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Elks Care - Elks Share December 2022



DECEMBER BIRTHDAY DINNER

Friday, December 2nd, 2022

Cocktails at 5pm Dinner at 6:30pm

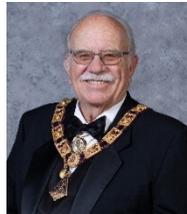
Menu

BEEF MEDALLIONS W/WINE
MUSHROOM SAUCE
HERB PARMESAN CRUSTED FISH
RICE PILAF
SEASONAL VEGETABLES
SALAD BAR, HOT ROLLS
AND DESSERT

\$15 per person

Please join us for the celebration of
December Birthday Members.

There will be a raffle and Anniversaries will be honored.



Exalted Ruler Bill Costa

In December, we will have a short month because the Lodge will be closed for the last part of the month for families to celebrate Christmas. That said, the House Committee is working extremely hard to keep the dining prices at a minimum. This is a losing battle as the business costs keep rising. For example, electricity keeps increasing, taxes are increasing, and food prices are increasing daily. The quantities are also getting smaller, so more units must be bought. The food suppliers are charging a delivery charge now. You know where this is going. The Lodge attendance hasn't increased to the point it was before Covid. The more meals we sell, the higher the profits will be. Then we can hold the prices down at our events. This is not happening. It is also one of the challenging issues the House Committee must deal with. I remember that if you were late to an event, finding a parking space in the parking lot was hard.

I am requesting the membership to give the House Committee your full support. They have some complicated decisions to make for our Lodge to continue to survive. For your input, you can attend the monthly House Committee meeting held at 4:30 pm on the second Thursday and Lodge Meetings held at 7:30 pm on the second and fourth Thursday of every month.

The Midterm Seminar in Burbank was highly informative to all attendees. These seminars keep the officers of the Lodge informed of changes and answer questions we may have on existing situations. We had the Homecoming for our District Deputy Manny Martinez last month. Manny thanked all the members of the Lodge and the district present for their support and help in getting his duties carried out. He oversees all of the Lodges in the Northeast District.

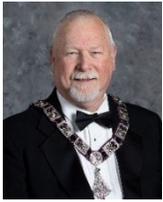
Fraternally
Bill Costa, Exalted Ruler
(916) 205-2715
bfcosta@yahoo.com

LEADING KNIGHTS CORNER

December is here, and Christmas is around the corner. This is the month that we reflect on this past year and plan for the new year. I want to thank all of you who came to the Taste of Italy dinner and had a good time. If you missed it, you missed a fantastic dinner prepared by Chef Scott and his crew. The music by the two musicians set the mood. The Scout Troop worked hard to serve all of us and was rewarded with a donation of \$357.00 collected that night. The raffle raised \$470.00 for the Purple Pig. I want to thank my committee (Pat, Ellie, Cathy, Karla, and Sybella) for their many hours of planning and preparing for this dinner. The Wine and Dessert planned for Dec. 4th is being moved to another date due to a Memorial Service and Brunch that day. We are planning more special events to raise funds for the Purple Pig in the next few months, so keep watching. Remember to bring your full piggy bank in with your name on it and pick up an empty one. The special kids we help will thank you.

Fraternally,
Bob Souza, Leading Knight

From the Desk of the Secretary – Bill Chelonis



Pursuant to G.L. Statutes Section 12.050, the Secretary must read on the floor of the Lodge how we are doing twice a year. I will summarize this report for most of you who could not make the meeting.

We started the year with 558 members. We have initiated 24, affiliated by dimit 2, reinstated 7, stricken from the rolls for non-payment 27, granted transfer dimit 8, granted absolute dimit 2, and 9 members deceased during the year. This gives us a membership of 564, a gain for the year of 6 thus far.

The Lodge received for the 2022-2023 year: Dues of \$70,807.51, initiation fees of \$1725.00, and affiliation fees of \$50.00. We have 28 members who are delinquent in paying their dues. We paid a per capita assessment to California-Hawaii Elks Association of \$3,445.00, Grand Lodge \$13,800.22, and the Northeast District \$2,302.00. There are 5 candidates pending initiation, 0 pending transfer in, and 1 pending transfer out of the Lodge.

As always if you need to contact me call my cell phone (530-570-8896) or email me b.chelonis@att.net and I will be more than happy to assist you.

Fraternally Yours
Bill Chelonis PDDGER,
Lodge Secretary

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Regular Lodge Meetings

2nd & 4th Thursday – 7:30 p.m.

Pre-Lodge Dinner – 6:30 p.m.

Business Hours

Tuesday: 3-6:30PM

Wednesday: 9AM-4PM

Thursday: On Lodge Meeting nights 3-7:30PM

Bar hours: 11 a.m until 8 p.m.

