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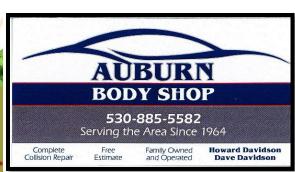
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LEADING KNIGHT – KATHY MADEIROS

Hi everyone,

We have some exciting news. Jim and I have committed ourselves and the Lodge to helping the Placer Sheriff's Activities League (PSAL), a non-profit organization dedicated to fostering a positive relationship between law enforcement and young people in Placer County. Our Lodge will have opportunities to work with these young people and make a difference in their lives. Please look for information to come.

A huge thank you goes out to some simply awesome members and friends. Kelley Bielski hand-crocheted the Santa hats for our Purple Pigs that we put on the tables at Christmas time. Ron Hall has decorated the pigs for the upcoming Valentine's Day. Ron is my partner in crime, counting all the donations and keeping track of them for their recognition. I am so blessed to have Daphne Harmon standing by my side whenever there is anything needed; she will forever be in my heart. Peggy Word has been in the kitchen covering shifts to make the food we have thoroughly enjoyed.

If you haven't been to the Event Center in Grass Valley, you should make a point to visit our sister building. The New Year's Eve party was held there, and it was a huge success.

Please volunteer to help the Lodge. We really need you!

Fraternally, Kathy Madeiros District Leader



Elks Crying Corner

The following members can start crying for not attending a Lodge meeting. Why? Because their name(s) were drawn, and they were not present to receive the money:

January 9, 2025

The jackpot drawing of \$300 was lost by # Don Hay
The jackpot drawing of \$300 was lost by # Bob Wire
The jackpot drawing of \$208 was lost by # William Killinger

It pays to attend a Lodge meeting. Meetings are on the Second and Fourth Thursday of the month. Dinner is at 6:00 pm and the meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

Cleaning Out Your Closet?

Auburn Seventh-Day Adventist Church Community Services is in desperate need of men's clothing and shoes. To be specific, men's sizes Medium & Large Shirts & Pants sizes 30 to 36. Please drop off in the back of the church 12225 Rock Creek Road, Auburn on Mondays or Tuesdays from 9 am to 1:00 pm.

This church is a food bank and clothing distribution center. They also provided showers and meals for the homeless and those in need. Thank you in advance!

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Tuesday: 3-6:30PM
Wednesday: 9AM-4PM
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Elks Lodge Officers

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Thursday, March 13, 2025, will be our annual "Old Timers Night". To honor the below list of names we invite them to be our guests for dinner at 6:00 p.m. Following dinner, we ask them to stay for the meeting, which starts at 7:00 pm, and receive their "year pin".

Twenty Years	Twenty-Five Years	Thirty Years	Forty-Five Years
Geri Bray	Janice Bouris	Patrick Brady	Gerald Maxwell
Ronald Demske	Kelly Garcia	William Hopper	Oscar Thompson
Richard Fuller	Denis Koehn	Jim Jordan	
Rex Gouldthread	Mike Linker	Michael Kochis	Fifty Years
James Harris	Peter Vasilakos	Jon Loberg	Ken Calhoon
Richard Johnson	Peter Vogt	Gary Norman	Walter Drysdale
Brett Jordan	Edward Wicks	Troy Ratliff	James Inman
Matt Jordan	John Ziegler		
Paul McDaniel		Thirty-Five Years	Fifty-Five Years
John Mincks		Eugene Foiles	Leroy Conley
Richard Nogleberg			Joseph Kasza
Anthony Oliveira		Forty Years	
Michael Ternus		Jim Hawkeswood	Sixty-Five Years
		Kent MacDonald	William Tinley
		Dennis White	

As always if you need to contact me call my cell phone (530-570-8896) or email me <u>b.chelonis@att.net</u> and I will be more than happy to assist you.

Fraternally Yours
Bill Chelonis PDDGER,
Lodge Secretary





LODGE CLEAN-UP REMINDER

Please remember Lodge Cleanup is usually on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 9:00 am. The next one is on Wednesday – February 5th.

