

Antler Antics

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks



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Elk of the Month



For the month of January I have selected Sherri Jones as Elk of the Month. Sherri has continuously assisted whoever asks her for help. Whether it is setting up a room for an event, cooking or serving in the kitchen or delivering charity baskets.

Once again she delivered over 60 charity baskets to the Senior Concerns people in her UPS truck.

Thank you Sherri for all you do.

Jim Moye
Exalted Ruler

Grand Exalted Ruler Award

The Grand Exalted Ruler award is for members who recruit three or more new members into the Order in a given year.

As of December 1st we have four members eligible to receive the award. They are Robert (Bobby) Williams, Richard Herrera, Jim Lovato, Holly Healy and Shannon Cunningham. They will receive their award pins at our regular meeting on January 6th. If you were one of their candidates plan to be there for support and photos. Rick Herrera is receiving two pins.

Rik Gessler, David Mueller, PER David Naccarato, PPDDGER Greg Metzgas and Chuck Costigan are just one candidate away. We have until June 15, 2016 to recruit.

to March 31st of the following year, recruitment goes from Convention to Convention.

The BPOE has finally started to turn the tide in membership. The loss has slowed with still more work needed to be done. Our West Central Coast District has shown an increase.

Here are some statistics of the BPOE:

1871 membership was 243
1928 membership was 808,658 but dropped during the depression
1933 up to 556,764
1980 1,649,267 the slide begins
1990 1,475,028
2009 955,887 with 2,067 lodges
2014 789,667 with 1,938 active lodges

Although the Elk year is from April 1st

David Naccarato, PER
Membership/Lapsation Chairman

Duty Officers

12-31 to 01-06	Billy Sternberg
01-07 to 01-13	Jean Miraglia
01-14 to 01-20	Mike Flannery
01-21 to 01-27	Jim Moye

Upcoming Initiation Schedule

Balloting	Orientation	Initiation
January 6th	January 26th	January 27th
February 3rd	February 23rd	February 24th
March 2nd	March 22nd	March 23rd

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. For more information contact Brooke at 805 496 4550.

Candidates for Balloting

Name	Occupation	Sponsor
Patrick Bird	Auto Shop business owner	David Mueller
Jeff Vargo	Owner of Vargo Physical Therapy	David Naccarato
Russell Miller	Retired	Greg Metzgas
Alan Ito	Retired Edison employee	Ken Kauger, Chico lodge #423

Exalted Ruler Jim Moye



As we move forward into the new year and with the holiday season behind us, let's reflect on our 2015 calendar year.

The completion of the lounge renovation was a great start to the 2015 new year. It was a shot in the arm for our membership that was greatly needed. Thanks Dan.

Our thanks to those who donated their time and efforts to ensure the success of our lodge activities. The success can be measured by the increase in lodge members who are becoming involved in our various projects: those who help Ben at the Christmas tree lot, braving the cold, wind and rain; those who fill food boxes for our charity baskets and those who deliver them; those who continuously work on the BBQ teams; those who work in the kitchen preparing meals for members and guests. To all of you, thank you! And let's not forget those who set up and decorate our lodge for the various functions and festivities we enjoy. The return for these services is evident in our lodge's success and in the satisfaction and joy experienced by those individuals who got involved.

Now I would like to ask our membership to help me accomplish one more goal before my term is up. I would like to have a "Parking Lot Sale". For a donation of \$25 or more for the repaving of our parking lot you can get a commemorative piece of our old parking lot to add to your Elk memorabilia. Our lodge, although very successful, does not have the capital to cover expensive maintenance projects like this one and requires us to become creative to accomplish it.

With balloting on the horizon, what's it going to take to get those who are on the verge of stepping up and getting involved? YOU. Those of you who come out and participate make all the difference in the world. Invite new members to come to the lodge for dinner on Fridays. It takes

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Leading Knight Mike Flannery



January Article

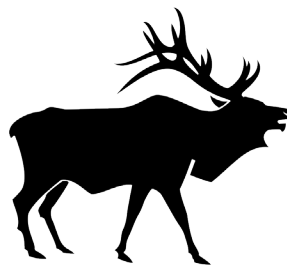
It is hard to believe a new year is here already. It seems like every month goes faster. I am thankful for all of the support I received for the Charity Basket Program. So many

individuals volunteered their time to help. Veterans of this program explained to me what I was supposed to do and how to do it. I am particularly thankful for the miracles that David Pearson can work with his computer, organizing everything into something that is workable. Support came from the PERs, Kampers and Elks Ladies. And a special thank you goes out to Coleen Morris for her \$1,000 donation.

