

# Last Call for our 2015 Widders' Ball. The Agenda for our Annual Corporate Meeting, plus Chapter Noose and other Detritus of Interest!

Hello Brother, Medium Green Mike here with the latest Peter's Procs – Widders' Ball Edition, and a reminder that if you intend to come, it's time to send in your rub! January of course means that it's time for the ultimate redshirt humiliation, when we show our outgoing Humbug the door at the Widders' Ball. It isn't that we don't appreciate Charles Topping for his hard work in 2014, but we do this every year. So Charles, no hard feelings, OK? We promise to let you off the waterboard just as soon as we're done measuring the straps for Humbug Erectus Jim Bailey. He's looking awfully thirsty these days, but we doubt he'll stay that way for long because everybody knows all a Humbug has to do during his year is lie back and take it! It's so easy even a Redshirt can do it!

So please join us January 24, 2015 (6020), for Peter Lebeck's 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Widders' Ball and Demotional Demolition at the Homewood Suites in Bakersfield, California. For those of you who missed (or can't remember) last year's soirée, we've changed things up quite a bit. We've moved on to a much classier hotel with more space, more dancing, better food, better beds, a shorter raffle, and a bigger emphasis on your Widder; we've even added an open bar throughout the event -- all for very reasonable prices. Our Ball is \$70 for couples; \$40 if you come stag, but if you bring a potential PBC you both get in for \$70. Additional guests are \$35. We really want you to use the Ball as a way to promote our chapter to your non-Clamper friends, so don't be shy about inviting others to join you; just keep in mind that seating is limited

to the first 100 partiers, and based on last year's kudos we may very well sell out, especially given our unusually warm weather this year.

For safety's sake, we also encourage everyone who comes to the Ball to stay over. Through our Brother Jim Bailey, who operates the Homewood Suites, we've arranged a special room rate that keeps this event very affordable. Each accommodation is a minisuite with a full kitchen and a luxurious Hilton quality King-sized bed; and most rooms also include a sofa pull-out. Not including tax, each room goes for \$79, with upgrades available for \$89. The price of the room also includes a full breakfast in the morning.

So please check out the included flyer, and also our website at <a href="http://www.peterlebeckecv.com/WiddersBall2015.html">http://www.peterlebeckecv.com/WiddersBall2015.html</a> where you can get additional information about the ball, download additional copies of the mail-in form or pay using Paypal, but whatever you do, make sure to postmark your pre-pay by January 18, 2015, to reserve your place at the 2015 PXL Widders' Ball!

Also make sure to read the **PXL CLOG** (our Clamper Weblog) for more details and updates at <a href="http://www.Peterlebeckecv.com">http://www.Peterlebeckecv.com</a> and don't miss the pictures from last year's ball on Peter's Picture Pages <a href="http://www.peterlebeckecv.com/WiddersBall2014">http://www.peterlebeckecv.com/WiddersBall2014</a> <a h

If you are a new member, then you are probably wondering, "What the heck is a Widders' Ball, anyway and why should I care?" Well, this is an evening that focuses on the woman you love. She gets to see that the men you are hanging out with really are a fun and trustworthy bunch. She gets to meet the other ladies. She gets to play dress-up if she wants, and she gets to dance. It's a daylong celebration, and we encourage you and your best gal to spend the night.

If the whole thing sounds a bit intimidating, it isn't. We start the afternoon with a casual dress hospitality lounge. Everyone gets to mingle, and the snacks and the libations are complimentary. Later we dress up for dinner. The new officers are introduced. There's a new, shorter super raffle, a buffet, a costume contest; and then an evening of music and dancing hosted by our Brother DJ, Carlos Lemus.

#### **CHAPTER NOTES AND NOTICES**

We need your attendance at the KERN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY luncheon on Saturday, January 17, 2015, at 12 p.m., at Maxwell's, 1421 17th ST, in downtown Bakersfield. Following lunch, Jim Bailey and Charles Topping will discuss PXL's collection of historical monuments. Our goal is to reestablish ties with KCHS and eventually cooperate in joint erections. For price and reservations call Widder Jayne Price, 661-867-2414, V.P and program chair at KCHS. This is a biggie, please try to make it.