In January, we did some general cleanup inside & outside, cleaned, dusted, dusted all fans, cleaned bar, vacuumed carpets, cleaned coffee bar area, cleaned windows, and much more.

The Lodge would like to thank the members who worked in January: PER Dick Robart, Jim Harris, Michael Van Hook, John Crawford, Jim Nordstrom, and John Marcella.

Turnout was not good we could use more people. PLEASE!!!!! Come out and give us a hand next time.

Dick Robart Lodge Cleanup Chair 530-906-1945 cell or text lib.dick.robart@gmail.com

Sickness and Distress



Lodge of Sorrow

John Simmons passed away on January 1, 2025, at the age of 83. John was born on June 7, 1941, near Grand Rapids, MI. In addition to the Elks, John was a member of the Model A Ford Club of America and the Auburn A's.

Ron Bailey, a 24-yr member passed on January 8, 2025, at the age of 85. A Lodge of Sorrow will be held in his honor at the next meeting.

Should you hear of anyone experiencing sickness or distress, please convey that information to me so that I can reach out on behalf of the Lodge to see if we can aid in any way, even if that aid is only to hold fellow members in our thoughts and prayers. Contact info

is: craigcollom@sbcglobal.net or (916) 203-8049.

Fraternally, Craig Collom Lecturing Knight



VETERANS CORNER

February is here. It's time to show some appreciation to your favorite Valentine. Remember, candy and flowers can go a long way in showing that gratitude.

We are nearing the end of the Elk year, and annual dues will soon be due. As you pay those annual dues, remember that you can also contribute to the Elks National Foundation, Major Project, and our Lodge Veterans Fund. The first goes to the National office, with the second to the State office. The third one, the Lodge Veterans Fund, stays local in the Auburn area. You'll get to see your money working in our Veteran community. The Veteran's Committee is funded only by your generous donations and receives no money from the annual Lodge budget. The budget provides for other community services, just not our Veterans! Please remember this when you write that check for your annual dues this year. I donate to our fund, won't you?

Some dates to remember this month are: February 2, 2025, is GroundHog Day; February 17, 2025, is President's Day (fly the flag); February 23, 1945, the American flag was raised on Iwo Jima; and on February 22, 1932, the Purple Heart Medal was revived.

Save the date. On Saturday, May 17, 2025, this Lodge will conduct its annual BBQ at the Reno VA hospital. This yearly event is not paid for nor subsidized by our Lodge but rather by the Lodge Veterans fund (that y'all donate to). It costs approximately \$800 to pay for the food we provide the Veterans and the entire staff at the hospital. I invite you to come with us to this event as there will be live music and a car show on that day. Visiting with the Veterans is a highlight we all enjoy.

Once again, it is time to sign off for another month. Until then, remember that we live in the greatest country in the world. We help and protect more people than any other country. We should be proud of what this country does for mankind everywhere. Be thankful that we speak English, vote freely, have religious freedoms, educate ourselves, and interact with whomever we choose. What a great country. Remember our military serving around the world, some in places that are not friendly to our country. Keep our service members in your prayers. Remember to mention your family, friends, and anyone else you would like to comment on in your prayers. God Bless America.

Rudy Pelzman

Chairman, Veterans Service Committee

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LODGE BYLAWS

Auburn Lodge Bylaws are available on line at http://www.elks.org/lodges/bylaws.cfm?lodgeNumber=1691

A user name and password are required, and access through this link is restricted to Lodge members only. Members who don't yet have a password may register by giving their membership number and name to Grand Lodge online at: http://www.elks.org/members/registration.cfm

Valentine Box Social Night

On Open Lodge Night the 14th of Feb. we are also hosting a "Box Social Night".

Do you know what a Box Social Night is? It is simple: each lady of the lodge who participates will make a boxed dinner for dinner 2, homemade or purchased, and raffle it off. The person who wins the box will join that lady for dinner that evening.

The raffle proceeds will be donated to the "Disaster Relief Fund" to help the Southern California fire victims.

Ladies please consider making dinners for this great cause and bring your significant others to help purchase raffle tickets for your or others dinner.



