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"Be An Elk Every Day"

As the 2018-2019 Association year begins I want to first thank each of you for your dedication to our programs, share my goals for the year and let you know what I have been up to in the last few weeks. I thank the Past State Presidents for their confidence in me to lead the organization and to you the members for your continuing support of our State Programs.

In May, right after the Annual Meeting, Deb and I attended the California-Hawaii Elks Association Meeting in San Diego. We had a great time, we got to get to know the Presidents and their wives from California, Nevada and Utah better and we learned of the progress made by their Associations in the past year and their work on their Major Project. We look forward to the Grand Lodge Convention in San Antonio and I am excited to be representing you.



You should have already received letters from me and the Association Vice Presidents about scheduling Official Visits. I want to take this opportunity to remind you that the visits are an important stepping stone for communication and are intended to be informative and helpful. We all look forward to working with you to strengthen local, district and state programs and to supporting individual lodges and the membership. I hope you will all respond promptly so that we can get all visits finalized in a timely manner.

Coming up this month is the Flag Day Program mandated by Grand Lodge that was initiated by our Order. I look forward to you sending me photographs of your local event so that we can post this good promotional information on our website. As we all know, we need to make sure we are not a "best kept secret". This program also helps us keep our promise to our Veterans that we will not forget their service.

As you see on the banner above, my Motto for the coming year is "Be an Elk Every Day". This is to remind us as we go about our daily lives of the primary tenants of our Order of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. If we practice these tenants each day we will become stronger individually and as an organization. I know I can count on your support in getting out the word.

My challenges and goals for us are:

- 1.Growth in Membership last year you got us committed to +1 so my goal for each Lodge this year is +2. I am counting on you to see that we get this done.
- 2,Supporting our Lodges we are in the business of growing our Lodges and strengthening support to local communities.
- 3.Increasing support to the Elks National Foundation to \$10.00 per member.

A tidbit from the Elks Magazine Archive. In the June 1922 edition of the Elks Magazine an editorial reported that "There seemed to be a rather widespread belief among Elks that when they pay their lodge dues they are making a contribution to the Elks National Foundation." The editorial went on to say that nothing could be farther from the truth. In 1922 the Elks National Foundation was 35 years old. That makes it 131 years old now. If you are not a giving member to the Foundation now is the best time to become a part of it.

We have a lot of work to do together I know I can count on your help and support.

Fraternally, Mike Murphy AEA President



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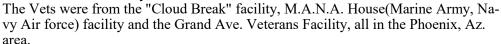
Sun City Elks Treat Vets to First Bowling Event

It was a noisy April 22,2018, with all those bowling balls being lofted through the air and landing with a resounding thud, but no one noticed the noise, only the fun.

The occasion was the first of three bowling events that Sun City Elks lodge #2559 plans for our local Vets.

On this day, twenty nine(29) Vets from three local veterans facilities were invited to participate in the event, which was held at the Sun City rec. center on 99th. Ave.

and Bell Rd. in Sun City, Az.



The Vets were treated to three games of bowling, rental shoes, sub sandwiches, sodas and snacks.

Several of the Vets had never bowled before, while others had not bowled for several years accounting for the thunder heard on the lanes, but still, others were quite respectable bowlers, one even having an average near 200.

It was evident however, that every participant was having a great time.

Two more bowling events are planned for the Vets, one in the fall and one at Christmas, when each Vet will receive numerous gifts including shoes, socks, underwear, gloves, etc.

Picture Caption: (viewed from left to right)

Randy Roberts, Army and director of the Grand Ave. Village Veterans Facility; Gary Drumheller, Army Vet, Sun City Elks Member and Elks Arizona State Veterans Chairman; Keven Robinson, Navy, (rear) Michele Brown, (spouse); Trevor Brown, Navy, house supervisor to the "Cloud Break" facility; Bryan Phipps, Army, (rear, in blue shirt) and Walter Sanders, Army and house supervisor for M.A.N.A. House.

