

CHISPA NUCGET



April 2023

MONTHLY MEMBER DINNER WEDNESDAY APRIL5TH DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM IT ALREADY HAPPENED WHEN YOU READ THIS

We are continuing to have our monthly member meeting upstairs before the dinner. The meeting will begin about 6:15. You all know that when more people show up the better the parlor does. Let's plan on attending the monthly parlor dinner on April 5th.

In the May Nugget I will try to put together some details on how we are doing financially on our member dinners. Now is the time to call in, don't wait until the last minute. Why don't you just call in your reservation when you read this email reminder. 209-728-8902

EXECUTIVE BOARD APRIL 19TH

We are going to have our executive board meeting and it will take place as always on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The meeting start at 6:00 and all officers are expected to attend this meeting so please set this date aside. and be there.

NEXT PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY APRIL 16TH

Our pancake breakfast in March was on Irish days weekend so a lot of people attended. With 164 paid we continue to have large crowds. We actually ran of supplies so we even had to close early but it worked out fine.

Lots of helpers so the work was spread out. A lot of helpers is perfect so we can give a break to those who are serving and working in the kitchen. I will try to remember to recruit helpers during the week before the next Sunday breakfast. I am hoping that I get enough volunteers so I can notify the guys who are chosen and it would be nice to give some of the regulars a break.

Tell all your friends and neighbors about our

fabulous \$10 all you can eat breakfast and if you haven't been to the breakfast please come and try it out. Doors are open from 7:30 to 11:30.

ANNUAL CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE FRIDAY MARCH 17TH

In the last Nugget I said the setup would happen at 4:00 but because we expected a large crowd I notified all volunteers to show up at 9:00 for the setup. It went smoothly and quickly with a nice group. Then at the dinner of course some people showed up before 6:00 and found the hors d'oeuvres on the tables. We ended up with 113 paid which is a great crowd.

There was a delay in the kitchen so the meal started a little later than usual. A tradition that we started several years ago continued as tables were called by number and each table went up when called. This means that when a table is called the line from the last table is nearly completed. A nice fair way to get everyone fed.

The corned beef, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, and onions were loaded on the each persons plate. A few of the people even went for seconds so we nearly ran out. We cut it very close. While all this was going on the bar kept pouring drinks. Everyone enjoyed the meal with was followed by the wonderful lemon cake that everyone always enjoys. Lots of good comments on the meal. Glenn Berry was selling raffle tickets before, during and after the meal. After everyone had finished their dinner and desert Glenn Berry drew the names of the raffle winners. Here are the lucky raffle prize winners:

Amount Name

Donation

Here is the spot that would show the names, and amounts of all the winners. I walk around and write down their name, how much they won, and how much they donated. If I would have that info here but of course I lost the list of names amounts again. I am working to correct this. Thanks to everyone who participated in the raffle and thanks to all who attended.

FUND RAISING DINNER FOR MILLARD SMALLIN FRIDAY, APRIL 21ST

We haven't had this event in a couple of years. This event is about raising money for a scholarship that was set up to remember Millard Smallin a bother who passed several years ago. Millard was the only member of Chispa that was ever elected to Grand Parlor as a trustee.

The meal is going to be two kinds of pasta and we are going to charge the normal \$20 per person so we can raise more money for the fund. I am sure that you will enjoy the pasta and whatever else the chefs prepare.

The deadline for calling in will be Wednesday morning, April 19th. Please call in your reservation when you read this article and not wait until the last minute. I hope to see a nice crowd for this special event, call 209-728-8902 and leave your name and the number in your party. If you want to help with setup for this dinner please arrive at 4:00PM.

49ER DAYS RECAP

We started 49er Days on March 24th with a meet and greet from 5:00 to 8:00 for all the other parlors members and wives who signed up for the weekend. As it turns out we had 36 signed up for this and all of them showed up. They were treated to hors d'oeuvres and a hosted bar which of course was enjoyed by all. It was fun chatting with members of other parlors. At about 7:00 I looked at the hors d'oeuvres tray and it was about half full. I mentioned this and was told that this was the second tray so I guess they enjoyed it.

On Saturday, March 25th we had an initiation of 18 members of our parlor. It has been quite some time since our last initiation. We also had 2 initiates from another parlor. The brothers from our parlor that were initiated: Howard Lyon, David Lazzari, Shawn Connelly, Robert Joseph, Allan Brown, Bruce Cavestri, Anthony Droubay, Thomas Kingshill, Jay Luchsinger, Ken Pimentel, Dominic Yacovetti, Richard Deputy, Ian Morford, Austin Broglio, Alvin Broglio, Renaldo Broglio, and Edwin Broglio.

The initiation was conducted by the following Grand Officers: President Ron Brocco Sonoma #111, GT Tullius Golden Gate #29, PGP Dave Allen Auburn #59, G1st VP George Adams Napa #62, G2nd VP Steve McLean Excelsior #31, G3rd VP Gary Padgett Sonoma #11, GM Mitch Laing Santa Rosa #28, GS Tom Perrazo Seapoint #158, Marshal Jeff Schmidt Georgetown #91, Organist Mark Spauch #91.

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THE CHISPA NUGGET

April 2023

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

Taurus April 202 - May 20 Taureans discreetly stay apart from the crowd though they have a well-earned reputation for being socializers.

