



August 2026 Bulletin

Palo Alto Elks Lodge #1471
A Member of the California Hawaii Elks Association - West Central District

Exalted Ruler's Message

By Krista Kobeski

There are some months that remind you what makes the Elks so very special, and July was definitely one of them.

The Lodge was so full of life last month. Whether you came to the Lodge for The World Cup, Trivia, Cornhole, the Charity Concert Series, the Cardboard Regatta, or just stopped by for dinner and ended up staying longer than you planned, thank you for making July such an incredible month.

We're not done yet!

One of the things I've heard recently is how much everyone has enjoyed seeing new events on the calendar. That has been the goal all along. My top priority is to make the Lodge a place where there's always something happening and where everyone can find something they enjoy. Some ideas will become annual traditions, some will evolve, and we'll probably have a few that flop. That's okay too! We'll keep trying new things because that's how we figure out what makes our community excited to come together to gather and support our fraternal obligations and charities.

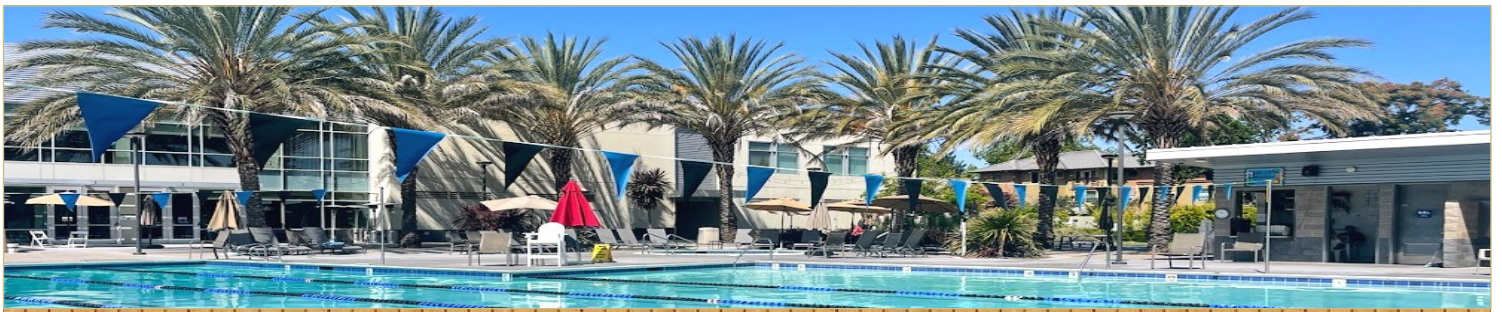
August is another month packed with opportunities to join the fun. We have more than twenty unique events planned outside of our standing calendar this month, and we hope you'll join us for the ones that excite you! I am most excited to be welcoming Bay Area favorites Autocorrect & Charged Particles to the Lodge for more live music as we raise money for the Purple Pig. Monday nights continue with our Splash-In Movies, we have BayFC & Valkyries watch parties, trivia & game nights, a book swap and much, much more.

As excited as I am about everything we're doing, I also want to ask for a favor. Every event you enjoy exists because someone volunteered. Right now, we're asking the same small group of people to do a lot, and I'd love to change that. If you've ever thought, "I should volunteer one of these days," this is your sign. You don't have to chair a committee or give up every weekend. Even helping for an hour at one event makes a real difference. The more people who pitch in, the more we can continue offering the kinds of events that have made this such a fun summer.

I feel so deeply grateful for the opportunity to serve alongside this community, and I can not wait to see what August brings for our Lodge.

August Events

- 1st **Neon Teen Night Swim** 8-11:00
- 7th **Mahjong Madness** 3-6:00
- 8th **Autocorrect** - Charity Concert 7-9:00
- 9th **Elks Book Swap** 12-4:00
- 10th House Committee Meeting at 6:00
- 10th **Splash in Movie, The Sound of Music** at 6:30
- 11th Trustee Meeting at 6:00
- 12th **Bridge Night** 4-7:00
- 13th **Thursday Night Flights** 6-8:00
- 13th Lodge Meeting at 7:00
- 14th **Mahjong Madness** 3- 6:00
- 14th **Bay FC Watch Party** - 7:00 Kick Off
- 15th **Adult Card Night** at 7:00
- 17th **Splash in Movie, The Princess Bride** at 6:30
- 19th **Valkyries Watch Party** 7:00 Tip Off
- 20th **Unfinished Craft Night** 7-9:00
- 21st **Mahjong Madness** 3-6:00
- 22nd **Kid's Karaoke Night** 6:30-8:30
- 24th House Committee Meeting at 6:00
- 24th **Splash in Movie, The Sandlot** 6:30
- 24th House Committee Meeting at 6:00
- 25th **Family Trivia Night** 6:00 -8:00
- 26th **Bridge Night** 4-7:00
- 27th Lodge Meeting, Initiation at 7:00
- 28th **Mahjong Madness** 3-6:00
- 28th **Adult Trivia Night** 7-9:00
- 29th **Cornhole Tournament** at 3:00
- 29th **Charged Particles Concert** 7-9:00
- 30th **Craft Cocktail Workshop** at 4:00
- 31st **Splash in Movie, Project Hail Mary** at 6:30



