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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

December Dining and Events

The Lodge will be closed for Christmas, December 25th

Monday Night Football.....	Monday, 6th, 20th and 27th
Taco Night.....	Thursday, 2nd and 16th
Elks Memorial.....	Sunday, 5th
Pasta Night.....	Thursday, 9th
Guest Chef	Friday, 10th
Chamber Mixer.....	Wednesday 15th
Christmas Dinner.....	Tuesday, 21st
Christmas Eve Potluck.....	Friday, 24th
New Year's Eve Party.....	Friday, 31st

NO ELKS BREAKFAST IN DECEMBER

Upcoming in January

The Lodge will be closed New Year's Day, January 1st

Monday Night Football.....	Monday, 6th, 20th and 27th
Taco Night.....	Thursday, 6th and 20th
Pasta Night.....	Thursday, 13th and 27th
Line Dancing.....	Tuesdays, 4, 11 18 and 25th
Purple Pig Races.....	Friday, 7th
Blood Drive.....	Wednesday, 12th
Guest Chef.....	Friday, 21st
Crab Feed	Saturday, 29th
Breakfast.....	Sunday 30th

LODGE MEETINGS
First and Third Tuesday of each month
7:00 pm at the Lodge
3821 Quest Court, Shingle Springs
Open to all paid-up members and visiting Elks
(PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME BADGES)

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Message from the *Exalted Ruler*...



Dear fellow Elks:

I want to thank all those who attended the Halloween pot luck Julianna and I hosted on Friday the 29th of October. We all had a great time, danced to the DJ sounds of Ed Lawson, and of course ate the wonderful food that our members and guests provided. The costumes ranged from a pimp, bacon and eggs (yep you read it correctly), and a chicken. The bar stayed open until 11pm and all had a good time. Julianna and I want to thank all those who participated.

I what to give my thanks to the hard work of many volunteers that keep our Lodge running smoothly, the Taco teams, Pasta teams, and the Breakfast teams are running full steam serving great food and doing a huge service to our Lodge. Our Officers are hard at work streamlining our operations, and planning for ways to effectively help our community.

If your goals are to meet friends and socialize, then working with a team or being an officer is the best way to quickly meet these goals, as everyone is friendly and follows our motto "where old friends meet new friends". Please talk to a team member or an officer to start getting enjoyment from your Lodge.

We are having two big events in December, our Christmas dinner on the 21st, hosted by Julianna and me, please see the ad in this Gazette for more information, and on December 31st is our New Years Eve Party hosted by Dean Walters, Barbara Lacy, and Ed and Carol Velasquez. There will be dancing to the music of "Rock N Roll" Country Live Band. A limited number of tickets are to be sold, so buy your tickets early to ensure your seats.

Bruce Turner ER Placerville Lodge 1712

turner2000@yahoo.com
 530/626-0940

DON'T FORGET YOUR KEY CARD
For entry to the Lodge

DD Clinics		
Sacramento # 6	Sunday	January 30,2011

Elks National Foundation



Invest in our community today with a donation to the Elks National Foundation. Your gift helps ensure that no veteran feels alone, no student gives up on their dreams, no child gives in to peer pressure and no Lodge lacks the resources to serve its community.

To learn more about the Elks National Foundation, its grants, giving options or recognition opportunities, visit www.elks.org/enf or talk with our Lodge's ENF chairperson...Matt Chitica 530-308-0992

From the Membership Committee:



The Good News.....To date, our membership is 599 and growing. There are 10 incoming members waiting to be initiated.



The Not So Good News Getting Better....We have 17 members who have not paid dues. To the members who have not paid.....give us a call at either the lodge office 530-672-9120 or call our Exalted Ruler Bruce Turner 530-626-0940 and we'll work with you. Remember, our lodge and our charities depend on your dues.....please pay yours.

Julianna Turner, Membership Chairwoman
turnjet_2000@yahoo.com
530-626-0940

TRUSTEES CORNER

We now have a revised budget as you should know if you have attended the meetings. Also at the last meeting the raise in dues was approved by a large majority. The problem that occurs to me is that even though the budget has been revised, the fact that we still owe and have to repay over \$20,000.00 in notes being held by members within the next two years has not been addressed. The raise in the dues will help to meet our monthly obligations/running costs but will do nothing toward repayment of these loans. Keeping this in mind you should be aware of the importance of coming to events and supporting our Lodge as this is the only way we have to raise funds and pay our obligations. So, come out, join your friends, make new ones and have a good time and support our Lodge.

