

The Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus®



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Peter Lebeck

50 Years of Preserving History



Peter Lebeck Chapter 1866, E Clampus Vitus,® P.O.Box 384, Bakersfield, California 93302

PBC Handbook

(Serious shit!)

KEEP this Book with you at ALL TIMES.

The importance of this handout cannot be stressed enough.

(It may be the only toilet paper in camp!)

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Your Name (like anyone gives a damn)

Your Sponsor (the person who thought you *deserved this*)

This is not in RED, because lowly PBC's are not allowed to possess anything of that sacred color.



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An Introduction to E Clampus Vitus[®]

Congratulations on your decision to seek admittance into the *Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus*. Prior to being awarded your entry-level title of "Poor Blind Candidate," or "PBC," there are a few things to cover. If after reading the following you choose to proceed, you are agreeing to act as expected and subject yourself to the authority of the Hangman.

What is a PBC in for?

A PBC will be directed by the Hangman (or his appointee) to performing simple chores, assisting in the preparation of meals, entertaining the Redshirts, and possibly light construction of historical interest. During these activities a PBC will be taunted, vilified, humiliated, cursed, and insulted. However, a PBC will not be physically harmed (at least not seriously).

What is expected of a PBC and his Sponsor?

If you choose to proceed, both are expected to:

1. **At least 21 years old AND sober at all times!!!**
2. Keep the Hangman informed to ensure the safety of our PBC's:
 - Does your PBC have a physical or mental limitation?
 - Has a PBC reached his physical or mental limit during the day's events?
 - Are GC rules for PBC initiations being violated?
3. Learn and accept the structure, rules, and traditions of ECV. (PBC Rules are presented later in this pamphlet) For example, be prepared to honor the following traditions during your initiation:
 - PBC's DO NOT wear or touch the color RED, this is reserved for Clampers ONLY!
 - A PBC is expected to provide a token bribe the Greybeard council when called for interrogation. **Hint:** the current Humbug prefers Christian Brothers VSOP.
 - Tell at least one good joke. ("hole" jokes and puns will earn extra credit)
4. Follow the Hangman's instructions over those of anyone else, no matter their title or position.
5. **If a PBC decides ECV may not be so great after all, let the hangman know IMMEDIATELY.** The PBC will be allowed to exit the initiation and return to his camp with his Sponsor. If after a period of reflection, the PBC decides to not follow through with the initiation, the man is expected to pack-up and leave camp.
6. Enjoy your experience and have fun.

What do you get out of all this abuse?

A new and enlightening experience that you shall not soon forget.

You will be awarded the title of Officer of Equal Indignity, and be fully aware of the importance and substance of ECV. You will be ready to instruct future PBC's who may seek admittance into the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus. You may even brag about this day to the future PBC's suckers whom you recruit to ECV.

Remember your behavior and actions reflect on your Sponsor -- act accordingly.



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A Letter from the Humbug

No matter what you do in life, what kind of car, truck, or motorcycle you drive, who you know or how important you think you are, today you are a PBC, a Poor Blind Candidate. That means you are lower than whale shit, grosser than rat puke.

However, should you successfully complete your initiation you will become a member of the world's oldest fraternal organization, the Ancient & Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus.

During the day, you will be taunted, vilified, humiliated, cursed, worked, instructed, and insulted. But you will not be physically harmed - at least not seriously. In the future, you may even brag about this day to the future PBC's suckers whom you recruit into ECV.

Remember, we're all here to have fun. Today it will be at your expense. If you can't take it, leave now. Don't embarrass yourself and your sponsor by causing trouble.

Every Clamper has suffered the trials you will suffer. United States Presidents, Supreme Court Justices, governors, judges, Senators, congressmen, doctors, lawyers, professors, organ grinders, salesmen, roughnecks, carpenters, substitute teachers, monsignors and clergymen have all done it. No man can be a member without passing the ritual. In the end, you'll agree it was worth every second.

Here are some rules to help you through the day. Heed them well! Others have chosen to ignore them, to their great sorrow.

- You will be made to do labor
- You will be made to wear funny clothing.
- You'll sing silly songs and recite prose.
- You will serve the Clampers in attendance today.
- Whatever is commanded to you by the Hangman, DO IT!

Remember, you paid good money for this so you may as well enjoy it. We will!

It is a good idea to wear old clothing (none of it red, even the labels!) for the initiation which you wouldn't mind getting rid of or donating to a hazardous waste disposal facility. Before you are turned over the Hangman and the Vigilantes (the guys in white), make sure to leave your wallet, keys, eyeglasses, and other valuables and breakables with your sponsor. That way, at least they will be safe. We hope!



