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Lodge Events in March

** TUESDAY BINGO IS CANCELLED TEMPORARILY ** Friday March 1 Dinner 5:30pm

Saturday March 2 Sundown Live Music 6pm Saturday March 2 Monday March 4 Texas Hold 'Em 7pm House Committee Meeting 6:30pm Tuesday March 5 Fun Bingo/Dinner 6pm Tuesday March 5 Trustee Meeting 7pm Wed March 6 Orientation 7pm

Wed March 6 Steak Night Dinner 5:30pm Thursday March 7 Friday March 8 Lodge Meeting 7pm Dinner 5:30pm

Saturday March 9 Saturday March 9 Monday March 11 Open House 12pm-3pm Dinner 5:30/ Fun Bingo 7pm Spaghetti Night 5:30pm Tuesday March 12 Thursday March 14 Friday March 15 Fun Bingo/Dinner 6pm Budget Review 7pm Dinner 5:30pm Saturday March 16 Saturday March 16 St Patty's Party 6pm Texas Hold 'Em 7pm Sunday March 17 PER Breakfast 9am

Sunday March 17 Monday March 18 Chocolate Making Class 12pm House Committee Meeting 6:30pm

Tuesday March 19 Fun Bingo/Dinner 6pm Tuesday March 19 Trustee Meeting 7pm Wed March 20 Blood Drive 12pm-5pm Wed March 20 Steak Night Dinner 5:30pm Applications Committee Meeting 7pm Wed March 20

Lodge Meeting 7pm Thursday March 21

Friday March 22 Saturday March 23 Dinner 5:30pm

Kids Easter Egg Hunt/ Lunch 11am Awards Dinner & Ceremony 6pm Saturday March 23 Fun Bingo/Dinner 6pm BBQ and Live Music 5:30 Tuesday March 26 Wed March 27 Thursday March 28 Veterans Meeting 6pm

Thursday March 28 Friday March 29 PER Meeting 7pm Dinner 5:30pm Saturday March 30

Officers Installation Dinner & Ceremony 6pm

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Exalted Ruler, Carol Brown

It's hard to believe this is my final article of the year as your Exalted Ruler! When starting out, there were so many things to learn; however, there have been many people who have guided me. Thank you, Brenda Kayal, Al Kayal, Randy and Dawn Sterling, and Diane Bodwell. Also, I could not have had better officers this year; they are

For the incoming officers, I would like to ask the Lodge to be gentle as the new year starts and as the new officers get their bearings. Please be patient.

I hope I have made a difference this year, no matter how small. I appreciate you all for allowing me to serve as your Exalted Ruler. Thank you! Carol Brown Phone: 480-239-8273 Email: navasgrammy@yahoo.com

Esteemed Leading Knight, Joe Brown

The year is almost over, and it's been busy with many events. I would like to give a big thank you to everyone who helped and attended the Charity Ball; you are all awesome. As a reminder, the installation of officers will be held on March 30th at 6 PM, with the ceremony beginning at 7 PM. Come out and meet our new officers.

At the Elks, our volunteers are invaluable, and we are always looking for new and enthusiastic individuals to join us and have some fun. Join a committee and let your voice be heard. We are always open to trying new things and hosting new events. Your idea might be the next big thing to happen at the Lodge. We are also looking for a few individuals to fill officer positions at the Lodge. If you are interested, please contact me, Joe Brown, Esteemed Leading Knight, at Joeb357@gmail.com or 602-791-6894. Elks care, Elks share, and we volunteer.

Esteemed Loyal Knight, Karen Seaman

March is a month where, as Elks, we need to complete any open files and start getting ready for a new Elk year. I have truly enjoyed being your Loyal Knight this year and am looking forward to assisting Joe in his Exalted Ruler adventure. May this month bring peace and happiness to our Lodge Members, and help us always to speak words of kindness to all, treat our members with respect, continue to be charitable, judicious, show brotherly love, and always choose fidelity. Many of our members are enjoying Fun Bingo on Tuesdays and some Saturdays. Come and have fun and share in the money pots!



Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Becky Simons

It's the last month of my tenure as Lecturing Knight, and the time has flown by. I have thoroughly enjoyed my first year in this chair and am looking forward to advancing. Everyone has been incredibly supportive, helping me find my footing and making this past year a success. I extend my heartfelt thanks to all of you. As always, I am here for you, my fellow Elks brothers and sisters, and I always enjoy our conversations.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS! FEBRUARY 1ST INITIATION

Left to Right Rick Harrach, Ross Nida, John Thrush and Randy Sterling



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Secretary's Information PROPOSITION FOR MEMBERSHIP:

The following applicants were read on the floor of the Lodge January 18 and February 1, 2024 Lodge

By Initiation Ross Nida Delores Nida Haley Bell Angela Othersen Heather Copland Eric Copland Catherine M. McDonough Trent Thorn

By Certificate of Status

Christopher Kreifels

APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT:

The following candidates were favorably recommended by the Applications Committee at the January 17 Committee Meeting.

By Initiation

Ross Nida Rick Harrach Pamela Nolen John Thrush

By Certificate of Release

Colin St. Croix

Associate Member

David Stout member of Long Beach, WA Lodge #1937

BALLOTING:

Rick Harrach

Pamela Nolen

The following candidates were balloted on in the affirmative at the January 18, 2024 Lodge session. By Initiation

Ross Nida

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John Thrush

By Certificate of Release

Colin St. Croix

Associate Member

David Stout member of Long Beach, WA Lodge

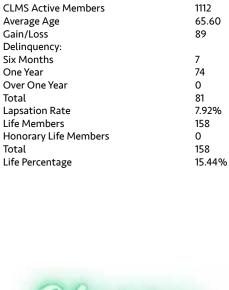
All candidates were voted on in the affirmative.

The following 10 American citizens were initiated on February 1, 2024, at a regular Lodge.session.

Rick Harrach John Thrush

BALLOTING ON LIFE MEMBERS: Dick Passmore Richard Homes Michael Valente John Weigand

All were voted on in the affirmative at the January 18, 2024 Lodge session.



Membership/Lapsation Report

Increases:

Affiliated

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Dropped

Deaths

Expelled

Subtotal

Decreases:

Transferred Out

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Reinstated

Initiated

Beginning Membership Total 4/1/2023

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156th Anniversary of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks THE ELKS WERE FOUNDED ON FEBRUARY 16, 1868 Submitted by: Clem Brown, Past Exalted Ruler, Trustee

Join us in honoring and celebrating 156 years of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, recognizing our enduring commitment to community impact, service, and fostering a sense of belonging. The Elks foster a spirit of camaraderie and brotherhood among their members, who share a belief in God and a commitment to the principles of charity, justice, brotherly love, and fidelity. The Elks welcome men and women who are American citizens of any race, color, religion, or national origin, who are at least 21 years old and of good moral character, share a belief in God, honor our Country's Flag, and support its Constitution. Founded in 1868 by a group of actors in New York City, the Elks have grown to become one of the largest and most active fraternal organizations in the United States, with nearly 800,000 members and 1,800 Lodges across the country. The Elks have a rich and colorful history, having witnessed and participated in many historical events, such as the Civil War, the World Wars, the Great Depression, the Civil Rights Movement, and the War on Terror. The Elks have many notable members, such as Presidents, Senators, Governors, Generals, astronauts, actors, singers, athletes, and more. In 1995, the Phoenix Lodge proudly initiated former Arizona State Governor Rose Mofford as one of the first women members of the Order.

