



CHISPA NUGGET



December 2024

MEMBER DINNER WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 4TH DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM

We will be having our meeting at 6:00PM so arrive before 6:00. The dinner will be available after the meeting.

We will be having our usual NY steak dinner with beans, a vegetable, and a salad and usually some deserts. Another reminder that we can now invite any number of guests (native Californians or NOT) and possibly recruit some new brothers to increase our membership. Two new earns you a belt buckle!

PLEASE call in by December 2nd and leave your name and the number in your party. We had a large crowd for November's meal; however, many brothers failed to call in their reservations?! If we have your reservation, you will be assured a meal. If not, you may still attend the meeting and enjoy a beverage, but we may not have enough provisions to provide you a meal (or have seats at a table) for your party). Please call **209) 728-8902**

If you have the time, you might want to show up about 4:30 to help with the setup for dinner. We will also appreciate a couple of volunteers to help with the cleanup that evening; we usually finish by about 8:30 PM.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 18TH

We will have our executive board meeting, as always, on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The meeting starts at 5:45; all officers are expected to attend this meeting. All members are also welcome to attend, so please set the date aside and be there! If you are considering becoming an officer (or perhaps a Trustee?) next year, check out the meeting format and let your intentions be known! We are also seeking Responsible Beverage Servers, RBS.

NEXT PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY DECEMBER 15TH

The November breakfast had a familiar crowd of 185 paid and 221 served (with reorders). Another breakfast that went smoothly because our customers came at a steady pace. We had the expected number of cooks which provided a smooth flow; although more volunteers and assistants are always welcome and appreciated!

Helpers for the November pancake breakfast included: Rocky Chick, Pat Davis, Bruce Ross, Mark Davis, Alan Brown, Glenn Berry, Louie Clark, Gary Olson, Tim Davis, Mike Cilenti, Ron Rivera, and Alan Brown. Plenty of servers; plenty of cooks, makes for a smooth operation for all!

Please let Ron Rivera know if you will be able to help. That way we will have an accurate count of who will be there. His email is:

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Tell one and all, friends and family, about the great deal at the Native Sons Hall on the third Sunday of every month. All you can eat for \$12 including fresh biscuits and gravy (with sausage bits), pancakes, scrambled eggs, link sausage, coffee or tea, hot cocoa and orange juice, and great community fellowship

This is a community family event with many returning regulars who enjoy the conversation as well as the breakfast. Invite yourself to partake of this bargain breakfast feast! Perhaps even a Mimosa or Bloody Mary at future pancake breakfast events?! Let any officer (including me) know your opinion about making alcoholic drinks available.

Veterans' Day Dinner

Our parlor, together with the Native Daughters of the Golden West from across Main Street here in Murphys, presented a tribute dinner free of charge to veterans and only \$15 for non-veterans. It was well-received by all who attended. Volunteers included: Burt Abreu, Pat Davis, Tony Drubay, Mark Davis, Alan Brown, Tim Davis, Ron Rivera, Glenn Berry, Mike Cilenti, Steve Ageno, and Howard Lyon.

Membership Dues

NSGW continues to wrestle with declining membership and the rising costs of operating. Grand Parlor operates on a fiscal year (July 1st through June 30th) and our Chispa Parlor #139 operates on a calendar year basis. Grand Parlor per capita charges will increase over 7.5%, draining over 77% of our parlor dues! Please expect a lively discussion about this at our Members meeting and dinner December 4th.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The next scheduled blood drive at Chispa #139 is planned for January This event should occur Monday, January 6th, 2025.

Summer drives will be at the Native Daughters' parlor (across Main Street from our parlor) during the hotter half of the year, since their parlor has air conditioning (required for the sake of preserving the donated blood).

Roll up your sleeve and get in the spirit!?! See you in 2025!!

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