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Secretary's Information
SICKNESS AND DISTRESS:
The following Sickness and Distress were reported at the October 15, 2026 and November 5, 2026 Lodge sessions:

Carol Brown, PER reported that a manager, at her place of business, had fallen and broke his femur

It was also reported that Brother John Timmons had been in rehab and was now home recuperating.

Est. Leading Knight, Tyler Vanwey reported that Sister Kathy Allasia had passed away.

Please keep our members and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

PROPOSITION FOR MEMBERSHIP:
The following applicants were read on the floor of the Lodge at October 15, 2026 and November 5, 2026 Lodge sessions:

By Initiation	Proposer
William P. Bakehouse	Tim Woods, PDDGER
Santiago Amaya Castillo	Irene Ploski
Derek Smith	Linda Acritelli
Michael Campbell	Patrick Curley
Tamra Davis	Seth Blumberg
Deanne Taueki	Anesita Barnes
Kristin Ann Williamson	Jussica Nunez
Ed Wendt	Brenda Kayal

By Reinstatement
Michael W. Otis — William Otis, LM

By Transfer Dimit
Ryan James Lancaster member of Scottsdale Lodge #2148
All applications were referred to the Applications Committee.

APPLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT
The following applicants have been favorably recommended for membership by the Application Committee at the October 14, 2026 committee meeting:

By Initiation
Katherine Boudreau — Angela Craft
Brian Moushon — Anna Stewart
Deanne Taueki

By Reinstatement
John Monty Ramos

By Transfer Dimit
Judson Clemdaniel

By Certificate of Release
Ryan James Lancaster

BALLOTING ON APPLICANTS
The following applicants were balloted on at the October 15, 2026 Lodge session:
Katherine Boudreau — Angela Craft
Brian Moushon — Anna Stewart
Deanne Taueki

By Reinstatement
John Monty Ramos

By Transfer Dimit
Judson Clemdaniel

By Certificate of Release
Ryan James Lancaster

INITIATION
The following 6 American citizens were initiated into Phoenix Lodge #335 at the November 5, 2026 Lodge session:
Katherine Boudreau — Angela Craft
Kenneth Kirsner — Brian Moushon
Anna Stewart — Deanne Taueki

Membership/Lapsation Report:

Beginning Membership Total 4/1/2026	1100
Increases:	
Initiated	98
Affiliated	14
Reinstated	10
Subtotal	122
Decreases:	
Dropped	10
Transferred Out	3
Absolute Dimit	1
Deaths	8
Expelled	0
Subtotal	22
CLMS Active Members	1200
Average Age	64.64
Gain/Loss	100
Delinquency:	
Six Months	6
One Year	91
Over One Year	4
Total	101
Lapsation Rate	9.18%
Life Members	137
Honorary Life Members	1
Total	138
Life Percentage	12.55%

PROPOSITION FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP
The members listed below have met this year the requirements for Life Membership in this Lodge, which are prescribed in our By-Laws as follows:
Section 2 of Article III - The Lodge, by not less than two-thirds vote of those present, taken by secret ballot may elect to Life Membership any of its members in good standing who shall have paid to a Lodge or Lodges, of which he/she is or has been a member, each year for a period of 30 years, all dues required by the By-Laws of such Lodge or Lodges, and the Laws of the Order, and who shall have attained the age of 65 years.

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Dan W. Burke
Thomas M. Hemmer
W. "Ted" R. Hunt
William "Bill" S. Lehker
Joseph Palmer
Jonathan A. Rosenthal
Robert M. Schilstra
Will Talkington
Tim E. Woods, PDDGER

It is proposed to hold this election on December 17, 2026, following publication of this notice in the Elks Tracks on November 23, 2026. (Requires 2/3 affirmative of those present).

All have met the requirements as established in the Constitution and Statutes and our By-Laws.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Kayal, Secretary
Dated: November 10, 2026



Exalted Ruler, Clint Tompkins

December is here, and our Lodge has full month ahead. From honoring our departed members and remembering our Veterans to celebrating with our families and friends, this month is filled with opportunities to experience what makes our Lodge special.

We have a long list of events happening throughout December, and most of our contest entries are due this month as well, so be sure to check with your Committee Chairs for important deadlines and submission dates. Also, check the Lodge calendar and our Facebook page for all the dates, times, and details. A few events I especially want to highlight are our Elks Memorial Service, Elks Kids Cookies with Santa, Children's Shopping Spree, Christmas Party and White Elephant Gift Exchange, and our New Year's Eve Disco Bingo Party.

I want to thank everyone who stepped up to help with our Thanksgiving Basket program. It takes many hands and countless hours to make a project of this size successful. Every donation, every item collected, every basket packed, and every hour volunteered helped make a difference for families in our community. This is what being an Elk is all about: seeing a need and taking the lead.

And what better way to kick off the New Year than with one of our favorite annual traditions—the Polar Plunge on January 1st! The pool may be cold, but it is definitely not freezing, and that has never stopped our Elks from having a good time. Whether you are brave enough to take the plunge or prefer to stay dry and cheer everyone on, it is always a fun way to start the year. And who knows—you may even get to see your Exalted Ruler take the plunge in his gorilla suit!

December is also a reminder of the values that bring us together: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity. When we work together as one Lodge, we can accomplish so much more. Our main goal is to help our community and support one another while continually striving to become better—both as individuals and as a Lodge. By working together, lending a helping hand, and supporting each other, we can continue making a positive difference in the lives of those around us.

