



CHISPA NUGGET



January 2020

MONTHLY MEETING WEDNESDAY JANUARY 8TH DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM

Hopefully you will get this newsletter in time to let you know that because the first Wednesday is New Years day we have re-scheduled our member dinner to Wednesday January 8th. I hope we get a crowd like our December member dinner where we had 54 paid. It would be nice to start off the year with an even larger group.

We are keeping our price at \$15 hoping that a larger crowd will allow us to do this. **I would like to remind our officers that they are supposed to attend the meeting after the dinner and also let our members know that they should come to the meeting also.**

Why don't you come celebrate the new year with your Native Sons brothers? The door open at 6:00 PM with dinner served about 7:00 PM.

NEXT PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY JANUARY 19TH 7:30 - 11:30

We only had 81 at our December 15th breakfast. Not a large group but everyone seemed to enjoy their breakfast. In reviewing our 2019 pancake breakfasts I found that we averaged 90 guests per breakfast. If we can get more of our brothers to attend we can increase this average and also add more money to our needy bank account.

The breakfast was missing a couple of our regular helpers but the crew was Ron Rivera, Tim Davis, Mike Cilenti, Glenn Berry, Rocky Chick, Bowen Chick, Bert Abreo, and Bruce Ross. With the servers now handling the biscuits and gravy the kitchen can focus on the pancakes, eggs and sausage. In 2020 I would like to ask you brothers who haven't been to the breakfast to come around on the 3rd Sunday of the month and find out why we have so many regulars attend.

The pancakes are fluffy, the scrambled eggs are great and the sausage has a nice taste. I will always remind you that for \$7 you get all you can eat pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, orange juice, and coffee.

FRIENDS & FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20TH

The day began about 9 in the morning when the setup crew and the chefs showed up to get started. I arrived about 9:05 and the only thing left was setting up the chairs. The setup crew was Martin Davis, Bruce Ross, Tom Kingshill, Ron Rivera, Glenn Berry, Bob Hillis, Bill Schwoerer, and Bob Loeffler. Mary Kingshill got the cookies all set up. The Native Daughters put the decorations on the tables. The chefs were Rocky Chick and Bert Abreo who stayed at the hall from 9:00 until the party ended. They were given assistance by Bruce Ross. The servers were Rocky Chick, Bruce Ross, Alan Abreo, Dick Terry, Bowen Chick and Mike Cilenti.

Before the dinner Mary & Tom Kingshill and I walked around selling special "red" raffle tickets for the prizes and while we were doing this Glenn Berry was selling the "blue" 50/50 raffle tickets. After everyone settled in each table was called up to get their dinner. It must have been delicious because once the meals were served it was a lot quieter in the hall. Everyone I spoke to said the turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, yams, vegetables, cranberry sauce, rolls, and gravy were wonderful. The bar was tended by Hal Robinson He kept the libations flowing throughout the evening. After dinner people went to the cookie table and enjoyed all Native Daughters home made cookies and cupcakes.

After everyone had finished eating, the drawings began. In the past we had little paper bags to collect the tickets for the prizes that individuals wanted to win. This time I put the "red" tickets in a bucket and pulled them and we asked the winner to go and collect any prize that remained. We had a lot of prizes donated for a special raffle. I drew about 5 or 6 prize tickets and then we alternated with Glenn Berry pulling the blue tickets for the 50/50 raffle. I know that all the raffle prize winners enjoyed their win and it was fun to have 2 raffles for the evening. These are the winners of the 50/50 raffle and their winnings.

Amount	Name	Cleft Palate Donation
\$35	Nora Brown	\$10
\$65	Evelyn Betts	\$20
\$95	Sue Rivera	\$25
\$165	Marci Klass	

I want to thank all who participated in the raffles and thanks to those who donated back to Cleft Palate and the Historical Preservation Fund.

Special thanks to all of you who brought food as a donation to the Resource Connection Food Bank. I wasn't able to take the food to the Food Bank because they were closed until January 2nd. I will try to remember how much was donated and make a note in the next newsletter.

CRAB FEED FRIDAY JANUARY 17TH

We are having a crab feed this year. We will have pasta in addition to the crab so if you aren't a fan of crab you can come and enjoy the event with your friends. With the high price of crab we will be charging **\$40 or \$45 depending on the price of crab**. If you are having pasta only we will be charging \$10. To make reservations please call the hall at 728-8902. **Please call by Sunday, January 12th. If you haven't called in by the 12th you won't be able to attend.**

One important note with the high cost of crab we would like to ask that everyone who makes a reservation to please attend. If you make your reservation early and have to cancel please do. The doors open at 6:00 for this social and all socials. The crab and pasta dinner begins at 7:00. We will begin setting up the tables that afternoon at 3:30 PM. I hope a few of you can come and help with the setup. A our crab feed in January we only had 84 so I am hoping for a larger crowd this time.