Notice of our Annual Corporate Meeting. By state law we must conduct an annual "on the record" meeting to maintain our status as a charitable corporation, and our bylaws require that it be set in January. This year's meeting will occur at 11 a.m. on the morning of the Widders' Ball, in the conference room of the Homewood Suites in Bakersfield. We expect it to last about an hour. Please see the enclosed announcement to review the agenda. Call NGH Charles Topping at (760) 376-1907, if you have additions.

Our Fall Clampout was a whole lot a' fun. We had about 70 Brothers come out and join us in the mountains for great weather, good food and a whole lot of camaraderie. We especially want to thank our Brothers visiting from other chapters. They had

great things to say about us, and their company really added to a fun weekend, so expect to see many of them return soon.

The Doin's was followed by an open house in Kernville at the site of our latest plaquing, The Ardis Walker House. Check out the weekend's photos on our Clampdown page (in 1080p) or on Pete's Pics, <a href="http://www.peterlebeckecv.com/FallDoins2014">http://www.peterlebeckecv.com/FallDoins2014</a> html

Our Humbug Erectus, Jim Bailey, has some great fun planned for 2015. We have two weekend Clampouts on tap and a "two-fer" plaquing pachanga you won't want to miss. On February 28, 2015, we'll be dedicating two new historical additions starting at 1 p.m. with a traditional erection inside the confines of the West Kern Oil Museum in Taft. We'll be commemorating the history of petroleum exploration in Kern County, and you'll have plenty of time to tour the museum. Then it's off to our second plaque dedication at Ethel's Old Corral on Bakersfield's east side. Ethel's is a restaurant and watering hole that's been around since the 20's. It has a giant fiberglass Indian sentinel out front and a very eclectic clientele inside. We'd like to add a few Clampers to that, and the owner has even ordered up a live band for the occasion, so please, join us for a day of food, fun and history. Local accommodations are available at Homewood if you'd like to stay over.

Our Spring Doin's will be at Fort Tejon on the weekend of April 17<sup>th</sup>, so save the date for that one, too. The last time we were there we were close to capacity, so you'll want to get your rub in when sign-up becomes available. The date for our Fall Doin's is tentatively the weekend of October 16<sup>th</sup>, and Jim says we're going to "Clamp Okihi," which is one of the nicest places to Clamp in all of Clamperdom. I'm sure our crew will put on a great weekend program to which you'll want to invite your Clamper and would be Clamper friends just to show them what PXL is all about.

Don't forget to visit us on the net for updates, both on the **PXL CLOG** at <a href="http://www.peterlebeckecv.com">http://www.peterlebeckecv.com</a> and on our **Facebook** group page. See you at the Ball! -- MGM, CR.

NGH Charles Topping and the Graybeards of Peter Lebeck cordially invite you to:

# Our 54th Annual Widders' Ball & Demote-a-Palooza!

SATURDAY, January 24, 6020 (2015) HOMEWOOD SUITES by HILTON

1505 Mill Rock Way, Bakersfield, California, 93311

Phone: 661/664-0400

#### HOSPITALITY LOUNGE OPENS AT 2:00 - DINNER IN THE DINING ROOM AT 7:00

This is an event for your Widder, you and your adult, non-Clamper guests. So bring them to Bakersfield to help us begin our 54th fun Year of frolicking historicity as only Peter Lebeck Chapter can do it. This year's offerings will feature an open bar, great food, dancing, our Super (shorter) Widders' Raffle, awards for the best dressed Widder and Clamper, and the installation of new officers for everyone to ridicule. Dinner entrées will include a choice of Deep Pit Turkey, Beef or Veggie Platters prepared by our Brother Jim Bailey's Homewood staff, along with assorted sides and desserts.

#### Your best period (1840-1890) dress is encouraged for all in attendance at the Ball.

This year our hospitality lounge will be hosted by our incoming Humbug, Jim "Won't You Come Home Jim" Bailey and his lovely Widder Brandi. Be sure to come by and relax with some munchies, potables, jokes, stories, slideshows and other PXL tomfoolery to get you in the mood for a marvelous evening. Call Homewood and ask for Nicole or Stacy then mention Peter Lebeck's Widders' Ball to reserve your mini-suite for \$79.00 a night. \$89.00 gets you an upgrade. Sunday breakfast is included for all.

#### "What's the rub," you ask?

Couples are \$70, add a Guest for \$35. Singles are \$40 each.

