



# *Antler Antics*

**BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS  
B.P.O.E. LODGE #2477, THOUSAND OAKS, CALIFORNIA**

*Inaugural Ball  
Saturday March 29th, 2014*

**(See Page 7)**



Editors: Paul & Kira Wagner

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### A Note From The Editors:

As we continue, please help by making sure that if you have something to submit you send it to [kira@kirawagner.com](mailto:kira@kirawagner.com) by the 5th of the month. As it gets later in the month our members (YOU) have to wait for the publication and everyone's scheduling is important if we want them to come to our events.



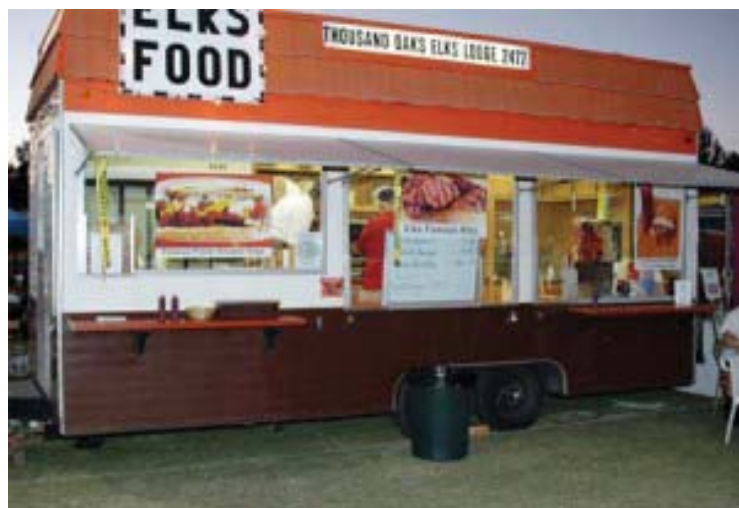
Here's to a great lodge and wonderful friends! See you at a meeting or some other event throughout the months and weeks to come.

Keep Moving Forward!  
Paul & Kira Wagner.

## A Look to the Future

In addition to the regular calendar, we will attempt to give everyone a heads up so that those that plan ahead can keep their calendars free for special occasions!

<b>Easter Egg Hunt</b>	April 20th
<b>Chili Cook-off</b>	April 27th
<b>Conejo Valley Days</b>	May 8th - 11th
<b>Moorpark Cal-Cup</b>	
<b>Field Hockey Tournament BBQ</b>	May 23rd - 26th



### Your Lodge Serving Our Community

- \*Hosting Blue & Gold Ceremony at Lodge
- \*Providing karaoke at Saticoy Vets **monthly**
- \*Doing bingo party at Sepulveda **monthly**
- \*Veterans Hospital **monthly**
- \*Hosting blood drive for the community
- \*Participating in BSA Court of Honor
- \*Sponsoring an appreciation dinner
- \*Participating in CVD and Chili Cook Off
- \*Awarding scholarships to high school seniors
- \*Holding Toys 4 Tots drive
- \*Being a partner in Special Kids Day at CVD
- \*Hosting flag retirement ceremony with Boy Scouts-open to the public
- \*Cooking for Brownlympics & Scouting Events
- \*Providing use of lodge room for Girl Scouts Bridging Ceremony
- \*Giving VFW free **monthly** meeting room
- \*Sponsoring hoop shoot for local youth
- \*Providing meeting place for community clubs
- \*Preparing and delivering food baskets
- \*Hosting Easter Egg Hunt for community kids

## A Message From The Exalted Ruler Terry Baker



Turn out the lights, the party's over. I cannot believe the year is over. I was concerned when this year started, but after a few weeks it was no problem. The lodge runs itself with all of the programs that are in place from Grand Lodge—and the fact that this lodge has been on a roll since 1972, I guess by now we would know how to do it. The people who are in charge change every year and the ones who step up to the plate are our special players. The Elks have never really had a problem with that. For the last 22 years that I've been a member, I would hear "that's it, find someone else" or "done it 10 times, I need a break" - all viable "resignations", but once the event started, i.e., tree lot, Christmas Cheer, or even putting on a dinner/fund raiser, the ones that knew how to do it, stepped up and DID IT.

You have already heard Dan say that without Dave Pearson the basket program would not have run so smoothly. So I thank you Dave, Dan, the Elks Ladies and Coleen Morris for stepping up in times of financial need and making a difference. Kathy Moye, Jane Watson, Faye Stevens and Jessica—I appreciate your help for being there at meal time.

