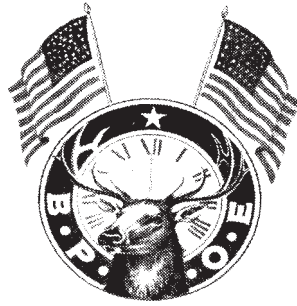




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Exalted Ruler




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'Elkdom  the Winning Hand'

"As long as there are Veterans, Elks will never forget them"



Thousand Oaks Lodge
Annual Veterans' Brunch
Honoring the Veterans
November 5, 2006
9 am- noon

Meet and greet them-listen to their stories



Thanksgiving Dinner

NOVEMBER 23, 2006

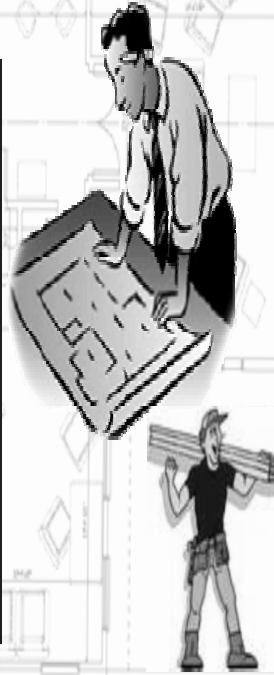
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RESERVATIONS NEED TO BE MADE BY CALLING 496-4550
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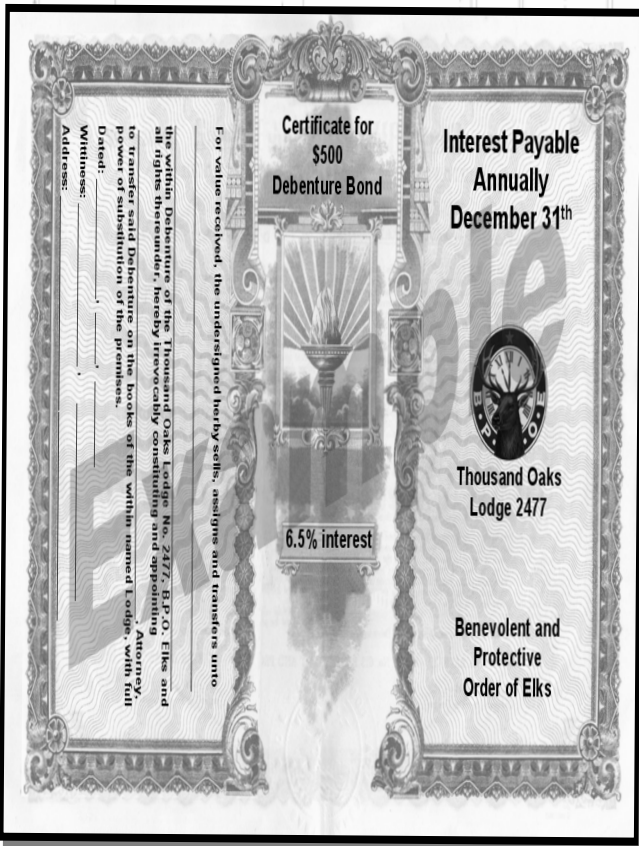
Building a New Lodge

Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge #2477 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is proud to announce the release of bonds to our membership to purchase.



ARCHITECTS
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A NEW LODGE



We are finally doing it!!!

We are offering the sale of bonds to build our new Lodge These will be available in \$500 or \$1,000 denominations and will pay 6.5 % simple interest annually.

- o Information will be forthcoming directly to the membership during Lodge Wednesday night meetings and in the Antler Antics
- o Applications for bonds are available at the Office and in the lounge

2006-07 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS



EXALTED RULER
David Naccarato

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ON LEGENDS SHOW

We had our Legends in Concert show on September 16th. "Can we talk?" You guys are killing me! One week before the event we had 34 tickets sold. I told Corrine who was coordinating the food for me it will be an easy time. And no matter what, we were not going to cancel the show. Well, we could feed 15 people per roast and whenever 15 more ticket was sold back to Costco for another roast. We ended up with 84 tickets sold. We the performers had a good time putting on the show. When I went to Catherine to do Patsy Cline I knew that would be a slam-dunk. But when I hit her with Dusty Springfield I got the response "who". But being the trooper she is. She down loaded the songs and learned them and did a fantastic job. Robert Jones came to me and wanted to be involved and asked who could he do. I had one idea for him, Bobby Darin. We practiced a few different songs and decided on Dream Lover. Then on a Friday night dinner I'm sitting with new members Ron and Iris Schwartzs. Their daughter joined them for dinner I learned she was an opera major. I asked if she would sing for us and she was great as you all heard. Carole King was a last minute addition by Catherine who told me Vickie Egan can sing and I wanted to be part of this show so we added her to the show. Professionals did the opening and ending. And of course there was the mustache problem with Jim Croce. Are you people getting tired of Elvis yet? If we lived in a perfect world Elvis would be alive and all the impersonators would be dead. (Wait let me rethink that) I want to thank Bob Arbetman for cooking the prime rib and Mark Kennedy and Rick Eddy giving a helping hand in the kitchen. The whole show was to bring attention about our new facility. With 84 captive members it gave Greg Metzgas an opportunity to bring every one up to speed on what's happening. Many thanks go out to Terry Baker for building the model and mounting it to a board to give us the idea of landscaping it looked real nice. Thanks Terry.

