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Surprise Elks Lodge #2833

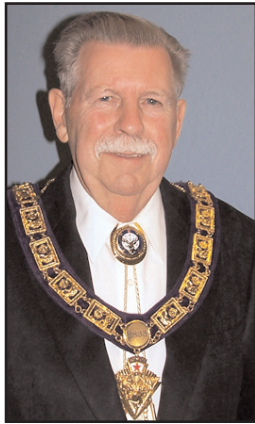
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APRIL MESSAGE FROM THE EXALTED RULER

by Stan Hegseth, Exalted Ruler



which is still the Riverboat Bingo Hall.

All of the incoming officers believed we would be greeting our members at a different location, with a small social area attached. That location turned out unsuitable for our needs.

I would like to thank Jim Ditton outgoing Exalted Ruler, Edna Jacoby, PER Secretary, Mel Burke Jr., Trustee and the other officers involved in trying to help move us forward for their hard work.

I have talked to all of the incoming officers and our goal for the Lodge is to find and procure a Lodge of our own.

If any member has property, with or without a structure on it, or know of any, we would be interested in negotiating for purchase, for lease or whatever interests the owner. **"WE NEED A HOME"** This has been our main challenge in our effort to keep our Lodge healthy and viable. We need to rededicate ourselves to the work at hand.

Surprise Elks Lodge 2833 turned 5 years old, and we had an

The Elks Fraternal Year of 2009 - 2010 begins April 1st 2009 and runs until March 31st 2010. That is the term of our new officers that were installed on March 25th at our current meeting place,

anniversary dinner at the Sun City Country Club on Friday, March 13th - at that time we gave out awards, fun was had by all, see pages 4 and 5.

A lot or maybe most of our members are "Charter Members" and we need more involvement from our five year members.

We need a home, a nice place to get together and enjoy our common interests, hobbies and just to socialize.

Our incoming officers as well as our past officers all consider a change of location our primary goal for "OUR" Lodge for this New Fraternal Year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that came to our Installation on the 25th of March.

And a "Special Thanks" to Edna Jacoby, PER for all her hard work and guidance she has given me in preparing to become Exalted Ruler, also for helping Diana with this bulletin. Without her this publication would have been next to impossible.

Please join us for the "Inaugural Ball" on Friday April 17th at the Sun City Country Club and meet your Officers for 2009/2010. We are looking forward to meeting all of you! *Please see insert for more information about the Ball.*

Fraternally Yours,
Stan Hegseth,
Exalted Ruler

StanHegseth@cox.net

Congratulations To Our New Officers For 2009/2010

Stan Hegseth
EXALTED RULER

Larry Kruse
LEADING KNIGHT

Robert Jacoby
LOYAL KNIGHT

Walter Pendleton
LECTURING KNIGHT

Edna K. Jacoby, PER
SECRETARY

Lucille Leckrone
TREASURER



Barbara Hawthorne
TILER

Robert Gromer
INNER GUARD

Jo L. Hale
TRUSTEE (5 YEAR)

Bobby Landrum
TRUSTEE (4 YEAR)

John Hancock
TRUSTEE (3 YEAR)

Robert Tally
TRUSTEE (2 YEAR)

Melvin H. Burke, Jr.
TRUSTEE (1 YEAR)

SURPRISE LODGE 2833



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Lodge No. 2833

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ESTEEMED LOYAL KNIGHT

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TILER

Barbara Hawthorne
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ESQUIRE

OPEN

INNER GUARD

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CHAPLAIN

OPEN

ORGANIST

OPEN

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TRUSTEE (4)

Bobby Landrum
602-284-0083

TRUSTEE (3)

John Hancock
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TRUSTEE (2)

Robert Tally
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TRUSTEE (1)

Melvin H. Burke Jr.
602-919-4456

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

No. of Members on 4/1/2008 274

Total Gained:

Initiated8
Affiliated5
TOTAL13

Total Lost:

