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Exalted Ruler
Steve Smith

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by David Nacarrato and Crew

Sunday September 18th, 2011

11:00am to 6:00pm

Picnic Lunch \$3.50



NASCAR Raffle, Bingo, Bowling Tournament, Best Brownie Contest, Pitching Wedge Contest, and More

Outdoor Activities

Kids Zone all grandkids

welcome

Elks Ladies Fashion Show/Sale at 4:00pm

Pork Chop Cook Off at 4:30 pm

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**EXALTED RULER**

Steve Smith

FIDELITY



This article begins with what I experienced at the Grand Lodge Convention in Phoenix, Arizona. The opening ceremonies, held in a huge convention hall with thousands in attendance Sunday evening, were very patriotic. There were a lot of who's who introductions of Past Grand Exalted Rulers and their wives. That took awhile, but as they were introduced I could not help but sit in awe of the fact that these men had achieved something so unique, so noble and yet so unsung. They are members of subordinate lodges the same as you and I, but have distinguished themselves as national leaders of a benevolent society dedicated to one thing; helping those in need. I then realized why we took the time to recognize their presence.

The ceremonies continued with a parade of state flags, carried by each state association president or their designate, beginning with the first state admitted to the Union to the last. Then each branch of our military was represented with their flags. The most touching was the POW/MIA flag reverently carried down the center isle and placed upon the stage. And, of course, Old Glory was the finale of the procession with the organist playing the Star Spangled Banner in the background as the members began to crescendo singing the words to the same.

Michael F. Smith, the outgoing GER, addressed the convention with a message urging us as members to get the word out about Elks. A study examining charitable organizations found that the BPOE was the second most *unknown* of such organizations. This is not a distinction of honor by any stretch of the imagination. His position was to stop being so overwhelmed with manuals (reading them and writing them), but to start focusing on talking up Elkdom.

He wanted us to let our neighbors know what it is that we as a benevolent organization do in their community and how they can be a part of that honorable effort. Show them how the strength of our dollar is most effective as opposed to other organizations with top heavy administrative costs. Explain how our Major Projects work; employing case workers rather than outsourcing to a third party entity. Boast about how they are sent out to help families with children who have special needs. And don't forget our support of Veterans. Talk it up. Americans love to help others in need. It's who we are, who we have always been and will continue to be, God willing, into the future.

What followed over the next several days was meetings, meetings and more meetings. Then questions, answers and debate on 36 resolutions; culminating with the vote. I briefly reviewed the results of the voting in our last meeting in August. If anyone has specific questions I will be happy to address them. I will have the resolutions and voting results with me throughout the month of September.

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**LEADING KNIGHT**

Leo Rodriguez

CHARITY



Under the Station of the Leading Knight comes the annual Charity Ball. As you know, the profits from the Charity Ball go towards the Charity Basket Program in which we distribute baskets to the less fortunate families within our community in December.

The theme this year is *"The Black and White Affair", The Sequel*. This year the Ball is being held a little earlier on the 22nd of October. Dinner is being prepared by Tom Ryder and Entertainment by "K.C. Phillips. We will be holding raffles for beautiful gift baskets of all different types, and other great prizes, again all proceeds going to the Christmas Baskets. This event will be a lot of fun so be sure to make your reservations early, tickets will be on sale in the lounge the last week of September.

As we come closer to December, there will be sign-up sheets posted in the Lodge for volunteers to help with many tasks including, assembling the boxes with the food, the wrapping of presents for the children and, the delivery of baskets thru out the community. For those of you who have participated in this process in the past, the smiles and appreciation from the families you see make you feel how worthwhile our efforts truly are.

Exalted Ruler continued

The convention ended with a touching memorial service and inspiring closing ceremonies. The changes resulting from the passage of certain resolutions will make for an interesting future for Elkdom. Some changes take effect 30 days after the close of the Grand Lodge session. Others take effect at the beginning of the next elk year.

Regardless of how you feel about these changes the future of Elkdom and our lodge rests with each and every individual member. Your participation in your lodge's activities is essential. Believing that there will always be others who will make your lodge function is shortsighted. Your voice, your vote and your involvement are the heart and soul of a vibrant and productive lodge. Remember, "If each of us did just half of what we think everyone else should do, our lodge would flourish".



Exalted Ruler Steve and wife Pam with GER David Carr and his wife Penny

**LOYAL KNIGHT**

Greg Metzgus, PDDGER
appointed

JUSTICE



Well, here I am again serving as your Loyal Knight. I last served as Loyal Knight in Lodge Year 2001-02 when Johnny D'Ambrogio was ER.

For those of you that are unaware of how Lodge Offices are filled when an Officer resigns, as was the case when Kira and Paul Wagner moved out of the area, the ER appoints a replacement (GLS 12.150). The replacement need not be a PER. That appointed Officer will serve with all of the voting rights of an elected officer until a member is nominated and elected to serve for the remainder of the lodge year. That replacement Officer can be nominated, voted upon and installed on *any* regular lodge meeting night. Notification of the membership is not required, as long as the election is to be held at a regularly scheduled meeting (GLS 12.150 Opinion 04). This being said, should any member want to replace me for the balance of the year, please have someone nominate you for the position, I will gladly step aside. I will even do the initiation ceremony (with the ERs permission) for you for the balance of the year. Such a deal.

It appears that our Ladies are finally going to get a new bathroom. I was very pleased to see our entire attendance come together as one (1 or 2 exceptions) with the approval to move forward with this long overdue upgrade. It is refreshing to see us all agreeing upon this.