FUTURE SHOWS

Plans for future show will be Country Legends in Concert, duets, and musicals. I'll be looking for acts in our membership.

E.R. CHRISTMAS PARTY

To let you know my plans. We will be having a Mexican dinner and for entertainment. We will be holding Elks Lodge 2477's own rendition of DEAL OR NO DEAL. If you never heard of it check out the game show Deal or No Deal with MC Howie Mandel. To give you an idea. I've check with judiciary and no one is buying in so it's not gambling.

TAILGATE PARTY 2477

On December 17th the Sunday after Christmas baskets are delivered, we are going to have a tailgate party in our parking lot- the parking area near our picnic tables. All trucks with a tailgate will have preferred parking. Break out your hibachi or charcoal grill and fire e'm up. "GAS NOT ALLOWED". Everyone bring your own meat, buddy up with someone to use their grill.. The game will be on in the lodge room. Bring a dish to share and the rest will take care of itself, and have a good time. Any suggestions on this, please see me David E.R.

ER Article Continued on page 4



THE CLOCK OF THEIR DAY HAS STOPPED
AND ACROSS ITS DIAL A MOTIONLESS
SHADOW MARKS THE HOUR OF ELEVEN,
WITH US--

**"THE GOLDEN HOUR OF
RECOLLECTION"****Thomas Pinto, Sr.**

Born: July 19, 1924

Initiated: April 28, 1994

Died: September 28, 2006

PER Roast

ER Article continued from page 3

ON BUILDING FUND

I've been told that the amounts for the bonds are too high for some. I would like to reintroduce to the lodge the building fund program that was started along time ago when the ERs at the time saw we needed a new lodge. The program I'm speaking about is on the wall down our hallway. If you donate \$100.00 -\$200.00 you will get your name on a plate on the Lecturing Knight wall plague. \$300.00 -\$400.00 Loyal Knight Plague. \$500.00-\$999.00 Leading Knight wall plague. Major donations your on the Exalted Ruler wall plague. When you get to that rate, buy a Bond for \$1000.00 and receive 6 1/2 % yearly. All monies raised will be better for us than to go to a commercial lender. The fees would be too high. The money we would save on fees could go to upgrade our kitchen or the second floor. The envelopes for this program are on the wall before you walk down the hallway on your left. Please also let me know personally that you did it so I can be sure to get the plate made up with your name on it. At last weeks weekly meeting member Harvey Flam donated \$100.00 to the building fund he doesn't know it yet but he gets his name on the plague.

OPEN HOUSE

On the afternoon and evening of Dec. 16th after Christmas baskets are delivered, there will be an open house at the Naccarato's. Come see the first lady's Christmas display at her house in Newbury Park. She has a Dickens village made up of department 56, a North Pole village, and many motionettes. It is a lot of work and the only ones who see it every year is me and our next door neighbor. This year You're all invited.

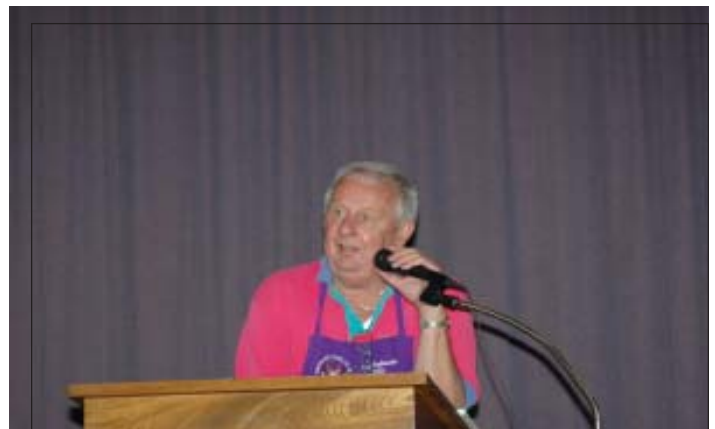
From the Wapiti Store

Many new products have been added and our sales have increased over last month. Thanks due to Eula McKee, Max Maxwell, Bill Sternberg, and Steve McKee for their generous support of our store. Finally we have pins and CVD buttons that have been donated. We need historical assessments for our future New Lodge. Also, if you have more that you want, please donate. Pin collectors will be able to purchase pins and buttons after the historically significant one have been rescued. That's all for now.

Lloyd Carter



Junior PER, Sally Claunch, with husband Tommy dressed to catch comments flung by Dave Pearson and MC Gil Riding.



PER, Chet Kozlowski, roasting the newest PER.



Grant Thistle delivering his comments to Sally and Tommy Claunch but the Claunchs had the final words.



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TOUR BUSES/CRUISES/RECREATIONAL CLUBS

Some Lodges are involved in or allow others to arrange trips or cruises and establish recreational events (such as RV or motorcycle clubs, etc.)