Dropped17
Transferred Out18
Absolute Dimit12
Deceased1
TOTAL48

Applications on Hand 6

Total Members

at close of Month 239

PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Read on Floor March 11, 2009

Applicant	Proposer
Alfred Leimback	Robert Piske
David Larson	Patrick J. Holbrook
Robert Lanius.....	Wayne R. Muggli
Donald E. Dawson	Bruce Chamenhagen
Clarence Barrett (By Affiliation Wickenburg #2160)	
.....	Larry Kruse
Paul Rumford	Kenneth E. Martin
Dennis L. Coleman	Kenneth E. Martin



Richard E. Northup	4/4
Mike Harman.....	4/8
Bobby Landrum	
Joseph N. Thibault	4/9
Robert Wajda	4/10
E. Jane Wiley	4/11
Geraldine Gruenewald ...	4/13
Nathan J. Nemnich	
Glenn W. Baker.....	4/15
Robert C. Fraitag	
Jose "Roy" R. Delgado ...	4/17
Ronald J. Larkins	
Robert Sopata	4/20
Edna K. Jacoby.....	4/21
Richard K. Coleman.....	4/22
Louis Ragazzone	4/24
Joseph Liebling	4/25
Robert H. Tennant	
Ralph A. Molotky	4/27

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY




by Edna Jacoby, PER
SECRETARY

A friendly reminder to members that have not paid their dues yet, you will be in arrears April 1st 2009. We are still looking forward to hearing from you.

Edna K. Jacoby, PER
Secretary

VACANT CHAIR




*We shall meet, but we shall miss him,
There will be the vacant chair,
But though we no more possess him
Still our hearts his memory bear,
but a while ago we gathered,
Friendship beaming in each eye,
Now the golden card severed,
He has passed to realms on high.*

Lodge of Sorrow

PASSING OF JAMES L. HOWARD

It is our sad duty to announce the passing of James L. Howard, Charter Member. Born June 21, 1936, passed away February 21, 2009. James was a member of the Elks for 19 years.

"The clock of their day has stopped and across its dial motionless shadows mark the hour of eleven. With us, the golden hour of recollection."



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FOR MEMBERSHIP

We Like You - We'll Like Your Friend

APRIL MESSAGE
FROM LEADING KNIGHT



by Larry Kruse

ESTEEMED LEADING KNIGHT

GREETINGS FELLOW ELKERS

I stated in March where will we go and what do we have to look forward to, we are not off to a good start, Happy Trails fell thru so we are back to square one, but don't give up the ship just put on a life jacket and we may float into something before this year is out.

This is the first article from me as your Esteem Leading Knight, moving up in the world, and the pay is great.

We do need more people to come forth and consider to help with the Cardinal Stadium. This is our life blood to keep us afloat, so please give great consideration to this, we need all of you.

Enough for now. Still inviting all elks to attend our meetings.

Thanks again
Fraternally Yours,
Larry Kruse,
Leading Knight

SURPRISE ELKS LODGE #2833 PER'S
**Past Exalted Rulers for
Surprise Elks Lodge #2833 as follows**

Ronald R. Wilson, PER, PDDGER
Edna K. Jacoby, PER
James Ditton, PER

Past Exalted Rulers by Affiliation

Karl Gaither, PER, PDDGER
Albert Martin, PER
Rudy Ramirez, PER
Merle Wackerbarth,* PER

**Deceased*

APRIL MESSAGE
FROM LOYAL KNIGHT



by Bob Jacoby

ESTEEMED LOYAL KNIGHT

The Bible is the emblem of this station whose motto is justice. As members we have all assumed the solemn obligation of our order.

With this we begin a new Lodge year, our sixth year. Along with some of our former officers and our new officers, we are looking forward to a new year under the direction of our Exalted Ruler Stan Hegseth.

With every members participation, if each brings in a new member and with little extra effort, we can see our lodge grow. It need not be physical work as help can come in many ways.

Edna and I wish you all a "Happy Easter" and Passover Season.

