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ELK OF THE MONTH Lou Reis

February's Elk of the Month is **Lou Reis**. Lou is a constant volunteer at the Lodge, working on the BBQ, Christmas tree lot and kitchen. He can always be counted on to pitch in, whatever the task, and rarely misses an offsite BBQ and all the hard work that goes into such events. I was honored to sponsor Lou as a member, and we are all fortunate that we have a member who contributes so much to our Lodge.

Thanks Lou, for all you do.

Dan Martyn Exalted Ruler



Coming in March Save the date!!! Installation of Officers & Inaugural Ball March 28

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 Visitation 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 Brownilympics & 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 Dan Martyn



I suppose you could call this my February thank you article. Since I wrote last month's article, we've enjoyed several successful events at the Lodge starting with the ER Christmas Dinner. Karen and I had the privilege of hosting a dinner for over 100 members, and instead of displaying my lack of talent in the kitchen, I turned to my favorite

Brooklynite and master Italian chef: Jean Miraglia. With the assistance of our Inner Guard and her husband Gregg, Jean produced one of the best dinners served at the Lodge. Everything from the lasagna noodles to the sauce (oops, I mean gravy) to the meatballs was hand made from scratch and, to top it off, Jean donated the homemade cheesecake we all enjoyed. THANK YOU JEAN AND GREGG! Following this sumptuous feast, members and guests enjoyed the comedy of Perry Kurtz, who gave us all some laughs.

The Christmas tree lot was an enormous success this year, and the profits will help fund our Lodge and enable us to continue the good works we do. My heartfelt thanks go out to Ben Rieger, Eddie Rice, Herb Jellander, and all of the other members, too many to name, for your hard work in producing one of the best tree lot years in quite some time.

The Charity Basket program was another year end success, supported by many contributing members who donated funds, gifts, food and time to make everything work. Kudos to Jim Moye, program chairman and to his wife Kathy, whose seemingly endless energy provided much needed and appreciated support. For our Lodge, this annual event is one that really demonstrates what Elkdom is all about.

Back to the fun stuff, more kudos to Mike Flannery, New Year's Eve chairman, and his wife Mary, for running a successful New Year's Eve party at the Lodge. The food, gaming and band were all great, and I am confident in saying that a great time was had by all attendees. Great job, Mike.

Lastly, the New Year's Day Hair of the Dog Party was a blast with great food provided by members, lots of football and fun. Congratulations to Christine Harrison on winning the "opportunity drawing" and Abe Gamble and Jill Williams on winning the potluck drawing. My thanks to all who contributed and participated in this event. I am especially grateful to Max, Julie, Mike, Jim, Kathy, Pati, Donna and others (some of whom, were tired, and some of whom were....well....still feeling the effects of the previous night's activities) for helping with cleanup.

Besides thanking all of those who helped to make these events a tremendous success, the other point of this article is to address those members who did not do so.

A Message From The Leading Knight Jim Moye



We were not short of participation for out Children's Christmas Party this year. We had a great turnout. Next year remember to invite the neighbor's kids or grandkids.

The El Konejo Kampers had a good turnout for their annual Holiday Brunch. We had lots of prizes, good food and fun.

The Christmas tree lot once again came through. Kudos to Ben, Ed, Herb and all of those who donated their time to the tree lot this year and once again made it one of the lodge's most successful endeavors.

What a fantastic job our Elks did on our annual Charity Baskets. Thanks to all who worked on filling and delivering baskets to those in need. A special thanks to Sherri Jones, Henry Vega and UPS for helping deliver to our Senior Concerns residents. We delivered to over 75 families and seniors. I'm sure that they were appreciated.

And then there was our Casino Night New Years Eve Party. Shades of Laughlin, thanks to Donna Leary who put out some fantastic hors d' oeuvres and David Naccarato who furnished the gaming equipment. We had a fantastic evening followed the next morning by a "Hair of the Dog Party". A great time was had by all. And how about that new lounge? A fantastic start to 2015.

