



Palo Alto Elks Lodge #1471

Exalted Ruler's Message

By Krista Kobeski

Happy October Elks!

I'm endlessly grateful that you all keep saying yes to the wonderfully out of the box events and activities that we've been dreaming up at the Lodge these past months. You show up, you have fun, you bring your friends, and then you give generously to our charities. That's exactly what makes our Lodge so very special. October is another busy month for us, with a Ladies Brunch headlining the show on October 11th, crafting events for adults & kids alike, a calendar of recurring events, and our perennial favorite "Trunk or Treat" happening at the end of the month.

The many investments that we have made in ensuring the Lodge is a vibrant and welcoming place were graciously noted during the visitation of our District Deputy, Jeff Sanchez, during his visit to Palo Alto last month. None of the narrative that we were able to share would have been possible without the dedication of our Lodge volunteers. I am so deeply thankful for everyone who has stepped up to support a Lodge initiative or charity need over the past months. We have such a wonderful story to share thanks to your selfless support.

The success and continuity of our Lodge relies heavily on the volunteers who are investing in our programs, charities and community building. I hope that you will consider joining us on Wednesday, October 21st for a casual informational session on volunteer opportunities at the Lodge. As we look forward to the years to come, it is critical that we build our committees out, bring new faces into the fold, and all find ways to contribute to the programs that our Lodge holds dear. Light refreshments will be provided. If you've ever thought "I should get more involved," please consider this your invitation to learn about both big and small ways that you can help in our shared success.

If you're looking for an immediate and easy way to give back to the communities we serve, this month we are running an "Our Bar, Their Stars" campaign, which is designed to help the Lodge raise funds to cover the costs of our next Veterans Dinner. These quarterly dinners bring patients from the Palo Alto VA to the Lodge for an evening of good food, great conversation, and a break from their day to day treatment. Providing experiences like our quarterly veterans dinner help us to hold true to our pledge: "So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them." Small stars can be purchased for \$1, and large stars can be purchased for \$5 in the bar during open hours. We hope that you'll swing by this month, enjoy a dinner at the Lodge, and support this important initiative.

As always, a depth of gratitude from my side for your membership, feedback, and participation in everything that makes our Lodge such a special place to be.

OCTOBER LODGE EVENTS

- 2nd **Mahjong Madness** 3-6:00
- 3rd **Elks Scholars Day** 1-5:00
- 4th **Marshmallow Bldg Contest** 3-5:00
- 4th **Sunday Football** 12-9:00
- 5th **Monday Night Football** 5-9:00
- 8th Lodge Meeting at 7:00
- 9th **Family Movie Night: Hocus Pocus**
- 10th 6:30-8:30 (In the Bistro)
- 9th **Mahjong Madness** 3-6:00
- 10th **Cornhole Tournament** 3-6:00
- 11th **Diva's of the Elks Brunch** 11-2:00
- 11th **Sunday Football** 12-9:00
- 12th **Monday Night Football** 5-9:00
- 12th House Committee Meeting at 6:00
- 13th Trustee Meeting at 6:00
- 14th **Bridge Night** 3-6:00
- 14th Investigation Meeting at 6:00
- 15th **Lantern Making** 5:30-8:00
- 16th **Mahjong Madness** 3-6:00
- 18th **Boo Bag Bash** 3-6:00
- 18th **Sunday Football** 12-9:00
- 19th **Monday Night Football** 5-9:00
- 19th **Book Club:** at 7:00 (In the Bistro)
- 20th **Unfinished Craft Night** 6-9:00
- 21st **Volunteer Fair** 7-8:00
- 21st Orientation Meeting at 6:30
- 22nd Lodge Meeting, Initiation at 7:00
- 23rd **Mahjong Madness** 3-6:00
- 25th **Trunk or Treat** 1-4:00
- 25th **Sunday Football** 12-9:00
- 26th **Monday Night Football** 5-9:00
- 26th House Committee Meeting at 7:00
- 27th Trustee Meeting at 7:00
- 28th **Bridge Night** 3-5:00
- 28th **"Silver Screening"** Casablanca 2-4:00



