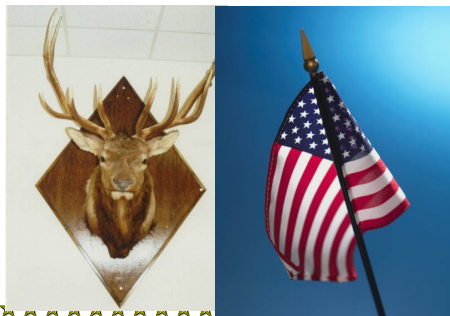


ALL AMERICAN LODGE 2003,04,08,09,10,11  
BPO ELKS 2399

# WAPITI WIND

November, 2011



VETERAN'S APPRECIATION  
DINNER/DANCE  
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2011  
THEME

"FREEDOM IS NOT FREE"  
Another Stellar Performance By  
Veteran's Service Chairman  
Bud Watts

Cocktails 4:00PM Dinner 5:00 PM  
Show 6:00 PM

You Don't Want To Miss This  
Spectacular, Patriotic and Moving  
Extravaganza

Bud Has Promised there Will Be No Dry  
Eyes In The House.

Menu Chicken and Beef  
Price \$15.00

Tickets On Sale Lodge Office

Buy Early for This Is Always A Sold  
Out Event!

Veterans, Wear Your Organizational  
Logo or Insignia

PER PIZZA AND HORSE  
RACES.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER  
13TH

Come Out For a Fun Filled  
Afternoon of Family  
Participation



Enjoy The  
Best Pizza In  
Town, At The  
Best Price,



While  
Cheering On Your Favorite  
Pony.

Proceeds To Our Local Elk  
Charities

Post Time 1:00 PM

NEW YEAR'S EVE  
TICKETS ON SALE  
NOVEMBER 7, 2011  
FROM 6:00- 11:00 AM  
EVERY DAY EXCEPT  
THURSDAY!  
MENU- PRIME RIB  
PRICE \$50.00  
SEE AL STEWART

ELKS MEMORIAL  
SERVICE  
Don't forget the Elks  
Memorial Service! This  
year it will be held on  
Sunday December 4th at  
11:00 AM. Join your fellow  
Elks to honor the memory  
of those who have passed  
on before us.  
A light buffet will be served  
following the service.

**YOUR LODGE,  
ATTEND MEETINGS**

**Exalted Ruler's Message:** The Officers and Trustees of your lodge are listening to its members. As our winter guests return they will see the many improvements and changes that have been made at the lodge. We have made a large portion of the dining room non-smoking during dinner hours. A lot of members who have emphysema or are on oxygen say they really enjoy the difference. We have added additional parking spaces, expanded the bar area with additional tables, installed two more smoke-eaters and extended the meal hours along with Al's new meal specials. Stop by and check out the improvements.

As always I would like to remind our members the importance that the Elks national Foundation (ENF) and volunteering has for Youth Activities and All-American Lodge. The lodge needs your help to meet these goals. We are aware that not everyone has the time or inclination to volunteer. You can, however, help by making an annu-

al donation of \$10.00 to the ENF so that we can continue to receive money from Grand Lodge that we so desperately need to keep our Youth and Veteran's Programs going.

A special thanks to an anonymous Elk member for donating his woodworking equipment for us to sell at auction with instructions to donate the proceeds to ASU of Havasu in the Elks name.

Our lodge needs to grow. Right now, we are struggling to maintain our membership. We need new and younger members to do this. The survey we did indicated that our average age member is 70 years old. If each member brings in 1 new member, we could sustain the lodge and grow. So get your kids to join the Elks, talk to your neighbors about joining and invite them to see and experience the lodge and all of its great community activities we perform.

Please keep sharing your ideas.

ERTim@Elks2399.Org. 680-7026

Fraternally, **Jim Fairbank**— Exalted Ruler



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LODGE 2399 OF THE  
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Wapiti Wind

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Carol Dieter

Sherry Batson

**CLUB MANAGER**

Al Stewart

**HAMBURGER NIGHT  
TO RETURN**

Starting November 1, 2011, due to popular demand, the regular hamburger fare will again be offered.

Each Tuesday hamburgers will be served for your enjoyment.