Thank you to our Officers, Committee Chairs, volunteers, members, and everyone who continues to give their time and energy to our Lodge. Your efforts make a difference every single day.

As we close out another year together, let us finish strong and carry the spirit of service and fellowship into the New Year. Ready Elks.... LET'S GO!!!

On behalf of myself and the Officers of Phoenix Elks Lodge #335, I wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas, a wonderful holiday season, and a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year!



Esteemed Leading Knight, Tyler Vanwey

Well, fellow Elks, December is here! It's the season of giving, celebrating, and spending time with family and friends. It's also the time of year when we spend money we don't have on people who already have everything they need! But that's what the holidays are all about, right?

As we wrap up another year, I want to take a moment to thank all our members, volunteers, and officers who continue to make our Lodge a great place to be. Whether you've helped with events, supported our charities, served on committees, or simply showed up to enjoy a meal and some fellowship, you are what makes this lodge special. Of course, showing up for the food counts as participation too!

December is a great reminder of what the Elks stand for: charity, community, and helping those who need it most. The holidays can be a difficult time for some families, so let's continue looking for ways to lend a hand and spread a little holiday cheer. Sometimes the smallest gesture can make the biggest difference.

I encourage everyone to come down to the Lodge, enjoy the holiday festivities, support our fellow members, and bring a friend. There is always room for another Elk, another helping of food, and probably one more person telling a story we've already heard five times!

As your Leading Knight, I also want to remind everyone that our Lodge runs on volunteers. If you've been thinking about getting involved, now is a great time. Don't worry, we won't put you to work immediately... well, at least not until we find out what you're good at!

Most importantly, let's remember to appreciate the friendships we've made and the good work we've accomplished together this year. I'm proud to be part of this Lodge and grateful for the dedication and generosity of our members.

From my family to yours, I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, a happy holiday season, and a safe and prosperous New Year. May your holidays be filled with laughter, good food, and family. And remember, calories don't count between Thanksgiving and New Year's—that's just science, according to the holiday committee!



Esteemed Loyal Knight, Jeff Beasley

December is here, and with it comes one of my favorite times of the year. It is a season of family, fellowship, gratitude and giving, values that fit perfectly with what Elkdom is all about.

Let's not forget our Veterans this holiday season. As we reflect on November's Veterans Parade and our continued commitment to those who served, I am reminded of our promise: "So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them." December is a wonderful time to reach out to a Veteran, especially those who may be spending the holidays alone, and remind them that their service and sacrifices are appreciated.

Here is a little Christmas history from our own Lodge that I thought was pretty special. On December 17, 1953, the Phoenix Gazette reported that Lodge #335 hosted its Annual Yule Party for 200 children from across Phoenix. Buses brought the kids to the Lodge, where they enjoyed dinner, music, clowns and movies before Santa arrived with gifts and Christmas stockings.

More than 70 years later, that spirit of giving continues through our Children's Christmas Shopping Spree and the many other ways our members serve veterans and families throughout the Valley. It is pretty incredible to think that generations of Phoenix Elks before us were doing the same thing we are still doing today.

As we celebrate Christmas, I hope we remember those who may need a little extra kindness this season. Whether helping a child, supporting a veteran or simply checking in on a fellow Elk, sometimes the smallest gesture can make the biggest difference.

As we close out another year, I am grateful for our members, the friendships we share and the difference we continue to make. Let's also remember those who are no longer at our tables but remain forever in our hearts.

From Stephanie, Kenadie, Stetson and me, Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to our entire Lodge family! May your Christmas be filled with family, laughter, love and plenty of Elk cheer. Elks Care. Elks Share. Elks Never Forget.



Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Shawna Lang

I wish everyone a warm, happy, and joyous holiday season! As we celebrate this special time of year, let's remember that the holidays aren't always joyful for everyone. For many, this season can bring added stress, depression, loneliness, and even feelings of guilt. A simple smile, a kind word, or taking a moment to check on someone can make a world of difference.

Please remember to be kind to one another. We never truly know what someone else may be going through. A little compassion and understanding can go a long way.

Parking Lot Supervisors Needed

Submitted by Al Kayal, Trustee, HLM, PDDGER, PSP

If you have been on Lodge property early morning or mid-afternoon, you will see a lot of activity in the lower parking area as Lodge members drop their children off for attendance at the Great Heart Schools or to pick up their children after a long day.

We need volunteers to supervise this activity and ensure the safety of our children.

If you can devote 60-90 minutes a week to this service, I can assign a morning or afternoon slot to your care.

Please contact Al Kayal 602-451-8413/akayal@msn.com if you would like to make a difference.

Facilities Committee Now Forming

Submitted by Al Kayal, Trustee, HLM, PDDGER, PSP

Is your background in construction, repairs/maintenance, engineering, facilities management, trades, etc.?

This elite committee will work with the Trustees in monitoring the condition of grounds and structures and completing various projects around the Lodge.

Please contact Al Kayal 602-451-8413/akayal@msn.com if you would like to make a difference.

Merry Christmas to All!!!

Submitted by Linda Thompson, CCSS Chair



Our Children's Christmas Shopping Spree program is having an amazing year, thanks to all the generosity and volunteer spirit from our friends in the Phoenix Elks. We have an incredible 70 volunteers shopping for the lucky children this year! With all that help and your donations, we will be able to provide new clothing and gifts to 170+ children in need of a little help. Over half of these kids are in the families of American Veterans or active military families. We are also sending gifts of toys, hobby items, and fun personal gifts for hundreds of kids at The Foster Alliance in our neighborhood. We are looking forward to the big shopping day with the kids on December 7th, and the after party with Santa, Miss Arizona USA and Miss Teen Arizona USA. Thank you for making it all possible! Pics to come next month!