Jim Moye's job as Loyal Knight is no picnic (Picnics belongs to Lecturing Knight, haha.) Jim has had to assemble cooks and make sure the dinners are attractive to our members, put on the New Year's and Inaugural Ball, as well as make all the meetings. Without Kathy, he never would have handled it.

Karen Martyn has been a real asset in the chaplain position. Karen would be a first place Ritual winner. I was first place chaplain winner, so I know.

Thank you to Robert Jones as Mr. Fix-it. Robert brings his equipment to karaoke every month at the Cal-Vet home.

Our Trustees, whose job is now just starting with the budget, have my sincere appreciation. If you are a chairman that needs money, speak now or forever hold your peace. I need to say that since I've been told that I enjoy a meal or two, Jim Porter is Top Cabin. The meals that he creates are great. Why do I mention him? Jim cooks 5 to 1 over anyone else. Ed Bianchi is right up there with his extensive taco plate.

Speaking of "Ed", Ed Rice stepped back in as BBQ chairman to give Rick a hand...and two hands are better than one. Ed Rice has done breakfast the day after BBQ. Note: Ed is for the lodge. We are lucky we have him. And speaking of breakfasts, all the breakfast crews, Bobby Williams, Crazy Krew, "New Kids on the Block", and the Kampers are doing an upbeat and productive job.

We brought in 35 new members this fiscal year and I love the fact that they participate in their newbie breakfast; additionally, I would love to see them at more of the other events.

Dues notices go out this month. Get payment back to the office before April 1st. Everyone wants to be the first. SORRY, Ted Barnes already paid. Ted was the first.

The Final Installment: I will always protect our members their good name and their family and I will always respect and defend the purity and sanctity of their home and firesides. As Elks we look after each other and have each other's back at their homes and hangouts.

If I break this obligation may I wander through the world forsaken. May I be pointed out as a being bereft of decency unfit to hold communion with true and upright members. If I don't uphold the obligation I took in front of God and our members, I will be asked to leave the fold and be pointed as one who cannot break bread with true and upright members, and while this may sound harsh, Charles Vivian took this Elk thing very seriously.

May God help me and keep me steadfast in this my solemn and binding obligation in the Benevolent and Protective Order Of Elks of the United States Of America. This is not an easy task if you need to ask God for help. Elks are only in America or on Military base soil.

Again, thank you for letting me be your Exalted Ruler this past year. Don't be afraid to get involved. And while we suggest that you don't take on more than you can handle, always remember that it is OK to ask for help. It's been said they wait to see you fail then tell you how it should have been. Refreshingly, I did not see this type of behavior. I love this lodge and thank you all for being members of Thousand Oaks #2477.

Terry and Sharon Baker  
Exalted Ruler and First Lady

## ELK OF THE MONTH

### *Jane Watson*

Please join me in congratulating Jane Watson on being chosen as Elk of the Month for March for her contributions to the Lodge. Jane has volunteered regularly in the kitchen, BBQ, Christmas tree lot, and Conejo Valley Days (CVD). Active with Konejo Kampers. Jane is fun to work with, hardworking, diligent and devoted to Elks. Her infectious laugh has earned her the nickname "Giggles".



Thank you Jane, for all you do.

## A Message From The Leading Knight Dan Martyn



At our regular meeting on February 5, a motion was passed to authorize renovation of the lounge and the use of up to \$110,000 from the restricted New Facility Account for that purpose.

With 92 members present, there were plenty of opinions and suggestions voiced. The discussion was cordial and respectful, as it should have been. The vote was taken, and 67 of the 92 members present voted in favor of the measure, providing the required 2/3 majority.

I thank the members for their participation, especially those who voiced their opinions, regardless of whether they supported or opposed the motion. As Elks, we should always respect the expressed opinions of other Elks given in the spirit of doing what is best for the Lodge.

The next step in this process will be to develop a final plan and detailed budget, to be submitted to the House Committee for review and approval. We expect to be able to do this in the next 60 days. Once that approval is obtained, we will begin ordering the necessary equipment and materials for the project, in order to avoid delays once renovation is started. Our goal will be to complete the project by the end of the Elks second quarter – September 30, 2014.

As we go forward with this project, we will keep you advised of progress and issues, and we welcome your input.

Thank you for your support.

