



WC Lodge #1811 Elketin

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Happy New Year!!

As I write this, we are preparing for a huge bash that is completely sold out! The Lodge room looks gorgeous and I

can't wait to party into the night. This will be my first event at the Lodge that goes past 11 and I'm looking forward to toasting with everyone at 11 and, of course, midnight.

I'm so proud that all of our upcoming events are full, sold out or almost so. In addition to the NYE party, the blood drive on December 30th is completely full, Crab Feed on Jan 29th has only a few spots left! As you read this it may even be sold out.

Membership is picking up again - we will be initiating several new members on the 26th and our Investigation committee is busy interviewing more. Don't wait to invite all your friends to join us, all of this excitement is the perfect time for them to see who we are and what we do.

The momentum we are building now will carry us through into 2022 and beyond. For that, we need our members to continue to step up. Please join a committee! In addition to the 2022-2023 corps of officers, we are looking for people to help with events and programs all year. Right now we are working on the Valentines Day dance and a Mardi Gras 5k as well as our Drug Awareness Program and the Americanism Essay Contest..

For the next Elk year we are already starting to plan for the Car Show and Haunted House, BOTH of which will be back in 2022! Please send an email to me or the lodge if you can help - we need people as soon as possible to make these events great again.

Even if you can't join a committee or become an officer, we would still love to see you all come out to the Lodge. As we continue to re-open and renew our community, it's important that we all come spend time together. While health and safety is still a major

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concern, I encourage everyone to get vaccinated and come on out. If you can't get vaccinated, we would still love to see you if you can do so safely. Come have a burger on a Thursday on the patio. You could even join a committee virtually!

That's enough of a sales pitch for today. If you haven't noticed over the last 7 months, I'm a big proponent of volunteerism. For me, it's the best way we can build our community; and that word, 'community', is why I'm a member. Giving a little of your time to build something lasting and bigger than yourself is the best way to live a long and happy life.

See you all soon under the Spreading Antlers of Protection...

Fraternally Yours,

916-764-0294 ER@elks1811.org

Elks Children and Grandchildren

Scholarships Available!

If you have a child or grandchild who is a senior in high school, they have until February 7th to apply for a \$4,000 scholarship from Elks National Foundation. The Application is on-line at WWW.Elks.org. Apply today!

~Denise Silva
Scholarship Chair

LODGE OFFICERS 2021-2022

Exalted Ruler:

Travis Ervin

Leading Knight:

Gerry Gouveia. PAVP

Loyal Knight:

Steve Glazier, PER

Lecturing Knight:

Jacklynn Roenspie

Esquire:

Cristina Candelori

Chaplain:

Denise Silva

Lodge Inner Guard:

Open

Lodge Tiler:

Open

Vocalist:

John Schafgans

Lodge Secretary:

Debbie Dew

Lodge Treasurer:

Open

Trustees:

1st Year Trustee:

Michael A. Silva, PDDGER

2nd Year Trustee:

William Todd

3rd Year Trustee:

Greg Okerman

4th Year Trustee:

Russ Kesler, PER

5th Year Trustee:

Eleanor Bolin-Chew

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Office Clerk: Jan Napora

NEW Office Hours:

Mon-Wed-Fri:
10am to 2pm

Lounge Open:

Mon/Thu/Fri:
4-7pm



From the Lodge Office: Welcome!
Happy New Year to all Elk members and their families!!

This is the time of year for resolutions. Let's do a few together:
1. Get out and come support this great, local Lodge of ours.
2. Pay your dues early or on time and I'll do my best to get your membership

card to you in a quick, timely manner.

3. Think of ideas and verbalize these ideas on fun social events to help draw participants.

4. Do good deeds for fellow citizens.

May God bless our Lodge and this community for a healthy and happy New Year!!!

Regards,
Debbie Dew, Lodge Secretary
925-935-1811



Office hours are:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday:
10am to 2pm. Please leave a message.

Purple Pig Donations

Anonymous \$ 28.62
Cristina Candelori \$ 3.00 (tips)

ENF Donations

Anonymous - \$5.00

Building Fund Donations

BBQ Raffle- \$250.00

See's CANDIES Yum-Raising

Thanks to your support, our annual fundraiser, the Purple Pig 1811 Shop from See's Candy Company raised a profit of \$198.85 for the Purple Pig.

Many members enjoyed yummy candy!

Thank you, for your support, Members!
Congratulations!



Purple Pig Contest



Be the member who brings in the Pig with the MOST MONEY in it and win a prize!

From 1/1/2022 to 1/15/2022, bring your stuffed pigs to the lodge secretary, Debbie Dew.

We will announce the winner on 1/16/2022. So let's stuff those Purple Pigs and get them to the Lodge.