Please watch for and support all of the efforts made to pay off the loan from the New Facilities Fund. Stand by for a major fund raiser by the PERs kicking off this month.



ER Going Away Party-Night at the Races sponsored by PER Association

**LECTURING KNIGHT**

Terry Gicking, PER appointed

BROTHERLY LOVE



Well, here we go into September already and the lodge be the happenin' place! With all the great Friday night meals, Sunday breakfasts, simple Wednesday night dinners before the meetings and Monday night football meals, the food and fun have never been better! Plus, we now have 3rd Thursday night all you can eat Salad & Potato bar! A great success! So please pick a meal or two and come down and join us. You'll be glad you did!

Oh! And one more meal! On **Saturday, October 1st**, JB & I (well, more JB than me!) will be putting on a meal for the Purple Pig, our Major Project! It will be a sit down served meal of Sirloin Tips of Beef and Chicken Breast with all the fixings and dessert! Along with that there will be a drawing, special raffle prizes and door prizes! So get your tickets early, as we are limiting it to 80! It will be a first class event you won't want to miss! And it's for a great cause! CHEA's children, so they can walk, talk, see and play! This next part is from an article I did as Loyal Knight a few years ago!

And now for something completely different. I grew up in Thousand Oaks and seen a lot of changes. I've watched this town grow, seen its struggle, seen it flourish, and seen it become one of the finer cities in America! It took a lot of great people to lead this city to get it to where it is today! This isn't a political endorsement for anybody, but with the recent passing of Brother Elks, it got me thinking of some of the people from this lodge who had a vision about starting our Elks Lodge and helping it grow. One person who stands out in my mind was Floyd "Frosty" Miller. Frosty always had a great attitude about everything! He would always greet you with a smile and a firm handshake. He always looked on the positive side of everything. When any one would ask him how he felt, he would always reply, "If I felt any better, I would be twins!" As the years took their toll on him, his attitude never changed. One day I had to ask him, how are you so positive all the time? How do you do it? He replied, "Each morning I wake up and say to myself, Frosty, you have two choices today. You can choose to be in a good mood or ...you can choose to be in a bad mood. I choose to be in a good mood! Each time something bad happens, I can choose to be a victim or I can choose to learn from it. I choose to learn from it! Every time someone comes complaining, I can choose to accept their complaining and complain with them or I can choose to point out the positive side of life. I choose the positive side of life!" I remember saying to him that it wasn't that easy. He looked me right in the eye and replied, "Yes it is Terry. Life is all about choices. When you cut away all the junk, every situation is a choice. You choose how you react to situations. You choose how people affect your mood. You choose to be in a good mood or bad mood. The bottom line: it's your choice how you live your life!"

Wow, no truer words were spoken. If we choose to complain about how things are done, we are all going to be miserable. But if we work together with a positive look on things, we can do a lot of great things!

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DAVID R. CARR
GRAND EXALTED RULER

2011-2012



David was born and raised in the Village of Port Henry, a hamlet in the town of Moriah, New York. Following his high school graduation in 1960, he successfully completed a four-year New York State accredited Industrial Electronics Apprenticeship training course in addition to several college-level courses and seminars in business, advanced writing, advanced math, computerized

electronic control systems, power distribution and controls, labor-management auditing and finance, workplace health and safety, and IRS and State Attorney General Tax Exempt Charities Symposiums. David spent his thirty-seven-year career in industrial electronics and safety and retired from International Paper in Ticonderoga, New York, in 1999.

David was initiated into Whitehall, New York Lodge No. 1491 in February 1975. He immediately became active with the Youth Activities Committee and served as the Lodge Organist and Chaplain. He transferred his membership to the Ticonderoga, New York Lodge after moving to nearby Crown Point in 1978. Here, he served as Lodge Chaplain, Esquire, and Organist and was active on many committees and fundraising activities. He proceeded through the chairs and served as Exalted Ruler in 1989, PER Association Chairman in 1990, and Lodge Trustee from 1988 to 2005. He served as Lodge Editor and Public Relations Chairman from 1988 to 2004 and was District Editor and Public Relations Chairman from 1993 to 1996.

David served the New York State Elks Association as State Vice President in 1990–1991, as Community Activities Chairman from 1995 to 1997, as State Editor from 1997 to 2002, as State Secretary from 1999 to 2009, and as State President in 2009–2010. He introduced the Dictionary Project to the New York State Elks Association in September 2003.

David served the Grand Lodge as District Deputy in 1994–1995, as a member of a Grand Lodge Steering Committee, as Trustee Chairman overseeing the financial assets of a defunct Lodge from 2002 to 2010, and as a member of the Board of Grand Trustees from 2006 to 2010. He introduced the Dictionary Project to the Grand Lodge in July 2004.

David has served as a member or officer of several conservation organizations and has served on the hospital board, school board, and board of fire commissioners. He is also a member of the volunteer fire company, Kiwanis Club, Knights of Columbus, Jaycees, US Coast Guard auxiliary, and is a founding

member of the Department of Homeland Security. In 2008, David was awarded President Bush's USA Freedom Corps Volunteer Service Award by then GER Paul Helsel.

David and his wife, Penny, have four children: David, who lives in Skiatook, Oklahoma, with his wife, Kim, and son Branden; John, who lives in Whitehall, New York, with his wife, Ann, and sons John Jr., Jordan, Anthony, and Austin; Lisa, who lives in Addison, Vermont, with her husband, Tim Davis, and their sons Timothy and Michael; and Claire, who lives in Sherman Oaks, California, with her husband, Charles Butterworth, and their daughter, Willow.