Dan Martyn  
Leading Knight/Renovations Chair  
danmartyn2477@aol.com

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*The point in history at which we stand is full of promise and danger. The world will either move forward toward unity and widely shared prosperity - or it will move apart.*

**Franklin D. Roosevelt**

## A Message From The Loyal Knight Jim Moye



This will be my last article as your Loyal Knight. I hope I have served you, the members and the Lodge well, as I have enjoyed every minute. It has certainly been a learning experience.

As we come into a New Year, we are close to filling all the positions of the Officer Corps. But I must tell you that the Lodge is in need of members to serve on Committees.

The Conejo Valley Days is coming soon and we'll need help with getting things organized and set up. So if you would like to get more involved with the Lodge, please ask an Officer or Trustee for assistance. The Lodge does need your help.

Remember "Elks Care, Elks Share".

Faternally,

Jim Moye, Loyal Knight

Another Communication proving

### **Elks care-Elks share**

One family that we delivered Christmas dinner and presents to needed a bit more help and Member Gary Erland did not think twice before stepping up. The card that the children made speaks for itself. While the little girl Kaiden has cancer, Gary and the Elks made their holiday a little brighter. In addition to doing some plumbing work on their toilet and sink, Gary replaced light bulbs in a vaulted ceiling.

Thanks Gary Erland!

See note page 16

## SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Coleen Morris  
805-241-8928

### OUR CONDOLENCES TO:

Barbara Gibbs on the passing of her mother.

The members of Thousand Oaks Lodge 2477 are saddened to announce the passing of Roy Ratcliffe's sister-in-law on December 19th, 2013

### Keep in your Prayers

Purple heart recipient friend of Dave Anderson, stage 3 cancer  
Kathy Ryder in hospital for shortness of breath

### On the Mend

Bill Burmiester out of ICU after back surgery  
Janet Denuablo knee replacement. Now she can give Paul a good swift kick  
Chris Metzgus had to give up some colon but has beaten cancer!!!  
Dick McCann in physical therapy  
Ann McCann in physical therapy. Maybe a call to see if they need anything.  
Kay Magill Kidney stones and flu. Looking to get back  
Keith Orr home soon from Lung cancer surgery.

Remember: reports of Sickness and Distress are always welcome! Please call Coleen with any updates. Thank you!

### Duty Officers

Feb 28-3/2	Daryl Kopacz
Mar 7-9	Billy Sternberg
Mar 14-16	Jim Moye
Mar 21-23	Robert Jones
Mar 28-30	Dan Martyn

### Calendar Highlights

Saturday 2/1: Private Party 2:30 PM  
Sunday 2/2: Superbowl Party 3 PM  
Thursday 2/6: Police & Firefighters Dinner  
Saturday 2/8: Leading and Loyal Knights , Clinic-Lompoc  
Saturday 2/8 Chicago Speakeasy  
Sunday 2/9: Private Party Time TBD

### Purple Pig Honor Roll

Jon Preston  
Coleen Morris (Century Club)  
Diane Scott  
Reino Hilden  
Paul Wagner  
Kira Wagner  
Herb Jellander  
Greg Metzgus PDDGER  
Barbara Metzgus  
Mary Woodlief (Century Club)  
Steve Woodlief (Century Club)  
Sam Frankl  
Patti Harrod  
Robert Jones  
Steve Smith  
Karen Speights  
Dan Martin  
Karen Martin  
Darryl Kopacz  
Chet Kozlowski  
Richard Herrera  
John Peterson  
Dick McCann  
William Lloyd PDDGER  
Greg Miraglia  
Bill Sternberg PER  
John Puckett  
Dorothy Murray (Century Club)



## A Message From The Secretary David Naccarato



Carl Lanterman recently found himself moving and had an oak desk in his garage that needed a new home, and I have been wanting some sort of shield for Karen when she was counting money, or mad at me :-), and this desk provided that feature. So, on a recent Monday night, after voting for Elk of the Year was finished, past Elks of the Year Tom Hartin, Terry Baker, Ed Rice, along with Leading Knight Dan Martyn moved the new desk into position. Thanks guys. It's tough to watch work being done that I used to do myself. Next up is the tip of the hat (if I wore one) to Paul Stein for a very successful Police and Firefighter Appreciation Night. Ed Rice and his crew fixed up the cuisine requested by the participants, as our Elks BBQ is well known by our Police and Fire Departments.

This brings me to my next point. Up until last year we had been going to the Cal-Cup Field Hockey Tournament as a vendor for several years. Between the fee to be a vendor, the competition between vendors and then having to staff it, we chose not to go in 2013. However, our BBQ has gained quite a bit of notoriety, so for 2014 they called us because so many teams from other countries asked if the Elks were going to be there with their tri-tip sandwiches. In the words of the Godfather Cal-Cup, they "made us a deal we couldn't refuse" and as a result Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge will be back Memorial Day weekend at the Cal-Cup Field Hockey Tournament which runs May 24-26th.