We are seeing a few more of our recently initiated new members at the Lodge, but we want to see more of them and get them more involved. There are still many upcoming activities that can use their help. Sponsors, remember you brought these people into our Lodge, and you pledged your personal interest in their progress and development in becoming active members. Do not let them slip away.

Thank You,

Mike Flannery
Leading Knight



Exalted Ruler's Message Continued

people and involvement to make an Elks lodge work.

Remember "Elks Care and Elks Share"

Fraternally,

Jim Moye
Exalted Ruler

Loyal Knight Jean Miraglia



On Sunday, December 5th, the Lodge held its yearly Memorial Service, remembering our departed Members. The Candle Lighting Ceremony is a beautiful addition to the Memorial Service.

Spouses and family members approached the Altar, lit a candle and recalled the name of their loved one. This is an emotional time, a time for all to reflect on happy memories.

Following the service, the spouses, their families, and Lodge members enjoyed a breakfast buffet.

Special thanks to the Konejo Kampers for preparing this delightful brunch, to the volunteers who served at the buffet, and to our First Lady, Kathy Moye and Lecturing Knight, Karen Martyn for arranging the tables. This was a team effort. We could not have asked for a harder working team.

A very special thanks to our Chaplain, David Anderson, for his efforts in coordinating this memorable event

KITCHEN NEWS:

Breakfast is served every Sunday. Every Thursday night Krista prepares Chili Dogs for \$3 or Chili Dogs and Beer for \$5. For Wednesday night dinners, see menu at the Bar. Check your calendar for Friday night dinners. Time and effort are put into preparing these dinners. Don't forget to make your dinner reservations. Reservations guarantee a dinner is waiting for you, and allows the kitchen crews to prepare a sufficient amount of dinners, thereby avoiding waste. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board.

As we begin the year 2016, I want to take this time to wish all of you a "HAPPY NEW YEAR."

Fraternally,

Jean Miraglia
Loyal Knight

Lecturing Knight Karen Martyn



With the coming of the New Year, I would like to thank the hardworking chairpersons who report to my station. Our Scouting, Drug Awareness and Scholarship committees are among the strongest

in the District, and that is not an accident, but rather the result of dedication and hard work.

Our dictionary program is well underway. Chairperson Mary Woodlief has obtained the dictionaries and, with the help of her husband Steve, Dave Anderson, Bobby and Paula Williams, Myrna and Jay Block and Kathy Moyer, Elks stickers with space identifying the school and child receiving the dictionary were added to each book. Deliveries will be scheduled beginning in January. Thanks Mary for your update.

Finally, one of the most meaningful and important events of the Elk year is the annual Memorial Service which, under our Elk statutes, must be held on the first Sunday of December. This year's ceremony, under Chaplain Dave Anderson, went extremely well with assistance from officers and volunteers, including the El Konejo Kampers, who prepared the buffet. I know first-hand the work that goes into this event, and Dave went above and beyond to make it special. Unfortunately, the attendance this year was disappointing. It is a perfect day to support our fellow Elks honoring their departed loved ones, as well as reflecting on the memory of the special people we have lost in our own lives. Please mark your calendars now for December 4, 2016.

I wish each of you a happy and healthy New Year.

Karen Martyn
Lecturing Knight

BROTHERLY
LOVE



Secretary David Naccarato



"The Elks are American Citizens who want to save it's values, who love others and want to make sure they are happy and healthy: who love life and want to contribute to it, as well as to share it."

It's no secret the Elks have had a long relationship with our nation's veterans. I went to my Mother's house in Salida, Colorado where lodge #808 is located. In downtown Salida at the corner of 2nd St. and F St. sits the Five and Dime. In June of 1942 the south wall of the brick building was dedicated to the veterans from Chaffee County serving in WWII. Each brick had the name of a Veteran who served. Usually a memorial wall is made up of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Here some are still around and remembered.



In 1963 the new owners of the building noticed cracks in the bricks. Worried about safety, they decided to stucco over the wall. Lucky for Salida it was a bad stucco job and when a large chunk fell off it revealed the names of the veterans everyone had forgotten were there. The members from lodge #808 and the VFW joined forces to refurbish the wall to its original condition.