Val Bianchini, Vets P.R. coordinator for Sun City Elks Lodge #2559,

Catalina Mountain Food Bank Donation



Catalina Mountain Elks Lodge #2815 used two Grand Lodge grants to purchase 4,558 pounds of food for the IMPACT of Southern Arizona food bank. Under the leadership of Catalina Mountain Elks Community Activities Coordinator Jan Trudeau, 30 lodge members assembled and delivered over 400 bags of food to IMPACT. The food will be distributed in May to underprivileged families in addition to their regular food allotment. IMPACT of SoAZ serves less fortunate

families in SE Pinal County, Catalina, Oro Valley, Vail and surrounding communities. It is one of the primary charities that Catalina Mountain Elks Lodge supports

Article and photo submitted by Pat Cox, Public Relations Chair

Sierra Vista Elks Project Graduation Check Presentation

On Thursday, 26 April 2018, the Sierra Vista Elks Lodge #2065 presented the Buena High School Project Graduation Coordinators, Dennis Bielicki, Dee Foster, and Jessica Gatman with \$3500 worth of donations in support of the Buena High School Project Graduation. Checks were presented by; Dave Dean PER - \$2500 Gratitude Grant check from the Elks National Foundation,

Brenda Davis - \$500 check from Sierra Vista Elks Lodge Bingo Committee, and

Maureen Concodora- \$500 check from The Sierra Vista Elks Lodge # 2065 Auxiliary.



Project Graduation Check Presentation: Back row Left to right: Harry Brown PER, Elk Lodge Co-Chairman Project Graduation; Brenda Davis, Elk Lodge Bingo Chairwoman; David Dean PER, Arizona Elk Association State ENF Chairman; Mike Ellingson PER, Elk Lodge Co-Chairman Project Graduation; Dennis Bielicki, Buena High School Project Graduation Coordinator; Ken Todd, Exalted Ruler Sierra Vista Elk Lodge; Front row: Maureen Concodora, President Sierra Vista Elks Auxiliary; Jessica Gatman, Buena High School Project Graduation Coordinator; Dee Foster, Buena High School Project Graduation Coordinator.

Article and photo submitted by Shawnee Carlile, Public Relations Chair

Arizona Elks Association Most Valuable Student



Dawson Brande, a senior at Fountain Hills High School, was awarded the Arizona Elks Association's Most Valuable Student Grant for \$1,550 to be used for his continuing education. This Grant was presented by Jody Knapp, Exalted Ruler of Fountain Hills Elks Lodge #2846 at their business meeting. Dawson was awarded this grant based on his scholar and leadership skills. He will be attending Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia where he will major in Biology.

Article and photo submitted by JoEllen Knapp

Lake Havasu 2399 Youth Activity Event

The Elks Youth Activity sponsored the "Elks Carnival" on Thursday April 26th for the Parks and recreation "After School program". The Aquatic Center gymnasium was filled with 325 children from grades K-6. There were 15 fun booth areas and 3 food stations. The Elks provided pizza and cold drinks and each child went home with gold-fish and various prizes. The Elks volunteers are listed below:

HR Radtke – Youth Activity Chairman
Julie Cameron – Monday Night Dance Club
Nancy Reynolds – Monday Night Dance Club
Lynne Hall – Monday Night Dance Club
Lynne Hoover – Monday Night Dance Club
Cheryl Lomeli – Monday Night Dance Club
Mike Lomeli – Monday Night Dance Club
Mike Arlowe – Elks Drug Awareness Chairman
Dianna Wright Elks Drug Awareness



Article and photo submitted by HR Radtke

Elks Mother's Day



Mother's Day at the Elks was well attended for the cooked-to-order breakfast with Champaign free to Mothers and only \$6 to others. Fowling at noon was the Mother's Day ceremony performed by the officers of the Lodge which was a fitting tribute to Mothers everywhere. From left are Lecturing Knight Stacey Bahner, Esquire Chris Maurer, Exalter Ruler Pat Kelly, Loyal Knight Susie Stillabower and Leading Knight Ray Lackey.

Article and Photo submitted by Terri Frear, Public Relations Chair

Family of a Veteran Aided by Sun City Elks

It seems that there is always a need for help where our Veterans are concerned and it also seems that the Sun City Elks are always ready to assist in that help.

