



Elks Tale

TUCSON LODGE #385

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MAY 2024

Greetings & Message from

EXALTED RULER

Richard Bernard



Dear Brother and Sister Elks,

My first month as your ER has been a busy one, and first, I want to thank all the PERs for all your advice and kind comments. It helps to know I have that kind of support.

On April 2, we had our first Board meeting. Wayne Burns was elected to head the Board up for 2024/2025. On April 11th the first House Committee meeting was held and members appointed. Wayne again will be heading it up for 2024/2025. These are open meetings any member can attend.

Decisions are made at this meeting concerning what the menu will be and who will be shopping and cooking the meals. Decisions on the House side of the Lodge are made at this meeting as well. Lodge Meetings are always on the Second and Fourth Tuesday of the Month. In April, we initiated four New Members to our Lodge. Let's keep adding to our Membership! My goal is for every member to bring in one new member. The more people we have, the more we can do for our charities.

For the Special Olympics, Lodge Volunteers made 470 ham and turkey sandwiches. Sack lunches were then packed with a sandwich, a homemade chocolate chip cookie and piece of fruit. We transported them over to Amphitheater High School where they were handed out for the athletes and volunteers along with a cold drink. A Big Thanks to the volunteers. Without you all we could not do what we do.

On Friday, May 3, 2024 4PM -9PM, we will have a Cinco de Mayo Celebration. Entertainment is by Mariachi Las Aguilitas de Davis from Davis Elementary School starting at 5 PM. Dinner will follow at 6 PM. It should be a fun evening.

On May 5th, is the Annual Scholarship and Strings Youth Luncheon and presentation. All Elks and their families are invited. If attending please call in to reserve a seat.

May 12th is the Mother's Day Ritual. Doors open at 11 am, and the Ritual is at 11:15 am We would like to honor your mother with a display of photos of your mother during the month of May. Photos may be dropped off by April 30th to Laura at the lodge.

Come support Your Lodge by having dinner, supporting a committee or pop in for a drink.

I'll be seeing you all at the Lodge.

Sincerely, Rick Bernard ER

MAY EVENTS

3	Cinco de Mayo Celebration 4:00-9:00 PM
5	Golf Club: Rolling Hills Course 8:00 AM
5	Annual SCHOLARSHIP AND STRINGS YOUTH LUNCHEON at the Lodge 2:00 PM
7	Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 PM
9	House Committee Meeting 7:00 PM
9	9-11 AZ Elks Annual Convention, Tempe
12	Mother's Day Ritual 11:00 AM
13	Crafty Critters Workshop 9:30 AM
14	LODGE MEETING 7:00 PM
19	Golf Club: CC Green Valley 8:30 AM
27	Memorial Day Picnic 12-2:00 PM
28	LODGE MEETING 7:00 PM

JUNE EVENTS

2	Golf Club: Crooked Tree Course 6:15 AM
4	Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 PM
6	House Committee Meeting 7:00 PM
8	Red Cross Blood Drive 9:00 AM
11	LODGE MEETING 7:00 PM
23	Golf Club: Country Club Green Valley 8:30 AM
25	LODGE MEETING 7:00 PM

LODGE & OFFICE HOURS

- Tuesday - Friday: 4:00 PM - Close
- Saturday / Sunday: Prior Arrangements Only (Rentals)
- Subscribe to the weekly email "BLAST" OF EVENTS
Send an email to: bpoe385@gmail.com

DINNER RESERVATIONS OR EVENT PLANNING?

PLEASE CALL LODGE

520-299-5105

2024-2025 LODGE OFFICERS

EXALTED RULER	Richard Bernard
LEADING KNIGHT	Robert Crawford
LOYAL KNIGHT	Michael Lessley
LECTURING KNIGHT	Mark Dunn
1ST YEAR TRUSTEE	Martha Megerle
2ND YEAR TRUSTEE	Jesse Lugo
3RD YEAR TRUSTEE	Wayne Burns
SECRETARY	John Aceves
TREASURER	Diane Gnuschke
ESQUIRE	Joe Jablonski
CHAPLAIN	Joe Riley
INNER GUARD	Betty Craven
TILER	Trudy Sofias