A couple of months ago in this column and in separate ads I/we requested some members to step up and volunteer for various things, sit in and answer phones on Friday afternoons, help out with stripping and waxing the floors, take a few hours out of one day a month for abatement spraying, etc. These are all items that we pay for if volunteers don't do them. Another way to save the Lodge money. Can you guess how many calls we received? I am ashamed to say only one, how apathetic is that. It's ok for others to step up and volunteer, just don't ask me to do anything? Part of the Elk manta is helping others, Vets, Kids, people in need, and yet the majority of members from this Lodge won't even lend a hand to help out. Give us a call and get involved, not tomorrow, now. We need you.....Trustee Dave Stackpole

Thank You!

We wish to thank all the members who sent Get Well cards and Prayers for a quick recovery after our accident. They worked:: We are now on the mend.
Thank you again, John and Joan Staup

Hoop Shoot

December 12, 2010 at Ponderosa High School
from 9 am to 12 noon.
Volunteers are needed to help.
Please call Lodge Office at 672 0120

Membership Report

Total Members on April 1, 2010.....	577
New members initiated.....	40
Transfers In.....	6
Reinstatement.....	4
Gain.....	50
Transfers Out.....	1
Absolute Dimits.....	4
Dropped.....	12
Deceased.....	11
Loss.....	26
Total Members as of November 16, 2010.....	599

Lapsation Report

Delinquent members..... 17

From the Secretary.....

New Applicants

Tore Pearson
Charles LaBelle
Tim McFadden

Proposed By:

Dean Latham
Jim Stone
Transfer, WA Lodge 1843

Shellie White, Secretary



Christmas Dinner



Join us for our Annual Christmas Dinner
Tuesday December 21st
Social 5:30Dinner 7:00

Menu

Starters

Antipasto *at your table*
Tortellini Soup *with Garlic Bread*

Entrée

Stuffed Chicken Breast *wrapped in ham and bacon, slow roasted in a wild mushroom sauce*
Paprika Potatoes *with fresh parsley and sour cream*
Zucchini Boats *filled with cheese and fresh dill*

Dessert

Chocolate Mousse



Donation \$ 12.00



plus a wrapped ornament per person



Reservations required
Tables will be reserved for 8 or more



Santa's Open House....A Christmas for Foster Children
Saturday, December 4, 2010 - 8 am to 11 am



For the fourth consecutive year, volunteers from our Lodge and local organizations join to bring a special Christmas to the Foster Children of El Dorado County, Western Slope. This year, we are teaming up with Wal Mart for a shopping trip and the foster children can buy anything they need or want, except candy, for Christmas. The funds we receive will be divided among the Foster Children attending the Christmas shopping day. Wal Mart will also be a gift contributor to each child.

After shopping, we will return to the lodge and have a pancake breakfast with Santa and his elves, and a ventriloquist. The foster families are invited to join in the Christmas Breakfast. Elks and volunteer's children and grandchildren are welcome to attend the pancake breakfast with Santa.

We need volunteers to help with breakfast, some volunteers to shop with the children and some to set up and breakdown our lodge.

In order to raise the necessary funds for this memorable Christmas party, we are asking for your support. If you can make a monetary donation, please make your check out to "Santa's Open House" and either bring it by the lodge or send it to Pat Hilliard 3731 Clinton Way, Cameron Park, CA 95682. If you would like to volunteer some time to this fun day.....or if you would like to attend and enjoy the pancake breakfast with uscall Pat at 530-676-7656 or Fran at 344-1049 They will need to know the # of adults, the age and gender of the children you are bringing with you.

For more information or to volunteer...call 676-7656 or 344-1049



Darlene Aniasco Walter Bray Vince Cavallini John Cory



Andy Costantine Eugene Curtin Kim Grissom Gary Gorans

New members initiated
November 16, 2010



Leo Springer Robert Wolery



GUEST CHEF DINNER
DECEMBER 10, 2010



The lodge welcomes back chef Mike Pingree who is offering the following holiday meal for your dining pleasure:

Caesar Salad
 topped with garlic croutons and parmesan cheese

Beef Tender Shoulder
 with a Blackberry Peppercorn Sauce

Rice Pilaf - Herbed Seasonal Vegetables
 And Fruit Crisp for desert.

Cost: \$12.00

Social @ 5:30 pm, Dinner promptly @ 7 PM.....

