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BPO ELKS 2399

WAPITI WIND

May/June, 2011



Exalted Ruler's Message: My Theme this Year: **"Moving forward in Complete Harmony."** Moving forward is a broad goal that covers many activities I will present to you this coming year. In order to move LHC Lodge 2399 forward we need to grow membership. We need to focus on younger members to carry the legacy of this lodge for many decades.

If you, as members, want to expand and grow LHC lodge, then we need to expand local membership We will do this by getting more involved in our community and demonstrating pride that we are Elks.

Youth Activities is one of the best places to start. Lue Tidmarsh has a great group of volunteer chairpersons who work directly in the schools. They work with the kids-our future citizens- and their parents who are potential Elks.

I challenge you to get involved. Your life will be uplifted. Give

Youth Activities serious consideration and volunteer for one of our Youth Activities Committees, or at least attend the events representing Elkdom. Our Youth Activities chairpersons are: Drug Awareness Penny Heredia/Mike Arlowe; Hoop Shoot Sandy MacNevin; Scholarship Bill Ensley; Scouts Richard Chinn; Soccer Shoot Casey Zertuche and Special Olympics Larry Sears.

Select a Youth Activity you would like to support and then call the office for the chairperson's telephone number or call me directly. I'll be glad to get you involved.

If you have positive suggestions for improving our lodge, please contact me @ 680-7026. or email, ERTim@Elks2399.org

Fraternally, *Jim Fairbank* Exalted Ruler

LODGE OFFICERS 2011/2012



Standing from left: Inner Guard Mike Vail, Treasurer Richard Ross, Secretary Tom Bradford, Chaplain Bob Brown, Tiler Dennis Dunkirk, Lecturing Knight Jim Joubert, Trustee Jim Travis, Trustee Wally Thornton, Seated: Organist Lue Tidmarsh, Loyal Knight Sandy MacNevin, Exalted Ruler Tim Fairbank, Leading Knight, Hank Thonnard, Trustee Jeff Brown, Esquire Judy McGrath. Not pictured Trustee Richard Conway and Trustee Jerry Gillen.

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Wapiti Wind

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Hi Elkettes. As we begin our second month of the new Elkette year, we look forward to many good things happening. Your new Executive Board has some good ideas to help make the Elkettes better than ever. With your help we will accomplish our goals.

One area of concern is the continuing decline in membership. As a group we are responsible to support the Elks. As was discussed at our April meeting, we would like to encourage every member to bring in one new Elkette this year. The greater our numbers, the better we can fulfill our purpose for being. I also extend this challenge to those of you who were not in attendance at our last meeting. I continue to be amazed at the wonderful group you are. We accomplished much this year and we look forward to even more this year.

May has always been a quiet month and we would like to change that. Kathy Fairbank, our second VP suggested we bring back the Mexican Fiesta. She and I are co-chairing this event, to benefit Meals on Wheels and will be held on Sunday, May 22nd @ 4:00PM. We will serve Mexican food, have some good entertainment, as well as raffle baskets. All of this for \$10.00 per person. Tickets are now available in the lodge office. I hope many of you will join us for this fun event.

Many of you will be traveling this summer and will be leaving soon. I wish each of you a safe, happy travel. I want to take this opportunity to wish all mothers a happy Mother's Day.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday May 10, 2011 and I encourage you all to attend.

*Pauline Thonnard, President Elkettes
Paulinet@frontiernet.net.*

ELKS PRODUCTION OF GRIMM'S FAIRY TALES.

Do you recall the fun we had producing and acting in the Fairy Tale spoof, "The Male Doll Follies?" Well we are about to do it again with another spoof. "Grimm's Fairy Tales" in October. To get started there will be an organizational meeting on Saturday May 7th at 11:00AM. Everyone is encouraged to attend and volunteer for some fairy tale character and/or to help with the production.

This time we will have both male and female actors. Plan to attend and participate in this prosperous and fun event.

MEETING TIMES

LODGE 1st & 3rd Tuesday 7:30 PM

ELKETTES; 2nd Tues 7:00 PM

HOUSE COMMITTEE: 2nd Tues. 7:00 PM

TRUSTEES: Following the House Committee Meeting.