As always we are looking for people who want to donate time to our lodge functions and activities. If you are interested in becoming involved please let me know. It would help greatly to share these responsibilities.

It takes involved Elks to make an Elks Lodge successful and enjoyable. That's you. Please get involved and come down.

Remember "Elks Care and Elks Share". Leading Knight

Jim Moye



This is not to say that we were ever short on help or participants at any of these successful events; quite the contrary. Instead, I am saying if you don't participate, you are short changing yourself on a lot of good times, fellowship and the opportunity to make contributions to our Lodge and the community. HAVE SOME FUN AND DO SOME GOOD. And that, my brothers and sisters, is what I believe it's all about.

Dan Martvn **Exalted Ruler** danmartyn2477@aol.com

A Message From The Loyal Knight Mike Flannery



Well we got through the Holiday Season with no major catastrophes, and it looks like we are ready for February. It seems like a lot of activities coming all at once. The PERs have stepped up to do a monthly Sunday breakfast on the third Sunday of every month. On Feb. 6 Paul Stein will present the "POLICE

AND FIREFIGHTERS APPRECIATION NIGHT" hosting representatives from both Los Angeles and Ventura Counties. Dinner will be BBQ by Ed Rice and Crew and all members are invited to attend. On Feb. 7 the PERs will host an all you can eat "SHRIMP FEED" and "NITE AT THE RACES" to go along with their drawing for the two Cruise Packages. (Tickets may still be available). Tom Ryder is offering a Monday Night "TOSTADO BUFFET" on Feb. 16. And Donna Leary is inviting you to an ENF Fundraiser, "50's SOCK HOP" on Feb. 21. All this along with the regular Friday Night Dinners, occasional mid-week dinners and the Feb. 1 "SUPER BOWL PARTY".

And do not forget, March is coming, with the annual "ST. PATRICK'S PARTY" with CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE on Saturday March 21, and "THE INAUGURAL BALL" on Mar. 28 with the "INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS".

The only downside is that the kitchen will be closed from Feb. 8 thru Feb 12 for maintenance to bring us up to Ventura County requirements.

Thank You

Mike Flannery, Loyal Knight

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS: Wednesday February 4th, 2015 will be the first nominations of officers for the Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge #2477. This process will occur during the lodge meeting, which begins at 7:30 pm.

As a member you are encouraged to to come out and participate in the nomination of officers for the lodge year 2015-2016. The second round of nominations will be held at the general meeting of February 18th. If there is only one person for each office then the officers will be automatically elected. If there is more than one person nominated for any office, then there will be an election on February 25th. Any questions feel free to call the office.

David Naccarato PER Lodge Secretary

A Message From The Lecturing Knight Donna Leary



Once again, we have rung in a new year at the lodge. There was plenty of food, plenty of games and a very small showing of support of the membership. It's always a little frustrating when you have the same volunteers putting in their time with little return for their efforts. If drinking and driving is your issue; remember, Elks Care, Elks

Share. You had a member volunteer her time to make sure you arrived safely home. There is a new company that will also get you home safely at a minimal cost. They pick you up along with an additional driver; they drive you home and, follow with your own car.

There's going to be a lot of special events this year. I am planning to bring the "FUN" back into the lodge. I seriously can't do this alone; I will need your assistance in obtaining my goal. The new bar renovation is inspiring and no longer an embarrassing place to bring your family and friends.

February 21st will be the first opportunity for you to have some "FUN". I am planning an Elks National "FUN" raiser (ENF). It will be a 1950's Sock Hop with a traditional soda shop theme. It's time to pull your poodle skirts, letterman jackets and oxford shoes out of storage and air them out. We will have soda shop burgers, fries and sundaes. You will be dancing to the tunes of our very own DJ Rich Lucariello. He is bringing his extensive collection of music. Dust off your dancing shoes, practice some of those steps you haven't used in a while; there might be a trophy for the best dancing couple. Raffle items and a 50/50 opportunity drawing will also be part of the evening.

