



GILROY ELKS LODGE #1567

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APRIL 2025

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**Honor and Treat your Mom
to the Gilroy Elks**

Mother's Day Charity Breakfast

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025

at

The Lodge on the Hill

2765 Hecker Pass Highway, Gilroy

Serving from 8:30am to 12 Noon

Cost at the Door:

Adults \$30, Children 3 to 12 \$11, Under 3 Free

MENU

Serving the Gilroy Elks renowned Cooked-to-Order Omelets, with your choice of condiments, Pancakes, Hash Browns, Sausage, Bacon, Fresh Fruit, Martinelli Apple Juice, Orange Juice, Coffee, Milk, and Champagne.

Reservations: Table of 8 or more must be Prepaid.

All guests must be present to be seated.

Tables are held for 10 minutes from reservation time.

For Reservations Call the Lodge Office at (408) 842-9397

Proceeds from the breakfast go to support the Elks National Foundation.

(Open to Elks Members and Families)



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A Message from Your Exalted Ruler:

My Brother and Sister Elks, thank you for electing me as the Exalted Ruler for Lodge year 2025-2026. It is my sincere wish to continue to earn your trust and confidence in me.

I do want to acknowledge the successes under the leadership of Angela Moore for these past three years. Most recently Angela and the committee team brought back an enjoyable luncheon with the Ladies Fashion Show (which in 2020 was cancelled at the last minute due to Covid and has been on hiatus since). I especially recognize and thank Courtney Blake and Rose Hernandez, who supported and helped Angela bring back this fundraiser event. A big thank you also to the officers and other volunteers who supported and worked alongside Angela and the Fashion Show committee to make this event again a success.

The installation of the Corps of Officers for our Lodge is Sunday April 6 and I hope that together we can continue to merit everyone's support for the different events and Youth and Veterans programs in our community the Elks are known for.

Another extremely popular event on Friday April 25 at the Lodge is the Rib Nite dinner prepared by the Gilroy Elks Lodge world renowned cooking team led by Tom Finkemeier.

Looking forward to May we have three great events. The first event is the annual Mother's Day Charity Breakfast on Sunday, May 11 that is prepared by volunteers. The calendar was not very nice this year as the days leading up to Mother's Day Charity Breakfast is the annual California Hawaii Elks Conference. I will need help from all members to help make this event a success. If you are a new member this is a great time to work alongside and get to know your brother and sister Elk members.

The second event on May 18th, the following weekend is the popular Scholarship Benefit Concert. See the flyer for this event in the Garlic Press. This is our fundraiser for the many scholarships our Lodge gives in the community. The third event is the Kickoff to Summer Rib Night Dinner on Friday, May 23.

Working together as a team, as officers and members, we can continue building on the past and future successes of events. Please bring your ideas and suggestions for new events to me so we can vet the idea and together our Lodge will grow.

Be Safe, See you at the Lodge. God Bless our Troops and the Elks.

Bruce W. Parker PER ER

Elks Care - Elks Share

Take Back Unneeded or Expired Medications Day is Saturday, April 26, 2025

The Elks DAP promotes a take-back of unneeded prescription and over the counter medications. The goal of the program is to provide a safe, convenient and responsible means for disposing of prescription and OTC drugs while educating the public about the potential abuse of medications. For information and to find a drop-off location go to dea.gov/takebackday.

If you miss this one-day event, don't fret. The DEA provides a search engine to seek out year-round disposal sites near your Lodge or home. The search engine allows you to search a -5, -10, -20, or -50 mile radius from your home or Lodge. Go to deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug to find disposal locations.

Locally, the CVS Pharmacies in Gilroy and Morgan Hill have convenient drop boxes where you can safely dispose of unused and expired prescription and OTC medications.





Gilroy Elks Lodge # 1567 & PINNACLE BANK

present the Lodge's 7th Annual
Scholarship Benefit Concert
featuring the internationally known



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Sunday, May 18, 2025

Gilroy Elks Lodge, 2765 Hecker Pass
Highway, Gilroy, CA

2:00 PM: Hosted Champagne Reception w/Appetizers

3:00 PM: Concert

Open to Elks Members, Guests & the General Public

\$40/Person - - - Sponsored VIP Table of 10/\$450

Tickets available April 7 through Gilroy Elks Lodge office, 408-842-9397

Tickets & VIP tables payable at time of reservation

All proceeds go to the Gilroy Elks Scholarship Fund



In Memoriam **DON GAGE**



Born: April 18, 1945 Init: May 15, 1968 Died: March 24, 2025
39 Year Member

The clock of their last day has stopped. "Tis the hour of eleven." Remember, the faults of our members we write on the sand; Their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Mother's Day Charity Breakfast May 11, 2025



Father's Day Charity Breakfast June 15, 2025

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.