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A Short History of the Peter Lebeck Chapter, #1866

In the beginning, California had only two chapters of E Clampus Vitus. There was Yerba Buena #1 Chapter in San Francisco for Northern California. Platrix Chapter #2 had the southern region as its protectorate. But, that area was too large for the membership to adequately attend meetings and other functions.

About 1957, a group of scholarly, yet jovial, Clampers began to see the historical and logistical sense of creating a separate chapter in Kern County. After several organizational meetings, they decided to do just that.

The Grand Council of E Clampus Vitus the governing board was petitioned to allow the secession from Platrix Chapter and formation of the new chapter. It was originally thought that it should be called the Ft. Tejon Chapter, as that location is of great historical value in Kern County. Other names mentioned were; the "Colonel Thomas Baker Chapter" for the founder of Bakersfield, the "Edward F. Beale Chapter" for the man who brought the news of the California gold strikes to the east, and the "Peter Lebeck Chapter" for the inept bear fighter buried at Ft. Tejon.

Because the least was known about Lebeck, and therefore less controversy was expected, that name was chosen. In 1961, the Board of Proctors of E Clampus Vitus granted a charter to the "Peter Lebeck Chapter, #1866" for the protectorate of Kern County, to be headquartered in Bakersfield. Our Chapter number, 1866, was chosen as the year that Kern County was incorporated in the State of California. The first Noble Grand Humbug president was Ralph Kreiser (deceased).

What is known about Peter Lebeck is that on October 17, 1837 he was killed by an "X bear," and is buried at what is now Ft. Tejon State Park. We think an X bear is a California grizzly, due to the formation of that letter in their fur during the winter months. Also, we think that Mr. Lebeck true name was probably Pierre Levesque, a French trapper and hunter. When his body was exhumed in 1955, they found an 1836 French five-franc gold piece buried with him. But, it's really all speculation.

Our chapter has placed numerous monuments throughout Kern County over the years. They memorialize events and people from various periods in our history including the early days of the 1800's, the Kern's "Oil Rush" period of the early 20th Century, our continuing leadership role in American agriculture, and our place in the futuristic aerospace industry. We usually have two Clampouts (historical excursions) per year, and a Widow's Ball, where we honor our wives for putting up with our foolishness. Our Clampouts are in the desert and the mountains, and everywhere in between. As a Clamper, you are welcome to join us any time.

The Peter Lebeck Chapter was proud to be the host of the Southern Alliance 6-way Clampout in California City in October of 2006. Over 1100 Clampers attended that event from all over the country. We look forward to many more years of preserving history for the citizens of Kern County. And, we will do it in the best Clamper traditions of brotherhood and frivolity. Please feel free to stop in and find out more about us at our website: <http://www.peterLebeckecv.com>

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PBC Schedule

Thursday	
1200 (12PM) Early Arrivals - You must arrive with your sponsor. Help out around the Clampsite.	
Relax - Get to know the Red Shirts before the Trials and Tribulations begin.	
NOTE: THE PBC SCHEDULE IS ALWAYS SUBJECT TO CHANGE	
Friday	
0905 (9:05AM)	Early Arrival - Set up your camp then assist with Clampsite set up and prepare for evening chow. Take a moment and meet the Goat.
1631 (4:31PM)	PBC's will report to the cook shack under the direction of the Clamp Chef "Airdale."
2007 (8:07 PM)	PBC & Sponsor must present themselves to the Humbug, VNGH and the Hangman for survival lessons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PBC's lesson #1 - "Don't MESS with the Hangman!" • PBC's lesson #2 - "Fear and Loathing in a Clampsite, A PBC's Guide to Success"
2105 (9:05 PM)	PXL PBC & Redshirt bonding time. Prepare to sing the Red Shirts a song or two, but don't bend over!!
PBC's should get a good SOBER night's sleep. Saturday is going to be a loooong day	
Saturday	
0531 (5:31 AM)	ALL PBCs report to the Field Kitchen. Check in with the Hangman and help prepare morning chow. Don't get caught slacken or you may have to get a pack'en.
0803 (8:03 AM)	PBC EAT FIRST - All PBC's perform KP to clean the kitchen.
1001 (10:01AM)	ALL PBC's and Sponsors report to the Hangman. PBC Must be clean & sober. No Retreads!
1016 (10:16 AM)	PBC" pre-prepare for Road Trip to the Penny Bar for the Plaquing
1200 (12:00 PM)	LUNCH
1302 (13:02 PM)	ALL PBC's REPORT TO THE HANGMAN FOR – ECV HISTORY LESSON
1433 (2:33PM)	PBC Interrogations, entertainment, bribes, presentations, tomfoolery, etc.
1531 (3:31 PM)	ALL PBCs report to the Field Kitchen. Under the direction of the Clamp Chef "Airdale." Help prepare and serve the evening meal.
1701 (5:01PM)	Dinner- steak ala "Airdale" with his Clamper beans & other vittles for your enjoyment. After Dinner ALL PBC's clean the Pots & Pans and clean the kitchen
1915 (7:15 PM)	Necrology Ceremony (if needed) & Hall of Comparative Ovations "HOCO" (the best in all ECV®)
2015 (8:15 PM)	Your First Fireside as a REDSHIRT - Raffles - Stories - Jokes - male bonding - Pass the Bottle, BS
Sunday	
7:00 AM	BREAKFAST A continental breakfast at the cook tent. Aspirin & Roloids for those who survived
8:09 AM	Clampsite clean-up by EVERYONE! Use the dumpster, leave nothing behind!
10:06 AM	Return to the world as a man. DRIVE SOBER!!!!!!