This is just another piece in a long line of Elks who never forget the military veteran.

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Secretary's Message Continued

From the first hospitals in WWI, when the government was not ready to handle the wounded, the Elks arranged to finance and equip two army base hospitals in France.



The hospitals were managed by alumni from the University of Oregon and the University of Virginia, and were eventually donated to the government. This was the beginning of the Veterans Administration system. 70,000 Elks donned military uniforms. A huge number considering the fact we only had 475,000 members and most were past military age. We are part of a storied past with no sign of letup.

Happy New Year,

David Naccarato, PER
Lodge Secretary

Blood Drive

If you missed the December's Antler. January is National Blood Donor Month and our first blood drive of 2016 is on January 16th, from 9:30am to 1:30pm, at the Lodge.

To register, go to www.unitedbloodservices.org, scroll down the left side to **Find Drive by Zip Code**, enter the Lodge zip 91360, scroll down to **T.O. Elks Lodge, 01/16/2016**, then schedule your appointment. You can also call [800-715-3699](tel:800-715-3699), or just show up.

After you give a pint, enjoy one of our famous BBQ sandwiches at our Exalted Ruler's expense.

Remember

Elks Care
Elks Share

Sickness & Distress

Coleen Morris, Committee Chairperson
805-241-8928

Condolences:

No announcements

Keep in your prayers:

- Dick McCann
- Darryl Kopacz - Knee surgery
- Pam Price - Recovering from surgery after serious fall
- Pati Harrod recovering from pneumonia
- Doug Morrison recovering from a broken left femur and spinal fracture

Calendar Highlights

- 01-09 PER's present a "Polish Auction" Lunch at 1pm
Auction at 2pm
- 01-15 **THE FISH FRY IS BACK!!** \$10 by Jill and crew
Followed by dancing entertainment by Gypsy Stew
- 01-16 Blood Drive 10am to 2pm
- 01-22 Pork Loin by Redgie Fleeman and Liver & Onions
by Fred Trzcinski - \$10 each
- 01-27 Initiation Night - Dinner 6pm to 7pm NY Steak \$12
Chicken \$8 by Tom Ryder & crew
- 01-29 Rice Krispy Chicken by Donna Leary & crew \$12
Chili Dog Thursdays
Chili dogs \$3 - Chili dog and a domestic beer \$5

Elks Care - Elks Share

January Birthdays

James Dills-01
John Moran-02
Mathew Daniels-03
Holly Healy-07
David Mac Farlane-08
David Pearson-08
Chris Prince-08
Elvis Presley-08
Richard Bean-09
Dew Oliver-09
James Bodenhamer-11
Jack Murray-11
Ron Schwartz-11
Carol Spinner-11
Sam Frankl-12
Gerald Kamm-12
Scott Yeager-12
Jon Preston-13
Nick Cigan-14
Stephen Pence-14
Tommy Claunch-15
Lou Mages-15
Mike Markey-15
Frederick McCord-16
George Stigle-17
Frank Corrigan-18
Carol Fredericks-18
Gary Dean Pruett-20
Bill Sternberg-20
Peter Gordon-24

Purple Pig Honor Roll

Darryl Kopacz
Jason Frase
Karen Martyn
Ray Laraway
Scott Dool
Mathew Daniels
Juanita Feamster
Dan Martyn
Greg Metzgu PDDGER
Diane Scott
Jean Miraglia
Robert(Bobby)Williams
Rick Herrera
Alan Hardie
Gregg Miraglia
Bill Sternberg PER
Barbara Ann Gibbs



A Coin a Day so they can
Walk, Talk, See and Play!

The Crying towel



November 4th
Capsule Drawing
Charles Lombard not
present

Lucky 13 Brenda Hagen
no winner

November 18th
Capsule Drawing to Ed Rice not present.

Lucky 13 Jill Williams. No winner.

A Thank You from Tommy Claunch

Many thanks to all those who attended my roast on November 20, 2015. As I consider the Elks my second family, it was a pleasure and honor to be selected for such an event.

Thanks to all.