Lodge Officers 2026-2027

Exalted Ruler.....Krista Kobeski
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House Committee

Krista Kobeski, ER
Karen Fitzpatrick
Gayle McDowell
Sarah Parks
Geoff Williamson

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

Upcoming Lodge Events

**PALO ALTO ELKS
CORNHOLE
TOURNAMENT**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

**TOURNAMENT
AT 3**

**LIVE MUSIC TO
FOLLOW!**

**GRAB A
PARTNER AND
COMPETE FOR
PRIZES!**

RSVP:

**PALO ALTO ELKS LODGE
GAMES BEGIN - 3:00 PM**

**\$25 PER
TEAM**

**CASH PRIZES
FOR TOP TEAMS**

FUN, FRIENDLY COMPETITION, CHARITY FUNDRAISING!

FOR MORE DETAILS: WWW.PALOALTOELKS.COM/RSVP



AUTOCORRECT

AUGUST 8, 2026

7:00 - 9:00 PM

LIVE MUSIC @ THE ELKS

\$10 TICKETS

RAFFLE AVAILABLE

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

**RAISING FUNDS FOR
THE PURPLE PIG**

WWW.PALOALTOELKS.ORG/RSVP

4249 EL CAMINO REAL - PALO ALTO



THURSDAY NIGHT FLIGHTS

RSVP highly recommended

JOIN US FOR A TASTE OF HAWAII! A SPECIALTY PAIRING OF TROPICAL COCKTAILS & HAWAIIAN SAVORY TREATS.

Thursday August 13, 2026

6:00 - 8:00

Palo Alto Elks Lodge

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

THE PALO ALTO ELKS LODGE PRESENTS:

CHARGED PARTICLES

LIVE MUSIC - \$15
AUGUST 29 - 7 TO 9 PM

4249 El Camino Real, Palo Alto

VALKYRIES WATCH PARTY

GOLDEN STATE VALKYRIES VS MINNESOTA LYNX

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 19

7:00 PM TIP OFF

JOIN US AT THE LODGE TO CHEER ON THE GOLDEN STATE VALKYRIES AS THEY TAKE ON THE MINNESOTA LYNX. DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR BEST PURPLE GEAR!



August 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!

1st Terri Cambouris
1st Mary O'Kicki
1st Matthew Skrabo
2nd Anna Chwang
3rd Umesh Maharaj
3rd John Zoglin
4th Kevin Beedon
5th Stephen Schmidt
6th Tony Lim
6th Erica Mansfield
7th Jed Beyer
8th Jasmine Dhaliwal
8th Robert Lutge
9th Mary Daniels
9th Jacqueline Jew
9th Mark Wagner
11th Danielle Lanthier
12th Laren Becker
12th Sarah Bolin
12th Chris Loops
13th Vanessa Trigub
14th Paul Erickson
14th Brian McCormick

14th Phillip Tomac
14th Alexander Vorontsov
15th Gerard Bessette
15th Christopher Renz
15th Bonnie Waters
16th Kenneth Nordin
16th James O'Brien
16th Michael Smith
17th Ryan Hopkins
17th Kristin MacLaren-Abbott
18th Mark Duller
20th Aarthi Belani
20th Wei Wei Wang
21st James Hugo
21st Jamie Leighton
21st Michael Newman
21st Scott Sampson
21st Karen Tarter
22nd Maria Gagan
22nd Jeff Pisani
23rd Robert Reiners
23rd Jason Schendel
23rd Jennifer Siddeek

23rd Zubin Vandrevalla
24th Brandon Chan
24th Larry Melillo
25th Michael Chudzik
25th Marie Dexter
25th Ward Thomas
25th Susanna Wen
26th Ann Carney
26th Eamon Gaffney
27th C. Hossellman
28th Joshua Bruce
28th Stephen Cary
28th David Collins
28th Bindu Kadiam
29th Anand Dhulipala
29th Jill Paldi
29th Mira Zaslove
30th Gregory Christainsen
31st James Hoffman
31st Richard Lutton
31st Jane Garvey
31st Andrew Kjos
31st Chris Ortiz



