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Holiday Veterans Meal 12/15



The Lodge will host our second annual Christmas dinner **FREE** for all Vets in the area.

Veterans, stop by the Lodge at 311 E. Maple for a free ticket, or call 546-2799 for reservations before Dec. 11th! (meal at new Lodge)

Elks Memorial Day, Sun. Dec. 6



Merry Christmas

Closed Friday, Dec. 25th

Elks BINGO

Cash Raffle & Pull Tabs

**Monday Night
3401 Raymond Reed**

Smokers welcome. Treats on the 21st. Door Prize on 28th. **RING RAFFLE, December 21st!**

**Early Bird: 6:30,
Regular Bingo 7.**
(every regular game minimum \$100), a winner-take-all game and a possible \$500 progressive call game. Doors open at 6.

Kids Christmas Party

Saturday, December 19th, 2 pm at the new Lodge

Open to kids and grandkids of members

Sign up at the Lodge. Free gift, Santa, and snacks. Hosted by Trine Rodriguez.



There will be Karaoke

New Year's Eve Parties

4 pm-1 am 12/31/09

3401 Raymond Reed

Snacks all Day!

Early Party \$5 donation for 5 pm New Year's toast, includes champagne and party favors.

Late Party There will be a buffet at 9 pm with brisket, potato salad, baked beans, roll and dessert. Cost is \$8 per person or \$15 per couple. Champagne and party favors included. Midnight toast.

Karaoke! BYOB Sign up at Lodge



Return Service Requested

**B.P.O. Elks #2799
Officers & Committee Heads**

Elected Lodge Officers

EXALTED RULER - Mike Hedrick
LEADING KNIGHT - Roxy Dubiskas PER
LOYAL KNIGHT - Harriet Kirich PER
LECTURING KNIGHT - Vacant
SECRETARY - Dave Johnson PER
TREASURER - Sue Cooper
TILER - Billy Baker

Appointed Lodge Officers

ESQUIRE - Vacant
INNER GUARD - Anna Enciso
CHAPLAIN - Stanley Reid
ORGANIST - Gene Logan

Board of Trustees

TRUSTEE 1 YR. (Chairman) - Fred Kent PER
TRUSTEE 2 YR. - Ollie Cooper
TRUSTEE 3 YR. - Bill Snell
TRUSTEE 4 YR. - Barb Schreiber
TRUSTEE 5 YR. - Rob Kirich

Committee Chairmen

AMERICANISM - Anna Enciso
CEREBRAL PALSY - Dave Johnson PER
C & B TRUST - Trine Rodriguez
ENF - Sue Cooper
VETERANS SERVICE - Don Burgess
LODGE ACTIVITIES - Marleen Kent
Pool Tournament: Ollie Cooper
Karaoke: Dave Johnson PER
YOUTH ACTIVITIES - Anna Enciso
HOOP SHOOT - Javier Gallosa
SOCCER SHOOT - Javier Gallosa
PER ASSOCIATION - Harriet Kirich PER
DRUG AWARENESS - Roxy Dubiskas PER
RITUAL - Dave Cummings PER
EDITOR/CYBER-ASST - Dave Johnson PER
MEMBERSHIP - Bill Snell
LAPSATION - Bill Snell
ADV. & PUBLICITY - Dave Johnson PER
BINGO MANAGER - Mike Hedrick
CLUB MANAGER - Phyllis Wheeler
BLDG.COMMITTEE - Ollie Cooper

Lodge Meetings 1st & 3rd Thursdays

at 7:30 pm (except July, Aug. & Dec.)

Instituted February 1, 1997



Secretary's Corner
From Dave Johnson PER

We were saddened by the loss of Life Member Don Wall during November. Our prayers go out to Evagene and the family. We will all miss Don.

We did bring in two members via transfer dimits. William E. Bryant transferred from Gresham, OR Lodge #1805, and Charles R. H. Pierson from Desert Hot Springs, CA #2639. With that, we show a gain of one member during November, up now to 212.