Tom Claunch

January Birthdays continued

Yvonne Brockwell-25
Douglas Morrison-25
Kevin McCord-27
Cheryl Templeton-27
Dana Rheaume-29
Ken Stockton-29
Sherri Jones-31

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Veterans Services - Carl Lanterman, Chairman

January 17, 1991 – Persian Gulf War began
January 27, 1973 – Vietnam Peace Accord sign
January 31, 1990 – Panama Campaign Ended
(Dates are taken from the VFW Calendar)

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

On December 4th, the Cal Vet Home–Ventura celebrated its 6-year Founders Day. The event was hosted by Administrator Michelle Roulston and was attended by many who were involved with the original opening. The dedication of a 7,000 pound anchor and a POW/MIA memorial were the highlights of the service.

Besides Robert Jones bringing his karaoke system for monthly visits, the lodge also has provided a portable dance floor and member Bill Sternberg (also western region scouting chairman and lodge flag chairman) built an entertainment center and 3 large bulletin boards, still in use at the home. Annually, the residents are invited to attend a brunch and flag retirement at the lodge for Veterans Remembrance Month in November. Bill Sternberg has also overseen occasional flag retirements at the home. Lodge members have provided thousands of dollars in donations of various types over the past five years.

On December 12th, Terry Gicking donned his Santa suit and, with help from his “elf” Jane Watson, made the children of military families happy at Operation Snowflake, put on by the Ventura County Military Collaborative. Sometimes, the call up of the National Guard and reservists poses particularly difficult situations with the families. Our lodge helps these families as part of the “Army-of-Hope” program established by the grand lodge, as implemented by our lodge.

THANKS TO COLEEN MORRIS FOR \$400 IN FOOD & GAS GIFT CARDS

Carl Lanterman

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Art Urbano

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The Origin of Veterans Day

In July of 1917, The Order of Elks appropriated \$1-million for the War Relief Fund. This Commission evolved into the Elks National Veterans Service Commission. It organized and equipped the first two base hospitals to reach France during World War I.

In 1918, the Elks built a 700-bed Reconstruction Hospital in Boston and gave it to

the War Department. The Order also built a 72-room Community House to take care of families visiting the 40,000 soldiers at Camp Sherman, Ohio.

The Elk War Relief Commission made 40,000 rehabilitation, vocational and educational loans to disabled veterans who were ineligible for Government help or were waiting approval of their applications for assistance. The GI Bill, which makes funds available to veterans for education,

had its genesis from this Elk program.

In 1918, when the Armistice ended the fighting in Europe a lifelong Elk, General John J. “Blackjack” Pershing, decided that the Elks 11th Hour Significance (which dates back to the 1066 Battle of Hastings) would be the basis for the signing of the Armistice. He chose the 11th Hour of the 11th Day of the 11th Month for the signing of the Armistice ... which is now Veterans’ Day.

Elks Ladies Gift Wrapping Party



Pictured below are highlights of Tommy Claunch's Roast



*To Tommy Claunch
with
Love*

Pictured Highlights of our Charity Basket Deliveries



Pictured below are highlights of the Elks Ladies Christmas Dinner



2015 - 2016 Committee Chairpersons

1st Vice President	Mary Woodlief
2nd Vice President	Marian Anderson
Secretary	Lynn Rodriguez
Treasurer	Karen Naccarato
Auditor	Shirste Gessler
Communications	Mary Flannery & Carol Fredericks

Elks Ladies



Beth Kozlowski, President

2015 - 2016 Committee Chairpersons

Parliamentarian	Jessica Stull
Chaplain	Barbara Gibbs
Major Project	Lynn Rodriguez Karen Naccarato
Sunshine	June Leadam
Historian	Jeri Miller

January Birthdays

15	Darlene Stoggsdell
18	Carol Fredericks
20	Terrie Barr
27	Elaine Goldner
27	Sheila Aitkens
27	Cheryl Templeton

The Children's Christmas Party was held on Saturday, December 5th at the Lodge. With over 100 children in attendance, it was, to say the least, a great success. The children were treated to several crafts projects, writing letters to Santa, decorating their own cookies, making ornaments, as well as a Magic Show by Robert the Magnificent and a sing-along with Niki and Rich Case and Beth and Dan Kozlowski.

Each child was then given a gift to take home by none other than Santa himself. Thank you to all who helped make this a fantastic day!

Our annual Christmas Party was well attended and the ladies were as usual very generous in donating toys for the gift baskets which will be wrapped and distributed to families in the community on Saturday, December 19th.

