



CHISPA NUGGET



February 2026

MEMBER'S DINNER WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 4TH DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

We will be having our meeting at 6:00 PM so arrive before 6:00. Dinner will be available after the meeting. This **WILL BE** our second New York steak dinner (with hors d'oeuvres, salad, beans, vegetables, and usually some dessert) for the **new still low \$25 price**. If we vote to replace steak with mac & cheese, we may be able to return to \$20 price. Peanut butter & jelly? Maybe \$15!

Consider calling a few of your friends to join us for dinner and fellowship. Sons, nephews and neighbors under 70 years old would help preserve our parlor into the future. Annual participation is being recorded to recognize those sturdy Brothers who volunteer and attend events. Some Brothers actually invite 8, 10 even 12 guests to join us and support the social dinners! Thank you Ron Rivera, Gregg Smith, Greg Calhoun, and others who bring a crowd!

Come meet some of our newest recruits!! Reminder: we can now invite any number of guests (native Californians or NOT) and possibly recruit some more new Brothers to increase our membership. Recruiting just two new Brothers earns YOU a NSGW belt buckle!

PLEASE call in by February 2nd and leave your name and the number in your party. We had a great crowd for January's meal; however, many Brothers still do not call in their reservation? If that describes you, you may still attend the meeting and enjoy a beverage, but we may not have **enough provisions** to provide you a meal (or have places set at a table for you and your party). Please call: **209) 728-8902 Thank you!!**

Please consider showing up about 4:30 to help with the setup for dinner. If not, **expect** to volunteer to help with the cleanup that evening; we usually finish by about 8:30 PM. If you have not volunteered in the recent past, **you are overdue** and have over 100 Brothers with you! Many hands make light work!! FLC! Paying dues covers Grand Parlor dues, but attendance at our events supports our local Parlor. Chispa #139 is ALL of us and needs your presence!

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 17TH

We will have our executive board meeting on the **3rd Tuesday** of this month. This meeting starts at 6:00; all officers are expected to attend this meeting. **All members in good standing are also welcome to attend**, so please set the date aside.

We are seeking Responsible Beverage Servers (RBS) to assist in bartending, so consider learning? It requires successful completion of an online course regarding laws applying to serving alcoholic beverages.

NEXT PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY FEBRUARY 15TH

The January breakfast was handled well by 14 volunteers!! Volunteers and assistants are welcome, needed and appreciated! Our most recent new initiates are turning out to support our parlor. Orientation guides "newbies" in the kitchen and storeroom, as well as the functioning systems of the parlor (public address, heating & cooling, lights, etc.) We need to develop backup volunteer cooks and servers to **sustain our parlor**. Consider joining us this month of February for the New Year?

Plenty of servers and plenty of cooks makes for a smooth operation for all! The same fourteen regular volunteers will welcome anyone who wants to contribute some of their time and effort to assist in preserving our Chispa parlor.

Please let **Ron Rivera** know if you will be able to help. That way we will have an accurate count of who will be there to help our parlor function. His email is: **ronaldwr8@aol.com**

Tell your friends about the great deal at the Native Sons' Hall on the third Sunday of every month. Fresh biscuits and gravy (with sausage bits), pancakes, scrambled eggs, link sausage, coffee or tea, hot cocoa and orange juice, and great fellowship, **still only \$12!**

ANNUAL DUES ARE NOW OVERDUE!

At our Members' Dinner on Wednesday January 7th, we voted on the amount of the increase required to meet our Grand Parlor assessments. Bringing yourself and other brothers to our NY steak dinner will help minimize (but not eliminate) the need for higher dues: **\$100 for 2026** to cover Grand Parlor per capita fees.

Cornhole tournaments, dinners, and special events help generate revenue to avoid and reduce assessments. Come too the parlor and get some joy and fellowship for your money!

PURPOSE

Our CHISPA parlor does a great job of eating and drinking together. **F**riendship, **L**oyalty, and **C**harity are our primary precepts. Please help us to be even more meaningful contributors to the greater Murphys community by sharing YOUR ideas for additional activities.

What else would you like to see us do?

Look for suggestion boxes to submit your ideas for fundraisers (like a beer garden in the rear parking lot when town is filled with out of town guests?). Murphys Community Club may benefit from our cooking porch to alleviate over crowding in their snack shack? **Bring your ideas for fun & fundraising!!**

Volunteers at January 18th pancake breakfast

LOU CLARK, TIM DAVIS, Bob Koopmann, Pat Davis, Bruce Cavestri, Tony Droubay, Dave Meade, Ron Rivera, Steve Ageno, Jeff Vermillion, Mark Davis, Glenn Berry, Bruce Ross, Bob Bates, Howard Lyon, Alan Brown and BILL REDFORD.

Volunteers at January 16th

Dungeness Crab dinner

Chris Adreis, Gary Olson, Dennis Finley, Gregg Smith, Mark Davis, Greg Calhoun, Doug Messer, Keith Kamenski, Mike Vargas, Bill Redford, Scott Naniik, Tony Droubay, Bruce Ross, Dave Lazzari, Steve Ageno, Ron Rivera, Gregg Smith, and Jeff Vermillion. PLUS a major clean-up Saturday morning; Tony Droubay, Bruce Ross, Steve Ageno, Keith Kamenski, Greg Calhoun, and Doug Messer!

Many thanks to all of you!

CORNHOLE !! Thursday Feb 12th You don't want to miss **Nathan Jacobson's** idea for a fun evening out of the weather with lights, beer, wine, and convivial company. Come to play or come to watch, but be sure you save the date and COME!! Since this is successful, we plan to repeat it on the 2nd Thursday of each month. **Doors open 5PM**

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