In Memoriam



The clock of their days has stopped and across it's dial, the motionless shadow marks the hour of eleven. The faults of our members, we write upon the sands, their

virtues upon the Tablets of Love and Memory:

Dave Tullus, PER DOB 6/25/1942~ Initiated 1/22/1997
DOD 7/23/2021

Thomas Duffy DOB 07/17/1947 ~Initiated 09/11/2002
DOD 10/28/2021

Raymond Davies DOB 03/23/1988 ~ Initiated 3/23/1988
DOD 12/24/2020

**Giving blood doesn't require much time.
About an hour should do it.**

You can help save up to three lives in about an hour.
The need is ongoing but the supply is not.
Please give blood today.



Elks Lodge 1811 Blood Drive:
January 27th: 9am - 3pm

To Make an appointment, please visit red-crossblood.org,
enter 1811. Thank you for your support!
We need you!

Hearts at Home Veteran's Program

This month has been busy for our Hearts-at-Home Veterans Program. Michael and I were invited to the Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley's Christmas Dinner on December 2nd. There, they gave us \$1,000 in gas cards to help our volunteers with the cost of gas. Before the end of the night they awarded me their Volunteer of the Year Award. It was quite a surprise and honor. I'm pretty sure Mike Weber, an Elk from our lodge, one of my volunteers and also a member of the Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley put me up for this award. Thank you Mike.



The Elks Veterans Services District Chair, Vaughn Gates, asked all the Lodges in our District to

put together a couple of Welcome Home Kits for some veterans getting housing in a new complex in Stockton.

It's a 76 unit apartment complex that is allotting 30 of the units for Veterans in need of housing. We provided 4 kits for the project. We also just found out a new



complex in Pittsburg, will be having 19 homeless veterans moving in next month and they are asking us to help out with furniture and household goods. If anyone is getting new furniture or a new TV please call me to donate your old furniture or TV's. On the TV's we only take the flat screen type. Furniture must be in good condition with no stains or tears or pet damage. What we are looking for mostly are love seats, recliners, small kitchen tables and chairs, small TV stands, end tables, coffee tables, night stands, dressers and lamps. The Elks National allows us to spend up to \$300 per veteran to buy new bedding, towels, small kitchen appliances, dishes, etc. You can contact me at (925) 787-2478 or denise_silva@comcast.net.

Lastly, at one of the visitations, for entertainment for the non-member spouses they decorated wreaths for the veteran's. We have been passing them out to the vets when we take them furniture. We had enough that a few of them are on the walls of the lodge.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Silva
Hearts-at-Home Veterans Chair



WC ELKS CHAIRPERSONS: 2021-2022

Appointed Statutory Officials:

Presiding Justice: Douglas Fountain
Mediator: Gerry Gouveia, PER

Lodge Committee Chairpersons

2021-2022

Audit Chair/Accounting: Mike Mathers
Community Activities: Russ Kesler, PER
Lodge Activities: Jacklynn Roenspie
Americanism: Open
Government Relations: Ed Johnson, PDDGER
National Veterans Service: Vanessa Silva
Public Relations: Cristina M. Candelori
Grants Co-ordinator: Michael A Silva

LODGE OPERATIONS

Building and Grounds:
Michael A. Silva, PDDGER
Elketin: Cindy/Dan Gray
Safety/Accident Prevention:
Eleanor Bolin-Chew
Social Media: Cristina Candelori
Cyber: Travis Ervin: 916-764-0294
Bequests/Living Trusts:
Jacklynn Roenspie
Elks Nat'l Foundation:
Michael A. Silva, PDDGER
Jamboree: Gerry Gouveia PAVP
Major Pig Project: Gerry Gouveia, PAVP
Hospitality Manager: Chris Marquez
Landscape: Gary Buffo/Kimberly Everett

Burger Nights: Dan Gray

Taco Night: Bill Todd

Pasta Night: OPEN

Membership: OPEN

Investigation/Indoctrination/Orientation:

Michael A Silva, PDDGER

Ritual/Ritual Team Coaches:

Michael A Silva, PDDGER

Gerry Gouveia, PAVVP

Youth Activities: Mike Rittenhouse

Drug Awareness: Open

Hoop Shoot: Mike Rittenhouse

Scholarships: Denise Silva

Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts: Kurt Cornell

Car Show: Cristina Candelori

50th Annual Hoop Shoot Lodge Championships!

On Sunday, December 12th, 2021, the Walnut Creek Elks Lodge No. 1811 held the 2021-2022 Elks National Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest at the De La Salle High School gymnasium. A dedicated group of thirty five volunteers assured that the event moved along without a hitch. Several members of the National Charities League (NCL moms and daughters) and of the Boys Team Charities (BTC dads and sons) were amongst the vibrant volunteers for the contest.