*Hi Elkettes. Here we go! Halloween is behind us and Thanksgiving and then Christmas are soon to follow. "Tis the season"*

*Thanks to Deborah Haines and Kathy Cummins for a great Hobo Costume and Stew Party. We don't have the final report yet, but I'm certain the results will be good. Great job gals!*

*November starts off our really busy time for us. On November 19th we have our annual Craft Fair. Chair, Jan Pryzsieki has done a wonderful job selling our vendor spaces. We will have a bake sale and our ladies in the kitchen will be selling donuts, coffee, and hot dogs with chips. This is always a fun day and I hope you can all come and get a head start on your holiday shopping.*

*On December 10th, Bobbi Andrews and Patti Burns chair the Kids Turn to shop. As a result of a generous contribution of items from the Tabach family, we will hold a free raffle for all the children who attend. Each child will get an entry in a drawing to win a bicycle and train set. So two lucky kids will have a really special holiday this year. If you have any items suitable as a Christmas gift for their family members, please drop them off at the lodge or call Bobbi at 453-6498 or Patti at 453-2878.*

*Again this year, Tom Bradford will chair the Christmas food baskets for needy Havasu families. Elkette Rosalie Smith has asked the Elkettes to donate gifts for the children of these needy families. Your gift should be new and*

*wrapped in holiday paper with a note attached identifying girl or boy and appropriate age. There is always a need for gifts for males over the age of 15. Last year there were 34 Havasu families that other wise would not have enjoyed a Merry Christmas had it not been for the Elks of 2399.*

*More about our Christmas party in the December issue.*

*Our next meeting will be Tuesday November 11, 2011 and I encourage you all to attend. The membership drawing that has been held at every meeting has grown to \$74.00 for the November meeting. Karen McLerran would have won \$67.00 had she been in attendance at the October meeting. I hope to see many of you on the 11th.*

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

**MEETING TIMES  
LODGE**

1st & 3rd Tuesday 7:30 PM.

Take Time to attend!

ELKETTES;

7:00 PM 2nd Tuesday

HOUSE COMMITTEE:

7:00 PM 2nd Tuesday

TRUSTEES:

Following the House Committee.

All lodge meetings are open to all paid up members and are encouraged and welcome to attend. Lodge business is conducted here, not around the bar!

**LODGE COMMITTEES &  
CHAIRPERSONS**

**All American Lodge**, Richard Conway  
**Americanism**, Robert Piche  
**Auditing & Accounting**, Dallas Adams  
**Community Services**, Ace Johnson  
Bingo, Jeff Brown  
Blood Drive, Al Long  
Christmas Baskets, Tom Bradford  
Christmas Gifts, Elkettes  
Clothe-A-Child, Ann Chiu/Sue Thomas  
Highway Cleanup, Don Carter  
HOSS, Sandy Silverman  
Law & Order, Sandy MacNevin  
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**, Richard Conway  
**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



“Tis The Season”

Annually your lodge hosts three holiday charitable events, namely: Kids-Turn-To-Shop, Clothe A Child and Christmas Baskets. It is that time of year to open your hearts and your wallets to make these events the success they have been in the past.

There have been containers conveniently located throughout the lodge for depositing non-perishable food items. All food items you can donate will be greatly appreciated. Please do not use these containers as trash receptacles and do not drop off opened containers or out of date canned goods.

Also, along with the Christmas Baskets each child in the family is given a new toy. Again, your help is needed for these items.

If you care to help with this project contact Lodge Secretary Tom Bradford.

New and items in excellent condition are needed for the Kids-Turn-To-Shop event. Any appropriate Christmas gift will be used and make some youngster extremely happy as he or she fills their shopping bag. Please contact Patti Burns @ 453-2878 or Bobbi Andrews @453-0498 for delivery instructions.

The other popular event is Clothe-A-Child, Co-Chaired by Ann Chiu and Sue Thomas who have headed up this program for years.

During this event a less fortunate child is given \$100.00 in which to buy clothes and this child is assigned an adult chaperone to assist in the shopping. The child is also treated to breakfast and given a personal gift after shopping.

Monetary donations are needed for this event and if you care to donate contact Sue Thomas @ 453-2886.

Sadly, Sue is going to retire after this season and is looking for some one to train to take over. So if you are interested in a heart warming endeavor call Sue.

CORRESPONDENCE

In order to respond and address issues brought to the lodge office or directly to the Exalted Ruler, you must let us know who you are. We cannot provide a resolution or an answer if you do not sign you notes.

We welcome all constructive advice and strive to respond in a timely manner.

A reminder: House committee and Trustee meetings are open to all members and this is an excellent place to get problems resolved.