Closed Monday

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Leading Knight- Bob Souza

Loyal Knight – Lisa Haynes

Lecturing Knight – Jim Darnell

Secretary – Bill Chelonis

Treasurer – John Madeiros

Tiler - Rudy Pelzman

Esquire - Chuck Cooper

Chaplain – Joyce Costa

Inner Guard – Terry Houk

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4th Year Trustee – Gary Cupler

3rd Year Trustee - Jimmy Mullenix

2nd Year Trustee – Patricia Hall

1st Year Trustee – Jack Meylink

In Honor of Frank Calabretta ELKS LODGE 1691 PRESENTS A CHRISTMAS BUFFET & SILENT AUCTION

Sunday December 18

BAR OPENS AT 4PM

BUFFET OPEN FROM 4-7PM

MENU

Turkey and Dressing
Mashed potatoes & gravy
Ham with pineapple

Green bean Casserole
Caesar Salad
Cranberry Sauce
Pumpkin Pie

\$25 PER PERSON

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KATHY (530) 263-4909

OR

ELLY (530) 305-5904

Auction will end at 6:45





Ye-Haw!
 We're celebrating
New Year's Eve Cowboy Style!
Saturday, December 31st
 6 PM No Host Cocktails
 7 PM Dinner
**Ribs, Chicken, Beans
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*After Dinner Dancing to
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\$35 per person
Tickets go on sale Tuesday, November 29th

**BIRTHDAY DINNER
 RESERVATIONS**

Kathy Moyer
 Birthday Chairman
 Phone: 831-332-6044
 Email: kathy_moyer@yahoo.com



JANUARY BIRTHDAY DINNER
January 6, 2023

COCKTAILS
 5PM

DINNER
 6:30PM

Menu

- BEEF STEW**
- ROASTED CHICKEN**
- PAPRIKA POTATO HALVES**
- SEASONAL VEGETABLES**
- SALAD BAR, ROLLS, DESSERT**

\$15 PER PERSON

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Veterans Corner



Get ready. Christmas is just around the corner. Now, let's back up to November, as I have a long list of people who I need to recognize in celebration of Veterans month.

On November 7, 2022, we celebrated our 15th-anniversary Veterans Luncheon with a Tri-tip steak, BBQ chicken, salad bar, scalloped potatoes, rolls, and corn. For dessert, we had cookies. We happily served 62 Veterans and 13 non-Veterans. Attendance was down slightly from last year. Serving those wonderful Vets were Jim and Vicki Harris, Judi Billey, Nancy Vogle, Patty Pelzman, Cailey Murschel, and Sandra Wilson. There was a free raffle for the service members only. A patriotic quilt was handmade and donated by John and Deborah Owen. The recipient was very happy and grateful. Yvonne Edwards gave a prayer before the Pledge of Allegiance. Her words were very stirring and full of heartfelt emotion. Each year I mix up the banter a bit before we dine. This time I wanted to emphasize those Veterans who served since the Vietnam era in those various conflicts.

Donations to help offset the cost of the luncheon were received from the following generous people: John Madeiros, Bob Souza, Jim Darnell, Larry Risse, Mike Barber, Al Berry, Kathy Madeiros, Jon Loberg, Ed Roumage, Dick Robart, Bob Oles; Sharon Bettencourt, John Gubbels, Bill Costa, Carol Van Ness, George Williams, Bob Slater, Les Watson, Doug Millikan, Roy Fegard, Phil Schweyer, Denny Bacon, Bob Diaz, Chuck Purcell, Bill Knorp, Cheryl Moore, Dwane Howard, Chuck Purcell, Yvonne Edwards, Dave Provan, Jim Jordan, Dempsey Billey, John Nelson, and Betty Jo Thomas on behalf of her deceased husband, Wil. If I left anyone out, please forgive my oversight.

On Veterans Day, November 11, 2022, I, along with many members of our Lodge, served a pizza lunch to about 800 military and nonmilitary participants in the annual Veterans Day parade here in Auburn. We served pizza, chips, cookies, and beverages. Those serving were Judy Billey, Betty Jo Thomas, Jim & Vicki Harris, Val Provan, Nancy Vogel, Mark & Debbie Lund, and Patty Pelzman. These ladies and gentlemen always do a great job and represent our Lodge well.

November is always a busy month. We installed the Wall of Honor, as we have for many years. Sadly, we had to move some pictures of current members representing their branch of service to the In-memoriam section. This year three members passed away.

