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Hello everyone,

It is sad for me to say it, but this is my last article as your Exalted Ruler. I would like to thank each and every member for giving me the chance to represent the Lodge this year. It has been fun and stressful at the same time. We as a lodge have done a lot of fun and exciting things this year. We had lots of nice dinners, special events, and got a few of you to volunteer for the first time, and I have met a lot of fun and interesting people along the way.



I would like to thank all of my Officers in the Lodge. They have had an amazing year with fundraising, going to all the clinic's and just learning the way the lodge works. I am confident that they will service the membership well and make their years just as great if not better than mine.

Barry Smith will be a great leader for all of you, and he is a easy going man, so if you see him in the lodge please take the time to get to know him. I am very proud with the things he has accomplished this year. He has done very well raising money for the Purple Pig, not to mention other fundraisers he has worked on this year. He is very dedicated to the lodge and will be a great Exalted Ruler.

I don't like to say good-bye, so I won't. I will still be around the Lodge and helping in in areas that I am needed. I am still a newlywed, so I am going to try and spend more time with my lovely new wife Marta. She has been my rock this year. She has stood by my side through the good times and bad this year. I couldn't have done it without her so, this is not a farewell, but a new beginning. THANK YOU once again to ALL the members for giving me the opportunity to lead you this past year. It is something I will never forget. It has been a true honor and privilege to serve you as Exalted Ruler.

**Fraternally yours,
Shawn Doebel, Exalted Ruler**

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February Herd Talk

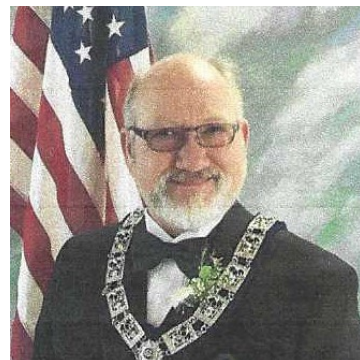
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Prize

1 Wednesday Dinner

Pick up prize at the Bar



Hello my fellow Elks,

Can you believe Spring is just a few days away? I can't wait for longer days & fun in the sun. February was very busy around the Lodge. The Super Bowl Party was a huge success even if the favored team lost in the last 3 seconds of overtime. It was a great game to watch and we raised several hundred dollars for the Purple Pig. March will have something for everyone. March 2nd will be my last formal fundraiser for the Purple Pig. On the 10th we have Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, the 16th is the Annual Kid's Easter Party, the 17th the Lodge will be serving Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes & Irish Carrots to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and the 23rd will be Installation of Officers. Please see flyers and the calendar elsewhere in this Herd Talk for more information.

We are always looking for volunteers, in particular we need a Kitchen Manager. The Kitchen Manager is not responsible for cooking meals but rather helping to oversee the Custodians, work with the Event Coordinator, help with inventory control and help coordinate outside party events along with the House Committee. If you have a few hours a week and would like to find out more about this position, please let me know as soon as possible. ELK652. I am also looking for people to help with our new Birthday Communication Group. The idea is to have 3 to 5 people call at the end of the month to wish our members a happy birthday & invite them to the 1st Wednesday dinner/meeting for a piece of cake, a free drink and a chance to win a free Wednesday dinner for showing up.

As always, please remember that our Lodge is run by volunteers so do your part and let them know that they are appreciated. If you have some time, we would love to have you join us. We would be happy to teach you what we do! "MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK". You can contact me by calling the Lodge (707) 442-6652 and leave a message.

Barry Smith

Your Leading Knight for one more month

PER Report

The Past Exalted Rulers Association voted and accepted Shawn Doebel into the association. Shawn will be our Association Secretary for the coming year. Dennis Hunter has been elected as President. The PER's will be installing new Lodge Officers for the coming year on March 23rd. The PER's will be looking for volunteers to help refurbish the gazebo. We are hoping to start work in April. Please contact Brad Smith to sign up for the work crew. Call the Lodge at (707) 442-6652 and leave a message.

The PER Association

It Takes a Village!