When such events are conducted by travel agents or other vendors, the Lodge should make sure it is clearly stated that they are not responsible for any claim or injury arising out of such activities. Travel agents, bus owners, cruise lines or any other vendors arranging such events must indemnify the Lodge and preferably name the Lodge as an additional insured under the arranger's general liability insurance policy.

If members have formed recreational clubs such as RV, motorcycle, or auto clubs, etc., the Lodge should not sanction or recognize such groups as an affiliate of the Lodge. This is not to say that a member of a Lodge can't form such groups, but they must not be recognized as part of the Lodge operations. Such activities are separate from the Lodge. The participants in such groups are fully responsible for activities of the group as well as any claims arising out of the activities of the group.

Subject: Boy Scout Memorabilia Auction
 Purpose: To raise money for Ventura County Council Boy Scouts

To; Trustees and Scouting Chairman, and Members

The 16th annual Ventura County Council Boy Scout Auction and Trading event (known as a Trade-O-Ree) will be held again this year at the Oxnard Elks Lodge on February 2nd and 3rd .2007. The event chairmen this year, Greg Metzgas and Bill Sternberg of Thousand Oaks Lodge #2477 are asking the four Elk Lodges in the County, Thousand Oaks, Simi Valley, Oxnard and Ventura to help support this worthwhile project by donating \$150.00 each. This money will be used to purchase embroidered cloth event patches. These collector patches will be sold to buyers and traders that attend the event with the profits going directly to the scout council to support our scout camp, Camp Three Falls in Frasier Park, California.

Traders and buyers will be coming from across the United States to bid on and purchase scouting memorabilia. Any scouting items that you or members of your lodge may have and wish to donate will greatly help this effort. Old scouting items gathering dust tucked away in a closet can be used to help send an underprivileged Ventura county youth to Boy Scout camp. A tax receipt will be given for all donated items.

Please contact either Greg Metzgas or Bill Sternberg for any further information you may need.

Bill Sternberg 805-933-9020
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Got email!!!
 Lodge email address

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 Mail to; Ventura County Council BSA 509 Daily Drive.
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EDITOR'S CORNER

Sally Claunch, PER
sclaunch@adelphia.net
 articles due 5th of month
 send as Word attachment



The 28th of October will mark my 2nd year, since my operation for Cancer. I decided to participate in the "Relay for Life", which is started by Cancer Survivors walking a least one lap or more around the field as part of the opening ceremonies. I was very impressed with the dedication of so many men women and children to the fight for a cure for this deadly disease. My hope was to provide some encouragement for those still fighting this disease. The photos are those of two of my dear Elk friends(Bev Erickson and Sally Claunch) who gave me support and their prayers who are also Cancer Survivors and of course my own personal "Guardian Angels" Gladys and Kathy (my daughter) John Ennis



Sally Claunch & Bev Erickson at Relay For Life



John Ennis with Guardian Angels Kathy and Gladys



TO Elks Lodge cancer survivors

COMING ATTRACTIONS

- November 2-4-Mid Term Convention
- November 5-Veterans Brunch
- November 10-12- El Konejo Kampers at Kenny Grove
- November 11- Hoop Shoot
- November 23-Thanksgiving Dinner

- December 1-Tree Trimming Party
- December 3-Elk Memorial Service
- December 5-Elk Ladies Christmas Party
- December 8-ER Christmas Party
- December 9-Kid's Christmas Party
- December 10-Kampers Brunch
- December 12-15-Holiday Baskets Preparation
- December 16-Delivery of Baskets
- December 16-Open House at Naccarato's home
- December 17-Tailgate Party & Football Watching
- December 31-New Year's Eve Party

- January 31- Police & Firefighters Appreciation Dinner

- February 4-Super Bowl Party
- February 24- Elk Ladies Mardi Gras Party

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

805-495-0577

OUR CONDOLENCES TO:the family of Thomas Pinto, Sr. on his passing

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Grace Wallace from knee replacement, Jackie Kellogg is hospitalized, George Estok now in therapy after surgery.

ON THE MEND: Bill Lloyd to have steel ball in shoulder, Jim and Alice Wagner are getting well and strong, Fred Britton has been hospitalized

REMEMBER CARDS AND PHONE CALLS ARE APPRECIATED!!

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LEADING KNIGHT Catherine Koeritz

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MAJOR PROJECT/PURPLE PIG:

David Naccarato

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: Sally Claunch**INVESTIGATION:** George Meehan**ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION:**

Myrna Block

**CHRISTMAS BASKETS:** Catherine Koeritz**INDOCTRINATION:** Jack Loughran, PER**MEM. CONTROL. COM.:** Herb Jellander**CVAC:** Tom Hartin**COMMUNITY RELATIONS:** Jerry Serota**CHARITY DINNERS:** David Naccarato

Thank you all for attending the Legends in Concert. I had a great time performing as “Patsy” and “Dusty”. I’m looking forward to our next event!

By the time we’re reading this, the Charity Ball (aka “Oktoberfest”) will be over and the money raised will be going towards the charity baskets. Thank you to our Wunderbar cooks, Johnny and Marva D’Ambrosio; my faithful social manager, Gayla Lindquist; my sister, Toni Hartin for the baskets, the Entertainment and a heartfelt thank you for all the volunteers.

