



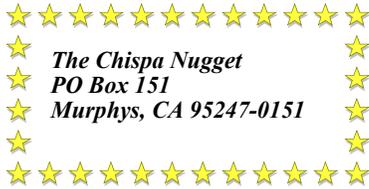
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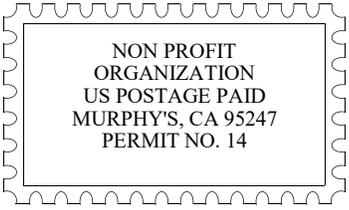
April 2020

<p>MONTHLY MEETING WEDNESDAY APRIL 1ST CANCELLED</p> <p>I am sorry to report we will not be having our monthly meeting on April Fools day. With the continuing concerns about the Coronavirus and the Governors declaration that only essential businesses should continue to operate and the "stay at home" policy means we can't have our member dinner.</p> <p>I missed the last meeting and we will all miss the April meeting. I am hoping that by the end of April the state will be in better shape. Take care and stay healthy all you brothers.</p>	<p>for this event. We made a nice profit on this dinner. On Irish days we sold about \$1,600 in sandwiches the bar collect about \$3000. Quite a nice haul. These two events helped us get through the lean months after that. While all that money is not profit it still added nicely to our bank account. No such luck this year.</p>	<p>We took a big financial hit when we didn't have our normal lucrative events in March. An article on the back is about our current financial situation and the now urgent need for a fund raiser in the future that will help us recoup some of the profits from these events. At this time we haven't defined anything so if any of you have any ideas on what we as a parlor can do please let me know by e-mail.</p> <p>My e-mail address is ronaldwr8@aol.com</p>
<p>NEXT PANCAKE BREAKFAST- CANCELLED SUNDAY APRIL 19TH 7:30 - 11:30</p> <p>We had a vey small crowd for our last pancake breakfast and because I was away I missed it. I determined by the amount collected at the door by Cliff Von Aspern that we had 51 paid guests.</p> <p>Since I was away I didn't get any information on who worked that day so I am just going to say thanks to all who were there. At this time we are canceling our April 19th breakfast but if things change for the better it might happen. I'm hoping for some good news that will allow us to have this great breakfast at the new price of \$8.</p>	<p>MILLARD SMALLIN DINNER AND OLD TIMERS NIGHT APRIL 17TH CANCELLED</p> <p>We are not currently planning on having our annual fund raising dinner for the Millard Smallin scholarship. At this annual event we try to raise \$1,000 for this scholarship in memory of Millard. The cost of this meal is \$15 so we try to meet our fund raising goal. In addition to this we will be giving out membership anniversary pins to many of our long term members. We have 21 members eligible for anniversary pins this year. Letters will be sent to those who live in the area who might attend to receive their pins. At this time because of the cancellation we are not sure when the pins will be handed out. When we have determined when this might happen we will send out the notices.</p> <p>Our chefs had planned a simple meal so that whatever profit we might make from the dinner would have gone towards the scholarship. The dinner was to be pasta and shrimp which would have pleased everyone. In addition to this the proceeds from the raffle would also have gone towards the scholarship fund.</p>	<p>PODCAST ABOUT THE NATIVE SONS</p> <p>One of our brothers, Gregg Smith, contacted Don Burns who lives in Forrest Meadows, about making a podcast to let others know about the Native Sons. Gregg and Glenn Berry give a great background on the Native Sons. I listened to the podcast and found it very interesting. I think you should take the time to hear more about our parlor and the purpose of the Native Sons.</p> <p>They also discuss the various functions of the parlor including the member dinner, the monthly socials, and the pancake breakfast. This is good advertising and maybe next time you are talking to a friend or a possible new candidate to become a member give them the information to hear this podcast. During the talk they even mention that the hall can be rented with details about the hall. The podcast can be accessed on the internet as follows:</p>
<p>CORNED BEEF SOCIAL CANCELLED IRISH DAYS CANCELLED</p> <p>You all know that both of our biggest money makers of the year were cancelled. When we were informed that the Murphys Irish Days event was cancelled we cancelled the selling of sandwiches and drinks at the hall. To insure everyone's safety we then cancelled our Corned Beef social. I know that everyone always enjoyed the corned beef that we served at the dinner.</p> <p>Last year we had 87 paid for the corned beef dinner which was a good turnout</p>	<p>EDITORS NOTE: I had prepared the pancake breakfast and Millard Smallin Dinner notices before the Governor's declaration that we should all stay at home and not meet in groups. I had to add the cancellation note to each of these as well as the cancellation of our monthly member meeting. The executive board met on March 18th before the governor's declaration and we had already decided that the member dinner should be cancelled.</p>	<p>http://www.meadowslair.com/podcast.html</p> <p>I want to give my thanks to Gregg and Glenn for taking the time to put this podcast together. I hope many of you with all the time we now have because we are staying at home will have take the time to listen to this. The more people we can get to listen to this the more chance we have of attracting more members.</p>