The Elks are dedicated to serving their communities through various charitable programs, such as scholarships, veterans services, youth activities, drug awareness, and community investment. In the past year, the Elks donated more than \$399 million in cash, goods, and volunteer hours to various causes, making a significant impact on the lives of millions of people. The Elks have been unwavering in their commitment to community service, making a substantial impact through their existence with donations exceeding \$12 Billion. In the past year alone, our generosity reached \$399 million, reflecting our dedication to creating better communities. Beyond financial contributions, the Elks actively invest in the future through annual college scholarships, awarding nearly \$5 million to support educational pursuits. The Phoenix Lodge #335, in concert with the Arizona Elks Association and the Elks National Foundation, provided 12 applicants from local high schools with \$38,500 in May of 2023. Additionally, the commitment to community development is evident in the substantial investment of almost \$19 million through the Elks Community Investment Program. One of the hallmarks of the Elks' commitment is their support for veterans. Last year, the Elks contributed over \$39 million to Veterans Administration Medical Centers, clinics, and state care facilities, providing essential items, comfort, and organizing various activities.

Boasting a National membership gain three years in a row in total Membership, Arizona proudly became the third highest membership growth state in 2023. Celebrate with our Lodge and toast to a very happy 156th anniversary to the Elks!

Phoenix Elks Lodge #335 Hosts Successful Red Cross Blood Drive

Submitted by Jeff Beasley, Inner Guard

 $m P_{hoenix}$ Elks Lodge #335 recently hosted a highly successful Red Cross Blood Drive, once again showcasing their unwavering commitment to the community. The event, held on January 10, 2024 exceeded expectations by collecting an impressive 29 units of blood, surpassing the initial goal of 24 units.

The Red Cross expressed their deep gratitude in an email response, commending the Phoenix Elks Lodge #335 and their dedicated team for their crucial support in organizing the blood drive. The 29 units collected represent the potential to save 29 or more lives, with each volunteer and donor rightfully regarded as heroes.

In these challenging times, the need for blood resources remains vital for various medical treatments and emergencies. The Phoenix Elks Lodge's commitment to sponsoring these essential blood drives is a commendable effort, demonstrating their dedication to serving the community.

The Phoenix Elks Lodge #335 plans to continue their partnership with the Red Cross, reaffirming their commitment to hosting future blood drives with the hope of achieving even more life-saving milestones. Together, they prove that when a community comes together, they can achieve remarkable results and truly be heroes for those in need. Save the date: next blood drive March 20, 2024.

Annual Old Timers Dinner and PER Lodge Meeting Submitted by: Clem Brown, Past Exalted Ruler, Trustee

The Annual Old Timers Dinner was held on Thursday, February 1st, 2024. It was well attended by over 120 persons, comprised of Old Timers, friends, family, and fellow Elks. Old Timers are defined as those members who have accrued twenty-five years as an Elk member, and Life Members are those having 30 years. There was a large contingent of Old Timers in attendance, hence the very well-attended event! There was one newly elected Life Member receiving their Life Member Pin, Certificate, and Membership Card, and a total of six receiving their new incremental membership year pin attending. We enjoyed the reminiscing and camaraderie with some of our oldest Old Timers as well as the "newbies". A very good time was had by all.

Following dinner, the Annual Past Exalted Rulers ("PER's") Lodge Meeting was memorable as Chair Positions were filled by the PERs who performed an "All Star" Initiation Ceremony for the second time in a new tradition for our Lodge. The spouses and guests were allowed to remain in the Lounge during the Lodge Meeting by special dispensation requested of the West District Deputy, Grand Exalted Ruler, Larry Bodwell. They were hosted and entertained in the Lounge by Past First Lady, Alice Brown during the course of the Lodge meeting. Special thanks to: Al Kayal PDDGER for being the Master of Ceremonies, helping to make this Old Timers Night a success; to the Officers and kitchen staff for the food preparation, serving, and clean-up that evening; and to Lodge Secretary Brenda Kayal for preparing the awards and checking in the attendees with her husband, Al. Life Member, Jim Karam PER won the prize for the oldest in attendance at 95 years young and a member for seventy-five years. Congratulations to all of the award recipients!

Al Kayal presented the awards to the following recipients pictured below.

