

As we start 2023, I continually think how lucky we are at Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge.

Several weeks ago, I was asked to help with two third degrees at another Lodge in the Central Valley. These degrees were scheduled one week apart. At both of these degrees, a total of four different Lodges had to supply members to confer the degrees. There were more visitors than members. The Master of this Lodge informed us that this Lodge had not conferred a third degree in at least 10 years.

On December 8, LPP conferred a third degree on Dylan Oak. We conferred the degree in very good fashion even though Covid had prevented us from conferring a third degree for almost three years. It looks like we have three more third degrees in the pipeline for early 2013. It is time to show your pride in Las Palmas-Ponderosa by attending your Lodge in 2023.

Thanks to the efforts of our Secretary, Bryan Kincade, we not only are having meals before our Stated Meeting, but before our degrees.

Yes, I am proud to be a member of Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge. Now it is time for you to show your pride in Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge by attending.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OF YOU!

And now back to our Lodge History:

In his opening Trestleboard message, our new Master for 1984, Larry Hopper, was concerned by the fact that we would have 200 people show for the dinner that preceded the Stated Meeting, but only a small percentage of the members would attend the Stated Meeting. One reason for this was that the member's wives didn't want to wait around for the Stated Meeting to take place. To occupy these wives and at the same time let them learn something, Brother Hopper scheduled entertainment for the wives while the Stated Meeting was taking place.

The first program was on February 16th and the speaker that evening was our own Bill Ennis of Ennis China and Crystal. Bill showed a film on the manufacture of fine china and crystal, as well as gave a short talk on the Subject. He also had samples of various products to circulate through the audience for their examination.

The next month's ladies' program featured Doreen Garn, a professional color consultant. Doreen explained color analysis, and told why some colors look better.