

The Bull Elk

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Exalted Ruler's Message

Greetings Brothers and Sisters.



The hot days of July are upon us. Thank goodness that the heat has been tolerable. We held our Flag Day ceremony on June 11th 2023. It was a beautiful ceremony with State Representative and sister Elk, Gail Griffin, Mayor Clea McCaa II and our honored keynote speaker Colonel Stephen Bynum in attendance. I want to thank our officers for a job well done. Thank you to Lodge Tiler and PER, Rick Davis for the Impressive articulation of our Flag's history. To Scout

Troop 444 for the magnificent display of our flags throughout our history and thank you to Esteemed Leading Knight Gail Eaton for her interpretation of the Response. Thank you to our members for their support and devotion. We had over 85 people in attendance and received many compliments on our ceremony and for our organization paying tribute to our country's flag.

Our Veterans Committee put on an amazing BBQ following the ceremony for all to enjoy with hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, potato salad (thank you Linda Smith) and soda. Gratitude goes out to Ed Stone, Vets Committee Chairman and master griller, Ben Granado, Cheryl Stone, Gail Eaton, House Committee Chairman Mike Martin, Rick Davis, Linda, and Tom Smith. You all are amazing Elks. We sold well over 75 meals.

Our meals continue to provide a welcoming atmosphere for all to enjoy. We've had many visitors to our Lodge, and they have enjoyed our south district hospitality. After all we are the friendliest Lodge in the south district. Remember we are all ambassadors of Elkdom.

A great big thank you to Buildings and Grounds Chairman, Paul Tanney, and the rest of the volunteer committee members for the beautiful work they have done painting our building. Your hard work and dedication do not go unnoticed. It looks fantastic!

Rick and I will be headed to Minneapolis, MN for the Grand Lodge Convention. We will be leaving on July 1st, 2023, and return on July 5th, 2023. From the itinerary provided I will be quite busy with meetings and banquets. I'm looking forward to the convention and meeting with members of all the Lodges of the United States.

The upcoming months will see us busy as ever. Some of the events to look forward to are the Lodge picnic and the Yard Sale. Keep watching the Bull Elk for more information about these and further events.

In closing I would like to say that as the weather gets hotter our desert gets drier and fires are devastating. Protect yourselves and your loved ones and stay hydrated. God first.

Fraternally,

Laura S. Davis Exalted Ruler



Membership News

New Members

John Hammonds Jr.
Peggy Hammonds
Karla Marvin
Lawrence Wakefield

By Transfer

John Brock



In Memoriam



Announcing the Deaths of our Members

"We shall meet, but we shall miss them, there will be a vacant Chair"

John Bender Member # 2770

Ruth Ann Huston Member # 3813



Donald Lesemann	04
Robert Gwardzinski	07
James "Gordon" Keller	07
Brian Jacks	08
Sandi Koloske	08
Lisa Scudder	08
Robert Conte	09
Nord "Kip" Johnson	09
Johnny Leslie	09
Russ Madden	09
Larry Singer	09
Joshua Gibson	11
Lamont "Monty" Kotila	12
Steve Ferguson	14
James Denman	15
William Morris	15
Vincent Kopec	16
Gunnar Roberts	17
Sharon Shinn-Smith	17
Michael Simon	17
Laurie Alexander	19
James "Jim" Blain	19
David Dean	19
Michael Zehr	20
Thomas Smith	21
E Jean Post	22
Dennis Kunkel	23
GL Boland	25
Rene "Art" Genesta	25
Donald Wolff	25
John Doyle	26
Kate Billings	27
Glynn "Cody" Ryan Jr	28
Cheryl Stone	28
Karen Brown	29
Kathy Crismore	29
Cynthia "Sue" Field	29
Robert Henley	29
Renee Concodora	30
Wilma Hinzman	30
Lyle "Leo" Baker	31
Harry Hicks	31

Lodge Officers 2022-2023*

Auxiliary 2023-2024

Exalted Ruler: Laura S. Davis Leading Knight: Gail Z. Eaton Loyal Knight: Cheryl Stone Lecturing Knight: Mike Martin Secretary: Barry "Bear" Carlile, PER

Treasurer: Diahn Conte Esquire: Eric Hibdon Chaplain: Jennifer Harman Inner Guard: Tom Smith Tiler: Rick Davis, PER

