



GILROY ELKS LODGE #1567

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NOVEMBER 2025

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GILROY ELKS LODGE #1567

Presents

Veterans' Appreciation Night and Recognition Dinner

on

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH, 2025

with

"Adopt-A-Vet"

All cash donations designated for "Adopt-a-Vet"
from October 9 through November 13
will be used to help offset the cost of the Veterans' meals as our

"Thank You for Your Service"

Bruce Parker ER/PER ~ Event Chair





A Message from Your Exalted Ruler:

Hello Fellow Elks;

October was busy, Octoberfest, Monday Night Football, Rib Night, Soccer Shoot, and the presentation of ENF Grant funds the Lodge received and reinvested into our community One Step Closer, and Project Hero.

November looks to be busy as well. Starting with our Mid-Term Conference in Santa Clara. Yup, it's right around the corner. They are looking for volunteers to help out. We look forward to seeing you at the events. Monday Night Football \$6 for hotdogs and chili, Rib Night (the last one for the year), Vets Night. We are looking for People to Sponsor Vets. If you have or are a member who is a vet, get your information and a picture of that person to Donna Manson and well add it to our wall during Vets Week. I don't want to forget to thank all those Vets who have served. "Thanks For Your Service". Not to forget Casino Night. Its looking to be a fun night.

We also have events coming up, remember the dates; New Years Dinner/Dance (December 31), Purple Pig (January 9), Valentines Day (February 14) and The Elks Fashion Show (March 7).

I encourage all of you to come out and participate at all our events. I have requested that the events split their donations to 1/2 their event and 1/2 to the Lodge to reinvigorate our accounts and finish up the projects that we have started. Remember we have the new confection ovens but do not have the funds to install them as yet. This will make it easier to feed more people who come out to our Lodge events.

Yours in Service,

Bruce W. Parker ER, PER

Elks Care - Elks Share



Gilroy Lodge #1567 President's Visitation to the West Central District on Saturday, November 15, 2025 in honor of the State President and First Lady



*President Scott Stephens and
First Lady Mary Kay Stephens*

DINNER MENU

Rib Eye Steak – Garlic Mashed Potatoes
In Season Vegetables – Salad – Roll – Dessert

\$40 PER PERSON

GILROY ELKS LODGE

2765 Pass Highway, Gilroy, California

RSVP Reservations by November 6, 2025
(408) 842-9397



COME HELP DECORATE YOUR LODGE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025 AT 9:00 AM.

(This date is subject to change pending rental of the Lodge on this date for private parties.)

The more hands and volunteers working together as a team will make the time to decorate our Lodge go quickly and make our lodge feel warm and inviting during the holidays.

Coffee & Doughnuts will be provided.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Gilroy Elks Lodge #1567 is



Sponsor a Wreath today to be placed
on a Veterans Grave on

National Wreaths Across America Day

December 13, 2025

at Gavilan Hills & St Mary's Cemeteries in Gilroy
Mount Hope Memorial Park, in Morgan Hill

Wreath Cost \$17.00

See Rosemary Anderson (USAF) for more information

Thank You To Our Italian Night Donors

Christopher Ranch / Ken Christopher
Gwyn & Ed Saucedo

Judy & Louie Bonino Family

Julie and Brent Bonino Family

Habing Family Funeral Home

Linda & Louis Ramirez

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Gena & Fortune Gonzalez

The Internationals (AKA Gondoliers)

Mike Hughes

Judy & Sam Bozzo

**SAVE THE DATE
GILROY ELKS 58TH
ANNUAL FASHION SHOW**



March 7, 2026

More Details to Follow



The Benevolent and Protective
Order of Elks of the USA has joined
forces with Donate Life America to
increase donations of
Organs, eyes and life-saving tissue.

**My Lodge
Develops Gritty Kids**



Gilroy Elks 58th Annual Fashion Show

Hello to all Elks. Before you know it, **MARCH 7, 2026**, will be here and that is the date of our **Annual Fashion Show**. This will be the 58th year of the Gilroy Elks Lodge fashion show!

The Fashion **Show kickoff meeting is set for Tuesday, November 4th, 2025, at 6:30 pm in the Phil Quast room at the Lodge.** The theme selected for this year's fashion show is a **50's Sock Hop**. I would like to invite all Officers, Elks, Ladies of the Lodge and PER's wives to join us to help plan this fun event. Co-chairing the Gilroy Elks Lodge Ladies Fashion show event with me this year is Rose Hernandez. If you cannot make this first meeting on November 4th, here are the future dates that you can note on your calendar when the fashion show committee is scheduled to be meeting. The meeting days are Tuesdays.