CHARITY BASKETS:

As I stated last month, each year our lodge provides holiday baskets for needy families in the community. Last year we provided about 92 baskets. This takes a lot of effort (volunteers), food, gifts, and money, of course! We have a great opportunity to save money for some staple items going into the charity baskets. These items being donated meet the standards set by our expert coordinators, and we do not have to purchase these. Thus we save money! That’s great!

DONATE A TURKEY (OR 2):

With all the markets advertising a free Turkey when you purchase over X amount of \$, why not donate those towards the basket. I have been reminded of how much I spend at the grocery store and can easily get ??? amount of turkeys each visit!

I will have a sign up sheet behind the bar. Please put your name and phone number on the sheet and how many turkeys you wish to donate. Please store them in your freezer until the time to bring them in for the baskets. We just do not have the space in our freezers at the Lodge.

SPEAKING OF DONATING TIME...

Help Help! I have a few slots to fill for the 2007-2008 Officer Corp. The Lodge cannot function without people in key positions to meet and make key decisions that affect the Lodge as a whole. The positions we need to fill are Tiler, Inner Guard, Esquire, and Loyal Knight.

Please be generous with your donations and your time. If you have any questions, you can contact me via email at talktoc@hotmail.com.

Catherine’s Quips:

“The habit of giving only enhances the desire to give” – Walt Whitman



ER, Dave Naccarato, presents PDDGER, Richard Goldner, with Century Club award.



NEW FACILITIES

Greg Metzgus, PER

The planning process is coming to an end and the bidding and permitting process is beginning. Our Architect, Len Cardoni, has received most of the engineering drawings back and is putting them together with the elevations, floor plans and specifications to complete our bid set of plans. We plan to have these plans out to the bidders before Thanksgiving.

We need our members to come forward at this point and help us finance this project. As of this writing we have sold about \$22,000 worth of additional 6 ½% bonds since they went on sale last week. This brings our total bond sales up to just a little less than \$200,000. We are authorized to sell \$1,000,000.00 worth of bonds and this is what is going to be required to start building. Either we sell bonds to our members or go out and use a commercial lender. As we all know, the cost of a commercial loan is very expensive. There is no guarantee of what our interest rate will be after 3-5 years and there are a lot of sunk costs involved in getting the loan. We would rather pay our members 6 ½% interest than 7 ½% or so to a commercial lender, not to mention their added costs.

We are working on a campaign to offer the opportunity to dedicate areas around the new lodge. These dedicated sites will have a bronze plaque in place that can be placed in memory of a loved one living or not living. Once an area is dedicated, it will remain that way forever. All of the funds collected for these memorial sites will be used to offset the cost of our new facility. Please watch for details in the coming months.

Thank you all for your support. You can keep up to date weekly by attending the Wednesday meetings or by attending the New Facilities meetings scheduled by the Exalted Ruler.

**Wednesday night Elks meetings
Keep you informed
About the progress of
The New Facility
Besides the dinners
Are tasty and reasonably priced**



Notes from the Maintenance Guys....

We have spent a lot of time on the roof. No, not just looking at the scenery but actually working. We replaced a hundred and forty feet of ridge, donated by Tommy Claunch, in an effort to stop the little leaks in the Lodge room and spent many hours trying to stop the big leaks along the East wall of the kitchen. The valley between the kitchen and lounge drain about a thousand square feet of roof. An inch of rain would equal about six-hundred and forty gallons of water that run down that valley onto the patio roof, and via some make shift rain gutter into the planters below. That is roughly forty bath tubs full. Trying to patch the leaks under the air conditioner platforms is not a lot of fun and I sincerely appreciate all the help, advice, and effort from Keith Orr, Mitch Strunk, Tommy Claunch, PER Greg Metzgus, our Exalted ruler, Dave Nacarrato and my partner in crime, Elk of the year, Tom Hartin.

The first of the October brought us a little test shower and so far no leaks. The roof patching comes with my five-fifty guarantee – That's five minutes or fifty feet, whichever comes first. Hopefully we have at least slowed the leaking to something tolerable and haven't spent a lot of money doing it. We also re-roofed the cover over the front entrance to the Lodge. By the time you read this we will have also re-roofed the shed roof that covers our pizza oven and water heater.

Abe Gamble, mister "high score" on the patio bowling machine, showed up with a pickup truck full of sod that we planted along the Conejo School Road fence. He also donated thousands of dollars worth of hardware that we will be able to use in the new Lodge.

Carol Stewart asked me if she could clean up the planter that runs from the lounge door to the back of the patio. Can you? Does a great white have teeth? A day or so later Carol and Abe tore out enough debris out of the planters to completely fill our dumpster, brought in some new plants, bought seven bags of planters mix, and a new garden hose and nozzle. They also purchased a new bench so we could sit and admire their work. It looks great, thank you.

Your Maintenance committees' goal is to keep the old barn comfortable enough for us to enjoy until our new Lodge is built. Thank you for all the help and support in achieving that goal. Without all the little things done by our members the job would be impossible.

September's "cook your own" was the last for the year. We received many favorable comments about it and will plan more events starting in the spring of next year. One comment I really enjoyed hearing was from PER times two, Jack Henry, who said that his steak was done just right. Jack by the way put in the new faucet in the kitchen sink.