Watch your calendar, watch for flyers and mark the date; come and enjoy your lodge once again for some good old fashioned "FUN". Our lodge came in third place in the state of California for our ENF fundraising this past year; help me reach the goal of #1. Imagine; having fun doing something to help others in need. Elks National Foundation (ENF) is one of our only 501(c)3 deductible charities.

The next date to mark on your calendar will be April 18th. This will be our "Gangster" night with Chris Banta's Jazz Trio. There will be a few Italians in the kitchen; hopefully without any yelling and pan throwing. This team will be headed by our very own Johnny D.

Thank you,

Donna Leary Lecturing Knight and Elks National Foundation Chairperson





SICKNESS AND DISTRESS Coleen Morris 805-241-8928

Keep in Your Prayers:

Member Bill and Maryann Golubics endured the mudslide in Camarillo. Both are safe and dealing with the aftermath. At the same time our prayers go out to them on the loss of their Son who passed away at 49 years of age. Remember: Reports of Sickness and Distress are always welcome! Please call Coleen with any updates. Thank you!

February Birthdays

Jennifer Hassell-01 David Biedebach-03 Terry Gicking-04 Suzanne Osgood-04 Nick Schiele-04 Elizabeth Buckner-05 Jean Bateman-06 Craig Burns-07 Allen Zatkin-07 Richard Herrera-08 Robert Scudder-09 Kathy Ryder-10 Pattie Queen-11 Joe Smith-11 Richard Whitmire-13

Jim Weins-14 James Brown-16 Charles Pederson-16 Dean Reichle-16 Robert Phillips-18 Charles Christensen-20 Christine Harrison-20 Toni Hartin-20 Robert Huffman-20 Bill O'Shea-20 Terry Baker-21 Kevin Gullick-23 Tracey Ross-27

Doing something next month for which you need help? Send it to the editors and we can post it here...but 'ya 'gotta ask".



The Crying Towel Ist capsule drawing \$500 Jan King not present 2nd capsule drawing \$150 Dave Anderson Present WINNER!!! Lucky 13 \$180 Karen Martyn WINNER!!!

Calendar Highlights

2/4 Officer Nominations
2/6 Police & Firefighters Appreciation Dinner
2/7 Leading/Loyal Knight Clinic
2/8-12 Kitchen Closed
2/18 2nd Officer Nominations
2/21 ENF Sock Hop (see insert)
2/25 Officer Elections
Be sure to check out the Friday Night Dinners!

Purple Pig Honor Roll

Donna Leary Coleen Morris (Century Club) Frank Palious **Rick Herrera** Alan Van Cleave Cheryl Templeton (Century Club) Max Maxwell Paul Stein Ray Sorbino **Bill Sternberg PER** Dan Martyn Gregg Miraglia Pati Harrod (Century Club) Cathy Capolino Terry Gicking PDDGER Karen Martyn Jean Miraglia Pam Price Darryl Kopacz John Duia Alan Hardie John Moran

Dwight Williams (century Club) x2 Dave Anderson (Century Club)

1/29-2/3 Jim Moye 2/5-10 Pam Price	
2/5 10 Dam Drico	
2/5-10 Faili Price	
2/12-17 Patti Herrod	
2/19-24 David Naccarato	
2/26-3/3 Gregg Miraglia	

A Message From The Secretary David Naccarato



Happy New Year!! Here we go again. Starting in February we will be sending out dues statements. If you have any changes to mailing address, e-mail or phone numbers please be sure the office has it on file. Spouse cards are not sent automatically. If you would like a spouse card please mark the spot on

the dues statement. We will be having nominations for officers during the month of February. If you would like to be involved with the inner workings of the lodge have someone nominate you at the first or second meeting. Third meeting will be elections.