Lodge Officers 2026-2027

Exalted Ruler.....Krista Kobeski
(krista.kobeski@paloaltoelks.org)
Leading Knight.....Vacant
Loyal Knight.....Geoff Williamson
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Board of Trustees

1 Year Trustee.....April Heron
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(varun.g@paloaltoelks.org)
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4 Year Trustee.....John Harrington
(john.harrington@paloaltoelks.org)
5 Year Trustee.....Suresh Nair
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House Committee

Krista Kobeski, ER
Gayle McDowell, Chairwoman
Sarah Parks
Arundhati Ranganath
Geoff Williamson

**House Committee Member's
Group Email Address:**
house@paloaltoelks.org

Upcoming Lodge Events



PALO ALTO
ELKS LODGE

Trunk or Treat

October 25 | 1:00-4:00 pm



Pumpkin Carving & More

Lawn | 4249 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, CA 94306

paloaltoelks.org





**CALLING ALL LADIES
OF THE ELKS**

Divas' Brunch



**\$40 per person
BRUNCH
Two Mimosas
Included**

**Sunday,
October 11
11 am - 2 pm**

**Music, Sing-A-Longs, and
all the gals together for
one over the top Brunch.**



**Suggested Attire:
An Iconic Pop Star Look
or Dazzling Glam**



PALO ALTO ELKS
CORNHOLE
TOURNAMENT
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

TOURNAMENT AT 3

GRAB A PARTNER AND COMPETE FOR PRIZES!

BENEFITTING THE COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

PALO ALTO ELKS LODGE GAMES BEGIN - 3:00 PM

\$25 PER TEAM

CASH PRIZES FOR TOP TEAMS

THIS EVENT BENEFITS THE COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY IN MT. VIEW WORKING ON THE SUPPORT OF HOUSING ISSUES, IMMIGRATION ISSUES, AND THE NEEDS OF SENIOR CITIZENS.

FOR MORE DETAILS: WWW.PALOALTOELKS.COM/RSVP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
3:00 - 6:00 PM
BOO BAG BASH

JOIN US AT THE LODGE TO MAKE YOUR OWN CUSTOM TRICK OR TREAT CANVAS BAG \$10 PER PERSON

MOVIE NIGHT
CALLING ALL WITCHES, GHOULS AND MEMBERS!
Friday October 9
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM
BISTRO
HOCUS POCUS



Casablanca
JOIN US FOR MOVIE SCREENING
2:00 PM
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28
LOCATION
CARD ROOM

SILVER SCREENING



Palo Alto Elks Lodge #1471 Presents:

Unfinished Craft Night

bring your unfinished crafts!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2026
6:00 PM



ALL CRAFTS WELCOME! SPECIALITY COCKTAILS AVAILABLE

MARSHMALLOW-BUILDING

Contest

May the best family win



Marshmallow Mayhem

4th October BALL ROOM Start At 3:00PM



Light Up the Lodge: PAPER LANTERN Making Craft Night

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15TH
5:30 - 800 PM

\$10 PER PERSON INCLUDES ALL MATERIALS TO MAKE YOUR OWN PAPER LANTERN



BISTRO
4249 EL CAMINO REAL
PALO ALTO, CA 94306

NFL MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

WATCH • CHEER • EAT



PALO ALTO ELKS LODGE

OCTOBER 5, 12, 19, 26

PATIO
4249 EL CAMINO REAL,
PALO ALTO, CA 94306 | BAR



October Birthdays



It's your special day, and we're ready to celebrate in style! Join us at the Jolly Corks Bar during your birthday month and let us treat you to a free drink on the house! Just flash your membership card to our friendly staff, and they'll take care of the rest.

Let's raise a glass to you and the amazing year ahead! See you at the Jolly Corks Bar for some birthday fun!