From your Maintenance Committee, Terry, Tom and I, may you all enjoy happy holidays and a wonderful new year.

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LOYAL KNIGHT George Meehan

2006-07 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

CONEJO VALLEY DAYS: Ed Rice
LODGE ACTIVITIES: Glenn Wellman
SCOUTING: Bill Miller
HOOPSHOOT: Tom Hartin
WED. NIGHT DINNERS: Tom Ryder, PER
DRUG AWARENESS: Karen Naccarato
STRAY ELKS: Herb Jellander



MOTHER'S DAY: Raven West
ENTERTAINMENT: Tom Ryder, PER
WED. NIGHT TICKETS: Steve Smith
**LAW ENFORCEMENT & FIREFIGHTER
 APPRECIATION:** Scott Dool
PRESIDING JUSTICE: Dick McCann
YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Bill Miller

Autumn is here and the cooler days and evenings are welcome after a blistering summer. Football season is in full swing with Monday Night Football getting more popular in the Lodge. I hope you have looked at the October Calendar. You will notice that lots of activities have been going on and the dinners on Wednesday and Friday nights have been outstanding. November's calendar is equally active.

NEW MEMBERS, have you been coming down and enjoying your Lodge? Have you made a decision yet as to what committee you would like to be involved in? You know, we can always use help in the kitchen. We can use help at the Christmas tree lot and also filling the baskets for the needy. There is a lot to be done and all the work shouldn't be left to the few. **BE A GOOD ELK—GET INVOLVED—YOU WILL FIND OUT THAT IT IS A LOT OF FUN.**

Elk Share Elks Care About Scouting

The Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge at their regular meeting held October 4, 2006 continued their commitment to scouting by donating \$500 and the Past Exalted Ruler Assoc. donated an additional \$100 for total of \$600 to Scouting.

Making the presentation was Bill Sternberg, PER, West Central Coast District Scouting Chairman, and Greg Metzgas, PER, for the PER Assoc. Accepting for scouting was member Harvey Flam.



Bill Sternberg, PER, WCCD Scouting Chairman presented Harvey Flam representing Scouting with a check from the Lodge for \$500 and Greg Metzgas, PER and the PER Assoc. contributed an additional \$100 toward Scouting

Elks Lodge 2477

*Dancing with Vanessa and Charlie for
 New Years Eve
 in the
 Conejo*

December 31, 2006

6:00 p.m. Cocktail Hour
 7:00 p.m. Dinner
 8:30 p.m. Dancing

Advance Reservations Required: 496-4550



ELKS CHRISTMAS TREE LOT – 2006

Herb Jellander

Once again, it's time to start spooling up for the Bob Hardy Memorial Christmas Tree Lot. As always, it will be a lot of hard work but provides a significant return for our charities and building fund. We had a very good year in 2005, despite increased competition, in large part due to a record participation by our membership. At least 80 members helped out – some a lot, some a little – but everyone was needed and appreciated.

CARLSONS BUILDING MATERIALS has again made a part of their street front property available to us on Thousand Oaks Boulevard. Please be sure to patronize this valued sponsor whenever possible.

Please mark your calendars with these dates:

- November 27 & 28 (Mon/Tues)
Set up lot & trailer at Carlsons
- November 29 (Wed)
First Tree Delivery
- November 29-December 17 Tree Sales
- December 6 (Wed)
Second Tree Delivery
- December 17 (Sun)
Last Day of Sales
- December 18 (Mon)
Tear Down Lot

The lot will be open from approximately 8 am to 8 pm every day. Food, drink, campfire and camaraderie always included. Thanks in advance for everyone's help!

Fraternally,

Herb Jellander 805-497-2624
 Cell 805-905-8146
 Terry Baker 805-495-6127
 Bill Sternberg,PER 805-933-9020

BAR MANAGER
Glenn Wellman



Happy Hour:

Special thank yous to Freddy(Fryer) Trzcinski for preparing all of our Happy Hour Food every Tuesday and Thursday. Also I would like to thank Jack Malone for bringing food every Tuesday and Thursday for Happy Hour. Others who have been so kind to bring food are: Ed Bianchi, Kathy Burns, Dick Flittner and Roy Cooper. Come on down and join your fellow Elks for some good eats and company.

Wine:

We have a new selection of wine, in addition to our old favorites. As a result the cost of some wines will increase. The new wine selections are from our wine tasting last month. Our prices range from \$2.75 to \$6.25 per glass. Thank you John and Cheri Peterson for running a very successful wine tasting.

If You Haven't Noticed:

A special thank you goes out to Carol Stewart and Abe Gamble for our new beautiful landscaping and bench, outside our patio.

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<p style="font-size: 18px; font-weight: bold;">Your Name</p> <p style="font-size: 24px; font-weight: bold; margin-top: 20px;">Lunch Bunch Card</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">Please present when ordering food. It will be initialed by server. One free entree when card is completed. Good Monday-Thursday Thousand Oaks Lodge #2477</p>				
6	7	8	9	10

LEGENDS IN CONCERT

On September 15th members and friends enjoyed an evening of Prime Rib by Bob Arbetman, Rick Eddy and Marc Kennedy. It was an evening billed as a new facilities fund raiser and Steering Committee Chairman, Greg Metzgus, PER updated us on the progress of our new facility.