Homeless Youth Empowerment Impact Grant

Submitted by Jeff Beasley, Esteemed Loyal Knight

Our Homeless Youth Empowerment Impact Grant continues to make a meaningful difference in the

December Birthdays!

December 1: Jared Allen, Tim Emory, Patricia Halligan, P Johnson, Mary Nicholls

December 2: Alfred Bills, Kelly Callaway

December 3: Timothy Arthur, Adam Breen, Stephanie Burzenski, Paula Chandler-Skalabria, Trent Thorn, Kenneth Wilson

December 4: Margaret LaForest, Christopher Martinez, Randal Sterling (PER), Maggie Talamantes

December 5: Karl Bohocky, Malcolm Daniels, Gwendolyn Hjelmstad

December 6: John Bruch (LM)

December 7: Richard Cotter, Stephen Curran (LM), Rodney Faria

December 8: Scott Hockenberger, James Webster (LM)

December 9: Dennis Denzin, Robert McLaughlin, Robert Ryan

December 10: Richard Johnston, Benjamin Zimmer

December 11: William Boyer, John Mangels

December 12: Christopher Achilles, Valerie Hardy, Edward Hopkins, John Phlegar, Mark Rutenbeck, Nancy Tripp

December 13: James Cummins, Justin Hall

December 14: Robert Gilbreth, Patrick Kilgore, Roger Nottle, James Rolle (LM), Kathryn Vizzerra

December 15: Jeanine Cordova, Linda Doescher, George Healy (LM), Cherrie Hill, David Rybarczyk (LM), Michael Sutter (LM)

December 16: John Fields, John Weigand (LM)

December 17: Dan Burke, Sandra Cichon, Jason Lilje, Brian Ott, Brian Winther

December 18: Sean Carson, James Clark, Jody Hass, James Richey, Michelle Smith

December 19: Daniel Bott, Kohl Kinnerup

December 20: Sharon Barry, Adam Berumen, Terry Friend, Ashton Gill, Brock Kasnick, Nancy Schuster

December 21: Steven Albera (LM), Dennis Davis, Duaine Moore, Jerry Porter, Randall Tisai

December 22: No birthdays listed

December 23: Thom Strupp (PER)

December 24: Richard Bacik (LM), Steven Crofoot, Tony Darwish, Daniel Ortega

December 25: Steven Havertine, Jennifer Jaeger, Dawn Quinn, Joseph Schmelz, Adam Westrope, Leo Witkowski

December 26: William Muscenti, Nancy Perkinson, Eleanor Ybarra

December 27: Robert Allen, Yessenia Atwood, Joanne Passmore, Richard Peerce

December 28: Brian Goaziou, Jarrol Jamison, Dolores Nida, Joseph Palmer

December 29: Sharon Concha, Rick Eastman, James Evans, Karen Gatewood, Kim Giese, Matthew Hyde, Catherine McDonough, Shelli Rayroux

December 30: Michelle Hall, Michael Young

December 31: Gregory Crum, Sujoy Spencer

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lives of homeless youth throughout our community. Through our ongoing partnership with Homeless Youth Connection (HYC), we are helping students experiencing homelessness who are actively enrolled in school and qualify under the McKinney-Vento Act.

Over the past several months, our Lodge has provided food, essential supplies, and other necessities to help these young people remain focused on their education and future.

In November, our committee continued these efforts by meeting on November 4. On November 18, Lodge members came together to assemble Christmas gift bags for 26 homeless youth, filled with gift cards, holiday treats, and a little extra Christmas cheer. These gifts were delivered to HYC for distribution to the homeless students.

A heartfelt thank you to our committee members, volunteers, and everyone who has contributed to this important mission. Through our Impact Grant and continued partnership with HYC, we are demonstrating what Elkdom is all about: Elks Care, Elks Share.

As we celebrate this Christmas season, may we remember that even the smallest act of kindness can bring hope to someone who needs it most.

Veterans Day

Submitted by Jeff Beasley, Esteemed Loyal Knight

On November 11, 2026, Phoenix Elks Lodge #335 proudly honored our nation's heroes through two meaningful Veterans Day events, demonstrating the Lodge's continued dedication to patriotism, remembrance, and service.

The day began with the annual Veterans Day Parade, which drew approximately 40,000 spectators. Several Lodge members and Elks children participated, including Esteemed Leading Knight Tyler Vanwey and Esteemed Loyal Knight Jeff Beasley. As they made their way along the parade route, members distributed American flag pins to children, sharing a small but meaningful symbol of patriotism and appreciation for those who have served our country.

That evening, Lodge officers gathered to conduct the traditional Elks Veterans Ritual Service, paying tribute to the brave men and women who have served in our nation's Armed Forces.

During the solemn ceremony, officers presented the American flag and other ceremonial flags, including the POW flag, to audience members. This moving tribute recognized the sacrifices of our veterans while honoring those who endured captivity as prisoners of war and those who remain missing in action.

Together, these events reflected the pride, gratitude, and respect that we all hold for our nation's Veterans. From celebrating alongside the community to gathering in solemn remembrance, the day reinforced the enduring promise of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks: "So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them."