One week later, on Sunday, December 19th, the top finishers in both the boys and girls divisions attended the tie-breaker shoot-offs and awards presentation ceremony, which also took place in the De La Salle H.S. gym. T-shirts, beautiful trophies and Elk's red, white and blue Hoop Shoot basketballs were presented to finalists and champions of this year's lodge championships. Our six champions will take their skills to the Central District (Listed below)



Championships on Saturday, January 22, 2022 at the Prescott Junior High School gym at 2243 W. Rumble Road, Modesto. This is the next step for our contestants in their dream quest of competing in the National Finals next April 30th, 2022 in Chicago, Illinois.

The Walnut Creek Elks No. 1811 has had a wonderful representation since 1998, securing 29 California Hawaii State Champions, ten National Finalists and one National Champion. The parents and children of our communities look forward to each year to another chance at the amazing "Hoop Shoot" experience! Special thanks to our wonderful volunteers who are responsible for building this enjoyable high-profile Elks program into a resounding success.

Fraternally,
Mike Rittenhouse, Chairman
Hoop Shoot!



BOYS

AGE - NAME - HOME - SHOTS

8/9 Chase Gavin -Walnut Creek
10/11 Jackson Ramirez- Clayton 22x25
12/13 Charlie Anzenberger-Walnut Creek

GIRLS

AGE - NAME - HOME - SHOTS

8/9 Arya Burton-Concord-12/25
10/11 Anika Vasisht-Orinda-11/25
12/13 Jenna Chan-Moraga-21x25



Join Us for Pasta Night!

Wednesday, January 26th

RSVP by Friday, January 21st

\$11.00/per person

Menu: TBD..watch for email.

As per CCC Health Orders:
Proof of Vaccination is REQUIRED for
ALL lodge events. To expedite your
entry, you can also send your proof of
vaccination to:

healthcheck@elks1811.org

**Thirsty
Thursday**

BURGER NIGHT

Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers: \$8.00,
Hot Links: \$7.00
Hot Dogs: \$6.00
Chili, Chips and Dessert are included.

BBQ at 5:30pm

Lounge Opens at 4pm

Join us! Dining inside or outside.

Proof of Vaccination required



We have an amazing team of members who volunteer to keep Burger Nights going. They have kept this event going for our lodge members and enabled it to grow. If you are interested in joining us, we are in need of more members to help with the bbq and/or buffet line.

Please contact:
Cindy or Dan Gray at 925-393-8440 or email:
cdat4gray@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us!



Join Us for
**Monday Night
Football**
in the Lounge!

Now is the time the games
are really interesting and
exciting!

Lounge Open: 4pm

VALENTINE PARTY Music by DJ Jeff

LOVE IS IN THE AIR
AND THE PRIME RIB IS RARE!
THE DJ IS HOT
SO GET READY TO TROT!

♥ AT 5:00 ♥

NO-HOST COCKTAILS
DRINK SPECIALS
APPETIZERS

♥ AT 7:00 ♥

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January 18th

Join Us!

There will be
GREAT FOOD
Delicious Margaritas
and fun with your friends!

Dinner at 5:30pm
RSVP's Required
Deadline: Jan. 13th
rsvp@elks1811.org

Dinner:
\$11.00/per person

Please Note: As per CCC Health Orders, we must ask for proof of vaccination when dining indoors. You need only do so once. We will try to keep track with our members as you visit our lodge. You can send in your Proof to: healthcheck@elks1811.org

JANUARY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Monday Night Football 4pm - 7pm	4	5	6 Burger Night BBQ-5:30pm Lounge Open: 4pm	7 Friday Night at the Lodge 4pm - 7pm	8
9	10 Monday Night Football 4pm - 7pm	11 House Meeting: 7pm	12 Lodge Meeting: 7pm	13 Burger Night- 5:30pm Lounge Open: 4pm	14 Friday Night at the Lodge 4pm - 7pm	15
16	17	18 Taco Night: 5:30pm	19	20 Burger Night: 5:30pm Lounge Open: 4pm	21 Friday Night at the Lodge 4pm - 7pm	22
23	24	25 Trustee Meeting: 7pm	26 Lodge Meeting: 7pm Initiation Pasta Night: 5:30pm	27 Burger Night: 5:30pm Lounge Open: 4pm Blood Drive: 9am - 3pm	28 Friday Night at the Lodge 4pm to 7pm	29 Crab Feed: Cocktails: 5:30pm Dinner: 6:30pm
30	31	UPCOMING EVENTS Valentine's Dinner Dance: Feb. 11th Super Bowl: Feb. 13th Elk of the Year Dinner: TBD Youth Activities Dinner: TBD Installation Dinner: TBD			WATCH FOR UPDATES sent from BPOE 1811 Emails	

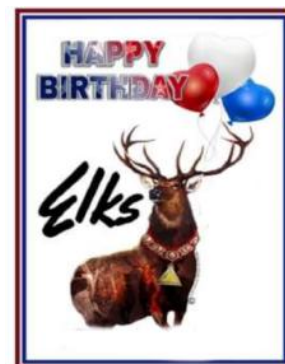
Stay informed! Monitor your lodge emails for latest updates, check your social media and review the calendar! Don't miss out....we have many events coming up!