There were stellar performances by members and friends billed as 'Legends in Concert'. They performed their favorite songs made famous by, Neil Diamond (Gary Weber), Jim Croce (David Naccarato) Patsy Cline (Catherine Koeritz), Bobby Darin (Robert Jones), Carole King (Vicki Eagan), Judy Garland (Michelle Schwartz), Elvis Presley (David Naccarato), Dusty Springfield (Catherine Koeritz) and Frank Sinatra by Buddy Teachout.

You know it was a great evening of entertainment when the audience stayed for the whole performance. It was one of the most entertaining evenings this Lodge has ever experienced. -Jerry Serota



Americanism abounded



Jim Croce with the falling mustache



Patsy Cline complete with trademark scarf



Steering Committee Chairman, Greg Metzgus, PER,

Have You Bought New Facilities Bonds Yet????

Applications Available in Office

SCHOLARSHIP FUND RAISER



(L-R) Chris Guzzetta and Alan Hardie test their skills at scholarship fund raiser cribbage tournament



Rick Herrera second place cribbage winner and Lloyd Carter



Erik Kraszewski did a masterful job of deep fried turkey for the participants



Texas Hold 'em and silent auction helped the Scholarship fund

WELCOME ABOARD OUR NEW MEMBERS



Annette Cortez and standing in for sponsor, Cheri Peterson is Dave Naccarato, ER



Gary Lacasella with sponsor David Puente

OUR LEGENDS IN CONCERT



Judy Garland, aka,Michelle Schwartz



Carole King, aka, Vickie Egan



Sinatra, aka, Buddy Teachout



Img 26

Bobby Darin, aka, Robert Jones



The cast



Elvis, aka, Dave Naccarato



Dusty Springfield, aka, Catherine Koeritz



EL KONEJO KAMPERS

Pat vonWittenburg

September at the Santa Barbara Lodge

You might say this campout started with a bang – well, that’s not exactly right!

Perhaps more like a splash! Seems after two plus months on the road, Joel Erickson STILL hasn’t mastered the technique of hooking up his fresh water supply! Hooked it to his black tank flush connections – OH YEH – flooded the bathroom and when it came gushing out of the roof vent for the tank – thought something might just be wrong!

You just never know about Mike Flannery, he seems so-o-o quiet, I’m not sure if he’s quiet or just downright sneaky. He was the “fur real” sheriff this time – not just spying for someone else. What a sense of humor. This campout we had THREE of our fifth-wheel members, well actually two but we have a new one (more about that later). It was really great to have Jim and Ruth Mullen out again, hasn’t seen them in a while, but then I digress. Back to Mike’s role as sheriff.

All the spaces at the Santa Barbara Lodge are “back-in”. Generally not a problem, providing you have room to maneuver - even though the fifth-wheels “bend” (well not the trailer but the combination of TRUCK & trailer) and Mike generally doesn’t have a problem. He started on Jim Mullen – Jim’s maneuvering makes him (Mike) look good. (Mike was already parked when we arrived so I wasn’t privy to his “moves”) THEN – poor Ron Schwartz arrived – only ONE site remaining – and I’ll tell you folks, he and Iris have one HUMUNGOUS fifth-wheel. Ron had a trial by fire getting that rig parked – and Mike REALLY FELT GOOD – he believes Ron made his efforts appear minimal at best. More fuel for Sheriff’s fines! ! !

Speaking of which – think I mentioned last month that Jimmy Miller did an outstanding job – though he didn’t arrive until Friday afternoon – Folks it ain’t brain surgery – enlist the aid of a coupla friends and it’s no bloody job at all. I keep hearing from various wagonmasters that they have a TOUGH time getting someone to act as Sheriff. Actually, it’s a lot of fun – and as I said – if you’re reluctant – get help! !



I think Donna Colleran was more excited about being wagonmaster than Ed had been, but they did a fantastic job. Again I hear a lot of newer members saying they “don’t know how to be wagonmaster” HEY it’s great, you’re in charge and other than the meeting Saturday morning – NOTHING is carved in stone. Therefore, Ed and Donna changed the schedule and what a great idea it was. Because of our location in Santa Barbara, they decided to have brunch, meeting, raffle and Sheriff all in the morning – giving us our choice of how to spend the remainder of the day without concern of “being back” at a specific time – fabulous idea! Also kudos on your choice of raffle prizes – awesome!

OKAY – now about Ron & Iris Schwartz and their two very talented daughters and dog Benson! What a neat couple – Ron put up with taking Cheryl’s brother golfing (the man must have the patience of a SAINT [giggle]). Actually he’s a teacher and my hats off to all you who have that job. Iris is very friendly and we enjoyed our chats with her (no I didn’t have a mouse in my pocket – several of us had the opportunity to visit with Iris). Their daughters, Michelle and Lisa (excuse any mistakes) are absolutely charming, talented young ladies. Benson is a very nice dog, poor Clyde wanted to play – and they did fairly well – but it seems the larger dogs (and Benson isn’t that large) can’t quite figure out what Clyde is? ? ?

