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As we remember the valiant deeds of our Absent Members.



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Lodge Officers

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P.E.R.'s

	# years member
Jay Nau	8
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Larry Aguilar	39
James Allen	51
Glen Chileski	39
James George	34
James Moore	38
Hartmut Schwarz	15
William Thomas	50

Grass Valley Elks Lodge #538 May Birthday List



7th **Leo H. Langer**
10th **Peter McDonald**
11th **James "David" Gates**
 William E. Tinley
12th **Ty J Obenoskey**
 Leonard Schwarz
13th **Lee McCallum**
 Bert Weeden
17th **Robert Clark**
18th **John Alan "Jay" Nau**
28th **Ed. Molineaux**

*Happy Birthday from
 all your fellow Elks at the
 Grass Valley Elks Lodge*

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Lodge Meetings

Social Quarters Bar Open 5:00 pm

Lodge Dinners – 6:00 pm

Lodge Meetings – 7:00 pm

(Meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesdays)

For reservations call 273-9228

or email:

secretary@grassvalleyelks.org



From the Desk of the Exalted Ruler

There is a group in the Lodge to which I can not belong. I can join the Lady Elks but I can't belong to the Venture Crew. I keep asking Jim Bowman, the Crew Leader, to let me join. All he does is smile and shake his head, but I'm the Exalted Ruler.

I was a Boy Scout and then advanced to the Explorer Scouts. All of the Eagle Scouts came out of the Explorer program. You could get some Merit Badges in the Boy Scouts but the majority of the Merit Badges came from the Explorer Scout program.

There was no "Venture Crew."

I am sure that if there was a "Venture Crew" program, I would still be in it. OOPS, that's right you're out of the program when you reach 21 years old. Foiled again!

These young people, both boys and girls, are constantly on the move. There is hardly a week-end that goes by that they are not doing something, in addition to working the kitchen Bingo Night once a month and serving at various Elk functions.

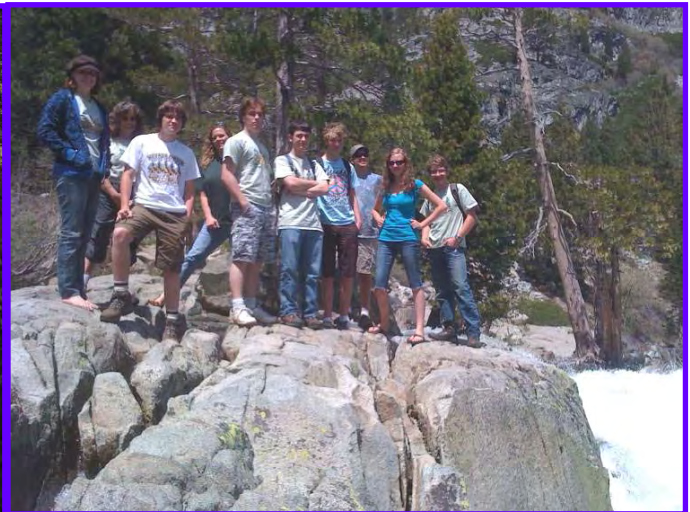
They have been to Yosemite several times. They've snow camped; kayaked; flown in the vertical wind tunnel; hiked all over the county; they have acted as camp counselors at a Boy Scout Summer Camp and have most recently made application to climb Half Dome in Yosemite.

They have also participated in Lodge activities. As I said they work a Bingo kitchen. They serve as waiters at various functions. Overall they are a very nice group of young people.

I am sure that those that have graduated out of the program are in the same boat that I'm in. We are on the outside looking in, wishing that it would start all over again.

Thank you Jim and Carol for being fine mentors to a fine group of young people.