January Elk Birthdays

Jan. 1st: Luigi Barberio
 Raoul Miranda
Jan. 3rd: Bud Bidleman
Jan. 5th: Edward Johnson
Jan. 6th: Louis Sandor
Jan. 8th: Rich Amaro
 Eric Erickson
Jan. 10th: Blake Brown
 James Cater
 Larry Schuh

Jan. 11th: Norma Shier
 David Skinner
Jan. 12th: Jacklynn Roenspie
 Richard Wade
Jan. 13th: Richard Savage
Jan. 16th: Jay Michael Croft
 Douglas Geis
Jan. 17th: Geraldine Carothers
Jan. 18th: Robert Day
 Dane Morton

Jan. 19th: Theresa Lawrence
Jan. 21st: Cedric Carlen
 Tammy Chan
Jan. 23rd: Robert Schneider
 Johnny Wood
Jan. 25th: Robert Smith
Jan. 26th: Gary Silva
Jan. 27th: David Difusco
 Larry Shields
Jan. 28th: David Hupp





Support Bradford "Brad" Smith

For CHEA President 2022-2023

One week in Las Vegas at Time Share
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 1 for \$20 donation or 3 for \$40

Drawing at CHEA Convention in May

Need not be present to win one year to use it, you choose the date



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 Call Denise or Michael Silva for Tickets, 925-787-2478 or 925-250-8066



Each lodge in the District is having a fundraiser to help Brad from Modesto Lodge pay for the expenses of being the California-Hawaii Elks Association President. The required travel as President costs about \$65,000 for the year. They have to travel to all 19 districts in California and Hawaii. Michael and Denise Silva are donating a week of their time share in Vegas as our WC 1811 Lodges fundraiser. Come to Burger Night to purchase tickets or contact the Lodge Office and leave a message with your name and contact number to purchase tickets.

We have many events that could use your support. Please contact the members below to help.

Hearts at Home program: Denise Silva: denise_silva@comcast.net or 925-787-2478

Taco Night: Bill Todd: 925-413-1544 (once a month)

Burger Night: Dan/Cindy Gray: cdata4gray@gmail.com (each Thursday night)

Lounge/Bartender: Chris Marquez, Facilities Manager: 925-385-3260

Elketin: Cindy Gray: cdata4gray@gmail.com (once a month)

Car Show: Cristina Candelori: ccandelori@comcast.net

Special Events: Travis Ervin, ER: BPOE1811@gmail.com

WALNUT CREEK ELKS LODGE

All You Can Eat



Crab Feed

Saturday, January 29th

Cocktails - 5:30 p.m. Dinner - 6:30 p.m.

RSVP's are almost full.
 Please call for availability
 925-935-1811

RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED

Steak available as option instead of crab..
no surf and turf allowed.

As per CCC Health Dept:
 Proof of Vaccination is Required for entry. No Exceptions. Please ensure your guests are informed.

Seating will be assigned. If you want to sit with a particular group of people, let us know at the time of your reservation.

1475 CREEKSIDE DRIVE, WALNUT CREEK, CA 94596

If you are choosing the Steak option and have already paid for your RSVP, please email your preference to us with the name on the paid rsvp before Jan. 20th.

Raffle Prizes Needed!

This is part of the fun of the Crab Feed! Please leave donations in Office, labeled for the Crab Feed. Contact Gerry Gouveia if you have questions: 925-935-1811



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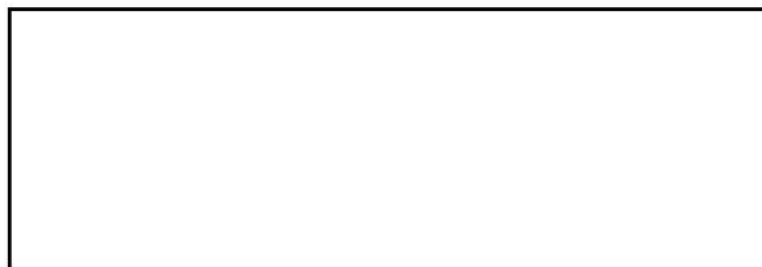
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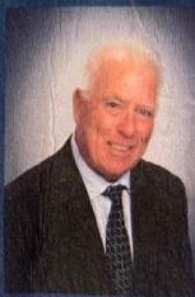


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