The latest call for assistance reached the Sun City Elks on April 29.and as usual the Elks were quick to respond.

On May 1st, the Elks responded to a call for assistance by delivering a power wheel chair to Sue Siegal- Undreiner, mother of an Air Force Veteran, Rachel Undreiner.

Rachel was a Staff Sgt. in the Air Force for approximately seven years when she retired to go to school and further her education.

Rachel was offered a Scholarship to Loyola University in the medical care program and jumped at the chance.

Loyola University did not pick up the entire cost of Rachel's expenses, but enough where Rachel could enroll without going bankrupt.

Sue, Rachel's mother, works with Vets in local facilities and also on the national scene, she was confined to a wheel chair after a medical procedure that she claims went bad and the follow up care was less than adequate.

Regardless of the reason, Elk members are always ready to assist there community and did so in this case. Good luck to Rachel and her mother.

Picture caption:(starting on left as viewed)

Val Bianchini, Az. West District Veterans Chairman, Sue Siegal- Undreiner (in new power wheel chair) Gary Drumheller, Viet Nam Vet and Az. Elks State Veterans Chairman. Article and photo submitted by Val Bianchini, Elks Lodge Veterans P.R.,



Certificate of Appreciation



Casas Adobes Lodge #2663 in Tucson, AZ presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Sara Wright, Troop Leader of Brownie Troop #157, along with a check for \$100 to help with troop activities. The Certificate was presented to celebrate Youth Week on Thursday, May 3.

Pictured (L to R) are: Exalted Ruler Bruce C. Van Den Eng, Sara Wright and Allen Turner, lodge Youth Activities Chairman.

Article and photo submitted by Ira Cohen

Certificate of Recognition

Casas Adobes Lodge #2663 presented a Certificate of Recognition to national scholarship winner, Luke Sorenson at the Youth Activities celebration on May 3. Pictured with Luke are Exalted Ruler Bruce C. Van Den Eng, lodge Scholarship Chairman Gene Benevenia and lodge Youth Activities Chairman Allen Turner. Luke plans on attending Harvard University.

Article and photo submitted by Ira Cohen



What Is Memory Care and Greet?



Sun City Elks Lodge #2559 Memory Care Meet and Greet is a community outreach program that was developed by Ed McDonnell in late 2012 and became an official program supported by the Lodge January 2013. Volunteers visit facilities with Alzheimer's and dementia units and currently continues under a group of 8 dedicated Lodge Members who visit a facility every Friday morning joined by about 15 other volunteers who assist periodically according to the size of the facility. There are 26 facilities in Sun City, Sun City West, Peoria and Glendale who are currently on the program schedule and most are visited twice a year. This program is dedicated to bringing compan-

ionship, live or recorded music by Duane, a retired professional musician, drums and maracas for the residents to play, singing songs that are well remembered, demonstrating a wave drum simulating ocean waves rolling in on the beach, 3 therapy dogs and harmonica music by Ken. Birthdays in the month of the visit are celebrated with a card or corsage and lap robe for each and all veterans are recognized with a flag pin. Conversation with every resident giving each a stuffed animal is a core part of this program. The program ends with handing out stick flags, saying the "Pledge of Allegiance" and singing "God Bless America". All this brings smiles and laughter to residents if only for the moment. One of the largest facilities visited by this group was Choice Rehab, who offers mid to late stage dementia care, where we met with 62 residents! Pictured here are volunteers Marge Paulding, Samantha Loers, Casey Harris, Alice Greely, Kevin Loers, Claire Hudson, Ken Greely, Lorraine Gentile and John Stokes, leading the residents in "God Bless America". Volunteers leave their love with each and every resident.

Article and photo submitted by Submitted by Mary Stokes, Memory Care Meet and Greet Chairperson

Students of the Year

Elks honored Students of the Year at Mohave Accelerated Learning Center's graduating ceremony recently who are Hailee Nicole Banks and Jordan Parker Herbert. Congratulations.

Article and photo submitted by Terri Frear, Public Relations Chair.



