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**KONA ELKS LODGE #2616 APRIL 2022 VOL43 ISSUE 4**

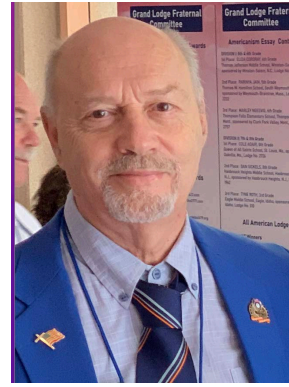




## THE VACANT CHAIR

*We shall meet, but we shall miss him,  
There will be the vacant chair,  
But though we no more possess him,  
Still our hearts his memory bear.  
But a while ago we gathered,  
Friendship beaming in each eye,  
Now the gold cord is severed,  
He has passed to realms on high.*

Message from the ER



**ANNE KALCIC**  
**STEVE GROGAN**  
**JAMES WOLFINGER**  
**GENE (BUCKY) LESLIE**

**AN ELK FOR 18 YEARS**  
**AN ELK FOR 29 YEARS**  
**AN ELK FOR 35 YEARS**  
**AN ELK FOR 3 YEARS**

On the eve of this new Elks year and reflecting on this past year and all that our lodge has accomplished in its new facility, I would like to give a special thanks to all officers and members who have stepped up to help us in constructing our new lodge home. Since so many members were involved, I won't list names for fear of leaving out someone who has contributed time, energy and donations to this endeavor. Be assured that in this coming year that my fellow officers and myself will be working hard behind the scenes to complete our goals relative to our new lodge.

It is tradition to make new year resolutions for the calendar year. It seems appropriate to make those for the new Elk year as well beginning on this Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Consider making a resolution to give a donation to Elks National Foundation and the California Hawaii Elks Major Project on a regular basis, say, monthly. It does not have to be a large amount. Like the small change that we put into the purple pigs, it accumulates into a significant amount over time. Consider joining one of our many committees that serve the Elks and the community. For example, we are still seeking someone to take over the government relations committee. If you are interested in any of these opportunities for our Elks charities or volunteering for a committee, please contact Nancy Albright at [nla@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:nla@hawaii.rr.com). As Nancy is fond of saying "if every single member did just one thing for the lodge on a regular basis, we could move mountains". It does not have to be complicated. Even just attending regular events at the lodge is helpful or donate to one of the local charities we support.

On a sadder note, we have recently lost four of our Kona Elks members (listed above). There will be a vacant chair ceremony for them on the next Thursday meeting, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend and if you knew any of these members, there will be opportunity for you to speak on their behalf.

At this same meeting there will be a floor vote to elect Michael Brown as a life member and Ron Cole to honorary life membership. Please attend and get involved if you are able.



NIKOLE JOHNSTON  
ESTEEMED LEADING  
KNIGHT

The results of our pig weigh-in are in. The winner of this event is Jeff Torado who had the heaviest of the five purple pigs that were turned in. The all-time record of seven pounds still stands. Additions to the 52 club include: Jeff Torado, Brenda Torado, and Lynda Tansey. Thank you all for participating. The next weigh-in will be at the end of May.



ANDY CHANG  
ESTEEMED LEADING  
KNIGHT

Thanks for everyone's support while we transition our lodge. We are working very hard to get our lodge up and running. Please be patient and thank you for your support.

In accordance with Section 14.160 of our statutes, 25 members have been dropped from membership for delinquent dues of one year. This actually is the lowest tally of dropped members in 22 years of records and also, represents the lowest percentage of members dropped in that time period. It's not just the number of members that a lodge has that matters. It is also the percentage of members that you hold onto (lapsation). Our current membership stands at 423 as of March 31. We look forward to a new Elks year and ask that members recruit as many new members as possible. Members are the lifeblood of the lodge. I want to give special recognition to Chris Olivera who brought in an entire family for membership. Now, that is amazing recruitment! Thanks to all our members and officers who have supported me in my role as secretary over the past year and especially to my husband, Carl. I will be moving on to the position of Esteemed lecturing Knight. Katherine Mikkelsen will become the new secretary. Please support her in the coming year.



SECRETARY  
TERRI THOMAS



# **WHAT THE HECK IS HAPPENING DOWN AT THE NEW KONA ELKS LODGE? COME SEE FOR YOURSELF! THEN ASK, "HOW MAY I HELP?"**

What Am I Able To Do? What Am I Able To Donate? Grab A Friend & Get Involved!  
Just A Few Minutes Or A Few Hours, Here And There, Make A Huge Difference!

## **Members' Lounge - Construction & Clean Up -**

**To help, Text or call Celeste or Nicole. Get on the text list. You'll be alerted when to help!**

1. Clean up construction debris in new bar area & new walk in cooler
3. Build & sheetrock a 25X10X8' storage cabinet above cooler.
4. Frame, sheetrock & paint a wall in front of raised storage cabinet.
5. Frame the wall of the 20 foot long bar, & build the bar top.
6. Build stonework divider wall and railings.
7. Hang three more large TV's & large American flags.
8. Prep walls & build base for Wainscoting & install metal Wainscoting.
9. Do Misc. Electrical work.
10. Clean up & haul away construction debris & old movie projectors from exterior of lodge.