Fraternally yours,
Bill Stewart



Grass Valley Elks Lodge #538

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday, May 13th

9 am to 12 pm

Downstairs Dining Room





From the Desk of the Leading Knight

The Spring weather has finally arrived and we are all enjoying the mild temperatures and sunny skies. This is a busy time for many of us, getting ready the annual Ritual Contest, this year held at the Lake Almanor Lodge in Chester. Our Ritual Team this year is made up of Jay Nau as ER, me as Leading Knight, Andrew Trygg as Loyal Knight, Chad Wingo as Lecturing Knight, Mike Kochis as Esquire, Darrell Echols as Chaplain, Bill Stewart as Inner Guard and Bruce Sund as the Candidate. For those who don't know, the Ritual Contest is the Initiation Ritual performed and judged on word precision as well as movement and gestures. The winners of the District contest go on to compete at the State Convention. Last year our team took 2nd place, with two of our team placing 2nd individually. Wish us luck this year. The contest date is May 5th at 11:00 am in Chester if any of you wish to watch and give us your support.



We held our first Purple Pig Dinner on April 11th. While the weather wasn't cooperative (torrential rains and even some of that dreaded white stuff), we still had a fairly good turnout, and most importantly gathered over \$1,000 for the Purple Pig Fund. The Lady Elks cooked a fabulous Roast Loin of Pork (what else...) dinner with all the fixings. Everyone had a great time and our thanks to the Lady Elks for making it possible. The Lady Elks also generously donated \$350 to the Purple Pig Fund, so I wish to send out a **HUGE THANK YOU for the generosity of the Lady Elks!** If you don't have a Purple Piggy Bank, please contact me or the Lodge office and we will see that you get one. This is the CHEA Major Project and helps so many needy children with speech therapy, physical therapy, surgeries, and vision screening. Let's make this a successful year for our Lodge Purple Pig Contributions.

The Annual CHEA State Convention is being held May 16th – 19th in San Diego this year. ER Bill Stewart, Chairman Hardy Schwarz and I will be representing our Lodge at the convention. Because Bill and I will be gone, the Lodge meeting on May 16th will be conducted by PER Jay Nau, and the initiation will be conducted by our Ritual Team with a couple of PERs filling in. Please join our Lodge in welcoming our new members.

Debba Boles, Leading Knight



From the Desk of the Hardy Schwarz, Chairman of the Trustees

On April 17th, the Board of Trustees had their first meeting of this fiscal year. First year Trustee Hardy Schwarz is Chairman, Jim Moore is the Safety Officer, and Bruce Sund volunteered to be Secretary and take the meeting minutes. Dan Davis and Gene Johnson will take up the work overload as needed.

The rental apartments are in good order with seven out of nine paid up in full.

The Lodge Treasurer pointed out that the Lodge checking account is running low, and that we need more profitable events with more member participation in them. So, if any member has an idea for an event, leave a message on the office answering machine, and please come to lodge meetings, dinners, and events. Thank you for your cooperation and consideration in this matter.

Hardy Schwarz, Chairman of the Board



From the Desk of the Loyal Knight

Let me start by saying 'thank you' for electing me as your Loyal Knight for this year. I look forward to the upcoming year and all of the great events we have scheduled. Under my umbrella of Loyal Knight's duties is overseeing all lodge activities. I'll take a moment to remind everyone that the major source of income for our lodge is through events that you participate in and sponsor.

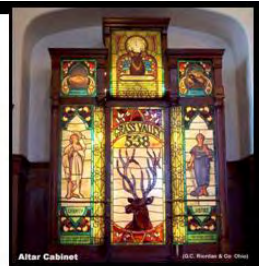
For the last few months we have once again been having dinners before lodge meetings. If you haven't had a chance to attend one, you've missed seem excellent food and great company! Please think about attending our dinners. The information is always posted on our website and you can email your reservations at the same time. As a reminder, the Social Quarters Bar opens at 5 pm, come have a drink before dinner!