Fraternally,
Bob Jacoby,
Loyal Knight

HELP WANTED

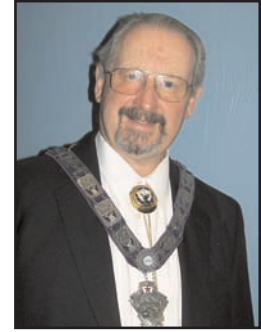
Cardinals Stadium

Needed - Someone to chair the Cardinals Stadium for this New Year 2009/2010.

After two years of chairing this money making project for our lodge, Bob Jacoby is retiring, but says he will continue to help.

Please contact:
Stan Hegseth, ER
Phone: 623-670-1621 or
E-mail: stanhegseth@cox.net

APRIL MESSAGE
FROM LECTURING KNIGHT



by Walt Pendleton

ESTEEMED LECTURING KNIGHT

As a special education teacher in the Dysart School District, things are coming to an end for the school year. I have been busy, tutoring, working as a patrol person over at Happy Trails on the grave yard shift and caring for our children Angela 14 and Alexis 12.

My wife Susan is also a teacher. With all of this going on, I have committed to being lecturing knight for the coming year. If I can find time to get more involved you can too.

For Elks Lodge #2833 it is a new year under the leadership of Exalted Ruler Stan Hegseth. I am looking forward to serving the Lodge.

During these difficult economic times it presents challenges, but also opportunities. We must all work as a team to raise money and find a permanent home for the lodge. Real Estate prices are down, landlords are looking to fill spaces.

If each of us commits to spending a little more time in the spirit of brotherly love to the lodge we can reach our goals. Many hands make the work load lighter.

Fraternally,
Walt Pendleton,
Lecturing Knight

QUOTE FOR THE MONTH:

I could not at any age be content to take my place in a corner by the fireside and simply look on.

-Eleanor Roosevelt



Hurry, Hurry, Hurry



By
Linda Lewandowski
Executive Director,
Arizona Elks Major Projects, Inc.

Elks are all about charity. We truly care about others. We care about Veterans; we care about those in need; but most of all, we care about children.

Elks have donated time and talent, purchased books and toys, taken hundreds of deserving kids shopping and raised millions of dollars to help kids secure a better future. Dr. Bedrick and his staff at the Steele Children's Research Center Neonatology Intensive Care Unit are making strides in ensuring the tiniest of babies grow into happy, healthy children, who will then become the leaders of tomorrow. Children who visit the Youth Camp, whether as part of a youth group or with their families, grow in other ways. Many leave with more than memories, having learned the elements of successful teamwork and/or experienced family values in an environment only Mother Nature could create.

We Elks have accomplished a great deal, but there is far more to do. You are a big part of the support Arizona Elks Major Projects gives to both the Steele Children's Research Center and the Arizona Elks Youth Camp. One of our major fund raiser is the Annual Raffle, featuring a 2009 Hyundai Sonata GLS. For as little as \$5 you could win that beautiful and highly fuel efficient car. If circumstances don't allow the purchase of a ticket, you can still help by selling a ticket or two to friends or family members. The drawing will take place Friday, May 8th at the Annual Convention held in Tempe.

Hurry! You don't want to miss out on your chance to win a terrific 2009 Hyundai Sonata GLS while supporting the future of our country, our children. Can't find tickets? Ask at your lodge, call me at 888-808-8627 or contact me at Elks4KidsLinda@aol.com.



As the new editors we would like to thank John and Betty Nelson for all their hard work on all the past Elks Trail Bulletins. And for all the help they have given us to begin our journey as your new editors. We only hope that we can carry on with the same dedication they put into this project.

Thank You!
Stan and Diana Hegseth

Our Fifth Anniversary Awards Dinner

Several members attended the fifth anniversary awards banquet held at Sun City Country Club Friday March 13, 2009. Awards were presented by Jim Ditton Exalted Ruler.