We have two candidates awaiting initiation. Herman E. Gentry III and Danny Harman were scheduled for initiation in November, but that has now been rescheduled for January.

Three candidates are awaiting investigation: Jack O. Brown proposed by Fred Kent, and Ebony Zamora and Raul Devora, both proposed by Mike Hedrick. We hope to have a report at the December meeting. Speaking of which, per bylaws there is only ONE meeting in December on the 1st Thursday, or December 3rd. There will be no initiation this month.

We have made some progress on our delinquent members, and are now down to 27 who have not paid. If we continue the current pace, we will end the year with a **net loss**. Please encourage these folks to pay, and propose new members to our Order. Help our Lodge at least maintain the 195 we started the year with.

We have a lot of activities this month. We begin with the Memorial Day Service on December 6th, continue with the FREE veteran's meal on the 15th, Kids Christmas Party on the 19th, and the New Year's Party on the 31st. Check for details in this newsletter. Merry Christmas!



Ring Raffle

We will raffle off a \$2600 Gold and Diamond Ring at Elks Bingo on Dec. 21st.

Tickets: \$10 at the Lodge or Bingo.

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Member Comments

From Harold Hood

There were some very good points brought up by the officers in the November bulletin. However, I feel that there is a need for some comments from the ranks. In general, the comments about people attending the meetings I offer the following.

There have been some issues about the new building. What I heard personally, and through the grapevine on a couple of occasions was basically those things have been decided so don't hold your breath.

With all due respect to those who DO the meetings, they are extremely boring. I usually go when I have a good reason to attend and sleep thru most of it.

It is all well and good to tell people that they should attend the meetings. Well, how about the two functions in October that the ER didn't attend?

(Editor's Note: Decisions are made at meetings, not social events. While we encourage attendance at social events, the meetings are way more important.)

Bingo Committee

From Dave Johnson PER—Asst. Manager

Time is running out. The drawing for the \$2600 gold and diamond ring is this month. We will be drawing on Monday, December 21st. Tickets are still available, and can be purchased at the Lodge or any Monday during Bingo. This is a major fundraiser for the Lodge, and ticket sales have been slow. 80% of the funds made go to the Building Fund, and 20% to charity. Support our Lodge. Tickets are just \$10 each.



ER Mike Hedrick represented the Elks at the annual Veteran's Day Ceremony at Veteran's Park on November 11th.

Bingo continues every Monday night at the new Lodge at 3401 Raymond Reed. This month, Roxy Dubiskas will have special treats for the players on December 21st for Christmas, the same night as the ring raffle. Also, there will be a door prize on the 28th. At least half our games pay \$125 or more, including a winner take all black-out, and a progressive call game worth \$500.

Doors open at 6 pm, Early Bird Bingo at 6:30, and regular Bingo at 7 pm. Come out and try your luck.

From everyone at Elks Bingo, have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Elks Halloween Party: It was a fun filled evening with a costume and karaoke contest. First place in the costume contest was Bar Manager Phyllis Wheeler and Ken Shull as Genie and Major Nelson. Second place went to Marleen Kent as the "black witch". In the kids competition, first place went to Garcia Gallosa as a skeleton. Thanks to Trine Rodriguez for chairing this event.



November Fist Fry Big Success! Over sixty meals were served on Nov. 14th. Roger and Trudy Bladow thank everyone that helped on this meal. Proceeds were split between ENF and the Building Fund.



From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We have a lot of activities scheduled this month, and we need your help! Our major event will be the FREE Veterans Meal on Tuesday, December 15th. The meal will be held at the new Lodge, and we will be using roasters and steam tables for service. Our first meeting will be on Tuesday, December 1st at 6:30 pm. If you can't make it, please give me a call and let me know that we can count on you, 543-8364. We will have additional meetings before the meal, so watch the white board at the Lodge.