## **Members' Lounge - Decorating & Organizing & Clean Up -**

**To Help, Text or Call Nicole (360-566-3002) or Celeste (808-990-3220)**

2. Hang remainder of black fabric on walls.
2. Hang three more huge American flags on walls.
3. Suspend lighting from ceiling.
4. Help set up tables, chairs, tablecloths, etc. for dinners; Sweep & mop floors, etc.
5. Take down Marlin & water heater from cafe & move to members' lounge.

## **Laundry Room- Construction - To Help, Text or Call Nicole ( 360-566-3002)**

1. Small amount of plumbing, plus patch drywall, paint, and install plastic wall board.

## **Center Theatre & Mauka Bay (To Help, Text or Call Celeste or Nicole)**

1. Repair & Re bolt damaged seats.
2. Misc. patches & painting
3. Clean out, Organize, Haul Trash, (Mauka Bay) & Prepare for 03/25 Garage Sale !!!!!

## **Kitchen Volunteers & Employees Needed!!!! To Help, Text or call Celeste or Nicole**

1. Member volunteer evening cooks, prep assistants, & servers.
2. **Cafe Paid Cooks (6:30am-1:30pm)**
3. Paid dishwashers, days & evenings! Know any students, retirees, or, anyone who wants to get out & be useful & earn some money & learn to use the new, large dishwasher?
4. **Urgently needed: Wednesday evening member volunteer cooks!!!** Prepare comfort food 1-4 Wednesdays per month, 4-12 mos. per year. E.g. meatloaf, beef stroganoff, pastrami sandwiches, clam chowder, or your favorites. Work solo or work with a small group of old (or new) friends!

## **Donations of Items Requested, Or Donate Money Toward Their Purchase**

1. Espresso machine
2. Coffee Grinder
3. Stainless Steel Table
4. Assortment of Table Cloths
5. Large Trash Bags & Plastic Ware
6. New, large dishwasher (already ordered)

## **Questions Or Suggestions? Text or Call Nancy (808-345-6487)**



# April

# 2022

EVENT DETAILS FOR APRIL WILL BE IN THE WEEKLY BLURBS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<sup>1</sup> FISH & CHIPS DINNER MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>2</sup> BAR OPEN BAR FOOD AVAILABLE
<sup>R13</sup> LODGE CLOSED	<sup>4</sup> HAMBURGER NIGHT <u>PER MEETING 3PM</u> MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>5</sup> MEXICAN DINNER NIGHT  COMEDY HOUR 5PM IN CAFE	<sup>6</sup> PASTA DINNER  MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>7</sup> BAR OPEN BAR FOOD AVAILABLE  <u>HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 7PM</u>	<sup>8</sup> STEAK OR FISH DINNER QUIET BIRDMEN MTTG. COMEDY IN THEATER MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>9</sup> ELKS MOVIE NIGHT IN THEATER FINGER FOOD AVAILABLE
<sup>10</sup> LODGE CLOSED	<sup>11</sup> HAMBURGER NIGHT MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>12</sup> MEXICAN DINNER NIGHT	<sup>13</sup> SALMON & RICE DINNER BY CHEFS CYNDEE & VICKI COMEDY IN THEATER MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>14</sup> LODGE ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING	<sup>15</sup> YACHT CLUB MTTG. BUFFET DINNER MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS PASSOVER BEGINS	<sup>16</sup> CARRIBEAN REGGAE NIGHT JERK CHICKEN AND COCONUT RICE Music by Lopaka Rootz
<sup>17</sup> LODGE CLOSED  EASTER	<sup>18</sup> HAMBURGER NIGHT MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS <u>BOD MEETING 7PM</u>	<sup>19</sup> MEXICAN DINNER NIGHT COMEDY HOUR 5PM IN CAFE	<sup>20</sup> POKER NIGHT FRIED CHICKEN DINNER  MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>21</sup> BAR OPEN BAR FOOD AVAILABLE <u>ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MTTG 7PM</u>	<sup>22</sup> FISH DINNER BY CHEFS DAVE & WINDI MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>23</sup> DISCO DANCE NIGHT & DINNER JOHNNY SHOT BAND
<sup>24</sup> LODGE CLOSED	<sup>25</sup> HAMBURGER NIGHT MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>26</sup> MEXICAN DINNER NIGHT	<sup>27</sup> MEAT LOAF BY CHEF CONRAD ROBLEDO MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>28</sup> LODGE ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING	<sup>29</sup> FISH & CHIPS DINNER MUSIC BY THE UNKOLS	<sup>30</sup> POOL TOURNAMENT  Burlesque show in theater Non-Elk event