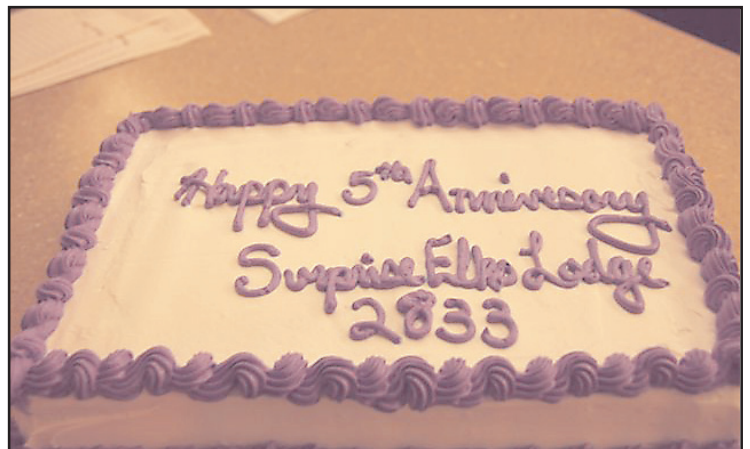
Robert Piske Sr. was awarded "Elk of the Year" and received a Grand Exalted Rulers Commendation for all the services he provided this year of 2008/2009. This is the second year in a row that Robert has been nominated for Elk of the Year.

Bob Jacoby was awarded "Officer of the Year" for the services he provided the last two years at the Cardinals Stadium. Served as Trustee three years then Treasurer. This is the second year in a row Bob has been nominated for this award.

Stan Hegseth Est. Leading Knight was also awarded The Grand Exalted Rulers Commendation for outstanding services. Chaired the "Hoop Shoot" and only missed working one game at the Cardinals Stadium.

Elk of the year and Officer of the year were presented with shirts with Surprise Logo and years of service. Congratulations guys for all you have done for the Lodge!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Edna K. Jacoby, PER
Secretary





Robert Piske Sr. with his lady Barbara holding Roberts awards. Robert was nominated for "Elk of the Year" for his outstanding service to the lodge for 2008/2009. Exalted Ruler Jim Ditton nominated Robert for the "Grand Exalted Rulers Commendation Award" also. Thank You Robert for a job well done, you are much appreciated.



WELCOMING OUR NEW MEMBER



Rex Kieth on left, Jim Ditton Exalted Ruler on right. Rex was initiated at our February 25, 2009 meeting.

UP COMING EVENTS

The Building Fund Committee

Sponsors:

The Busted Buzzards Ball

(After Paying Taxes We Are All Busted!)



April 25, 2009

Great Eagle Golf Course Dining Room

Cocktails at 5 PM - Dinner at 6 PM

Salisbury Steak w/Mushroom Sauce
or

Grilled Chicken on bed of Rice

Dress is very casual (as shabby as public allows)

Cost is \$15.50 Per Person

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Don't forget to look on the May Calendar to find out about our annual Mother's Day Program & Brunch Sunday May 10th!

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Hoop Shoot	Edna Jacoby, PER	623-975-5443
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Scholarship		
Sickness & Distress		
Soccer Shoot		
Standing Relief		
State Major Projects		
Veterans		

HELP NEEDED - As you can see we have several committees that need to be filled. Please call Stan at 623-670-1621 or Edna at 623-975-0815 If you would like to serve on any of the above committees.

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PLEASE SEE CALENDAR
on Page 8 of this publication
for Meeting Dates & Times

ARIZONA ELKS YOUTH CAMP

2009 Camp Opening April 17 - 19

The camp opening is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 17th, 18th and 19th, 2009 to get ready for our summer groups. I plan to go up earlier and flush out our main potable water tanks and start filling them so we will have water available for the scheduled weekend work party.

We can use all the help we can get so please consider coming out to give us a hand. The cabins, kitchen and restrooms will be available.