Finally, please make to mark your calendars and plan to attend the Elks Ladies 2016 Major Project Fundraiser on Saturday, February 6, 2016. Our Theme is Dark Shadows "A Vampire Society Bash". Come spend a fun-filled evening in Col-

linsport, Maine with Barnabas Collins, Angeliqne and all the others. Tickets are available at the Bar.

January Inspirational

The start of another new year always carries the lure of a new beginning and fresh start and it is a perfect time to take stock of your life and start creating the changes you'd like to see in the future.

Remember, no one can go back and start a beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending!

Happy New Year and may 2016 be filled with happiness, good health and rich in God's abundant blessings.

Elks Memorial Service

Sunday, December 6, 2015, candles were lit in memory of our Lodge Brothers and Sister who died in 2015. Memorialized



were Arnold Antle, Kathleen Ryder, Keith Orr, Leonard Lambert, David Burrows, Chuck Morsa, and Vernon Jossy. Candles were also lit by friends and relatives in memory of Elks departed in previous years.

Brunch was served after the service by the Kampers who had already made breakfast

for the AA. I am grateful for the cooking, cleaning, serving and cleanup they provided.

I also must thank those who quickly reconfigured the room from AA breakfast layout to Elks Ritual setup.

Thanks to the officers who performed flawlessly and a special thank you to



Karen Martyn who guided me through the planning.

Fraternally,

Dave Anderson
Chaplain

*See pictured highlights of the
service on page 13*

Meet our New Members



(L-R) Sponsor Jim Lovato with new member Patrick Schultz and transfer from Santa Clarita lodge Jeff Knickerson



(C) Sponsor Holly Healy, (R) new member Mathew Daniels and (L) Mathew's 3rd grade classmate Tom Hartin, both of whom haven't seen each other since, and until Mathew's initiation.



(L-R) Sponsor Rik Gessler, with new members son Andrew and wife Shirste

Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge Christmas Tree Lot Volunteers



New Year Message from Grand Exalted Ruler Ron Hicks

Happy New Year! January and the New Year bring hope for the renewal of all that is good in our lives. It is the time to make a resolution to set and pursue new goals, be stronger, do better and achieve more, and to inspire others.

This New Year, why not resolve to become more active in your Lodge and increase your efforts on behalf of the Lodge and Elksdom? Why not resolve to bring in at least one new Member before the end of this Lodge year? Elks make a tremendous difference in the lives of our Members and the people we serve, and you can be a part of that difference by sharing the pride that comes with active membership and volunteer service.

Lodge Officers, consider a resolution to strengthen your programs for youth, patriotism, Drug Awareness, Veterans

and those with special needs, and strive during the coming year to put a "face" on your Lodge and prove yourself a reliable partner in the community. We offer great appeal to those who know who we are and what we do; we just need to let the public know. Make a resolution to be loud and proud, and let your bright light shine throughout the community.

This is also the time to plan for a strong finish for your Lodge year and to identify the capable Lodge leaders for the coming year. You have worked diligently throughout this year to increase membership and to serve your Members and the community, so finish strong and complete the year on a high note. You know where you rank in your support of the Elks National Foundation, so finish strong by achieving the Grand Exalted Ruler's per capita goal in further support

of our Great Heart of Elkdom.

We have all enjoyed the rewards of giving to our communities over the past year, especially our recent efforts during the holiday season. While these programs and activities are still fresh in our minds, take a moment to document what improvements can be made in each of them, how you can more accurately document your service to the community through your Charity Reports, and what you can do to publicize your service and accomplishments to let everyone know the value of your service to your Members and the community.

I wish all Elks success with your resolutions for the coming year. And, yes, if we can finish strong, it will be a Happy New Year!

Members attend the Exalted Rulers Christmas Dinner



Pictured below are highlights from the Elks Memorial Service



*Wherever Elks may roam, whatever their lot in life may be, when this hour falls upon the dial of night, the great heart of Elkdom swells and throbs....Living or dead, Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken. Morning and noon may pass them by, the light of day sink heedlessly in the West, but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall, the chimes of memory will be pealing forth the friendly message: **"To Our Absent Members."***



El Konejo Kampers

Tradition and Thanksgiving Weekend

Kenney Grove in Fillmore is the traditional setting for the El Konejo Kampers' pre-Thanksgiving feast. This year was no exception and folks started gathering on Wednesday including the hosts, Joel and Beverly, Joe and Judy N., Ed and Donna C., Jeff and Deb, Carol Spinner and Anne. This group started its weekend with a special treat of Joel and Beverly's award winning homemade chili and cornbread.