We need **All Hands-On-Deck** to make these two popular Gilroy Elk Lodge community events a continued fundraising success for our Lodge. Without the volunteers' help, these events would not be possible. Please call or see one of us at the Lodge so we can plan the staffing for both events. New Members, this is a great opportunity to meet and talk with other members.

Bruce Parker ER/PER or Mitch Marinovich PER

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Questions? Contact cheastate2025@gmail.com



GILROY ELKS LODGE 4TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

GOLF TOURNAMENT

GILROY GOLF COURSE - HECKER PASS HIGHWAY

FRIDAY, MAY 16TH

18 HOLE SCRAMBLE | 8:30AM TEE TIME
(Arrive Between 7:00-8:00 AM)

LUNCH FOLLOWING AT THE GILROY ELKS LODGE
(BBQ Chicken, Chili Beans, Macaroni Salad & Garlic Bread)

All Proceeds benefit Gilroy Elks Lodge Scholarship Fund

FEE is \$100.00 per person • Sign ups and payment due by May 8th

For information and to sign up call:
Steve McGinnis (408) 710-9610 or Sam Bozzo (408) 825-3428

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✧ GILROY ELKS LODGE PRESENTS ✧

RIB NIGHT DINNER at the LODGE ON THE HILL

Want a great BBQ Rib Dinner with Salad, Baked Potato, Baked Beans, Roll and Ice Cream for dessert prepared by the World Renown Gilroy Elks Lodge Rib Night Cooking Crew?



FRIDAY APRIL 25, 2025

2765 Hecker Pass Highway, Gilroy, CA

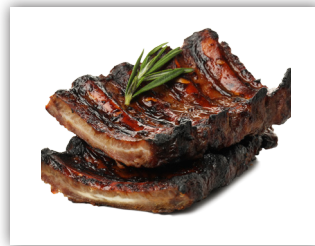
Doors Open at 5:00pm • Dinner Served 7:00pm

Rib or Chicken Dinner price \$25.00 per person

Reservations are required by Thursday April 24 at 1:00pm so the rib crew can purchase and prepare enough dinners. **Chicken is available by special preorder request.**

Call 408-842-9397

(Open to Elk Members & their Guests)



SCOUT TROOP 711

We have an incredible Scout Troop at Gilroy Lodge. I discovered at the family home an American flag that was used to honor my grandfather who was a WW1 veteran who immigrated to America from Croatia when he was 12 years old. This veteran passed away 90 years ago in 1935, and this flag with 48 stars was draped over his casket. As the flag was incorrectly folded, I brought the flag to the Scout Leader to ask if the scouts could help fold the flag properly so it can be displayed correctly. The Scout Leader asked the scouts for volunteers and amazingly all 17 scouts stepped up to solemnly handle and properly fold the flag. A Big Thank-You salute to the Scouts and their Leaders.



Fraternally,

Mitchell Marinovich PER & Loyal Knight

THE GARLIC PRESS - APRIL CALENDAR

APRIL 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
MARCH 30	31	APRIL 1 APRIL FOOLS DAY DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM NEW LODGE YEAR STARTS	2 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: STEAK	3 SCOUTS MEETING MT. MADONNA ROOM 7:00PM	4 LENT	5
6 GILROY LODGE INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS – 11:00AM LUNCH TO FOLLOW	7 TICKETS GO ON SALE FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT CONCERT TODAY	8 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM OFFICER, HOUSE & TRUSTEE MEETING	9 LODGE MEETING MENU: TACO BAR	10 SCOUTS MEETING MT. MADONNA ROOM 7:00PM	11 LENT	12
13 PALM SUNDAY	14	15 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM	16 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: CALAMARI	17 SCOUTS MEETING MT. MADONNA ROOM 7:00PM	18 LENT	19 DD CLINIC - PALO ALTO LODGE
20 EASTER	21	22 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION	23 LODGE MEETING & INITIATION (TUXEDO) MENU: CHICKEN MARSALA	24 SCOUTS MEETING MT. MADONNA ROOM 7:00PM	25 RIB NIGHT	26 NATIONAL MEDICATION TAKE BACK DAY RITUAL CONTEST IN SANTA CRUZ
27	28	29 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM	30 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: SCAMPI OVER LINGUINE	MAY 1	2	3