- Richard Holmes was elected to Life Membership on January 18, 2024. He was presented with a Life Member certificate and a Life Member pin/30-year pin
- Harold Cameron 25-year pin
- Ken Stewart, Life Member 35-year pin
- Todd Balash, Life Member 40-year pin
- Ken White, PER, Life Member 45-year pin
- Jim Karam, PER, Life Member 75-year pin Winner of Most Years of Membership and Oldest Member at 95 years of age
- Norm Bertram, Life Member 40-year pin
- Linda Head 25-year pin. Linda actually has 26 years as a member but was ill at the time that she was to receive her 25-year pin.



















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Meet Our Members

Submitted by Karen Seaman, Esteemed Loyal Knight

T his month, I would like to introduce you to our new member, Jason Bell. Jason was born in Ft. Benning, Georgia, the son of a farmer and a masonry worker. Jason found his way to Arizona after traveling many miles both inside and outside this country. This travel was due to his stepfather being a contractor for the Patriot Missile. They traveled from Virginia to Texas, then off to Hanau, Germany, where he went to high school, then back to Virginia, and finally to Arizona in 1990. When Jason came to Arizona, he was supposed to attend the Phoenix Institute of Technology, noted school for architecture. However, the bar business in Tempe, close to ASU, caught his spirited attention. Jason was enamored by this



business and stayed in it continuously until 2018 when he and his partner and friend from working at Applebee's purchased a bar called Coach's Corner. This bar, located next to Chase Field in downtown Phoenix, is now named Crown Public.

Jason, his honey Jill, and his daughter Abby, who is at the tender age of 9, enjoy adventures, covering an array of activities such as dirt biking, exploring, boating with his pontoon boat at Bartlett Lake, fishing, and hunting. He mentioned that they always eat what they kill, which I was pleased to hear. They live in Cave Creek, close to downtown, on a large property that allows them to enjoy the many desert creatures that enter their yard. Along with coyotes and javelinas, they encounter bobcats and snakes, but so far, no diamondbacks! They have two dogs and two feral cats. What really caught my attention was when I asked him about his hobbies, the first two items on his list were family and friends. His sweetheart, Jill, loves to cook and often chooses recipes left to her by her mother. She especially loves being a mom and taking care of her family.

Jason's grandfather was an Elk from West Palm Beach, Florida, and was also a member of Lodges in Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C. Jason spent a great amount of time with his grandfather, often going to the Elks and the VFW, where he learned to consider the Elks Lodges another home. His friend and fellow Elk, Ken Wilson, first took him to the Yuma Lodge, where they enjoyed the evening. Ken then brought Jason to the Phoenix Lodge for steak night, three times! Jason was sold. He mostly wants to meet new people and get involved in the community. When asked what he would like to see happen at the Lodge to make it a better experience for him, his response was the best I have ever gotten from anyone: "He just wants to embrace the adventure and enjoy the Lodge as it is." When asked what he hopes for the world, his desires were to protect the USA and his family. These answers are why his experience with the Elks will be very positive and uplifting. If you see Jason, say hello and help him meet new people; after all, that is the Elk way.

Chili Cook-Off!

Submitted by Lizanne Luke, Veterans Committee Chair

 \mathbf{B}_{ig} thanks to everyone who joined us for our annual Chili Cookoff on January 28 during the Conference games! It was awesome to have 17 amazing chili recipes to taste. Congratulations to Stephanie Beasley for snagging 1st place, Jeannette Turpin for taking home 2nd, and Diane King for rounding out the top three. Plus, the Football Squares and the 50/50 raffle



were a huge hit! We all had a great time. Thanks for making it special! Pictured: Stephanie Beasley, Jeanette Turpin, Diane King, Jeff Beasley and the master taste tester Stetson Beasley

Spicy Chipotle Chili Winning 1st Place **Ingredients**:

28 oz canned diced tomatoes

6 oz can of tomato paste 15 oz can of tomato sauce

15 oz can of kidney beans, drained

15 oz can of pinto beans, drained

2-3 chipotle chilies in adobo sauce, diced (adjust to taste)

1-2 tablespoons of adobo sauce (adjust to taste)

1 large white onion, diced

1/2 large yellow onion, diced

1 green bell pepper, diced 1 lb ground beef

1 lb hot Italian sausage

2 tablespoons chili powder

2 tablespoons garlic (powder or minced)

1 tablespoon paprika

3 tablespoons cumin

Olive oil or avocado oil (as needed)

Instructions:

Preparation:

Open all cans. Drain the kidney beans and pinto beans.