HONORED BROTHERS The senior brother for April is Eric Mackintosh who will be 85. Our 2 youngest brothers are JP Gutieriez and both will be 42 in April. There is only an age difference of 43 years between the ages of our senior brother and our youngest.

As you all know that are reading this article I did not complete the April Nugget until late in the month. So any of your brothers that attend the May member dinner can get your free April libation at the bar.

BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

1	Hacker	Hacker
2	JP	Gutieriez
2	Thomas	Walsh
5	Ron	Sellick
7	Eugene	Deaver
8	Steve	Gonzales
9	Barry	Macler
9	Dave	Kingshill
9	Glenn	Plowman
11	Brian	Goss
13	Eric	Mackintosh
17	Tom	Kingshill
18	Ron	Rivera
21	Jan	Schulz
22	Bill	Mason
26	Patrick	Bebout
27	Bruce	Cavestri
28	Steve	LaJeunesse
30	Bob	Dunn

49ER DAYS RECAP CONTINUED

After the initiation a group of brothers and the Grand Officers went to the dedication of the plaque that was put in front of Tad Folendorf's house. The house was built in 1882. There was a nice article in the Calaveras Enterprise about the dedication.

That evening we had the 49er Days dinner for our local brothers and the visitors. We had more than 80 people who were treated to another of our famous chefs meals. The setup for this was done after the dedication. The bar was manned and of course Glenn Berry conducted the raffle.

We had prepared our usual hors d'oeuvres trays and they were placed on the tables before everyone arrived. These were consumed quickly. We called the tables by number which spread out the groups. We served mixed vegetable, a special corn which was delicious, potatoes, and Tri-tip. We ran out of the mixed vegetables quickly but had plenty of everything else and we got high praise from everyone. The dinner was followed by my favorite lemon cake and after that Glenn called out the following winners.

Amount	<u>Name</u>	<u>Donation</u>
\$20	Shani Anderson	
\$40	Brice Wacker	
\$65	Judy Miske	\$20
\$75	Sheryl Harmston	
\$100	Lisa King	

The 49ER days weekend ended with a special breakfast for our visitors and local brothers and their wives. We had about 40 out of towners who showed up and about 30 locals. On behalf of Chispa139 I want to thank all the parlors that visited. I didn't get a final count but at least 12 different parlors sent people.

In March we had two busy weekend for Chispa 139. We had a corned beef dinner for our social done by Rocky and crew next day for Irish Day we served sandwiches and Irish coffee and Bloody Mary's and carried the flag in the parade, on Sunday we served 164 people for breakfast. Then came 49er days which consisted of meet and greet Friday initiation on Saturday followed by dedication at Utica House owned by member Tad Folendorf. We had Grand Officers and members from other parlors throughout the state participate in the initiation and dedication. The hall opened for the evening at 5:30 with entertainment provided by Jill Warren. Our dinner was Tri -tip prepared by Glen Plowman and crew. Grand President Jeff Schmidt gave a speech thanking

Chispa 139 for a remarkable 49er days weekend. I am very proud of all the members that participated in both weekends and the new members that participated Ron listed the names of those who assisted in both weekends. I am so proud of all the members of Chispa139 in Friendship, Loyalty, and Charity. Thank you, Bruce Ross

During Murphys Irish days weekend we marched in the parade, we sold 150 sandwiches, and we sold a lot of bloody Mary's and Irish coffees. We participated in all the events of 49er Days. Here are the March volunteers names.

Bert Abreo, Steve Ageno, Glenn Berry, Allan Brown, Bruce Cavestri, Louie Clark, Tony Droubay, Dan Holley, Skip Hoy, Tom Kingshill, Bob Koopmann, Bob Loeffler, Eric Mackintosh, Ed Miske, Robert Pachinger, Glenn Plowman, Bruce Ross, Bruce Sage, Gregg Smith, Bill Terry Rocky Chick, Bob Bates, Dave Lazzari, and Ron Rivera.

I want to give extra thanks to those who cleaned up after the 49ER dinner with Rocky's cleanup crew out of town. When the 49ER days dinner was completed the following group helped to clear the tables: Gregg and Marilyn Smith, Tom and Mary Kingshill, Thomas Kingshill, Bruce Ross, Steve Ageno, Ron and Susan Rivera. After that Ron and Sue, Steve Ageno, Thomas Kingshill went to the kitchen and washed all the dishes and cleaned up the pots and pans. When you read the names you must realize that many of the names like myself participated in all the events in March. If I missed any of the volunteers please let me know so I can mention you in the next newsletter.

March Member Dinner: We only had 37 paid for the dinner which is a very small group. Lost the raffle information but not much to report with that small crowd.

Editors apology: I am getting lax in getting the Nugget out in a timely manner. While I was putting the finishing touches on this edition today, April 15th I received a couple of emails asking me if I had sent it. I have now been doing it for almost 18 years and I would like someone to step up and take over. I missed more raffle winners but I will keep trying so bear with me on this.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS APRIL

Apr 3 NSGW Member dinner

Apr 9 Easter Sunday

Apr16 Pancake Breakfast - 7:30-11:30

Apr 19 Executive Board Meeting—6:00

Apr 21 Millard Smallin Fund raiser dinner

NSGW HALL IS FOR RENT

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