



SAN FRANCISCO ELKS LODGE #3

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# THE FOGHORN



The recognition of Flag Day was lobbied for by the Elks and officially recognized by Harry S. Truman, himself an Elk, in 1950. He attended the celebration of Flag Day that year in San Francisco, with an Elks-sponsored ceremony in Golden Gate Park. That coincided with the San Francisco Elks partnering with Ft. Miley to do an annual event for our veterans. For over 60 years, the San Francisco Elks lodge has celebrated Flag Day at Ft. Miley and this year was no exception. This years event was held on June 3rd in coordination with **Steve Walsh** and the Sea Scouts. Over a dozen Elks and friends participated and our Lodge Esquire **Laurie DiNatale** sang God Bless America for the veterans. The ceremony was held after which the members presented all the veterans with American Flags. I speak for many in saying that the gratitude expressed to our volunteers by the veterans at Ft. Miley can often be quite moving, and it is a reason why so many of our volunteers return year after year. Special thanks go out to **Wes Rudoj** for organizing this year's ceremony.

# Letter from the Exalted Ruler

Summer is off to a great start at the San Francisco Elks lodge. We celebrated Flag Day at Ft. Miley with a ceremony in conjunction with the Sea Scouts on June 3rd. At the request of the VA, they asked that we not have a barbeque but rather stage an event that not only had a ceremony but engaged the veterans in a more direct manner. **Laurie DiNatale's** rendition of God Bless America while the veterans sang along with her was particularly moving. After the ceremony, we circulated through the hospital and presented the veterans with small American flags. Having participated in several events at the VA, this was the first time I personally interacted with the veterans beyond serving them food and I was grateful for the opportunity to meet and spend some time with these extraordinary individuals.

This month we revived the monthly pasta night with **Stephanie Long** leading the effort. Over \$300 was raised for the Sea Scouts and our members were treated to some delicious lasagna. We look forward to this monthly event in July. Our Blood Drive this year succeeded in getting over 60 donations on June 21st under the guidance of new chair **Raul Francisco** and his volunteers. Our congratulations and we look forward to expanding his success on the next one. Our new AVP **Lyle Personette** will be visiting our lodge on July 7th. All are welcome to join and if you are here, please give him a warm welcome from our Lodge. We look forward his having a successful year and we will support him in any way we can. The National Elks Convention is in Reno this year July 16-19. If you want to meet Elks from across the US it's not a long drive and accommodations are pretty cheap. Finally, we are making a Lodge outing on Thursday August 17th to AT&T Park to see the Giants and Phillies. It might not be a pennant race anymore but it will be a fun night out.

As I have said before, when spending time in our amazing facilities and enjoying the company of

our lodge members, it's easy to forget the rich history of our lodge and the 140+ years of service to our community. Our veterans events, youth activities and charity events not only put a face to our Lodge but expose potential new members to our organization as well as providing an opportunity to work with your fellow members. It's a

chance to put ego and discord aside and work together towards a common goal. Even the most menial tasks are rewarding and fun when they are selfless. There are a lot of things we don't all agree on, but we can come together on Charity and supporting our common community. We have more events coming through the end of the year and I look forward to seeing many more of you volunteering behind the scenes.

We have many organizations that we contribute to but we have an opportunity to really make a difference for some of our local charities and organizations. While a contribution of a thousand dollars is just a number to a large charity, it could make a huge impact to an organization that operates on a budget of a few thousand dollars a year. If you know of a worthy cause, bring that information to the House Committee or the Lodge Floor. This is what Elks are about. Let's make a visible difference and our community a better place.

May each of us represent our lodge with the virtues of our order, Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. May we also carry those virtues into our communities to bring awareness of all the good things Elks do.