ELK OF THE MONTH

April	Mike Arlowe
May	Steve Miller
June	Ken Conkey
July	Mario Perez
August	Jerry Sanford
September	Don Carter

ATTEND MEETINGS

Become an active part of your lodge and get involved with the day-to-day activities. If you don't attend meetings you have no say in the lodge programs. Let your opinion be heard! As a rapidly growing lodge there are many problems to be solved. Be part of the progress, not a deterrent!



The Elks Dart League Collected Pull Tabs For Ronald MacDonal.

The 2399 Dart League collected 64 pounds of pull tabs for the Ronald MacDonald House. You can see by the picture what a monumental accomplishment this was.

Pictured from left front: Gladys Goodwin, Cindy Oates, Katie O'Neal, Shiryl Eiser, Di Speakman, Tom Bradford. Back: Dan Malay, Gary Oates, Tom Speakman and John Eiser.

2399 Proud Sponsors Of Pop Warner Football Team.



The Lake Havasu City Elks have sponsored a football team for the Lake Havasu City Pop Warner Football Program.

Pictured: Front, Austin Head, flag boy, 2nd Cherleaders Ella Williams and Zoey Fluent. Back; Players Josh Crabtree, Cody Haering, Ashton Gallagher and Lodge Youth Activities Chair Lue Tidmarsh.

DONATIONS August

Ms Senior Pageant	\$500.00
Fall Fun Fair	100.00
Soccer Team	300.00
High School Football	250.00
LHC Little League	200.00
McCullouch Kids March	100.00
Nautilus Blue Ribbon	100.00
Total	\$1,550.00

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### IN GOD WE TRUST

REST IN PEACE  
 UNTIL THE HOUR OF ELEVEN  
 REGULARLY RETURNS

- Harold "Hal" J. Bosch
- Robert Campbell
- Robert T. Jacob
- Robert N. Miller
- Pete Vandermeulen

Peace Be With You!

#### ELKS YACHT CLUB NEWS

Greetings Yachties!

Thanks to Joe and Anita Bonadona for hosting the Sock Hop and Octoberfest. Excellent turn out and enjoyed by all.

Thanks to Pat Cochrane for organizing our entry into the London Bridge Day Parade.

Are you worn out from October activities? Well hang in there because November is just as full! Champagne Brunch, Pig in the Ground are right around the corner.

November 19th is the last meeting of the year and Commodore tickets will go on sale at that meeting.

Check the bulletin board by the pop corn machine for updates.

Please don't wait to tell me if your email is not working. You should have at least 2 emails a month coming your way. If not, call me or email me.

Any questions, call your Commodore Eddie Perez @ 855-0163. Sandy Bigham EYC Secretary 453-6701 azpusykat@frontiernet.net

#### Elks National Foundation Report

A great big thanks to Robert Watts for his generous donation of \$1,000.00 to the ENF. Member Watts faithfully donates every other month or so which helps meet our quota, but more importantly helps our youth and our veterans.

Thanks to Robert Paris and Richard Conway for their \$100.00 donation. We are near the mid-lodge year and we are only about 1/3 of the way to meeting our Grand Lodge Quota. Please , if you can, donate \$10.00 before the end of the year. It would go a long way in meeting our goals and, I repeat, it would help with the youth and veteran's programs of the Grand Lodge. Also, the ENF contributes annually to our State Major Projects, The University of Arizona Children's Research Center and the State Youth Camp.

Thanks, Jerry Gillen: Lodge Trustee and Elks National Foundation Chairperson.

#### Casino Night

Without being told, we are aware of some problems with Casino Night that occurred at the end of what was a FUN evening. We have already met to discuss ways to stop this from happening again and have received some great suggestions which we will be implementing at the next Casino Night.

We thank you for your patience and are looking forward to seeing you at our next Casino Night Thanks to you the profits for our charities was \$1.300.00

#### FISHING COMMITTEE REPORT

November's Derby's are Wednesday the 2nd and Thursday the 17th from 7AM-12 Noon. Weigh in at Windsor South. Lunch to follow at the lodge. Cost \$30.00 per team.

Fish fry Saturday November 12th starting at 11:00 AM. Club members are free , guests \$6.00. Club members please bring a dessert.

We are still in need of raffle items for the Christmas Party on December 16th. These are to be new or items in excellent condition.

There will be nomination of Board Members at this meeting., November 12th.

The next board meeting is Monday October 31 @ 1:00 PM at the lodge.

The next Fishing Club meeting will be Saturday November 12th @ 1:00pm following the fish fry.

Anyone interested in joining the fishing group can contact Don Hall @ 505-6367.