LIFE LINE SCREENING JANUARY 27TH

We have been contacted by Life Line Screening and they are renting the Native Sons hall to provide screening for 5 possible health issues. The screenings are for carotid artery/plaque screening, heart rhythm screening, abdominal aortic aneurysm screening, peripheral arterial disease screening, and osteoporosis risk assessment. The cost of this service is \$139 for all 5 screenings. You must register for this checkup. There are 3 ways to register for this:

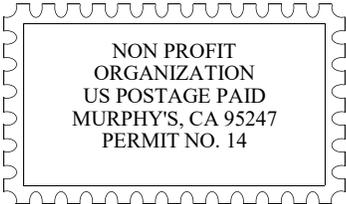
- 1 Call toll-free: 1-866-229-0469
- 2 Online: www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle
- 3 Text: the word **circle** to **797979**

Results will be provided in 21 days. They direct all participants with abnormal results to take the report to their physician. The Life Line Screening runs from 9:00AM to 4:00 PM.

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THE CHISPA NUGGET

December 2019

Capricorn December 22-January 19 Capricorns are borderline workaholics, this doesn't necessarily make them dull or gloomy.

Aquarius January 20-February 18 Aquarians are the most mysterious and unusual people-and no two are anything alike.

HONORED BROTHERS Our senior January birthday member is John Stewart who will turn 90. Our youngest brother in January is Dylan Smith who will be 25. The age difference is 65 years.

If we have all 14 birthday brothers show up at the member dinner to claim their free drink we will have the start of a very nice crowd.

BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

1	Chris	Rush
3	Jerry	Pezzi
5	John	Stewart
6	Ed	Boll
6	Tim	Folendorf
6	Dylan	Smith
10	Don	St. Claire
12	Bill	Eltringham
16	Jim	Phelan
18	Rodney	Petithomme
19	Steve	Ageno

24	Charles	Cuneo
26	Cecil	Miller, Sr.
31	Eric	Davis

2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES

You have all received your dues notice for the 2020 membership renewal. So now you know that the cost for 2020 is \$60. **As of December 29th we have received only 115 renewals out of our current membership of 175.** We would hope that all you brothers will renew your memberships for 2020 as quickly as possible. Every year we ask you to send in your membership dues as soon as you get the dues notice in the mail. With the cost of stamps at \$.55 the cost of sending out reminder notices gets very costly. Take a minute, take out your checkbook and send in your payment. If you are coming to the member dinner on January 8th just bring your payment with you.

Editors note: I am sad to report that we lost 2 of our brothers in the last month. Gerald, "Jerry", Nelson our Treasurer of several years passed on November 27th he was 76 years old. He has had several health problems in recent years. I didn't get any details on his passing but he will be missed by everyone. In addition to the Native Sons he was always busy especially with the Calaveras Wine Grape alliance. Jerry had been a member of the Native Sons for 13 years.

The other lost brother was Terry Hand. He was a past president of our parlor. Terry passed on December 4th. It came as a surprise but I couldn't get any details on his passing. Terry had been a member of the parlor for 6 years. He was 73 years old when he passed.

WHEN DO WE HAVE OUR EVENTS

People ask me to let them know the date for the next member dinner, social, or

pancake breakfast. I am including this note to let you know that we always have our member dinner on the 1st Wednesday of the month unless it falls on either New Years day or the 4th of July. Our socials are always on the 3rd Friday of the month except for the Cioppino feed which is held on the 3rd Saturday of February. We only have 11 socials a year because we don't have a social in November because of Thanksgiving. Our pancake breakfast is always on the 3rd Sunday of the month. To help you all you should mark your calendars and make as many of these events as you can. I hope this will bring more of you to our events.

DECEMBER MEMBER DINNER

We had 54 paid in December which is a nice crowd. We all enjoyed our dinner. Here are the 5 raffle winners and their winnings.

Amount	Name	Cleft Palate Donation
\$10	Rick Lytle	\$10
\$20	Joe Archambault	\$10
\$30	Brandon Broholm	\$10
\$40	Steve Gonzales	\$20
\$40	Gary Arosio	\$20

In addition to these 5 50/50 raffle winners Ryan Anderson won a bottle of wine with his ticket. Thanks to all who participated in our raffle. The raffle is one of the things that helps us build our bank account. The happy winners all donated to Cleft Palate and the Historical Preservation fund.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY

- Jan 1 New Years Day
- Jan 8 NSGW Member dinner
- Jan 17 Social Crab Feed
- Jan 19 NSGW Pancake Breakfast
- Jan 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Jan 27 Life Line Screening Native Sons Hall

NSGW HALL IS FOR RENT

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