ElkToberfest

Submitted by Diane Bodwell, Treasurer

This year's Elktoberfest was another great success. In true biergarten style, we enjoyed an authentic German dinner prepared by our amazing kitchen staff. The entertainment was headed by the Kool Traxx Band, who provided great music for dining and dancing. We were extremely lucky to be joined by Arizona Elks Association Accordionist Ira Cohen, who played authentic polkas for our listening pleasure.



We raised over $5,000 in ENF donations from our members who turned in purple pigs and purchased raffle tickets for the shotgun and television. Thank you to those who made donations and turned in purple pigs this year. We had some really well-decorated pigs, and choosing the winners was not easy. This year's purple pig winners were Ellen Staufiger with her Miss Piggy in a tutu and Kinsley Astgen with Swift Piggy (Taylor's Version).

Choosing the winners of our costume contest was not easy either. We had many members who came dressed in traditional German attire. The prizes for the winning costumes went to Larry Bodwell, who showed up in traditional lederhosen, and Karen Seaman, who was dressed in a traditional German dirndl.

Thank you to our AEA President and First Lady, Frank and Angela Buso, for joining us, as well as members from many other lodges from around the state. Your support of our charitable events is greatly appreciated. None of this would have been possible without the donation of time and assistance from our Lodge members who helped with the preparation and service of our great meal, setup for the event, and the donation of their spare change in the decorated and donated purple pigs. You are truly the Best People on Earth.

Bell Ringing

Submitted by Patricia Stewart, Tiler



The spirit of giving is in the air! Our annual bell-ringing event will take place on Saturday, December 12, at Fry's Food Store, located on 40th Street and Thunderbird.

Volunteers are invited to participate anytime between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00p.m. It's a wonderful opportunity to spread holiday cheer, support our community, and represent our Lodge with pride.

A sign-up sheet will be available at the reception desk in the Lodge, so please stop by to choose your preferred timeslot.

For questions or to volunteer directly, please contact Patricia Stewart at 602-316-1548. Let's come together to make this year's bell ringing a success!

Trunk or Treat

Submitted by Judy Peters, Elks Kids Committee Chair

The Elks Kids Committee put on a fantastic Trunk or Treat

event on October 24! With 13 creatively decorated cars competing for the Best Decorated Trunk prize and over 40 excited children and their families in attendance, it was surely a night to remember.

Congratulations to Girl Scout Troop 181 for winning first place with their outstanding decorations! The costume contest was also a hit, with three winners in each age group taking home Disney Squishmallows and a special movie ticket prize for the teenage winner.

The evening was rounded off with a delicious hot dog meal, complete with chips, applesauce squeezers, and treat packs. Despite the bounce house no-show, the event was a success thanks to the dedicated volunteers and generous attendees, who helped raise $92.50 in donations.

A big thank you to everyone involved, especially Judy Peters and her wonderful committee, for organizing such a wonderful community gathering!











Veterans Committee News!

Submitted by Nicole Beach, Veterans Committee Chair

Ending 2026 with Giving Hearts and Kicking Off 2027 with a Little Friendly Competition!

As we wrap up another year, the Phoenix Elks Lodge 335 Veterans Committee continues its mission of honoring and supporting our Veterans through community service, fundraising, and fellowship. December and January bring opportunities to give back, lend a helping hand, and enjoy some friendly competition along the way!

CLC Bingo - Small Gestures, Big Smiles! One of our most rewarding activities is visiting our Veterans at the VA Community Living Center (CLC), located at 650 E. Indian School Road in Phoenix. Our upcoming CLC Bingo dates are: Sunday, December 13, 2026, at 11 a.m., and possibly Sunday, January 17 or 24, 2027, at 11 a.m.

Our committee provides pizza, sweet treats, prizes, and, most importantly, companionship to our Veterans. These visits are about so much more than Bingo. They're about sharing laughter, building friendships, and reminding our Veterans that their service and sacrifices will never be forgotten. Volunteers are always welcome! Just a few hours of your time can make someone's entire day.

December Cash Calendar — Let the Winning Begin! Thank you to everyone who purchased a December Cash Calendar and supported our Veterans Committee! Your generosity helps us continue the programs, activities, and projects that benefit our Veterans throughout the year. With 31 chances to win throughout December, the excitement is just getting started! Winning numbers and names will be called/texted and announced in the lounge as well as posted on our Facebook Page: Phoenix Elks 335 or Facebook Group: BPOE Phoenix Elks 335 (group is recommended). Be sure to check regularly to see if you're one of our lucky winners! Remember, you do not have to be an Elks member to win, and your calendar can win more than once. Good luck to everyone, and thank you for supporting our Veterans!

December Donation Drive — Helping Our Navajo Nation Veterans. Our Veterans need us, and this December we have an opportunity to make a real difference! The Veterans Committee is partnering with Disabled Vets of Arizona to assist Navajo Nation Veterans and their families who have been affected by heavy fall rainfall and flooding on the reservations. Sadly, some of these Veterans have been displaced from their homes and have lost so much. Many are facing difficult circumstances as winter approaches, and we are asking our Elks family to come together and show them they have not been forgotten. We are collecting the following donations:

Non-perishable food items — Please check expiration dates. No expired food!

Clothing — Clean, gently used or new clothing for all ages.

Bedding — Blankets, sheets, comforters, and other bedding essentials.

Full-size toiletries — Shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, deodorant, and other personal hygiene necessities.

DONATION DROP-OFF: A collection box will be located in the lobby of Phoenix Elks Lodge 335 throughout December. IMPORTANT: Due to road closures and washed-out or inaccessible roads on the reservations, we CANNOT accept bulk items such as furniture, appliances, or other oversized donations. Please limit donations to the requested items that can be safely transported and distributed. Whether you donate one bag or several boxes, every contribution matters. These are Veterans who served our country, and now they need our help.

