

Instituted: Nov. 8, 1891 Over 100 Years and Still Going Strong Our 128th Year

March 2020

<u>Vol. 128 No.12</u>

Stockton Elks Lodge #218 Of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks

Cordially invites you to the 129th Installation of Officers

"Get Involved, Stay Involved"

Saturday March 21, 2020

Honoring Exalted Ruler Elect Rob Law And his Corps of Officers for 2020-2021

\$16 per person

11:00 am Installation 12:00 pm Cocktails 1:00pm Lunch

Dressy Casual

Menu: Chicken Scaloppini with Lemon Parmesan Fettuccini, Roasted Vegetables, Antipasto Salad, Rosemary Focaccia and Dessert.

Officers Being Installed:

Leading Knight: Melissa Griffith Loyal Knight: Scott Onweiler Lecturing Knight: Guy Reynolds Secretary: Penny Knapp Treasurer: Don Sweeney Tiler: Anita Garcia 5 yr Trustee: PER Nancy Steinberg Esquire: PER Carol Carson Inner Guard: Rose Sivils Chaplain: PER Valerie Edwards

Installing Officers:

Grand Exalted Ruler - PDDGER Frank Chicago

Grand Leading Knight: PDDGER Fred Bianchini Grand Lecturing Knight: PER Nancy Steinburg Grand Treasurer: PER Brett Nesin Grand Esquire: PER Rod Clark Grand Inner Guard: PER Carol Carson Grand Loyal Knight: PER Peter Ospital, Jr. Grand Secretary: PER Valerie Edwards Grand Tiler: PER Carol Carson Grand Chaplain: PER Rebecca Hammermann Grand Trustee: PER Brett Nesin

Reservations Required Call Office for Reservations by March 17, 2020 209-951-5026

Officers of Stockton Lodge

Sue Dotson

Melissa Griffith

Penny Knapp

Don Sweeney Anita Garcia

Scott Onweiler

John Areola Jr.

Vacant

PER Brett Nesin

PER Valerie Edwards

Rob Law

Exalted Ruler Leading Knight Loyal Knight Lecturing Knight Secretary Treasurer Tiler Chaplain Esquire Inner Guard Organist

Trustees

1st year 2nd year 3rd year 4th year 5th year

Patti Griffin John Van Huystee PDDGER Fred Bianchini Dave Farley Marian Norris

Committees

Accident Prevention Auditing **Business Practices Community Activities** Chimes Newsletter Elks National Foundation Elks Training Dictionary Lodge Activities Scholarships

Americanism

Mothers Day Flag Day

Major Project/BLT Government Relations Memorial Day

PER Association President Public Relations Ritual Coach Membership/Lapsation Orientation

Jamboree Representative Youth Activities Veterans Drug Awareness Hoop Shoot Boy Scouts Investigating

Marian Norris PER Brett Nesin Don Sweeney Vacant Deborah Soares Penny Knapp PER Valerie Edwards Barbara Tankerslev Marilyn Glaser/Virginia Hudson

Linnea Olsen/Judy Columbro/Helen Click PER Brett Nesin PER Brett Nesin/Patti Griffin Rob Law Penny Knapp PER Brett Nesin/Patti Griffin PER Carol Carson Sally Law PER Brett Nesin Penny Knapp PER Brett Nesin/PER Valerie Edwards ER Sue Dotson Vacant Scott Onweiler Connie Revay Vacant Rob Law PER Rebecca Hammermann/ Anita Garcia/ Dave Farley

MEMBERSHIP SCORE BOX

Membership as of April 1, 2019	781
Initiated	94
Affiliated	6
Reinstated	8
Dropped for non- payment	0
Transfer Dimits	7
Absolute Dimits	2
Deaths	28
Current Membership	852
Transfer Dimits Absolute Dimits Deaths	20

Exalted Ruler Message

My fellow Elks, here we are in the last month of my term as your Exalted Ruler I must say it's been quite a ride. I have learned so much and it has humbled me. I couldn't have done it without your help and support.

I must give a special thanks to Frank Chicago, Fred Bianchini and Connie Revay for their direction. Their many years of knowledge and experience is priceless.