Organist: Trustees:

(1yr) Al Camacho, PER (2yr) David Drouillard (3yr) Ben Granado President: Renee Concodora, PER 1st Vice President: Maureen Concodora 2nd Vice President: Sally Applegate

Treasurer: Clem Concodora

Recording & Corresponding: Vacant

Parliamentarian: Vacant Chaplain: Roger Snyder

Sergeant-at-Arms: Robert Applegate, PER

Member-at-Large: Roger Snyder Member-at-Large: Sally Snyder





Affiliated PERs have transferred in as Members of our Lodge

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*L.E. Williams Feb-Mar 1958		*Edward Fenske	81-82	Susan Krausman	01-02
*Harold Clark 58-59		*William Bess Jr 82-83		PDDGER 13-14	
*Joseph Rustin 59-60; 61-62		*John Hall	83-84	*Thomas Ellery	02-03
*Elmer Retzlaff	60-61	*James Mealy	84-85	John Fernandez	03-04
*Hans Christensen	62-63	Homer Sylvers Jr.	85-86	Harry Brown	04-05
*Samuel Giacobbi	63-64	PDDGER 91-92		David Dean	05-06; 20-21
PDDGE	R 66-67	PSP 08-09		PDDGER 19-20	
*Henry Appel	64-65	*Martin Bauman	86-87	*Louis Mathern Jr.	06-07
*Lynott "Bill" Nevelle	65-66	*William "Bill" Depew	87-88	*Robert Gross	07-08
PDDGE	R 74-75	PDDGE	R 96-97	Addie Lee Swearengin	08-09
PSP	84-85	*Peter Gillespie	88-89	Ken Adams	09-10
James Malony	66-67	PDDGE	R 93-94	PDDGE	R 21-22
Robert Aguiler	67-68	PSP	04-05	Dianna Adams	10-11
*Louis Vidlak	68-69	*Gerald "Skip" McDoug	gal 89-90	PDDGE	R 17-18
*Carlas Rawls	69-70	*Edward Holmes	90-91	*Lawrence "Dutch" Bo	wen 11-12
*William Dwyer	70-71	*Ray Webster	91-92	Robert Hart	12-13
*W.E. "Pappy" Rogers	71-72		R 00-01	Michael Ellingson	13-14
PDDGE	R 76-77	James "Jimm" Krausman 91-92; 15-16		Shirley Dixon	14-15
*Fred Craven	72-73	PDDGER 05-06		Barry "Bear" Carlile Jr.	16-17
*George Reed	73-74	*Wayne McNeal	93-94	Richard "Rick" Davis	17-18
*Robert Bennett	74-75	*Melvin Wood	94-95	Kenneth "Ken" Todd	18-19
Alan Van Brocklen	75-76	Larry Colby	95-96	Renee Concodora	19-20
*James McPhail	76-77	*Domenick Lombardini	96-97	Robert Applegate	20-21
*Paul Lawrence	77-78	James Geyer	97-98	Shawnee A. Carlile	22-23
Frank Abernathy	78-79	*CW Dale Manios	98-99		
*Charles Shinn	79-80	Al Camacho	99-00		
J.T. Hougham	80-81	Glynn "Cody" Ryan	00-01		
		Affiliated Past Exa	alted Rulers		
*Charles "Chuck" Milk 56-57		*Donald Foster	72-73	David Lambert	09-10
	R 84-85	PDDGER 82-83		*Gerald Pollard	10-11
PSP		Vernon Appelt	73-74	Robin Zimmerman	11-12
				Robert "Bob" Pascoe	12-13
*Gus Kambouris	68-69	*Donald Kastner	81-82	David Zimmerman	13-14
50 m/st (200 pt 200 pt)	R 80-81	*Jack Haston	82-83	Lawrence Blaha	15-16
*Paul Adams	70-71	Jack Cooke	85-86	Tim McKean	20-21
PSP		*James Twineham	88-89		
Richard "Dick" Seals	71-72	*Dale McDaniel James Liles	01-02		
Richard Dick Seals	PDDGER 07-08		04-05		

*=Absent Member

From the Desk of the Secretary



With the Third month of the Year past us, reminder, the Lodge has only one meeting in the Months of July and August on the 4th Tuesday of the Month.