November 4, 2025	December 2, 2025	January 6, 2026
January 27, 2026	February 3, 2026	February 10, 2026
February 17, 2026	February 14, 2026	March 4, 2026

I sincerely thank everyone for volunteering your time to make this Gilroy Elks Lodge event again be success.

First Lady Caroline Parker



Save the Date
purple Pig Fund Raiser
Friday Jan 9th, 2026



Rockin the Ages Karaoke

DOORS OPEN
5:30 pm

SOCIAL
6:00-7:00 pm

DINNER
7:00 pm



Gilroy Elks #1567

2026
NEW YEAR'S
EVE PARTY

♦ **December 31, 2025** ♦

SAVE THE DATE

Make plans to come celebrate
 and ring in 2026 at the
Gilroy Elks Lodge Dinner & Dance
 More details on back page.

SOCCER SHOOT

I want to say a big thank you to everyone who stepped up and volunteered to help make our 19th Annual Gilroy Elks Lodge Soccer Shoot a success. We had over 50 young athletes participate this year, and it is certainly fun to see the smile on their faces when they score a goal. Another group I want to acknowledge is a long-standing partnership with Orchard Valley Youth Soccer League, without their support we could not have our annual soccer shoot. Lastly I want to thank fellow Elks and friends who volunteered their time to help or dropped by to cheer on the young athletes, **Susan Miyata, Bob Annett, Bruce Parker, Elaine Fancher, John Fancher, Bob and Diana Gomes, Carl Reinhart, Angela Moore, Patrick Psaila, Tina Martinez, Tommy Mozzone Sr., Kathy Mozzone Steve Mayne Sr, Steve Johnson, Samatha Gomes, Louis Bonino**, from **Watsonville Lodge Rich Torres and Sunnyvale Lodge Paul Bucini** and anyone else I could have overlooked.

Mitch Marinovich PER & Soccer Shoot Chair



OSC GOLD STAR BEACON GRANT

Members of Gilroy Lodge helped serve a meal to the Gold Star families and guests at the *Gold Star Mothers and Family Day* picnic held at the One Step Closer Therapeutic Horsemanship facility in Morgan Hill, California. At this event, the founders, Mark and Landa Keirstead were presented with a check from Gilroy Elks Lodge for \$4,000 as our reinvestment into our community from the ENF Community Investments Program Beacon Grant.

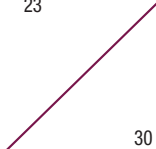
Gold Star Mother's Day and Family Day is a national observance that pays tribute to U.S. military families who have experienced the loss of an immediate family member while they were serving on the last Sunday in September. This date, the last Sunday of September was set aside by The Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 115 of June 23, 1936 (49 Stat. 1895 as amended), has designated the last Sunday in September as "Gold Star Mother's Day." In 2011 the title was changed to "*Gold Star Mothers and Family Day*", to broaden the focus to encompass the entire Gold Star Family community,

A Blue Star displayed on a Service Flag signifies a member currently serving in the armed forces. A Gold Star replaces the blue star when that service member tragically dies in the line of duty, symbolizing their ultimate sacrifice.



THE GARLIC PRESS - NOVEMBER CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
						NOV. 1 CASINO NIGHT 
2 FALL BACK END OF DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME	3 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL 	4 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM	5 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: STEAK	6 SCOUTS	7	8 CHEA MIDTERM - SANTA CLARA
9	10 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL 	11 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM OFFICIAL VETERANS DAY OFFICER, HOUSE & TRUSTEE MEETING	12 LODGE MEETING MENU: TURKEY	13 SCOUTS	14	15 CHEA PRESIDENT SCOTT STEPHENS VISIT TO GILROY LODGE (MORE INFO TO COME)
16	17 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL 	18 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM	19 SOCIAL NIGHT VETERANS RECOGNITION MENU: RIBS	20 SCOUTS	21	22 DECORATE LODGE FOR THE HOLIDAYS
23 	24 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL 	25	26 LODGE DARK	27 	28 OFFICE CLOSED	29
30						

WEEKLY DUTY OFFICERS:

11/2 – 11/8 – BRUCE PARKER
 11/9 – 11/15 – JOHN FANCHER
 11/16 – 11/22 – KAY SPENCER
 11/23 – 11/29 – TINA MARTINEZ

Special Notes:

1. **When reserving a table of 6 or more prepayment of whole table must be done by one party. Lodge Phone (408) 842-9397.**
2. Some events listed on the calendar may be purchased in advance by cash, check or credit card.
3. Duty Officers are responsible to find replacement officer if you cannot cover your week.