On Membership

We started the 2014-2015 Elk year April 1 2014 with 399 members Transfer in-3 Deceased-3 Dropped -32 Initiated-23 reinstatement-1 Transfer Out-5 Membership Application Fee's Application fee Age 26 and up \$75 age 21-25 \$37.50 Yearly dues \$142.50 Orientation pro-rate dues \$10 per month. Associate member dues \$30 New Candidate Dates Investigation Orientation Initiation Ballot Jan 3 Jan 7 Jan 27 Jan 28 Jan 16 Feb 4 Feb 24 Feb 25 Feb 20 Mar 4 Mar 24 Mar 25

New candidates proposed

Chris Bender Born in Milwaukee, WI Finish carpenter Sponsor Julie Cook

Holly Healy born in Panorama City, CA CPR instructor Sponsor Donna Leary

Norman Pulido born Ventura, CA Banker Sponsor Terry Gicking

Transfer demit for Gregory Charles from Brookings, OR #1934

Candidates will be balloted on February 4th

Letter and Cards Received

We received a thank you letter from the **Department of Veterans Affairs**

Thanking Marshall Knowlton and the Thousand Oaks Elk lodge Members for Bringing bingo to the Veterans hospital in October, November and December.

We received a letter from Katie Owens

Thank you for the scholarship! It will help me reach my dreams of becoming a doctor, and this gift is priceless. I really appreciate all of your kindness and generosity in granting me these funds. I promise it will not be in vain. They will be used to finance my education. The gratitude I feel is beyond expression, all I can say is thanks.

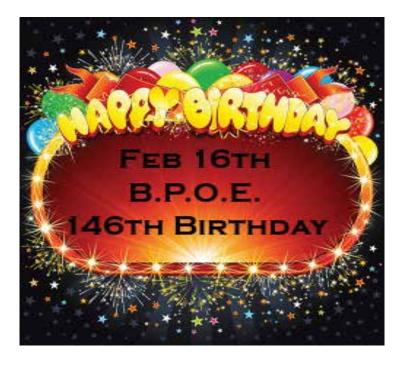
We received a letter from Sarahanne Heredia

I was thrilled to learn of my selection for this honor and am deeply appreciative of your support. I am currently majoring in Mechanical engineering with concentration in Mechatronics at Cal-Poly San Luis Obispo. The financial assistance you provided will be of great help.

Sincerely Sarahanne

We received a letter from the *Area Housing Authority*

Thank you for all of your donations. We appreciate what you provided and hope to continue the support. On behalf of all the residents we'd liked to say thank you and were grateful for your contribution.



2015 Elk's Ladies Major Project Fundraiser





Where: When: When: Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge February 1st 3pm kickoff

DON'T FORGET THE FOUR "F" WORDS: FOOD - FUN - FOOTBALL - FRIENDS PLEASE BRING AN HORS D'OEUVRE TO SHARE

FOR A CHANCE TO WIN \$100



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ACTIVITIES CONTACT: David Pearson (H) 805-492-3707 (C) 805-341-0984







A Message From The Grand Exalted Ruler John D. Amen



Volunteers, ENF grants help 'Elevate America'

Now is the time to finalize your plans for obtaining Elks National Foundation grants for your Lodge. Most Lodges have now achieved my \$4.60 per-capita goal for giving to ENF and have thus qualified for a Gratitude Grant. If your Lodge has not yet achieved the goal for the 2014-2015 Lodge year there is still time to make it so get busy. March 31 is the cut-off date to donate to the ENF. The Gratitude Grant of up to \$2,000 can be used for a variety of charitable community needs. Gratitude Grant applications are due no later than May 31, 2015.

Next consider and plan for a \$2,000 Promise Grant. A Promise Grant project must serve youth in need and events are required to be alcohol- and drug-free. This year's projects must be completed by July 31, 2015. Promise Grants are limited to the first 500 qualifying applications and new applications will be available July 1 for next year.

Beacon Grants are designed for ongoing, Elks-led, charitable community activities and the grants are available for up to \$2,000. These grants require bona fide "Elk involvement". Simply handing a check to a charity does not achieve our goal of elevating the status of the Lodge in the community through active Elk participation of worthy community projects. Any Lodge may apply and projects must be completed by July 31.

Freedom Grants, managed by the Veterans Service Commission, are oriented to projects that serve veterans or active duty military personnel and/or their families. They are competitive, limited in number, and the application period is August 1 through August 31. Active Elk involvement is also required.