All Lodges have many volunteers who show up without a phone call. Our Lodge has many great volunteers who do just that. They are there to help when needed. One of our volunteers not only shows up without a phone call but also oversees other volunteers to make the Lodge work and help keep the doors open. Rena Forbes, our Bar Manager, keeps the bar open and coordinates other bar volunteers to insure that all our members have a good time. So next time you see Rena (you can find her on the other side of the bar) say "Thank you and I'll have another round!"



Eureka Elks Lodge #652

Elks National Drug Awareness Program Poster and Essay Contest Winners for 2024

The Elks Annual Drug Awareness Program provides kids and young adults the opportunity to express their feelings on rejecting peer pressure and what it means to be drug free through their participation in the annual Drug Awareness Program's Poster/Essay and Video contests. Entries progress through Lodge, District, State and National competitions.

The 2024 Elks National Drug Awareness Program Poster and Essay contest winners for both the Eureka Elks Lodge #652 and the California/Hawaii North Coast District contest are:

**Poster -Lila Brazil - 3rd Grade-Pacific View Charter School, Eureka, Ca.
Essay -Simon Zagone - 8th Grade-Sunny Brea Middle School, Arcata, CA**

Each will receive a cash award \$100 from the Eureka Lodge and an additional \$100 from the North Coast District along with Certificates of Achievement. Awards will be presented during the Eureka Lodge Volunteer Recognition/Awards Dinner on March 10, 2024.

Jack Harris, Drug Awareness Program Chairman

The Veterans Corner

"So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them"

The Veteran's Committee donated Bed-Bug Proof Mattresses Covers, Bed-Bug Proof Pillowcases and a Commercial Carpet Cleaner to the local Nation's Finest Transitional Housing Facility for Homeless Veterans. The Nation's Finest Transitional Housing Program offers a safe place for Veterans to stay while assisting them in locating affordable housing. During this process Veterans receive case management and career development services along with group support and educational activities. On the average Nation's Finest places thirty residents a year into independent housing. Nation's Finest relies primarily on grants and donations such as our proposal and presently do not have the funding available to purchase these items. An Elks National Foundation Grant of \$2500 combined committee funds provided the funding for the purchase.

The Veterans Committee meets monthly on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6 PM at the Lodge.

Jack Harris, Veteran's Committee Chairman

Redwood Roamers

Greetings fellow Elks,

We Roamers traveled here to the Lodge to camp and enjoy each other's companionship and activities. Our Trailblazers for this event were Lenny and Linda Perata, and what a fun and fine time we had. We attended Cook Your Own Steak on Friday night, followed with breakfast at the Pantry. That afternoon we ran over to Arcata for hatchet throwing. Our champion in this event was Tim Cruz. That night, Thanks to Howard Ritter, we were treated to the movie "Nomad" with popcorn, here at the Lodge. Sunday morning we indulged in a great breakfast by Shawn Doebel, Silvia Vader, and others.

We continue our work at volunteering for the Lodge and planning out the excursions for the year. Our next meeting is on Wednesday, March 6th at 4:30pm. We would love for you to attend.

Dan Wilson, Wagon Master



Members,

I wrote an article on the ability to pay your membership dues online at the lodge website, www.elks652.org. There as been some confusion on the article, for some people. The dues have not increased this year. The dues are \$165.00. If you wish to add a spouse card that would be \$1.00 and a charity donation is your choice. If you have any questions call the lodge office (707) 442-6652 and we will return your call by the next business day. Please remember, if you pay online there are no refunds.

Fraternally,

William Lambo, Treasurer



Eureka Elks Dining Service for Wednesday and Friday Dinners

The Eureka Elks Lodge welcomes you to our Wednesday and Friday dining service. As of **April 1st, 2024**, please remember that the reservation cut-off time will change to:

Wednesday Dinner: Reservation cut-off time is **Tuesday at 5PM**

Friday Dinner: Reservation cut-off time is **Thursday at 5PM**

There will be **no exceptions**, so please, make your reservations early. Remember, your reservation may be made by:

1. Stopping by the Lodge, or calling **(707-442-6652 Ext. 0)** to speak with Crystal, our clerk, or leave a message on the phone tree.
2. Stopping by the lounge and signing up on the clipboard.

