

# Oak Plains Lodge No. 789, F&AM



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**Oak Plains Lodge F&AM #789's Vision Statement:**

To create a strong and viable Lodge made up of men who have a strong desire to practice together the principles of Freemasonry, ensuring it becomes relevant to today's society while maintaining its high moral, social and charitable standards, thus making a positive difference in the quality of life in our community.

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## From The East

### David Meneley –Worshipful Master



Greetings Brethren!

Here we are at November and the weather is cool in the mornings at last. At Oak Plains we have a good month ahead of us. We are initiating Mr. Neri Villafan on Monday November 4 at 7 pm with our annual election of officers a couple of weeks later at our stated meeting. Please try to be at both events as they are very important in the life of our lodge.

As we are getting ready to pass the mantle of leadership off to a new Worshipful Master here in a few short weeks, my time in the East is rapidly coming to an end. This being my final trestle board article, I wanted to take a moment and thank all of you for the opportunity, trust and support as I have served you as your Worshipful Master for the past 2 years. We have had some challenges, but we have moved through them and excelled as a lodge. We have started some new events and traditions as well as improved others. I have seen this lodge grow and you as brothers grow in some very incredible ways. This past year we installed the fullest officer's line I had ever seen in my 6 years of being in Oak Plains Lodge. I would love to take the time to thank everyone individually, but that would make this article into a book.

I will say to my 2019 officers, thank you for your support and commitment to the lodge. We have had some great degrees this year and that is all thanks to your hard work and dedication. It has been an honor and a joy to be the one leading the way, but what good is a leader if nobody will follow him? I am pleased to say that the officers of this lodge have been right by my side as I have strived to make this lodge great and welcoming for anyone who has come to our door. Thank you again brothers!

Well, that about wraps it up for now. As a quick final note, I may be leaving the east, but I have no intention of disappearing. At Oak Plains we tend to have active past masters in a variety of capacities and I look forward to finding new ways to continue to serve, after I get a little rest first, ha ha. Take care brethren and see you around the lodge.

David V Meneley  
Worshipful (Past) Master

## From The West

**Bro. Mauricio Pasos– Senior Warden**



Pillar Of Strength

Brethren,

It simply amazes me how fast 2019 has flown by! It has been both an honor and a privilege to serve you as Senior Warden of Oak Plains Lodge No.789. In November the Brethren will be electing the Officers who will lead the lodge in the ensuing 2020 Masonic Year and beyond. I am very proud to serve with such an excellent core of Officers who truly love our gentle craft and the lodge members and extended families they serve. Oak Plains is still in need of future lodge leaders in the form of Marshal and

Junior Stewart so if you would like to serve in this important occupation please let me know. If you are musically talented we are in need of an organist. Come out and join in the growth as we enter into a new decade.

November is a Grateful and Thankful Month. First is Veterans Day 11/11 in remembrance of those who made the ultimate sacrifice in Service to our Nation. Next of course, is Thanksgiving on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of Every November...this year on November 28th. Our hearts are filled with thankfulness, love, and gratitude for family, friends, prosperity and abundance which we share with others.

Charity is the greatest attribute we can hold for our fellow man, and the backbone of Freemasonry. Offer to those less fortunate than we are food, friendship and a helping hand in their time of trouble...always...but especially on Thanksgiving. It will give them more than nourishment. It will give them hope, in the certain knowledge that someone cares – and that they – Matter. Don't we ALL want to feel like we Matter? Of course.

On Monday November 4<sup>th</sup> we will be conferring the first degree of Masonry on Mr. Neri Villafan at 7:00pm at Oak Plains Lodge. Officers have been working diligently to prepare for the degree. Come out and join your Brethren as we bring our new candidate into the light by which Masons work. Our Entered Apprentices, Fellow Craft and Master Masons continue to work on their proficiencies. We have numerous potential members looking into the craft and attending our dinners. Let's all work together in making our new candidates and prospective members welcomed by greeting the new faces and taking time to talk with them. Make sure to meet them and find out if they would be a great addition to our craft.

“Setting The Craft at Work” continues to enlighten us. Our discussions last month lead us into Officer Duties and responsibilities. Setting The Craft at Work meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Monday and starts promptly after Officers practice at 8:30 pm; all Masons are welcome to attend. We hold proficiency studies every Monday except our Stated Meetings for all degrees starting at 5:00pm

and continuing until the Officers start practice at 7:00pm. Come out and join your brothers as they move forward to make themselves and your lodge a better place.