WEEKLY DUTY OFFICERS:

3/30 TO 4/5 – MITCH MARINOVICH
 4/6 TO 4/12 – TREVOR ROCK
 4/13 TO 4/19 – BRUCE PARKER
 4/20 TO 4/26 – JOHN FANCHER
 4/27 TO 5/3 – KAY SPENCER

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 February 26. When you see these new members at the Lodge, please take a moment to introduce yourself and give the new members a warm Gilroy Lodge welcome and encourage them to participate at Lodge events.

Pictured (L to R) Wayne Weller, PDDGER, Carl Reinhardt, Trustee, New Member Anthony Shebib, Angela Moore ER/PER, New Member Joe Marenin, Bruce Parker PER & Leading Knight, Larry Brager, Inner Guard



THE GARLIC PRESS - MAY CALENDAR

MAY 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
APRIL 27	28	29	30	MAY 1 SCOUTS MEETING MT. MADONNA ROOM 7:00PM	2	3 151ST KENTUCKY DERBY FIRST OF THE AMERICAN TRIPLE CROWN
4	5	6 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM	7 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: CHICKEN FAJITA	8 SCOUTS MEETING MT. MADONNA ROOM 7:00PM	9	10 PREP FOR MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST
CALIFORNIA HAWAII STATE CONFERENCE - ANAHEIM, CA						
ELKS NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK						
11 MOTHER'S DAY CHARITY BREAKFAST 	12	13 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM OFFICER, HOUSE & TRUSTEE MEETING	14 LODGE MEETING MENU: STEAK	15 SCOUTS MEETING MT. MADONNA ROOM 7:00PM	16	17 
18 SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT CONCERT 	19	20 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM	21 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: CALAMARI	22 SCOUTS MEETING MT. MADONNA ROOM 7:00PM	23 RIB NIGHT 	24
25	26 	27 DINNER RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION	28 LODGE MEETING & INITIATION (TUXEDO) MENU: TURKEY DINNER	29 SCOUTS MEETING MT. MADONNA ROOM 7:00PM	30	31

WEEKLY DUTY OFFICERS:

- 5/4 TO 5/10 - TINA MARTINEZ
- 5/11 TO 5/17 - TBD
- 5/18 TO 5/24 - STEVE MAYNE
- 5/25 TO 6/7 - PATRICK PSAILA

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Tickets for the Scholarship Benefit Concert will be available through the Lodge office beginning on April 7. Individual tickets are \$40 each. Sponsorship for a VIP Table of 10 is \$450. There are no reserved seats other than at VIP Tables. VIP Table sponsorship includes VIP appetizers at the table and program recognition for the sponsor. All tickets and all VIP tables are payable at the time of reservation.

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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 #3360 was Wayne Wunningham.** See the Lodge Secretary for your dinner ticket.

Announcement



April 2	Social Night
April 6	Installation of Officers
April 8	Officer, House, & Trustee Meeting
April 9	Lodge Meeting
April 16	Social Night
April 20	Easter Sunday
April 22	New Member Orientation
April 23	Lodge Meeting & Initiation (Tuxedo)
April 25	Rib Night
April 30	Social Night

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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Gilroy, CA 95021-0488

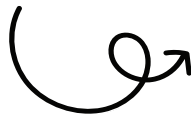
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Calls after 3:00 PM will
be returned the next
business day.

CURB APPEAL

Wow! For those members who have not come up to the Lodge recently you are in for a big surprise when you visit the Lodge. The landscaping project around the building improved the curb appeal of the Gilroy Lodge on the Hill, which is the home of the Gilroy Elks Lodge. This was not a small undertaking by member Larry Brager, but he displayed his landscaping experience, coupled with vision and expertise, to bring an enormous improvement to the curb appeal of the Lodge on the Hill. Lodge members and visitors who come to the Lodge and see Larry's work on the landscape can take pride in their Lodge. For his work, Exalted Ruler Angela Moore recognized his work and presented him with the Outstanding Elk Award.