	Lane		8
Scott	Pearce		8
David	Kreller		9
William	Lyons		9
Thomas	Morris		9
William	Bissell		10
Joseph	Catania		11
John	Herring		11
Tyler	Faruzzi		12
Gilbert	Ovalle		12
Gene	Page		15
Sean	Ford		16
Ryan	Barnes		18
Thomas	Ewing	III	18
George	Knapp		18
Garroll	White		21
Richard	Ehorn		22
Joseph	Perry	Jr.	24
Michael	Bowman		25
Jon	Acosta		28
Stuart	Hoskins		28
Brian	Rowland		28
James	Wilson	III	28
David	Hiatt		29
David	Mc Coy		29





From the Archives:

As I reminisce over my almost 55 years of Masonry in Las Palmas Lodge, I try to bring to you some of the highlights of these many years. Definitely many things have changed during this time. The one that I am going to talk about today is **COMMON COURTESY**.

Every Master Mason in our Lodge enjoyed having all three of their degrees performed by officers and sideliners who took the time to attend Lodge, learn their work and participate. It looks like we will be having 3 third degrees within the next couple months. Due to the pandemic, it has been over two years since we last performed a 3rd degree in our Lodge. Since I may be the last person to have given the important Lecture for this degree, I offered to give it for the upcoming candidates. Every day I spend about 30 minutes going over it so that this lecture will have meaning for the candidates.

Last week I attended a 3rd degree practice, there were a couple of officers present and I was the only sideliner in attendance. If this continues, what will these 3rd degrees look like to the candidates. If you are a Master Mason, I am sure that you appreciated the fact that your degrees were attended by sideliners who took an active part in your 3rd degree. Now it is your time to reciprocate. Since the 3rd degree requires participation from sideliners, you are not only needed to attend the degree, but to actively participate. Don't let these candidates be disappointed like you would have been if no sideliners participated in your degrees. Come to our rehearsals, learn your part and attend the degrees. This is only **Common Courtesy** to the candidates.

Several days ago I was asked by the Master of another Lodge to do a courtesy funeral for a fallen brother who I did not know. I agreed as I strongly believe that every fallen brother is entitled to a Masonic funeral. I subsequently contacted the local funeral home to see if they had aprons for the brothers who would attend. They informed me that they did not. I then drove to our Lodge, got my apron and the apron that is used in the funeral ritual as well as the aprons for attending brethren. I then spent about 20 minutes each day going over the funeral so that my presentation would go well. I also wrote a preface to the funeral ritual so that the fallen brother's family and friends would learn a little more about Masonry and the fallen brother's participation in Masonry. On the morning of the funeral I left my house at 9 am, drove to the funeral home, verified that the fallen brother was wearing his apron properly and talked to several of the brothers who were friends of the fallen brother. I stayed for the complete service at the chapel and when I left, I drove back to Lodge to put the aprons in their proper storage location. When I got home about noon, Therese asked me one question. "Did anyone thank you?" With sorrow, I replied "no".

Welcome November

NOVEMBER



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.

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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,

November is here and the nights are getting cold and the leaves are falling. It is a special time of year where the nights are getting longer and the days shorter. It sometimes reminds me of life, as we age our nights get longer because we can no longer see as well at night, or stay out as late as we once could. Personally, I am starting to go through these changes and I don't like it one bit, there is nothing I can do about it, but I still don't like it. When I was a younger Mason and I saw my brethren going through these changes, I put in more effort so they no longer had to. We all need to put in more time to make our lodge as successful as it can be! Happy Thanksgiving!

Bryan Kincade PM, Secretary

November Calendar

11-3	Degree practice	6:30
11-10	Management Board	6:00 pm
11-17	Stated meeting	6:30 Dinner 7:30 pm
11-24	Thanksgiving	Dark



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