



# SIZZLER



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**REDWOOD PARLOR #66**

**NATIVE SONS OF THE GOLDEN WEST  
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**2<sup>nd</sup> THURSDAY BUSINESS MEETING AT EAGLES HALL (1575 Marshall Street, RWC)  
Redwood City**

**\*Bear Lodge Committee Meeting 6:30pm      \*Redwood Parlor Business Meeting 7:30pm**

**\*Open to All Members**



**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

## **BEAR LODGE YEAR END REPORT**

In 2022 Bear Lodge and Park had a very active improvement program in place.

**The second phase of Vegetative Fuel reduction was completed.** This second phase had two parts to be completed. The first part dealt with the roadway entrance to park from the gate to the lodge, creating safe ingress and egress for members and firefighting apparatus along with the removal of many suspect overhead limbs, unsafe trees and vegetation along this primary roadway. The second part dealt with the common area around the lodge. The lodge had several trees leaning over the building needing removal along with removal of window maker limbs, as high as 175 feet into the canopy, along with general vegetive fuel reduction, fire clearance and park enhancement around the lodge, The contractor a local with incredible experience and equipment did an exceptional job. He is on retainer with many properties in our area for similar work and has a history of working with Cal Fire on their various fuel reduction projects.

**PGE power upgrades and safety improvements.** PGE has been involved in a power supply safety program in our area. PGE randomly inspects our property to make sure the main power supply lines are safe and reliable. This year new power lines, transformers and power poles were installed. The last major project came in November when a helicopter dropped a new power pole next to the Stenson's All-Nations cabin. An all-day project with many moving parts and agencies involved. I expect small adjustments and projects, by PGE, but nothing as intense as we just went through are in our future, as PGE continues to make our power supply as safe and viable as possible.

**Lodge Insurance is a new game going forward.** Wildfire fears in the state has negatively impacted our insurance. Our usual insurance carrier declined fire coverage on the lodge due to the high danger fire risk of our area. We were not alone as most in our area lost fire coverage with their regular carriers. We were forced this year to utilize the state funded California fair plan program. Anything but fair, as our insurance increased from approximately a \$2000 year premium to a \$10,000 yearly premium. We also needed to go through an insurance inspection of the lodge. Thankfully we were already in progress with phase two of vegetative fuel reduction and safety concerns around the lodge, so we immediately passed that part of the inspection. Grease filters for the kitchen stove, extra strapping on the water heater and yearly recertification tags for the lodge fire extinguishers were needed to be completed in order to meet underwriting standards for insurance.

**Let there be more light.** New parking lot safety light was installed to replace the worn-out unit that was removed during phase one fuel reduction work in parking lot. The main power switch at the lodge needs to be turned on first and then the new parking light can be turned on and off with the switch in the parking lot located on a post just below the new light system.

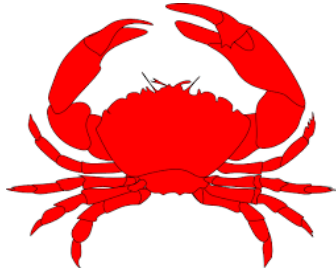
**Excellent Barbeque season was enjoyed at the park.** A shout out to the Good of the order for providing many new and fun approaches to the lodge monthly barbeque series. I've heard from many visiting officers and brothers the last Barbecue;(I believe was called October Rock) with a live band and great food, was just a straight up fun event. Many are already penciling in the date for next year.

**Many little unseen nuisance projects completed throughout the year.** As usual there many little projects that pop up and just get handled by many members without many knowing. I greatly appreciate that assistance and all the help that is given at scheduled work parties. With many members helping throughout the year our Lodge and Park remains viable for all to enjoy.

Thank you again.

Robert Bruno Bear lodge Chairmen.

## UPCOMING NATIVE SONS HAPPENINGS



### Pebble Beach Parlor #230 Crab Feed

Pebble Beach Parlor #230 in Pescadero is having their Annual All You Can Eat Marinated Crab Feed with Salad, Garlic Bread, and Dessert on Saturday January 21, 2023.

Place: IDES Hall, 2 Stage Road, Pescadero  
Time: 6:00 pm Cocktails and 7:00 pm Dinner  
Cost: \$80.00  
Contact: Frank Vento  
Phone: 650-888-9900  
Email: fvento@intero.com

Proceeds to benefit the Pescadero High School Senior Class, Native Sons Community Hall Phase II Hall Restoration. This event always sells out so act fast and seating for 350

### South San Francisco #157 Crab Feed

Annual All You Can Eat Fresh Crab Feed with Green Salad, Pasta Con Pesto, French Rolls and Dessert on Saturday January 21, 2023.

Place: Pomeroy Center, 207 Skyline Blvd., San Francisco  
Time: 6:00 pm Cocktails and 7:00 pm Dinner  
Cost: \$50.00  
Contact: Joe Ursino  
Phone: 415-518-8408  
Email: jur157@att.net  
This event always sells out so act fast and seating for 250

### UPCOMING SIZZLER DEADLINES

March/April 2023 Issue is due: February 10, 2023

Any member wishing to submit an article please feel free to do so by sending them to: Sizzler Editor, 115 G. Blossom Circle, San Mateo, CA 94403 or email: [redwood66ms@yahoo.com](mailto:redwood66ms@yahoo.com).

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## **California Born – California Proud**

### January Birthdays:

David Baird, Dan Cole, Andrew Hansen, Ben Loudermilk, Karen Loudermilk, Yvonne Oberg, James Schenkel, Jack Ward, Lauren Wright

### February Birthdays:

Sara Baron, Gary Barulich, Robert Bruno, Hailey Cole, Duane Gavin, Gregory Ivanoff, Jeffrey Norris, Dean Pappa, Will Radcliffe, Michael Shevekov, Joseph Simoni, Robert Virgo, Raymond Wallace

## **Clip and Save Calendar Dates**

January 12, 2023 – Redwood Parlor Meeting, 7:30pm – Eagles Hall, Redwood City/Installation of Officers  
January 21, 2023 – Pescadero Annual Crab Feed – IDES Hall, Pescadero  
January 21, 2023 – South San Francisco Crab Feed – Pomeroy Center, San Francisco  
February 9, 2023 – Redwood Parlor Meeting, Eagles Hall, Redwood City  
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