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PBC Rules

1. A PBC must never wear the color Red (Yes, there will be an inspection).
 - This includes each and every item of clothing and jewelry.
 - Red Tattoos must be covered.
2. A PBC must attend all scheduled and spontaneous PBC meetings.
3. A PBC must complete all assigned and scheduled duties. A PBC must get to know all Officers, fellow PBC's and Members
4. A PBC must show unity with and loyalty to fellow PBC's.
5. A PBC must attend the campfire ceremony and plaque dedication.
6. A PBC must participate in PBC entertainment.
 - Telling of jokes, singing, and/or other conventional forms of entertainment.
 - Answer all questions presented to him.
7. A PBC must be **sober** for initiation.
8. No firearms, explosives, pets, fighting, long knives or bad attitudes are ever permitted at the Clampouts.
9. A PBC is under the complete authority of the Hangman and the Keeper of the PBC's at all times.
10. A PBC must study the PBC Rules, PBC Etiquette, the Code of Clamper Conduct, the List of Greybeards and Officers, the History of ECV, and any other information presented to him before the initiation.
11. A PBC must help clean the Clampsite prior to leaving on Sunday.
12. When in doubt, under any circumstance, **ASK THE HANGMAN.**





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PBC Etiquette

(Or, Fear and Loathing in a Clampsite, A PBC's Guide to Success)

1. A PBC should always address a Redshirt as “Mr. Redshirt Sir.”
Examples:
"Yes Mr. Redshirt Sir."
"No Mr. Redshirt Sir"
"That is correct, Mr. Redshirt Sir, I am a lowlife PBC, Mr. Redshirt Sir.”
2. A PBC should always take his responsibilities seriously.
3. A PBC should always enjoy his work, rendered Satisfactory!
(Service Redshirts and maintain a cheerful disposition at all times.)
4. A PBC should **never** offend, anger or in any way irritate a Redshirt or Officer.
5. A PBC should always make sure that a Redshirt is comfortable and is given excellent service. Remember, a warm beer or soda could easily ruin a Redshirts (and thereby the PBC's) day.
6. When fetching a beverage for a Redshirt a PBC should always locate the coldest drink, (usually found at the bottom of the ice chest) and present it to the Redshirt with a cheerful “Here is your drink Mr. Redshirt Sir!”
7. A PBC should **never** stand upwind from a Redshirt.
8. A PBC should **never** serve Spam or green eggs to a Redshirt.
9. A PBC should **never** let his hangover interfere with his work.
10. A PBC should **never** say or do anything to embarrass his Sponsor.
11. When in doubt, under any circumstances, ASK THE HANGMAN!





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30 Odd Questions for Odd PBC's on Serious California History

(Have answers for at least 20 of these questions.)