Take note that dues notices have gone out. Our dues are \$120 plus the State and Grand Lodge assessments of \$22 bringing the total to \$142. Additionally, you have the opportunity to donate to your favorite Elks Charity. Some cannot give of their time and would rather write a check. That's OK, we need all kinds.

By the way, a point of clarification: The 150th Grand Lodge Convention will be held this year in New Orleans. This caused a stir when it was announced as the Elks have only been in existence for 146 years. Even tee-shirt vendors were printing up the wrong information. When the Elks were young and going through growing pains they held Grand Lodge Conventions two times a year for three years. Only then did they begin hosting it annually as we have now. Hope that's cleared the muddy waters. Hey, have you ever wondered where the phrase came from "\_\_\_ or my name is

Mudd" if something didn't work out right? Well, after shooting Abraham Lincoln, John Wilkes Booth while fleeing the scene, fell and broke his leg. The doctor who set the leg was Dr. Mudd. We know that doctors treat the patient in front of them, no matter what they have done, it's in their code, but still there are those that did not agree with Mudd's actions. And that, my friend, is how "my name is Mudd" started. Now look at all of this information you get for \$142 (it pays for printing costs)

Did I mention dues notices are out?

David Naccarato PER  
Lodge Secretary

### On a personal note:

I have received many cards and letters from members of the lodge. Some were heartfelt and at a loss for words. During this time I found that we have many lodge members that have had the same tragic loss. This poem was sent to me and when I received it, it hit home. I wanted to share it with you. That's all I'm going to say about that.

David Naccarato PER  
Fallon Naccarato 11/2/1982-1/22/2014

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free;  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call;  
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way;  
I found that place at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,  
then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;  
Ah yes, these things, I too, will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow;  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much;  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me;  
God wanted me now, He set me FREE.

Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge #2477  
proudly presents the

# 2014 *Inaugural Ball*

Saturday, March 29, 2014  
4:30 pm Installation of Officers  
6:30 pm Introduction of Officers  
followed by Dinner

**Dinner by Jim Porter and Boyd Lindquist**

**Menu:**



*Soup or Salad*  
*Prime Rib or Paper Wrapped Baked Fish*  
*Garlic Roasted Potatoes*  
*Broccoli Au gratin*  
*Cheesecake with Fruit*

**Tickets available at the bar  
beginning March 1 through March 24**

Tickets on Sale at the Lodge Lounge  
\$25.00 per person

Reserved Tables Available – call (805) 496-4550



Music by  
**BIG ADVENTURE**

THOUSAND OAKS ELKS LODGE #2477  
VETS ANTLER – MARCH, 2014

March 1, 1942 – Sinking of USS Houston  
March 2, 1965 – Operation Rolling Thunder Began  
March 3, 1931 – Star Spangled Banner made U.S. National Anthem  
March 15-17, 1919 – American Legion Birthday Observed  
March 19, 2003 – Operation Iraqi Freedom Began  
March 24, 1995 – Operation Uphold Democracy Ended  
March 25, 1994 – Remaining U.S. Ground Forces Leave Somalia

February was rather quiet but the bingo at Sepulveda and the karaoke at Ventura continued as scheduled, thanks to Marshall Knowlton, Art Urbano and Robert Jones and others. Remember that the bingo Sepulveda V.A. is held the 2nd Friday, leaving the lodge at 11:30 am and returning about 3:00 pm. The karaoke at the CalVet Home-Ventura is the 4th Thursday at 6:00 pm, corner of Telephone Rd. and Wells Rd. in Saticoy

We were able to help several veterans working with the VC Military Collaborative. We continue working with Gold Coast Veterans Foundation, a 501(c)3 organization that rents space in the new VC Community Foundation Building in Camarillo. We can use some more help. Call me at 805-630-8110.

March is also a quiet month with the same monthly programs. Meetings for the Annual VC Stand Down will be commencing soon. We will need your help.

With the tremendous aid that we were able to give in 2013, we will need to replenish our funds for this year. Please take any cash or gift cards to David in the office. Thank you.