2011 Blood Drive Dates...

Please come one, come all. The lodge is working with the Blood Source Organization, which depends on us to host community drives. Below are the dates for upcoming months:

- January 12th, Wednesday..... 1:30-7:30pm
- March 16th, Wednesday..... 1:30-7:30pm
- May 25th, Wednesday..... 1:30-7:30pm
- July 20th, Wednesday..... 1:30-7:30pm
- September 21st, Wednesday..... 1:30-7:30pm
- November 30th, Wednesday..... 1:30-7:30pm

Marilyn McKinney

One Free Christmas Dinner Ticket
On December 21 Reservation needed

Member # ___2120_ (Present this & your Elks card)

HANGTOWN HACKERS

Date Golf Course

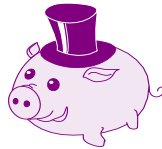
Look for 2011 dates and location in the January Gazette

Contact **Ed Velasquez** (626-7561) if interested in joining the *Hangtown Hackers Golf Group*

Pig Contributions...

Donations

Contributors for October are:



Century Club:

Ture Roslund x 3 for the month of October

60 year pin members:

Ralph Erwin

52 club members:

Del Sullivan

Other Contributors:

Odel King & Bjorn Ford

Mark Your Calendars
for the
Purple Pig Races
January 7th, 2011
Social 5:30
Speaker 6:30
Dinner 7:00
Races to follow.....

Darel Walker, Piggy Bank Chairman



Events In December

Monday Night Football

Every Monday evening (except the 13th) drop on by for the game and enjoy some dinner prepared by your Football Hosts.

Santa's Open House for Foster

Kids....Saturday, December 4th

Elks Memorial..Sunday, December 5th

Hoop Shoot...Sunday, December 12th

Children's Christmas Party...

.....Sunday, December 12th

Christmas Dinner...Tuesday, December 21st

Christmas Eve Potluck....Friday, Dec.24th

New Year's Eve Party...Friday, Dec. 31st

PLACERVILLE RVerS

Dec 8th, 2010	Christmas Party	Martin
-----2011-----		
March 22 - 28	Oceanside	Howe & Hackett
June TBD	RV Group Picnic	Koppinger
Sept. 7 - 11	Carson Valley Inn, Minden, Nevada Velasquez & Pennington	
Oct TBD	Plymouth 49er RV Park Barbour & Marshall	
Dec TBD	Christmas Party	Martin

Come join the fun! Anyone interested in a particular camp-out please contact the wagonmaster. For general camp-out information call Roy or Dawn Martin: (916) 402-0411.

HANGTOWN RVerS

Dec 9 Christmas Party Fry

Non-members are more than welcome to join us! For information call President Bob Vreeken: 622-1666 or Secretary Debbie Snodgrass: 647-2541.

GOLD COUNTRY TRAVELERS

Dec 11th	Christmas Party	Sorensen
Dec	Xmas Light Walking Tour-SF	Vranes
Mar 8 - 9th, 2011	Reno Snow Train	Turner

Reno Snow Train Info: Tuesday, March 8th, 2011 is date for the Snow Train...staying at the El Dorado Hotel, The theme is "New Orleans, Fat Tuesday".....

Open to all Lodge members and Guests

Check the flier at the bar for pricing and more information.

Get ready to make your reservations.

Membership is unlimited and you don't need an RV to join. If you have any questions or would like to sign up please call **Julianna Turner at 626-0940**, or e-mail **turnjet_2000@yahoo.com**

**Elks / Emblem Family & Friends
Children's Christmas Party**

December 12, 2010

1 - 4 PM

Elks Lodge



*****Reservations required by*****

12-2-10

Children from 0 - 10 years of age

RSVP to

Placerville Emblem Club #287

P.O. Box 125

Placerville, CA 95667-0125 or

Peggy Ross 622-2962



Include:

Child's name _____

Child's age _____

Gender _____

New Year's Eve Celebration
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Social 6:30PM
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Dinner 8PM

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Dancing

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Contact Dean Walters/Barbara Lacy 530 622-9333

plus tickets will be sold at the lodge until sold out
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Your hosts: Dean Walters & Barbara Lacy,

Ed and Carol Velasquez Reservations: 622-9333

Advance Ticket Sales Only!!!