Wash and dice the onions and bell pepper.

In a small bowl, mix together the chili powder, garlic, paprika, and cumin.

Cook Onions and Bell Pepper:

In a large pot, heat a splash of olive oil or avocado oil over medium heat.

Add the diced onions and bell pepper. Cook until they become aromatic and slightly softened.

Cook Meat and Spices:

Add the ground beef and hot Italian sausage to the pot. Cook until they are halfway done. Add the spice mixture to the meat and continue cooking until the meat is fully browned. Add Remaining Ingredients:

Stir in the diced tomatoes, tomato sauce, tomato paste, diced chipotle chilies, and adobo sauce.

Let the mixture simmer for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Final Steps:

Add the drained kidney beans and pinto beans to the pot.

Continue to cook on low heat, either in the pot or transfer to a crockpot, for at least one hour, stirring occasionally. The longer it cooks, the better the flavor develops.

Serve hot and enjoy your spicy chipotle chili!

Source: Stephanie Beasley Winner!









THE HOUR OF ELEVEN

By Albert Kayal, PDDGER, Funeral Committee Chairman

 $oldsymbol{A}$ n often-overlooked and forgotten Ritual in our Lodge takes place after we have seen our last days. The Elks Funeral Service, a simple, reverent, and beautiful ceremony, is available to the families of our departed members. This service, which may be conducted at the funeral home, church, Lodge, or gravesite, must be requested by the family of the deceased member through our Lodge Secretary. As an Elks member, you should notify your family that it is your wish to have this service performed.

The Funeral Committee of Phoenix Lodge #335 is proud and honored to be of service to the families of our departed Brothers and Sisters.

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m T}$ his March, the Elk of the Month is none other than Sharon McGuinness. Sharon has been an Elk for ten years and a very active one at that. She has been involved with the workings of Phoenix Lodge since she became a member. Sharon was elected to the Board of Trustees in 2015, serving until 2018, and then retired as the Chair of Trustees. During that time, she guided the Lodge through many financial endeavors. Sharon has actively maintained the Texas Hold 'em card games, enjoyed by so many members for many years.

However, a major part of the work done by Sharon is her dedication to "Silent Service." At the beginning of every month, she prepares and updates sheets for the bar inventory, which counts every can, bottle, and keg containing an alcoholic beverage on the property. Sharon is also part of the inventory crew that performs this count. This involves a great deal of time-consuming computer work and data transfer to the Point of Sale (POS) system used by our bar staff. Completing the inventory would be a much more daunting task if not for Sharon's skills and dedication, along with her tremendous work ethic. This type of background work is often overlooked by managers in the private sector or not generally known by the membership. However, here at Phoenix Lodge 335, we know how important her work is in keeping our lounge functioning and our membership properly served. We are thankful for Sharon's work at our Lodge and grateful to have her as such a committed volunteer

Attached: Vintage photo of Sharon! Thank you for the adorable pic!