Andrew Trygg, Loyal Knight



MAY

Calendar of Events



2nd Lodge Meeting
 5:00 pm – Social Hour
 6:00 pm – **Salisbury Steak, Vegetables, Potatoes, Salad & Dessert \$8**
 7:00 pm – Meeting



8th House Committee Meeting
 7:00 pm – All Members Welcome



13th Mothers Day Brunch (Cooked & Served by the Male Officers)
Ladies Free – All Others \$7
 9:00 am – 12:00 pm



15th Trustees Meeting
 7:00 pm – All Members Welcome



16th Lodge Meeting / Initiation
 5:00 pm – Social Hour
 6:00 pm – **Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, & Dessert \$12**
 7:00 pm – Meeting



19th H.O.P.E. Distribution (2:00 PM)
 Meet to Set-up at Noon



21st Taco Night
 4:30 – 7:00 pm
 Tacos \$1.50, Margaritas \$2



BINGO EVERY THURSDAY – 5:30 PM
(Serving food from 4:30 – 8:30 pm)



May Lodge Activities



Lodge Meetings

May 2nd

5:00 pm – Social Hour

6:00 pm – Salisbury Steak

(See menu)

(Reservations Please)

7:00 pm – Lodge Meeting

May 16th / . Initiation

5:00 pm – Social Hour

6:00 pm – Steak Dinner \$12

7:00 pm – Lodge Meeting

(Reservations Please)



HOPE Food Distribution

Saturday, May 19th

Noon - Set up/prepare for distribution

2:00 PM - Open for public distribution

Come Help Our Community!

*Support your Lodge
Come to Meetings and Events!!*

May Menu

7th Lodge Meeting
Salisbury Steak, Salad & Dessert \$8

13th **Mother's Day Brunch**
9:00 am – 12:00 pm



16th Lodge Meeting/Initiation)
Steak, Baked Potato, Vegetable,
Salad, & Dessert \$12

21st Taco Night
Tacos, Beans, Nachos and
the BEST Margaritas in Town!
Lady Elks Ice Cream Sundaes

June Menu

2nd Lady Elks Tea – 2 PM
High Tea - \$15

6th Lodge Meeting
Chicken in Mushroom Sauce, Vegetables,
Mashed Potatoes, Salad & Dessert \$8

10th Flag Day Celebration / Lunch
Spaghetti, Garlic Bread,
Salad & Dessert



18th Taco Night
Tacos, Beans, Nachos and
the BEST Margaritas in Town!
Lady Elks Ice Cream Sundaes

20th Lodge Meeting / Initiation
Steak, Baked Potato, Vegetable,
Salad, & Dessert \$12

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Lady Elks News

The Lady Elks finished up last month with a very successful Installation Dinner for the 2012/2013 Lodge Officers. We would like to thank all those who worked to make it a success, and would like to welcome new Exalted Ruler Bill Stewart and First Lady Barbara Stewart.

We are looking forward to supporting them in the many events in the new term.

We would also like to welcome our newest member Claudia Bennett. We know she will be an asset to our team.

The Lady Elks are planning their annual **Spring Tea** for Saturday June 2, at 2:00 pm in the dining room. Please come out and support this event. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and may be purchased from any of the Lady Elks or by contacting Lady Elks Secretary Barbara Stewart at 530-477-1675.

Upcoming activities for Lady Elks during May.

May 2, Wednesday, 1:00 pm - The Lady Elks Meeting
Dining room at the Lodge.

May 16, 17, 18 & 19 The State Convention - San Diego, for the attending Lodge Officers.

May 16, Wednesday, Penny Johnson has volunteered to make and deliver the monthly cake to the Convalescent Hospital.

May 21 Monday, Taco Nite, 4:30 pm - Lady Elks Ice Cream Table

Lady Elks Officers for the 2012/2013 term are:

President:	Chaylinn Treadwell	274-2605
Vice President:	Penny Johnson	265-5623
Secretary/Sunshine Lady:	Barbara Stewart	477-1675
Treasurer:	Bev McPherson	274-2605
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We would like to thank the Lodge for all the support they give the Lady Elks.

Thank you,
Chaylinn Treadwell, President

Mother's Day Brunch May 13th 9 am - Noon



Ladies Free - All Others \$7

Lady Elks Tea June 2nd - 2:00 PM \$15



Buy Your Tickets Now!

Request from Bev...

**Can't remember who has the daffodil vase.
Could you please bring it back?**

Thanks.