In order to reserve a table, there must be eight (8) in your party to complete the reservation.

Your table will have a personal reservation placard with your imprinted name. Please look for placard when entering the dining room.

Making a reservation for a party of 25 or more guests

for a Wednesday or Friday Dinner

To best accommodate you and your guest, please contact Crystal Flaherty, our Lodge Clerk to make a reservation a week prior to the dinner. Please remember that you are the **Elk Member** and responsible for your guests and party. You must be present with them during their visit to the Lodge. Thank you for your reservation. We appreciate you and your patronage of the Eureka Elks Lodge.

Crystal is available Tuesday through Friday from 10AM to 4PM

Thank you from The House Committee

We, the volunteers, appreciate your patronage and enjoy seeing you at the Lodge. Thank you for your cooperation.
Your House Committee

Eureka Elks Lodge Chef's Position

The Eureka Elks Lodge is a 1300 plus membership lodge. Elks Lodge has been a place for members and their guests to meet and enjoy our facility. The lodge has become a favorite facility in our community for weddings, wedding anniversaries, retirements, celebrations of life events and company parties.

Our chef position will be for Special Events only. The lodge will be responsible for purchasing all food for the event that is pre-determined by the House Committee. The lodge will also be responsible for extra kitchen help and prep if needed. Set-up, breakdown along with the kitchen clean up and serving the meal will be provided by our Elk's volunteers working closely with the chef to provide a great meal.

This will be a paid part-time position.

Eureka Elks Lodge House Committee

Lawana Schulz, Chairman



Eureka Lodge Cook Job Description

This will be an hourly position, pay determined at the time of employment.

The pay range is \$25-\$32 per hour.

Bonuses will be awarded by plates served. Recommendation are \$1 per plate.

Cook's shifts are based on 6 hours, additional time may be needed for larger events. Cooks will be employed by the Eureka Elks Lodge.

The cook's position is open to Elk Members and non-members.

Minimum 2 years' experience preferred.

Inquiries may contact The Lodge Clerk at 707-442-6652

Don't miss the
PURPLE PIG DINNER

Saturday March 2, 2024



\$25 per plate

Honey Garlic Pork Loin

Cheesy Potatoes, Veggies & Dessert

Dinner cooked by Debbie & Jerry Stewart

Make reservations by Wed Feb 28th, 2024

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Dinner at 6:00pm

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Save the Date

Elks Annual Kids Easter Party

Saturday March 16, 2024

10:30am - 11:45am

Crafts

11:45am - 12:30pm

Lunch

**After lunch a Special
appearance by the Easter
Bunny with gift bags!**

**Reservations required
call 707-442-6652**

**Lunch: chicken nuggets,
mini corn dogs, fries,
veggies and salad**

**Kids free
Adults \$8.00**





*St. Patrick's
Day
Dinner
March 17th*



*Corned Beef & Cabbage
Potatoes & Irish Carrots
By Alan, Shawna & Dan*

*Our bar will be featuring the Finest
Irish Drinks & Whiskey this side of
Ireland*

*Prize for the most Green Outfit
Come out for Drinks @ 2pm
Dinner @ 5pm
\$25.00 per plate*



Installation of Officers

March 23, 2024 @ 3:00pm

Cocktails 5:00 Dinner 6:00

Stuffed Chicken Puff Pastry

With Spinach & Artichoke Hearts Fresh Green

Beans

With Shaved Parmesan

Fresh Baked Rolls

Salad of Fresh Greens, Mandarin Oranges

Sliced Almonds w/ Poppy Seed Dressing Lemon

Mousse for Dessert

\$25.00

Things to Know

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Flag Day Ceremony, June 15th

SAVE THE DATE!!!