Valley Ritual Contest Submitted by Diane Bodwell, PER

m Ritual is alive and well at Phoenix Lodge #335. On Saturday, January 20th, 2024, the Lodge hosted the Valley Ritual Contest. It was a head-to-head contest exemplifying the initiation ritual between the seasoned officers of Phoenix Lodge #335 and the up-andcoming officers from Chandler Lodge #2429. The contest was extremely close, with Phoenix Lodge winning with a score of 95.6439, followed closely by Chandler Lodge at 94.5664. Phoenix officers took individual first place awards in the following positions: Jeff Beasley as Inner Guard, Clint Tompkins as Chaplain, Becky Simons as Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Karen Seaman as Esteemed Loyal Knight, and Carol Brown as Exalted Ruler. Congratulations to all the officers who performed from both lodges. It's great to see new teams joining the competition. These teams will join forces with teams from the Colorado River Ritual Contest and the Wine Country Ritual Contest, meeting again in May at the AEA State Convention to determine who will represent Arizona at the Grand Lodge Convention in June. I encourage you all to attend the convention on Friday, May 10th, to cheer them on.

The Flag Presentation Contest and 11 O'Clock Toast Contest also took place on Saturday, January 20th, with Randy Appel winning the 11 O'Clock Toast Contest and Gene Koeber winning the Flag Presentation Contest. They will join additional Past Exalted Rulers and current Exalted Rulers at the AEA State Convention to compete for a spot at the Grand Lodge Convention. If you are a Past Exalted Ruler or a current Lodge Exalted Ruler, you are eligible to join them in May to showcase your talents in these two beautiful rituals.

Kids Movie Night: "Home" Submitted by Heather Leal, Kids Committee Member

f I he Elks Kids Committee recently hosted a movie night, featuring "Home." Attendees enjoyed cookies, brownies, hot chocolate, and crafts. Thanks to volunteers Crissy Bos and Rosemary Lewis for their contributions.

We're excited to announce a Kids Easter Event on March 23 at 11am, including an Easter Egg Hunt, Lunch, and Photos with the Easter Bunny.

The Committee encourages community participation in these events to continue providing enjoyable experiences for our children. We look forward to hosting more events that not only bring smiles to our youngest members but also offer opportunities for parents to connect and enjoy.

Art created by attendees!

















The Annual Charity Ball Submitted by Joe Brown, Esteemed Leading Knight

On January 27th, our community came together for the annual Charity Ball, an evening that sparkled with the spirit of giving and elegance. The night was filled with the music of a live band and the excitement of Las Vegas-style games, all while guests enjoyed a pork loin dinner prepared with care by Randy Doescher and Cindy Pendergrass.

It wasn't just about the fun and games; the heart of the evening was the charity auction. With Larry Bodwell leading the live auction, his humor turned bidding into a delightful experience, offering everything from jewelry and bikes to a beautiful painting. We also had silent auctions featuring lovely gift baskets, ensuring everyone had a chance to contribute to the Elks charities in their own way.

The Ball was a formal affair, and it was truly a sight to behold—everyone dressed to the nines, capturing the essence of the night beautifully. Thanks to a professional photographer, these moments were immortalized, reminding us of the beauty of coming together for a good cause. Joe Brown, our gracious host, alongside the invaluable volunteers, made the night unforgettable. It's events like these that remind us of the power of community and the joy of giving back, all while enjoying a splendid evening together

























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Donation to the VA

Submitted by Karen Seaman, Esteemed Loyal Knight

On February 7, Mike Mazor, a Phoenix Elk 335 member and VA volunteer, along with Penny Craft from the VA, accepted our Elk Donation of 24 pairs of soft leather gloves from the Elks National. This is an ongoing donation that helps Veterans handle the wheels of their wheelchairs with less wear and tear on their hands. We will continue to donate these gloves as long as there are Veterans who need them.



Letter from The Salvation Army

On December 16th, Elks members participated in bell ringing for the Salvation Army's Christmas Kettle program outside Fry's Grocery Store at 40th and Thunderbird. Their efforts raised significant funds for those in need during the holiday season. The following letter from Major Keith Bottjen of The Salvation Army Phoenix Citadel expresses gratitude for this valuable contribution.

"February 6th, 2024

Dear Ken Stewart:

We want to take this opportunity to thank you for giving your time this season to help us raise needed funds through the Christmas Kettle program. Through your efforts, \$587.38 was raised.