We have a great new team coming in under the direction of Rob Law. He is working hard toward a strong and successful vear.

Thank you Penny Knapp for taking on a very demanding position as our Lodge Secretary.

In closing, I ask for your continuing help and support of Rob and his team.

Fraternally yours, Sue Dotson **Exalted Ruler**

Leading Knight Message

Hello Elks 218

Good day Stockton Elk's. As we near my nomination for Exalted Ruler I want to reiterate my slogan for the year "Get Involved, Stay Involved". Let's make the coming year about volunteering and getting our lodge looking great for years to come,

My incoming officer's installation is March 21. Come meet your new officers and enjoy lunch. Make your reservations with the office. My Sportsman night is April 18th it will be a great event with cooking by volunteers Myles and Patti Griffin with Mike and Karen Corder, please make reservations with the office. Raffle prizes are always appreciated for every event.

Thank you to everyone who has made my Leading Knight year a great success from volunteering in many events and donating to my Leading Knight Challenge. I know going forward we have a great team going into 2020-2021. I hope to see more members at the Tuesday night meeting winning the \$150 pot.

In closing please come out and greet me around the lodge so I can shake your hand and thank you for being a member of the greatest lodge in the Central District.

Remember "Get Involved, Stay Involved" ... become a Volunteer

Fraternally yours, **Rob** Law **Esteemed Leading Knight**



Fraternally, Rob Law



DONATIONS P	URPLE PIG
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Joann Costa	\$58.00
Dolly French	\$63.59
Jack Jones	\$54.06
Scott Onweiler	\$48.63
Valerie Edwards	\$25.33
Bob McTeer	\$13.85
Tina Keplinger	\$29.26
Rob Law	\$13.94
Sue Dotson	\$31.69
Nancy Steinberg	\$32.75
Laura Roberts	\$27.85
Robert Langdon	\$19.80
Al Joyce	\$40.03
Mike Corder	\$43.68
Sally Law	\$22.33
Carol Carson	\$50.00
Marilyn Glaser	\$20.00
Dave Farley	\$50.00
Leading Knight	\$765.00
Kaye McElwee	\$52.00
Leanna Marraccini	\$10.00
James Roe	\$10.00
Fred Bianchini	\$22.50
Robert Burk	\$10.00
Yosh Mataga	\$10.00
Jake Sandoval	\$10.00
Robert Hake	\$10.00
Jay Baker	\$10.00
Gary Russell	\$10.00
Steve Astorino	\$10.00
Ron Malmquist	\$100.00
Judith Griffiths	\$10.00
Frank Chicago	\$11.25
Raymond Macias	\$10.00
Pete Thompson	\$10.00
Rex Melton Jr.	\$10.00
Andrew Erdman	\$10.00
Tomothy Thompson	\$10.00
Rogine Couch	\$10.00
Lita Panes	\$10.00
Ken Acremant	\$22.50
George McGill	\$10.00
Teresa Tschabold	\$10.00
John Blaufus	\$10.00
Anita Ketchie	\$10.00
David Scotten	\$10.00
Camelle Belmont	\$10.00
Carlos Recinos	\$10.00
Art Wyatt	\$10.00
Connie Everett	\$10.00
Lester Claussen	\$10.00
Chet Garcia	\$10.00
Patti Witten	\$10.00
Tuleburge Travel	\$35.00
Ed Traube	\$10.00
Larry Barone	\$10.00
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PROPOSITION FOR MEMBERSHIP

WILLIAM MILLSAPS PROPOSER PENNY KNAPP

SUSAN GUADAGNOLO PROPOSER TOY PRESCOTT

DEATH OF A MEMBER

RICHARD FENT BORN: APRIL 27, 1938

INITIATED: NOVEMBER 19, 1975 DIED: DECEMBER 28, 2019 NOTIFIED: DECEMBER 30, 2019

RONALD SEGARINI BORN: JUNE 10, 1945 **INITIATED: NOVEMBER 2, 2004** DIED: DECEMBER 19, 2019 NOTIFIED: DECEMBER 20, 2019



Gone But Not Foraotten

CRYING CORNER YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN \$150.00 DRAWING!!

