



Antler Antics

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

Annual Charity Ball

Saturday, October 15, 2016

No Host Cocktails 6pm

Dinner 7pm

Menu Choices:

Prime Rib or Salmon by Jim Porter

Includes Dessert

\$25 per person

Followed by Music and Dancing to

“BIG ADVENTURE”

Reservations Please! RSVP by October 9th
Tickets available in the lounge (805)496-4550

The Charity Ball will take place at
Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge #2477
150 N. Conejo School Rd.
Thousand Oaks, CA 91362



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Duty Officers

09-29 to 10-05	Rik Gessler
10-06 to 10-12	Gregg Miraglia
10-13 to 10-19	Jean Miraglia
10-20 to 10-26	Steve Woodlief
10-27 to 11-02	David Naccarato

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.

Elk of the Month



This month's choice for Elk of the Month is Tom Hartin. Now Tom cannot be described as that quiet guy who gets things done. But he does get things done even if he is not quiet about it. But seriously, I don't even have to ask him to do something. I just mention that something is broken and a week or two, or a month later it is fixed. Then I usually get a very detailed explanation of how he did it.

Thank you Tom. Your good nature and long hours are greatly appreciated.

Mike Flannery
Exalted Ruler

Lapsation Report

At the beginning of the 2016-2017 Elk year on April 1st, our lodge had a membership total of 433. Since that date we have initiated 21 new members, reinstated two and transferred in one. On the flip side we had two deaths and one member transferred out bringing our membership total to 454 for a net gain of 21.

We still have 25 members on the delinquency list. These are members who joined and decided being an Elk was not for them. Nonetheless, the lodge had to pay a \$22.00 assessment fee for each of them, totaling \$550. For the All American Lodge contest we receive points for less than 2% lapsation. Our lapsation rate is 5.77%, so no points here.

In September we investigated four candidates for initiation in October. Also

in September, 15 candidates attended orientation and we initiated 12. We also had three reinstatements bringing the membership total for September 30th to 469. We will look fairly decent for our District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler's visitation on October 26th.

David Naccarato, PER
Membership/Lapsation

Have You Proposed



a New Member today?

Upcoming Initiation Schedule

<u>Balloting</u>	<u>Orientation</u>	<u>Initiation</u>
October 5th	October 25th	October 26th
November 2nd	November 22nd	November 23rd
December 7th	December 27th	December 28th

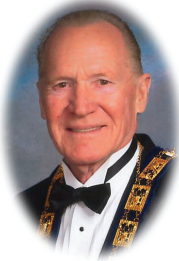
Candidates for Balloting, Transfers and Reinstatements

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Greg Sincock, Business Owner	Douglas Ryan
Robert Orlow, Sales	Holly Healy
Jason Volmer	Vernon Noel

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Deadline for receiving ALL material for publication is the 15th of the Month

Exalted Ruler Mike Flannery



We are well into the Lodge Visitation program and everything is going well. We hosted a very successful West Central Coast District Vice President Visitation on July 9th for Philip Daughton and his

Frist Lady, Georgia. Please do not forget that we are scheduled to host the Visitation for our District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Robert (Bob) Alvarez and his First Lady, Myrna on October 26th. We need the attendance of our Members to make this Visitation as successful as the last one. There are flyers at the Lodge and included in the Antler Antics. Tickets will be available at the Lodge. Please purchase your tickets and RSVP by October 19th.

In between these Visitations our Lodge has been making a very good showing of attending the Visitations at Simi valley Lodge #2492 on June 25th, at Santa Ynez Valley Lodge #2640 for Philip Daughton's Homecoming on July 23rd, at Santa Barbara Lodge #613 on August 23rd and Ventura Lodge #1430 on September 8th. We are also going to attend the two upcoming Visitations at Simi Valley Lodge #2492 on September 20th and Oxnard Lodge #1443 on October 20th.

Attendance at these Visitations is not just for Officers. All members are invited. These Visitations are semi-formal (For the Officers only), a great place to meet, and get to know, other Elks, usually a very good dinner, and they are a lot of fun. The other Lodges are always very appreciative of our attendance and reciprocate very well by attending our functions. If any members would like to attend either of these Visitations, please let me know as soon as possible (at least a week in advance) and I will take care of the R.V.S.P.

