



CHISPA NUGGET



January 2023

**MONTHLY MEETING WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 4TH
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM**

We are continuing to have our monthly member dinner meeting upstairs before the dinner. The meeting will begin about 6:15. The officer from Grand Parlor attended the December meeting to review our books and apparently we passed inspection.

I hate to keep repeating this over and over again, but I want all who plan to attend please call, 209-728-8902 by Monday, January 2nd. What would it take to get more of our members to attend this great meal. I continue to be disappointed by our small turnouts for this monthly meeting. We had a total of 38 paid for this meal and 4 of those who attended were from other parlors.

I will be at this dinner so I hope to see a lot of you brothers at this meeting. Let's get the new year of to a great start by attending our first member dinner of 2023.

EXECUTIVE BOARD JANUARY

We are going to have our executive board meeting and it will take place as always on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. We have **changed the time from 5:00 PM to 6 PM** because one of the officers couldn't make the meeting at 5:00. All officers are expected to attend this meeting so please set this date aside. and be there.

**NEXT PANCAKE BREAKFAST
SUNDAY JANUARY 15TH**

The December breakfast had 134 paid so we kept busy. The helpers we had were: Louie Clark, Glenn Berry, Ron Rivera, Bruce Sage, Eric Mackintosh, Tim Davis, Glenn Plowman, Rocky Chick, Bert Abreo, Bruce Ross, Dan Holley, and Mike Cilenti.

This seems like a lot of guys but when you look at all the stuff that needs to be done to keep the breakfast rolling this number seems right. We received the usual compliments by many who either went to the kitchen or complimented us when leaving. We have a breakfast where we have many customers who come every month and a few new customers each month.

I want to think that we can keep up the count

of guests over 120 to give the parlor a good boost to our diminishing bank account.

Tell all your friends, relatives, and anyone else you can think of about our great \$10 breakfast on the third Sunday of every month. I hope to see more or our members at our next breakfast so you can enjoy the "ALL YOU CAN EAT" helpings of pancakes, eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy with coffee and orange juice.

**BROTHERS YOUR \$72 PAYMENT FOR 2023
DUES SHOULD BE PAID NOW**

I am sorry to report that as of December 28th we have only had 13 brothers who have paid their dues. We have 146 members so we are way behind on collecting dues. I am asking that all of you who haven't paid to get out your checkbook and make it out to Chispa139 N.S.G.W. The address is: Chispa139 N.S.G.W. , PO Box 151, Murphys, CA 95247-0151. If you want to save the \$.60 in postage just attend our member dinner and bring your check with you. Thanks for your early attention to this important message.

FRIENDS & FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Bruce Ross and I got to the hall in the morning and set up the tables. Then Mary Kingshill and a helper decorated all the tables with Christmas wreaths. When we finished setting up we got the raffle prizes lined up. There was already one prize on the raffle table. We had so many prizes we had to set up 3 tables to accommodate the prizes. I got the names of a few of the donors.

The donors who gave prizes were Kat Neihuis-1 prize, Nora Tramontano-9 prizes, Geoff & Peggy Janovatz-2 prizes, and Gateway Press-1 prize and 4 other anonymous donors. The meal was turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy and rolls. Everything was delicious and 78 people who paid enjoyed everything. As people came in Eric Mackintosh was selling tickets to the raffle prizes and Glenn Berry sold 50/50 tickets.

I am pleased to say that we collected \$455 for the raffle prizes. Quite a haul. When the dinner was finished Eric had someone from the crowd pick the tickets from the paper bags where people placed their tickets. We had 17 prizes so this took some time. After Eric had called out about 7 or 8 winners, Glenn started announcing the

raffle winners. They took turns calling winners. Here are the names of the winners of the raffle prizes.

Geoff Janovatz, Violet Woodburn, Pat Gomes, Alex Steele, Joan Ann Rogers, Pa Gomes, Sara Esquivel, Ray Rogers, Coleen Franklin, Steve Ageno, Allan Abreo, Walt Markus, Allan Abreo, Olga Moncada, George Mather. Even though I asked everyone to print their name I had one I couldn't read at all and others where the name was not clear. If your name is on the list and it is spelled incorrectly I apologize.

The raffle prize winner were:

Amount	Name	Donation
\$15	Ray Rogers	
\$25	Shari Folendorf	\$15
\$50	Allan Abreo	
\$100	Jean Ann Rogers	\$25

I want to thank all those who participated in the raffle prize drawing and the 50/50 raffle drawing. I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

**CRAB FEED RETURNS
FRIDAY JANUARY 20TH**

We are having a crab feed this year. We will have pasta in addition to the crab so if you aren't a fan of crab you can come and enjoy the event with your friends. With the high price of crab we will be charging **between \$50 and \$70** and for the pasta only crowd we will be charging \$15. To make reservations please call the hall at 728-8902. Please call by January 16th.