MEETING JANUARY 21, 2020

David Rosensteal Richard Fent Richard Silver Brenda Heisinger Deborah Soares

Not Present Not Present Not Present Not Present Not Present

MEETING FEBRUARY 4, 2020

Donna Goyette Ron Clark Sharon Page Joe Foley Michael Hulsey

Not Present Not Present Not Present Not Present Not Present

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

01 Lucas, Joseph 01 Mataga, Yosh 01 O'Connor, Rita 02 Olmos, Cynthia J 03 Bartolomei, Gene 03 Hench, Elaine 03 Medina, Esther Diane 04 Baragno, Johnny 04 Heinle, Stacy Orona. Jim 04 04 Trucco, Michael M 05 Eaves, Georgia 05 Ferguson, James T 05 Negrette, Paz 05 Stock, Janus M 07 Hackett, Christine 07 Hughes, James 08 Godoy, Rebecca Jarboe, John 08 Lerma, Paul 08 08 Terry, Gloria 09 Grischott, Russell Martinez, Anthony Charles Boccoli, Robert 09 10 Temple, Clyde 10 Flockhart, Jack 11 11 Heisinger, Brenda Boggs, Barbara 13 13 13 Cruz, Leslie Kelly, Brenda 13 Knott, Linda Mendoza, Rod Gintjee, Ben 13 14 14 Graham, Ann Kelly, Timothy E Mendoza, Candace M 14 14 14 Ratto, Melvin V 15 15 Buck, Virginia Leonard, Paul Gerard 15 Mahan, Bruce Jarvis, Conrad Merck, Darlene 16 16 17 Montelongo, Frank 17 Rios, Ynes Hamer, Debbie 18 Hawkins, Wilbert 1818 Kirchubel, Marilyn 18 McDaniel, Michael D 18 Silva, Joseph R 19 Brudernich, Ray 19 Keplinger, Tina 20 Barraza, M Geneva 20 Cockerill, Darrell 20 Freeman, Robert 20 20 20 Griffin, Myles Trojacek, David 21 Pellegri, Jim 21 22 22 22 23 23 24 24 25 25 25 27 27 28 28 Smith, Dennis M Valverde, Donna Hudson, Virginia Rowley, Brian Swope, Matthew Young, Richard Drouin, Arthur William Rogan, Jovelyn Howard, Isaac Mina, Randy Reinhart, Don Estrada, Sheri Lee Phillips, Darrell Wood, Edward Buck, Brian DuOuette, Garv L Calamia, G Rocco Deftereos, Kimball R 28 Farley, Harold

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MARCH 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JAZZ	2 FITNESS CLASS MON & THURS 11-12	3 DINNER 6:00 P.M. Lasagna LODGE MEETING 7:00 P.M.	4 IRIS HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS	5 BUFFET Chicken Fried Steak 6:00 p.m.	6 SINGLES	7 WESTERN NIGHT
8 ORIGINALS BREAKFAST 9 A.M. – 11: 30	9	10 HOUSE, HALL, TRUSTEE MEETING 6 P.M.	11 QUILTERS HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS	12 BUFFET Corned Beef & cabbage 6:00 p.m.	13 SINGLES Red Shirt	14 RENTAL L/R RENTAL D/R
15 RENTAL L/R RETAL D/R	16 VETS FLY FINSHING 9:00 A.M.	17 DINNER 6:00 P.M. LODGE MEETING 7: 00 P.M. OLD TIMERS NIGHT	18 HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS	BUFFET Tri- Tip & Pesto 6:00 p.m.	20 SINGLES Red Shirt	21 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
22 WAFFLER'S BREAKFAST 9A.M. – 11:30 A.M.	23	24	25 QUILTERS STEAK SANDWICHES	26 BUFFET Hawaiian kahlua pork fried rice 6:00 p.m.	27 SINGLES FISH FRY	28 RENTAL L/R RENTAL D/R
29	30	31 ORIENTATION 7:00 P.M.	1	2	3	4
APRIL 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30 FITNESS CLASS MON & THURS 11-12 RITUAL PRACTICE	31	IRIS HAMBURGER HOT DOG	B UFFET Swiss Steak	3 SINGLES	4
5 Jazz	RITUAL PRACTICE	7 DINNER 6 P.M. LODGE MEETING 7:00 P.M.	8 HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS	9 BUFFET Baked Chicken & Ravioli	SINGLES Red Shirt	11 Kids Easter Rental L/R MERRY MAKERS
12 EASTER Breakfast w/eggs benedict 11: AM	13 RITUAL PRACTICE VETS FLY FINSHING 9:00 A.M.	HOUSE HALL TRUSTEE MEETING 6:00 P.M.	15 IRIS HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS	16 BUFFET German Dinner Beef short ribs	SINGLES Red Shirt	18 sportsmans night
19	RITUAL PRACTICE	LODGE MEETING 7 P.M.	22 HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS	23 BUFFET Meatloaf	24 SINGLES FISH FRY RITUAL CONCORD	25 ritual concord
26 ritual concord	27	28 ORIENTATION 7 P.M.	STEAK SANDWICHES 11:30 -1 P.M.	BUFFET Smoked Pork Chops	1 SINGLES	2