Upcoming Events:

October 8th
Reyes Adobe Days Parade in Agoura Hills.

November 4th & 5th
Mid-Term Convention in San Diego.

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Leading Knight Jean Miraglia



I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your thoughts and prayers. Every day I feel stronger. It was really good to get back to the Lodge. I always enjoy the meeting, especially the fines.

Please mark October 15th on your calendar for our Charity Ball. The Charity Ball is a major event for the Lodge. Tickets are available in the Lounge for \$25 per person. You'll feast on Prime Rib or Salmon by Jim Porter, and dance to the music of "Big Adventure."

Income from the Charity Ball funds our Charity Baskets, which go to our neighbors in need, and the Elks Ladies will be wrapping gifts for the children.

Only your participation can make this a successful event. I'm looking forward to seeing you at the Ball.

The Carnival for the Students of the Dean Trigg's School was postponed due to a conflict with the opening of the school year. I will be meeting with the Director to prepare for a Carnival sometime in November.

Fraternally,

Jean Miraglia
Leading Knight



Loyal Knight Karen Martyn



About 18 months ago, as I was being prepped for knee surgery, the nurse asked Dan what his relationship was to me. He replied that he was my Exalted Ruler. I couldn't believe my ears. I remember

thinking then that, one day I would get even with him for that. Well my PER has been drafted by me to take over Public Relations. Keep your eyes peeled in the CHEA and Elks magazines for upcoming write-ups about our lodge. Good job Dan. Paybacks are a you-know-what!

Being half way through my year as Loyal Knight, I can say I survived thanks to so many fellow Elk volunteers. A special thank you to Pineapple Joe Clancy & Crew for treating us to an authentic Guamanian dinner in September. It's always fun to try food from different cultures and Joe's dinner was very impressive and very well attended.

I would also like to thank Cherri & John Peterson for taking the time each month to enlarge the calendar for easy viewing in our anteroom and patio. That being said, please do not tear it, write on it or deface it in any way. If you need information from it, take a picture of it with your cell phone or borrow a pen and piece of paper from the bar.

October promises some delicious dinners from the kitchen. You will be treated to the culinary skills of new member Dan Hoffman and his wife, Sandy, Craig Burns and his Kwelks Crew, a prime rib or salmon dinner by the ever popular Chet Kozlowski Family and, last but not least, the last fish fry of the year! Please note that the fish fry will be on the first Friday of the month instead of the third.

Please check your calendar for other lodge happenings, and Happy Haunting!!

Fraternally,

Karen Martyn
Loyal Knight

Lecturing Knight Shirste Gessler



Summer is over, school is back in session, and the holidays will be here soon! Seems like the Lodge has been really busy lately, lots of activities, every Friday night the lounge has been hoppin', and

every Saturday the BBQ has been very successful. All good things!

September is a really jam packed month. Both Rik and I are duty officers, Purple Pig Night is on the 17th which is going to be a lot of fun, and the Elks Ladies Luncheon and Chinese Auction is on the 24th which will benefit the Dictionary Program. I bet this month is just going to fly by!

Mary and Steve Woodlief have been working very hard, ordering the dictionaries and meeting with schools. We hope to give out 850 dictionaries if not more this year to 3rd graders in the area.

Please remember to collect cash redemption recyclables in plastic, glass and aluminum. Bring these recyclables down to the Lodge to help support the Scholarship Program.

Rik and I enjoyed cooking last Friday. Thanks to everyone for coming out to support our Baked Potato Bar on September 9th. We enjoyed cooking for you and look forward to next time!

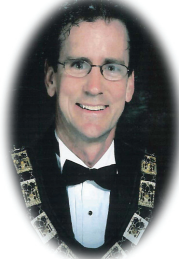
Fraternally,

Shirste Gessler
Lecturing Knight



**Elks
National
Foundation, Inc.**

Secretary David Naccarato



Being a lodge with many different personalities, we sometimes get mad and say something we can't take back. It may even go to the House Committee for further action. Remember

the House Committee is made up of volunteers who want to deal with matters of the community and those in need. We ask that problems be talked out and taken care of before engaging the House Committee.