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Aires March 21-April 19 Aires are independent, outgoing and assertive and they are also surprisingly trusting.

Taurus April 20-May Your loyalty is unquestionable once you believe in someone you are on their side through thick and thin

HONORED BROTHERS Our senior March brother is Rocky Duarte who will be 83 in April. Our youngest brothers in April are JP Gutierrez and Brian Goss who will both be 39 in April. The age difference is 44 years.

We have 19 birthday brothers in April but with the member dinner cancelled of course the parlor will give these guys their free libation at the next member dinner. I will keep track of this and give our bartender a list of those who missed out.

BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

1	Hacker	Hacker
2	JP	Gutierrez
2	Tom	Walsh
7	Eugene	Deaver
8	Steve	Gonzales
9	Dave	Kingshill
9	Barry	Macler
9	Glenn	Plowman
10	Rocky	Duarte
11	Brian	Goss

13	Eric	Mackintosh
17	Tom	Kingshill
18	Ron	Rivera
20	Bob	Frick
22	Bill	Mason
27	Bruce	Cavestri
27	Cliff	Von Aspern
28	Steve	LaJeunesse
30	Bob	Dunn

A sad note: On March 7th we lost Allan Thode. Allan just missed his 93rd birthday by 8 days. He was the second oldest member of our parlor. Allan has been a member of the Native Sons for 22 years. He graduated from UC Berkeley. He is survived by his Son Chris Thode and his wife Shelley, two grandchildren Mathew and Gino; predeceased by wife Mary and stepchildren Kevin, Brian, and Karin Smith. He was always smiling and he will be missed. There will be a Celebration of Life in the Spring. Donations can be made to the first Congregational Church of Murphys.

Financial Secretaries report: As you may know in addition to handling the monthly newsletter I am in charge of the parlors finances. When we had our Executive board meeting on March 18th it was brought up that the parking lot in the back of the hall needs to be redone. It is currently estimated to cost about \$6,000. As you can see in the following spending details we don't currently have that money available.

As the financial secretary I make sure our expenditures don't exceed our account balance. We do have a CD of about \$2,600 which we may have to cash to help us achieve the amount needed. Each year starting in July we get a new per capita for the number of members we have at that time. Last year the per capita charge by Grand Parlor left only about \$3.50 from member dues which is why we raised the dues this year. With the cancellation of the March functions we didn't build our account as we have in the past so we are going to watch every penny for the remainder of the year. I am hoping that some of you brothers may want to help by making a small donation to help out the parlor.

Editors note: Since the newsletter only comes out once a month I am going to have Bowen Chick post any updates on the status of events for the parlor on the website. To access the Chispa website: www.chispa139.org Just get on the internet and check for updates posted on the website. This allow us to keep you up to date on events.

MARCH MEMBER DINNER

We had 58 paid at the March dinner. I wasn't at the dinner but I'm sure it was great. I didn't get any details on who won in the raffle but I do know that \$140 was donated back to Cleft Palate from our raffle. I want to thank all the generous members who donated back to Cleft Palate and the Historical Preservation Fund. We won't be have a member dinner in April but hopefully we will be able to resume the meals in May.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS MARCH

- April 1 April Fools day
- April 3 Member dinner cancelled
- April 15 Tax day
- April 17 Millard Smallin dinner cancelled
- April 21 Easter Sunday
- April 19 NSGW Pancake Breakfast cancelled

NSGW HALL IS FOR RENT

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