Mary Flannery is a very enjoyable lady to be around, but she most assuredly is no navigator for garage sales – but wonderful if you can find a thrift store. As luck would have it – we found a great thrift store in the same center as a quilt shop I wanted to visit. Mary was very tolerant of my quilt store meanderings!

DON’T FORGET FOLKS – November 10th & 11th campout – at Kenney Grove. John & Marva D’Ambrogio will be wagonmasters for this event and I have “inside information” that they have a “few additional things” planned.

It has been verified with them that we will have our “**BOOK FAIRE**” so start collecting your paperbacks, books on tape, etc.

Then the GRAND FINALE for the Kampers’ year – is December’s CHRISTMAS BRUNCH at the Grand Vista in Simi – more information later.



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November 17

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 \$10
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November 24

No dinner
 Blue Diamond Entertainment
 in Lounge

December 1

Christmas Tree Trimming Party
 Elk Ladies buffet
 6 pm

WANTED-DVDS/VIDEOS

Thanks to the generosity of member and bartender, Erin, and Gayla Lindquist the Lodge now has a TV and DVD/video player for the entertainment of children who accompany their parents to functions at the Lodge. However we still need family and kid appropriate videos for their viewing pleasure. If you have hiding in your closet any treasures, please donate them to the Lodge. Just drop them at the office or lounge.

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John Watts #1657 for twice listing him in the Antler Antics as a lapsed member. John has never been late in paying his dues and factually a repeated Early Bird. Sorry for the embarrassment. We'll be trying to not have it happen again.

Editor's Note:

Members paid since before the October issue were :

Jerry Case

Jack Cote

Mike Ferragamo

Lester R. Hight

Last Call

To members who have not paid any dues for the 2006-2007 year. You will be dropped from the rolls after November 1, 2006. To members who have paid half year dues, the second half is due now.

Proposed Changes to House Rules

The following House Rules were updated and approved by the House Committee on Oct. 3rd 2006 and will be voted on at the meeting of Nov. 15th: The changes are as follows:

Rules 1,2,3-no changes

Rule 4- changing *Escorted ladies and non Elk visitors* to guests and non Elk visitors

Rule 5- changing * Paid up members in good standing of the order and their guest are the only persons to be permitted usage of this lodge facility except when it is rented or an open meeting declared.*

to Members in good standing of the order and their guest are the only persons to be permitted usage of this lodge facility.

Rules 6,7,8-no changes

Rule 9 changing * Loud, rude, boisterous, profane and obscene language is prohibited at all times* to loud, rude, boisterous behavior. profane and obscene language is prohibited at all times.

Rules 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 no changes

Rule 15 changing "seeing eye dogs" to service animals

Rules 16,17 no changes

Rule 18 changing *only the bar manager or duty officer has the authority to correct or otherwise discuss business problems with the bar steward* to only the bar manager, duty officer or bar liaison has the authority to correct lounge related issues with the bar steward

Rule 19- omitted

Rule 20 moved to rule 19 and changed to any member issuing a check with non-sufficient funds will forfeit his club check cashing privileges until said check is made good and appropriate fees are paid

Rule 21 becomes rule 20 and combined with rules 23 and 24 omitting under no circumstances may a member cash any checks if a check is being held at the bar that has been returned for non-sufficient

Rule 22 no change- moved to rule #29

Rule 25 will be omitted

Rule 26 combined with rule 27 and moved to rule 21 changing* Alcoholic beverages are not to be taken from or consumed outside the building or in the parking lot* to Alcoholic beverages are not to be taken from or consumed outside the building. Alcoholic beverages are not to be in plastic or other take out containers

Rule 28 no change except to move to rule 22

Rule 29 moved to rule 23 changing * the pool table is to be covered at all social events. No game will be started within one hour prior to the event and there will no resumption of games until the chairman of the event or duty officer authorizes pool games to resume*

to the pool table will be covered at all special official lodge functions. No games will be started one half hour prior to the event and there will be no resumption of games until the chairman of the event or duty officer authorizes arcade games to resume

Rule 30 changed to All bar credit must be paid in full before the members leaves the clubroom and no further credit will be extended until payment in full is made

Rule 31- no change except to move to rule 28

Rule 32- no change except to move to 25

Rule 33- omitted

Rule 34 no change but moved to rule 26

Rule 35 changed to no one other than the bar tender or bar manager shall be permitted behind the bar unless authorized as according to ABC rules to perform cleaning or glass washing tasks as necessary.

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For Elks November is Veterans Remembrance Month



DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

Jerry Serota

The remodeled Hospice portion of building 99 at Sepulveda VA Was opened last week on the 20th. I did not attend the opening, as I was present at the 14th annual Stand Down debriefing in Ventura with two other members of the Eric Huberth Post 11395. Hank Papeika attended the opening. The hospice is located in Building 99 and has 14 beds. Currently there are no Veterans in residence. In talking with the manager of the Hospice, he expects two or three Veterans to be in residence within the next two weeks. Judi and I were at the Sepulveda VA on the 27th to drop off four dozen books and magazines at both the Hospital and Building 99. After talking with the manager of the Hospice I took a short tour of the facility. The Hospice currently has a small reception room, which is currently being furnished, and expected to be complete within the next week. We talked with Patrick Gregorio about the Veterans breakfast for November 5th. We need to firm up this date and the time of arrival as 11AM to arrange transportation for the Veterans. We are still waiting for the opening of the gym, and there still is no facility useable by disabled Veterans at the Sepulveda Veteran Hospital.