I would also like to remind the committees that do events that I need the Charitable Data for every event that is conducted, this includes meetings. This will allow us to keep our charitable workbooks up to date and the Grand Lodge from bothering us for information. If any of the Committee chairs are not sure what information I will need please come see me in the Office and I will get you what will be needed. I thank you for this in advance. The office hours will continue to be Fridays they are 1000am

to 2pm. If anyone is not able to come between the posted hours please just coordinate with me and we can work something out. Or you can leave a message by calling 520-458-2065 and I will get back to you.

If any member is not receiving emails or the Bull Elk through email please come see me and we will make sure your

Applications to be read on the Floor: 0

Applications with Investigation Committee: 2

Candidates to be Initiation: 0

Transfer In: 0 Transfer Out: 0 Reinstatement: 0

Total Membership: 426 Total Delinquents: 115 email address is up to date or send me an email and let me know. If you have moved recently or gotten a new phone number please let me know or email me with the changes so we can keep our records up to date.

We currently have 115 delinquent members in our Lodge which is a 27.64% lapsation rate; our goal is to get it below 2%. If you have not paid your dues as of yet, please do to help reach our goal.

Have a great 4th of July.

If you have any questions or concerns, please come see me in the office or email me at bpoe2065@arizonaelks.org.Fraternally,

Barry "Bear" Carlile Jr., PER Lodge Secretary

Lecturing Knight's Corner



Greetings Brother and Sister Elks,

My name is Mike Martin and I am the Esteemed Lecturing Knight for the Fraternal Elk year 2023-24. I am excited to be part of a team that will do great things this year as we progress through the days and I continue to learn and grow as an Elk all the more.

A little about me if you don't already know me, among the many, many hats I seem to wear I am the Cub Master of Pack 444 which meets in our lodge. Many of you have seen the Scouts and Cub Scouts and several of the activities we put on like the Pinewood Derby races and all the cheering rowdy adults and children alike learning the ways of comradery and scout spirit. I am a grandfather of 6 with number 7 on the way I just learned and I spend My daytime hours babysitting from 3 to 6 of them pretty much every day after which I am seen speeding around our lodge as the House Committee Chair getting the numerous tasks I must get done under that hat, to include being one of the volunteer bartenders, or perhaps I am focused on getting a meal prepared and out onto the tables for all to enjoy. I think I may finally have gotten the cot, pillow, and blanket in My office broken in all nice and comfy now that I feel like I am in the Lodge nearly as much and as often as our secretary and treasurers are on their timelines.

So this coming year I will be setting up and arranging all the details about our annual lodge picnic which will be in August and since its still usually nice and toasty warm outside we will have it indoors again in the lodge room and this years format will be celebrating football since it seems that the yearly fantasy football happenings are in the immediate vicinity of our picnic date. And then of course I am always there to help make most of our other lodge events happen by aiding whomever is coordinating each event. I am still growing and learning so much about our Elk world and ways and yet it seems like i have been part of and seen so very much already in the 2 years I have been a part of it all. Picnics, Meals, Dinners, Balls, Rituals and Ritual team competitions at District and State 2 times already and all the FUNdraisers we do to benefit so many people, its all a whirlwind but also feels so good helping those in need.

I look forward to all the coming days of our year and meeting and working with everyone.

Mike Martin

2023 Annual Flag Day Ceremony

On Sunday, 11 June 2023, our Lodge hosted our Annual Flag Day ceremony, which was followed by Veterans Committee hosted BBQ.

























2023 Project Graduation

On 25 May 2023 our Lodge Project Graduations Volunteers came out in force to host our Project Graduation Bingo for the Graduates.













Veterans Committee News

The Veteran's Committee is not slowing down any time soon..

We had a very busy month that started with our spaghetti dinner on the 7th of June. Steve had surgery and Laura and Rick stepped up again to made the spaghetti dinner. It seems like they know what they are doing as not a person left hungry and nothing was left over. Everybody came forward to help and when we say, "we have your back," this is how we do it. We had a slower night where we sold 35 meals, but this is no surprise as we are coming into our summer months and a lot of people will be taking time away.