1. He came to California (*don't know whether he had a banjo on his knee or not*) to mine for Gold. Fairly successful, then returned to New York. Got married a few years later in Illinois, had two children. Home life wasn't exciting enough, so since the nation was at war, he joined the 116th Reg., Illinois Volunteer Infantry. Fought with distinction in several battles, Vicksburg, Missionary Ridge, was with Sherman in his "march to the sea", and received a severe wound to his right side abdominal region. Was promoted to First Sergeant. Mustered out in 1865 and tried farming in Iowa. Too tame, so he came back to California and began robbing stage coaches! Who was he?
2. In mining, what is a "monitor"?
3. The very first County Seat for newly designated Kern County was established in what Town? And in what year?
4. Why do they sing "Take me out to the ball game" when you are already there?
5. How did Buttonwillow get its name?
6. The highest and the lowest points in the United States are both located in California, within 100 miles of each other. Name them.
7. In early California it was known as a "California Banknote". What was it?
8. Who or what is Kern County named for?
9. How did Bakersfield get its name?
10. Who discovered Peter Lebeck's epitaph?
11. What is a "Long Tom"?
12. Name three local Indian tribes from the Bakersfield area and its surrounding mountains?
13. Who was the last Mexican Governor of California? Where is his home today?
Who was his brother?
14. Why is there an expiration date on sour cream?
15. Who was General George Patton's maternal grandfather, and what was that grandfather's role in California history?
16. When was the "last Old West shootout in Bakersfield", and who was the main character?
17. Where did the Donner Party get lost, and what did they end up doing?



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18. Who was the U.S. Surveyor General for California and Nevada in 1861 about whom President Lincoln quipped, “I understand that he is Master of all he surveys”?
19. What street in downtown Bakersfield is named after Edward F. Beale’s son?
20. Who made the very first discovery of Gold in California?
21. What is a Pelton Wheel?
22. In the 1987 movie “The Running Man”, who was called, “The Butcher of Bakersfield”?
23. Who was the Pro Football Hall-of-Famer and Sportscaster who, when in high school played for the “Drillers” and said in an interview, “*When I was a Driller, we hated Taft. I still have such strong feelings about them that I won’t even drive through Taft today*”?
24. May 24, 1844 Samuel Morse sent the first message “What hath God Wrought?” by telegraph. **Trans-continental telegraph was not completed until 1861.** How did the message of the discovery of gold get to Washington, D.C., and who brought it?
25. Who was Alexis Godey, and how did he die?
26. Which early explorer arrived (up near San Francisco) in 1579 and claimed the land for England?
27. Where is the current County Seat for Kern County, and what year did it become the new county seat?
28. Where is Sutter’s Fort located?
29. Who was the majordomo (livestock supervisor) on Rancho El Tejon for almost 60 years, and his house is at Pioneer Village in Bakersfield today?
30. Tell us what you know about “Ye Olde Plate of Brasse” that was found in 1936?

BONUS QUESTIONS:

- Why do they put Braille dots on the keypad of a drive-up ATM?
Or,
- Why does “slow down” and “slow up” mean the same thing?



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Greybeards and Current Officers

Past Noble Grand Humbugs		
1962 Ralph Kreiser *	1980 Chris Brewer	2000 Kenny Young*
1963 Walter Bowman *	1981 Bud Bradford *	2001 Wes Kutzner
1964 George Hewett *	1982 Charles Pomeroy*	2002 Al Eastin
1965 Frank Miller *	1983 Tom Hagelstein * (X-proctor)	2003 Steve Weaver
1966 Walter Stewart	1984 William Cordes *	2004 Keith Fraser
1967 Howard deVillero	1985 Kenny Young*	2005 Steve Born*
1968 Ralph Myers *	1986 Robert E. J. O. Waite*	2006 Paul Weaver
1969 Karl Thurber *	1987 Bob Newman	2007 Don Johnson
	1988 Tony Panici	2008 Bob Clemensson
	1989 Jim Adams	2009 Dale Charter*
1970 Tom Hagelstein * (X-proctor)	1990 Jack Hogue *	2010 Tim Gillespie
1971 Max G. Bowser	1991 Don Rowe	2011 Tim Gillespie
1972 Jack G. Davis	1992 Bill Howard	2012 Mike Ramirez-Mares
1973 Richard Davis	1993 Dave Phillips	2013 Russ Chapman
1974 Robert E. J. O. Waite *	1994 Gene Duncker (X-proctor)	2014 Charles Topping
1975 Tom Hagelstein * (X-proctor)	1995 Wes Frisinger	2015 Jim Bailey
1976 Gene Boultinghouse *	1996 Joe Szot	2016 Luis Bouza
1977 Richard Francisco	1997 Bob Cordes	2017 Dale Turner
1978 Sharkey Denman *	1998 Kent Holland	2018
1979 John McAteer *	1999 Pat McGhee	2019
		2020

* All Humbugs and Graybeards remain members of the Grand Council of E Clampus Vitus until called by the Highest Authority to His Diggin's in the Golden Hills.