David and Penny are active in their church, Sacred Heart Church of Crown Point, NY, where Penny serves as a member of the choir and David serves as choir accompanist.

David believes strongly that *"Elks Give from the Heart"* because Elkdom, like patriotism, is in the hearts and souls of our members

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My point with all this is: attitude about where the lodge is AND where it is going is everything! We all need to look on the positive side to help this lodge achieve the goals of those members who had the vision to start this lodge years ago!

I firmly believe it! ***DO YOU?***

With fraternal gratitude!

ELK Terry Gicking

Life is a 90/10 principle...10% is the situation and 90% is how we react to it!

Past Exalted



Rulers Association

In the month of July, the PERs put on the ERs going away party for the WCCD ERs; we also did a Sunday breakfast and we did the 5th Saturday BBQ! For a bunch of old farts, (except Catherine and Sally), we are worn out! But we did raise some funds to help our Frank Rindone Scholarship Fund! And we had FUN doing it!

So on behalf of the PERs of 2477, we would like to THANK all who helped and/or contributed! A special Thank You to Dan Martyn, Rick Bennett and Steve McKee for their help on the BBQ!

When we did the "night at the races" for the ER party, we heard a lot of "we should do this more often!" So guess what? WE ARE! More info coming, but we are trying for late October or November! Also next month we PERs will have info on OUR contribution to help raise funds for the Ladies room remodel! I think it has something to do with a resort in the Carribean! So THANK YOU ALL once again for supporting our Lodge through the PERs, and we will talk to you next month!

Terry Gicking, PER President

COMING ATTRACTIONS



- Sept. 5/9-National Patriotism Week
- Sept. 9-Jr. PER Roast
- Sept. 11-9/11 Flag Retirement
- Sept. 18- Lodge Picnic
- Sept. 24-Octoberfest-renovation fund raiser

- Oct 1-Purple Pig Fundraiser Dinner
- Oct. 22- Charity Ball
- October 29-Halloween Party- renovation fund raiser

- November 4-5- Mid-Term Riverside
- November 12- Flag Retirement
- November 20- Veteran's Appreciation Brunch
- November 19- Blood Drive
- November 24- Thanksgiving Dinner

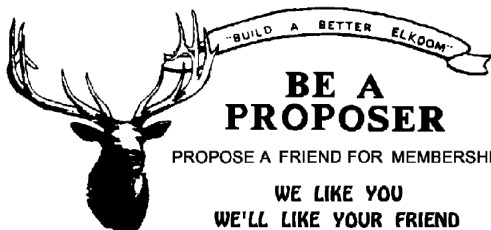
- December 10- Christmas Floral Arranging with Rick Herrera
- December 12-17- Charity Baskets w/Saturday delivery
- December 31- New Year's Eve Party

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WEB SITE!

<http://www.elks2477.com>



ENTERTAINMENT



September 2- Moon & Sol
 September 9-PER Roast
 September 16-One Last Dance
 September 23-Power Dave Bingo

Corinne Eddy, Bar Manager

We are roasting Junior PER, Harry Brockwell, on September 9th following a pot roast dinner (of course) prepared by Nydia. Come join the fun—see him squeak. Be part of the audience or be a roaster and toaster. Always a fun filled night



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Coleen Morris
 805-241-8928

OUR CONDOLENCES TO: Toni Hartin & Catherine Koeritz on the passing of their step-father Hector Tellez wife Mary

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Our Armed Forces and their families who keep us free; Helen Heisler who is in Los Robles Hospital suffering from Lung Cancer and gangrene on her limbs; Grace Wallace is recovering at Los Robles East Campus from Congestive Heart Failure.

ON THE MEND: Jay Peterson is having physical therapy for a fractured foot. Kathy Riechle is recovering from an infection following foot surgery; Will soon be back at the Lodge; Don Ansell, PER, is home after heart surgery; Roy Cooper is on the mend following 4 knee surgeries (thank God finally success); Barb Gibbs mother is recovering from a fractured pelvis

David Naccarato, PER, Lodge Secretary

At the regular Lodge meeting of September 7th a vote will be taken by the members present and the results forwarded to Grand Lodge by mail. Two votes will be taken:

1. Do we agree to replace our being known as a "subordinate" lodge to being known as a "locale" lodge. The committee on judiciary finds that the adoption of this resolution would not violate the constitution of the order.
2. Article III, section 18 of the constitution recognizes A Past Exalted Ruler Association and a Ladies Auxiliary. The vote will be to recognize other groups such as recreational vehicle or motorcycle auxiliary provided their aims and purposes are consistent with those of the order. Committee on judiciary finds the adoption would not violate the constitution of the order. On another subject-

We are Elks. We all had a reason to join our Lodge. This Lodge is our extended family. Many of us take it very seriously. We took the obligation of this Lodge and one of the many points was "The faults of our members we write upon the sand". That is significant to the effect that you go to the beach, write the fault of your member that has been festering in the sand and watch the waves wipe it clean. Our mission as Elks is to inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members; to quicken the spirit of American Patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the BPOE of the USA will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that Elks care Elks share. It is pretty clear to me. No Grey area. Let's have some fun promoting Elkdom. The rest is just not that important.

Attention all members of Thousand Oaks Lodge #2477
Unfortunately, for far too long, House Rule #24 has been ignored by too many members. This has placed an undue burden on cash flow and proper accounting management.

