



THE ELKETIN



As I write this short message, I hear the news pundits in the background pontificating on how and when society will return to normal. Praying that the month of May is better to all of us than April has been. We look forward to reopening the Lodge and seeing all of you!

Walnut Creek 1811 will reopen for business when local officials, and Lodge Officers determine it is prudent for members to gather again. There will be new procedures in place set by Lodge Officers and local officials for the safety of all. I trust our Facility Manager Kelly will be able to get her excellent staff of Angela, Lisa and Steve back so that members can enjoy our Lounge once again. I, for one, miss the sounds of the banter and slamming of dice cups on a weekday afternoon. Thirsty Thursday Burger night will return, as will Pasta Night and Margarita Monday Night. Life as we knew it, will change. But how much, who knows. We will reopen for business. One just needs to roll with the punches!

While we have been closed, some needed maintenance was performed in the kitchen. Much appreciation and thank you's go to Kimberly Morris, Whitney Quin and Bill Todd for that much needed rejuvenation of the cutting boards and steam table. Although the trio maintained socially acceptable distancing and stayed within the "ten" individual gathering advisement, the work was completed. The maintenance has been needed for a long time and it brings us another step closer to finding a caterer.

Our Lodge Gardener, current Elk of the Year, Gary Buffo, has been in the weeds raking debris and trimming the hedges so when we return the facility won't look like the outer Amazon.

Finally, Trustee Bill Todd and Loyal Knight Travis Ervin have started phase one of the "Back" Patio area restoration. In the weekend prior to the COVID closing, the two of them were grading and moving dirt for leveling and the drainage system needed for future plans in the area. Michael Angelo Silva recently rerouted some

Covid 19 Postponed Events: Watch for Further Updates:

- Thirsty Thursday
Burger Night
- Pasta Night
- Margarita Monday
- Youth Awards Dinner

Canceled:
Elks Car Show
Friday Night Line Dance
Pasta Dinner



plumbing to lower the risk of any pipe damage while the grading is in process. While this project will take time, when it is complete, we will have an area behind the Lounge that will be enjoyable. Kudos and thank you!

As your current Officers, we are diligently attempting to provide the best facility we can within our means. If you have any issues with me or any other Officer or employee of the Lodge, please don't hesitate to bring those concerns to our attention. No matter how small, we want to know. It's my duty to keep communication channels open. I can be reached at the Lodge office or use the information below to contact me.

Fraternally yours,

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LODGE OFFICERS 2019 - 2020

Exalted Ruler:
Russ Kesler PER
Leading Knight:
Open
Loyal Knight:
Travis Ervin
Lecturing Knight:
Joan Schwanz
Esquire:
Christina Candelori
Chaplain:
Denise Silva
Lodge Inner Guard:
Greg Hunter PER
Lodge Tiler:
Jacklynn Roenspie
Vocalist:
John Schafgans
Lodge Secretary:
Judy Hunter PER
Lodge Treasurer:
Mike Mathers

Trustees:

1st Year Trustee: Eleanor Bolin-Chew
2nd Year Trustee: Michael A. Silva
3rd Year Trustee: Bill J Todd
4th Year Trustee: Greg Okerman
5th Year Trustee: Barbara Green.

*Remember: Wear a mask
in public places!*



Office Hours:

Tuesday – Friday: 9am – 1pm
(Until further notice, call first)

Members Lounge Hours

*Closed until further notice due to
Covid 19 restrictions*

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FAX 925-935-4113



**PLEASE NOTE: ALL EVENTS ON
CALENDAR ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
DUE COVID 19 GUIDELINES (***)**

3rd

Sean Pargett,

4th

William Boaman,

5th

Robert Beratta,
Cristina Candelori,
Stanley Scott,

6th

Greg Meier

9th

John Paul Brondello,
Richard Jacobson,

11th

Owen Cunningham,
Vincent Rettew,

12th

Susan Scott,
Michael Silva

13th

Cyndi Fazzio,

14th

Scott Achelis,

15th

David Stenger,

19th

Thomas Roberts,
Wayne Towson,

23rd

Robert Regan
Alan Schlenker,

25th

Richard Domanski,

26th

Leslie Casazza, Jr.,
Lewis Chapman,

27th

Doug Hudson,

28th

Douglas Jensen,
Mark Linden,

29th

Frank Alosi,
Gerald Gouveia,
Robert Wilson, Jr.