January 31 — Annual Veterans Chili Cook-Off & Elks Kids Baking Challenge! Get those secret recipes ready because we're turning up the heat and bringing on the sweet treats! Join us on Sunday, January 31, 2027, for our Annual Veterans Committee Chili Cook-Off & 1st Annual Elks Kids Baking Challenge!

Whether you make a five-alarm chili, a mild family favorite, or have a young baker who loves creating delicious desserts, this promises to be an afternoon filled with great food, friendly competition, and plenty of fun. IT'S FREE TO ENTER EITHER CONTEST! Event Schedule: All Chili Cook-Off and Baking Challenge entries must arrive by 1:30 p.m. Tasting begins at 2:00 p.m.! The NFC and AFC championship football games will be on the TVs with sound! Don't forget football squares, a 50/50 raffle, a mystery box raffle, a Grill/Meat Raffle, and other surprise games. Kids can enjoy games for tickets to win raffle prizes.

Chili Cook-Off Competition — Bring your best homemade chili and see how it stacks up against the competition! Whether your recipe is mild, smoky, sweet, spicy, or packed with secret ingredients, we want to taste it! Contestants should prepare enough chili for a large crowd to sample (2 gallons minimum). You don't want to run out before people can vote. You must provide your own heating source.

Elks Kids Baking Challenge "Around the World" Theme — Calling all young bakers! It's time to show off your creativity and baking skills. Young contestants will have the opportunity to showcase their favorite baked creations and compete against others in their age division. Our Kids Baking Challenge will feature three age divisions: Elementary School: Kindergarten–5th Grade, Middle School: 6th–8th Grade, High School: 9th–12th Grade.

Judging & Awards: Both contests will feature official judges and People's Choice Awards, giving participants the opportunity to impress both the judging panel and our guests! Additional awards will include Most Creative and Best Presentation.

January — 50/50 raffle sales all month long! You do NOT need to be a member to win! The drawing will be at the Chili Cook-Off & Baking Challenge contest! You do not need to be present to win, although we encourage attendance for a chance to win other consolation prizes with purchased tickets! It's going to be a great FUNdraiser!

We Can't Do It Without YOU! The success of our Veterans Committee depends on the generosity, dedication, and participation of our members. Whether you're helping with CLC Bingo, donating much-needed supplies, assisting with fundraising, volunteering at an event, or joining one of our sub-committees, every little bit of time and effort makes a difference.

You don't have to attend every meeting or volunteer at every event. Even helping with one project allows us to accomplish more for the Veterans who have given so much for our freedom. Interested in getting involved, making a donation, or learning more about our upcoming activities? As we celebrate the holiday season and welcome a new year, let's remember the promise that guides our mission:

"So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them." Honoring Our Veterans ~ Building a Brighter Tomorrow!

Contact Nicole Beach, Veterans Committee Chair, at (602) 679-1319.

Phoenix Elks Riders Hit the Road to Ajo for State Quarterly Meeting

Submitted by Linda Acritelli, Phoenix Elks Riders President

The Phoenix Elks Riders hit the road October 9–11 for a weekend of camaraderie, motorcycles, and fellowship in Ajo, Arizona. Officers attended the State Quarterly Elks Riders Meeting on Sunday, October 11, joining fellow riders from across Arizona.



The weekend kicked off Friday night with dinner and a meet-and-greet hosted by Ajo Elks Lodge #1576. On Saturday, the Ajo Riders organized a poker run with several stops, including Gila Bend Lodge #2089. Seven Arizona Elks Riders chapters participated in the ride. Sunday morning began with a pancake breakfast provided by the Ajo Riders for representatives of 10 Arizona rider chapters before the annual state meeting got underway. The meeting marked a milestone for Phoenix Elks Lodge #335, which earned a seat at the President's Table for the first time.

The weekend ended with exciting news for the Phoenix Elks Riders, as Arizona's chapters selected Phoenix Lodge #335 to host the first-quarter state meeting in 2027. Mark your calendars! The Phoenix Elks Riders will host their first Poker Run on February 27, 2027, followed by the State Quarterly Elks Riders Meeting on February 28 at 10:00 a.m.

The Phoenix Elks Riders look forward to welcoming fellow riders from across Arizona for a weekend of fun, fellowship, and support for the Elks!

Santa's Workshop

Santa's Workshop

Cookies & Milk with Santa and Mrs. Claus

December 12th

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Hosted by the Elks Kids Committee

Children are welcome to come in their pajamas!

Sign-ups ended November 25th, but we still hope to see you there — gifts will still be available for kids attending!

ELKS 335 Charity Ball

LIGHTS ★ CAMERA Charity!

★ A NIGHT IN HOLLYWOOD ★

Entertainment by

The Killer Dueling Pianos

Nationally known performers who have been featured in the Rolling Stone's Magazine!

FEBRUARY 6TH, 2027

Cocktail & Hors d'oeuvres start at	Dinner at	Entertainment at
4:30 PM	5:30 PM	7:00 PM

Tickets: $65 EACH

Full Table Purchase at a Discount!

Ask About VIP Tickets!

Greetings from the North Pole!

Phoenix 335 PER Association

Sunday Breakfast

SUNDAY DEC 20TH

$15.00

Bring the whole family

Kids Free

Serving 9am to Noon

Biscuits & Gravy
Eggs to order
Egg Whites on request
Omelette station
Waffle Station
Bacon
Sausage
Juice
Toast
Coffee/Tea
Pastries

NORTH POLE

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3RD ANNUAL

CAR SHOW

BRING YOUR CARS!