Effective immediately, House Rule #24 will be strictly enforced. We expect full compliance and courtesy with the bar staff with regard to this issue.

House Rule #24 reads as follows:

24. *All bar credit must be paid in full before the member leaves the clubroom and no further credit will be extended until payment in full is made.*

Thank you in advance for your cooperation, understanding and support.

Respectfully,

Your House Committee

Lodge Renovations


On behalf of the Lodge Renovation Committee, I thank our members for their participation at our August 3rd meeting, when members turned out to learn about and discuss the renovation and renovation funding proposals. My only regret about the meeting is that we do not have a photograph of nearly 100 members voting to support the renovation proposal; not because our committee received the support needed to move forward, but to capture a moment when the Lodge meeting room was full on a Wednesday night with members voting nearly unanimously in favor of something. I hope that our renovation efforts will contribute to a greater degree of member participation at Lodge meetings and activities.

And now comes the hard part: doing it. We have selected our contractor for the ladies restroom, and he has started the process of obtaining the requisite permits from the City of Thousand Oaks. Shortly we will begin relocating stored items from the badge room and doing necessary prep work before starting construction. If all goes as planned, we expect construction to start in September. As we move forward, we will keep the membership informed on the status of our renovations and further plans, which must be reviewed and approved by the Officers. Your attendance and participation at our regular meetings is encouraged.

Our next renovation fundraising event will be the Saturday, August 27th Casino Night followed by our Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 24th. The Oktoberfest promises to be a great evening combining entertainment and authentic German food cooked by authentic German-American members, with appropriate libations in ample supply. Come and join us for a great time, the more the merrier.

Thanks again to the membership for their support of this project. If you have any questions regarding the renovations, please feel free to contact any committee members. We value your input.

Dan Martyn

Lodge Renovation Committee Chair

Committee Members:

Tom Ryder
 David Naccarato
 Terry Gicking
 Steve Finnerty

Donna Leary
 Abe Gamble
 Boyd Lindquist
 Sharon Baker



Remember our recycling program for Scholarship



BREAKFAST REGULAR HOURS

11:00-4:00 HAMBURGER, HOT DOGS, CHICKEN LEGS, CORN ON THE COB, SALAD PICNIC LUNCH \$3.50

11:00 NASCAR RAFFLE) \$5.00 DONATION KIDS DECORATE HATS-BECOME PIT CREW Kids will have a Frisbee decorating and throwing contest and Rump rope demonstrations

12:00 BINGO (IN THE LODGE ROOM) BINGO \$10.00 DONATION FOR 7 GAMES \$20.00 JACKPOT PER GAME WITH AT LEAST 20 PLAYERS.

12:00-4:00 AMERICAN ELKS IDOL (SEE SIGN UP SHEET) ON DANCE FLOOR

1:00 PITCHING WEDGE CONTEST ON THE PICNIC GREENS BRAGGING RIGHTS AND CERTIFICATE

2:00 BOWLING TOURNAMENT (SEE SIGN UP SHEET) ON DANCE FLOOR

2:00 CROCKETT TOURNAMENT AT THE OFFICE GREENS BRAGGING RIGHTS AND CERTIFICATE

3:00 WATER BALLOON TOSS IN PARKING LOT

4:00 FASHION SHOW AND SALE (IN THE LODGE ROOM) All Items \$12.00- \$2.00 per Item Donated to the Lodge

4:00 -5:30 2ND ANNUAL PORK CHOP COOK- OFF (SEE SIGN UP SHEET) \$5.00 ENTRY FEE (YOUR RECIPE AND SEASONING) PORK CHOPS WILL BE FURNISHED

5:00 BEST CARD TRICK I'VE EVER SEEN (SEE SIGN UP SHEET) ON DANCE FLOOR SHOW OFF YOUR BEST CARD TRICK

5:30 BEST BROWNIE CONTEST AND SALE(FOR THE ELKS LADIES) SEE SIGN UP SHEET

Elks Care - Elks Share



Pull Tab Collection

Collecting Pull Tabs for the Ronald McDonald Houses. Here is a note I received from one of our fellow Elks. "When I saw you last Wednesday, I mentioned to you about all the friends I have that help me save tabs. Two weeks ago I received a big tub from my friends Ana and Mike Lang. They live in a community with lots of activity and they told their friends and neighbors about our Elk's saving tabs and they went all out. Yesterday my niece gave me a bag full of tabs and they were from students from North Hollywood High School and on the bag they wrote: "To Ms. Cuozzo from Eco Freaks". Another friend Marilyn Galbreath, has a daughter, Kim, who is a teacher and she now has the children and teachers involved and helping us. Besides all those I have family, friends and neighbors that are very good to me and help me collect tabs."

This is the kind of cooperation it takes to help those families that are less fortunate than most of us.

Elks Care – Elks Share

Your Pull Tabs at work, member Janine Jellander-Van Poppelen and her husband Eric have been staying at a Ronald McDonald House while their daughter Cameron recovers from surgeries at Children's Hospital



Collection
await



the lounge
your dondations

Take a coin out of your pocket and look at it. It has two sides, heads and tails. Just as life itself has two sides. The good deeds we do, and tasks undone. One gives us pleasure and the other remorse.

When we pass the hat for Manna we feel elated in the name of charity. Then there are tasks left undone that we rue and regret. We wish to thank the members who responded last month to Manna's needs, and hope in your heart you felt gladness that comes from your act of charity. To those who let that opportunity slip by may you feel a little remorse by responding this month, and trade regret for the joy in giving.

