PAGE ELKS LODGE No. 2498

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Dear Fellow Elk.



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FROM YOUR EXALTED RULER

I would like to say it has been a year of learning for me, as this will be my last letter as your ER, in the bulletin I would like to thank everyone who has pitched in and helped. I can't thank the officers enough for what we accomplished and for attending the meetings and initiations. Also, the trustees and PERs for their help and guidance I would also like to welcome the new officers.

We have elected officer, citizen and Elk of the year. Look for more to come on those who will be recognized for all their time and dedication to our community and lodge.

The Valentines dinner and dance was a big hit and everyone I've talked with had a great time; the band was awesome. Hopefully we can have them return for another event.

We will be closed on Sundays beginning in March, due to minimal members coming to the lodge on Sundays (might revisit this come summer and the RV season). Therefore, we will be discontinuing Sunday morning breakfasts until the NFL season begins in the fall. In order for the breakfasts to be successful we need volunteers to cook and bartend on those Sunday mornings. Please see Ed or any officer regarding helping out. We normally cook about 25 meals so don't be shy, come help!

It is with sadness that I share the news of a loss of one of our members, Dale Tadytin III. Please keep his family and Melissa in your thoughts; 'Never forgotten, never forsaken'.

It was great serving as your Exalted Ruler this past year. As April approaches, I will take a seat as the 5th year trustee.

Respectfully, George Siebrecht

Calendar Of Events!!



March 2024



Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
					Friday Night Dinner-Country Fried Steak \$15 5:30pm-7:00pm	Shuffleboard Tournament & Potluck 6:00pm
CLOSED	Trustee Meeting 6:00pm	Wing Night LeChee Crew 5:30pm-7:00pm	Lodge Meeting 7:00pm	SLINGO Potluck 5:30pm	Friday Night Dinner- Meatloaf \$12 5:30pm-7:00pm	Cornhole Tournament 6:00pm
CLOSED	11	No Wings Page School District private event	CLOSED	SLINGO Potluck 5:30pm	Friday Night Dinner-Navajo Tacos \$13 5:30pm-7:00pm	Shuffleboard Tournament 6:00pm
CLOSED Happy St. Patricks Day	Trustee Meeting 6:00pm Auxiliary Meeting 6:30pm House Committee 7:00pm	Wing Night WC Crew	Lodge Meeting 7:00pm	SLINGO Potluck 5:30pm	Friday Night Dinner-Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches \$13 5:30pm-7:00pm	Cornhole Tournament 6:00pm
24 CLOSED	25	Wing Night Johnson & Siebrecht Crew 5:30pm-7:00pm	27 CLOSED	SLINGO Potluck 5:30pm	Friday Night Dinner- Cheeseburgers Single \$12 Double \$15 5:30pm-7:00pm	2024-2025 Officer Installation 4:00pm Steak Dinner to follow

ATTENTION ALL ELK SPOUSES

All Elks spouses needed! The Page Elks Auxiliary needs your help. We are an important part of the lodge, we assist the lodge in many ways, helping with special functions, decorating, bingo food concession and gift case sales, to name just a few. We raise money to do special projects for the lodge.

If you are interested in joining or need any information, please call Debbie Johnson 928-660-1064 or Peggy Osgood 702-418-5915.

FROM YOUR LEADING KNIIGHT

<u>Elkdom</u> is a word that defines all of us and can be attributed in all we do-in and out of the lodge. There are many examples in the oath and obligations we accepted when we became a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Every time we go to an initiation, we are reminded of those obligations and hopefully ingrains a higher recognition and importance of those obligations.

However; lately, many have raised concerns about our obligations. Why? Rumors and hearsay have raised its ugly head too many times recently. Members and officers alike have contributed to this. It hurts feelings, causes rifts that can't be fixed, leads to detrimental considerations for employment, loses memberships and friends, and can destroy families. In some cases, it could also lead to formal complaints or civil lawsuits for slander, defamation of character or wrongful termination. Would you like to be the recipient or the reason for any of this? I assume you wouldn't and neither would I.

Please remember these quotes:

"I will always protect our Members, their good names and their families; and I will always respect and defend the purity and sanctity of their homes and firesides" (in our obligation).