SOME OF THE ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED:

- Installing the shutters and screens on the windows.
- Clean and sanitize as needed.
- Check for water leaks and repair if needed
- Move bunk beds and mattresses and assemble.
- Open restrooms and clean and sanitize as needed.
- Service generator, tractor and 3 wheeler.
- Pipe in propane to the 3500W generator for 5th wheel.
- Weed eat, rake pine needles, cut brush, trim trees and burn in the fire pit.
- Move old Onan generator out of the generator building and install donated stand-by generator into the generator room.
- Electrical and gas plumbing to be done at a later date.
- Light all hot water tanks, refrigerators and freezer.
- Check and replace pathway lights if needed.
- Blade areas where needed

These are just some of the items and I'm sure there will be things that need to be taken care of when we get started on the camp opening.



PAID CAMP HOST POSITION OPEN

We would greatly appreciate your communicating this opportunity to your members. The best way to apply is to go to www.jobing.com (CAMP HOST, Remedy Intelligent Staffing jobs in Tucson, Arizona) and use the application process there.

This position, for which the wage has yet to be determined, is seasonal, from April through mid-October.

- must live on premises (remote camp near Young, Arizona). Living quarters will be provided, or can bring RV if preferred. The camp is relatively rustic, no electricity other than what is created by generator and no phone service--a satellite phone for emergencies.
- has some handyman type experience - does well with kids and large groups
- must be self-managed as there will be no onsite supervision
- must be able-bodied - a couple is preferred

In short, we're looking for a couple who are willing to take on the rigorous duties previously handled so very well by volunteer Camp Hosts. Thanks so much for your help in finding just the right folks.

Linda Lewandowski, Executive Director
Arizona Elks Major Projects, Inc (888)808-8627

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Name _____

Member Number _____

OLD INFORMATION

Phone _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

NEW INFORMATION

Phone _____

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City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Spouse's Name _____

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<http://www.adobe.com/products/reader/>

If you decide you want a hard copy of the newsletter, you could always print it from your computer. If you would like to try this service, fill out the following information and mail it to **Edna Jacoby, PER Lodge Secretary, P.O. Box 7757, Surprise, Arizona 85374.** You are also welcome to E-mail the information to Edna Jacoby at: **bpoe2833@questoffice.net** - Please make sure you include all information below when you e-mail.

Name: _____ Member Number: _____

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APRIL 2009 - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>From the Editors Desk</i> The Deadline for the Elks Trail Bulletin is the 15th of the month Please email to: stanhegseth@cox.net Thank You - Stan & Diana Hegseth</p>			1 OFFICERS MEETING 7:00 PM <p>APRIL FOOLS DAY</p>	2	3	4
5 PALM SUNDAY	6	7 TRUSTEE MEETING 10:00 AM	8 LODGE MEETING 7:00 PM	9	10 GOOD FRIDAY	11
 12	13	14	15	16	17 Inaugural Ball at Sun City Country Club 5 PM See Inserted Invitation for more details	18
19 DD CLINIC YUMA, AZ 9 AM	20	21 TRUSTEE MEETING 10:00 AM	22 LODGE MEETING 7:00 PM Edna, <i>Happy Secretaries Day!</i>	23 Office Will Be Closed On The 23rd & 24th	24	25 Busted Buzzard Ball Great Eagle Golf Course Dining Room Cocktails at 5 PM Dinner at 6 PM See page 5 for more details.
26	27	28	29	30	<p>COMING EVENT! Look in next months issue of ELKS TRAIL PICNIC Featuring our very own "Hot Dog Trailer" When? Where? to be announced in May.</p>	
<p>HELP US TO BECOME A HEALTHY AND VIABLE LODGE! There are many ways that you can be active and help us meet our goals. Several Committees need a Chairperson and/or Committee Members. Please participate in as many meetings as possible to learn which committee you would like to be on.</p>						

*Please Join Us For
The Surprise Elks
Inaugural Ball*

on

Friday April 17, 2009

No Host Bar 5 pm - 6 pm

*Dinner at 6 pm
(order off the menu)*

Dancing after Dinner

*at The Sun City Country Club
9433 N. 107th Ave. - Sun City*

RSVP: Office - 623-975-0815

Before April 14th, 2009