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Call office for reservations 209-951-5026



SPORTSMANS NIGHT

APRIL 18, 2020



\$20.00 PER PERSON

TRI-TIP, CORN CASSEROLE, PESTO ALFREDO NOODLES, CEASAR SALAD, DESSERT

> 5:00 p.m. No host Cocktails 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m. 50/50, Raffle, Dancing

> > Music by: Dallas

Please call office for reservations 209-951-5026

CHAIRPERSON: ER ROB LAW



10 Year Pins

PURPLE PIG cont.

OLD TIMERS NIGHT

The following members will receive their Lodge anniversary year pins from the Exalted Ruler at the Business Meeting March 17, 2020.

Dennis Edwards Valerie Edwards James Ferguson Marlene Ferguson Donna Fillion Anita Garcia Judson Hughes Ron Ito Ralph Jones Joyce Woodson John C. Kelley Janet Marino Leanna Marraccini Rex Moore Marvin Palmer Steve Ramirez Richard Schwager Deborah Soares David Trojacek Teresa Tschabold John Zasada

Bob Baglietto David Damer Dale Decker Ray Drullard Ann Graham Wilbert Hawkins Donald Nelson Randy Zaragoza

15 Year Pins

20 Year Pins

David Atkinson Don Azevedo Henry Coldani James Davis Jerry Fike Rodney Gale Larry Lindsey Jim Pellegri Kurt Roemer

Richard Cabral Robert Huntley Scott Loichinger

25 Year Pins

35 Year Pins

Keith Belt Jack Fuller Larry Jaramillo

40 Year Pins

Rod Clark Theodore Woodruff

45 Year Pins

Rocco Galamia Jack Kilgore

George Mc Gill

55 Year Pins

50 Year Pins

Virgil Kroll Ernest Medina Mike Olivarez

65 Year Pins

Rudolph Antonini Carl Wood

Teresa Blicharz \$10.00 Mike Ferrio \$50.00 David Carey \$30.00 **Bill Somers** \$10.00 Linda Black \$10.00 Paul Stolberg \$200.00 Lisa Smith \$10.00 William Johns \$10.00 Steve Jackson \$10.00 Catherine Jackson \$10.00 Bruce Mahan \$10.00 William Skarin \$10.00 John Schmidt \$25.00 Charles Reames \$10.00 Timothy Kelley \$10.00 James Huges \$25.00 William Giussi \$10.00 Danny VanZant \$10.00 Teri Donis \$10.00 Timothy French \$10.00 Steve Breakfield \$20.00 Putsy Hong \$10.00 Daniel Anema \$10.00 Gary Potten \$10.00 Derrell Shunk \$10.00 Jackie Kilgore \$10.00 Kenneth Hatfield \$10.00 Sally Cain \$10.00 Brenda Mcintosh \$10.00 Theodore Woodruff \$10.00 Charlie Hamilton \$28.00 Sue Tyler \$10.00 Gary Christensen \$10.00 Jerry Fike \$10.00 Robert Shubin \$10.00 Lori Olsen \$10.00 Robert Haupt \$10.00 Alfred Trindade \$10.00 DONATIONS VETS **Rod Clark** \$50.00 **DONATIONS ENF** Leanna Marraccini \$10.00 Robert Burk \$10.00 Yosh Mataga \$10.00 Steve Astorino \$10.00 Ron Malmquest \$100.00 Judith Griffith \$10.00 Frank Chicago \$11.25 Janet Marchetti \$10.00 Rex Melton Jr. \$10.00 Andrew Erdman \$10.00 Timothy Thompson \$10.00 Rogine Couch \$10.00 Dolly French \$10.00 David French \$10.00 Lita Panes \$10.00 George McGill \$10.00