We wish to thank the members who attended the meeting on August 3rd for responding to Mannas needs by donating \$140 when the hat came around.

Elks Care - Elks Share

ELKS NATIONAL VETERANS
SERVICE COMMISSION



SERVING OUR NATION'S VETERANS

Carl Lanterman

Veterans Services Chair.

August 1st, and the Ventura County Stand Down is over and cleanup is under way by the SeaBees. One newspaper article reported 160 attendees; homeless veterans. At least 20 veterans had various tickets processed by the D.A.'s office. Almost everyone took advantage of some kind of medical service; dental, optometric, podiatric and otherwise. Haircuts, showers, clothing, shoes, food and beds were available to all, in addition to psychiatric assistance and finding jobs. The EDD working with veterans are very active.

The Ventura County Elks Lodges combined to provide 200 brown bag lunches and playing cards for veterans on their way out Sunday. Also, the T.O. VFW and T.O. Elks provided cigarettes; not trying to encourage smoking, but revival was not the purpose.

The V.A. – Homeless division provided a bus to SLO, Santa Maria and Lompoc with no takers; very disappointing. The DAV provided vans from WLA, Lancaster, Sepulveda and Simi Valley. The Oxnard Family Center provided a 20-passenger bus to SB on Friday and locally on Sunday. The Cal Vet Home-Ventura provided two vans on Friday and the Fillmore VFW provided an SUV for the weekend that was used more than once for hospital runs.

Thanks much to the following for helping, and please forgive if anyone is missed; Dave Anderson, Gerry Gillies, Bill Aubery, Jerry Feldman, Alice Kennedy, Chet Kozlowski, Pat von Wittenburg, John & June, David Nacarrato, others who donated and a very special thank you to Terry Gicking and JB Bre.

Elk Veteran Recognition:



Carl Lanterman with Ventura County Stand Down founder Claire Hope and her mentor and now husband, Cal Farmer

YOUR LODGE ON YOUTUBE---HOORAY

On the right hand side you will see videos. Just below them there is a link called see all. Click that to see all of them

<http://www.youtube.com/user/elks2477>

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS



Ray Sorbino with sponsor David Stull



Jeff Stoebner with sponsor Chris Prince



Kenneth Scheur with sponsor Dick Johnson

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE LODGE-

ELKS SPONSOR BLOOD DRIVE

The Heroes came on Saturday July 16th for the Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge #2477 overwhelmingly successful blood drive garnering not only 40 pints of blood but had to turn some heroes away because of time constraints. For their generosity they received gift certificates for ice cream at Baskin and Robbins.-Jerry Serota

Harken all you Heroes, the next scheduled blood drive will be Nov. 19th.



VETERANS

“So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will not forget them.” But, the Elks National Services is not limited to veterans.

When Elk member, former marine and senior citizen Jerry Feldman noticed that the flag in front of the Thousand Oaks recruiting office was well worn, he offered to share in the cost of a new flag. The officers of Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge No. 2477 voted to provide the money from the lodge veterans fund. Below are photos of Jerry Feldman and Carl Lanterman-Chair of National Services presenting the marine flag to recruiter Sgt. Morales, with the assistance of his daughter Katelyn.

The T.O. recruiting office was instrumental in obtaining the services of a local marine color guard to present a ceremony at the Cal Vet Home-Ventura during the Elks 2477 monthly karaoke session. The T.O. Elks lodge works with veterans, active military and a variety of other veterans oriented organizations in providing myriad services to those in need, or just for the camaraderie

Jerry Serota

CAR SHOW

On August 6th at the Lodge we had our 3rd Annual Members and Guest Only Car Show. This year the proceeds went to Youth Activities. Cars were down from last year but enthusiasm was high. When that Pontiac Woody didn't make the show there was a sigh of relief from the other entries. 12 year member James Hamilton with his 1931 Model A took top honors in his class. People's choice award went to Ned Shank brother-in-law of Max Maxwell with his 1961 Chevrolet Impala. Max has been a loyal supporter in our car show endeavors. When the show was looking empty, Jon Preston who was working the BBQ got on the phone and called his friend John Milken who has a 1941 Cadillac. This car is large and in-charge and took Best Of Show award. This is an award voted by the other car owners. John showed off some parking ability with this very long automobile. When Jill Williams pulled into the parking lot with her 1955 Gasser, we all knew something was afoot. The car was UNCORKED. The windows rattled, the asphalt cracked, the trees swayed. It was very impressive. Newer member Steve Buczynski with a 1955 Chevy Truck won top honors in his class. His truck was a nice Gum-by Green. Gerry Gillies brought his 1953 Chevy Sedan Delivery Truck. Could never tell it delivered anything. Truck was perfect. I want to be politically correct here. Heather brought her or maybe it's Teds well anyway their 1969 Mustang GT convertible. Great shape all original and a newer Mustang convertible year '83 owned by Car Lanterman made me a deal. He'd enter it, if I cleaned it for him. Small price to pay for Youth Activities. I want to thank Ed Rice for his entry donation fee when his Mustang developed a problem and did not make the show. Next year we will have major changes to the car show. **David Naccarato, Car Show Chair**

2477's PURPLE PIG "FUN"drasing Dinner



Sat Oct 1, 2011

6PM No Host Bar & Appetizers

7PM Sit Down Dinner

Sirloin Tips of Beef Chicken Breast

Rice Pilaf

Fresh Green Beans

Salad Bar

Garlic Bread

Cheesecake

\$18/advance

\$20/at the door

DOOR PRIZES RAFFLES SPECIAL RAFFLE PRIZES

EL KONEJO KAMPERS**AT CHANNEL ISLANDS –**

July's unofficial campout at Channel Islands Harbor is but a fond memory. Jim and Kathy Moyer did a fantastic job of prizes and organization. Costco, eat your heart out, as we found those huge Costco dogs taste even better cooked on the barbecue!