$20 CAR ENTRY

★ CARS CAN BE BROUGHT IN AS EARLY AS 9:45 AM TO GET A SPOT! ★

MUSIC! | FOOD! | BOUNCE HOUSES! | WINNERS RECEIVE TROPHIES!

ELKS #335

14424 N 32ND ST PHOENIX AZ 85032

★ FEBRUARY 21ST 11AM-2PM ★

FOR ANY QUESTIONS CALL HEATHER LEAL 602.434.6046

Phoenix Elks 335

Officers

NYE DISCO BINGO

December 31st!

Doors Open at 7 PM • Bingo Starts at 8 PM

50/50 Raffle!

Door Price $20

Covers Hors d'oeuvres & desserts with champagne toast!

or Bundle with Bingo for **$40!**

Play along to Disco music with lights!

In the Vista and Heritage Rooms

Bar will be in the Heritage Room

Come Ring in the New Year at the Lodge

Chef LARRY B

ARIZONA CARDINALS

Spaghetti Nights Are Back!

Every Monday

5:30pm - 7pm

Bring the family and watch football!

Menu: Pasta, Salad, Garlic Bread

$12

KIDS EAT FREE!

Phoenix Elks 335

Officers

Christmas Party

December 19th!

5 PM

Bring your best dish to share.

Grab a $20–$25 White Elephant gift

(Gender neutral)

Reach into your closet for your worst, ugliest holiday sweater, sweatshirt, outfit, pajamas, or onesie!

Ugliest/Best wins a prize!

50/50 & Bake Raffle

Phoenix Elks Lodge #335

Presents the 15th Annual

POLAR BEAR PLUNGE — Phx ELKS #335

15th Annual

New Years DAY

Benefitting

Arizona Elks Major Projects

Steele Children's Research Center (Tucson)
Steele Translational Medical Clinic (Phoenix)
Jack C. Warter Jr. Arizona Elks Youth Camp

January 1st, 2027

Pool Side Phoenix Elks Lodge #335

14424 N. 32nd Street, Phoenix, Az 85032 (602) 482-2335

Lounge open 10:00 am
Food Starts at 12:00 pm
Festivities Start at 2:00 pm
Finish when all are frozen

Pre-sale $20 Spectator Donation
(INCLUDES FOOD, FESTIVITIES, DOOR PRIZES)
$25 Day of Event
Kids 16 and under $5 day of the event
$50 min. in pledges to plunge
(INCLUDES FOOD, FESTIVITIES, T-SHIRT & DOOR PRIZES) Jumpers do not need a ticket

AEMP IS THE Reason For Freezin

For More Information Contact Larry Bodwell 602-989-5896



Pictured from top to bottom, left to right: Exalted Ruler Clint Tompkins; Esteemed Leading Knight Tyler Vanwey; Esteemed Lecturing Knight Shawna Lang; Esteemed Loyal Knight Jeff Beasley; Five Year Trustee Jim Bowe; Tiler Patricia Stewart; Four Year Trustee Terry Jones; Esquire Becky Simons; Three Year Trustee/Chairman Al Kayal, HLM, PDDGER, PSP; Secretary Brenda Kayal; Treasurer Diane Bodwell, PDDGER; Chaplain Carol Brown, PER; Two Year Trustee Clem Brown, PER; and One Year Trustee Marty Griffith, PER.

B.P.O.E. PHOENIX LODGE 335 VETERAN'S COMMITTEE
So long as there are veterans, Elks will never forget them.

Phoenix Elks 335 Veterans Committee
★ IS PARTNERING WITH ★
DAV DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS (ARIZONA)

TO ASSIST WITH THEIR
NAVAJO NATION DISASTER RELIEF

Our brother and sister Veterans on the Navajo Nation are severely affected by recent constant rainfall and flooding on the Reservation!

DONATIONS NEEDED!

THEY ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- Warm clothing
- Coats & Jackets
- Shoes
- Blankets
- Non-perishable food items (especially those not requiring water or cooking)
- Plasticware (Forks, Knives, Spoons)
- Paper plates and bowls
- Paper towels & napkins
- Tarps (for roofs and floors of homes)
- Toilet paper
- Personal hygiene products (toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, feminine products, soap/body wash, etc.)
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Diapers (Infant: various; Adult: M, XL, XXL)

LOOK FOR THE DONATION BOX IN THE LODGE LOBBY.

NAVAJO NATION DISASTER RELIEF DONATIONS

MONETARY DONATIONS:

Zelle — Set up by the All-Navajo Veterans Auxiliary (ANVA) Sara Josley through Zelle at 4108475333

Make checks out to "All-Navajo Veterans Auxiliary" or "ANVA" and send to:
Sara Josley, President, ANVA
500 Hwy 191 #374
Chinle, AZ 86503

SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE DAV (ARIZONA) DISASTER RELIEF EFFORTS.
arizonadav.org/disaster-relief

Over 100 Veteran families are currently in temporary shelters in churches, community centers, or with relatives. We hope to they can return to their homes in thet too distant future, at which time they will again hve to assess damages to their homes from the torrential rains and flooding.

SO FAR, AT LEAST 7 VETERANS' HOMES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS TOTAL LOSSES.