Carl Lanterman  
Chairman-Veterans Services Committee

## A Voice From The Past Building Our Future

The coming of spring and a new Elk year always bring promises of growth and renewal. We wish the officer corp God speed in guiding our Lodge to rebuilding our future. May their year see growth in membership and participation in the good works that we do. May their year see members' renewal to the virtues all Elks pledge at their initiation. May their year see harmony and a common focus about the direction of our Lodge's future. And lastly may their year be blessed with joy while fulfilling their obligations.

Sally Claunch, PER April 2009

## Bequests and Living Trust

The BLT Commitment Trust is another opportunity to build on our future plus you can make some money, receive a tax break, build the future of the Major Project AND help children with disabilities!

You profit, the Major Project profits, and the children with disabilities have a chance to walk, talk, see, and play. You and your spouse will receive the income from the trust until both of you have passed away. What a wonderful way to help the children in need and make it possible for them to have better care in the future.

The creation of the Bequests and Living Trust (BLT) Committee in 1984 set the stage for ensuring the financial future of the Major Project. Amounts under \$500 go directly to help underwrite Major Project expenses for the year in which they are given. The establishment of the Bequests and Living Trusts Legacy Fund in 1991 designated gifts of \$500 or more to be placed in a special account.

For additional information visit <http://www.chea-elks.org/major-project/bequests-and-living-trust/>



## Friday Night Fish Fry

**March Menu from the Kitchen -- WooHoo!**

### **Friday Night Dinners**

3/7 Meatloaf  
3/14 Chicken Fried Steak  
3/21 Elk of the Year / Fish Fry  
3/28 Cook Your Own Steak

### **Breakfasts**

3/2 Moye & Crew  
3/9 Newbies w/Power Dave  
3/16 Lodge Officers  
3/23 PER's  
3/30 Kampers

### **BBQ Teams**

3/1 Numero Uno  
3/8 Cut-Ups  
3/15 JV Crew  
3/22 PER's  
3/29 The Outcasts



Oh, and ER Terry Baker's Birthday

## Elks Care - Elks Share



Carl Lanterman recently found himself moving and had Karen and I want to say to the members of the lodge thank you for the support you showed us during this troubling time. It still seems like a nightmare that did not happen.

For those who may not have heard, my daughter Fallon, 31 years of age, was killed in an auto accident. She was not an Elk member but participated in many fundraising functions that the lodge had and many of our members knew her, or of her. She and her friends would help out Catherine Koeritz PER and myself when we would put on a Cat-Dave production. She performed in "The Butt Stops Here" ladies restroom fundraiser. We held one for new facilities that she was a part of. She went north with Tom Hartin and myself when we ran the District Soccer Shoot program. Fallon helped out on many occasions in the kitchen when I could not get lodge members. The latest that she was a part of was the two Monty Carlo Nights we held here at the lodge. She was the 21 dealer. Fallon was my go-to daughter, my only child and she even handled all my heavy lifting when I became disabled. When we held her memorial in January, I was overwhelmed at the turnout. The number of Elk members, many of whom were brand new, never even met her. The Elks that made the trek down the coast from Lompoc, Santa Ynez, San Luis Obispo, Santa Maria, Santa Barbara and Paso Robles threw me a curve. You would think to expect support from your own lodge, of course, but from the other lodges? The cemetery put the number around 700+. I had worked for Ladin Motor Cars for 37 years and all those employees came to pay respects. She worked in the management program for Starbucks and they had other

employees cover the shift at her store so they all could attend. I was told later that the overflow rooms were full and when the service was over the members were unable to make it up to the front where Karen and I were. My mother, sister and aunt all flew in and I want to thank Corinne Eddy for bringing us dinner on the night of her death. PER Don and Barbara Booker brought us a ham on Thursday night that made sandwiches from for the next 4 days. The ladies in the office over at Ladin Motor Cars brought us lasagna. Lynn Rodriguez and Barbara Booker brought over three casseroles. The food was a big help. When you have company at a time like this, food is the last thing on your mind, but with the members of this order it was much easier to cope with everything that was going on.

We have received a lot of cards and letters. Some people did not know what to say. I would not know what to say either. I explained that I understood and that it was OK. I do want to point out that we do have members that knew just what to say. What I discovered is that even with just 416 members, I am not alone. Unfortunately, we have too many members that have lost their children at an early age. In respect of their privacy I will not divulge who they are but it is sad. Everyone grieves in their own way. I first did not want anyone around to remind me of it. But, being able to talk with others helped me and I thank you. The Friday before it happened Fallon was playing at the Canyon Club with her band. Ed Bianchi said to me "she died a star and now is above the stars". At the time it was the right thing to say. I can't cover all the cards with the inspirational letters I received but I will treasure them all.