If you have a major community project in mind, an Impact Grant from ENF may be just the ticket. These grants are available for large scale, Elk-run service projects of up to \$10,000. The grants are competitive and require significant Elk involvement and community presence.

This summary will serve as your reminder of the various grants funded by Elks National Foundation – "The Great Heart of Elkdom". Do not miss the opportunity to Elevate America and your community by taking advantage of the ENF grant program. Your community and your Lodge will be the beneficiaries!



~ John D. Amen G.E.R.

March 21, 2015 \$15.00

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Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge 158 S. Conejo School Rd. Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 Corned Beef Dinner With All The Fixings & Dessert Including Jim Mullen's Colcannon Potatoes Prepared By Mike Flannery & Kamper Krew

HAPPY HOUR 6:00 PM



DINNER 7:00 PM

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

Net Proceeds Benefit The Lodge Renovation Program

Sponsored by El Konejo Kampers



Konejo Kampers

2014 KAMPERS HOLIDAY BRUNCH

At the Grand Vista Hotel, the attendance was very fulfilling; 82 tickets sold and I didn't see an empty chair anywhere.

As always happens, it's interesting to see the campers in their holiday dress, way different from our camping attire. We all clean up really well. Everyone is very festive. Every year I think I'm going to make Dave Pearson a new Christmas themed shirt. So far it hasn't happened, but it will be my goal to complete this year. Fingers crossed – well maybe not, can't really sew that way! LOL

Despite Steve Chiszar's snide comment, the garden lantern I donated was NOT used. However, I noticed I'd forgotten the votive HOLDER, the votive was there, the holder was not. I think she was sitting at the table with Jim Porter and Sherri Jones. If either of you know, please call me.

Don't know the magic in the back corner table, but that group seems to win their share of raffle prizes every year. Also almost every year, the brunch falls on Catherine Koeritz's birthday. Is there some significance to this fact?

It was wonderful to see Kathy Jenkins looking like a million bucks. Her daughter Virginia and son John take really good care of her. Both of them are awesome.

Speaking of raffle prizes, Chet's friend Rosa had a hard time figuring out my system to keep track of my numbers. I fold mine so that I can see the first and last number of the sequence. It was a lot of fun helping; she's a very sweet lady. I'm happy to have gotten to know her better, at least a little bit!

I've never seen anyone so ecstatic over a win as June Leadam was when she won a metal sculpture for her son. I sincerely recall, she literally jumped out of her chair!

The Ewald family scored BIG time, Patty, Gene's daughter won the DVR CD combination. Never mind that win, Gene won the 50/50. Guess that's fine, because Donna Colleran took Pam sewing machine shopping. She is so happy, she makes all kinds of blankets for shelters. I've completely forgotten all of the things she makes for all different charities. When I last spoke to her, my comment was "Aren't you glad you're no longer in the Dolphin?" Her comment was that she now has the new rig packed to the gunnels.

Donna Leary came out with a big win also – the TV! I didn't do too badly, won the awesome wine collection donated by Cheryl Templeton, Manna box of chocolate little bottles filled with various liquors, and a wine basket donated by the Stulls.

At the very last minute, those in charge had forgotten how the table decorations were to be distributed; there were allegedly cards under the tables. Everyone was looking for hanging tickets, but as I felt under the table the card was taped to the place I was sitting. Don't think I've ever won a table decoration. Lynn Rodriguez wanted to trade with me, sorry Lynn don't be cross with me, I just like mine.

As usual I found nothing wrong with the buffet, in fact, it was pretty darned good. One big problem – desserts to die for!

Once again we had the pleasure of entertainment by a choral group from Westlake High School. What a talented group. The entire chorus at Westlake numbers 250, out of that there's 25 singers, out of which these or the twelve chosen are their "travelling" group. They are truly amazing singers and darned handsome/beautiful as well as being polite and sweet.

Final words – if you don't enjoy the festivities – I think you may have a problem.