With the assistance from Linda Smith, an expert at her organizational skills, we conducted our first inventory on the Veteran's shed. We have a lot of throw blankets, crocheted blankets, socks, backpacks, and other items. This is helpful as we get ready for our next big event which is the Veteran's Stand Down Day which will be held on the 18th of August at the Ethal Burger Center which is next to the library. Once I find out more information, I will let you know.

The Elk's Lodge held their Flag Day Ceremony on the 11th of June. We had the distinct honor to have COL Bynum from Fort Huachuca USAICoE G3 as the guest speaker. The Veteran's group put together a great BBQ meal with burgers, hot dogs, potato salad, coleslaw, and a variety of deserts. This was a huge hit as 62 people attended the event with 31 of them were Elk's members. Ben Granado and myself were busy cooking on the grill with Tom Smith and others were busy taking care of the people inside of the lodge. This was not just a great day for the Veteran's Group, but for the Elk's Lodge as a whole.

We had our Veteran's meeting on the 17th of June where we talked about asking the Warrior Healing Center and DAV to attend one of our meetings. It is very important to reach out to these other organizations and see how we can partner up with them in helping taking care of the veterans within our community.

Our next meeting will be on the 21th of June at 5:30 pm where we will start working on the next projects for the Veteran's Committee and see if there are other ways we can help the community.

As I have mentioned before, many hands makes light work. This is evident with our Veteran's Group and what we all have accomplished just this month alone. It is a true pleasure to be a member of this awesome group, for what we have accomplished so far, and what the rest of this year will bring.

Ed Stone Veteran's Committee Chairperson (½ of Ed Squared)

Annual Yard Sale News

Greetings from the Leading Knight! It is that time of year for scrounging up whatever you can find to donate to the yard sale in September. I am discouraging clothes this year but will take anything else that is sellable. Pick up is available if you just contact me. I would also appreciate volunteers on Friday and Saturday to prep and assist in the sales. A sign up sheet will be available soon so I know that we will have enough help to actually pull this off. There will be music, fun and food for those who volunteer! More details later. The date is September 9.



Date: Saturday, 9 September 2023

Time: 8:00am-12:00pm

Location: Outside at the Ramada

1 Elks Lane -Sierra Vista, AZ

Come on down to the Yard Sale Event of the Year. You can find just about anything at the Sierra Vista Elks Yard Sale.

All proceeds will benefit our Annual Children's Charity Account

Submitted by Gail Eaton

PER-spective

Happy 4th of July Most Awesome Elks Family,

Our Association is moving right along and we have raised just over \$1000 this Elk Year for our Scholarships, and charitable works fund. Thank you to all that supported our last pulled pork sandwich dinner.

We will not be hosting a dinner for July 2023, but will decide on an August Meal at our next PER meeting. Possible options will be a salad bar, or sandwich bar. More details will follow in the August Bull Elk and through the Lodge emails.

Enjoy this wonderful 4th of July Holiday and God Bless America!

Fraternally,

Shawnee Carlile PER

Auxiliary News



Hello everybody, I hope you are all doing well and feeling excited about the activities planned to get everyone out and socializing! Flag Day was another great turnout, thank you Veterans Committee for a great meal. Stay tuned for more good times. On July 26, the fourth Wednesday, the Auxiliary will hold its' annual Back to School Salad Dinner. Homemade salads for dinner, cost will be donations of foods for Peaches Pantry and School Items for the kids to get back to the classrooms. You can reach me anytime at 520-220-2041.

Happy Birthday to: David Dean 7/19; Wilma Hinzman 7/30; Renee Concodora 7/30.

Stay cool and enjoy your summer. I hope to see you soon around the lodge.

Renee Concodora, Auxiliary President

July 26, 2023 5:00 pm Social room

House Committee News

Greetings and Salivations brother and sister elks,

Your House is as always super busy and looking for new (old but new to this year at least) ways to keep things going and better serve you the membership that is truly the life blood of our efforts.

To that end summer is upon us (winter as some would call our slow season) but we are pressing on. Last month we held our first, in a long time, Saturday lunch meal and I want to thank everyone that turned out for it and helped make it be even better than I had hoped for, and with the better than expected success of it we will rinse and repeat it again this hot July month.