We had about nine rigs camped and several people came for the day (on multiple days) to join in on the festivities and of course the meals. We enjoyed the pleasant weather and thought we were safe from sunburn. Surprise, it is worse when its overcast.

Sunday morning several of us enjoyed breakfast at Mrs. Olsen's at Hollywood Beach. We waited for over an hour to be seated in this tiny little landmark and were rewarded with a most delicious meal. Biggest pancakes I've ever seen and a variety of choices not to be believed.

Later that afternoon a fire truck drove through the camping area which grabbed my attention (men in uniform and all). When they stopped I thought someone must have called in an emergency or something was burning somewhere. No, one of the men on the truck had spotted Mike Flannery and stopped to catch up with Mike. Apparently, Mike had been his training officer and had worked with the father of one of the other guys. I was so impressed at how respectful these guys spoke to Mike, and what gentlemen. Well, I couldn't pass up that opportunity, so I asked them if we might have a picture with them. They were happy to oblige and even asked if I wanted to get in the truck. I'm old enough to know better. Some of our ladies were shy, but not Patty and me. Check out Mike, Patty and me along with three of Ventura County's finest below.

Despite the dry camping and fewer rigs than normal, everyone really got along well and had so much fun. Its nice to get a chance to really interact with folks. We're all looking forward to our next campout at the Santa Maria Elks Lodge and our feast at Jocko's in Nipomo. Until next month.

Jessica Stull

**UPCOMING KAMPOUTS**

Sept. 7-10-Santa Barbara Elks

Oct. 7-8 Flying Flags

Nov. 11-12-Kenney Grove

Dec. 11-Brunch Grand Vista Hotel

visit the website:

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The new Elks year kick off for Lodge ENF donations started off great! Unfortunately donations have slowed. Maybe it's the economy or maybe it's that we have too many lodge projects in progress. This year the Grand Exalted Rulers goal is again \$4.50. As of early August our lodge is far below that number.

Last year because we exceeded the Grand Lodge goal of \$4.50 and our Lodge was able to get grants from the Elks National Foundation totaling \$1,500 for use on lodge youth activities and probably could have gotten more had we applied. Please consider helping the lodge to attain its per-capita for this year.

This year the ENF will grant \$8.1 Million to the State Associations to help fund state Elks Associations Major Projects as well as Scholarships, Drug Awareness, Veterans programs, Hoop Shoot programs and Elks community support.

The Thousand Oaks Lodge will this year request Promise Grants for some of our youth activities and community projects.

You ask as to how our lodge or you can get ENF Funds, We, or you, have to request funds from CHEA or Grand Lodge ENF. But remember with the request for funds an explanation of how the funds are going to be used must be included.

Go online at www.elks.org and check under ENF for available Scholarships and requirements for your children or grandchildren!

Tom Ryder – PDDGER – ENF Chairman



Your Lodge Serving Our Community

- *Hosting Blue & Gold Ceremony at Lodge
- *Providing karaoke at Saticoy Vets monthly
- *Doing bingo party at Sepulveda Veterans Hospital monthly
- *Hosting blood drive for the community
- *Participating in BSA Court of Honor
- *Sponsoring an appreciation dinner for youth in our community
- *Participating in CVD and Chili Cook Off as food vendor
- *Being a partner in Special Kids Day at CVD
- *Hosting flag retirement ceremony with Boy Scouts-open to the public
- *Cooking for Brownilympics
- *Providing use of lodge room for Girl Scouts Bridging Ceremony
- *Giving VFW free monthly meeting room

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VOLUNTEER TEAM
CALL THE OFFICE
OR COMMITTEE CHAIR
TO PARTICIPATE**



OPERATION FACELIFT
Tom Ryder ~ PDDGER

Thanks to more members getting involved the "OPERATION FACELIFT" committee is alive and its projects are picking up speed for a better Lodge!

Operation PRIDE IN YOUR LODGE

Continues to be the biggest project in the Lodge! Your lodge buildings and grounds need to be presentable to the members and their guests. Please help us pick up loose garbage and litter around the lodge and grounds. A spick and span lodge will help attract more new members !!!

BBO Electrical Power Box

Electric power to the Slicers and warmers at the BBQ wagon previously was supplied by an extension cord from the power box on the lodge wall, across the sidewalk to the BBQ slicer. **A MAJOR SAFETY problem!** Thanks to one of our newer members and now a new GRUNT, John Pucket, he rewired the existing power box next the slicer for the needed power. *The safety problem no longer exists.* Thank you John!

Lodge Renovations

Dan Martyn doing an outstanding job getting us and keeping us involved in the **Lodge Renovations** projects. The sole purpose of this committee is to get interested persons involved in the planning, scheduling for and getting projects underway to spruce up the lodge. While these projects will not be major upgrades or new facilities, they will make the current lodge more useable and presentable. First item on the list is to get the ladies a new rest room. Approval to proceed was obtained from the membership and the final contractor will be chosen and work will proceed!