The Red, White, & Blue is Always Prevalent with Sun City Elks



It was another beautiful sunny day in Arizona on Tuesday, May 8, 2018. But the beauty of that day was not reserved to the weather.

On that Tuesday, twenty-eight veterans, twelve WWII and sixteen Korean War Vets, were sent off to Washington D.C. on the Honor Flight Program.

Two of those WWII Vets and one Korean Vet are members of the Sun City Elks Lodge #2559.

Each Lodge member is escorted to Washington D.C. by a guardian from the Lodge. Each Vet is sent absolutely free of cost; the guardians have to pay their own way and are honored and pleased to do so.

To this day, Sun City Elks Lodge #2559 has sent thirtynine WWII Vets and approximately seventeen Korean War Vets on that memorial flight (over a period of seven years). The weather was beautiful that day but paled in comparison to the beauty of the smiles on each and every Vet making the trip.

There was camaraderie, fun, and snacks prior to take-off, but the smiles grew in intensity when the Vets were escorted to the gate of departure.

As the Vets were walking the concourse, a member of the Honor Flight Program announced the arrival of the Vets and began singing "God Bless America".

The throng of passengers quickly grasped the meaning of the recognition and responded with applause, whistles, back slapping, and probably most recognizable, tears in the eyes of the Vets and passengers alike.

If a person was present at the time and was not choked up with pride, that person had no soul.

God Bless our Vets, present and departed and God Bless America!

Picture Caption: (left to right as viewed)

(Guardians in blue shirts, WWII and Korean War Vets in gold shirts)

John

McConnell, Vietnam Navy Vet; Gil Phelps, Navy WWII Vet and Army Korean War Vet; Gary Drumheller, Sun City Lodge Veterans Chairman and Elks State Veterans Chairman; Ben Grepin, USAF Korean War Vet; Nick Christians, Army Korean War Vet; Don Tabacchi, Navy WWII Vet; Holly Bannon, USAF Vietnam Vet; and Hal Whitaker, Merchant Marine WWII Vet and Navy Korean War Vet.

Article and photo submitted by Val Bianchini, Elks Lodge PR Chairman,

Elks Officers for 2018-2019



Fountain Hills Elks Lodge #2846 begins its new business year. Open on Tuesday and Friday evenings plus special events like Kentucky Derby Day, Flag Day and Patriot's Day. Information can be obtained at the Lodge at 16766 Parkview #103 on either of these evenings. As you look at the picture from Left to Right are the officers for the Fountain Hills Elks Lodge: Vito Logozzo, Glorene Anderson, Elaine Pameditis, Roger Wade, Gail Walton, Steve Peterson, Jon Knapp, Jody Knapp, Linda Killinen, and Cindy Backus. Not pictured is Mike Modrak, Billy Pageau, and Baylee Allsop. All of the Elks welcome all of you interested in becoming members.

Article and photo submitted by JoEllen Knapp

Sun City Elks Honor Students

On Monday, May 7, 2018, Sun City Elks Lodge #2559 again celebrated the accomplishments of our local youth, during its annual Youth Appreciation Night Dinner Program.

On that night, Scholars and sports figures received recognition with a personal certificate of accomplishment, a gift card, or a scholarship to the school of their choice.

The program, which lasted for approximately two hours, provided a dinner for the students and their families, and awards in their particular field of excellence. More than 200 students and parents attended.





Awards were given to students in various grades for their creations in a "Drug Awareness Poster Contest", a "Patriotic Speech Contest", and a "Drug Awareness Essay Contest". All contests were directed to making the students aware of the hazards of addictive substances including alcohol. The "Patriotic Speech Contest" was just that, a tribute to our amazing country.

Winners of the Elks Lodge's "Hoop Shoot" and "Soccer Shoot" programs were also recognized for their athletic abilities.

To close out the evening, awards were given to twenty-four (24) "Students of the Month" and finally, scholarships of \$1500 each were presented to twenty-five (25) graduating seniors from twelve (12) local high schools.