Gary Erland-Eric Huberth Post

The first Disabled American Veterans Chapter #1 (DAV) was chartered 1920 in Wilmington Delaware. My father Lewis Serota was a charter member of that Organization. During WWI he received a Purple Heart with Gold Leaf for being wounded twice. One of the wounds he carried a broad scar in his biceps from a bayonet wound in hand to hand combat. He was against tatoos but always thought he would like an eye tatoed over the scar so when he flexed his arm muscle it would wink.

It was our privelege to donate a copy of that charter to John Finnegan, and Commander, Salvador Ayala, DAV Chapter 55, Simi Valley at the Reagan Library, September 11th and they assured us that it would find a home in his Chapter. John is 93 years old and served as a paratrooper in the invasion of the Leyte, Philipine Islands



L-R) W.W Wright, Post Service Officer, John Finnegan, and Salvador Ayala, and George Kalemkarian, Reagan Library, 9-11-

**Veterans' Brunch
November 5th
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9 am-noon**

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One of Webster's Dictionary definitions of Americanism is "a custom peculiar to the U.S. or to America." One of these customs is the Statue of Liberty. Standing 151 feet high, the statue represents a proud woman holding a tablet bearing the date of the Declaration of Independence and with broken shackles at her feet, symbolizing the overthrow of tyranny. Since 1885, the statue has been inscribed with the words, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shores, send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!" The Statue of Liberty, originally called Liberty Enlightening the World, symbolizes liberty in the form of a woman wearing flowing robes and a spiked crown of seven spokes (symbolizing the seven oceans and the seven continents), and who holds a torch aloft in her right hand and carries in her left a book of law inscribed "July 4, 1776." Another of these customs is the symbol of Uncle Sam. It usually appears as a figure with white hair and chin whiskers, wearing a long coat and top hat with stars or stars and stripes. The nickname was first used during the War of 1812. Samuel Wilson, the owner of a meat packing plant in Troy, New York, was asked by some visitors what the markings on the barrels of inspected meat stood for. When one of his workers explained the meaning of some of them, he jokingly added that the letters US (the abbreviation for the United States) stood for Uncle Sam Wilson. Years later in 1861, Congress adopted a resolution recognizing "Uncle Sam" as the person after whom the symbol was named. An image of Uncle Sam appeared on a World War I Army recruiting poster by illustrator James Montgomery Flagg, showing Uncle Sam pointing

a finger and saying, "I Want You." Only in America could nothing become something. As you celebrated the 4th of July, remember it is not just a holiday. It is a very special occasion marking our country's birthday. Many sacrifices have been made so that we may celebrate in freedom. Fly your flag and remember that you're an American darn proud of it! God bless our troops, and God bless America. By LARRY L. O'LAUGHLIN Americanism Committee Member

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September 10, 2006

PATTI'S CRIBBAGE CORNER

We will never have too many players. Those of us there had a delightful afternoon, and delicious turkey feast complete with brownies.

1st Place	Patti Serota
2nd Place	Rick Herrera
3rd Place	Chris Guzzetta

In a unanimous decision we three donated our winnings to the Scholarshio Fund.

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ICE CREAM AND BAKE SALE

The Elk Ladies will be selling ice cream on Friday, October 6th, Friday November 3rd; and will host a bake sale on Friday, October 20th. You can't get a better deal than a huge bowl of ice cream for a dollar and baked goods that are out of this world for only a buck! The portions are so big we ran out of ice cream the last time. You even get to put on your own toppings. Who can eat ice cream and not laugh out loud, at the very least crack a big smile? Every one is a winner - folks get creative with toppings, the Ladies raise money for their work, and the community gets happier residents – you just can't lose.

MARDI GRAS COMES TO THE T.O. ELKS LODGE

That's right ladies and gentlemen, this February, February 24th to be exact, the Ladies will be hosting Mardi Gras Night at the Lodge. We are still in the early planning stages and I don't want to give away any secrets I'm not supposed to, but I think it will be wonderful. One of the first big events at the Lodge I ever attended was a Mardi Gras Night and that was way back in 1998. I have a few photos from it and I remember what a good time we had. The committee co-chairs for the event are Pat Peterson and yours truly. It is a first time for both of us and we are getting lots of direction from the more experienced in our group, but would still love to hear from you with your ideas. If you know anything about *Parade of Fools*, *Zydeco* or *Cajun* music, food or traditions, give us a call. I can be reached at 805 371-4023 and Pat can be reached at 805 486-7442.

Marilyn Cissell remembering
Bob Cissell



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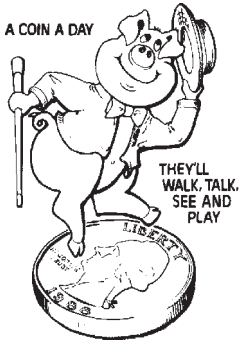
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