Our next 2020 Planning meeting will be held at Oak Plains Masonic Center. We will be meeting Monday November 11th at 8:30pm.

Now it's time bid farewell My Brothers, It has been a truly great year for Oak Plains, we have seen a lot of change. Men have become brothers and Brothers have become friends. Remember one Mason can make a difference, so let's put forth the effort and see where we can go.

Always remember the as Masons we meet on the level. Being "On The Level"... the "Leveling" of our desires, passions, and egos means that we treat others as we would be treated, and that no one is above or beneath us, as we travel along the Level of time toward that House not made with hands...Eternal in the Heavens.

Let us pause this month, in our busy-ness, to remember, reflect, take stock, and count our blessings, all the while sharing and uplifting those whose blessings seem far away. Keep them – our Nation, and our loved ones in our prayers for better days, brighter futures and happier outcomes. Gratitude for the legacy of what we have been given and Thankfulness of promises to us and for us makes us know – We ALL DO Matter.

Oak Plains Lodge, No. 789 2020 Installation of Officers

Sunday, December 8, 2019 3:00 p.m. Ceremonies 4:30 p.m.

Oak Plains Masonic Lodge 3010 Becerra Way Sacramento, CA 95821

Worshipful Mario Balbiani Installing Officer

Brother Gustavo "Enrique" Pasos Chaplin

Worshipful Gary Macualey Master of Ceremonies

Dress Men: Dark Suit & Tie

Women: Evening Gown

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THRIVE IN 2020!!!

Mauricio Pasos  
On The Level

## From The South

**Bro. Mike Perry-Junior Warden**



Greetings Brethren!

Where did the time go? This is my last article as your Junior Warden (if elected). For the last two and half years we have helped provide the dinners for the Lodge. We have made some changes to the internal processes of accounting and brought them in line with Grand lodge. We have seen major changes to the dining room and hopefully you have felt the difference with tablecloths, different table set ups, added programs and fellowship. We now have snacks and drinks on site for the Brethren to enjoy before and after practice. One of the main goals of my year as JW was food at everything; I believe the fellowship and brotherhood starts when the food is brought out. We added the Festive Board in June, and the Christmas and Thanksgiving Dinners during the holidays. I truly believe we have made our mark on our Lodge.

I just listed a whole bunch of material things, and those are great! But more importantly, we have started to build something bigger and better. We have started to fellowship with one another. We have started friendships with our guests and strengthened our bond with our ladies, our significant others, and our families. The dining room, the Stewards and the Junior Warden are the center of the fellowship and play a vital role in making sure we are growing. I want to thank Brothers Jason Kowing and Jed Parker. These men showed up and helped to ensure dinner was served, the tables were set, and the dining room was cleaned afterwards. To my Brother Mauricio, your dedication to our gentle craft is worthy of imitation, you helped prepare 90% of the meals over the last two years; Brother Parker thank you for all the prayers and blessing over our food, you have done an outstanding job; to the spouses and guests who help prepare food, take on a dinner and clean after the dinners thank you! Finally, to my wife Nicole, you are my foundation and my rock, your willingness to not only supports me but our Lodge, blows me away every day! Thank you again for the late-night cooking or cleaning the entire kitchen while I'm in the Lodge. To Wor. Scott (if elected) I pass the forks and spoons off to you my Brother! You have one heck of a great Senior Steward that will make you shine! I'm sure I have forgotten someone, please forgive me, it was not intentional. I will always be willing to help you Wor. Scott if you need it! Most of all thank you Brethren, ladies and friends for letting me get to know you and trusting my cooking!

The October Stated Dinner was provided by Worshipful Master, David Meneley, Mr. Ralph and Ms. Susan, thank you, the dinner was wonderful! The dessert was provided by Mrs. Susan Parker and was Spooktacular! A note of thanks goes out to our Stewards Jason Kowing and Jed Parker!

As I mentioned in the September and October Stated Meeting and dinners, communication is key. Please make your reservations for dinner. At the last stated dinner, we bought food for 30 people and had 26 show up and only four Brothers make reservations. We had massive amounts of food left over, this not only wasteful, it is a waste of money. Please help make our dinners more successful by reserving your place at dinner. We have lots of ways of communicating our intentions of coming to dinner. The Lodge App, Facebook, email and a phone call. Please help the Lodge and the Junior Warden to avoid wasting food, and thus save money. Thank you

The November Stated Dinner will be provided by Brothers Senior Steward Jason Kowing, Jason Rafter, Karl Pineo, Pasos and Perry. The dinner will be a Thanksgiving dinner with all the fixings. Dessert will be provided by Ms. Alana Ermey. The cost of the dinner is \$10. Please make your reservations today at [Oakplains789@gmail.com](mailto:Oakplains789@gmail.com), on the Phone App or on Facebook!