LODGE COMMITTEES & CHAIRPERSONS**Accident Prevention, Trustees**

All American Lodge, Richard Conway

Americanism, Robert Piche

Auditing & Accounting, Dallas Adams

Community Services, Ace Johnson

Bingo, Gloria Smith

Blood Drive, Al Long

Christmas Baskets, Tom Bradford

Christmas Gifts, Elkettes

Clothe-A-Child, Sue Thomas/Ann Chiu

Highway Cleanup, Don Carter

HOSS, Sandy Silverman

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Visitation, Sandy MacNevin

Constitution & Bylaws, Richard Conway

Elks National Foundation, Jerry Gillen

Elks Training, Richard Conway

Government Relations, Richard Ross

Inventory, Jan Kahle

Lodge Activities, Mario Perez

Bowling Coordinator, Steve Shirley

Charity Ball, Hank Thonnard

Darts, Katie O'Neal/Joanne Raymond

Family Picnic, Hank Thonnard

Fishing Club, Don Hall

Fourth Of July, Hank Thonnard

Flag Day, Hank Thonnard

Golf Coordinator, Jim Lammes

Leather, Robert Piche

Old Timers Night, Ace Johnson

RV Club, Bruce Joy

Travel Club, Susan Underwood

Yacht Club, Ed Perez

Lodge Inspection/Safety, Jim Travis

Long Range Planning, Richard Ross

Major Projects, Hank Thonnard

Mediator, Richard Conway

Membership, Richard Conway

Orientation, Marti Johnson

Interview, Jan Kahle

Lapsation: Marti Johnson

Memorial Service Jim Joubert

Presiding Justice, Mike Centofanti

Protocol, Richard Conway

Public Relations, Ace Johnson

Ritual Coach, Bart Sherwood,

Veteran's Services, Bud Watts

Volunteer Meals

Monday Spaghetti, Eddie Heredia

Tuesday Hamburgers, Bill Horton

Website, Tim Fairbank

Wapiti Wind Editor, Ace Johnson

Youth Activities, Lue Tidmarsh

Drug Awareness, Mike Arlowe/Penny Heredia

Hoop Shoot, Sandy MacNevin

Scholarships, Bill Ensley

Scouts, Richard Chinn

Soccer Shoot, Casey Zertuche

Special Olympics, Larry Sears

**STUDENT RECOGNITION DINNER
MAY 16, 5:00PM**

Annually Lake Havasu City Elks recognize outstanding students for the year by treating them and their families to a dinner and awards ceremony. This year the ceremony will be held on May 16th and all members are encouraged to attend and recognize the achievements of these gifted students.

MOVING FORWARD



MOVING FORWARD PROJECT JUMP STARTED

With a big push from the Elkettes, the RV Vagabond's, the Marine Corps League, the Underwood Family, the Tuesday Night Burger Crew, The Fishing Club, the PERs and individual members the Lot Project starts the fraternal year with over \$6000.00 and growing. In the next issue of the Wapiti the individual contributors will be recognized as well as other club donators.

In the April issue of the Wapiti there was Plaque Order form inserted for your convenience. Take another "look see" and decide what you want your plaque to read and then take it to the office. You can check the progress by viewing the lighted big board in the hallway leading to the restrooms.

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST
 May 8
 10am-Noon
 Scrambled eggs, sausage, tater tots, biscuits and gravy, OJ & coffee.
MOMS ARE FREE
GUESTS \$6.00

Give Mom a treat in the cool comfort of your lodge.

ELKETTE MEXICAN FIESTA
 Sunday May 22
 Come as you are!
 4pm Cocktails W/Chips and Salsa
 5pm
 Homemade Feast
 Tacos, Enchiladas, Beans, Rice & "Fixins"
 Music, Dancing, Raffles, 50/50
 Drawing \$10.00
 Proceeds to Benefit Meals On Wheels.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST
 Sunday June 19
 10:00am-Noon
 Scrambled eggs, sausage, tator tots, biscuits and gravy, OJ, coffee & camaraderie.
DADS ARE FREE, GUESTS \$6.00

Let Dad know you care and treat him to a toddy and breakfast.

FLAG DAY SERVICE
 SUNDAY JUNE 12, 2011

11:00 AM

LIGHT BUFFET LUNCH TO FOLLOW

ELK OF THE MONTH

April 2010	Bill Ensley
May	Barbara Gurley
June	Diane Fencl
July	Gloria Smith
August	Ed Heredia
September	Bob Stevenson
October	Craig Willson
November	Jan Capone
December	Don Kubela
January 2011	Frank Rucker
February	Marti Johnson
March	Ace Johnson

PULL TABS FOR MCDONALDS HOUSE

Save your pull tabs and turn them into the lodge office for the Ronald McDonald House. 1,490 tabs make one pound and 26 pounds helps one family stay one night at the House. 57 pounds pays for the electricity for one day. Since 1991 over \$15,000.00 has been raised through the pull tab program. Be part of the program and save all your pull tabs.