Auburn – Grass Valley Elks Lodge 538 Scholarships for 2024-2025

This year there are two scholarships for seniors graduating in the Spring of 2025. The scholarship applications will be available beginning October 10, 2024.

Seniors must send an email requesting an application to James Harris at jnvtoad@att.net. Applicants must indicate which scholarship they are applying for. However, seniors can apply for both. Applicants will receive one or both applications by return email.

WIL THOMAS EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

This is the sixth year for the Wil Thomas Educational Scholarship. This scholarship's value is \$1000.00 and is for family members of past or present members of the Auburn – Grass Valley Elks Lodge 538. It is offered to seniors who plan to attend a university, college, or vocational school in the Fall of 2025.

CLIFFORD LOOBY SCHOLARSHIP

This is the 19th year that the Looby Scholarship has been offered to graduating seniors planning to attend a university or college in the Fall of 2025. The value of this scholarship is \$1250.00. The senior must be a child, stepchild, or grandchild of an active Elk in Auburn – Grass Valley Lodge 538.

Previous winners of this scholarship have graduated from high schools in California (last year), Nevada, Oregon, and Washington.

Questions regarding either scholarship should be directed to James Harris at invtoad@att.net. Again, applications will be available beginning October 10, 2024, and must be returned (POSTMARKED) by February 28, 2025. Do not return your application by EMAIL.

Participants will receive the results of the competition in March 2025.

Please consider donating new or handmade items to be raffled off at the Birthday Dinners.

Contact Lisa Haynes at 916-201-0715 if you have any questions or an item to donate.

PER Chicken Dinner
March 22, 2025
Social Hour starts at 5:00pm
Dinner at 6:30pm
Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Salad
Rolls
\$16.00 per person



Food will be Fantastic Fun with Friends Festivities including a Raffle Reservations are required by 3/14/2025 530-888-7111

or ermadeiros@gmail.com Get you tickets early at the Lodge.



Results coming soon



Shuffleboard Results coming soon

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Dutra, Michael A01 Gregersen, Mark C
- 01 Krall, F Michael
- 02 Bengston, Perry M
- 02 Borden, William 'Bill' A
- 02 Golden, Hershel Foster
- 02 Stillens, Jack
- 04 Billey, Dempsey J
- 04 Killinger, William L
- 04 Tiemann, A Lawrence
- 05 Jordan, Matt
- 05 Tucker, Lea Ann
- 05 Word, Peggy
- 08 Fasse, Dale B
- 08 Kawahata, Ron
- 12 Darling Bliss, Carolyn
- 13 Bennett, Robert James
- 13 Bischoff, William
- 14 Staats, Elizabeth A
- 15 Bauman, Martin A
- 15 Eisley, Harvey
- 16 Brennan, James
- 16 Johnson, Bryan D
- 16 Tiernan, Kevin
- 17 Newsom, Stephen Craig
- 18 Kulas, Calvin
- 18 Stout, Chad
- 18 Tribur, Matthew J
- 20 Hawkeswood, Jim A
- 20 Schifando, Jack Peter
- 21 Calhoon, Ken E
- 21 Evers, Ruby O
- 22 Williams, George E
- 23 DiPuccio, Gregory Julian
- 24 Thompson, Oscar A
- 25 Armstrong, Tristyn
- 25 Bacon, Denny
- 25 James, Tommy
- 26 Shaffer, Dan
- 27 Albright, James Edward
- 27 Tallman, Ray C



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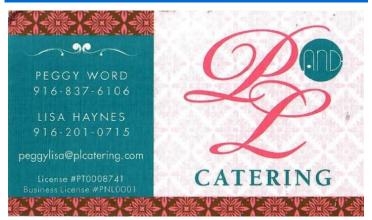
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FEBRUARY



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Thurs		6 11:00 AM Sirs 6:00 PM Building Hall Meeting	13 5:00 PM Trustees Meeting 5:00 PM Social Time 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM Lodge Meeting	20	5:00 PM Trustoes Meeting 5:00 PM Social Time 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM Lodge Meeting
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