Kay Atchison-Ferguson
Fred Bajada
James Barrett
Laura Birss
Julius Boyd
Stacy Brown-Philpot
Yo Chen
Ashutosh Chohan
Cindy Chung
Dan Curran
Jimmy Doan
Toby Emerson
Kevin Feldis
Allison Fry
Cassandra Gencarella
Ron Goularte
Kevin Gross
Daniel Guhr
Kathleen Hall
Joel Harris
Morgan Ho
Jerry Hsu

Robert Insley
David Keefer
Julie Kim
Kenneth Klassen
Avinash Kumar
Anner Kushnir
Andrew Laffoon
Chris Leahy
Moshe Looks
Martin Lopez
Amelia Akers Martin
James Mattis
Jim Mc Connell
Timothy McCrone
Gayle McDowell
Tom Mc Govern
Geoffrey Mershon
Frank Mills
Peter Moulds
Ravi Mulani
Karna Nisewaner
Rod Norville, PER

Jeff Osorio
Robert Parham
Richard Peery
Cynthia Reis
Joseph Reynolds
Pattie Rotondo
Ingrid Rulifson
Jennifer Salcman
Jason Sanborn
Rosaleen Schwob
Prerna Sehrawat
Chris Smith
Patrick Smith
Tiffany Stensager
Timothy Stitt
Anthony Trevino
Kim Venaas
John Verhulp
Frank White
Melissa Wilson



BISTRO



Dinner Specials
Wednesday-Friday
5pm-8pm



Fall LODGE HOURS

Lodge Hours
Monday-Sunday (6am-9pm)

Lodge Office Hours
Monday-Friday (12-4pm)

Elks Application Drop Offs
Monday-Friday (12-4pm)

Jolly Corks Members Bar
Monday-Saturday (4-9pm)
Sunday (12-9pm)

Bistro Kitchen (inside)

Mon: (Limited Menu)

Tue: Spaghetti Night (4-8pm)

Wed-Sat: Full Menu (4-8pm)

Wed-Fri: Dinner Specials (5-8pm)

Sunday: Full Menu (12-8pm)

Gym & Racquetball Hours

Monday-Sunday (6am-9pm)

Pool Hours

Monday-Sunday (6am-9pm)

Lap Swim (6am-11am)

Open Swim (11am-9pm)

Billiard Room Hours

Everyday (4-9pm)

Pool Tiki Bar Hours

Closed for the Winter



PALO ALTO
ELKS LODGE

OCTOBER DINNER SPECIALS MENU

SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1

FISH & CHIPS

\$22

SERVED WITH HOUSEMADE TARTAR SAUCE & COLESLAW

OCTOBER 7-9

CLASSIC BOEUF BOURGUIGNON

\$32

SERVED WITH CREAMY MASHED POTATOES AND ROASTED CARROTS.

OCTOBER 14-16

CHICKEN PARMESAN

\$25

CRISPY PARMESAN-CRUSTED CHICKEN BREAST TOPPED WITH RICH MARINARA, MELTED MOZZARELLA AND FRESH BASIL. SERVED OVER GARLIC BUTTER LINGUINE WITH ROASTED BROCCOLINI.

OCTOBER 21-23

PAN-SEARED SALMON WITH BUTTERNUT SQUASH RISOTTO

\$24

PERFECTLY SEARED SALMON SERVED OVER CREAMY ROASTED BUTTERNUT SQUASH RISOTTO, ACCOMPANIED BY LEMON-ROASTED ASPARAGUS.

OCTOBER 28-30

MAPLE BOURBON-GLAZED PORK CHOP

\$29

A JUICY PORK CHOP GLAZED WITH A RICH MAPLE BOURBON REDUCTION, SERVED WITH WHIPPED SWEET POTATO PURÉE AND ROASTED BRUSSELS SPROUTS WITH APPLEWOOD-SMOKED BACON.

ADDITIONS: BACON - \$4 ADD FRESH FRUIT CUP TO ANY BRUNCH ENTRÉE - \$4

ALL ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO SALES TAX





MVS SCHOLARS SERVICE DAY

Bay Area Elks Most Valuable Student Scholars are coming together for a day of service, community, and fun at the Palo Alto Elks Lodge. Join us as we roll up our sleeves and give back to the communities that we support.



VOLUNTEER FAIR

& LODGE
COMMITTEE
INFORMATIONAL
SESSION

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

- 7:00 - 8:00 PM
- LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

JOIN US!

