

STAFF REPORT

City Council Consent Item

DATE: April 15, 2024

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Jennifer Lourenzo, Conference Center Manager

THROUGH: Merritt Perry, City Manager

SUBJECT: River Lodge Conference Center and Fortuna Monday Club Monthly Report for March 2024

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Receive report as an informational item.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The River Lodge and Monday Club held a total of 26 events in the month of March.

There were six scheduled monthly meetings between the two facilities. One birthday celebration, and two baby showers were also held.

The Fortuna Chamber of Commerce held their annual Awards celebration and dinner at River Lodge. The “shin-dig” was country themed. Local businesses were recognized and awarded for their services to our community.

CalFire held a training at River Lodge. CalFire is so appreciative of the space here at River Lodge.

Soroptimist International of the Eel River Valley hosted their annual Awards event at River Lodge. Soroptimist is a global women’s organization whose mission is to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.

For the second consecutive year, CALTROUT (California Trout) held their information meeting for local, tribal and environmental group on rivers, dams and watersheds. CALTROUT works to ensure healthy waters and resilient wild fish in California.

Fortuna Kiwanis held their annual Quarter Mania fund raiser. The evening was a huge success and was sold out.

Scottish Rite and Shriners hosted their annual Shrimp Feed at River Lodge. This group has been raising funds for a new language center in Fortuna. One of their members, Larry Nicholson, reported that they are very close to making this happen.

The Knights of Columbus held their annual Corned Beef and Cabbage feed on St. Patrick’s Day. This event is always well attended.

The Fortuna Garden Club held the 47th Annual Daffodil Show at River Lodge. The two-day event and sale attracts many daffodil enthusiasts. The show also includes daffodil judging with ribbons and prizes given to the best in each featured class. The show also includes prizes for flower arrangements.



RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Receive River Lodge & Monday Club Monthly Report. Consent Agenda vote.