Anita Ketchie

Carlos Recino

Art Wyatt

Camille Belmont

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DONATIONS ENF cont.

Coralie Coleman Chet Garcia Ed Traube Mike Ferrio **Bill Somers** Linda Black Paul Stolberg William Johns Steve Jackson Catherine Jackson Bruce Mahan John Schmidt Timothy Kelly Charles Reames James Hughes Danny VanZant Steve Breakfield Putsy Hong Daniel Anema Gary Potten Derrell Shunk Jack Kilgore Sally Cain Brenda Mcintosh Theodore Woodruff Charlie Hamilton Sue Tyler Gary Christensen Jerry Fike Lori Olsen Robert Haupt

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Stockton Lodge #218 Children's Easter Party

Saturday, April 11, 2020 11:00 - 1:30

Come Join Us For Lunch Hot Dogs & Hamburgers Served 11:00 to 12:00

Magician at 12:00

Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 (over 1,000 eggs!) Bring your own basket for the eggs

Donation of \$5.00 for Adults Children 12 and under free



Reservations are required by Wednesday, April 8, 2020 by calling the Lodge Office at 209-951-5026

Hosted by Tuleburg Travelers

<u>Scholarship</u>

ATTENTION ALL ELKS: IMPORTANT SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

*** The 2019 Legacy Awards Scholarship Competition for college-bound high school seniors who are children and grandchildren, stepchildren and step grandchildren and/or a legal ward of Elk members in good standing began on September 1. The Elk member must have joined the Elk's before April 1st of 2017. These merit based scholarship awards are in the amount of \$1,000 per year. Applications are available on-line at enf. elks.org/leg. The applicant must take the SAT or Act no later than Dec. 31st. Applications must be submitted on-line on or before January 31st, 2020, 11:59 a.m. Central Time .

***Emergency Educational Grants provide undergraduate financial assistance to children of deceased or totally disabled Elks in the form of renewable, one-year grants of up to \$4,000. Student must attend an accredited U.S. college or university full time (12 semester hours), demonstrate financial need, be unmarried and under the age of 23 as on December 31st in the year of application. Applications are available by request between May 1 and October 31 of the academic year for which assistance is desired. To obtain the application, contact ENF Scholarship Office at 773-755-4732 or scholarship@elks.org . For more information visit enf.elks.org/eeg

***VOCATIONAL GRANTS. (Occupational or Technical Training). (Grants of up to \$2,000 are awarded in California and Hawaii.) The program is open to any U.S. citizen who requires training or retraining to compete in the work place. It is not limited to high school students and applications may be turned in at any time. Applications are online at www.chea-elks.org (Click on Youth Activities, then select Scholarships and scroll down.)

***UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARHIPS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES. This program is a financial need based and academic use scholarship. It is intended for undergraduate work at a licensed vocational school, accredited community college or four year college. Individuals applying must be a U.S. citizen and a resident of California or Hawaii; have a physical, neurological, visual or hearing impairment, and or a speech-language disorder; and be a senior in high school, a high school graduate, or have passed the GED Examination or California High School Proficienty Examination. , Applications are on-line at www.chea-elks.org /youth-activities/scholarships.

Respectfully submitted by Marilyn Glaser/Ginger Hudson, Scholarship Committee Co-Chairs

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Veteran's Corner

Always looking for donations in the barrel.

At this time they wish for no books..their shelves are full. But thank you for your donations and we will find a home for all donations big and small.

Remember all veterans are in need.

You can always donate to our Lodge's Veteran Fund. It's a good way to honor a deceased Veteran, loved one or friend.

Home of the Free, because of the Brave.