Thursday, more of us arrived including Jimmie M. and Patty, David and I, and Pat Von Wittenberg. It would surely win an award. Between the warring stances and the colorful metaphors, it's really quite hilarious. I better stop while I'm ahead as these are my friends and I don't need residual blowback for my comments. Thursday evening, several of us went to La Cabana Restaurant, again one of our traditions while at Kenney Grove.

Friday morning, Jim and Kathy M. and Jim and Diane L. showed up. Jim L. brought more firewood so we were set. A lot of folks took off to do their own thing, shopping, sewing even visiting an alpaca preserve. Of course there is

always a poker game should one wish to be fleeced — oh, is that an alpaca barb? That evening we gathered for appetizers and cocktails followed by the traditional campfire conversations. However, there are a whole host of adages that could apply here like "What happens at camping, stays"... and "don't believe most of what you hear and only some of what you see" and on and on. It's all in fun, people.

Saturday morning there was a continental breakfast. We had a few visitors like John P. who stayed long enough to win at... wait, I think he wins at everything he attempts. Not sure if it was just corn hole or corn hole and poker. No matter, we all love John and were glad he showed. Cheryl T. came to bring us money and brussels sprouts - money to pay the campground. Sue O., whose motorhome was still sitting in parts at the repair shop, came with stuffing and an appetite. She was the only day visitor that stayed for dinner. Dinner was delicious as usual since we have so many wonderful cooks. Thanks to the Erickson's for their coordination.

Winners of the free campouts were Jimmie Miller and David Stull. Walking away with \$75 from the 50/50 was Donna

Colleran. Congratulations to all our winners.

The campers served 71 breakfasts to the AAs on November 1st and none to the Elks as this was a Veterans celebration day; and on November 29 we broke the bank on breakfasts - 57 AAs and 57 Elks. That's correct, we would have had 59 Elks, but we ran out of food and had to refund 2 people. That's 185 breakfasts for November - no wonder we're so tired! We could use some new blood on the crews too. If you're willing to work a Sunday breakfast, get hold of one of us and let us know.

Election of EKK Officers took place at our November 29th meeting and the following slate of officers was elected: Jessica Stull, President; Beverly Erickson, Vice President; Sue Osgood, Secretary; Cheryl Templeton, Treasurer. Officers will be installed at the Kampers Brunch December 13th. Wishing all our officers a prosperous 2016. Thank you to Sherri Jones, who will be stepping down as VP. It was fun having you!

Happy Holidays,

Jessica Stull, President
El Konejo Kampers

Your Veterans Services Chairman in Action

While putting our list of families together for our Christmas Basket program I had a mother of four children call to see if her family could be added to our list. She went on to tell me that they were just in a rough spot at the moment.

I told her no explanation was needed. She then said her husband, who was wounded in the military, was having problems receiving his military benefits. We have heard this plight many times lately. Without promising anything, I sent an email to our Veterans chairman, Carl Lanterman, and explained what the woman told me.

On December 3rd Carl emailed the office

with this update:

1. Last week they received their first call from the VA in five years.
2. December 2nd they received a letter of approval for benefits.
3. Also on December 2nd, they met with the County Veterans service office in Camarillo. Gold Coast Veterans Services will manage their case.
4. Carl was able to arrange refinancing of their home which will produce good results.

5. Carl will meet with Home Depot regarding their Veterans program for home repairs.

All this from a phone call for a box of groceries. Needless to say they will have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We will never know whose life will be touched by our efforts unless we reach out to others.

Good Job Carl (you can keep your job another year)

Fraternally,

David Naccarato, PER

Officers 2015 - 2016

Exalted Ruler	Jim Moye	Tiler	Christine Harrison
Leading Knight	Mike Flannery	Inner Guard	Gregg Miraglia
Loyal Knight	Jean Miraglia	Esquire	Billy Sternberg
Lecturing Knight	Karen Martyn	Chaplain	Dave Anderson
Secretary	David Naccarato, PER	Organist	Karin Speights
Treasurer	Pati Harrod	Officer at Large	Terry Gicking, PDDGER

Trustees 2015 - 2016

One Year	Pam Price, COB
Two Year	James Lovato
Three Year	George Meehan, PER
Four Year	Darryl Kopacz
Five Year	Dan Martyn, PER