Donations-March 2011

Drug Awareness	\$461.00.
Congressional Youth	100.00
Troops	490.00
VFW	100.00
Make A Wish (From Elkettes)	900.00
Boy Scouts	400.00
Fraternal Order of Police	<u>170.00</u>
Total	\$2,621.00

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 Henry "Larry" Matheis
 Eileen Scavuzzo
 REST IN PEACE
 UNTIL THE HOUR OF ELEVEN
 REGULARLY RETURNS

CHARLES MICHAEL MARQUARDT
 PER 2006/2007
 LEFT US FOR HIS ETERNAL PEACE

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION REPORT

We are now into our new lodge fraternal year and our thanks to all members who donated to the ENF fund last year. Thanks to your generous support we were able to raise \$14,104.20 for a per capita total of \$4.56 and this enabled us to reach the National and State per capita goals that speaks well for your help since this goal is extremely important in the All-American lodge judging.

Our thanks to the PERs for their Chuck Wagon dinner affair that raised \$868.00. Also to the Elkettes for their \$500.00 donation for without these donations we would not have attained our per capita goals. Thanks to Robert Watts for his \$200.00 donation, to Harold Lee for \$100.00 and Ivan Aydellotle for \$50.00. Please try and donate \$10.00 this year for this most worthy charity. The ENF provides much needed support for our veterans and for our many youth programs. Jerry Gillen ENF chairperson and Lodge Trustee.

ELKS YACHT NEWS

Greetings Members: The following information is subject to change so please watch your emails and the bulletin board.

The pentathlon, chaired by the capable and vivacious Ann Chiu was well attended and generated \$1400.00 + for Hospice and HAVEN.

The opening day boat parade, chaired by Dort Beckett was another huge success with ten boats and well over 100 spectators. We received excellent press from the local paper.

The 'lobsterfest,' was another resound-

ing success with over 300 members enjoying the event.

May's schedule: Luau at Campbell's Ranch May 1st; BBQ in the Channel May 15th and Wednesday night boating starts Wed May 25th.

Our annual Poker Run is scheduled for June 26th in the channel-OPEN TO ALL!

The EYC meetings are always the 3rd Saturday of the month at 2pm with hot dogs served for \$1.00 starting at 1:00.

Questions? Call Commodore Ed Perez @ 855-0163 or Secretary Sandy Bigham @ 453-6701. azpusykat@frontiernet.net

FISHING COMMITTEE REPORT
 May Derby dates are: Wednesday May 4th and Thursday May 19th from 5:30 to 10:30AM. Cost \$30.00 per person. Weigh in @ Windsor South and lunch at the lodge. The next board meeting will be on June 6th at 1:00pm at the lodge. The next fishing club meeting is Saturday May 14th @ 1:00pm at the lodge. Anyone interested in joining the fishing group can contact Don Hall @ 505-6367.

The Derby results for March 23rd: 1st Place Curtis & Lynn Litchfield with 3 fish @ 4.25lbs; 2nd place Don Hall/Dwight Johnson with 2 fish @ 4.05lbs; 3rd place Joe Evans with 1 fish @1.40lbs. Big fish of the Derby was landed by Dwight Johnson, a 2.82lb striper. April 7th Derby went to Curtis & Lynn Litchfield with 8 fish @ 9.28lbs. Big fish of the Derby was landed by John Green, a 2.37lb striper.

ELKS VAGABOND RV NEWS

The 22nd annual Elks Tri-State Rally was held in Tucson with 34 rigs from Elks 2399 RV Vagabonds attending. Jim and Donna Goodine hosted the event. Thanks to all who helped with the baskets, refreshments and famous horse racing.

There was no regular meeting held in April but the next meeting will be held Wednesday May 22nd at 1:00pm.

Final plans have been made for the May campout at Williams May 19-22 and it will be hosted by Bruce & Pam Porter and

Burnell & Georgia Dacus. One of the activities planned is a day trip to the Grand Canyon.

Any one interested in joining can attend a meeting.

Bruce Joy, Chairman 928-486-4619

Gentlemen's Poker Club Needs Players
 Monday 4-10, Friday 12-6. Call Hammer @ 505-0402

BE A PART OF YOUR LODGE
 ATTEND MEETINGS AND GET
 INVOLVED