This last dinner we had three prospective members; Mr. Neri Villifan (soon to be Brother), Mr. Chris Young, and Mr. Aram Piltakyan! Brother Eric visited us from Sacramento No. 40 it is so nice to see these men in our Lodge and at dinner!

I would be remiss if I didn't mention Oktoberfest! Wow what an event, Brother Pasos pulled off one heck of an event! The entire Pasos family helped with set up, tear down, cooking and everything else in between. The beer was cold and delicious, the food was great! Thank you Mrs. Ana for cooking! This was an awesome event and I look forward to this event next year!

Thank you all again for your support, friendship and dedication to our Oak Plains Lodge!

By The Plumb (for the last time)

Brother Mike Perry

Welcome Brother Neri Villafan into our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity!



**404<sup>th</sup> Masonic District – Stated Meeting Schedule**

**Oak Plains #789 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday**  
Fellowship – 6:00 PM  
Dinner – 6:30 PM  
Meeting – 8:00 PM

**Natoma #64 -1<sup>st</sup> Thursday**  
Fellowship – 6:00 PM  
Dinner – 6:30 PM  
Meeting – 8:00 PM

**Inspector of the 404<sup>th</sup> Masonic District: Worshipful Joseph Juelch, PM**

**Temple Board**

Bro. Mike Perry	President	WM David Meneley	Board Member
Bro. Eric Parker	Vice President	Bro. Alex Vuckovich	Board Member
Bro. Mauricio Pasos	Treasurer / Secretary	Bro. Carroll O. Dudley, III	Board Member
Wor. Marvin Lien, PM	Board Member	Bro. Jason Kowing	Board Member

**The Temple Board meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM**

The next Temple Board Meeting is November 14, 2019. There is an open forum for tenants starting at 6:30 p.m. The Temple Board will go into the Hall Association Meeting starting at 7:00 pm.

October started off pretty interesting.... We had a large leak in the Lodge room over the Junior Wardens Chair. The parts have been ordered and we are in the process of setting up a contractor to come out and get this leak fixed once and for all. I spoke with Wor. Jeff Askins and he plans to install the speakers in the Lodge Room in the next couple of weeks. This should bring better sound to the Lodge and improve your experience while in the Lodge room.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

The Oak Plains Masonic Hall Association

**Sweetheart Corner**

Sweethearts,

Should you ever need assistance, please call the Master of the Lodge, or Bro. Jeffrey Winch-Warren at 916-208-1628.





## Dinner Reservations

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## Notes from the Secretary & Assistant Secretary

Brothers, dues notices have been mailed out for 2020. Dues for 2020 are \$145.00.

As we prepare for a transition of Secretary duties the following email address has been made for the Secretary of Oak Plains Lodge, please update your information. The new email address is: [OakPlainsLodgeSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:OakPlainsLodgeSecretary@gmail.com)

## Concordant Bodies Meeting at Oak Plains Masonic Center



### **Camellia Chapter International Order of Rainbow for Girls**

The girls are actively supporting this year's State Service Project, Family's Forward. You can support this project by donating spare change at their stated meetings. Stated meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays at 7pm and the girls always like to see visitors on the sidelines. If you know a young lady between the ages of 11 and 20, we would love to see them join our amazing group of young ladies. Please contact Wor. Jeff Askins [labdad2014@gmail.com](mailto:labdad2014@gmail.com) or Mother Advisor, Gloria Dobson, at (916) 208-1300 or [gdobson49@gmail.com](mailto:gdobson49@gmail.com).



### **Rising Star Chapter #36 Order of the Eastern Star**

The Rising Star Chapter of Eastern Star meets at the George A. Primrose Masonic Center, 3010 Becerra Way, Sacramento CA 95821 on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month. For information Contact the following officers: Jackie Bozeman, Worthy Matron at 916-200-8191, Rich Wilson, Worthy Patron, 916-704-6908 or Janice Nielsen, Secretary, 916-366-6488 for information.

