



CHISPA NUGGET



April 2024

**MONTHLY MEMBER DINNER
WEDNESDAY APRIL 3RD
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM**

We had a nice crowd at our March member dinner. I don't know how many members had guests but with 48 paid we probably had a few. Remember we are now allowed to bring guests to our member dinner so if you have a friend you have talked to that would like to attend please invite them so we can make sure the meals pay for themselves.

We will be having our usual steak with beans and a vegetable. The meal will have a salad which is self served before the meal. Please call in your reservation by Monday, April 1st with your name and the number in your party. Call 209-728-8902 or send an email to chispa139@sbcglobal.net

EXECUTIVE BOARD APRIL 17TH

We are going to have our executive board meeting and it will take place as always on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The meeting starts at 5:30 and all officers are expected to attend this meeting so please set this date aside and be there.

**NEXT PANCAKE BREAKFAST
SUNDAY APRIL 21ST**

Because the breakfast was held on Murphys Irish days weekend we expected a large crowd. All of us who worked were running around trying to keep up which we managed to do. At the end of the day we had served 220 meals which was a new record that surpassed the old record of 193 in December of last year.

Even though we had a lot of helpers at the end of the day everyone was exhausted. We decided that in the future we will have Alan Brown or someone else take all the orders and then announce whose order is now available. We are hoping that with this method we

will make sure everyone is served in the order in which the orders are placed. Alan will develop a sheet that shows all this.

When the orders are placed they are placed on the list and then Alan or whoever handles this process will place the orders with the kitchen when they are ready for each order. A key element of this process is that when the order is placed if the order requires biscuits and gravy the server should make sure that they pick up the biscuits and gravy and deliver it first knowing that the rest of the order will follow later.

As always we will be needing volunteers for the April breakfast and I will send a reminder during the week before the breakfast. Here are the volunteers from the March breakfast so I would like some new volunteers. March volunteers: Steve Ageno, Louie Clark, Glenn Berry, Bruce Ross, Tim Davis, Bert Abreo, Alan Brown, Rocky Chick, Bob Bates, Mike Cilenti, Gary Olsen, and Mark Davis. I hope to see more of you brothers attending this coming month.

**CORNERED BEEF AND CABBAGE
FRIDAY MARCH 17TH**

We had a nice crowd of 98 paid which was less than last year when we had 106 paid. As we have been doing lately each table had it own hors d'oeuvres plate so everyone could enjoy this starter without each going up and filling their own plate. This seems to be going well so we may continue setting it up this was.

When we expect a large crowd we draw a number and each table goes up when their table number is called. This means that when the next table is called the line from the last table is nearly completed. My complaint was that they called each table while the line from the previous table was still long. Maybe next time we will improve on that.

Before the meal was served all the tables had rolls on them. When you got to the table where they were serving your plate was filled with the cornered beef, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, and onions. For those who like horseradish it was available at the end of the serving line. I heard many people say how much they enjoyed the cornered beef. This shows that our chefs really know their business. I noticed that the tickets said there was dessert but to my surprise there

wasn't any dessert available.

After we all had finished our meal Glenn Berry drew the names of the raffle winners. Here are the lucky raffle prize winners:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Donation</u>
\$15	Michelle Franley	
\$25	Kara Blevins	
\$50	Steve Gonzales	\$50
\$75	Gene Deaver	\$35
\$100	Judy Bates	\$100

I want to thank everyone who participated in the raffle and all the guests who attended. I also want to thank those who donated back to the parlor.

**TRI-TIP SOCIAL
FRIDAY APRIL 19TH**

If you want to attend this dinner please call in by April 17th. Some of our meals are fairly flexible on the deadline for attending such as the cornered beef dinner. When we are ordering Tri-Tip we need to make sure we have an accurate count so make sure you have called in with the number in your party by the deadline.

I would like to have 3 or 4 guys show up at 4:00 PM to get the hall setup for the dinner. We are hoping that the Tri-Tip can be cooked in the barrel which enhances the flavor of this great meal. The cost will be \$20 and the doors open "officially" at 6:00 but if you arrive at 6:00 will see many people already seated. The salad will be available about 6:30 so each guest can wander over to the salad table and take as much salad as they want and put on one of the dressings of their choice.

I think that each table will have an hors d'oeuvre plate to snack on before the salad. About 7:00 PM or a little later the meal will be served. I don't need to give you all the details about the dinner but I am sure it will be some kind of starch and vegetables. We will be having our raffle with tickets being sold before and after the dinner. The bar will be open before the dinner is served and will be closed during the dinner.

After dinner we will be serving some kind of
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THE CHISPA NUGGET

April 2024

Aries March 21 - April 19 No matter what challenge or triumph they confront – an Aries has a wonderful ability to bounce back.

Taurus May 20 - May 20 Taureans like their creature comforts and hate change because it takes them out of their automatic pilot condition.