AND

"The faults of our Members we write upon the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory" (Lecturing Knight). There are always two sides to a story, please stop and think before you repeat a rumor or start one because it's your opinion (not a fact) or someone else's. We are Elk members, strive to do what's right and remember-we are brothers and sisters of the best fraternal organization there is-The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

-John Roush

FROM YOUR LECTURING KNIGHT

We are getting close to another completed year for the Elks, it seems like it just began until I reflect on what all has been accomplished and realize the list is long. My main goal as an Elk is to do what I can to be a good Elk. I love what the Elks do for the community and I think we did well this year. I want to see us build on what we have done and keep the momentum going.

On a different note, I feel that if members have problems or concerns with the lodge, the place to deal with it is at the lodge, not out in the public. I know it's been a while for some of us since we were initiated and took our Oath, don't forget, this is part of that Oath we all took, We are a group, a family, who all want better for our lodge so we can, in turn, do better for our community. Sometimes we do not all agree and majority vote doesn't go our way but we still have an obligation to keep our thoughts within the walls of the lodge and support that majority vote. There have been a few times a vote didn't go the way I wanted, yet my obligation is to support and accept what the majority of voting members want and move on. If you want to make a change, please come be part of a meeting or get on a committee where you think you can help the Elks be better.

I really want our lodge to improve and encourage all members to get involved on a committee or activity within the lodge.

Reach out to me if you want to participate or have an idea to better the lodge.

-Ricky Cottrell

Like & Follow us on Facebook to get weekly updates!!

Sickness & Distress

Please keep your fellow Elks in your thoughts and prayers.

Dale Tadytin III has passed.

Donna Heath's mother passed.

Please send Tami Tichnel healing prayers.

Tom Decker, Rochelle Decker-Perez's father, passed away.

Eugene Tucker passed away.

If we have missed anyone who is not feeling well or in distress, please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT PAGE ELKS LODGE #2498

Beginning of 2023/2024: 300 members Current Active Membership: 342 members

Proposition for Membership, Reinstatement, or Transfer; Garret Shaffer by Tony Anderson, Jeron Viers by Richard Nayman, Andryce Shaffer by Tony Anderson, Craig Nassar by George Nassar, Jeff Reilley by Katelynn Kring, Warren Schlesinger by Dee Dee Sadler, Forton Nadine by Ed Noye, Heather Lovett by Marti Bakelar, Kelli Tso by Jeff Johnson, Rebecca Mazalin from Reno Lodge #597, Kathryn Arnett by Desiree White, Jessica Lynn by Dee Dee Sadler, Richard Barry by James Hall.



We vour FEBRUARY Volunteers VOLUNTEER HOURS

In the month of February our volunteers donated over <u>379 hours</u>. Thank you to everyone who stepped up to help out, we could not do it without each and every one of you.

If you would like to help out, please let the ER or an officer know!

PAGE ELKS LODGE #2498

2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR GRADUATION SENIORS

THIS YEAR, PAGE ELKS LODGE #2498 IS HONORED TO AWARD 4 SEPARATE, \$2,000 SCHOLARSHIPS AND 2, \$1,000.00 SCHOLARSHIPS TO OUR LOCAL GRADUATING SENIORS. A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE STICKLER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION AND SUPPORT OF OUR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AT PAGE ELKS LODGE. FUNDS TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOLARSHIPS ARE RAISED EACH YEAR DURING OUR ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT AND ARE GENEROUSLY MATCHED BY THE STICKER FAMILY.

THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 12, 2024.

Please support the local business sponsors listed within!







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ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH

5:30PM

JOIN US AT THE LODGE FOR AN EARLY ST.
PATRICK'S DAY FEAST.
TRADITIONAL MEAL, GREEN BEER, GREAT FOOD,
AND FRIENDS.

ENJOY A GREAT MEAL THEN JOIN IN ON THE SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT!

Elks Auxiliary Donates to Replace the Lodge Awning!

Thank you to the ladies auxiliary for their donation to cover the cost of the new awning at the front entrance of the lodge. The old one was just about one wind storm from blowing away. Labor was all donated, thank you Larry Willis for the design, fabrication & install, as well as a heck of a discount on the metal, Scott Harris for his contacts for the roofing material at 1/2 the cost and running up and down ladders days before a new knee, Ricky Cottrell, George Siebrecht, Cole Blake and Travis Napolitan for getting the old down and new up! It was built to be able to easily add lighting and signage if desired in the future.





In with the new!