Never forget our Vets!

Freedom is not Free

Respectfully, Scott Onweiler



IRIS CLUB'S

Champagne & Flowers Luncheon

April 15, 2020 at 11:30 A.M. ~ Social 12:00 P. M. ~ Lunch

Champagne, Appetizers & a delicious Entrée!

Beef Medalion w/Bordelaise & Mushroom Sauce Smashed Red Potato, Asparagus Dessert

Open to all! Get a Group Together! Reserve your Table Today and Join the Fun!

PREPAID: \$20.00/Person

Raffle: Tickets: \$2 ea. or 3 for \$5 Filled Champagne Chiller Door Prizes Door Prizes Door Prizes Everyone receives a TICKET! You do not need to be present to win!

make your check payable to: IRIS CLUB Mailing it to: Estella Walker, P. O. Box 690171, Stockton, CA 95269

Committe: Shirley Anderson, Diana Farano, Donna Fillion, Rebecca Hammermann, Estella Walker, Patti Witten

<u>Creative Catering</u> Menu



Dinner is \$12

<u>March Menu</u>

March 3rd **meeting night** Italian sausage Lasagna, Caesar salad, French bread

March 5th Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed potatoes , gravy cole slaw , corn bread

March 12th Corned beef, cabbage , red potatoes , carrots and cranberry soda bread

March 19 th Smoked tri tip and pesto

March 26th Hawaiian Dinner Kahlua pork, fried rice

April Menu

- April 2nd Swiss Steak with choice of brown rice or egg noodles
- April 9th Baked Chicken, Ravioli, polenta and rosemary focaccia
- April 23rd German Dinner Gaisburger Marsch (Beef Vegetable soup with spätzle) Westalischer Pfefferpotthast (Beef short ribs with spiced lemon caper sauce) Gendunstetes Sauerkraut (steamed spiced sauerkraut
- April 30th Smoked pork chops and butternut squash lasagna rollups with browned sage butter watermelon fetta salad

Please call in advance if you are having a special event and would like to celebrate your special day with your friends on a Thursday night, we will do our best to adjust our menu if we can, (note Thursday night menus are done 2 months in advance) and we can have a table ready for your group.

Thank you,Sondra209 986-3860

IRIS CLUB

Estella Walker

Iris Club Publicity

The Iris Club closed out February with its Annual High Tea. Members stepped up with lovely table settings and beautiful displays of fruits, scones, delicious, savory sandwiches, dainty desserts...and, a variety of teas. Thank you, Chairperson, Diana Farano and all helpers for making it happen!

Our next club meeting will be on Wednesday, March 4, 2020, at 1:00 P.M. Please call Diana Farano, our Membership Chairperson at: 209-956-0653 if you plan to come to the meeting.

Come and join the Iris Club for our next two events!

Black Oaks Casino Trip takes place on March 18, 2020. Tickets are only \$25/person and the casino gives back great perks! Purchase your tickets now! Make checks payable to Iris Club and preferably, mail to address on the flyer but you can bring your check to the Lodge's office. For any questions, please call Helen @209-513-7108 or Lora @209-479-4226

Champagne & Flowers Luncheon will be on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at 11:30AM. There will be appetizers, champagne and a served lunch – all for \$20/person. There will be door prizes! Additionally, someone will win a great Raffle Prize...A REVERE STYLE CHAMPAGNE CHILLER FILLED WITH CHAMPAGNE AND MANY GOODIES. Raffle tickets are available now for \$2/Ticket or \$5 for 3 Tickets! Call Estella @209-952-4230 for ALL tickets.

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Putting Food on the Table

Saratoga-Wilton, N.Y., Lodge No. 161 wants to end food insecurity among seniors in their community. With the help of a \$10,000 Impact Grant, the Lodge is well on its way to achieving greater community awareness and expanding its dedicated food delivery program.

The Seniors in Need Food Delivery program started in September 2017 when Ben Buffa, the chair of the Lodge's Senior Outreach Committee, moved into a senior apartment complex and noticed some of his neighbors struggled to meet their needs.

"A lot of people in their 80s and 90s were having a hard time and were living close to the poverty line, maybe even below," Buffa said. "A lot of them didn't have transportation, and they didn't have family members around to support them."