BISTRO



Dinner Specials
Wednesday-Friday
5pm-8pm



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
Everyday (12-9pm)

Bistro Kitchen (inside)
Everyday (12-8pm)
Dinner Specials Wed - Fri (5-8pm)

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
Every Saturday (12-5pm)

July Lodge Events



Check Donation



Grand Lodge MVS Reps,
ENF Staff & ER Krista Kobeski



Unfinished Craft Night



Cardboard Regatta



World Cup Final



Food Drive - Food Only



Out of Office - Charity Concert



Family Trivia Night

Palo Alto
Elks Lodge

Adult



TRIVIA

Night



FRIDAY
AUGUST
28



7:00 -
9:00
PM

Compete for prizes, have some fun, and show off your smarts! Bring your friends and your brain power for an unforgettable night of trivia.

FUN GAMES - BIG PRIZES - DRINKS



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ELKS BOOK SWAP

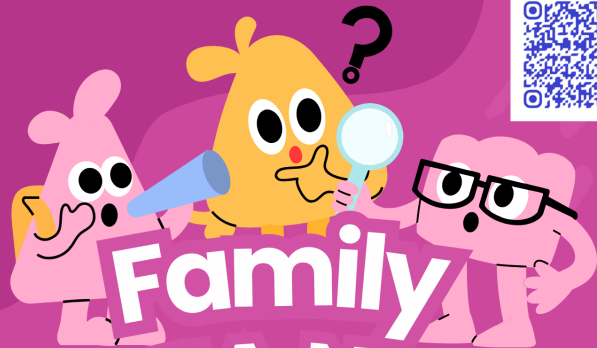
DONATE YOUR BOOKS TODAY
IN THE MAIN OFFICE



- \$10 PER TICKET
- THREE BOOKS PER TICKET
- ADDITIONAL BOOKS \$2 EACH
- NET PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR LOCAL CHARITY FUND

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH

12:00 - 4:00 PM



Family TRIVIA NIGHT

Trivia questions will be geared toward ages 4th grade and up, but all family members are welcome to participate.

FREE TO PARTICIPATE
PRIZES FOR WINNING TEAMS
MEMBERS & GUESTS ONLY

AUGUST 25TH 6:00 - 8:00 PM

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The Palo Alto Elks Lodge
Presents:

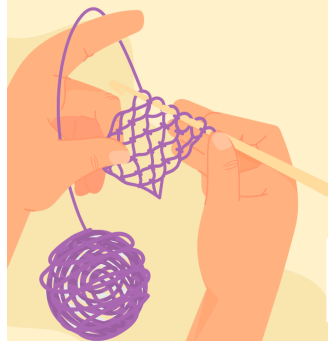
Unfinished Craft Night

Bring your unfinished projects to the Lodge, grab a specialty knitting-themed cocktail, and finish your projects in good company

Knitting, scrapbooking, painting, sewing and more!

All works-in-progress are welcome.

Adult Members & Guests Welcome



August 20
6 to 9 pm
paloaltoelks.org/rsvp



Craft Cocktail Workshop

PALO ALTO ELKS
BALLROOM

4PM



30

AUG

BAY FC WATCH PARTY

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH



BAY FC

VS



UTAH
ROYALS



7:00 PM KICKOFF

Join us on the Patio

SPLASH-IN MOVIE MOANA

AUGUST 1
6:30 PM

Elks Pool

4249 El Camino Real, Palo
Alto, CA 94306

SPLASH-IN MOVIE THE SOUND OF MUSIC Monday, August 10th



Elks Pool
6:30 pm



Splash-in Movie Night

THE PRINCESS
BRIDE

MONDAY, AUGUST 17
6:00 PM

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



SPLASH-IN
MOVIE NIGHT

The Sandlot

24 AUGUST
6:00 PM

POOL | 4249 EL CAMINO REAL,
PALO ALTO, CA 94306



SPLASH-IN MOVIE NIGHT PROJECT HAIL MARY

Join us in the cool
of the pool to
enjoy Project Hail
Mary!