Thank you, members of the Elks.

David Nacarratto

# Police & Firefighters Appreciation Night



Terry Baker, ER, (center) and  
Paul Stein (left, top),  
Committee Chairman





Notification was received by Life Line screening. Life Line Screening has once again rented our lodge room to hold their screenings. A wellness package runs \$149. They are offering our members a discount rate of \$139.

To take advantage of this discount call 1-888-653-6441.

The screenings, sponsored by St. John's Hospital, will take place March 7th starting at 8:30 AM and *by appointment* only. The series of 5 screenings take 60-90 minutes. Scans look for Blocked Arteries, Abdominal aortic aneurysms, atrial fibrillation, bone density and vascular tests.

Visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners).

## Football Anyone? Superbowl Sunday At The Lodge!



# March Birthdays

## March Birthday's

- Paul DeNublio 1
- Harvey Flam 1
- Leslie Smith 1
- Rick Spampinato 1
- Mac Moffatt Hays 2
- Alan Van Cleave 3
- Ronald Collins 5
- Dee Ansell 6
- John Henry PER 7
- Tom Hartin 8
- Mark Rediger 8
- Richard Romani 9
- Pete Jackson 10
- George Meehan PER 10
- James Lovato 11
- Robert Thorton PER 11
- Tony Lerner 12
- Carmine Prizzi 12
- Donald Yates 12
- Timothy Kelly 14
- James Porter 15
- Kevin Metz Gus 16
- Michael Idol 17
- Phillip Johnson 19
- Jill Williams 20
- Douglas Bevan 21
- John Otte 21
- Jay Schmidt 21
- Gary Erland 22
- Richard Goldner PER 24
- Beverly Taylor 24
- Robert Revell 25
- Donald Shewman 27
- William Jones 30

# LODGE ROOM RENTALS

**Attention Members:** Are you planning a party, banquet, wedding, birthday or other special event? Our renovated Lodge Room is available for rental at very reasonable rates. Catering can be arranged. Contact Brooke at 805.496.4550



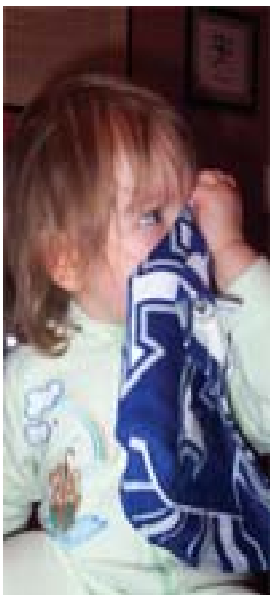
PLEASE MAKE  
FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER  
RESERVATIONS BY  
**CALLING THE LOUNGE**  
**BY WEDNESDAY**

496-4550 OR WITH ANY  
BARTENDER



**SUGGESTION BOX**

David Stull proposes Howard Jacobson- retired CPA .  
Howard will be investigated and balloted on March 5th



## The Crying Towel

### January 8th

1st capsule drawing \$500 Tom Ryder, not present  
2nd capsule drawing Tory Rogers, not present  
Lucky 13 no winner

### January 29th

1st capsule drawing Howard Johnson, not present  
2nd capsule drawing Julie Cook, not present  
Lucky 13 Tom Walsh, no winner

# The CHICAGO SPEAKEASY

Did 'ya miss it? Ahhhhh shucks. Everyone there had an absolute blast!



# New Members



New Member Cathie Catolino (R)  
Sponsor Donna Leary (L)



New Member Lou Carlentine (R)  
Sponsor Nicole Rostom (L)

Nicole is his daughter from Orange County Lodge #1475



New Member Brian Horan (R)  
Sponsor Jr. PER Leo Rodriguez (L)

## EL KONEJO KAMPERS

March 7 & 8 2014 Kampout  
Santa Maria Elks Lodge  
1309 North Bradley, Santa Maria  
805-922-1538

We have 10 sites with full hookup reserved @ \$25.00 per night Friday and Saturday night. Additional nights are also available @ \$25.00 per night. I will arrange for reservations and payment of additional nights. Any questions please contact Jim or Kathy Moye @ 805-388-6025 or email [jjmkaat.move@verizon.net](mailto:jjmkaat.move@verizon.net).

Hurry up. First come first serve and it will fill up quickly.



Friday Night 3/7 6:00pm  
Dinner at the lodge "Cook your own Steak."