We also have our annual Elks Memorial Day Service Sunday, December 6th. All officers are required to attend if at all possible. There is a special ritual, and Marleen Kent has promised us snacks and sandwiches. The ceremony will be at 2 pm.

Trine Rodriguez has agreed to chair the Kids Christmas Party on Saturday, December 19th at 2 pm. Santa will be there, and there will be gifts for the kids. Be sure to sign up in advance at the bar so we know how many kids and their ages.

By popular demand, we will have TWO New Year's Eve Parties, both at the new Lodge. There will be an early party with snacks, party favors and Champagne at 5 pm. Donation is \$5. Then we plan a brisket buffet at 9 pm that night, with a midnight toast. Again, party favors and champagne are included. Cost for the meal and late party will be \$8, or \$15 for a couple. Since we have not moved our liquor license, the party will be BYOB. Again, we are asking those planning to attend to sign up in advance at the bar.



Friday Noon Menu

12/4 Sausage Stew
12/11 Chili
12/18 Beef Stew
By Roger
Menu subject to change

The New Year's Eve Party is chaired by Dave Johnson. If you wish to help, you can contact him at 543-8600.

Associate Member Clarence Wagner has donated a lovely turquoise and diamond belt bucket and bolo valued at about \$1000. We will soon be planning a raffle, so keep watching for details. Thank you to Clarence, whose home Lodge is Albuquerque #461.

We also need to begin thinking about the DD Clinic in January. Deming will host the six Lodges in our District at the New Lodge. Get with us if you can help.

I would like to personally wish you and your family a Happy Holiday Season. May 2010 bring you success and prosperity. Also, with the Holiday season, remember that "Elks Care, Elks Share". Help those less fortunate. After all, that is what we are all about.

Merry Christmas.

Yours in Elksdom;
Mike Hedrick



November Pool Tournament Winners: 1st Place, Bob Bean. Second Place Lou Marvin. Next Tournament is 12/12.



Monthly Pool Tournament

Saturday, Dec. 12th at 2 pm. Double Elimination 8 Ball. Entry fee is \$5. Members and guests welcome
Food will be available

B.P.O. Elks #2799 Calendar of Events— Dec. 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	
6 Elks Memorial Day	7 Elks Bingo	8	9	10 Trustees Meeting	11	12 Monthly Pool Tournament
13	14 Elks Bingo	15 Veterans FREE Christmas Meal	16	17 Governing Board Meeting	18	19 Kids Christmas Party
20	21 Elks Bingo	22 Bingo Committee Meeting	23	24	25 Christmas Day	26
27	28 Elks Bingo	29	30	31 New Year's Eve Party		



12/10 Martha Johnson	12/22 Calvin Meits
12/11 Donald Balm	12/24 George Tobin
12/13 Kevin W. Slater	12/25 Vicky Nute
12/17 Robert Turner	12/29 Kenneth G. Sawyer
12/19 Connie Mills	12/20 Curt L. Russell
12/19 Donald M. Shearer	12/30 Bob Hudgens



12/03/09 Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm
Red Shirts. No initiation. One meeting only in December.

12/03/09 PER Association Meeting 7 pm
12/06/09 Elks Memorial Day
"To Our Absent Members": The Elks Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at 2 pm at the new Lodge. Light snacks will be served. The ceremony is open to the public.

12/07-14-21-28/09 Elks Bingo
Elks Bingo at 3401 Raymond Reed Blvd. Doors open at 6 pm.. Early Bird Bingo at 6:30, and Regular Bingo at 7 pm. More than half our games pay \$125 or more, plus a progressive call game with possible \$500 payout. Smokers are welcome. Treats on the 21 st, plus Ring raffle. Door Prize on the 28th. Open to the public.

12/10/09 Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm

12/12/09 Monthly Pool Tournament
Monthly Pool Tournament Double Elimination 8 Ball Tournament. Entry fee is \$5. No advance sign up needed. Tournament begins at 2 pm. Members and guests. Food will be available.