Guillaume Gassuan  
Exalted Ruler

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Exalted Ruler



Lodge #3 presents  
a fundraiser for Veterans Services

# Pasta Night

July 12



\$10 gets you lasagna, salad,  
garlic bread, and dessert  
(carnivore and vegetarian options)

**Every 2nd Wednesday  
of the month 6:30-8:30pm**

*Volunteers contact Stephanie Long at  
stephanieL66@gmail.com*

Coming August 17



Elks Night at AT&T Park

## Summer Trivia



## Game

Saturdays during July & August to Benefit Veterans.

Come in and play trivia with your Brother and Sister Elks in the Lounge!

Each correct answer gets an entry in the raffle!

The raffle will be held the last on Saturday, August 26.

Check it out!

## Amazon.com Smile Program

Do you order from Amazon.com? I am sure just about everyone has used Amazon at one time or another... We are all increasingly ordering online and the biggest supplier by far is Amazon. But, did you know that by doing your online shopping through SMILE.AMAZON.COM (<https://smile.amazon.com>), your purchase AUTOMATICALLY makes a donation to the charity of your choice? I do. And my charity choice has been Elks National Foundation. While I am not responsible for all of it, I see that ENF has this year received \$2,349.26 from Amazon as of the end of November. And Amazon has donated \$37,903,623.82 to all of the charities designated by their online shoppers. CHEMPI is also available as a choice for Amazon donations. It's so easy. All you need to do is bookmark the following link in your browser "<http://smile.amazon.com/>" and use it when you shop Amazon. So, sign up and pass this information on to someone else, too. I can't think of a simpler, easier way to support our charities.

*Thanks to Verna Eisen and Wayne D. Wilson from the Northwest District for this information; please pass it on.*

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can be donated back to the Purple Pig!

Search for "California-Hawaii Elks Major Project Inc" in the Charity Box, that's all it takes.



# July Birthdays

- 2 Bruce Bell
- 2 Michael Fogarty
- 2 Alexander Tanguay
- 3 William Jessee
- 4 Jeffrey Kakoda
- 4 Dennis McLaughlin
- 4 Anthony Rios
- 5 Slim Harris
- 5 Rodolfo Iniguez
- 6 Gordon Ludwick
- 6 Michael O'Connor
- 6 James Sherwood
- 7 Frank Cuffe
- 7 Thomas Hoffman
- 7 Corey Lesh
- 7 Tony Perez-Banuet
- 7 Gregory Russie
- 8 Heather Howard
- 8 Vincent Milano
- 9 Todd Tripany
- 10 Lloyd Knight
- 10 Kirk Miller
- 10 Spencer O'Meara
- 10 Ron Sciandri
- 10 Paul Svetcoff
- 11 Merv Silberberg
- 11 Dennis Ulatowski
- 11 Fritz Wall

- 13 Maureen Collins-Schroder
- 13 Glenn Gallien
- 13 Ted Martin
- 13 Aaron Presbrey
- 13 Thomas Ryan
- 14 Dean Doherty
- 14 Joseph Springer
- 16 Stephen Cornell
- 16 Timothy Hanrahan
- 16 Michael Menesini
- 17 Paula Sonduck
- 18 Katherine Favograro
- 18 Mary Mack
- 18 Thomas Madland
- 18 Bruce Rizzo
- 18 Marissa Styles
- 19 Tim Leptich
- 21 Kasey Ochs
- 21 Michael Simenstad
- 21 Heather Taylor



- 22 Cynthia Predock
- 22 Hugh Thacher
- 23 James Bruen
- 23 Ben Calvin
- 23 Ruth Saunders
- 23 Cybil Silberman
- 24 John King
- 24 Ansel Magee
- 25 James O'Connor
- 26 Mati Otsmaa
- 28 Robert Dingman
- 28 Chinsoo Kim
- 29 Kevin Duffy
- 29 Sean Makarin
- 29 Jason O'Hara
- 29 Floyd Stone
- 30 Robert Henkels
- 30 Kevin Hooks
- 30 Harry Magnan
- 30 Gregory Rougeau
- 30 Judith Strebel
- 30 Carey Suckow



# Traveling Around Elkdom



Laurie DiNatale, Lynne Painter, Christine Merrigan, Vera Obaid, Sammy Obaid, and Deborah Brown visiting Alameda Lodge #1015

Show your Lodge #3 spirit!