#### Seating is limited to the first 100 Partiers

Postmark your RSVP by <u>January 16, 2014</u>, or use Paypal to secure your reservations. <u>Please read the special instructions on our website about our special Widders' Raffle.</u>

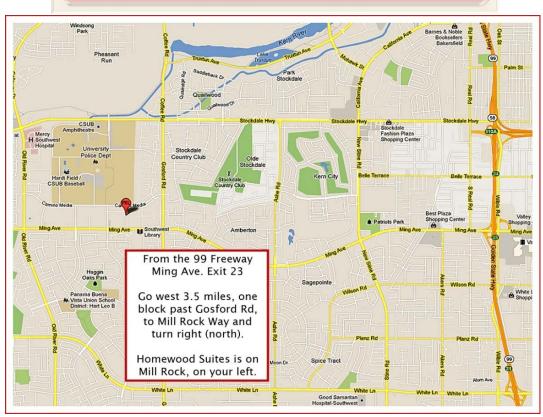
For more info and to use Paypal go to http://www.ecv1866.org/WiddersBall2015.html or contact:

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http://www.PeterLebeckECV.com

PXL 2015 (6020) Widders' Ball - RSVP
Kern Brothers of Vitus,
What can I say? I'll be coming alone. Here's my \$40.00
Please find \$70.00 enclosed for me and my fine lady or confidant.
And here's \$35 for each of my well-behaved guests.
Sorry to miss this great opportunity. But here's \$10.00 to defray two years of snail mail
Cash this check for \$ while I still have money left before taxes.
Make checks payable to: ECV-PXL #1866
Send RSVP & check to: ECV, Peter Lebeck Chapter P.O. Box 384 Bakersfield, CA 93302
From Clamper Brother Phone: ()
E-mail address:@



1505 Mill Rock Way, Bakersfield, California, 93311 -- Phone: (661) 664-0400

Box 384, Bakersfield, California 93302

## **OYEZ!**

By Order of NGH Charles Topping you are summoned to our annual corporate meeting which will take place at 11:00 a.m. on the morning of our 54rd Annual Widders' Ball, Saturday, January 24, 2015, in the conference room of the:

Homewood Suites Hotel, 1505 Mill Rock Way, Bakersfield, CA. (661) 644-0400

We will convene in a combined General Membership and Graybeards' Meeting which will last about one hour. You are encouraged to arrive promptly.

#### Agenda:

Final approval of 2014 minutes (Mike Ramirez)

Year End and Fall Doin's Financial Report (GDR Luis Bouza)

Year End and Fall Doin's Hawker Report (Hawker Kevn Horton)

Final approval of officer and functionaries for 2015 (Humbug Erectus Jim Bailey)

Finalize the clamp year schedule (Bailey)

Report on kitchen and awning upgrades (Bailey)

Proposed committee to look into kitchen needs (Bailey)

Report on BBQ committee (Luis Bouza/Tim Gillespie)

Report on By-Laws committee (NGH Charles Topping)

After the meeting, all Brothers will be encouraged to spend a few minutes helping us set for the Hospitality portion of the Widders' Ball which begins at 2:00 p.m.

Contact NGH Charles Topping for further details or gripes or additions to this agenda. (760) 376-1907

#### **CLAMPFUNCTIONARIES for 2015 (6020 C.E.)**

Noble Grand Humbug: Jim "Fury" Bailey Vice NGH and GDR: Luis "Vaquero" Bouza

**Grand Noble Recorder:** Dale "Captain America" Turner

G. Imperturbable Hangman: Andrew "Stagecoach" Vialpando

<u>Irascible Clamps Hostrix:</u> Todd Miller <u>Damnfool Doorkeeper</u>: Brian "B-Dog" Fox <u>Royal Clamps Thespian:</u> Richard Estrada

Clamp Chef & Crier: "Ptomaine" Tim Gillespie, XXNGH

Clampatriarch: Russ "Hole" Chapman

**Super Hawker:** Kevn "No Eye" Horton

Hawk Tackle: Dale "Captain America" Turner

Waggin' Master: Kyle "Hoss" Calloway

Consulting Clampstorians: Al "Tarzan" Price & Chris Brewer

**Cyberrecorder**: Mike "MGM" Ramirez-Mares, XNGH

Petey's Flying Circus Masters: Fred "Flintstone" Fenski & Dave "Boulder" Staley



Saturday January 24, 2015 Homewood Suites, Bakersfield, CA

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For delivery to this fine Brother at:



"You look ravishing, my dear! All my PXL Brothers will be envious."