LEARN ABOUT LODGE
COMMITTEES

BECOMING AN OFFICER

AND WAYS TO VOLUNTEER TO
SUPPORT THE LODGE

CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS ASSOCIATION

2026-2027 LEARNING SEMINAR SERIES

A DAY OF LEARNING HOLLISTER

Learn. Connect. Strengthen your lodge.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2027
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Hollister Elks Lodge #1436
351 Astro Dr., Hollister, CA 95023

FREE EVENT • EVERYONE IS WELCOME
Officers, members, spouses and staff are invited!

EXPAND YOUR KNOWLEDGE

- Human Resources
- Officer Training
- Public Relations
- Youth Activities
- Major Project
- How to Get Officers
- Ritual
- Annual Budgeting & Overhead Expenses
- And more!

SCAN FOR SEMINAR DETAILS
chea-elks.org/learningseminars

Questions? Contact Ted Talbot
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OUR BAR THEIR STARS

\$1 SMALL STARS
\$5 LARGE STARS

PROCEEDS WILL GO TO SPONSOR
THE NEXT VETERANS DINNER AND
PARTICIPATING MEMBERS' NAMES
WILL BE DISPLAYED IN OUR BAR



CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS ASSOCIATION

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America



Welcome New Members

On behalf of the entire Palo Alto Elks Lodge, I'd like to give a warm welcome to our newest members! We're thrilled to have you as part of our lodge.

Please don't hesitate to introduce yourselves to any member you see around the lodge. We're a friendly bunch, and we're always excited to meet new faces.

Tips for New/All Members

- Attend Lodge meetings (2nd and 4th Thursday of the month)
- Sponsor a New Member
- Become a Volunteer, join a committee
- Attend Lodge Social Events, get to know our community

Guest Fee Structure

For the 2026-27 Membership Year athletic guest fees will be \$20.00 per adult. This fee is in place for both non-athletic members and guests of the lodge. Every adult guest pass will include complimentary access for up to two children. A \$5.00 fee will apply for any additional children visiting as guests of the lodge.



Warmly Welcoming New Faces



MAHJONG MADNESS
Party

EVERY FRIDAY
IN THE CARD ROOM

3PM - 6PM

READY TO DIVE INTO THE MAGICAL WORLD
OF MAHJONG OR ALREADY A SEASONED
PRO? THIS NIGHT IS YOUR GOLDEN TICKET!

PALOALTOELKS.ORG

Palo Alto Elks Lodge Presents

BRIDGE NIGHT!

EVERY
2ND
WEDNESDAY
4PM - 7PM

SHUFFLE UP
AND JOIN US!

Join us in the Bistro for
an afternoon of cards,
including Bridge! All skill
levels welcome, come
enjoy cards, laughter,
and friendly competition
with friends and
fellow Elks!

Bring a
friend!

RSVP: paloaltoelks.org

BOOK CLUB

THE ROAD TO TENDER HEARTS

Love reading? Join our book club for lively discussions, new friendships, and unforgettable literary journeys! Whether you're a bibliophile or just starting your reading adventure, all are welcome!

NEXT MEETING: October 19th at 7:00 pm
in the Bistro at Palo Alto Elks Lodge



 **Proposed Members**
Applications have been received from the following:

Name	Occupation	Proposer
Jolynn Andrakis	Retired	Julie Kearney #14799
Dennis Arnow	Engineer	Trudi Wallick-Horrocks #15140
David Bisbee	Teacher	Julie Kearney #14799
Janice Bohman	Retired	April Heron #13542
Michael Chen	Marketing	Ryan Fisher #14458
Joanna Evans	LMFT	Gayle McDowell #14575
Adrian Flanagan	Electronic Engineer	Reena Tumber #15080
Lihong Hicken	Entrepreneur	Gayle McDowell #14575
Mary Ann Peters	Retired	Stephanie Tranz #13525
Micaela Salas Silva	Registered Nurse	ER Krista Kobeski #14802