At this time we don't know what the price of crab will be or even if enough will be available to hold the event but we are hoping we can pull it off. Once we find out the price of crab we will send an email to everyone in the roster with the price of the crab feed. **I hope that the price doesn't stop you from attending this always popular meal.**

One important note with the high cost of crab we would like to ask that everyone who makes a reservation to please attend. If you make your reservation early and have to cancel please do. The doors open at 6:00 for this social and all socials. The crab **CONTINUED ON THE NEXT PAGE**

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THE CHISPA NUGGET

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Capricorn December 22 - January 19 They reach their goals because they know the long-est journey commences with a single step and that the first step is always the most difficult.

Aquarius - January 20 - February 18 Aquarians are extremely humanitarian and often involved in social programs that assist others.

HONORED BROTHERS The senior brother for January is Ernie Rockholt who will be 83. Our youngest brother in Ian Morford who will be 25 in January. This means there is an amazing 58 year years difference between the ages of our senior brother and our youngest.

All January birthday members can get their free libation at the member dinner.

BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

1	Chris	Rush
3	Jerry	Pezzi
6	Ed	Boll
6	Tim	Folendorf
11	Ernie	Rockholt
12	Bill	Eltringham
14	Ian	Morford
16	Jim	Phelan
19	Kenneth	Gaultney
19	Steve	Ageno
24	Charles	Cuneo
31	Eric	Davis

CRAB FEED CONTINUED FROM 1ST PAGE
 and pasta dinner begins at 7:00. We will begin setting up the tables that morning at 9:00 AM. I hope a few of you can come and help with

the setup. It has been 3 years since the last crab feed and with a good crowd we will continue this in the future.

CHISPA139 MARCHED IN 2 PARADES

We participated in two parades. I sent an email to all members with email asking for volunteers for both parades. The first parade was the annual Murphys Open House parade on December 2nd. I had about 7 volunteers respond but when we got together at the parade starting area we ended up with a total of 12 guys. So we had enough to carry the parlor banner and 10 guys to carry the flag. Here are the volunteers: Robert Pachinger and I carried the banner which was lighted with green Christmas lights. The 10 guys carrying the flag were: Steve Ageno, Glenn Berry, Bruce Cavestri, Louie Clark, Joe Fontana, Steve Mather, Bruce Ross, Gregg Smith, Craig Whitty and Tom Kingshill. In addition we had some of Steve Mathers' kids ride along with us. It was great walking up main street with our group and hearing the cheers as we marched.

The second parade was the annual Angels Camp Lighted Christmas Parade which was originally scheduled for December 10th but had to be re-scheduled to December 17th because of rain. I wasn't sure how many would show up with the change in dates but we ended up with 10 guys. Tim Davis and I carried the banner. The guys carrying the flag were: Glenn Berry, Tad Folendorf, Dan Holley, Bruce Ross, Craig Whitty, Steve Ageno, Bruce Sage, and Bob Middleton.

As we headed down the parade route Tim and I kept getting way ahead of the flag so at times we stopped and waited for the guys to catch up. We marched from Saint Patrick's church to the end of Main Street. As Tim and I found out later the guys carrying the flag were spinning around to the cheers of the crowd as they proceeded. I think both events showed off our parlor and maybe we might end up with some new members after this. We all had fun and I think we should try and do this every year.

CIOPPINO FEED IN FEBRUARY

We haven't had the cioppino feed in a few years but we are going to begin having this very popular social this year. I want all of you to put Saturday, February 18th on your calendar. Of course we don't know what the price is going to be at this time but we are going to have it. We will send another reminder and details in the February Nugget.

49ER DAYS MARCH 24TH TO 26TH

This year our parlor is hosting 49er Days at the parlor. This is a three-day event starting on Friday March 24. This event which is held annually by the Motherload parlors to remember the historical importance of the 49er gold rush. On March 25th we will be having a building dedication, an initiation at the parlor, and a dinner that evening. We are having a special breakfast for the guests on March 26th and it will be open to all members and any other guests that show up. With all these activities we will need some volunteers to help each day. Those who are being initiated will be notified. Let's all put these three dates on our calendars and participate in this event.

Editor's note: I don't know how many of you read my note about the leak in the parlor's roof. We desperately need to repair it as well as many other things in the parlor. What we need is for someone or a group to get together and come up with ideas for raising funds for the parlor. In addition to the needed repairs we have to get funding for our \$7,000+ building insurance. Let me know of any ideas any of you may have.

DECEMBER MEMBER DINNER

I wish more of you brothers would attend the monthly member dinner. We had another small crowd. The dinner was delicious so you guys who were not there again missed out. As is becoming a habit I lost the list of winners in the raffle but even though the crowd was small we did have \$75 dollars donated back to the parlor.

Thanks to all who participated and thanks to those who donated. I will try to figure out how I can stop losing the list that I work so hard to collect.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY

- Jan 1 New Years Day
- Jan 4 NSGW Member dinner
- Jan 15 NSG Pancake Breakfast
- Jan 18 Executive Board meeting
- Jan 20 Family and Friends Social-CRAB FEED

NSGW HALL IS FOR RENT

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