Charles A. Vivian

When reading about the early times of the Elks, I find the story has changes from time to time. This one I will share with you.

On Friday, November 15, 1867, Charles Vivian, an English comic singer, landed in New York via an English trading vessel from South Hampton. The day he arrived he went into the Star Hotel, a free and easy place run by John Ireland. Richard Steirly, also English, was a piano player at the Star Hotel. Charles struck up a conversation and volunteered to sing a few songs. Charles made such an impression on John Ireland that he sent for his friend Robert Butler, a manager of the American Theater on Broadway. Vivian sang for Butler and making a great impression, received a three week engagement.

When closing time drew near, he took Charles to a boarding house. The street he lived on had a name change in 1939 by the city of New York, from Elm Street to Elk Street, to pay tribute to the famous order of Elks.

Charles was introduced to other actors and singers and was shown a game with three wine corks.

Each player held a cork and when a fourth person said go, each contestant was to lift his cork. The last man to do so was to buy a round. The new contestant to the group had no idea he was being duped, for when the command of "Go" was given, the ones

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Secretary's message continued

in the know passed their hands over their cork while the newcomer was both first and last to pick it up and was stuck to buy a round.

Birth of the Jolly Corks

About this time in New York, Sunday was considered a "dry day". Those with the corks would meet at one of the homes of the entertainers. They had to move a lot for they were quite noisy. They did find a room over a saloon on Delancy Street and would save up libations during the week and on Sunday they had the only game in town. Their membership card was a cork.

A feud started between two factions within the ranks (they had problems back then too) with Charles Vivian going off on tour, still very much involved but never becoming an Elk himself.

Some wanted degrees of membership such as with the Masons and others did not. When the vote did not come in favor of Charles, he left New York. Charles moved and died of pneumonia in Leadville, Colorado on March 20, 1880.

On April 28, 1889, Boston Lodge #10 exhumed his remains and buried him in Boston at Mt. Hope Cemetery. Charles Vivian never said he was an Elk but that he was one of the organizers. He also wanted "Buffalo's" for our name. Please give me a break. Ever seen a buffalo? The Elk is strong of limb, fleet of foot, quick and keen of perception. So should we be, quick to hear the cry of distress, timorous of doing wrong and fleet of foot to relieve the unfortunate thus conforming to the Golden Rule which should govern all mankind. "The faults of our members we write upon the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory."

David Naccarato, PER
Lodge Secretary



Sickness & Distress

Alex Rogers, Committee Chair
Home 805-492-3280 Cell 805-427-3013

Condolences to:

Jerry Serota and family on the passing of his loving wife Patricia H. Serota on August 21st

Myrna Block and family on the passing of her loving husband Jay Block, PER born 10-31-1932, initiated 5-19-1999, died 9-12-2016

Keep in your prayers

Lester Hight who is seriously ill.

John Nau, PER, is recovering from surgery.

Evie Herrera as she recovers from cancer surgery

Carl Lanterman recovering from unknown issues resulting in him being admitted into ICU.

Elks Care

Elks Share

October Birthdays

David Gates-1
Howard Jacobson-1
Irving Koeritz-1
Ben Rieger-2
Thomas Tyler-2
Jack Paulson-3
George Gomes Da Costa-4
Timothy Hinsche-4
John Barr-6
Forrest Godfrey-7
Raymond Laraway-8
Andrew Gessler-10
Dennis Shankel-10
Margaret Gonzales-11
Gregg Miraglia-11
Charles Messmer-15
John Puckett-15
Christopher Vrakelos-16
James Porter-18
Michael O'Kelly-19
Michelle Boyster-22
Norman Panzcak-22
Fred Schaffner-26
Michael Stark-26
Dennis Gillette-27
June Leadam-27
Peter Nolan-27
Angelique Milner-29
Bryan Gicking-30
Gregory Charles-31
Chris Metzgas-31

Purple Pig Honor Roll

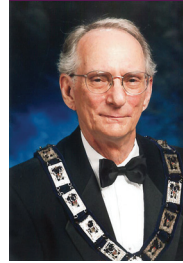
Coleen Morris
Rik Gessler
Shirste Gessler
Bill Sternberg
Billy Sternberg
Jean Miraglia
Gregg Miraglia
Paul Stein
Dan Martyn
Karen Martyn
Darryl Kopacz
Terry Gicking
Rick Herrera
Brenda Hagen(Century Club)
Juanita Feamster

Letters to the Lodge

The lodge received a thank you card from Gardena Elks #1919 on the hospitality shown the members from that lodge that participated in a mystery bus tour of other lodges.