Some military history for December: December 7, 1941, Japanese aircraft attacked Hawaii; December 8, the U.S. declared war on Japan; the Japanese attacked the Philippines; December 11, 1941, the U.S. declared war on Germany and Italy; December 12, 1775, the Cavalry Branch was established and is the Birthday of the Armor Branch. Also, on December 6, 2001, the Battle of Tora Bora began; December 13, is the U.S. National Guard's Birthday; December 16, 1944, the Ardennes-Alsace Campaign (Battle of the Bulge) begins; December 17, 2001, the Battle of Tora Bora ended. On December 24, 1814, the Treaty of Ghent was signed, ending the War of 1812.

This time of year is always the hardest on our service men and women as they are often assigned away from their families. Please keep all the men and women in your prayers. Pray for their safe return to their loved ones. At the same time, mention your loved ones and everyone you are responsible for in prayer. Keep that smile on your face, and may your Christmas be the best one yet for you and yours. God Bless America.

Rudy Pelzman
 Chairman, Veterans Service Committee
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03 Dickinson, Patrice
03 Lewis, Donald E
03 Roby, Donald R
04 Hutchinson, Richard
05 Belisle, Dennis A
06 Cowan, Clay Patrick
06 Schroeder, Robert
09 Wilens, David
11 Bray, Geri R
11 Fuller, James L
11 Harmon, Ronald A
12 Cooney, Terry
12 Saunders, Lloyd
13 Elenberger, Gerald
14 Wilkinson, William
15 Benstead, John M
15 Sandoval, Mark
16 Johnson, Richard A
16 Souza, Robert D
17 Eichhorn, Barbara Lois
17 Nordstrom, Jim
18 Hart, Thomas H
18 Weaver, Jeffrey
19 Carlson, Kenneth R
20 Eckard, Robert D
21 Harbour, John
22 Bottarini, Carrie
22 Heple, Lonnye
22 Hopper, William D
22 Winschell, Ervan C
25 Means, Ron
25 Sokol, Dan
27 Flick, Earl R
29 Hobbs, Mary C
29 Waltz, William
30 Harmon, Daphne Marie
30 Waller, Rendy
31 Mapa, Gene S
31 McAfee, Nelson B
31 Timpone, David



APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following prospective Candidate(s) have submitted applications for membership in Auburn Elks to become members:

Charles Terragno
Auburn
Proposer: Bryan Johnson

Kathryn Clemens
Penryn
Proposer: Carol VanNess

Walter Schmidt
Auburn
Proposer: Jimmy Mullenix

Dennis Kessiak
Foresthill
Proposer: Gary Kirk

John Eisenhut
Colfax
Proposer: Rich Miller from Lodge #1282

The above candidate(s) applications were sent to the investigation committee and will be balloted on Thursday Jan 12th while initiation is scheduled for Thursday Jan 26th



May this year be more promising than the year before! Spread the happiness all around you! It's Christmas! Merry Christmas to you and your family!

LODGE BYLAWS

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

A user name and password are required, and access through this link is restricted to Lodge members only. Members who don't yet have a password may register by giving their membership number and name to Grand Lodge online at: <http://www.elks.org/members/registration.cfm>

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LODGE CLEAN UP REMINDER

Please remember Lodge Cleanup on the 1st Wednesday each month at 9:00 am. The next one is on December 7th.

In November, we did some general cleanup inside & outside, cleaned and dusted bar area, dusted all fans, cleaned kitchen, cleaned & dusted windows, cleaned bar, vacuumed carpets cleaned coffee bar area, cleaned margarita machine, cleaned the bar stools and bar front and much, much more.

The Lodge would like to thank the members that worked in November, unfortunately the names weren't available at time of printing.

Turnout was NOT GOOD. We can use a lot more. PLEASE come out and give us a hand next time.

Dick Robart Lodge Cleanup Chair
530-906-1945 cell or text (NOTE I shut off our land line only use the cell number)
lib.dick.robart@gmail.com

POOL TOURNAMENT OCTOBER

Oct 5th

1st Roger Imsdahl
2nd Rick DeKnoop
3rd Mike Cosby
Attendees:
Nancy Cremarosa
Don Council
Ron Ruskauff



Oct 12th

1st Rick DeKnoop
2nd Bill Costa
3rd Nancy Cremarosa
Attendees:
Chuck Cooper
Roger Imsdahl
Mike Cosby

Elks Care - Elks Share

Oct 19th

1st Bill Costa
2nd Chuck Cooper
3rd Roger Imsdahl
Attendees:
Rick DeKnoop
Manny Martinez
Wayne Helley

Oct 26th

1st Roger Imsdahl
2nd Mike Cosby
3rd Chuck Cooper
Attendees:
Wayne Helley
Bill Costa