Oct Lodge Meetings

Lodge Meetings 7:00 pm
Thursday, Oct 8th & 22nd

House Committee 6:00 pm
Monday, Oct 12th & 26th

Board of Trustees 6:00 pm
Tuesday, Oct 13th & 27th

Spangler Mortuary

Los Altos

399 San Antonio Rd.
(650) 948-6619
License #927

Mountain View

799 Castro St.
(650) 967-5546
License #579

Sunnyvale

174 N. Sunnyvale Avenue
(408) 736-6294
License #910

Membership Box Score

Members as of April 1, 2026.....	729
Initiated.....	42
Affiliated.....	1
Reinstated.....	9
Total Added.....	52
Non-Payment of Dues.....	19
Transfer Dimits.....	1
Absolute Dimits.....	0
Deaths.....	1
Total Lost.....	21
Members as of August 31, 2026.....	760
Gain.....	31

NFL SUNDAY

SUNDAY FOOTBALL AT
THE LODGE

GAME DAY

Join us on the patio

Full Bistro Menu
12:00 - 8:00

Bar Open
12:00 - 9:00

COME REPRESENT YOUR TEAM
OR JUST COME AND HANG OUT
WITH FRIENDS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OCTOBER				1 <i>Dinner Special</i> Fish & Chips with Housemade Tartar Sauce & Coleslaw 5-8:00	2 Mahjong 3-6:00 <i>Dinner Special</i> Fish & Chips with Housemade Tartar Sauce & Coleslaw 5-8:00	3 <i>Elks Scholars Day</i> 1:00-5:00
4 Marshmallow Bldg Contest 3-5:00 Sunday Football 12-9:00pm	5 Monday Night Football 5-9:00	6 Spaghetti Night 4-8:00 Trustee Meeting at 6:00	7 <i>Dinner Special</i> Boeuf Bourguignon 5-8:00	8 <i>Dinner Special</i> Boeuf Bourguignon 5-8:00 Lodge Meeting at 7:00	9 Mahjong 3-6 <i>Dinner Special</i> Boeuf Bourguignon 5-8:00 Family Movie Night: Hocus Pocus 6:30-8:30	10 Cornhole Tournament 3-6:00
11 Diva's of the Elks Brunch 11-2:00pm Sunday Football 12-9:00pm	12 Monday Night Football 5-9:00 HC Meeting at 6:00	13 Spaghetti Night 4-8:00 Trustee Meeting at 6:00	14 Bridge Night 3-6:00 <i>Dinner Special</i> Chicken Parmesan Garlic Linguini 5-8:00 Investigation Mtg at 6:00	15 <i>Dinner Special</i> Chicken Parmesan Garlic Linguini 5-8:00 Paper Lantern Making Craft Night 5:30-8:00	16 Mahjong 3-6 <i>Dinner Special</i> Chicken Parmesan Garlic Linguini 5-8:00	17
18 Sunday Football on the Patio 12-9:00pm Big Boo Bash 3-6:00	19 Monday Night Football 5-9:00 Book Club: The Road to Tender Hearts at 7:00	20 Spaghetti Night 4-8:00 Unfinished Craft Night 6:00	21 <i>Dinner Special</i> Pan-Seared Salmon with Butternut Squash Risotto 5-8:00 Orientation Meeting at 6:30 Volunteer Fair 7-8:00	22 <i>Dinner Special</i> Pan-Seared Salmon with Butternut Squash Risotto 5-8:00 Lodge Meeting, Initiation at 7:00	23 Mahjong 3-6 <i>Dinner Special</i> Pan-Seared Salmon with Butternut Squash Risotto 5-8:00	24
25 Sunday Football 12-9:00pm Trunk or Treat 1-4:00	26 Monday Night Football 5-9:00 HC Meeting at 7:00	27 Spaghetti Night 4-8:00 Trustee Meeting at 6:00	28 Bridge Night 3-5 <i>Dinner Special</i> Maple Bourbon Glazed Pork Chops 5-8:00 "Silver Screening" Casablanca 2-4:00	29 <i>Dinner Special</i> Maple Bourbon Glazed Pork Chops 5-8:00	30 Mahjong 3-6 <i>Dinner Special</i> Maple Bourbon Glazed Pork Chops 5-8:00	31 Halloween

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