We received a card from past members of this lodge who have moved to Arizona and came back for a visit and stayed in our R.V. parking area. Wait a minute. We don't have RV parking. HMMMMmm.... They added the BBQ was yummy and are still enjoying it.

Jay Block, PER



Jay Block was born on Halloween. His mother was a singer and his father was a sound engineer at Warner Brothers. His Father was called up during WWII. Jay attended 22 different schools during his youth finally settling down in Los Angeles. During the Korean Conflict, Jay joined the Air Force in 1949.

After the war, Jay graduated from UCLA in electronic engineering. Later, Jay worked at Hughes Aircraft. Jay and his lovely wife Myrna moved to the Conejo Valley in 1964 and became involved with Scouting. He joined our lodge in 1999 and became Exalted Ruler 2004-2005.

The Crying Towel



August 3rd

Capsule Drawing
Gerry Gillies Present
Winner!!! \$250
Lucky 13
Pam Price No winner

August 17th

Capsule Drawing
Tommy Claunch not present
Lucky 13
Billy Sternberg no winner

August 24th

Capsule Drawing
William Sandham not present
Lucky 13
Pam Price no winner

Meet Our New Members



Lisa Teevan sponsored by Lodge
Secretary David Naccarato, PER



Ann Sankovich and Barry Hibbs (R)
sponsored by Rick Herrera

Veterans Services - Carl Lanterman, Chairman

Dates to Remember

October 7, 2001 Afghanistan War Began
October 9, 1950 Invasion of North Korea
October 13, 1775 U.S. Navy Established
October 27th Navy Day

(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

DON'T FORGET OUR ANNUAL VETERANS APPRECIATION BRUNCH SET FOR NOVEMBER 6TH AT 10:30 AM

We will have some great food and company as always including veterans from the Cal-Vet Home, Sepulveda VA and local friends of the Elks. Please plan on being with us as we salute those who served, or are serving, our country in all branches of the military. The brunch is free to veterans and active military, \$12

for non-military.

Remember November 11th is our National Veterans Day. "Thanks for your service," to all the men and women who served and are serving our country.

*If interested in helping out with Bingo

at the Sepulveda VA, please call Marshall Knowlton at (805)495-4791. We're always looking for volunteers to act as standbys when our regulars are unable to attend. We meet at the Lodge on the 2nd Friday of the month at 11:30 am to carpool and return around 2:30 pm.

Carl Lanterman

Chairman-Veterans Service Committee
(805) 630-8110 carl.silverstrand@gmail.com

Art Urbano

Vice Chair-Veterans Service Committee
(805) 241-5719 charlene.urbano@verizon.net

Elks National Veterans Services Commission

Elks hold Veterans in a high esteem. This was evident during the Grand Lodge session in Los Angeles in 1921. A proposal was made to establish the Elks Headquarters in Chicago. Also, the order was to erect a memorial building honoring those who served and gave their lives during the Great War. Elk lodges raised 2.5 million dollars to pay for the new building. The cornerstone was laid June 7, 1924. On June 14, 1926, the edifice was formally dedicated to those who served

in WWI. The building was rededicated in 1946 for those who saw service in WWII and again in 1976; this honor was bestowed on those who answered the call in Korea and Vietnam.

In 1990, Elks Lodges raised 4.5 million to refurbish the memorial and on July 3 1994, it was rededicated to peace and to those who served in Grenada, Panama, Operation Desert Storm and other conflicts.

At the convention in New Orleans in 1995, on July 13th, the name Elks National Service Commission was changed to Elks National Veterans Service Commission.

Our story is long, our work is humble, our history is proud. The Elks National Veterans Service Commission will continue serving our nation's veterans.

David Naccarato, PER

Thank You from Jerry Serota

On Sunday September 11th 2016, 100 glasses of champagne were raised in a toast to the memory of our beloved Patti Serota who gladdened our hearts with her smile and good cheer.