We will have our usual 3 dinners to include the ever popular Fish Fry, Chimichangas, and a 3rd meal still in planning but we will also host 2 more Saturday lunch's on the 1st and 15th of the month from 1pm - 3pm. These 2 lunch's will feature Chili Dogs, Homemade pizza's with you choosing your own toppings from the available selection, and on the 1st it will also include Meatball subs. These lunches will come with chips and a desert of the day.

A thank you to our members for being patient with our volunteer bartenders as they deal with the troublesome POS system and still serve up those refreshingly cold beverages. The search is still on for a replacement system and is going well. We should soon be over the worst part soon but in the meantime please remember that our volunteer member bartenders are doing their level best.

Come in and see us in the comfort and cool of the social room and have a great summer.

Mike Martin House Committee Chair 1st and 3rd Saturday Lunch from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Enjoy pizza for \$5.00, plus hotdogs/chili dogs and specials.



BINGO

Thursday Evenings: 6:30pm Friday Mornings: 10:30am Featuring Meals from the House Café Menu



Shuffleboard

Thursdays at 5:00pm Saturdays– Check with Leo Baker



Saturday Card Games—Check with Leo Baker

Queen of Heart Fridays at 6:15pm



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> NEXT BULL ELK DEADLINE

> > 19 July 2023

1st Place Division 4 Newsletter Award

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JULY 2023

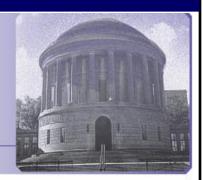
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AUGUST 2023

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Grand Lodge News





Elks Care - Elks Share

Continue Promoting Elkdom With Enthusiasm

It is hard to believe that July is here already. A year ago, Helen and I embarked on an incredible journey in representing all of you as your Grand Exalted Ruler and First Lady. I can honestly say that this was something that we never envisioned, but we're so very glad to have been given this tremendous opportunity.

The commitment and care that we witnessed in each Lodge in each state throughout our travels was truly remarkable. Each of you has been a source of inspiration to your Lodge and your community through your involvement with the programs of our great Order. We saw you warmly and heartily "Promoting Elkdom with Enthusiasm." Every state promoted your Lodge and to our Order. our program. We developed a renewed sense of pride in each and every state. Members and friends as well as renew



Message from the Grand **Exalted Ruler** BRUCE A.

We saw Members working together; smiles on the children; the fruits and rewards of hard work of our youth as they received a scholarship; a proud thank you from our veterans; and an utmost sense of patriotism and loyalty to our nation's flag. We cannot express our gratitude for your fine work and continued growth to

It was enlightening to meet new

time with old friends. Please continue to ask that relative or friend to join you in becoming a Member of this great Order. It was fantastic to spend time at state conventions, youth camps, Major Project events, veterans' ceremonies, flag celebrations, and much, much more. The Elks we met reminded us that we indeed have a huge family out there.

Helen and I promise to continue to serve you as we move forward into this next Elks year and for many more. We will continue in "Promoting Elkdom with Enthusiasm" as we know that you will too. We absolutely look forward to serving this organization and the people who we love and enjoy: You, the Elks!

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GRAND LODGE FRATERNAL COMMITTEE

Finalists named for All-American Lodge

By SANDRA C. BRANTNER

Committee Member

ended but the great charitable works of Eveleth, MN No. 1161 our Lodges never end.

This past year, 229 Lodges from 38 Kearney, NE No. 984 State Associations were forwarded to Middletown, NJ No. 2179 me to be judged in the Contest 'A' - All Provo, UT No. 849 American Lodge Contest.

Here are the top 10 in each division Salem, IL No. 1678 in alphabetical order.

Division IV (301-450 Members)

Calvert, MD No. 2620 The 2022-2023 fraternal year has East Stroudsburg, PA No. 319 Gilroy, CA No. 1567

Putnam, CT No. 574

Sierra Vista, AZ No. 2065

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We look forward to this convention in Minneapolis. It will be a fun and exciting time. Together we can, we do, and we will continue to make a difference in our Lodges and in our communities.

God bless all of you, God bless our troops, past and present, and most of all, God bless America.

AEMP Chairperson wanted. If interested please contract our **Exalted Ruler Laura S. Davis** or leave a note in the ER box at the Lodge.

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