12/15/09 Veterans FREE Christmas Meal
Turkey, Ham, potatoes, stuffing. A traditional Holiday Meal. All Veterans are free. Guests are \$6 donation. Serving from 2-5 pm at the New Lodge, 3401 Raymond Reed. Pick up free tickets at the Elks.

12/17/09 Governing Board Meeting 6:30 pm
2 pm at the New Lodge. Gifts for kids and grandkids of Elks, plus Santa will be there. Hot dogs and snacks will be served. Sign up at the Lounge, or call 546-2799 and let us know who will attend. There will be karaoke

12/22/09 Bingo Committee Meeting 6:30 pm

12/25/09 Christmas Day- Lodge Closed.

12/31/09 New Year's Eve Party
There will be two parties. The new Lodge opens at 4 pm. Snacks will be served all day. Toast at 5 pm includes champagne & party favors for \$5. Late party includes buffet at 9 pm, champagne & party favors. \$8 per person or \$15 a couple. BYOB. Karaoke.

In Memoriam: The Lodge expresses its sorrow over the loss of longtime Life member Donald E. Wall who passed away on the November 13th. A Lodge of Sorrow was held on the 19th.

Sickness & Distress: Bobby Kirich, husband of Loyal Knight Harriet Kirich PER, was back in Tucson for his detached retina and later in the month was diagnosed with gal stones. Lois Caulfield traveled to Washington State to visit her grandson who was sick with the H1N1 flu. Charlotte House reported that Curt and Deena Russell have really bad colds. Jo Ann Snell reported that Bill Snell had another setback, and is again having problems breathing.

Visiting Elks: 11/01 Don & Nita Derricott, #1952 Garden Grove, CA; 11/03 Ryan Anderson, #1795 Polson, MT; 11/03 Bob Titmus, #2751 Crossville, TN; 11/03 Ron & Sandy Emerson, #228 Spokane, WA; 11/07 Leslie Whalton, #2532 Tucson East, AZ; 11/14 Bob Fitzgerald, #1437 Tillamook, OR; 11/17 Liz Calhoun, #90 Pueblo, CO; 11/18 Richard Watts, #1895 Pompton Lakes, NJ; 11/18 T. J. Carsey, #2641 Oceano, CA; 11/18 Al White, #2472 Keizer, OR; 11/19 Michael Thomas, #1737 Newport Beach, MT; 11/21 Maxine Nix, #2426 Jackson, CA; 11/27 Joe & Carol Johann Arvador, #2278 Penrose, CO; 11/28 Richard Laughrin, #1420 Brawley, CA



Notes from the Club

From Trine Rodriguez

I would like to start off by saying "Thank you" to all of our bartenders who have been working very hard to cover the bar for me. I truly, truly appreciate it! In this day and age it is very hard to find such wonderful friends. Thank you for doing all that you do. We are in desperate need for some more bartenders to help so that some can take a break and rest. I would greatly appreciate anyone who would be interested in helping out. All you would need is to volunteer for one or two days. Also, I would like to add, you may volunteer without a license for up to thirty days. I hope some of you may find it in your hearts to help. I would surely love to work with you. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Kids Christmas Party, Dec. 19

Building Report

From Trustee Ollie Cooper— Bldg. Chairman

Good morning everyone. I hope you all had a good turkey day. We did, LOL. We went to Cruces to our daughters for dinner, with turkey and dressing, pea salad, mashed potatoes and gravy, topped off with pumpkin pie pecan pie, jello with fruit cocktail and whip cream. Enough of that I'm getting hungry. We have lights in the Lodge room and the kitchen circuit has been split off of the other ones and still throws the breaker. The electrician said it was the warmer doing it along with the microwave. We have scheduled to hang the doors next Tuesday, and then from there we go to the ceiling when money is available. The PER'S have donated money to paint all of the doors. We need to choose a color, and we will schedule a work day to paint soon. See you at the bar.

Lodge Lounge Hours

Mon-Fri 11:30 - 7; Sat-Sun 1 - 7

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