"SUBJECT TO CHANGE"

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Two new members were initiated into Gilroy Elks Lodge on Wednesday September 24 with the DDGER here to observe the lodge officers performing the initiation ceremony. When you see these new members at the Lodge, please take a moment to introduce yourself and give these new members a warm Gilroy Lodge welcome and encourage them to participate at Lodge events.

Pictured (L to R) Patrick Psaila, Esquire, Larry Brager Inner Guard, New members, Sarah Bailey, Dion Bracco, Bruce Parker ER/PER, Michele Wilson DDGER and Trevor Rock Trustee.



THE GARLIC PRESS - DECEMBER CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL 	2	3 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: CALAMARI	4 SCOUTS MEETING	5	6 HOLIDAY PARADE IN GILROY
7 MANDATORY ELKS MEMORIAL (TUXEDO)	8 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL 	9 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM OFFICER, HOUSE & TRUSTEE MEETING	10 LODGE MEETING MENU: CHICKEN MARSALA	11 SCOUTS MEETING	12	13 WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
14	15 TOM & JERRY DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL 	16	17 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: NEW YORK STEAK TOM & JERRY NIGHT	18 SCOUTS MEETING	19	20
21	22 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL 	23	24 LODGE DARK CHRISTMAS EVE	25 LODGE DARK NO SCOUT MEETING 	26	27
28 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE DAY	29 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL 	30	31 NEW YEARS EVE DINNER/DANCE 	JAN. 1 LODGE DARK NO SCOUT MEETING 	2	3 UNDECORATE LODGE 9AM

WEEKLY DUTY OFFICERS:

11/30 TO 12/6 – TREVOR ROCK
 12/7 TO 12/13 – LARRY BRAGER
 12/14 TO 12/20 – STEVE MAYNE, SR.
 12/21 TO 12/27 – MITCH MARINOVICH
 12/28 TO 1/3/26 – JENNY JUD

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LODGE OFFICE HOURS

BUSINESS OFFICE
Monday - Friday
Weekdays

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Calls after 3:00 PM will
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BEST OF GILROY

The Best of Gilroy 2025 survey by the
 Gilroy Dispatch, The Lodge on the Hill,
 Home of the Gilroy Elks Lodge was
 named one of the top three venues in
 Gilroy to hold weddings.



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HIDDEN NUMBER

If you find your membership number hidden somewhere in this issue of the Garlic Press, you will receive one free dinner during the month. It is identified by the # sign. **Last month's hidden #4190 was Lori Wyrick.** See the Lodge Secretary for your dinner ticket.

Announcement



November 5..... Social Night
November 6-8..... Mid-Term Conference in Santa Clara, CA
November 11..... Officer, House, & Trustee Meeting
November 12..... Lodge Meeting
November 15.... State President visit & dinner at Gilroy Lodge
November 19... Veterans Recognition and Appreciation Dinner
November 22..... Decorate Lodge for Holidays
November 26..... Lodge Dark no meeting
November 27..... Happy Thanksgiving

Planning A Party, Reunion, Anniversary, Wedding or Special Event?

Our Lodge has so many possibilities. From weddings, to conferences, to luncheons, our facility can be perfect for you. Renting our venue will not only give you outstanding food and excellent service, but also memorable views for miles. We will make your event a lasting memory for everyone to treasure.

PLANNING A PARTY...

**For more information call our Event Coordinator,
Jenny Jud at (408) 842-9397,
Monday through Friday, 10:00am - 3:00pm.
See you at your next event!!!**

REMINDER:

Reservations are requested: Call (408) 842-9397

AD SPACE AVAILABLE

Contact Lodge Secretary

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*Addressed to a
Very Important Elk*



**NEW
YEAR
Dinner
Dance
DECEMBER 31ST**

Tickets are \$85 each
Doors open at 5PM
Prime Rib and Chicken Marsala Dinner
Music by Tsunami
and a 12AM New Year Toast

RSVP (408) 842-9397
By December 15, 2025

Open to Elks members and their guests

2026