VALENTINE'S BALL

OUR VALENTINES BALL WAS A NIGHT FULL OF FUN, FOOD, DANCING AND ELKDOM. FRIENDS AND GUESTS DANCED THE NIGHT AWAY. THANK YOU TO THOSE IN THE KITCHEN AND THOSE NOT PICTURED WHO HELPED BEAUTIFY OUR SPACE. GEORGE AND SHARI SIEBRECHT, DEB AND JEFF JOHNSON, SHARON RODGERS, BILL AND MARIE JUSTICE, TRAVIS AND BELINDA NAPOLITAN

AND SHELBY BLAKE.



THANKS TO THE CHEFS!

MEAL WAS DELICIOUS AS

ALWAYS. LEFT TO RIGHT,

DEBBIE JOHNSON, RANDY

SHERBROOK, JEFF JOHNSON

PER, ED NOYE AND SUSAN

YNIGUIZE, NOT PICTURED

BUT WHO IS ALWAYS IN THE

KITCHEN TOO, PAULA

TAPPAN.



OUR ER, GEORGE SIEBRECHT AND FIRST LADY SHARI.



A FULL DANCE FLOOR OF FUN!



BEAUTIFUL DECORATIONS, THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS!



Above: 1st place winner Brooklyn Swinton pictured with (L) state soccer kick chairperson, Bob Burns and on the right AEA State President, Al Kayal.

Below: Andi Welch and her trophy.



Elks State Soccer Kick Finalists!

This year's State Soccer Kick continued to impress!

Over the years we have been so fortunate to have so many fantastic kids and families take part in our local Elks Lodge Soccer Shootout. You would think for being such a small town we wouldn't have that many kids participate but on the contrary Page has consistently seen some of the highest participation in the region – always exciting! In years past, Page had a commanding lead at the regionals level with almost all of our kids placing 1st and being able to move onto State. Not this year though as it became a showdown between Page and Bullhead City with each district having four winners that would have a chance to move on. This year our streak continues of kids placing on the podium down in Phoenix. Brooklyn

Swinton was able to snag First Place in her age division and Andi Welch was able to capture Second

Place in hers, both huge accomplishments considering how many kids overall participated state-wide. Hopefully we can keep this momentum and continue to grow our participation year after year!

WEEKLY CORNHOLE & SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENTS

The 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month we will hold a shuffleboard tournament and potluck starting at 6:00pm. All tournaments will be a blind draw for a partner.

The 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month will be a blind draw cornhole tournament starting at 6:00pm. With winter upon us the tournament will be indoors.



FRIDAY NIGHT BINGO!

Bingo is the place to be on Friday nights!

Help spread the word and tell your family, friends, & neighbors that Bingo is back!

Bingo is open to the community. Concessions open for popcorn, drinks, candy, and more!

Card sales start at 5:45pm First number called at 6:45pm



- -Kevin Fix (1st)
- -Adam Straub (1st)
- -Lynn Cormier (4th)
- -Cheryl Blake (5th)
- -Gawain Mauger (5th)
- -Scott Torrey (5th)
- -William Justice (7th)
- -Dwayne Richard (7th)
- -William Wilson (9th)
- William Wilson (2011)
- -Tony Anderson (10th)
- -Karl Jones (11th)
- -Gary Quilter (12th)
- -James Dodds (15th)
- -Barry West (15th)
- -Art Lister (17th)
- -Shari Siebrecht (17th)

- -Del Martinez (18th)
- -Ronnie Nash (18th)
- -William Hoffmann (20th)
- -Shaun Priest (20th)
- -David Wichman (21st)
- -Elmer (Tres) LeRoy (24th)
- -Melissa Cottrell (26th)
- -Mike Herron (26th)
- -Sylvester Begay (27th)
- -Raymond Burke (27th)
- -Paul Ackerman (28th)
- -Marcia Rush (28th)
- -Jeffery Gregory (29th)
- -Don Williamson (29th)
- -Clyde Hollister (30th)



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MARCH ELK OF THE MONTH

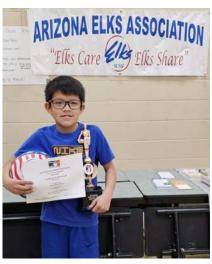
Help congratulate our March Elk of the Month, Delvita & Mychal West.



Elks District & State Hoop Shoot Finalists!