Submitted by Pat Halfhill



Veterans - by Carl Lanterman

With the receipt of a \$2,000 grant from Grand Lodge, we will be doing a few things for veterans in addition to the typical generosity of our members towards veterans. Things like a free BBQ for local veterans to introduce them to our lodge, the annual lunch for Sepulveda V.A. Hospital residents that was started by Jim Kellogg, and additional support for veterans and their families such as we have done in the past few years will be on the agenda.

Feb. 28th: David Naccarato's presentation to honor our own Elks veterans will be the centerpiece of an evening of BBQ dinner by Ed Rice & team, musical entertainment and fundraising drawings to support our veterans fund. In addition, local veterans will be invited to attend and become familiar with our lodge, and with veterans services to be made available; hopefully some new members as well. These two events have been postponed twice. Let's make it a BIG DEAL!

Watch our website, www.elks2477.com, for photos and up-to-date announcements. If you want to join the veterans committee in meetings as they are scheduled, or if you want to volunteer your time for veterans, please use the contact information below.

BINGO @ Sepulveda V.A. – 2nd Friday each month at 1:00 pm 16111 Plummer St., at Woodley, Sepulveda, CA
KARAOKE @ Cal Vet Home – Ventura – 4th Thursday each month at 6:00 pm 10900 Telephone Rd., Ventura, CA

Carl Lanterman Chairman-Veterans Service Committee (805) 630-8110 E-MAIL: carl.silverstrand@gmail.com Art Urbano Vice Chair-Veterans Service Committee (805) 241-5719 charlene.urbano@verizon.net

www.vcstanddown.org

No military recognition days in February, but don't forget: BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA WAS FOUNDED ON FEBRUARY 8, 1910



























2014-2015 Committee CHAIRPERSONS

1st VICE PRESIDENT: 2ND VICE PRESIDENT: SECRETARY: TREASURER: AUDITOR: COMMUNICATONS: Marian Anderson Barbara Gibbs Mary Woodlief Anne Tebbetts-Frankl Beth Kozlowski Mary Flannery & Carol Fredericks

Sickness and Distress: We continue to keep Kathy Ryder in prayer.

December was a very busy month for the Elks Ladies. We started out on the 6th with the Children's Christmas Party. There were around 60 children and over 80 people including parents attending a very successful event with all kinds of crafts, magic show, singing Christmas Carols, and of course a visit from Santa! I want to thank Bev Reis for Co-Chairing this event and Barbara Gibbs, Marian Anderson, Mary Woodlief, Beth, Dan and Jessica Kozlowski, Niki and Rich Case, Terry Gicking and Robert Jones for all of their help.

On the 9th we held our Annual Christmas Party which was a very enjoyable evening. There were just under 90 ladies and their guests who all brought toys for all of the families with kids who the Elks delivered Christmas Baskets to this year! This was a record for the Ladies bringing 197 gifts! The entertainment was wonderful by KC Phillips and dinner was as always magnificent thanks to Tom Ryder and Chet Kozlowski and their crew.

Then onto the 17th where volunteers from the ladies, their friends and Elks as well wrapped the gifts for the children. Not only did the ladies have a record amount of donated toys, but as a whole, there were so many donated toys and gifts, it looked like Toy R Us in the lounge!

Looking ahead, our Annual Major Project is a month later than usual, but no worries it promises to live up to the same level of fun and entertainment as we always provide year after year. This year's theme is "South of the Border". We look forward to seeing everyone come out and support our Major Project Fundraiser, after all it is a great cause and gives everyone an opportunity to get out and have a great time with other members of our Lodge!