### **Primrose Chapter #385 Order of the Eastern Star**

The Primrose Chapter of Eastern Star meets at the George A. Primrose Masonic Center, 3010 Becerra Way, Sacramento CA 95821 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month. For information Contact the following officers: Worthy Matron Cathy Solem 916-205-1496, Worthy Patron Phil Solem 916-203-9930, Worthy Associate Patron Joseph Juelch 916-225-9486



### **Sacramento Court #85, Amaranth**

The Sacramento Court #85, Amaranth, meets at the George A. Primrose Masonic center, located at 3010 Becerra Way, Sacramento, CA, 95821 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month, starting at 2:00 pm.



### **Daughters of the Nile**

The local chapter of The Daughters of the Nile meet at the George A. Primrose Masonic Center located at 3010 Becerra way, Sacramento, CA, 95821 on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month, from 10am until 4pm.

## November Events

Nov. 1st	Rising Star, OES	Stated Meeting	Becerra Way	7:30 til 9pm
Nov. 2nd	Daughters of the Nile	Stated Meeting	Becerra Way	10am til 4pm
Nov. 4th	Oak Plains Lodge	1 <sup>st</sup> Degree	Becerra Way	5pm til 9pm
Nov. 8th	Camellia Asmb. IORG	Stated Meeting	Becerra Way	7pm til 9pm
Nov. 9th	Amaranth	Stated Meeting	Becerra Way	7pm til 9pm
Nov. 10th	Rio Linda Chapter	Installation of Officers	Rio Linda	2pm til 6pm
Nov. 11th	Oak Plains Lodge	Proficiency & Practice	Becerra Way	5pm til 9pm
Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Primrose Chapter	Stated Meeting	Becerra Way	7pm til 9pm
Nov. 13th	Rising Star, OES	Meeting	Becerra Way	7:30 til 9pm
Nov. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Temple Board	Stated Meeting	Becerra Way	6:30pm-8pm
Nov. 15th	Rising Star, OES	Meeting	Becerra Way	2pm til 10pm
Nov. 18th	Oak Plains Lodge	Stated Mtg & Dinner	Becerra Way	6pm til 9pm
Nov. 19th	Scottish Rite	Stated Meeting & Dinner	6151 H. St.	6pm til 9pm
Nov. 22nd	Camellia Asmb. IORG	Stated Meeting	Becerra Way	7pm til 9pm
Nov. 23rd	Primrose Chapter	Meeting	Becerra Way	2pm til 10pm
Nov. 25th	Oak Plains Lodge	Proficiency & Practice	Becerra Way	5pm til 9pm
Nov. 28 <sup>th</sup>	THANKSGIVING	FOOD FAMILY FOOTBALL	HOME	ALL DAY



**Oak Plains Lodge, No. 789**  
**2020 Installation of Officers**  
Sunday, December 8, 2019  
3:00 p.m. Ceremonies  
4:30 p.m. Dinner

Live Music By Brother Andrew Phillip and his Quartet

**Oak Plains Masonic Lodge**  
3010 Becerra Way  
Sacramento, CA 95821

Worshipful Mario Balbiani Installing Officer  
Brother Gustavo "Enrique" Pasos Chaplin  
Worshipful Gary Macualey Master of Ceremonies

Dress

Men: Dark Suit & Tie

Women: Evening Gown

RSVP by email: [pmike2351@gmail.com](mailto:pmike2351@gmail.com) or call (916) 622-7769





**You are cordially invited to attend the  
141<sup>st</sup> Annual Installation of Officers  
of Rising Star Chapter No. 36, Order of the Eastern Star**

**Friday, November 15, 2019**

**7:00 in the evening**

**George Primrose Masonic Temple  
3010 Becerra Way  
Sacramento, California**

Jackie Bozeman, Worthy Matron

Richard Wilson, Worthy Patron

Becky Wagoner, Worthy Matron Elect

Howard Nielsen, Worthy Patron Elect



Formal attire is requested

R.S.V.P to Barbara Schierenberg, PM, General Chairman at (916) 422-4286  
or Janice Nielsen, PM, Secretary at [janice59@pacbell.net](mailto:janice59@pacbell.net)



*Please join*

*Rio Linda Chapter #631*

*Order of the Eastern Star*

*For the Fifty-Ninth Installation of Officers*

*Sunday, November 10, 2019*

*At 2:00 pm*

*Rio Linda Masonic Center*

*6804 Front St. at M Street*

*Rio Linda, CA*

*Marilyn Kaspar, PM Worthy Matron, Elect*

*Jeff Askins, PP Worthy Patron, Elect*



## **Birthdays & Raising Anniversaries**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Birthdate</u></b>
Michael Barta	November 07
Jason Kowing	November 15
Kevin Sorbello	November 15
Eugene Bond	November 18
Michael Will	November 18
David Kerr	November 26