**VETERAN'S APPRECIATION
DINNER & DANCE A SUCCESS!!**

We are happy to report that our Veteran's Appreciation dinner was a success, with almost 100 attendees! Carrie's dinner was delicious and our bartenders, Margie and Sharon, very generously donated their services for the evening.

Four Paws for Vets director, Aaron Jones, gave us an interesting presentation on the services that trained dogs provide to disabled veterans. Our Elk members then collected \$300 to donate to this project. Our raffle also raised a few hundred dollars for our Veteran's committee.

Darlene Chambers had her quilts and other sewing projects from her sewing group on display, representing their donations to the Yountville Veterans. Very impressive indeed! Our evening continued with great sounds from DJ Ed Lawson while we danced the night away.

Thanks to everyone for your generosity for our Veterans projects.

Clair & Sharon Miller



**Aaron Jones
Director of Four Paws for Vets,
and his dog, Lola**

No Elks Breakfast Served In December

December Initiation Dinner

The next initiation dinner will be December 7th
serving at 5:30, meeting begins at 7 pm
Initiation Meeting night dinners\$8.00
Please call in your reservation early 672-9120



Julianna Turner

Coming in January:

Purple Pig Races..... January 7th
Line Dancing Tuesdays
Guest Chef..... January 21st
Crab Feed..... January 29th
Elks Breakfast January 30th



Elks Memorial Service & Lunch

Sunday, December 5th

Social 11 am.....Memorial Service 12 noon
Lunch 12:30 pm



My Fellow Members,

The first Sunday in December is set apart as a day for Elks to gather and offer remembrance to those members who have passed away during the past year, and in memoriam to those who have passed away over the years.

The service is about a half hour from start to finish and is conducted by our Lodge Officers and PERs. There will be lunch following the service.

Please accept this as an invitation for you and your family to attend this year's Memorial Service as a gesture of support and comfort to those families suffering a recent loss, as well as those honoring the memory of a loved one. It is also an opportunity to experience this long standing tradition of our Order that touches us all, sooner or later, and broadens our perspective of what Elkdom is all about.

The phrase "Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken" takes root in the celebration of those whom we have loved and lost. We invite you to join us on this special day.

Sincerely,

Memorial Day Chairman: Larry Berger, PDDGER



Call the Lodge: 672-9120 Reserve Today!!

An Important Reminder That...

If you are not current on your membership dues, you are NOT to use any of the Lodge facilities. This is a Grand Lodge statute!

Please DO NOT let your membership lapse!

Dues may be paid by credit card



2011 Elks Scholarship Contests Are Under Way!

Do you know a high school senior looking for college scholarships?
2011 Legacy Awards Applications are now available!

Legacy Awards applications, available online only, are due on
February 1, 2011

at 12:00 p.m. (noon) Central Time.

If you are the child or grandchild of an active Elk member, visit
www.elks.org/enf/scholars/legacy.cfm
to find out more!

Call Scholarship Chairman
Steven Seither 916 717 9150

Boy Scout Troop 117

Comes to the Garden's Rescue

Saturday, November 13th, the Boy Scouts came out along with Master Troop Leader, Gary Gorans, and their parents and truly worked hard at getting our Lodge grounds in 'tip top' shape!

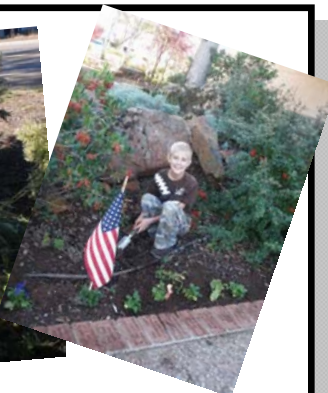
Jim Stone, Bob Heim and myself were totally amazed at the due diligence this troop had in listening to direction and working hard at their tasks. They totally beautified our Lodge grounds in planting flowers, hedging, trimming trees, raking leaves

and then hauling it all off to the dumps. We are still in AWE at the wonderful job they did, not to mention the delicious BBQ hamburgers they supplied afterward.

"Thanks so much!"

It was a blast working with all the kids and parents. Here are a few photos of the day. .

Les and Kris Thayer



Beginner Line Dance Classes

Put on your dancing shoes...

**Tuesdays,
Starting January 4th
1 pm - 3 pm (or later)**

Put on your dancing shoes and join us! Starting Tuesday, January 4th. Classes will continue weekly thru March 29th.

We will learn a new routine every week at the beginning of the class and we will review other routines towards the end of the class.