31 AUGUST
STARTS AT 6 PM



Bring
a blanket
and/or
floatie

Pool | 4249 El Camino Real, CA 94306

Sing Your Favorite Songs &
Hang Out with Friends



Don't miss out on
**KIDS
KARAOKE
NIGHT**



6:30-8:30 PM
SATURDAY
AUGUST 22

● UPSTAIRS CARDROOM | 4249 El Camino Real,
Palo Alto, CA 94306

The Palo Alto Elks Lodge
Presents



Adult Card Night



Skip-Bo

Five Crowns

Phase 10

AUGUST 15TH

7:00 PM

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Palo Alto Elks Eggs Lodge | Patio



EGG DROP

AUGUST 4 - 6:00 PM

JOIN US TO BUILD AN ELKS-
WORTHY EGG-CELENT
CONTRAPTION AND COMPETE TO
SEE WHOSE EGG CAN SURVIVE A
DROP FROM THE LODGE
ROOF. ALL AGES ARE WELCOME
TO COMPETE. MATERIALS WILL
BE PROVIDED.



NEON

Teen
Night
Swim

OPEN TO
MEMBERS &
FRIENDS

8 - 11 pm
**SATURDAY,
AUGUST 1**

AGES 13 - 20
ONLY

NO GUEST FEES



Elks National Foundation Scholarship Programs



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

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!

RSVP: paloaltoelks.org

**Bring a
friend!**

**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

West Central District

FAMILY PICNIC

Sponsored by the WCD PER Association

**Monterey Lodge #1285
150 Mar Vista Drive
Monterey, CA**

Directions



ADMISSION: Adults \$10 / Children under 12 \$5

FOOD • GAMES • PRIZES • SWIMMING POOL

Open to all Elk Members, their families and guests

SUNDAY AUGUST 23 • 11:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Call (831) -373-1285 to RSVP by 2:30 pm August 20

Proposed Members

Applications have been received from the following:

Name

Tom Bertron
David Casente
Ann Diederich
Hamid Farzaneh
James Lee
Ally Li
Lisa Richards
Kaitlin Stonum

Occupation

Investor
Teacher
Marketing
Consultant
Operations Mgr.
N/A
Attorney
Marketing Mgr.

Proposer

Greg Matson #13406
Bobby Bowes #N/A
Rebecca #Van Duyne 12926
Sina Farzaneh #15204
Julie Kearney #14799
Gayle McDowell #14575
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Jennifer Hawks #13613



August Lodge Meetings

Lodge Meetings 7:00 pm
Thursday, August 13th & 27th

House Committee 6:00 pm
Monday, August 10th & 24th

Board of Trustees 6:00 pm
Tuesday, August 11th & 25th

Spangler Mortuary

Los Altos **Mountain View**
 399 San Antonio Rd. 799 Castro St.
 (650) 948-6619 (650) 967-5546
 License #927 License #579

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

Membership Box Score

Members as of April 1, 2026.....	729
Initiated	28
Affiliated	1
Reinstated	9
Total Added	38
Non-Payment of Dues	19
Transfer Dimits	1
Absolute Dimits	0
Deaths	1
Total Lost	21
Members as of June 30, 2026.....	746
Gain	17

TEEN CARDS

Teen cards are available free of charge for any child of a member between the ages of 16 - 21 years old. Swing by the pool shack (10:30 am - 6:30 pm) or main office (12:00 pm - 4:00 pm) for an application if your child is in need of their own access card! A gentle reminder that card sharing is not permitted.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 <i>Splash in Movie, Moana</i> at 6:30 <i>Neon Teen Nite Swim</i> 8-11
2	3	4	5 <i>Dinner Special</i> Cajun Shrimp Boil 5-8:00	6 <i>Dinner Special</i> Cajun Shrimp Boil 5-8:00	7 Mahjong 3-6:00 <i>Dinner Special</i> Cajun Shrimp Boil 5-8:00	8 <i>Autocorrect Charity Concert</i> 7-9:00
9 Elks Book Swap 12-4:00	10 HC Mtg. at 6:00 <i>Splash in Movie, The Sound of Music</i> at 6:30	11 Trustee Meeting at 6:00	12 Bridge Night 4-7:00 <i>Dinner Special</i> Tacos Dorados 5-8:00	13 <i>Dinner Special</i> Tacos Dorados 5-8:00 Thursday Night Flights 6-8:00 Lodge Meeting, at 7:00	14 Mahjong 3-6 <i>Dinner Special</i> Tacos Dorados 5-8:00 Bay FC Watch Party 7:00 Kick Off	15 Adult Card Night at 7:00
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Palo Alto, CA 94306
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<http://PaloAltoElks.org>

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**August
Bulletin
Monthly #8
2026**



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Summer is here!
Join us at the Lodge