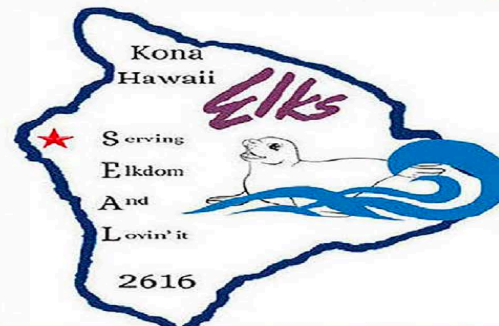




### KONA ELKS LODGE # 2616 OFFICERS (2022-2023)

**Exalted Ruler**  
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**Esteemed Lecturing Knight**  
**Secretary**  
**Treasurer**  
**Inner Guard**  
**Chaplain**  
**Esquire**  
**Trustee (5 yr)**  
**Trustee (4 yr)**  
**Trustee (3 yr)**  
**Trustee (2 yr)**  
**Trustee (1 yr)**  
**Presiding Justice**  
**Forum Mediator**  
**GL Alternate Designate**

**James Booth**  
**Nicole Johnston**  
**Art Chang**  
**Terri Thomas**  
**Katherine Mikkelsen**  
**Bridget Livingston Smith**  
**Rosie Blair**  
**JD Richwine**  
**Wendi Wasson**  
**Dick Scritchfield**  
**Nancy Albright**  
**Marylou Tolentino**  
**William Reece Jr.**  
**Cyndee Strahm**  
**Leslie S. Miller**  
**John Richard Smith**  
**John Richard Smith**



### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

**Americanism**  
**Auditing & Accounting**  
**Community Activities**  
**Scholarships**  
**Public Relations**  
**Hoop Shoot**  
**Fraternal**  
**Membership**  
**PER Association**  
**House Committee**  
**Government Relations**  
**CHEMPI**  
**ENF**  
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**James Booth**  
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**Bill Steffenhagen**  
**Nancy Albright**  
**Nicole Johnston**  
**James Nishimura**  
**Ron Cole, PER**  
**Nancy Albright**  
**James Booth, PER**  
**William Reece Jr.**  
**TBD**  
**Nicole Johnston**  
**Bridget Smith**  
**John Richard Smith, PER, PAMP, PDDGR**





# PAST EXALTED RULERS

2021-2022 James Booth  
2020-2021 Lourdes Hernaez  
2019-2020 John Meserve  
2018-2019 Barbara Nance  
2017-2018 Laurence Kniffin  
2016-2017 John Richard Smith  
2015-2016 Joseph Reynolds  
2014-2015 Vern Ungerecht  
2013-2014 Mary Reynolds  
2012-2013 Ron Cole  
2010-2012 Barbara Nance  
2009-2010 Martha Kawai  
2008-2009 Bill Stockly  
2007-2008 Chuck Kohn  
2006-2007 Allen Nance PER  
2005-2006 Annette Rodrigues  
2004-2005 Daniel Malakie  
2003-2004 Allen Nance  
2002-2003 Angie Kawai  
2001-2002 Mary Reynolds

2000 -2001 Richard Skarnes  
1999-2000 Bonnie Hodkinson  
1998-1999 Douglas McLeod  
1997-1998 Jonathan Hodkinson  
1996-1997 Vern Ungerecht  
1995-1996 Dave Paton  
1993-1995 John Granahan  
1992-1993 Vern Ungerecht  
1991-1992 Richard Holly  
1990-1991 Joseph Reynolds  
1988-1990 Douglas McLeod  
1987-1988 Ken Driskell  
1986-1987 George Glaser  
1985-1986 Robert Wilson  
1984-1985 David Hawkins  
1983-1984 Max Crittenden  
1982-1983 Ron Serrao  
1981-1982 Anthony Arruda  
1980-1981 William Reeves



# APRIL BIRTHDAYS



DAY	FIRST	LAST	DAY	FIRST	LAST	DAY	FIRST	LAST
01	Michael	Flaherty	10	Kalani	Dehmer	17	Lani	Goodwin
01	Lynn	Wind	10	Travis	Goodwin	18	Dean	Evans
02	Keoni	Babcock	10	Claudette	Mahoney	22	Michael	O'Loughlin
02	Marsha	Stillson	11	Jane	DeMello	23	James	Clay
04	Michael	Allio	12	Sebrina	Coddington	23	Walter	Engstrom
05	Harriet	Anderson	12	Rollin	Rabara	23	Raymond	Hoyt
08	Lee	Johnson	13	Jerry	Akers	23	Barbara	Nance
09	Dru	Kanuha	15	Irene	Hoskin	23	Melody	Porter
09	Benjamin	Waters	16	Brian	Miller	24	Nelson	Strauch
09	Dennis	Young	16	Bruce	Totten	25	Kristofer	Zimmerman
						26	Linda	Cosgrove











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