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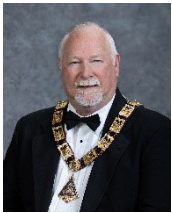
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Happy  
New Year

### Exalted Ruler – Bill Chelonis



First of all, I want to wish all of you a Happy New Year this coming year. The Lodge is still closed for January. Yes, the COVID-19 virus is still with us, and Placer County has us in the “purple” phase, which means we still can’t have Lodge or other meetings. However, we can serve food with Chef Scott cooking. We can continue to do the “to-go meals” on Wednesday’s from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm with NO eating at the Lodge.

Our Leading Knight, Linda Lee, is not going to have a pig raffle for 2020. However, next month, February, please remember your Purple Pig. Fill it up, bring it to the Lodge, and exchange it for an empty one. Make sure you put your name on the pig. If you prefer to write a check, maybe \$52 for the 52 Club or \$100 for the Century Club, you can drop it off or mail it to the Lodge. You can also contribute via the CHEA website <https://chea-elks.org/> and look for the PURPLE “DONATE NOW...” with a debit/credit card. Remember OUR State Major Project, and your donations represent the best way we as ELKS help the kids Walk, Talk, See, and Play! With this last year being so bad with the virus, the major project has not received many donations, so please help by donating.

We received many unwrapped toys to help make a child’s Christmas dreams come true. Thank you for your support!

The Lodge is still functioning with virtual meetings for the trustees, house committee, and general Lodge. If you wish to join any of these, please let me know via email or phone call to add your name to the meeting. Please continue to be safe and well with face masks and social distancing, and I hope you have a good month in January.

Regards,

Bill Chelonis PDDGER  
Exalted Ruler  
530-570-8896  
[b.chelonis@att.net](mailto:b.chelonis@att.net)



#### LODGE BYLAWS

Auburn Lodge Bylaws are available on line at  
<http://www.elks.org/lodges/bylaws.cfm?lodgeNumber=1691>

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## LEADING KNIGHT – LINDA LEE TALSO

Hi Elk Members,

I am looking forward to stepping up to Exalted Ruler to help usher in the 2021 - 2022 Elk year. We are still looking for a few good men and women to join our team of officers. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please let me know. You can text or call my cell number below.

We have decided not to do the Pig Raffle this year, but we will still have the "Purple Pig Round-up." You can turn in your Purple Pigs in February as usual. You are also welcome to mail or bring a check to cover the Pig donation. Remember there are the 52 Club \$52, and the Century Club \$100 donations.

We will also be ushering in the "Age of Aquarius"..."When the Moon is in the Seventh House  
And Jupiter aligns with Mars  
Then Peace will guide the planets  
And Love will steer the stars  
This is the dawning of the Age of Aquarius...  
Harmony and understanding  
Sympathy and trust abounding...  
Aquarius...  
Let the sun shine, let the sunshine in...  
Open up your heart and let it shine on in..."

Many Elks probably remember that song by the 5th Dimension in 1969. Some of you may even still have a copy in your audio collection.

It has been said that the sunshine will help to clear the Covid-19 virus, and we already know that Peace and Love, Harmony and Understanding,  
Sympathy and Trust will help people to get along and care for each other in times of crisis, as we have seen.  
We need to keep working together as a team and keep caring, staying healthy, and spreading Peace, Compassion, and Love in our Elks Lodge as well as our Communities.

In Love and Light  
Leading Knight  
Linda Lee Talso

### GRAB N' GO WINNING DINNER DRAWING NUMBERS

October 28<sup>th</sup> - 171264  
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Regular Lodge Meetings

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday – 7:30 p.m.

Pre-Lodge Dinner – 6:30 p.m.

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Tuesday thru Friday

9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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### Officers

Exalted Ruler: Bill Chelonis

Leading Knight: LindaLee Talso

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Treasurer: John Madeiros

Tiler: Open

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Chaplain: Terry Ann Houk

Esquire: Michael G. Bielski

Trustees: Sharon Bettencourt,

Royce Birks, Wayne Helley,

Kathy Madeiros PER, Jimmy Mullenix

Alternate Representative to Grand

Lodge: Open

Organist: Linda Wismar

## Thank You to The Volunteers in The Grab N Go Program

I want to extend a huge thank you to all the volunteers involved in the Lodge Grab N Go program. With all of you helping by donating your time and hands to wherever we needed you during the Wednesday dinners, they have been successful. We built a core team and also had many other members interested in being part of the team.

We could not have done it without you. I appreciate all of you standing together with me in this unsettled world, all of us trying to make a difference.

Jim Harris

Dave Provan

Harlan Moore

Jack Meylink

Jimmy Mullinex

Elly Brown Silva

Pat Hall

Terry Ann Houk

Linda Simmons

John Madeiros

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Carolyn Darling-Bliss and Craig Williams

Yvonne Edwards

Tom Eastman

Sharon Bettencourt

John Nelson

Linda Lee Talso



A special acknowledgment to our spectacular Chef Scott who prepares the tasty dinners for our event.

I would like to thank all of our members that are supporting our Lodge. Please continue to do so. We are so happy to see your smiles when you arrive to pick a meal from the Grab N Go service.