Buffa reached out to a local food pantry, filled bags of groceries for eight residents and delivered the groceries directly to them. But, he saw a greater need beyond his apartment complex and decided to get the Elks involved. Today, 20 volunteers pack and deliver groceries to more than 120 seniors.

Twice a month, Elks volunteers call each senior to remind them to place their food order. Volunteers pick up the order forms and pack reusable grocery bags with goods, then deliver them directly to the program's community partners. They place follow-up calls to ensure seniors have their needs met with each delivery.

"This program has made a huge impact in our community," said Deborah McCabe Reedy, PER of the Saratoga-Wilton Lodge and a volunteer with the program. "Not only has it brought our members closer together, but it has also brought our community closer together. It's an incredible feeling packing the food and delivering to those who really need it."

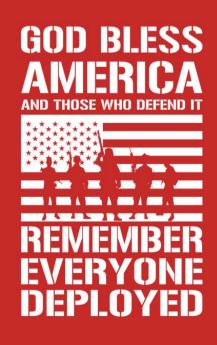
The Saratoga-Wilton Lodge was one of 17 new Impact Grant projects in 2019. The Lodge uses the \$10,000 grant to purchase "senior-friendly" food, fresh produce and personal care items. The Impact Grant is just the start for the Lodge's long-term vision for the program.

"To accomplish our goals we need [to] recruit additional volunteers, partner with a fourth food pantry, partner with at [least] two more senior apartments, and reach out to other Lodges to help them understand the critical need to reduce food insecurity," Buffa said. "We also look forward to working with any Elks Lodge interested in creating a similar program in their community."

The Elks National Foundation helps Lodges serve their communities in significant and ongoing ways by awarding Impact Grants of up to \$10,000. To find out more about Impact Grants and the Community Investments Program, visit enf.elks.org/ImpactGrants

Penny Knapp Lodge ENF Chairman





GREETINGS EVERYONE,

What a Super bowl game!!! The 49ers were in it, but came up short. Maybe next year. I'd like to thank everyone for coming out and bringing some delicious eats. There was plenty of food so that everyone could enjoy themselves throughout the day. We enjoy having families & friends come out and have a good time.

What a great night we had on Italian Night. Many thanks to Frank, Fred, & Virgil for a delicious Dinner. Hats off to everyone that helped out with this event. Also, a Big Thanks goes out to Mike Trucco, his Dad & the rest of the band members for playing that evening.

In March, our breakfast will be on the 8th, & the 22nd. Breakfast is served from 9-11:30.

March 7th is Western Night at the lodge. \$25.00 PP. Dinner and then Dancing to the country sounds of Crystal Image. It was a great event last year. Don't miss out, it's a prepaid event. There will be raffle prizes, a silent auction, & 50/50 available. We can always use donations for raffle prizes

March 21st is the installation of our new officers. Come out to meet & greet your new officers. There also is a lunch after the installation.

Fish Fry Friday in March will be on the 28th. As always, reservations are appreciated. \$12.00PP. Please, please be patient with the servers and the kitchen help. I understand some of you might have to wait a little while to get served but I believe it's worth it. Everyone that evening is doing their best to get the food out hot and fast to give you a very good product. We Are All Volunteers.

April 12th will be our Easter Breakfast, which will also include eggs benedict per Patti Griffin

April 18th will be Sportsman Night. \$20.00PP. Fliers will be posted in the lodge. Come out and support your new ER. Dinner, Dancing, & Raffle Prizes.

Vic Chavez, Club Manager



TULEBURG RV TRAVELERS

Greetings from the Tuleburg RV Travellers.

We are a diverse and fun loving group of RV owners who enjoy getting together for RV trips. Each year we try to have monthly trips to enjoy the great outdoors. We have had trips to places like Lake Tahoe, Olema, Jackson, and Oceano just to name a few.

We meet on the first Thursday of the month at 7pm at the Elks and would like to invite anyone who has an RV of any type and is interested in joining our group to come to a meeting.

For additional information, please contact Ken Perkins, Wagon Master 209-518-9923 or kenper1@yahoo.com. We hope to see you there.