2024-2025 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Americanism	Susan Trecartin
AEMP - Arizona Major Projects.....	Bob Holyoak
Accounting.....	Alyce Dice
Blood Drive.....	Katrina Sharp
Bike-In-A-Box.....	Jesse Lugo
Clothe-A-Child.....	Martha Megerle
Community Activities.....	Richard Bernard
Decorating.....	Sandi Mittelstaedt
Drug Awareness.....	Susan Trecartin
Elks Memorial Day.....	Wayne Thompson
National Foundation.....	Diane Gnuschke
.....	Kathleen Riley
Newsletter and E-Blast.....	Katrina Sharp
First Responders Event.....	Dennis Scanlan
.....	Jim Sanford
Flag Day.....	Curtis Winters
Fraternal.....	Joe Jablonski
Golf.....	Bob Holyoak
Government Relations.....	Wayne Burns
Hoop/Soccer Shoot.....	Wayne Burns
House Committee.....	Wayne Burns
Bar Manager/Special Events/ Room Rentals.....	Laura Ruiz
Lodge Activities.....	Curtis Walters
Membership & Lapsation.....	John Aceves
Memorial Day Veterans.....	Wayne Thompson
Mentor.....	Joe Riley
PER President.....	Joe Jablonski
Public Relations.....	John Aceves
Protocol.....	Joe Riley
Ritualistic.....	Susan Trecartin
Scholarship.....	Wayne Burns
Special Olympics.....	Wayne Burns
Veterans' Services.....	Richard Bernard
Website.....	John Aceves
Youth Activities.....	Wayne Burns

MEMBERSHIP AT APRIL 1 is 269

<u>TOTAL GAINED</u>	<u>TOTAL LOST</u>	<u>DELINQUENT</u>		
Initiated	1	Dropped	0	1-6 Months 46
Affiliated	3	Transfers out	0	1 Year 0
Transfer Dimit	0	Absolute Dimit	0	Over 1 year 0
Reinstatement	0	Deaths	1	TOTAL: 46
TOTAL: 4	Expelled	0	TOTAL: 1	

APPLICATIONS ON HAND

With Investigating Committee	1
Waiting to Read at next Lodge Meeting	0
Ready for Balloting	0
Ready for Orientation	0
Ready for Initiation	0
Ready for Affiliation	0
Reinstatement	0



Life Members:	40
Honorary Life Members	2
TOTAL:	42

CURRENT MEMBERS:
272
 @ 5/1/24



National Elks Links:
<https://www.elks.org/default.cfm>
 Check out the **Member** Section!

GRAND LODGE NEWSLETTER:
<https://www.elks.org/grandlodge/files/2023-06.pdf>

Arizona Elks Links:
<https://arizonaelksassociation.org/links>

Join Our Elkdom:
<https://www.elks.org/membership/join.cfm>

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MAY BIRTHDAYS		
	Birthday	Elk Years
Alyce Dice	3	1
Sanford Jones	5	14
Sandra Mittelstaedt	7	13
Charles Gallegos	9	8
John Corsi	10	9
Ardeen Harris	12	10
John Lanza	13	12
Wayne Thompson	13	42
Robert Nelson	14	11
Conrad Werner	14	41
Esther Bayle	15	17
James Neihart	15	59
Patrick Richardson	15	2
Jean Stevenson	15	19
Ray Diaz	16	3
Jerry Browning	17	37
Debbie Arnold	20	2
Joseph Riley Jr		
PER-PDDGER- PSP-PGLK	20	49
Richard Kennedy	24	45
Theresa Case	25	2
Kenneth McKinley	28	6
John Dierdorf	30	56

New Members initiated in April will appear in the June issue of the Elks Tale.



A NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

DINNER RESERVATIONS

The House Committee is asking for 48-hour notice for dinner reservations. This notice will help to ensure enough food is prepared for the evening.

Lodge of Sorrows



Carl G. "Dewey" Kelsey, Jr.

Born: 12/30/1946

Initiated: 4/25/1995

Died: 3/25/2024

Elk Member: 29 years



Queen of Hearts

Jackpot is \$1,275

5/1/2024



Come on Down & **Support** our FUNDRAISER

Queen of Hearts drawings!