Page 4th grader, Bianca Allred, competed at the Arizona Elks District Hoop Shoot competition. Bianca placed 2nd at regionals, missing the number 1 spot by only 1 basket! Congratulations Bianca!



Page 4th grader, Liam Joe, competed at the Arizona Elks State Hoop Shoot in the 8-9 year old category. Liam was the first place winner at district and placed 4th place in the state after making 15 out of 25 baskets! Congratulations Liam, way to make Page proud!

UPDATED HOURS OF OPPERATION

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Starting March 1st Closed Sundays.

Closed Wednesdays that Lodge meetings DO NOT fall on. Open every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Welcome New Officers!

2024-2025 Elected Officers

Exalted Ruler: Ricky Cottrell
Leading Knight: Jim Hall
Loyal Knight: Delvita West
Lecturing Knight: Cody Siebrecht
Secretary: Mandy Smallcanyon
Treasurer: Belinda Napolitan
1st Year Trustee: Vern Gilbert
2nd Year Trustee: Katelynn Kring
3rd Year Trustee: Jeff Johnson
4th Year Trustee: Travis Napolitan
5th Year Trustee: George Siebrecht

STEAK DINNER CELEBRATION

2024-2025 Officer Installation Ceremony will be held on March 30th at 4:00pm.

Following the 2024-2025 Officer Installation the Exalted Ruler and his officers invite you to a Steak Dinner to celebrate.

\$10 donation

Steaks to order with a baked potato, veggies, and a dinner roll.

Reserving tickets in advance from the bartender is appreciated to ensure we have enough for all.

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CHANCE SERVICE REQUESTED

2023-2024 ELECTED OFFICERS & APPOINTEES									
<u>OFFICERS</u>			ACTIVITIES						
Exalted Ruler:	George Siebrecht	928.640.0045	COMMITEES						
			Community Projects:	Dave Tichinel, PER	928.645.2498				
Leading Knight:	John Roush Jr.	719.313.0565	Public Relations:	Mandy Smallcanyon	480.586.1302				
Loyal Knight:	James Hall	928.660.2893	Youth Activities:	Belinda Napolitan	928.640.1148				
Lecturing Knight:	Ricky Cottrell	928.640.1996	District Soccer Kick:	Kyle Davis	928.660.8003				
Secretary:	Mandy Smallcanyon	480.586.1302	Drug Awareness:	Ricky Cottrell	928.640.1996				
Treasurer:	Heather Stears	928.660.0428	Bingo:	Belinda Napolitan	928.640.1148				
			Golf:	Ricky Cottrell	928.640.1996				
Esquire:	Richard Bridgewater	928.660.2145	Adopt-A-Highway:	George Siebrecht	928.640.0045				
Tiler:	Noble Harris	928.660.0700	Scholarship Chair:	Belinda Napolitan	928.640.1148				
Inner Guard:	Cole Blake	928.640.1260	Special Olympics:	John Roush Jr.	719.313.0565				
Chaplain:	Cody Siebrecht	570.688.7098	Veteran's Day Parade:	John Roush Jr.	719.313.0565				
			Accident Prevention:	Ricky Cottrell	928.640.1996				
TRUSTEES			PER Assn. President:	Jim (Mose) McPhail	928.645.4960				
Fifth Year:	Travis Napolitan	904.318.2519	Bulletin:	Katelynn Kring	928.713.4017				
Fourth Year:	Jeff Johnson	928.691.0612		, .					
Third Year:	Heather Bridgewater	928.660.1440	FRATERNAL						
Second Year:	Jim (Mose) McPhail	928.645.4960	Americanism:	Travis Napolitan	904.318.2519				
First Year:	Vern Gilbert	928.660.1783	Elks National	•					
			Foundation:	April Roush	719.322.5248				
Food & Beverage			Flag Day:	Mark Maham	360.202.4016				
Manager:	Ed Noye	928.660.0295	Elks Memorial Day:	John Roush Jr.	719.313.0565				
			Membership:	Mandy Smallcanyon	480.586.1302				
Bingo Manager:	Belinda Napolitan	928.640.1148	Lodge Activities:	George Siebrecht	928.640.0045				
COMMITTEE			Veterans Service:	John Roush Jr.	719.313.0656				
<u>CHAIRS</u>									
Auditing & Accounting	John Roush Jr.	719.313.0565							