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Date Raised</u></b>	<b><u>Years</u></b>
Billy Bergan	11/02/1996	23
Eugene Bond	11/08/1965	54
Vincent Guarna	11/13/1989	30
Donald Hause	11/13/1995	24
Marshall "Scott" Henry, PM	11/14/2005	14
Marvin Lien, PM	11/07/1977	42
Billy Mallone	11/29/1997	22
George Medicott	11/26/1984	35
George Myers	11/18/1964	55
Howard Nielsen	11/23/1960	59
Alfred Patterson	11/11/1974	45
Scott Plotkin	11/28/2011	8
Charles Pratt, Jr.	11/02/1966	53





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## **Important Message from the Grand Master**

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*Grand Master John E. Trauner has a number of important announcements to communicate with your lodge this month. Please read his message aloud at your stated meeting and encourage brothers to participate in upcoming events and initiatives.*

Dear Brothers:

I am honored to have been installed as grand master at Annual Communication and I look forward to working with you this fraternal year. My theme for this year is "California Freemasonry: Rooted in the Gold Country, forged in ideals." During this year, I plan to shine a light on the very beginning of Freemasonry in our state, and the boom and bust culture of the Mother Lode region through our various publications, including a beautiful coffee table book, and through the upcoming California Masonic Symposium.

In the next few weeks, please look forward to receiving information about several of my priorities for the year:

- Our member restoration initiative will invite back members who have been suspended for non-payment of dues, and who may not even know they have been suspended.
- Our sister lodge effort will pair rural and urban lodges, so that they may learn from one another and thrive.
- An obligation renewal ceremony to help us all to remember the obligation we made to one another when we were raised in our great fraternity.
- Celebrating two centennials—the 100th anniversary of our support of public schools, and the 100th anniversary of Job's Daughters.
- Visiting the holy land ahead of the World Conference of Masonic Grand Lodges in Israel. Look for more information soon—I hope you will join Dana and I.

It means a tremendous amount to me to represent you as grand master this year, and I hope you will join me in making the fraternity the best it can possibly be.

Sincerely and fraternally,

John E. Trauner  
Grand Master



## Important Information About Your Lodge App

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Dear Lodge App Administrators,

Over the next six months, the Grand Lodge is planning to transition the Lodge App to a new product. After seven years in business as a mobile app company, Group Ahead, our app developer, has decided to cease operations. The Group Ahead service is scheduled to end on May 1, 2020.

Group Ahead has notified us that the "Message" function within the app has ceased to function. The Home, Calendar, and Contacts functionality will continue to work as usual until May 2020. The App Administrator interface will also work as usual until May 1, 2020.

Please communicate this change with your lodge members – via the app, at lodge meetings, and in email, or any other way you are currently communicating with your membership.

The Lodge App has become a useful tool for everyday member engagement, lodge business and more. Please know that the Grand Lodge professional team is actively working to find a new app with similar or better capabilities. We plan to have a new solution that will be effective for our lodges well before May 1, 2020.

If you have any questions about these changes, please call us at (415) 292-9180 and ask for Lillian Gardiner, Emily Limón, or Brian Field. You can also email us at [communications@freemason.org](mailto:communications@freemason.org). As we work towards a solution your thoughts on what was valuable in the app are appreciated.

Sincerely,

*Grand Lodge Communications and IT Team*

*CC: Lodge masters and secretaries*





Oak Plains Lodge, No. 789

October 22, 2019

To: Brethren of Oak Plains Masonic Lodge

From: Mike Perry, Junior Warden

RE: Increase of Initiation Fee

Greetings Brethren,

At the October 21, 2019 stated meeting, I started the initial conversation of raising the amount of money a candidate would pay to receive the degrees of Masonry in our Lodge.

According to the California Masonic Code section 802.020: "All proposed amendments must be presented, in writing, at a preceding Stated Meeting and written notice must be given to each Lodge member setting forth the text of the proposed amendment and the date of the Stated Meeting at which the vote is to be taken"

This letter is to inform you according to the California Masonic Code 802.020 the Lodge will vote to increase the initiation fees at the December 16, 2019 stated meeting.

This is an important change to our Oak Plains Lodge, I encourage you to attend and vote on this important topic.

Fraternally,

*Mike Perry*

Mike Perry

By the Plumb