Tickets Available to Purchase TUESDAY – FRIDAY @ 6:45 PM

4:00 PM – CLOSING

DRAWING ON FRIDAY NIGHT @ 7 PM



TUCSON ELKS LODGE #385

1800 N Oracle Road, Tucson 85705

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024

4:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Dinner Price: \$14.95



Mariachi Las Aguilitas de Davis

Davis Elementary School

Door Opens @ 4:00 PM

Entertainment: 5:00 – 6:00 PM

Dinner: 6:00 PM

MENU

🌮 CHICKEN FAJITAS

🌮 TORTILLAS

🌮 CALABACITAS (Mexican Zucchini & Veggies)

🌮 REFRIED BEANS

🌮 RATTLESNAKE EGGS
(Bacon-wrapped Jalapeno Poppers)

🌮 SALSA 🌮 CHIPS

🌮 FLAN & MEXICAN DESSERTS
(by Elsa Fimbres)



DRINK SPECIAL
STRAWBERRY
MARGARITA



Please call the Lodge at **520-299-5105** for
Dinner Reservations



VETERANS SERVICES

RICHARD BERNARD, CHAIRMAN



Hello Fellow Elks,

April again was a successful Month for donations for the homeless veterans. New ball caps and hats, women's and mens shirts, jackets, hoodies, t-shirts, pants, backpacks, belts, an overcoat and a purse were all donated.

Blind Veterans School students again came to dinner for a tasty Pot Roast Dinner and conversation and fellowship. Jim Sanford cooks them dinner and always has either a contest or an amusing story to entertain our Veterans. Thank you Jim for all you do.

To the volunteers that come to set up, serve and make our Veteran guests feel welcome and appreciated, a very big thank you from your Elks Lodge. Anyone is more than welcome to come to the Veterans Blind School dinner held every month on the fourth Wednesday.

On April 27, the American Legion Riders Post #132 and your Elks Lodge held a fundraising dinner benefiting our Veterans programs. BBQ baby back ribs and the fixings were enjoyed by all. A 50/50 drawing and a raffle were held, and music by Disc Jockey Little John was the hit of the event.



Sincerely,
Rick Bernard Veterans Program Chairman
Tucson Lodge 385

Thank you all for
your support of our
Veterans Programs!
See you at the Lodge,

Rick Bernard
Veterans Program Chairman

VA



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

For more information on the services provided by the Southern Arizona Veterans Administration Healthcare System:

<https://www.va.gov/southern-arizona-health-care/health-services/mental-health-care/>



The **Brown Trunk** in the Lodge Reception Room is for Homeless Veterans donations. Slightly used clothes, new underwear/socks, bottled water, AND prepackaged SNACKS are appreciated. Again, Thanks for all you do in helping our Heroes!



★ Thank You to ALL our Veterans for your Service! ★



ELKS SUPPORTING SPECIAL OLYMPICS



18 Elks Lodge #385 members and 6 volunteers worked to make 470 sandwiches for sack lunches and to help with distribution to support the 400 athletes and 50 volunteers at the Special Olympics Track & Field event at Amphi High School on April 13, 2024. What a wonderful turnout for a great cause!



PER Jim Sanford bringing in more apples for sandwich bags.



Members and volunteers making sandwiches.

Trustee Martha Megerle (in blue) PDDGER Hawaii & associate member Edlynn Henderson (in lighter blue) with volunteers making sandwiches.



PER Bob Holyoak and 1st Lady Joyce Bernard prepping sandwiches.



ER Richard Bernard in the tent with 1st lady Joyce, Trustee Martha Megerle (in yellow), & PER Bob Holyoak (sitting) attending the booth with Elks signs in the background.





Steele Children's
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Projects

to benefit the UA Steele Children's Research Center



CRAFTY CRITTER GROUP

Meeting: Monday, May 13, 2024, 1800 N Oracle Rd (Elks Lodge #385)

9:30 AM to 2:00 PM POTLUCK Lunch @ 11:30 Please Bring a dish & Join Us!

Know someone who may like to join us? Let me know!

Contact: Teen Morgan, 520-237-5873, or email thebeartree@hotmail.com

DID YOU KNOW?

In Arizona, one in 400 children suffers from juvenile diabetes. Among Hispanics and Native American children, the incidence is even higher – nearly twice the national average. A new program at the Steele Center will offer comprehensive care for children with diabetes, explore the genetic causes and begin research to test new therapies to take better care of children with diabetes.



THE REASON WE ARE SO CRAFTY:

JACOB FARR'S STORY



Leanne Farr of Mesa (Jacob's mom) thought her 2-year old had chronic allergies. What he had was a rare and aggressive form of cancer – acute non-lymphocytic leukemia (ANL) – and only a 25 percent chance of surviving. Doctors began chemotherapy immediately and began making plans for a bone marrow transplant. Fortunately, Jacob's sister was a perfect match to donate bone marrow. Leanne learned of a new experimental transplant procedure that could be done without radiation at the **Steele Center**. It was a difficult procedure and a long ordeal. Jacob is now 7 and in good health. He enjoys Karate and playing with his three sisters. Advances in medical research have made it possible for Jacob (and his family) to live a normal life.