Shuffle Board Results for October

Oct 5th

1st place - Julie Pollock
2nd place - Sally Imsdahl
3rd place - Sue Kirk



Oct 12th

1st place - Barbara Hewitt/Maureen Borg
2nd place - Julie Pollock/Glenda Cooper

October 19th

1st place - Barbara Hewitt/Ellen Whitty
2nd place - Sally Imsdahl/Sue Kirk
3rd place - Maureen Borg/Mabel Schuettge

Oct 26th

1st place - Ellen Whitty/Kris Cosby
2nd place - Sally Imsdahl/Maureen Borg
3rd place - Mabel Schuettge/Sue Kirk

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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Sickness and Distress

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

Keep all the people in your thoughts and prayers.

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Fraternally,
Jim Darnell
Sickness & Distress & Good News
Lecturing Knight

FROM THE HOUSE COMMITTEE

As the current events of the world have impacted all of us in our personal lives, so has our Lodge been affected.

It is the responsibility of the House Committee to make sure that any events held at the Lodge will make and continue to make money to cover all the expenses related to that event. This includes food costs, correct ticket pricing, employee labor, and overhead for things like utilities and janitorial services.

Our Lodge has had events for our members to enjoy for many years, but the Lodge cannot survive without membership support, and we need the membership to attend our planned events. Simply put, our outside events cover most of our expenses but not all of them. With that said, we have a busy December with outside events, but once the first of the year arrives, we are back to the membership supporting the Lodge.

The House Committee voted to increase all outside event prices 40% across the board, which includes food costs, labor costs, Lodge rental, and overhead expenses. We will also be increasing our bar prices by \$1.00 for all drinks.

Unless participation increases for our Tuesday night events, we will have no choice but to discontinue this particular event. This decision will be effective January 1st unless membership participation picks up.

Most Sincerely,
The House Committee

Auburn Elks Lodge 1691 Scholarships for 2022-2023

This year there are two scholarships for seniors graduating in the Spring of 2023. The scholarship applications will be available beginning October 12, 2022.

Seniors must send an email requesting an application to James Harris at jnvtoad@att.net. Applicants must indicate for which scholarship they are applying. However, seniors can apply for both. Applicants will receive one or both applications by email.

WIL THOMAS EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

This is the fourth 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. It is offered to seniors who plan to attend a university, college, or vocational school in the Fall of 2023.

CLIFFORD LOOBY SCHOLARSHIP

This is the seventeenth year that the Looby Scholarship has been offered to graduating seniors planning to attend a university or college in the Fall of 2023. 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 jnvtoad@att.net. Again, applications will be available beginning October 12, 2022, and must be returned (POSTMARKED) by February 28, 2023.

Participants will receive the results of the competition in March 2023.

December 2022

SUN 27	MON 28	TUE 29	WED 30	THU Dec 1	FRI 2	SAT 3
		Rotary Lunch Meeting	● 11am Elks Lunch	Sirs ● 5:30pm Building Hall Meel	● 5pm Birthday Dinner	
● 9am Elks Brunch ● 12pm Elks Memorial Servic		Rotary Lunch Meeting ● 5pm Taco Tuesday	● 9am Lodge Cleanup ● 11am Elks Lunch	○ 4:30pm House Committee ● 5:30pm Cocktails ● 5:30pm Trustees Meeting ● 6:30pm Dinner ● 7:30pm Lodge Meeting		
11	12	Rotary Lunch Meeting ● 5pm Spaghetti Tuesday	● 11am Elks Lunch	15	16 Rooster Tails	17
● 4pm Christmas Buffet ● 4pm Silent Auction	19	Rotary Lunch Meeting ● 5pm Burger Madness	● 11am Elks Lunch	Lodge closed for Holidays	Lodge closed for the Holidays	24
25	26 Lodge closed for the Holidays	27 Lodge closed for the Holidays	28 Lodge closed for the Holidays	29 Lodge closed for the Holidays	30 Lodge closed for the Holidays	31

January 2023

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15	16	Rotary Lunch Meeting ● 5pm Burger Madness	● 11am Elks Lunch	19	20 Rooster Tails	21
22	23	Rotary Lunch Meeting ● 5pm Fish and Chips	● 11am Elks Lunch	● 4:30pm House Com. ● 5:30pm Cocktails ● 5:30pm Trustees Meeting ● 6:30pm Dinner ● 7:30pm Lodge Meeting	● 5pm Pizza & Spaghetti	28
29	30	Rotary Lunch Meeting	● 9am Lodge Cleanup ● 11am Elks Lunch	Sirs ● 5:30pm Building Hall Meel	● 5pm Birthday Dinner	4