Saturday 3/8 10:00am Continental Breakfast .

Saturday Night - Open. For those who are interested we can make reservations at Jockos Steak House in Nipomo or ? .

Please make checks payable to El Konejo Kampers with the dates you want and send checks to Jim & Kathy Moye, 6025 Arabian Place, Camarillo CA 93012. Let me know what nights you plan on staying.

Directions : North 101 to Donovan off ramp in Santa Maria  
West on Donovan to College.  
Left on College to Bradley

## Check out what we serve up at the lodge

### BREAKFAST BY THE EL KONEJO KAMPERS

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_

Circle The Items Requested

- Scrambled Eggs: Soft - Hard
- Eggs Over: Easy - Medium - Hard
- Eggs Sunny Side Up
- Bacon - Sausage
- Hash Brown Potatoes
- Biscuit & Gravy
- Regular Pancakes
- Blueberry Pancakes
- Toast: White - Wheat
- Rye - Sourdough

## El Konejo Campers

### Cooking up it up

out here,  
there,  
everywhere!

### Upcoming events

- March 6-8 - Santa Maria Elks, Santa Maria
- March 15 - St. Patrick's Day Dinner
- March 13-15 - Newport Dunes, Newport Beach w/ Simi Elks

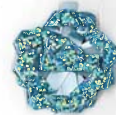
See more at:

<http://elkonejokampers.oaksdata.com/schedule.html>

Pat von Wittenburg Chairman, El Konejo Kampers

Thank you for a wonderful  
Christmas dinner. I appreciate it  
a lot thank you for the presents  
too.

Sincerely,  
Maiden



Thank you for fixing the toilet and  
sink.

Sincerely,  
Connor



Mother Michele MacAulay  
Grandmother Shirley MacAulay  
2438 Pleasant Way Unit N  
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## 2013-2014 Committee CHAIRPERSONS

1st VICE PRESIDENT: Jill Williams  
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## 2013-2014 Committee CHAIRPERSONS

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During our February meeting, Jeri Miller offered an excellent presentation on genealogy. This proved to be a great opportunity to show everyone who may be thinking about researching their family history, exactly how to begin. We are sorry if you missed it. Jeri's knowledge and skill on the subject is quite extensive and it was amazing to see how far back she had researched her own family history.

As we get older and probably have a little more time on our hands for projects we always wanted to do, researching our family history is a good way to spend your time and give your children and close relatives a valuable gift.

*A parting thought for this month "We are what we repeatedly do, excellence therefore is a habit, not an act." ~ Aristotle*

### March Birthdays

Jet Perry 1  
Angela Prizzi 1  
Phyllis Riding 5  
Dee Ansell 6  
Crystal Dool 11  
Jill Williams 20  
Melinda Pekow 22  
Jessica Stull 25

I was out walking with my granddaughter. She stopped and picked up something off the ground and started to put it in her mouth. I took the item away from her, and told her not to do that.

"Why?" my granddaughter asked.

"Because, it's been on the ground and you don't know where it's been, it's dirty, and probably has germs", I replied.

At this point, my granddaughter looked at me with total admiration and asked, "Grandma, how do you know all this stuff? You are so smart".

I was thinking quickly and said to her "all grandmas know stuff. It's on the grandma test. You have to know it or they won't let you be a grandma".

We walked a bit more while she pondered this new information.

"Oh I get it", she beamed "If you don't pass the test you have to be the Grandpa!"

"Exactly", I replied with a big smile on my face.

From Harriett (Fallon's Grandma)

## Ladies Installation March 11th

**Social Hour: 5:30 pm**  
**Dinner: 6 pm**



# OFFICERS 2013-2014

# TRUSTEES

EXALTED RULER Terry Baker  
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LOYAL KNIGHT Jim Moye  
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OFFICER AT LARGE Bill Sternberg, PER

Daryl Kopacz 1 Year  
Pam Price 2 Year  
Sam Frankl 3 Year  
Steve Smith, PER 4 Year  
George Meehan, PER 5 Year

## 2013-14 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - reporting to Exalted Ruler

DICTIONARY PROGRAM: **CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

ANTLER ANTICS: Paul & Kira Wagner  
Calendar: Terry Gicking, PER  
Distribution: Jessica Stull, Juanita Feamster

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Lynn Rodriguez

GREETER: Dorothy Murray

LODGE RENOVATION: Dan Martyn

LODGE VISITATIONS: Terry & Sharon Baker

AUDITING: Chet Kozlowski, PER

PER ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT: Steve Smith, PER

BEQUESTS & LIVING TRUSTS:

MEDIATOR: Greg Metzgas, PDDGER

PROTOCOL: Karen Naccarato

BBO TEAMS: Terry Baker/**CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

BLDG. MAINTENANCE/GROUNDS: Ben Rieger

PARLIAMENTARIAN/PRESIDING JUSTICE: Dick McCann

HISTORIAN/SCRAPBOOK: Jill Williams

## 2013-14 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - reporting to Leading Knight

MAJOR PROJECT/PURPLE PIG: David Naccarato, PER

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: Coleen Morris

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION: Donna Leary

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Dan Martyn

ORIENTATION: Terry Gicking, PER

CHARITY: Dan Martyn

CHRISTMAS BASKETS: Dan Martyn

MEMBER CONTROL. COM.: David Naccarato, PER

Investigation: Alan Hardie & Dave Anderson

## 2013-14 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - reporting to Loyal Knight

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY: Jim Moye

LODGE ACTIVITIES: Jim Moye

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS: Jim Moye

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TICKETS: Gregg Miraglia

MOTHER'S DAY: Karen Martyn

SCOUTING: Bill Miller/Bill Sternberg

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: **CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

STRAY ELKS: David Naccarato, PER

CVD: Tom Hartin

LAW ENFORCEMENT DINNER: Paul Stein

HOOP SHOOT: David Naccarato, PER

DRUG AWARENESS: **CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

INAUGURAL BALL: Jim Moye

## 2013-14 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - reporting to Lecturing Knight

FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY: Bill Sternberg, PER

AMERICANISM: **CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY: Robert Jones

SCHOLARSHIP: Rick Herrera

NATIONAL VETERANS SERVICES: Carl Lanterman

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Karen Martyn

CHRISTMAS TREE LOT Ben Rieger

GOLF TOURNAMENT: David Pearson

EL KONEJO KAMPERS: Joel Erickson

MEMBERSHIP: David Naccarato, PER

LODGE PICNIC: Lecturing Knight

PHOTOGRAPHER: Jill Williams

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS: **CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

# **St. Patrick's Day Party**

**March 15, 2014**

**\$15.00**

**Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge  
158 S. Conejo School Rd.  
Thousand Oaks, CA 91362**

**Corned Beef Dinner With All The Fixings & Dessert  
Prepared By Mike Flannery & Kamper Krew**

**HAPPY HOUR 6:00 PM**



**DINNER 7:00 PM**

**Karoke Entertainment By Jim O'Miller  
Irish Coffee Bar Available  
Raffles - Prizes**

**Tickets Available At Lodge Bar & Flannerys 1-818-706-0680**

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### LOUNGE HOURS

Mon, Tue, Thur: 10 - 8 PM  
Wed, Fri: 10 AM - Closing  
Sat: 10 AM - 6 PM  
Sun: 9:30 AM - 6 PM

### Meetings



House Committee: 2nd Wed of the month @ 7:30 PM  
Officers Meeting: Immediately following.  
Trustees meet the 2nd Wed @ 6 PM

Your input is valued. Your attendance is welcomed.  
Come for dinner and stay for the meetings.

### PAST EXALTED RULERS

1972-73 *Marvin D. Smith	1995-96 Gil Riding, PDDGER
1973-74 Erle Pittman, PDDGER	1996-97 *Jack Loughran
1974-75 *Richard Flake	1997-98 *John Kelly
1975-76 Bill Wagner	1998-99 Chet Kozlowski
1976-77 John E. Henry	1999-00 Richard Goldner, PDDGER
1977-78 *Robert McKee, PDDGER	2000-01 Jacob Panczak
1978-79 *Frank J. Rindone, PDDGER	2001-02 John D'Ambrogio
1979-80 *Edward F. Stogsdell	2002-03 Don Booker
1980-81 *Frank "Tex" Hastie	2003-04 Greg Metzgas, PDDGER, DL
1981-82 * Robert Hardy	2004-05 Jay Block
1982-83 *A. John Nichols	2005-06 *Sally Claunch
1983-84 John Nau	2006-07 David Naccarato
1984-85 Vern Ogden	2007-08 Catherine Koeritz
1985-86 Dan Snyder	2008-09 George Meehan
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1990-91 Don Ansell	
1991-92 Gary Sleigh	By Affiliation:
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1994-95 *George Pekow	1999-00 *Ralph Vester
	2002-03 Russel Robison

\*Deceased

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