Current Officers 2018 (6023)		
Noble Grand Humbug	[] Myrl "Doc" Wallace	
Vice Noble Grand Humbug	[] Al "The Quack" Price	
Grand Noble Recorder	[] Mark "Pokey" Crawford	
Gold Dust Receiver	[] Dale "Top" Turner, XNGH	
Grand Imperturbable Hangman	[] Damon "Barney" Patterson	
Clampatriarch	[] Dale "Top" Turner, XNGH	
Clamp Chef	[] Kenton "Airdale" Miller	
Clamps Hostrix	[] Matt "T-Ball" Veiga	
Damn Fool Doorkeeper	[] Andreas "Faultline" Gorbea	
Hawker Team	[] Kevin "No Eye" Horton	
	[] Jim "Needs a Handle" Mann	
CyberRecorder	[] Mike "MGM" Ramirez XNGH	
ClampCrier	[] "Ptomaine Timbo" Gillespie XXNGH	
Petey's Flying Circus- Ring Master LT	[] Fred "Flintstone" Fenski	
Petey's Flying Circus-Ring Master RT	[] Dave "Boulder" Staley	
Royal Clamps Thespian	[] Dave "Boulder" Staley	
Consulting Clampstorian	[] Mike "MGM" Ramirez XNGH	



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PBC Entertainment

Cadence

I don't know But I've been told
Most you Redshirts are looking old
When we want to head to Hooters
All's we see is red on scooters
And if the Hooters is really far
I'm sure we'll find you in the nearest bar.

Sound off

The Bean Burrito Song (Cummin' 'round the Mountain)

We'll be eating bean burritos when she comes,
When she comes!
We'll be eating bean burritos when she comes,
When she comes!

We'll be eating bean burritos,
Not tostadas or taquitos,
We'll be eating bean burritos,
When she comes.
When she comes!

She'll be riding horney Clampers when she comes,
when she comes
She'll be riding horney Clampers when she comes,
when she comes.

She'll be riding horney Clampers,
She'll be riding horney Clampers,
She'll be riding horney Clampers,
When she comes.
When she comes!



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PBC Chant (to the tune of “Oh, Christmas Tree”)

We Like It Here
We Like It Here
Fuck'n-A We Like It Here

Or

We Paid For This
We Paid For This
I Can't Believe We Paid For This

Henry the 8th

I'm 'En-er-ee the 8th, I yam.
'En-er-ee the 8th, I yam, I yam.
I got shagged by the Widder next door,
She's been horny many times before.

But everyone was an 'En-er-ee.
'En-er-ee!
She wouldn't take a Willy from a Sam.
Poor Sam!

I'm 'er 8th best lay. I'm 'En-er-ee.
'En-er-ee the 8th I yam, I yam.
'En-er-ee the 8th I yam.

(Second verse, same as the first).

The Ballad of Gilligan's Island"

Especially written for ECV Poor Blind Candidates by George Wyle & Sherwood Schwartz

Just sit right back and you'll hear a tale,
A tale of a fateful trip,
That started from this tropic port, aboard this tiny ship.

The mate was a mighty sailin' man, the Skipper brave and sure.
Five passengers set sail that day for a three-hour tour.
A three-hour tour!

The weather started getting rough, the tiny ship was tossed.
If not for the courage of the fearless crew, the Minnow would be lost. The Minnow would be lost.

The ship set ground on the shore of this uncharted desert isle
With Gilligan...
The Skipper too...
The Millionaire... and his wife...
The movie star,
The Professor and Mary Ann,
Here on Gilligan's Isle.



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What do you do with a Drunken Clamper (tune of “What do you do with a Drunken Sailor”).

What do you do with a drunken Clamper
What do you do with a drunken Clamper
What do you do with a drunken Clamper
Er-lie in the morning

Give him a bath till he's clean and sober
Give him a bath till he's clean and sober
Give him a bath till he's clean and sober
Er-lie in the morning

What do you do with a drunken Clamper
What do you do with a drunken Clamper
What do you do with a drunken Clamper
Er-lie in the morning

Give him a widder and her daughter
Give him a widder and her daughter
Have you seen the widder's daughter
Er-lie in the morning

What do you do with a drunken Clamper
What do you do with a drunken Clamper
What do you do with a drunken Clamper
Er-lie in the morning

Give him more beer and clean his redshirt
Give him more beer and clean his redshirt
Give him more beer and clean his redshirt
Er-lie in the morning