Jack Meylink produces an email blast to keep our membership informed of this event and other things pertaining to the Lodge. If you are not receiving it, please contact the Lodge, and we will make sure that you are getting all the current information. All you have to do is leave a message on the Lodge phone 530-888-7111 or send a message to [auburnelks@gmail.com](mailto:auburnelks@gmail.com).

Cheers to the upcoming year!

Fraternally,

Kathy Madeiros, PER



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## GRAB N GO DINNERS FOR THE MONTH



January 6, 2021

Chicken Enchiladas with Spanish Rice, beans, and dessert.

January 13, 2021

Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, roll, dessert.

January 20, 2021

Spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian veggies, salad, garlic bread, dessert.

January 27, 2021

Chicken Piccata, rice pilaf, veggies, roll, dessert.

February 3, 2021

Salisbury Steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, veggies, roll, dessert.



## LODGE CLEAN UP REMINDER

Please remember Lodge Cleanup the 1st Wednesday each month at 9:00 am. The next one is on January 6th. **Hopefully! Check emails from Lodge or call me.**

In December we did some general cleanup inside & outside, cleaned ceiling fans, cleaned and dusted bar area, dusted, cleaned above Rotary storage, vacuumed, wiped down, and much, much more.

The Lodge would like to thank the members that worked in November: PER Dick Robart, PER/Lecturing Knight Jack Meylink, Ed Rodriguez, Gary Cox, Tom Eastman, Michael Van Hook, Ron Bailey, Harvey Eisley, and Pete Rau.

**Turnout was NOT good. We can always use a few more. PLEASE come out and give us a hand next time.**

Dick Robart Lodge Cleanup Chair  
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## From the Secretary – Harlan Moore

Happy New Year! I am confident we share the same hopes and prayers that 2021 will deliver some relief from the pandemic that has consumed our world as we knew it. Hopefully, the recent approval and delivery of an effective vaccine will bring relief from the COVID-19 virus's impact. Our Lodge, our community, state, and nation were significantly impacted for 75% of 2020. Perhaps a potential goal for our Lodge might be a reverse of those numbers 1st quarter 25%, remaining 3 quarters real progress to operating in a more familiar fashion. A goal or dream not set is seldom achieved. Let's focus our hopes and prayers toward a Lodge we are more accustomed to.

The Wednesday curbside dinners have been a success, and our efforts have been well received. A sincere Thank You to all who have purchased meals, and a GIANT THANK YOU to Chef Scott and all the VOLUNTEERS who have made it possible. If you haven't been able to participate, PLEASE PUT Wednesday on your weekly calendar! While you are at it, bring in a Purple Pig or an ENF donation when you pick up your curbside meals.

We are significantly behind in our collections for ENF "Elks National Foundation" and CHEMPI "California Hawaii Major Project." We still have time during the 1st Qtr. Of 2021 to improve our ENF and CHEMPI performance for the current Lodge year. Our primary charities are something to be very proud of. They both have very low administrative fees 8 to 9%. Very few charities can match that amazing record. Our collection efforts are impacted by our Lodge closure. Please check the respective web sites for ENF at Elks.org and CHEMPI at Chea-elks.org. Both sites offer the convenience to donate via credit card and receive personal and Lodge credit and recognition. Our work in service to children throughout our state, and Elks National Foundation "ENF", our support of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity, as well as support and service to Veterans, continues, despite local restrictions. Our Lodge is mostly closed; however, our hearts should remain open toward our primary charitable activities.

Thanks for your patience and understanding as we reopen in compliance with state and local requirements. We are complying with measures to ensure the safety and well-being of all our members and guests. Placer County has reverted to Red "Substantial" status slowing our efforts to open the doors for normal operations.

Hopefully, this message will be received with clarity and more GOOD NEWS when you all read this. Be careful and stay safe, and hope you were able to celebrate Christmas and New Year's safely and as near as possible to normal.

Questions or comments call 530-906-4765 or email [Harlan@hemooore.com](mailto:Harlan@hemooore.com)

## Veterans Corner

Here we go again. Happy New Year 2021. I trust that your holidays, Christmas and New Year's, went well for you and your family. Another year fades into the books of history, but it won't soon be forgotten. I suspect the most popular Christmas gift (given to oneself) was "good health." If you were blessed with such a gift, nurture it and keep a close watch over it.

Taking a quick look back in our military history, here are a few of the events that took place in January. On January 9, 1945, the U.S. forces landed on Luzon, Philippine Islands. January 17, 1991, Operation Desert Storm began. January 28, 1973, the Vietnam Cease-Fire campaign ends. January 30, 1968, really stands out in my mind as that was when the Tet Offensive began in South Vietnam. I was under orders to report to a military police unit in Saigon. My next younger brother was already serving in Vietnam. My orders were rescinded, and by June 1 was sent to Seoul, South Korea as a criminal investigator. I had another younger brother serving stateside while my youngest brother was preparing to enter the U.S. Army (en route to a three-year tour in Germany). We followed in the footsteps of our father, who served in the U.S. Army for five years during WWII, with most of his time spent in the European Theatre.