**Big Thanks to
The Lady Elks
For All Your Support!**

Recent Activities



Robert Amerio (Proposer), Brian Schaaf (New Member), and ER Bill Stewart



Dan Davis, New Life Member



Lee McCallum – Elk of the Year



Dick Bryant, 55 Year Member



Andrew Trygg – Officer of the Year



Ty Obnosky, Grand Lodge Award

Youth Activities



Jim Bowman, Scout Leader, Alex Ramsey, New Eagle Scout, with Jim Goodnow, Scoutmaster of Troop 21

In keeping with our support of the Boy Scouts, the Grass Valley Elks Lodge #538 hosted a Boy Scout Court of Honor and celebrating Alex Ramsey's new Eagle Scout rank on March 18th. Alex worked long and hard to accomplish this rank, and we congratulate him on his efforts. He has demonstrated that he is a great asset to our community, and a superb role model for those coming up through the ranks in the Boy Scouts.

The Eagle Scout Award represents many years of dedicated effort. It is a firm demonstration of how people, working together through the years, can truly help mold a young man with a solid sense of leadership, citizenship, and responsibility.

Attaboy! Alex!!



March 28th was our Annual Awards Dinner. ER Jay Nau and Americanism Chairman Dave Gates presented the winners of our Lodge's Americanism Essay Contest with certificates and checks. Of the 6 winners we had, 5 won again at District and went on to the State competition. We had over 140 entries in our contest, so these kids had some stiff competition at the local level before they went on to District. Congratulations to all the winners, and a big thanks to everyone who helped and participated.

There were 2 divisions in the contest, 5th-6th grades and 7th-8th grades. Our Lodge gave 3 awards per division, with cash awards totaling \$1200.



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Saturday, May 19th

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Grass Valley Veterans Memorial Building

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5th /6th Grades –Awards \$300 (1st), \$200 (2nd), \$100 (3rd)

1st place - Nate Whittle - Magnolia Intermediate School

2nd place Brighten Drake - Grass Valley Charter School

3rd place Devin McGregor - Magnolia Intermediate School

7th /8th Grades –Awards \$300 (1st), \$200 (2nd), \$100 (3rd)

1st place - Jade Shields - Magnolia Intermediate School

2nd place - Lily Carrow - Magnolia Intermediate School

3rd place - Jenna Danieli - Magnolia Intermediate School

Grass Valley Elks Lodge 538

Mothers Day Brunch

*Ladies come and be pampered by
the male officers of our Lodge*

Menu



*Choose you own Omelet
Eggs as you like them
Bacon, Sausage & Potatoes*



Pancakes

Fruit



Bloody Marys & Mimosas

9:00 am to 12:00



Ladies Free- All others \$7.00

Downstairs Dining Room

The Lady Elks of Grass Valley

Invite you to Join them for Their Annual

Afternoon Spring Tea



Date: Saturday June 2, 2012



Time: 2:00 pm



Grass Valley Elks Lodge

109 South School Street

Downstairs Dining Room



*Purchase Tickets from any GV Lady Elk
or by contacting*

Barbara Stewart (530) 477-1675



Tickets must be purchased by Monday May 30th.

:\$15.00 per person



May 2012

SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

Lake Almanor Breakfast DD Clinic	Scout Meeting 6:30pm	Sportsmen Dinner 6pm P.E.R. Mtg 6pm House Mtg 7pm	Lady Elks 1pm Dinner 6pm Lodge Mtg 7pm	Bingo 5pm	Lake Almanor Fish Fry 5:30pm	Ritual Contest Lake Almanor Grass Valley 11am Dinner 7pm	
6	7	8	2	3	4	5	
Mother's Day Brunch 9am	Alpha Omega 3:00pm Scout Meeting 6:30pm	Trustee Mtg 7pm	State Convention Dinner 6pm Lodge Mtg 7pm	State Convention San Diego Bingo 5pm	State Convention San Diego	State Convention San Diego	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
	Taco Nite 4:30pm Scout Mtg 7pm RV Club Mtg 7pm			Bingo 5pm			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
	Scout Meeting 6:30pm			Big Bucks Bingo 5pm			
27	28	29	30	31			