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Glossary of ECV Terms

“And So Recorded”	The reply of acknowledgement by the Grand Noble Recorder that the Brethren do deem something “Satisfactory!”
Braying Jackass	Together with the miner, it’s the symbol of E Clampus Vitus.
Clamper	A member in good standing (standing or not) of the ancient and honorable order of E Clampus Vitus; a Redshirt; and an ECV “officer of equal indignity”: an X-PBC.
Clampout	Specifically, an overnight gathering of Clampers during which PBCs are initiated and a monument is often dedicated. Also known as a "Doin’s.” Compare “DOIN’S.”
Credo Quia Absurdum	The order's motto, to wit “I believe because it is absurd.”
Doin’s	A Clamper function of any duration, whether for a specific purpose or an unspecified purpose, though often for the purpose of initiating PBCs.
E Clampus Vitus	“Either an historical drinking society, or a drinking, historical society, take your pick”- <i>John Severino, GM, KABC-TV</i>
E Clampus Vitus, Redivivus	The present-day incarnation of Clamperdom. The term “Redivivus” derives from the Latin prefix red-, re-, "again" + vivus, "alive." As in, "Building anew from old wood."
ECV Gazette	Website with all things Clamper. http://www.ecvgazette.com
Erect, Erection	Verb or noun referring to the construction of a concrete or stone monument affixed with an historical plaque. As in, “Peter Lebeck is having an erection!”
Gold Dust Receiver	An ECV officer whose primary function is that of chapter treasurer.
Grand Council	Composed of all current and former Noble Grand Humbugs of all chapters in ECV. It meets the weekend before Memorial Day in Sonora, California. The Grand Council ratifies the decisions of the “Proctors” or Board of Directors of the mother organization, E Clampus Vitus, Inc.
Grand Noble Recorder	An ECV officer whose primary function is that of chapter secretary. (No, he doesn’t wear a dress... normally...or make coffee when he does.)
Greybeard	A current or former Noble Grand Humbug: one of the "elders" of the chapter. A former Humbug is also known as an “XNGH.”
Hall Of Comparative Ovations	Any place where two or more clampers congregate.
Hangman	The person to whom the PBCs are entrusted and who is responsible for their initiation into the chapter; the ECV officer who, along with his agents or “Vigilantes,” has complete authority over the PBCs.



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Hewgag	A long tin horn which is sounded to gather Redshirts to the Doin's and to alert them that a PBC is about to enter the Hall of Comparative Ovations.
Humbug	Short for Noble Grand Humbug or "NGH;" the presiding officer of the chapter and the HMF in charge of the clampout. The chapter president.
Peter's Procs	Newsletter of the Peter Lebeck chapter #1866 of E Clampus Vitus.
Plaquing	The erection of a commemorative plaque, with or without a monument base. Also, an essential aspect of Clamping, as in, "If you're not plaquing, you're not Clamping."
Poor Blind Candidate	The lowest form of life, which, if it is lucky, may one day attain a place in Clamperdom.
Proctor	An officer of the Grand Council of the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus. These fifteen XNGH's act as the executive board of the Grand Council, and are the Board of Directors of the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus, Inc.
Redshirt	A Clamper; one who is to be treated as a V.I.P. by all PBCs.
Saint Vitus	The Patron Saint of E Clampus Vitus and that of idiots, actors and epileptics
"Satisfactory"	A shouted reply of approval by Clampers to the query, "What sayeth the Brethren?"
Serious Shit	An important item of particular interest to all Clampers, but most especially to a PBC; something a PBC had better know and pay attention to.
Slippery Gulch	The Humbug's libation station; the original slippery gulch saloon was located in Murphy's, California.
Sublime	Short for Sublime Noble Grand Humbug (SGNH): The presiding officer of the Grand Council of ECV.
Vice-Noble Grand Humbug	A chapter officer whose primary function is that of vice-president.
Vigilantes	Some Chapters use this title for assistants to the Hangman in charge of the PBCs. In PXL Vigilantes are the redshirts in the white lab coats who protect the PBC's while running them through the challenges of the day.
Wall Of Comparative Ovations	A wall located in Murphy's, California which holds the likenesses and histories of the namesakes of all chapters of ECV; located on the exterior of the Thompson building it is the un-official shrine of Clamperdom.
"What Sayeth The Brethren?"	A query, given to ECV brethren, asking for approval of a particular item.
Widow	A Clamper's wife, girlfriend or both; any member of the fair sex who is comforted by a Clamper.
X	The most wished for letter in the whole clamper alphabet.

