## Rank and File Tid-bits...

by Joseph Potthast

Well hello there my friends, my it's been a while hasn't it? Let's see, it's been two years since our last edition of the News and Views went out. Moreover it's been 3 years since the club went into temporary closing since the beginning of the pandemic as we all started to shelter in place. That was an unprecedented time where we all went through a lot. Thankfully, we find ourselves doing good. The club has been open for the past year yet we never really got back into old habits did we. Well, let's see if we can change that a bit. We, both myself and the executive board want to reach out to old members and invite you to come out to the Club and see what's new and reconnect with our fellow brothers and rekindle the bonds of our Club.

Joseph Potthast - President of the Edison Social Club

## When are Meetings?

Did you know we were having meetings again? Well we are and all brothers are invited. Because we understand it's hard for some brothers to drive at night we've opted to have our meetings

at different times. The first Thursday of the month we meet at 3PM. For those who work during the day we meet the third Thursday of the month at our usual 7PM. We encourage you to come out.

### You're Invited!

Brothers, it's been too long since we had a function at the club and we're changing that right now. You're invited to attend an open house on March 16th, 2023. Door open at 6 PM and we kick things off at 7 PM. Everyone is invited so that we can rekindle the bonds of friendship and you can see all the major improvements that we've done at the club. We will be hosting an open bar and have snacks to help us celebrate. Bring a friend and let's catch up where we left off.

# Can you smell, what the club, is cooking!

That's right we're getting back into the swing of things and restarting our old habits. What better way to do that

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## Manager's Corner

Members, as we are taking orders for Sausage and Beerrocks we ask that when you call please leave your name and phone number to call back. Due to high volume of spam we don't answer the phone directly unless we recognize the number. Thanks for your help,

then with our famous Homemade German and Italian Sausage. Starting at the beginning of March we will be taking orders for sausage with production to be midmarch so that we can have it available at our open house. Prices will be only \$7 a pound.

Better yet, we are also looking to do an order of our Beerrocks in April as well. We are looking to see how many people are interested so be sure to call the club and let us know. The goal is to have production be around Easter. The cost will be \$50 for a dozen.

## **Club Improvements**

We are pleased to announce we have been doing lots of renovations and updates at the club in the past year. The

place is looking better than ever. You can see the differences when you first walk in with our newly tiled Lobby. Come into the bar and you'll notice the renovations to the bar area immediately with our brand new floor, new tables, chairs, and new large screen TV. We're making the place look a lot nicer and the renters are noticing you to see them too.

## **Historic Findings**

This last Monday February 28th, I (Joseph) had the pleasure of attending the Fresno Historic Preservation Committee Meeting finding out that a local group wished to install a historic marker preserving

the site (1405 E California St) where the Edison Social Club Hall held hosted a historical meeting. In this hall on September 30, 1962, a

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group of mostly immigrant farm workers met to hold the inaugural convention of the National Farm Worker Association which was attended by Cesar Chavez and the improvements. We want lead to improving the lives of Farm Workers in a historic gathering. The report was met with much positivity by attendees. The organizers where especially excited to hear The Edison Social Club was present and was interested in helping however we could. More on this in the near future.