Not only will we be feeling more energetic, we will also be exercising our brain *and* helping our Lodge *and* having a good time while doing it. This class is for Elk members and their spouses only.

Cost: \$45 for the three months, however, since we have only been able to sign up females, a 50% discount will be given to all male students. All proceeds will go towards the purchase of a new range for the kitchen.

**Call Mida Sorensen at (530) 677-3259
Sign Up Today!!**

~ Gardening Dates and Updates ~

The 10 new bricks have been installed to the Lodge walkway. These bricks are not only a great way to honor someone, but also beautify our walkways at the Lodge.

They would make a great Christmas gift for a loved one.

You can purchase a brick for \$100 at the Lodge. The deadline for the next brick order is January 15, 2011. Please fill out a form and order your brick today!

We need volunteers to garden as we continue to make our Lodge grounds beautiful and appealing for those who want to rent it!

The gardening dates are on Monday's from 9:00 am till noon.

The upcoming dates will be December 6th and 20th.

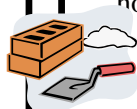
I would like to also extend a huge "Thank you" to Jim Stone, Bob Heim, and Ed & Peggy Cavender who continue to come out every garden date to weed, hedge bushes, trim trees, prune roses, and blow all the leaves & debris out of our parking lots! It just amazes me that you never seem to tire at the task!

Please come out and help with the gardening!

Les and Kris Thayer

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Social Night Potluck 6 pm	2 Taco Night Team # 2 5—7:30 pm	3	4  Santa's Open House for Foster Kids 8—11 am
5  Elks Memorial Social: 11 am Service: Noon Lunch: 12:30 Rented 5—10 pm	6 Boy Scouts Gardening 9 am - Noon Football	7 Lodge Dinner 5:30 Meeting and Initiation 7 pm	8 Rented 5—10 pm	9  Pasta Dinner 5—7:30 Emblem Desserts & Candy	10 <i>Guest Chef</i> Social: 5:30 Dinner: 7:00	11 
12  <i>Hoop Shoot 9-noon</i> Emblem Club Children's Christmas Party 1—4pm	13 Rented SIRS 4—10pm	14 <i>Emblem 7 pm</i> Trustees 6 pm House 7 pm	15 Rented Pride & Joy 8:30-12:30 Chamber of Commerce Mixer 5—9 pm	16 Taco Night Team # 3 5—7:30 pm	17 Rented 4—10 pm	18 Rented 5—10 pm
19 Rented 4—10 pm	20 Boy Scouts Gardening 9am - Noon Football	21  Christmas Dinner Social: 5:30 Dinner: 7:00	22 Social Night Potluck 6 pm	23	24  Christmas Eve Potluck 5 pm	25 Merry Christmas Lodge Closed
26 Lodge Closed	27 Football	28	29 Social Night Potluck 6 pm	30	31  New Year's Eve Party!! Social: 6:30 Dinner: 8:00 <i>Advance Ticket Sales Only!</i>	

January 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Lodge Closed
2	3 Rented 8:30 am - 10 am SIRS 10:30 am to 2:30 pm	4 Line Dancing 1 pm - 3 pm Lodge Meeting 7 pm	5 Social Night Potluck 6 pm	6 Taco Night Team # 4 5—7:30 pm	7   Purple Pig Races! Social: 5:30 Speaker: 6:30 Dinner: 7:00 Races to follow	8 Rented 5 pm - 11 pm
9	10	11 Line Dancing 1 pm - 3 pm Emblem 7 pm Trustees 6 pm House 7 pm	12 Social Night Potluck 6 pm Blood Drive 1:30 - 7:30 pm	13 Pasta Dinner 5 -7:30	14 Rented 5 pm - 10 pm Chamber Installation	15 Brick Order Deadline Rented 4 pm - 10 pm
16 Rented 10 am - 6 pm	17	18 Line Dancing 1 pm - 3 pm Lodge Meeting/ Initiation  7 pm	19 Social Night Potluck 6 pm	20 Taco Night Team # 1 5—7:30 pm	21  Guest Chef Social: 5:30 Dinner: 7:00	22
23	24	25 Line Dancing 1 pm - 3 pm Trustees 6 pm House 7 pm	26 Social Night Potluck 6 pm	27 Pasta Dinner 5 -7:30	28	29  Crab Feed Social: 5:30 Dinner: 7:00
30 Elks Breakfast Team # 1 8am—11:30 DD Clinic Sac #6	31					