Four of those scholarship winners-Phillip Varney, Justin Ferris, Briana Muňoz, and Lauren Malovic-were additionally recognized by the Elks State Organization and were awarded additional scholarships from the state Elks Organization. Our local youth have been recognized by the Sun City Elks for more than twenty-five years, the exact number is not known as most Elk members have not been with the Lodge longer than that and no archive was ever maintained. What is known, however; is that the Sun City Elks endeavor to aid their community in any way possible, from the youth as mentioned, through our many veterans, up to and including those remembered in our Memory Care program. Picture captions: (viewed left to right)

Picture #1: Sid Palmer, Lodge President; Lauren Malovic; Briana Muňoz; Justin Ferris; and Phillip Varney Picture #2: Students receiving a \$1500 scholarship each from Sun City Elks Lodge #2559 Standing from far left in blue jacket is Sid Palmer, Elks Lodge President, to the far right is Mike Kleving, Elk Youth Chairman Article and photo submitted by Val Bianchini, Elks PR Chairman,

Havasu Lodge 2399 Elks Country Dancers donation

The Elks Country Dancer's donated \$300 to Interagency Council. The money will be used to provide services to families in the community that qualify for assistance.

Pictured from left to right: Julie Cameron – Elks Country Dancer, Kathy Dolan – Interagency, Nancy Reynolds – Elks Country Dancer

Article and photo submitted by HR Radke



Ajo #1576- Youth/Scholarship



Scholarship Chair Lynn O'Connor had the great joy & honor of presenting this year for the first time ever, four local Lodge Scholarships. They were awarded as follows: Gloria Mariscal received the \$1000.00 Queen of Hearts Scholarship. Christopher Gilmartin and Nikki Sanora each received \$1000.00 Bingo scholarships. And the \$1000.00 Jack Steele Scholarship went to Constance Middleton, who was unable to attend because of her work schedule. The Seniors selected all not only had great grades, but they modeled our Elk values and principles with community service & character.

Article and photo submitted by Shalimar Haas, Exalted Ruler

Catalina Mountain Youth Awards







Catalina Mountain Elks Lodge honored students at a celebration marking Elks National Youth Week in May. Youth Activities Coordinator Lisa Chavez organized the youth awards program and acted as master of ceremonies. The guest speaker was Lieutenant John Teachout of the Oro Valley Police Department.

Three outstanding high school seniors were awarded \$1,550 scholarships from the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks National Foundation. Catalina Mountain Elks Scholarship Chairman Roger Mastro presented the awards to Max Atkinson, Pusch Ridge Christian Academy; Terry Parish, Basis Oro Valley Charter School; and Ryland Phipps, Arizona Connection Academy. The scholarship recipients plan to attend the following institutions: University of Arizona, University of Alabama, and University of Arizona Honors College, respectively. The scholarships are awarded to top high school graduates across the country based upon their academic achievements, leadership skills, extracurricular activities, and their participation in community services.

Six students from Coronado Middle School in Catalina were the winners of the Catalina Mountain Elks Americanism Essay Contest. This year's theme was "Why Our Veterans Are America's Heroes." Yiena Cotal, Emily Stillwaugh, and Valarie Maynard were selected from the 5th and 6th grade division; Jude Ginther, Landon Hampton, and Julie Lewelling were selected from the 7th and 8th grade. The students were presented certificates by Lodge Americanism Coordinator Al Peterson.

Pictured are (from left) ER Bob Kielsa, Max Atkinson, Ryland Phipps, Terry Parish, Scholarship Chairman Roger Mastro

Pictured are (from left) ER Bob Kielsa, Lucy Suddath, Yiena Cotal, Valerie Maynard, Emily Stillwaugh, Americanism Coordinator Al Peterson.

Pictured are (from left) ER Bob Kielsa, Lucy Suddath, Julie Lewelling, Jude Ginther, Landon Hampton, Americanism Coordinator Al Peterson.

Article and photos submitted by Pat Cox Public Relations Chair.