★ Questions? Contact Lizanne Luke (602) 571-1218 ★

THE SALVATION ARMY

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGERS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Bellringing will be Saturday December 12

Fry's Food Store
40th Street & Thunderbird
10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Two-hour time slots

There will be a sign-up sheet at the Lodge or call Pat Stewart

602-316-1548

Help make the season brighter!

PHOENIX ELKS RIDERS
PRESENTS

COMEDY Night!

DECEMBER 9TH
★ 7:30 PM ★

FREE ADMISSION!

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TICKET SALES START AT 5:00 PM
LAST DRAWING AT 6:45 PM

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PHOENIX ELK'S RIDERS 335
Early Thaw POKER RUN
FEBRUARY 27, 2027

REGISTRATION
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM
KSU 9:15 AM

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Phoenix, AZ

BREAKFAST BURRITOS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE BEFORE THE RIDE!

RIDE STOPS:
- HIDEAWAY (CAVE CREEK)
- FOUNTAIN HILLS ELK'S LODGE #2846
- SCOTTSDALE ELK'S LODGE #2148
- BACK TO PHOENIX ELKS LODGE #335

LAST BIKE IN AT 3:00 PM

LIVE MUSIC | HI/LOW POKER HAND | 50/50 | RAFFLES | DOOR PRIZE | GUN RAFFLE DRAWING

$25 SINGLE • $15 PASSENGER
DINNER INCLUDED!

Phoenix Elks Riders
Presents

OPEN MIC
Hosted by Manny

Wednesday
December 30, 2026

7:00 PM

- Singers
- Musicians
- Comedians
- Poets
- All Talent Welcome!

Be a Part of the Show or Just Come and Enjoy the Talent!

DONATE BLOOD SAVE A LIFE

Blood Drive Reminder

BLOOD DRIVE
JANUARY 13th
12PM – 5PM

American Red Cross

PLEASE REGISTER AT
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FOR QUESTIONS CALL
BECKY SIMONS (602) 697-1175

PHOENIX ELKS 335 ELKS KIDS COMMITTEE

B.P.O.E. PHOENIX LODGE 335 VETERAN'S COMMITTEE
So long as there are veterans, Elks will never forget them.

The Veterans Committee is partnering with The Elks Kids Committee for the Annual

CHILI COOKOFF
AND FIRST ANNUAL
KIDS BAKING CHALLENGE
SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

Entry to both contests is **FREE!**
All entries must arrive at 1:30 PM.
Tasting starts at 2 PM.

$10 to taste and vote!

Price includes a hot dog or nachos—top with your favorite chili!

JANUARY 50/50 RAFFLE
Drawing January 31 at the Chili Cookoff & Baking Challenge.
$5 per ticket • 5 tickets for $20
★ You do not need to be present to win. ★
You do not need to be an Elks member to purchase raffle tickets.

Daddy & Daughter Sweetheart Dance
Celebrate Valentine's Day

Hosted by the Elks Kids Committee

February 20
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Tickets on sale January 11 through February 15

Tickets: $25 per family

Ages 0 to 100 welcome

Come out and make memories with your daughter!

Tickets available at the bar

Questions? Judy Peters
(602) 931-7640

Join us for a special evening of dancing, fun, and sweet memories.

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NFL WEEKLY PICK 'EM!

GRAB YOUR SHEETS HERE!

HOW TO PLAY

1. **WEEKLY FORMAT (EXCLUDING THURSDAY NIGHT):** Each week, you pick the winners of the Sunday and Monday games!
2. **SCORING – STRAIGHT PICK 'EM:** Each correct pick earns 1 point.
3. **TIEBREAKER:** If multiple players have the same total points, the Monday Night Football TOTAL score as a tiebreaker (combined score of each team) — the closest guess wins.

ENTRY FEE
$5 PER SHEET

SHEETS DUE BY
SATURDAY BY 8 PM.
- Thursday night games are not considered.
- When Saturday games are played, the sheets will be due by FRIDAY BY 8 PM.

RETURN COMPLETED SHEETS TO THE BARTENDER WITH YOUR FIVE DOLLARS!

DECEMBER DEADLINES

WEEK 13	Dec. 6 & 7	Due: Sat. Dec. 5th (8pm)
WEEK 14	Dec. 13 & 14	Due: Sat. Dec. 12th (8pm)
WEEK 15	Dec. 19 – 21	Due: Fri. Dec. 18th (8pm)
WEEK 16	Dec. 24 – 28 *Will include Thursday game*	Due: Wed. Dec. 23rd (8pm)

Suggestion: Fill out Week 15 & 16 @ the same time!

BIGGEST LOSER CHALLENGE

NEW RULE Starting Week 4

Participant with the worst or least amount of picks correct on their sheet will get their $5 back! OR use it for the next week's picks – think of it as a do over. Then the pot will pay out to the biggest winner (split if there's a tie).

SUNDAY FUNDAY MENU

Served Every Sunday
11:30-3:30pm
or until gone!

NOTE: All meals include chips (including salads).

ALL BEEF HOT DOG	$3.00
SMASHBURGER Make it a DOUBLE $2.00	$4.50
GRILLED CHEESE	$4.00
GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH	$6.00
SALADS Choice of Grilled Chicken OR Big Mac	$7.00

Add-ons start at $.50 and go up.

SUBSTITUTE SIDES:
Tater Tots $2.00 | French Fries $2.00 (if available)

PLEASE NOTE: All free condiments, dressings, croutons, tomato, onion, and additional toppings are on the condiment table.

PHOENIX ELKS LODGE 335 FUN Bingo!

IN THE LOUNGE

SATURDAY DECEMBER 5TH

BINGO STARTS AT 7:00 PM

The more people that play, the bigger the payout!