THE ELKS LADIES Lynn Rodriguez



2013-2014 Committee CHAIRPERSONS

PARLIMENTARIAN: Jessica Stull CHAPLAIN: Barbara Gibbs MAJOR PROJECT: SUNSHINE: June Leadam HISTORIAN: Jeri Miller

February Birthdays

4	Sue Osgood
8	Pam Smith
10	Kathy Ryder
14	Karen Naccarato
16	Margaret Thornton
24	Kathy Jenkins
29	Jan Stockton

Inspirational

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Genesis 1:12 New Beginnings

January marks the beginning of a year and new things: hopes, dreams and resolutions how we'll live differently now that we have turned the page on the calendar. However, in the coming year, we will face times when the newness wears off, when the brokenness of our lives keeps us from receiving each day as a gift. When that happens, let's trust that He has the power to make all things new and good again. Let us pray:

Creator God, thank you for new beginnings that give us a sense of hope and joy. Help us in this new year to observe in our daily lives your creative majesty in everything we see, say and do. By your Holy Spirit we pray, Amen.

Barbara Gibbs Elks Ladies Chaplain



OFFICERS 2014-2015

TRUSTEES

EXALTED RULER	Dan Martyn
LEADING KNIGHT	Jim Moye
LOYAL KNIGHT	Mike Flannery
LECTURING KNIGHT	Donna Leary
SECRETARY	Dave Naccarato, PER
TREASURER	Pati Harrod
TILER	Gregg Miraglia
ESQUIRE	Billy Sternberg
CHAPLAIN	Karen Martyn
ORGANIST	Karin Speights
OFFICER AT LARGE	Terry Gicking, PDDGER

Pam Price	1 Year
Sam Frankl	2 Year
James Lovato	3 Year
George Meehan, PER	4 Year
Darryl Kopacz	5 Year

2014-15 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - reporting to Exalted Ruler

Antler Antics

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2014-15 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - reporting to Leading Knight

Bar Liaison – Jim Moye Major Project/Purple Pig – chairperson needed BLT – Jim Moye Elks National Foundation – Donna Leary Christmas Basket Program – Jim Moye Community Activities – Jim Moye Sickness and Distress – Coleen Morris Charity Matters – Jim Moye El Konejo Kampers – Jim Moye Christmas Tree Lot – Ben Rieger

2014-15 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - reporting to Loyal Knight

Kitchen Operations – Mike Flannery Lodge Activities – Mike Flannery Flag Day Service, Retirement – Bill Sternberg Government Relations – Dan Martyn Elks Memorial Service – Karen Martyn Veterans – Carl Lanterman Public Relations – Lynn Rodriguez

Conejo Valley Days – Tom Hartin Mediator – Boyd Lindquist New Year's Eve – Mike Flannery Mother's Day – Karen Martyn Inaugural Ball – Mike Flannery Law Enforcement Dinner – Paul Stein

2014-15 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - reporting to Lecturing Knight

Youth Activities – chairperson needed Hoop Shoot – David Naccarato Drug Awareness – Don Sabol Scholarships – Rick Herrera Scouting – Bill Miller/Bill Sternberg Americanism – chairperson needed Dictionary Program – chairperson needed Lodge 4th of July and Labor Day Activities – Donna Leary

Elk Of The Year - Bill Sternberg Officer Of The Year - Gregg Miraglia Citizen Of The Year - Max Maxwell & Alan Hardie Official Publication of: 1000 Oaks Elks Lodge No. 2477 - B.P.O.E. 2330 Los Feliz Drive Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

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PAST EXALTED RULERS

1972-73 *Marvin D. Smith 1973-74 Erle Pittman, PDDGER 1974-75 *Richard Flake 1975-76 Bill Wagner 1976-77 John E. Henry 1977-78 *Robert McKee, PDDGER 1978-79 *Frank J. Rindone, PDDGER 1979-80 *Edward F. Stogsdell 1980-81 *Frank "Tex" Hastie 1981-82 * Robert Hardy 1982-83 *A. John Nichols 1983-84 John Nau 1984-85 Vern Ogden 1985-86 Dan Snyder 1986-87 Bill Lloyd, PDDGER 1987-88 John E. Henry 1988-89 *Ted Lipka 1989-90 Don Skinner 1990-91 Don Ansell 1991-92 Gary Sleigh 1992-93 Tom Ryder, PDDGER 1993-94 * Jim Wallace 1994-95 *George Pekow 1995-96 Gil Riding, PDDGER 1996-97 *Jack Loughran *Deceased

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