*Our next meeting and potluck lunch is **Monday, May 13th at 9:30 am**, which is right after the AZ Elks Annual Meeting. We ladies have been working hard to raise money for Arizona Elks Major Projects. We have a booth at the convention to raffle quilts and to sell different items that we have made. In addition to convention activities, we have made and donated 58 pillowcases, stuffed Lollie Dollies and our famous kitties named Jillian, 10 crib sheets to the NICU, and 28 kids surgical caps that were given to Lori Castro of the Steele Center on April 8th at the last meeting. Lori comes to our meetings and we are always happy to fill her car up with gifts from the Lodge.*

If you have not joined the fun on workshop day, you are missing out. We have laughter, food and just a bunch of sharing stories. This is a fun time so come on down. And if you do not sew or craft, we don't care. There are always tasks for non-sewers too. Free hugs are available and it is fun to know what our lodge does for the kids. Workshop number 2 is going to start very soon. We find it hard to get everything done in one day. Watch for more details to come.

Teen Morgan – Chairman

Donations are always helpful, either check, cash or fabric.



***** LODGE NEWS*****



On April 9, 2024, AEA State Veterans Chair Mary Shaffer presented certificates of appreciation to ER Richard Bernard and Tiler Trudi Sofias for their help during the recent Tucson Veterans Stand Down event.

Jesse Lugo being sworn in as Trustee for Fraternal year 2024-2025 with PER Matilda Lopez.



Tucson Lodge #385 ER Richard Bernard presenting now PER Curtis Winters with the Lodge #385 ER Recognition & Thank You plaque for his 2023-2024 service.



BAR DRINK MENU

BEERS

BOTTLE

Big Blue Van
Budweiser
Bud Light
Coors Light
Corona
Dos XX Lager
Dos XX Amber

Guinness Draught
Michelob Ultra
Miller Lite
O'Doul's
Pacifico
Redbridge (Gluten Free)
Sierra Nevada
Tecate Light

White Claw Selzer

DRAFT

Barrio Rojo
Barrio Blonde
Kilt Lifter
Stella Artois

WINES

REDS

Cabernet
Sauvignon
Merlot
Pinot Noir
7 Deadly Zins
Old Vine Red

WHITES

Chardonnay
Moscato
Pinot Grigio
White Zinfandel

WIDE VARIETY OF LIQUORS: Bourbon, Gin, Rum, Vodka, Scotch, Tequila, Whiskey, Liqueurs, etc.

Non-Alcohol Drinks

Club Soda
Coke
Diet Coke
Coke 'Zero Sugar/Caffeine' (Can)

Ginger Ale (Can)
Pepsi (Can)
Diet Pepsi (Can)
Sprite

Sprite Zero (Can)
Tonic
Coffee (Regular & Decaf)
Ice Tea or Hot Tea



SAVE THE DATES: American Red Cross Blood Drive

Saturday, June 8, 9 AM – 2 PM

Saturday, October 12, 9 AM – 2 PM

Location: *Tucson Elks Lodge #385, 1800 N ORACLE RD, 85705*



Schedule Appointments Online or in the Red Cross Blood Donor APP

[CLICK HERE TO SCHEDULE APPOINTMENT ONLINE - TUCSON ELKS LODGE 385](#)

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GOLF NEWS

May Golf News

On March 3rd the Golf Club played their event at the Rolling Hills Course. Playing a low net format, Wayne Burns had the lowest score for the day followed by Joe Jablonski second, and Angelo Daniels and Chris Dimit tied for third, and Jim Sanford was fourth. On March 17th we played at the Haven Course in Green Valley. Using the same format for this event, Wayne Burns again had the lowest score followed by Jim Sanford and Angelo Daniels who tied for second, and Gary Turner fourth.

Our events in May will be played at the Rolling Hills Course on the 5th starting at 8:00 AM and on the 19th at the Country Club of Green Valley starting at 8:30 AM. We are always looking for additional golfers so come out and enjoy a Sunday of golf and enjoyment in the Arizona sunshine.