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$5 BUY-IN

$1 OF YOUR ENTRY FOR 50/50

NINE BALL NIGHT

TUESDAYS
5:30 PM

Brush up on your skills, meet new players, and have some fun!

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME!

MONDAY NIGHT CRIBBAGE

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  Call Ted Hunt at 602-518-0175 or Dan Burke at 480-364-9926
- **Cards 1st and 3rd Saturday at 6 PM, Every Tuesday at 12 PM**
  Call Sharon McGuinness at 602-615-3825
- **Euchre / Cribbage Mondays**
  Call Joyce at 607-643-2054
- **Pool Players Club: 9 AM – 12 PM**
  Monday, Wednesday & Friday
  Tournaments every 3rd Saturday at noon
- **Canasta Group: Fridays at 11 AM**
  Call Judy Ceglia 763-498-2009



Dinner served 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Groups of 8+ please call a day in advance:
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December 4
Meatloaf $16
Baked or Fried Fish $14

December 11
Prime Rib $23.00
Baked or Fried Fish $14

December 18
Roasted Chicken, Ham, Potatoes, Stuffing and Cranberries$16
Baked or Fried Fish $14

December 25
No Dinner

All dinner prices + tax.
Dinners will include Soup OR Salad

Every Friday night:
Soup, Mixed Greens, & Coleslaw – $9.00
Cooked to order Chicken
Kids menu $5.00

Desserts: Donation, please.
Any substitutions or changes will be listed on the menu board in the Lounge

Lounge Hours:
Monday-Thursday: 11am-10pm Friday and Saturday: 11am-11pm
Sunday: 11am-7pm

Hours:
Monday-Thursday: 9am-10pm
Friday: 9am till close
Saturday: 11am till close
Sunday: 11am -7pm

Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday: 9am-2pm

Beginning December 1, a $5 event fee will apply to guests age 21 and over attending non-ticketed events on Fridays and Saturdays after 5:00 PM. This includes events such as Fun Bingo, Poker, Friday Night Dinner, and other Lodge activities.





Friday Night Food Servers Needed!
Come in, join a team, and help once a month for just a couple of hours on a Friday.
Meet Members and make new friends. Contact Cindy Pendergrass to get involved! Members, spouses, and widows can volunteer!

Phone: 623-582-4298

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
November 29 11:30am Sunday Funday 2pm Children's Shopping Spree Party	November 30 9am Pool Players 12pm Card Games 5:30pm Pasta Dinner 6pm Cribbage 7pm House Comm Mtg	1 12pm Texas Hold'em 5:30pm 9 Ball 5:30pm Dinner 6pm Trustees Mtg 6:30pm Public Bingo	2 9am Pool Players 5:30pm Steak / Chicken Night 5:30pm Meat Raffle 6:30pm Antlers Mtg 7pm Orientation 7pm Riders Meeting	3 12pm Card Games 7pm Lodge Mtg	4 9am Pool Players 11am Canasta 5:30pm Dinner 5:30pm Ride Night 6:30pm Music TBD	5 5:30pm Dinner 6pm Card Games 7pm Fun Bingo
6 11:30am Sunday Funday 2pm Memorial Service	7 9am Pool Players 12pm Card Games 1pm Bunco 5:30pm Pasta Dinner 5:30 CCSS Party 6pm Cribbage	8 12pm Texas Hold'em 5:30pm 9 Ball 5:30pm Dinner 6:30pm Public Bingo	9 9am Pool Players 5:30pm Steak / Chicken Night 7:30pm Comedy Night	10 12pm Card Games 5PM TRACKS ARTICLE DEADLINE	11 9am Pool Players 11am Canasta 5:30pm Dinner 5:30pm Ride Night 6:30pm Roseanne Band	12 10am Bell Ringers 3pm Kids Christmas Party
13 11:30am Sunday Funday 3:30pm Veterans Committee Potluck	14 9am Pool Players 12pm Card Games 5:30pm Pasta Dinner 6pm Cribbage 7pm House Comm Mtg	15 12pm Texas Hold'em 5:30pm 9 Ball 5:30pm Dinner 6pm Trustees Mtg 6:30pm Public Bingo	16 9am Pool Players 5:30pm Steak / Chicken Night 5:30pm Meat Raffle 6:30pm Antlers Mtg 7pm Application Mtg 7pm Song Bingo	17 12pm Card Games 7pm Lodge Mtg	18 9am Pool Players 11am Canasta 5:30pm Holiday Dinner 5:30pm Ride Night 6:30pm Sweet Water Strings	19 12pm Pool Tournament 5pm Christmas Party 6pm Card Games
20 9am Breakfast hosted by the PERs 11:30am Sunday Funday	21 9am Pool Players 12pm Card Games 5:30pm Pasta Dinner 6pm Cribbage	22 12pm Texas Hold'em 5:30pm 9 Ball 5:30pm Dinner 6:30pm Public Bingo	23 9am Pool Players	24 12pm Card Games LODGE CLOSES 5pm	25	26
27 11:30am Sunday Funday	28 9am Pool Players 12pm Card Games 5:30pm Pasta Dinner 6pm Cribbage	29 12pm Texas Hold'em 5:30pm 9 Ball 5:30pm Dinner 6:30pm Public Bingo	30 9am Pool Players 7pm Open Mic Night	31 12pm Card Games 7pm open / 8pm New Year's Eve Party!	January 1 12pm Polar Plunge 2pm Lunch	January 2

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