Day At The Races



A day at the races at "Emerald Downs" an Auxiliary event, proved to be a very good time and very successful. There were six races leading up to the main race and the betting was in full swing all afternoon. We first started with a pot luck at which Hot Dogs were the main course. The jockeys lined up in starting positions ready for the bell. "And there off" hollered the race announcer Joyce Frank. After the race Joyce interviewed the winning jockey, Bert Odsen who rode Up-Up & Away in the fourth. And the big



winner in the sweepstakes was Les Clavir aboard "Italian Stallion" which paid 50 to 1 in *funny money*. Shown are riders in the last race Jerry Smith on Rat Pack; Terri Frear atop Full O'Blarney; Les Clavir on Italian Stallion; Ron Russell riding Foolish Fancy; Bert Odsen on Up-Up & Away; and Fay Stamper on Two Buck Chuck. And then the bidding began! So many great items to bid on and the *funny money* goes a long way.

Article and photo submitted by Terri Frear, Public Relations Chair

Ajo #1576- Veterans/ Memorial Day

Replacing the flags is an annual tradition that Lodge members, as well as others from the community gather to complete. Our Lodge then receives all worn out flags for proper disposal in a Retirement Ceremony, which occurs after our annual Flag Day Service in June which the community comes out to see. One big circle in our small town.

Pictured -Two of our Ajo Elks-who just happen to be Quartermaster Mike MacFarlane and Commander Danny Galvez of VFW Post 3578 with the 240 flags they received in an effort to mark as many Veterans' graves as possible this year for Memorial Day.

Article and photo submitted by Shali Haas, Exalted Ruler



Drug Awareness Poster Contest



"Samantha Lavely, a student at Nautilus Elementary School in Lake Havasu City, was awarded first place by the Arizona Elks Association in the Elks Drug Awareness Poster Contest for 2017-2018. Samantha's poster was selected from entries from more than 40 Elks Lodges throughout the state of Arizona. Pictured are from left: Elks Lodge Drug Awareness Chair Mike Arlowe, Nautilus teacher Chelsea Anderson and Nautilus Principal Roger Burger with Samantha Lavely in front."

Article and photo submitted by Jacqueline Turcotte Public Relations Chair.

Elks Honor Students Of The Year









Bullhead City Elks was pleased to honor six seniors as Student of the Year at three high school's award ceremony. From Mohave Accelerated Learning Center are Hailee Banks & Jordan Herbert (ER Pat Kelly presented) and from Mohave High School, Daniel Vega and Erika Magana. An Arizona Elks scholarship went to Carrisa Salamatin for \$1,550. From River Valley High School are Evin Celzo and Salamatin Rain. Congratulations to all.

Article and photos submitted by Terri Frear, Public Relations Chair.

Lake Havasu Lodge 2399 donation

The Elks Youth Activities donated \$300 to the Lake Havasu Museum Children's Summer program. The Smithsonian has a traveling exhibit "Waterways", which begins to move around the state this summer. Our museum has been chosen as one of the sites and the museum is trying to set up some displays and activities leading up to that..

Pictured left to right:HR Radtke – Youth Activities Chairman, Jenny Anderson – Museum volunteer, Dick Anderson – Museum Volunteer

Article and picture submitted by HR Radtke Youth Activities



Catalina Mountain Receives Flag from Students



Wilson Elementary School students were so impressed with *The Wall That Heals*, a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. that they wanted to thank the community volunteers who made the exhibition possible in Oro Valley. The students created an American flag with their handprints that included thank-you messages and presented it to Bring the Wall Board members, Dan Bradshaw, Gloria Cisneros, Lisa Chavez, Bob Kielsa, Larry and Mimi Wittenborn, who are also Catalina Mountain Elks Lodge members. The flag was presented to the lodge as part of the Flag Day ceremony.

Pictured (from left) are Lisa Chavez and Dan Bradshaw.

Article and photo submitted by Pat Cox, Public Relations Chair.

Volunteer of the Year For Veterans



The Yuma Elks Exalted Ruler Ed Kromer received the distinction of being named the Volunteer of the Year for Veterans. The presentation was made at the annual Elks convention in Tempe. Pictured from left: National Veterans Service Chairman Gary Drumheller, Kromer, Joanna Kromer, and Elk State President Jim Casacchia.

Article and photo submitted by John Fuller.

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