Respectfully submitted, Teri Perkins, Secretary



IRIS CLUB 1ST ANNUAL BLACKOAK CASINO BUS TRIP (Fun-Raiser)

WEDNESDAY ~ MARCH 18TH, 2020 ~ 9AM TO 5PM RESERVATIONS REQUIRED \$25

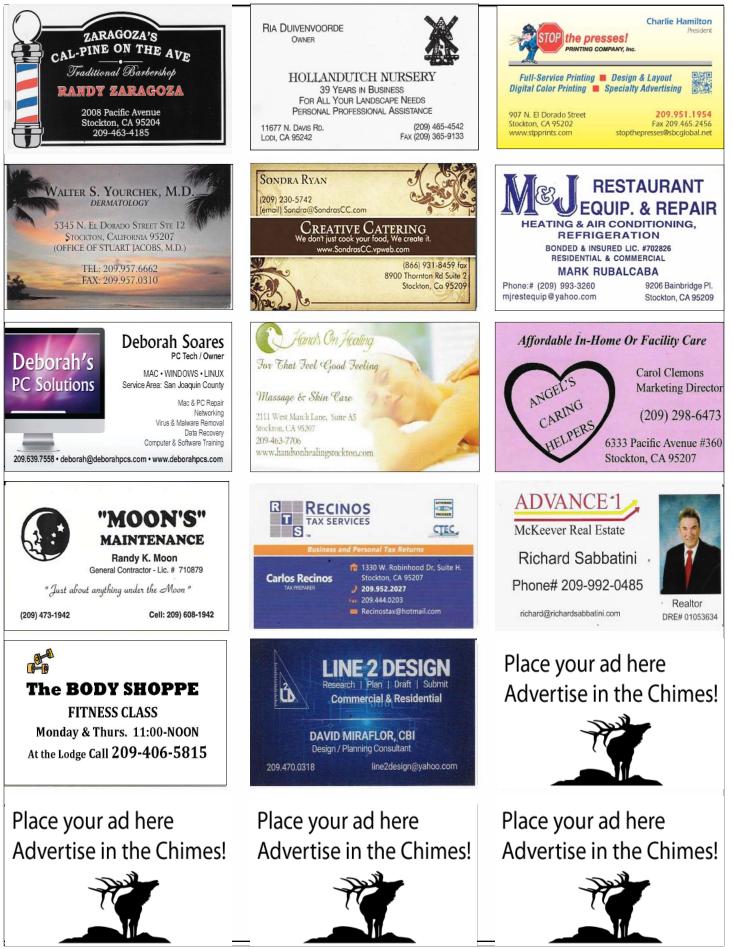
Bus Ride Up: Coffee, Donuts & Bailey's n Creme - Ride Back Bingo Cash Prizes Casino perks: \$10 free Play - \$5 Match Play - \$5 Food - 25% off Gift Shop Bar Token - And Senior Day at the Kiosk! Any ???'s



Call Helen Click 209.513.7108 OR Lora Young 209.479.4226 Make checks Payable to: IRIS CLUB SEND PAYMENTS C/O: . SHARON BIANCHINI 121 VincenteWy Stockton, CA 95207



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VETERANS NEEDS

Following items are needed by the Vets in VA Livermore

CD PLAYERS CHAP STICK/LIP BALM EFFERDENT FIX-O-DENT GIFT CARDS (VARIETY) HAND HELD ELECTRONIC GAMES HATS W/EMBLEMS (BASEBALL, MILITRY, KNIT BEANIES, SUN VISORS, ETC IPODS ITUNES GIFT CARDS KLEENEX MENS COLOGNE'S (ALL KINDS) MOISTURIZING BODY WASH (FULL SIZE) MOVIE TICKETS 9REGAL CINEMA) MUSIC CD'S PANTS (JEANS, KAKIS) PHONE CARDS (30 MINUTES OR MORE) POSTAGE STAMPS DEODORANT MEN AND WOMENS SHAMPOO FULL SIZE

PLEASE PUT IN VETERANS BARREL IN LOBBY OF LODGE OR BRING TO SECRETARY OFFICE -

Scott Onweiler, Veteran's Committee

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