May 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 House Committee Mtg 6:30pm	13 Lodge Meeting 7:00pm	14 🍔 Thirsty Thursday TBD	15	16
17	18 🍝 Pasta Night: TBD/	19	20	21 🍔 Thirsty Thursday TBD	22	23
24	25 🍝	26 Trustee Meeting: 6:30pm	27 Lodge Meeting 7:00pm	28 🍔 Thirsty Thursday TBD	29	30
31						

June 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 🍹 Margarita Monday: 6:30pm RSVP ***	2	3	4 🍔 Thirsty Thursday 5:30pm ***	5	6
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28	29	30				

Lodge Rentals:



Have a special event coming up? Need a space? Consider our Lodge.
Contact: Kelly Barnett, Hospitality Mgr: 285-3260

PURPLE PIG: During this time, please remember to continue to save your coins in your Purple Pig. We need your support more than ever. Times are very challenging right now. Also, consider becoming a member of the "Recurring Donor" program. As of today, we have 257 recurring donors providing much needed support. To become a recurring donor, go to: <https://chea-elks.org/recurring-donations>. All the information is there.

A Coin A Day so they can Walk, Talk, See and Play!



Internal Auditor needed.

Experience preferred but just need willingness to volunteer.
Contact Russ Kesler for info:
925-935-1811

**We are looking
for you!**



Appointed Statutory Officials:

Presiding Justice: Douglas Fountain
Mediator: Gerry Gouveia

LODGE COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN 2019-2020

AUDIT/ACCOUNTING: OPEN

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Russ Kesler, PER

LODGE ACTIVITIES:

Jacklynn Roenspie

Americanism: Mike Schaaf and Kevin Finn

Government Relations: Ed Johnson, PDDGER

National Veterans Service: Mark Steinberg

Public Relations: Sheri Schaaf

Grants Coordinator: Michael A. Silva

LODGE OPERATIONS:

Building and Grounds: Mike A. Silva, PDDGER

Elketin Editor: Cindy/Dan Gray

Safety/Accident Prevention: Eleanor Bolin-Chew

Cyber Assistant: Christina Candelori

Bequests/Living Trusts: Jacklynn Roenspie

Elks Nat'l Foundation: Michael A Silva,
PDDGER

Jamboree: Gerry Gouveia, PAVP

Major Project(Purple Pig): Russ Kesler, PER

Margarita Mondays: Open

Hospitality Manager: Kelly Barnett

Landscape: Gary Buffo/Kimberly Everett

Thirsty Thursdays: Dan Gray

Membership:

Investigation/Indoctrination/Orientation

Michael A. Silva, PDDGER 707-558-9667

Ritual/Ritual Team Coaches:

Michael A. Silva, PDDGER

Gerry Gouveia, PAVP

Youth Activities:

Mike Rittenhouse

Drug Awareness: Sherri Schaaf

Hoop Shoot: Mike Rittenhouse

Scholarships: Denise Silva

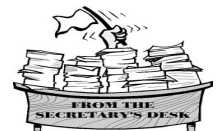
Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts: Kurt Cornell

Dictionary Project: Diane Wrobel

~ From Judy's Desk:

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Whew!! What a month! I hope that you are well. We want to see you back at the Lodge! **Please remember that dues are now late.** If you haven't sent them in, please do so now. We really need your support now more than ever.

Please call me if you have any questions. I can be reached at the office line. Above is my contact information.

Please for your safety, call. Do not come in. Remember to wear your mask! It's required now. Office hours: 9:00am – 1:00pm Tuesday – Friday.



Cindy Gray

cdat4gray@yahoo.com

As Shelter in Place continues, we will try to keep the Elk Lodge information current for our members. However, your latest updates will be from the Lodge emails. Please read them. You will also notice that we no longer post the phone numbers of the Lodge officers. We need to have permission to publish private numbers first. If you need to contact someone, please call or email the lodge. Your message will be forwarded. If you have an article for the newsletter, the deadline is the 15th of each month. Please send articles and questions to my email above.



APRIL DONATIONS

ENF:

4/8 Constance Bills \$ 6.00
4/8 Richard Amaro \$ 20.00

BUILDING FUND

4/8 Constance Bills \$ 35.00
4/8 Richard Amaro \$ 35.00

MAJOR PROJECT

4/8 Constance Bills \$ 10.00
4/8 Richard Amaro \$ 10.00
4/8 Donald Pierce \$ 10.00

SCHOLARSHIP

4/8 Constance Bills \$ 10.00
4/8 Richard Amaro \$ 10.00



Support Local Business!

Please support our local small businesses at all times. Keep in mind those that have supported us such as **Black Bear Diner**. They have been a

strong supporter of the Purple Pig.

So, take a break from cooking tonight to order a delicious take-out dinner from Black Bear Diner!



Don't want to drive? Don't miss out on your favorite food! Many of the food delivery services, such as Postmates or Door Dash, are working with small businesses to deliver their take out orders. Call your favorite eatery and ask about their delivery services. Many now practice "no contact" delivery.

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