Storage Container (Storage Racks/shelves)

The need for a new storage container has lessened thanks to Brother Robert Koeritz. Robert donated many storage racks and shelves to the lodge with the provision the lodge had to pick up and relocate them to the lodge. **THE GRUNTS DID JUST THAT!** Dave Anderson, a new GRUNT, Rick Bennett, Rick Herrera, Grant Thistle, Bill Sternberg, Tom Hartin and yours truly with 7 pickups, **at 7 in the morning**, ventured forth to Robert Koeritz's place of business. They broke down and loaded the racks into the pickups and relocated them to the lodge. After reassembling some of racks, the Grunts then rearranged the BBQ bin using some of these new racks. This start at rearranging lodge storage is step number one towards getting the relocated Ladies bathroom project started.

Conference/Meeting Room

Work has been moving forward. All major items completed. Ladies have purchased 15 new folding chairs for the room and we can now have 20-30 people seated comfortably in the room for their meetings. Once the new carpeting is installed the room will be done. Major funding for this project has been donated by the Past District Deputy Grand Exalted Rulers (PDDGERS) and some came from Lodge Maintenance funds. Thank you all.

Privacy Gate and Fence

Next major project is making the picnic area more private! Plans and funds for the privacy fencing and gates has been approved. Currently searching for more GRUNTS to get the job underway.

Outside Grounds Lighting

Need to better light up the parking area behind our lodge building. The Officers and House Committee is continuing to work on a plan for installing some additional lighting around the Lodge.

All Projects are reviewed and approved prior to start by the Officers and House Committees.

Volunteers/Grunts

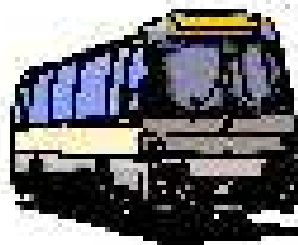
Your lodge is in need of volunteers. If you have some free time, consider lending a hand at an upcoming event or project. Contact the office, any officer or me to volunteer.

There is something for Everyone to help with. Its your lodge ~ Volunteer ~ Talk To An Officer or me (805-497-1853)!!

Thousand Oaks Elks & Simi Valley Elks
3rd Annual Bus Trip

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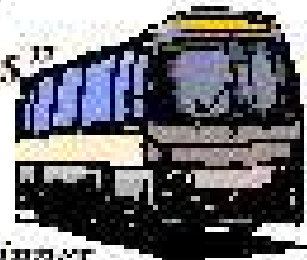
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Thank You!



SEPTEMBER MILITARY HISTORY

David Naccarato, PER

- September 1st 1939- Germany invades Poland WWII begins
 2nd 1945- Japan signs the formal surrender agreement on board the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay
 3rd 1939- Britain, France, Australia and New Zealand declare war on Germany 1943 British Troops land on mainland Italy, beginning the Allied Campaign in Italy. American troops land six days later
 8th 1944- USSR invades Bulgaria. Germany launches the first v-2 flying bomb on Britain.
 9th 1944- Bulgaria makes peace with the USSR, then declares war on Germany.
 10th 1939- Canada declares war on Germany. 1943 German troops occupy Rome. Mussolini soon declares himself head of a new fascist Italian government in German occupied Northern Italy.
 11th 1944- Allied troops enter Germany.
 15th- Germany begins the siege of Leningrad. It would not end until January 1944
 17th 1939- The USSR invades eastern Poland- 1944 Allied airborne assault in Holland
 18th 1947- Birthday of the Air force POW/MIA Recognition Day
 27th 1939- Poland surrenders to Germany 1940 Germany, Italy, and Japan sign the Tripartite Pact, making Japan part of the Axis
 29th 1938- Germany, Britain, France and Italy sign the Munich Pact allowing Germany to invade the Sudeten of Czechoslovakia

Following victory at Midway, US forces in the Pacific would begin a long bloody campaign of taking the islands at the periphery of the Japanese Empire, and tightening the noose on Japan itself. Tough Battles over the next several years would be the norm, as the Allies inched closer to the heart of the empire. Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan, Guam, Tinian-all U.S. victories, but at a cost. By September of 1944, US Marines took on the Japanese in the battle of Peleliu. Victory was complete, but casualties mounted, wearing on the soldiers and Marines fighting in the Pacific. The Tenacious foe faced at Peleliu would be a preview of what was to come in the final battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa.



OUR HISTORY IN SEPTEMBER 1987 & 2005

The year is 1987; the month is September. Although the Antler says the Exalted Ruler is John Henry (WHO!!!) I know a Jack Henry as Exalted Ruler 2ND time.

The front page of the Antler had this written by Jack Henry."Jack asked to help him to rekindle and keep burning the spirit of "pride in Elkdom in general and our Lodge in particular" and he further said "In the same sense of pride and spirit of progress that has characterized our past, you will be working together with your brothers to continue to move forward with the development of our Lodge and the spreading of Elkdom in our community." As it was then, history repeats itself.

Oktoberfest was advertised Oct. 16th featuring Hildegard and her accordion.

A pool table took the place of a dance floor and so a campaign to get rid of the pool table and get the dance floor back started. (side note) I joined in 2000 and the pool table was still here.

BBQ wagon was at Thousand Oaks Toyota in August and will be at Ralph's supermarket September 12th.

September 16th Fred Tryzinski cooked dinner for the meeting night "Polish1/4#"

Elk Ladies Luau the 26th \$11.00

New Facilities meeting the 27th Dick Hardin Chairman Bingo every Sunday 4:00

On the Elk Ladies page they listed diet tips

1. If no one see's you eat it - it has no calories
- 2.If you drink a diet soda with a candy bar they cancel each other out
3. When eating with others calories don't count if you all eat the same amount
4. Fatten everyone around you- then you look thinner
5. Movie related foods don't count for they are part of the whole experience
6. Broken cookies mean calorie leakage

September 2005 Sally Claunch was ER. The 30th was Bob Hardy Night. The unveiling of his Honorary Elk of the Year Plaque.