We truly appreciate the opportunity to partner with you. Doing so makes it possible to meet needs that would otherwise not have been met without the needed funds and outpouring of service by those who give their time and resources like yourselves.

Sincerely, Major Keith Bottjen, Corps Officer The Salvation Army Phoenix Citadel"

Maricopa County AZ Veterans Stand-Down Alliance Event

Submitted by Kathy Allasia

The Maricopa County AZ Veterans StandDown Alliance event, an annual event that brings together the Valley's unhoused and at-risk military Veterans, is scheduled for March 22-23 at the Arizona State Fairgrounds. This event connects them with services and resources to end their homelessness. Stand Downs are typically two-day events during which VA staff and volunteers provide food, clothing, and health screenings to homeless and at-risk Veterans. In addition, Veterans also receive referrals on-site for healthcare, housing solutions, employment, substance use treatment, mental health counseling, legal advice, medical services, clothing, job search, and other essential services. Volunteers are needed to assist in various capacities. Dawn Quinn, the coordinator from the Lodge Vets Committee, can be contacted if you want to sign up to volunteer for a couple of hours. Email: Dawn-quinn1716@gmail.com; Phone: 480-737-9726.



Photo added from Elk of the month February Terry Jones







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The Pioneer has a 675cc liquid cooled engine, automatic transmission, belted seating for 4, the rear seats fold down to create a cargo box.

Tickets are: \$5 each, or 3 tickets for \$10.

Drawing will be held on October 20, 2024 at the AEA Mid-Year Meeting in Tempe.

Must be 21 years of age or older to win. Tickets are not tax deductible. Winners need not be present to win but are responsible for any applicable taxes and vehicle registration fee's.

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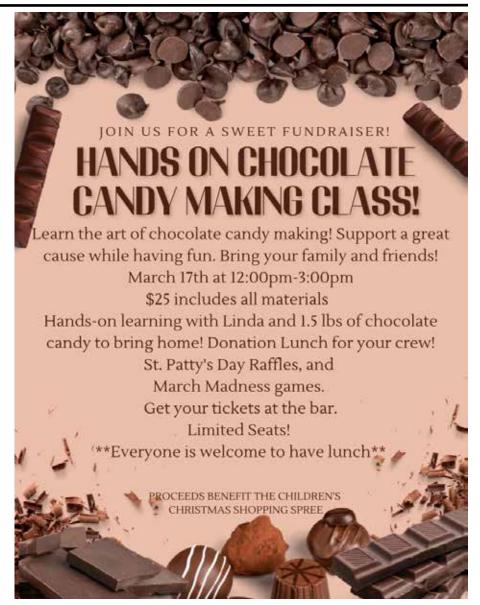
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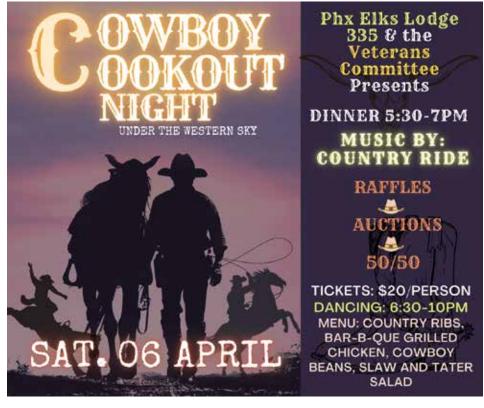








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Join us for a day of family fun as we celebrate Easter. Members and their invited family & guests can enjoy great food, games, crafts, pictures with the Easter Bunny, and we cannot forget the BIG hunt by age group.