Elk of the Year	Gerry Gillies
Officer of the Year	Pam Price
Citizen of the Year	Richard Herrera

2015 - 16 Committees reporting to the Exalted Ruler

Antler Antics	Membership: Catherine Koeritz, PER
Editor & Email Distribution: Steve Smith, PER	Investigation: Alan Hardie, Dave Anderson, Diane Scott & John Duhig
USPS Mailing: Jessica Stull and Juanita Feamster	Orientation: Catherine Koeritz, PER, Chair Ofcers, David Naccarato, PER
Calendar: Terry Gicking	Lapsed and Stray Elks: David Naccarato, PER
Website, Blog & Weekly Updates: Steve Smith, PER	Maintenance: Jim Moye
Auditing and Accounting Committee: David Pearson	Grounds: Ben Rieger
Barbeque: Eddie Rice	Facilities: Tom Hartin, Jeff Conyers & Max Maxwell
Historian/Scrapbook: Chairperson needed	Greeter: Dorothy Murray
Photography: Jill Williams	PER Association President: Terry Baker, PER
Forward Planning: Jim Moye	Parliamentarian/Presiding Justice: Dick McCann
Protocol: Karen Martyn	Grants Coordinator: Chairperson needed

2015 - 16 Committees reporting to the Leading Knight

Bar Liason: Mike Flannery	Community Activities: Mike Flannery
Major Project/Purple Pig: Pati Harrod	Sickness and Distress: Coleen Morris
Bequests & Living Trusts: Mike Flannery	Charity Matters: Mike Flannery
Elks National Foundation: Donna Leary	El Konejo Kampers: Jessica Stull
Christmas Basket Program: Mike Flannery	Christmas Tree Lot: Ben Rieger

2015 - 16 Committees reporting to the Loyal Knight

Kitchen Operations: Tom Ryder	Conejo Valley Days: Tom Hartin
Lodge Activities: Jean Miraglia	Mediator: Boyd Lindquist
Flag Day, Flag Retirement: Bill Sternberg	New Years Eve: Jean Miraglia
Government Relations: Chairperson needed	Mothers Day: Dave Anderson
Elks Memorial Service: Dave Anderson	Inaugural Ball: Jean Miraglia
Veteran Services: Carl Lanterman	Law Enforcement/Firefighter Appreciation: Paul Stein
Public Relations: Lynn Rodriguez	

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2nd Wednesday of the Month

Trustee Meeting: 6pm

House Committee Meeting : 7:30pm

followed immediately by Officers meeting

Past Exalted Rulers

1972-73 *Marvin D. Smith	1997-98 *John Kelly
1973-74 Erle Pittman, PDDGER	1998-99 Chet Kozlowski
1974-75 *Richard Flake	1999-00 Richard Goldner, PDDGER
1975-76 Bill Wagner	2000-01 Jacob Panczak
1976-77 John E. Henry	2001-02 John D'Ambrogio
1977-78 *Robert McKee, PDDGER	2002-03 Don Booker
1978-79 *Frank J. Rindone, PDDGER	2003-04 Greg Metzger, PDDGER, DL
1979-80 *Edward F. Stogsdell	2004-05 Jay Block
1980-81 *Frank "Tex" Hastie	2005-06 *Sally Claunch
1981-82 *Robert Hardy	2006-07 David Naccarato
1982-83 *A. John Nichols	2007-08 Catherine Koeritz
1983-84 John Nau	2008-09 George Meehan
1984-85 Vern Ogden	2009-10 Terry Gicking, PDDGER
1985-86 Dan Snyder	2010-11 Harry Brockwell
1986-87 Bill Lloyd, PDDGER	2011-12 Steve Smith
1987-88 John E. Henry	2012-13 Leo Rodriguez
1988-89 *Ted Lipka	2013-14 Terry Baker
1989-90 Don Skinner	2014-15 Dan Martyn
1990-91 Don Ansell	
1991-92 Gary Sleigh	By Affiliation:
1992-93 Tom Ryder, PDDGER	1981-82 Robert L. Thornton, PDDGER
1993-94 Jim Wallace	2001-02 Bill Sternberg
1994-95 *George Pekow	1999-00 *Ralph Vester
1995-96 Gil Riding, PDDGER	'83-'84, '02-'03 Harold Constantine
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