Going forward with this year, we will get back to the activities that we enjoyed before 2020. There will be a Veteran's luncheon in November and our Veteran's pictures on display in the Lodge. In early Spring, we'll plan a trip to the V.A. hospital in Reno, NV, for a BBQ luncheon, IF the hospital is out from under the current COVID-19 restrictions. I'll keep you posted.

Remember our service men and women stationed in the Middle East and what they missed this past holiday season. Pray for their safe return to their loved ones. See a Veteran, thank a Veteran for his/her service. Until we see one another again, stay safe, healthy, and happy. God Bless America.

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### Sickness and Distress

PER Manny Martinez had back surgery and is recovering.

Royce Burkes Trustee had surgery and is recovering.

### Lodge of Sorrow

Ralph W. Duncan, born on December 7, 1933, passed away November 19, 2020 at 87 years of age. Ralph was a 10-year member.

Bill J. McPeak passed away on December 17, 2020. Bill was one of pool players.

Remember to let me know if you hear of any sickness or distress, and good news is always welcome also.

Fraternally,  
Sharon Bettencourt PDDGER  
916-415-9062 or 916-759-8961 cell  
Sickness & Distress & Good News  
Trustee



### A Child's Christmas Wish Came True

Thank you to everyone who helped make a child's Christmas wish come true. Just a portion of the gifts our generous members donated to help make this happen.



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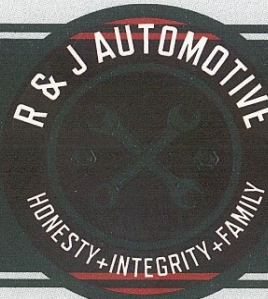
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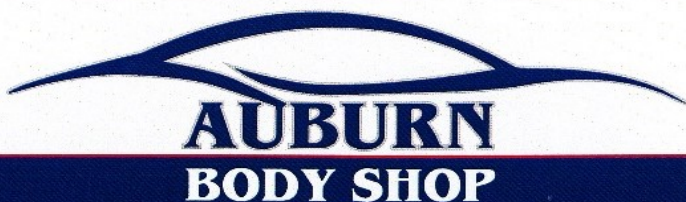
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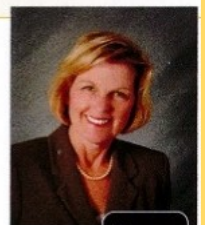
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See  
Linda.



## January Birthdays

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1	Paul A	Sellers
2	John 'Jack'	Mc Afee
3	Willie L	Mullins
4	Richard	Wingeier
4	Linda S	Woltman
6	Christopher	Slane
7	Brad L	Tallman
7	Geary	Tiffany
8	Jack	Meylink
8	ThomasN	Yunk
9	Peter	Vogt
10	Jon R	Loberg
10	David	McGuire
15	Ronald D	Demske
15	Patricia	Hall
15	Christy A	Mata
15	Kathleen M	Moyer
16	Warren L	Haase
16	Richard A	Vastola
17	Anthony	Prowense
18	John L	Owen
19	Gary E	Neighbours
22	Herbert	Grounds
23	Craig	Saunders
23	A Maureen	Slater
24	Hugh W	Allen
24	Leonard C	Ferretti
24	Ken	Kayl
24	Deann R	Smith
25	Richard J	Hesse
26	William	Groth
26	Charles	Purcell
27	Patricia	Alwan
28	Sharon	Gannon
28	Gordon L	Murdoch
28	David A	Smith
28	Lloyd B	Wheat
29	Michael D	Bane
29	Raymond	Green
29	Erik M	Matson
30	Stuart J	Dodge
30	Karl L	Dreher
31	Larry G	Armes

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



### AUBURN ELKS LODGE 1691 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2020 – 2021

This year there are two scholarships for seniors graduating in the Spring of 2021. The scholarships will be available beginning October 22, 2020.

Because of Covid-19, seniors must send an email requesting an application to James Harris at [invtoad@att.net](mailto:invtoad@att.net). Applicants must indicate which scholarship application they are applying for. However, they can apply for both. Applicants will receive one or both applications by return email.

#### Wil Thomas Educational Scholarship

This is the second year for the Wil Thomas Educational Scholarship. This scholarship's value is \$1000.00 and is for family members of past or present members of the Auburn Elks Lodge 1691. It is offered to seniors who plan to attend a university, college, or vocational school in the Fall of 2021. Last year's winner graduated from a California high school.

#### Looby Scholarship

This is the fifteenth year the Looby Scholarship has been offered to graduating seniors planning to attend a university or college in the Fall of 2021. The value of this scholarship is \$1250.00. The senior must be a child, stepchild, or grandchild of an active Elk in Auburn Lodge 1691. Previous winners of this scholarship have graduated from high schools in California (last year), Nevada, Oregon, and Washington.

Questions regarding either scholarship should be directed to James Harris at [invtoad@att.net](mailto:invtoad@att.net). Again, applications will be available starting October 22, 2020, and must be returned (postmarked) by February 28, 2021.

**Winners will be notified during March 2021.**