**Eureka Elks Lodge Installation of Officers will be held at the
Lodge on March 23, 2024
See the flyer in this Herd Talk**

Assistant Bar Manager

**Jan Belarde is now the Assistant Bar Manager for Rena
Forbes. Thank you Jan for everything you do!**

BAD WORD JAR

Did you know that there is a **BAD WORD JAR located at the
bar? If you use a bad word, please drop a dollar in the jar. All
proceeds will go to Youth Activities**

Herd Talk

**If you have any ideas or suggestions for the Herd Talk
Contact me, Shawna Bobillot, in person at the Lodge or by
Email: herdtalkeditor@gmail.com**

Step Up Night

**March 20th
7:00 PM**

Find the **ELK652 hidden somewhere in the Herd Talk and enter for a
chance to win a special prize. Just drop off you name and the page number
or article you found the **ELK652** at the bar. You will be entered into the
drawing to win a special prize. Drawing to be held on the 3rd Wednesday of
the month and the winner will be announced in the next Herd Talk.**



Valentine's Day Dinner Was a Great Success!



***Come play Pinochle & Cribbage
Thursdays from 2pm-4pm***





ALL VETERAN'S MEMORIAL



The Past Exalted Ruler's Association has prepared a memorial to all Veterans who have served our Nation. It was dedicated by the Grand Exalted Ruler on the Lodge's 100th Anniversary. For a donation of \$100 or more, your name will be placed on a redwood burl plaque that will be on display in the Lodge. For \$30 each, you can have a veteran's Name, Rank and Branch of Service engraved on a brick that will be placed on the Memorial Wall located to the left of the Lodge's front door entrance. Order forms are available in the office of the Lodge.



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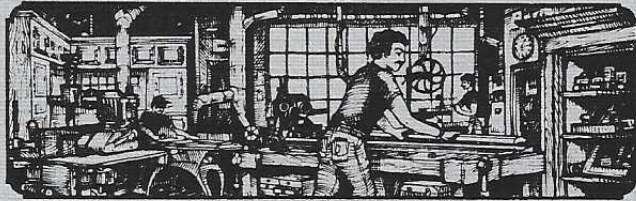
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March 2024



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Lounge Open 2-7pm Daily Unless Noted	Dinner Reservations By 1pm on Wednesday & Friday	CYOS Dinners Steak-\$27 Chicken-\$20 Steamer-\$17	Wednesday Dinner \$17	Bar Food *** Hot Dogs Nachos French Fries	1 CYOS 6:30pm w/LaWana Shulz And Crew Midnight Special	2 Purple Pig Dinner w/Debbie, Jerry & Brian 6pm Cocktails-5pm
3	4 House Committee 5:30pm	5 Trustee Meeting 5:30pm	6 3 Soups, Salad Bar & Dessert w/Silvia Roamers-4:30 Lodge Meeting 7pm	7 Pinochle & Cribbage 2-4pm	8 CYOS 6:30pm TBD Noir w/Christina D'Alessandro (Blues/Swing)	9
10 CYOS Volunteer Appreciation Dinner @ 5pm Cocktails @ 4pm	11	12 PER Meeting 5pm	13 PER Dinner 6pm Chicken Cacciatore	14 Pinochle & Cribbage 2-4pm	15 CYOS 6:30pm w/Helen Belloni Almost Dangerous	16 Easter Party 10:30-12:30 See Flyer Attached In This Herd Talk
17 St. Patrick's Day Dinner @ 5pm w/Alan, Shawna & Dan Cocktails @ 4pm	18	19 Trustee Meeting 5:30pm Emblem Club 6:30pm	20 Swedish Meatballs w/Kurt & Family 6pm Step Up Night @ 7	21 Pinochle & Cribbage 2-4pm	22 CYOS 6:30pm w/James Huffman Cadillac Ranch	23 Installation of Officers @ 3pm Cocktails @ 5pm Dinner @ 6pm \$25.00
24	25	26	27 Taco Tuesday on Wednesday w/Silvia Vader 6pm	28 Pinochle & Cribbage 2-4pm	29 CYOS 6:30pm w/Silvia Vader Blue Rhythm Revue	30
31	Clerk's Hours Tuesday Thru Friday 10am-4pm					

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St. Patrick's Day Dinner

March 17th

Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes & Irish Carrots
See Flyer in this Herd Talk



Elk's Annual Kids Easter Party

March 16th

*Crafts, Lunch & a special visit from the
Easter Bunny*

See flyer in this Herd Talk