HONORED BROTHERS The senior brother for April is Eric Mackintosh who will be 86. Our 2 youngest brothers are JP Gutierrez and Brian Goss as both will be 43 in April. There is only an age difference of 43 years between the ages of our senior brother and our youngest.

As you can see from the list my birthday is in April so I know that I will be getting my free birthday libation. I hope all you other April brothers collect yours.

BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

1	John	Hacker
2	JP	Gutierrez
2	Thomas	Walsh
5	Ron	Sellick
7	Eugene	Deaver
8	Steve	Gonzales
9	Dave	Kingshill
9	Glenn	Plowman
11	Brian	Goss
13	Eric	Mackintosh
17	Tom	Kingshill
18	Ron	Rivera
21	Jan	Schulz
22	Bill	Mason
26	Patrick	Bebout
27	Bruce	Cavestri
28	Steve	LaJeunesse

dessert and I will let our chefs know that we all are expecting to find a dessert. When all the guests have finished eating the raffle chairman will be picking out the winners. Remember that the raffle helps support the parlor so let's all save up and buy your raffle tickets. I hope we get the usual good crowd for this special meal.

IRISH DAYS PARADE

We had a great crowd for the parade. I didn't participate because I was inside the hall collecting the \$10 for each sandwich. I got a list of all those who signed up for the parade but I am not sure who did show up. If any of you were in Murphys that day you know how crowded the street was.

I was told by some of those in the parade that it was so crowded they had to move closer together on the sides of the flag to get through. I know that both Jim Phelan and Ron Phelan had their sons march in the parade and we are hoping that some time in the future they will be joining their fathers and become Native Sons.

Here are the names: Tony Droubay, Howard Lyon, Dave Lazzari, Louie Clark, Alan Brown, Mike Vargas, Bob Bates, Bob Middleton, Jeff Vermillion, Jim Phelan, Ron Phelan, Zack Phelan, Tim Davis, Mike Walsh, and Steve Difu. I don't think I have ever seen that many guys on the flag.

IRISH DAYS SANDWICHES AND BAR

We opened the doors to the hall with the tables all set after the corned beef dinner the previous night. The bar started selling Irish coffee and bloody marys about 10:00am. It seemed like there was always someone lined up for their drinks. The bar did a good job of keeping up so there was never a big wait for anyone to get their drink.

I was at a table by the kitchen taking the money for the sandwiches. It was quite busy because we had Eric Mackintosh out in front of the parlor drumming up business. He must have done a great job because we had sold out our 146 sandwiches by 12:45. A neighbor of mine was with friends were in line just behind the person who bought the last sandwich. I waved to him and his wife to give them the bad news.

Here are the names that I remember helping with the bar and the sandwiches: Tom Kingshill, Eric Mackintosh, Bert Abreo, Bob Middleton, Tony Droubay, Dave Lazzari, Bruce Ross, Alan Brown, and Bob Bates. I didn't do a good job of getting all the names so if I forgot somebody I apologize.

CLEANUP AFTER EVENTS

As you are aware we are now cleaning up after our member dinners, our socials, and our pancake breakfasts. We are saving money by doing this so we have to get guys signed up that want to help at the function they attend. We will try to build a long list so this work is shared by more members. The next cleanup will be after the April 3rd member dinner. All the details of this will have to be worked out. If you attend we will ask for volunteers and start a list for future events.

DUES NOT YET PAID!

In the December Nugget when I first let everyone know that it was time to pay their 2024 dues of \$72. I mentioned that you create a lot of extra work for both Steve Ageno and myself. Well that is exactly what is happening. I have sent reminders in each Nugget since January but I guess those that haven't paid yet are not bothering to read the monthly newsletter.

We still have 31 out of 141 members who haven't paid. Steve is going to call all who haven't paid and if he can't get in touch by phone he will be mailing a notice that you are delinquent. If you haven't paid yet please send your check payable to N.S.G.W Chispa139. Send you check to: Chispa139, PO Box 151, Murphys, CA 95247-0151.

The March member dinner had 48 paid so that is a fairly decent number. Like the socials we start with a salad. The steak, beans, salad, and roll were very good and everyone enjoyed their entire meal. As we do at the socials we had snacks before the meal.

After the dinner Glenn Berry selected the 4 winners. Here are the winners of the 50/50.

Amount	Name	Donation
\$10	Eric Mackintosh	\$10
\$20	Mike Vargas	\$10
\$30	Gary Olsen	\$10
\$40	Mike Vargas	

I hope you all read about how good this meal is and you can come to the April member dinner. Every function you attend helps the parlor keep the doors open. Thanks to all who participated and those that donated.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS APRIL

- Mar 31 Easter Sunday
- Apr 3 NSGW Member dinner
- Apr 212 Executive Board Meeting—6:00
- Apr 19 Tri-Tip Social - 6:00
- Apr 21 Pancake Breakfast - 7:30-11:30

NSGW HALL IS FOR RENT

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