PHOENIX ELKS 335

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1st Ticket Drawn Gets Choice 2nd Ticket Drawn Gets The Other Gun

Winner must pass FFL Background Check



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FRIDAY MENU

Dinner served 5:30 to 7:00 pm Groups of 8+ please call a day in advance (602) 482-2335

March 1st
Beef Stroganoff \$16
Baked fish / Beer battered
fish & chips \$14

March 8th
Prime Rib \$23
Baked fish / Beer battered
fish & chips \$14

March 15th
Chicken Parmesan \$16
Baked fish / Beer battered
fish & chips \$14

March 22nd
BBQ Ribs \$16
Baked fish / Beer battered
fish & chips \$14

March 29th
Liver & Onions or Pork
Chops \$16
Baked fish / Beer battered
fish & chips \$14

All dinner prices flat fee, includes tax

Every Friday night: Soup and Mixed Greens & Coleslaw - \$9.00 Kids menu – Only \$5.00

Desserts: Donation please Any substitutions or changes will be on the menu board in the lounge. Lounge Hours:
Monday-Thursday: 11am-10pm
Friday and Saturday: 11am-11pm
Sunday: 11am-7pm

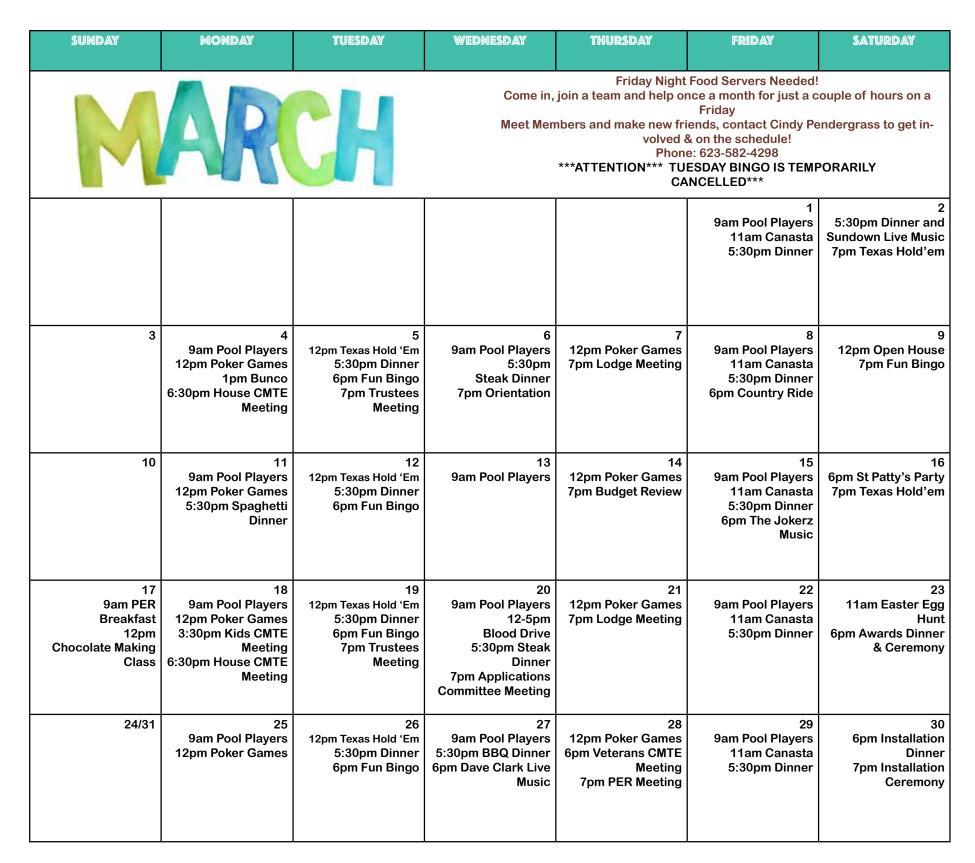
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Sunday: 11am -7pm

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Meet Our PER Breakfast Team

Left to Right, Top to bottom: Bill Darr, PDDGER; Randy Sterling, PER; Ken Stewart; Clem Brown, PER; Tim Woods, PDDGER; Marty Griffith, PER; Randy Doescher, PER; Bill Herring; Thom Strupp, PER; Diane Bodwell, PER; Rich Becker; Carol Brown, ER & Randy Sterling, PER



















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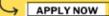
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