September 5th was Lodge Picnic

El Konejo Kampers were at Lake Cachuma

September 17th casino Night for ENF

September 18th Breakfast by Power Dave (I had legs then)

September 23rd Surf and Turf by Lindquist and Corrigan and JR PER Jay Block Roast.

Chris Prince an Grant Thistle joined the Lodge

Help out Paramedics with ICE. ICE stands for In Case of Emergency. If you add an entry in the contacts list in your cell phone under ICE, list your information for in case of an emergency and you will be identified- on page 19 of the Antler.

Editor Jerry Serota

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CHAPLAIN: Marilyn Cissell
MAJOR PROJECT: Niki Case
SUNSHINE:
HISTORIAN: Carol Fredericks
CVD: Alice Kennedy & Pat Peterson

The Elks Ladies Fashion Show on August 13th was a great success. The food was terrific and fun was had by all. Oh!, the Ladies in the "fashion show" were stupendous and very stylish. There were several people that attended that were Elks Ladies, their friends and family.

The Bubble drawing was won by Angela Prizzi for \$40.00. The 50/50 drawing was won by June Leadam for \$19.00.

On September 2nd the Elks Ladies are having an Italian dinner. As you know, when the Elks Ladies cook the food is always terrific. Hope to see everyone at the dinner and it is a great way to meet and great people.

Summer is always a fun time for everyone from children to adults. We hope you are all having a great summer, have fun!

Take care and God Bless,
Melinda Pekow

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Cornelia Meehan-5
Teri Rochford-6
Annie Pearson-12
Dee Swanson-17
Becky Krabel-22



WHEN HELP IS NEEDED MOST



APPEARS A GOOD SAMARITA,
WHEN HELP WAS NEEDED THEN.
WITH NO ONE THERE TO OFFER AID,
YOU SENT SOMEONE TO US AGAIN.

AND THIS WILL BE FOREVER LORD,
PROVIDING FAITH IN YOU IS STRONG.
A HELPER WILL BE CLOSE AT HAND,
IF SOMETHING SUDDENLY GOES WRONG.
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ELK LADIES



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 Dan Martyn 2 Year
 Richard Whitmire 3 Year
 Carl Lanterman 4 Year
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MANAGERS

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2011-12 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS-reporting to Exalted Ruler

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2011-12 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS-reporting to Leading Knight

MAJOR PROJECT/PURPLE PIG:
 David Naccarato, PER
 SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: Coleen Morris
 ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION:
 Tom Ryder, PDDGER
 CHRISTMAS BASKETS: Leonzo Rodriquez

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 David Naccarato, PER: Stray Elks
 Terry Gicking, PER: Orientation
 CHARITY BALL: Leonzo Rodriquez
 CHARITY DINNERS: Leonzo Rodriquez

2011-12 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS-reporting to Loyal Knight

LODGE ACTIVITIES:
 Jerry Serota: Public Relations
 Sally Claunch, PER: Americanism
 Bill Sternberg, PER: Flag Retirement Ceremo-
 Rick Eddy: Memorial Service
 Gov't Relations

David Naccarato, PER: Lodge Picnic
 Carl Lanterman: Nat'l Veterans Service
 Terry Gicking, PER: PER Assoc. President
 Wednesday Night Dinners
 Robert Jones & Sam Frankl: Wednesday Tickets
 Rick Eddy: Mother's Day

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Rick Herrera 2011-12 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS-reporting to Lecturing Knight

David Naccarato, PER: Hoop Shoot
 Grant Thistle: Soccer Shoot
 Robert Jones: Drug Awareness
 Sally Claunch, PER,: Kids Christmas Party
 Bill Miller: Scouting
 Rick Herrera: Scholarship

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:
 Tom Hartin: CVD
 Dave Naccarato, PER :Law Enforcement & Fire Fighter
 Apprec. Dinner
 CHRISTMAS TREE LOT: Ben Reiger-chair Tom Hartin & Ed-
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HONOREES

ELK OF THE YEAR- Johnny D'Ambrogio,
 OFFICER OF THE YEAR- Rick Herrera



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 articles are due the 5th of the month
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- Steve Smith
- Harry Brockwell, PER
- Pam Perrenoud
- Dick McCann
- Karin Speights
- Max Maxwell
- Barbra Ann Gibbs
- JB Bre (Candy sales)



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 2-Richard Wendler | 17-William Lloyd, DL |
| 3-Edward Ayrat | 17-Ed Rice |
| 3-Julie Cook | 18-Christopher Campbell |
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| 12-Roy Cooper | 28-Stephen Buczynski |
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| 13-Keith Orr | 29-Fred Trzcinski |
| 15-James La Rue | |



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Thank You for your continued support, Rick

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| Michael Kissick | Chuck Costigan |



CRYING TOWEL

July 6th capsule drawing No winner
Lucky 13- No winner


July 20th capsule drawing Julie Vashaw Not Present
Lucky 13 Richard Whitmire No Winner

July 27th capsule drawing David Ely Not Present
Lucky 13 George Mehann No Winner



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2005-06 Sally Claunch	1982-83 *A. John Nichols
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2007-08 Catherine Koeritz	1984-85 Vern Ogden
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