Send in a photo of yourself wearing your Lodge #3 T-shirt while visiting another lodge.

Please submit pictures to: [newsletter@sfelks.org](mailto:newsletter@sfelks.org)

## California-Hawaii Elks Association Board of Trustees

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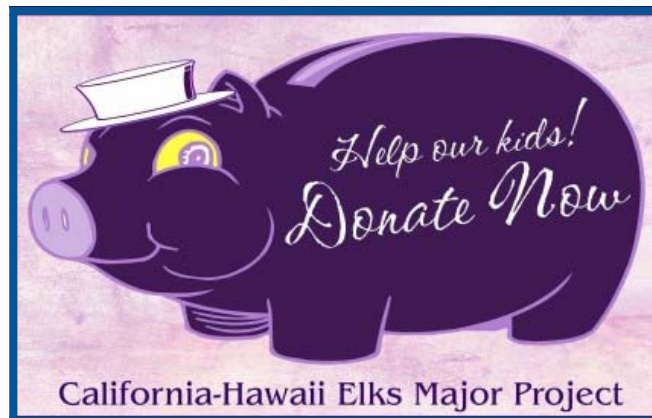
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# Elk T-Shirts Can Be Yours!

Come by the Lounge and pick up your very own Lodge #3 T-Shirt for the low price of \$20!!!



All shirt sales go to fund the CHEA Purple Pig Project

# Break Time

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HOOP SHOOT

EXALTED RULER

PURPLE PIG

GRAND LODGE

VETERANS

## Solutions for June

### WORD JUMBLE

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LAFG DYA **F L A G** **D A Y**  
LYLJO SORCK **J O L L Y** **C O R K S**  
DYILIEFT **F I D E L I T Y**  
LAOYL GIKHTN **L O Y A L** **K N I G H T**  
SNMIRMAAICE **A M E R I C A N I S M**

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### WORD SEARCH

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Answers will be provided in the August edition.



# San Francisco Lodge #3

450 Post Street

San Francisco, CA 94102-1526

Office: (415) 421-5230

Lounge: (415) 421-5230

## Lounge Hours

Monday to Friday	11:00am-9:00pm
Saturday & Sunday	11:00am-4:00pm

## Catering by Moxie's

Lunch Monday to Friday	12:00pm-3:00pm
Friday Night Dinner	5:30pm-9:00pm

## Gym Hours

Monday to Friday	6:00am-10:00pm
Saturday & Sunday	7:00am-9:00pm

## 2017-2018 Officers

Lodge Meetings 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month @7pm

Exalted Ruler	Guillaume Gassuan
Leading Knight	Todd Moreno, PER
Loyal Knight	Sean Millis
Lecturing Knight	Sammy Obaid
Secretary	Vera Obaid
Treasurer	Tony Graf
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Chaplain	Albert Paras
Inner Guard	Rhonda Giannini
Grand Lodge Alternate	Tim Shea

## House Committee

Meet on the 2nd Thursday of the Month @6pm

**Chairperson:** Todd Moreno, PER

**Members:** Guillaume Gassuan, Vera Obaid, Sean Millis, Debora Brown, John Seeley, Mark Schachern, Dan Fitzpatrick, and Ed Burns

## Building Association

Meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the Month @7pm

**Chairperson:** Dan Fitzpatrick

**Members:** Michael Day, Deborah Brown, Gregory Rougeau, Todd Moreno—PER, Sean Sakarin, Ed Burns, Mark Schachern, John Seeley, Vera Obaid, Tony Graf, and Sammy Obaid

## Board of Trustees

Meet on the 3rd Thursday of the Month @6pm

**Chairperson:** Deborah Brown

**Members:** Dan Fitzpatrick, Ed Burns, John Seeley, and Mark Schachern

## Committee Chairs

Audit & Accounting: Lynne Painter

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