2024 May - June TEE TIMES

Date	Course	Time	Green Fee
Sunday, 5/5	Rolling Hills Course	8:00 AM	
Sunday, 5/19	Country Club Green Valley	8:30 AM	\$42.00
Sunday, 6/2	Crooked Tree Course	6:15 AM	
Sunday, 6/23	Country Club Green Valley	8:30 AM	\$29.00

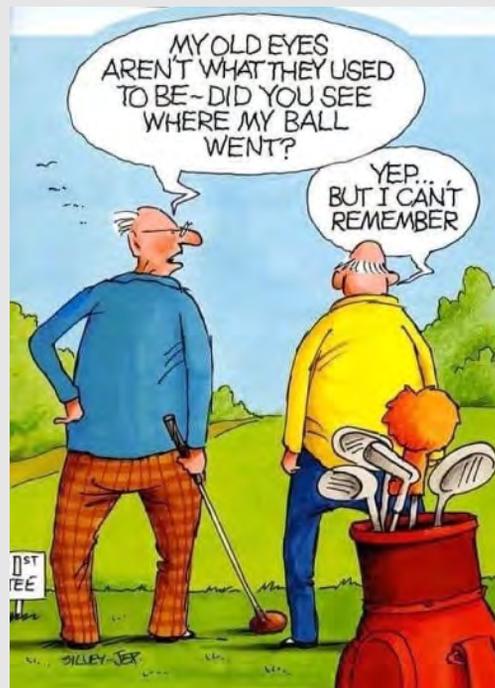
Additional golfers & guests are always welcome to join us!

The Bi-weekly Sign-up Sheets & New Applications are posted in the Bar, in the Wall Case on right!

GOLF CLUB	Bob Holyoak	Cell: 520-235-6220	Jim Sanford	Cell: 520-241 5844
CONTACTS:		Email: bholyoak35@aol.com		Email: jimsan1167@q.com

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

The higher the handicap of the golfer, the more likely it is that he'll be telling you what you should be doing to fix your game.



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APPETIZERS AVAILABLE:
 ♦6-pc Shrimp Cocktail ♦ 2-pc Chicken Tenders w/ celery & carrots
 ♦ 6-pc Wings (Regular or Hot) ♦ Fries ♦ Onion Rings

May 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Chile con Carne, Chile Relleno Casserole, Rice/Beans OR Chef Salad Club Bunco Legion Riders	2 Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Tucson St. Rod	Cinco de Mayo 3 Chicken Fajitas, Calabacitas, Refried Beans, Rattlesnake Eggs, Flan/Desserts Music - Mariachi Las Aguilitas 5 pm	4
5 Golf Club 8:00 am Rolling Hills  Youth Luncheon Sloppy Joes 2-4 pm	6	7 Burgers, BLT, Fries or Onion Rings OR Chicken Caesar Salad Sailing Club BOD Lodge BOD SAJV	8 Baby Back Pork Ribs, Beans OR Chef Salad Ladies Bunco	9 Pappa Johns Pizza, Side Salad House Committee Mtg.	10 Fried or Baked Cod, Fries, Coleslaw OR Lasagna, Side Salad, Garlic Bread	11
12 Mother's Day Ritual w/ Light Lunch 11 am – 1 pm	13 Crafty Critters  Workshop 9:30-2:00 Project Linus Group 9:30 am – 2:00 pm	14 Burgers, BLT, Fries or Onion Rings OR Chicken Caesar Salad Lodge Mtg.	15 Baby Back BBQ Ribs, Au Gratin Potatoes, Vegetable OR Chef Salad Scuba Club	16 Fried Shrimp Basket, Fries, Coleslaw Tucson St. Rod BOD	17 Fried or Baked Cod, Fries, Coleslaw OR, Balsamic glazed pork tenderloin, Carrots, Rice, Applesauce	18 MUFON 10:00 am – 2:00 pm 
19 Golf Club 8:30 am Green Valley CC 	20	21 Meatloaf, Au Gratin Potatoes, Vegetable or Chef Salad Sailing Club	22 Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Veterans Blind Rehab	23 Taco Bowls Ladies Game Night	24 Fried or Baked Cod, Fries, Coleslaw OR London Broil, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable	25
26	27 Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Brats, Macaroni Salad, Watermelon 12 -2 pm Memorial Day Picnic	28 Burgers, BLT, Fries or Onion Rings or Chicken Caesar Salad Lodge Mtg,	29 French Onion Pork Chops, Green Beans, Scalloped Potatoes	30 Fried Shrimp Basket, Fries, Coleslaw	31 Fiesta Lime Chicken, Mexican Street Corn, Rice	