It warmed our hearts that so many dear ones came to share their love and affection and held her in such high esteem.

When our days are done our worth can be measured by the love and affection shown by those who raised their glasses to send us on our way. She was loved by all of us and remembered by her wonderful smile and positive and happy attitude.

Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened.(Dr. Seuss)

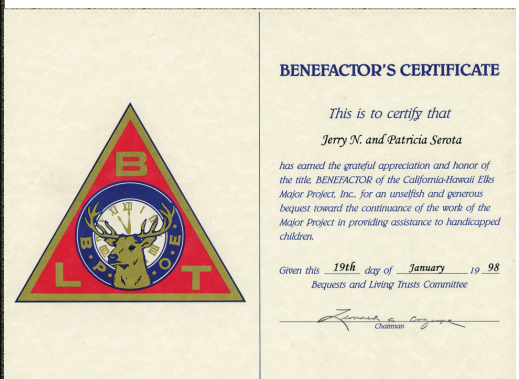
A special thank you to the Elks 2477 Past



Exalted Ruler Tom Ryder, Greg Ryder, the Elk Ladies and all those involved who helped make this day possible and very special.

Thank you,

Jerry, Lisa and Steve



Eagle Court of Honor held at Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge #2477



Pictured above: Center Left - Eagle Scout Ryan Parke, Center Right - Eagle Scout Francesco Antinoro
Far Left - Scouting Co-Chair Bill Sternberg, PER, Far Right - Scouting Chairman Bill Miller.

Of special interest: The neckerchief slides worn by Bill Miller and the Eagle Scouts were hand carved by Bill Sternberg. He carves each slide from a single piece of wood. Each slide consists of three pieces. Two pieces are connected by swiveling chain links. The third piece is a wooden ball that floats enclosed within one of the other pieces which is shaped like a cage.



Scouting Chairman Bill Miller and Co-Chair Bill Sternberg, PER, ready to present the honors before a multitude of scouting families and friends.



Bill Sternberg is also the Grand Lodge Western Regional Scouting Chairman



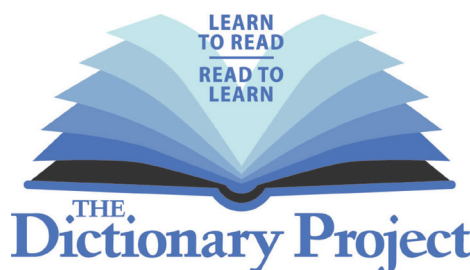
Bill Sternberg presents Eagle Scout Ryan Parke with his wooden neckerchief slide which Bill hand carves from a single piece of wood.



After a brief absence, *Thursday Afternoon Bingo* was back. We had a fair showing. Many Elk activities benefited from that afternoon of Bingo. 20% of buy-ins went to the dictionary project because Mary Woodlief volunteered as my "Vanna White". The Purple Pig received donations from members who didn't want change and the bar sold some libations. True we didn't set the world on fire but every little bit helps.

Jr. Past Exalted Ruler Jim Moye picked

up two wins. Member Betty McFarland was also a double winner along with Paula Williams and Kathy Jenkins. I told everyone that if they wanted to see their Antler Antics next month to let Juanita Feamster win a game. On Game #9 Juanita was the winner. Catastrophe was averted.



I want to thank Bobby Williams for arriving early. He helped me set up (let's be honest he did it all) and so did Paula Williams. Jim and Kathy Moye packed me up. It made my life easy. Watch for the next Bingo date on our calendar of events.

David Naccarato, PER



T.O. Elks Lodge 2477

Serving the Conejo Valley, Westlake Village,
Agoura Hills, Moorpark and Camarillo

Invite a Friend to Join Today

A yellow spotlight beam shines from the top left corner onto the text.

Elks Lodge Spotlight

Cocktails @ 5:00pm

Dinner at 6:00pm

Your Choice

Beef Brisket or Chicken Marsala

\$15.00 pp

(pre-paid)

Join us for the visitation to our lodge of

District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler

Robert "Bob" Alvarez

and wife Myrna

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

General Lodge Meeting to

follow @ 7:30 pm



Dinner will be
catered by

**The
Seasonal
Table**

Please RSVP by
October 19, 2016

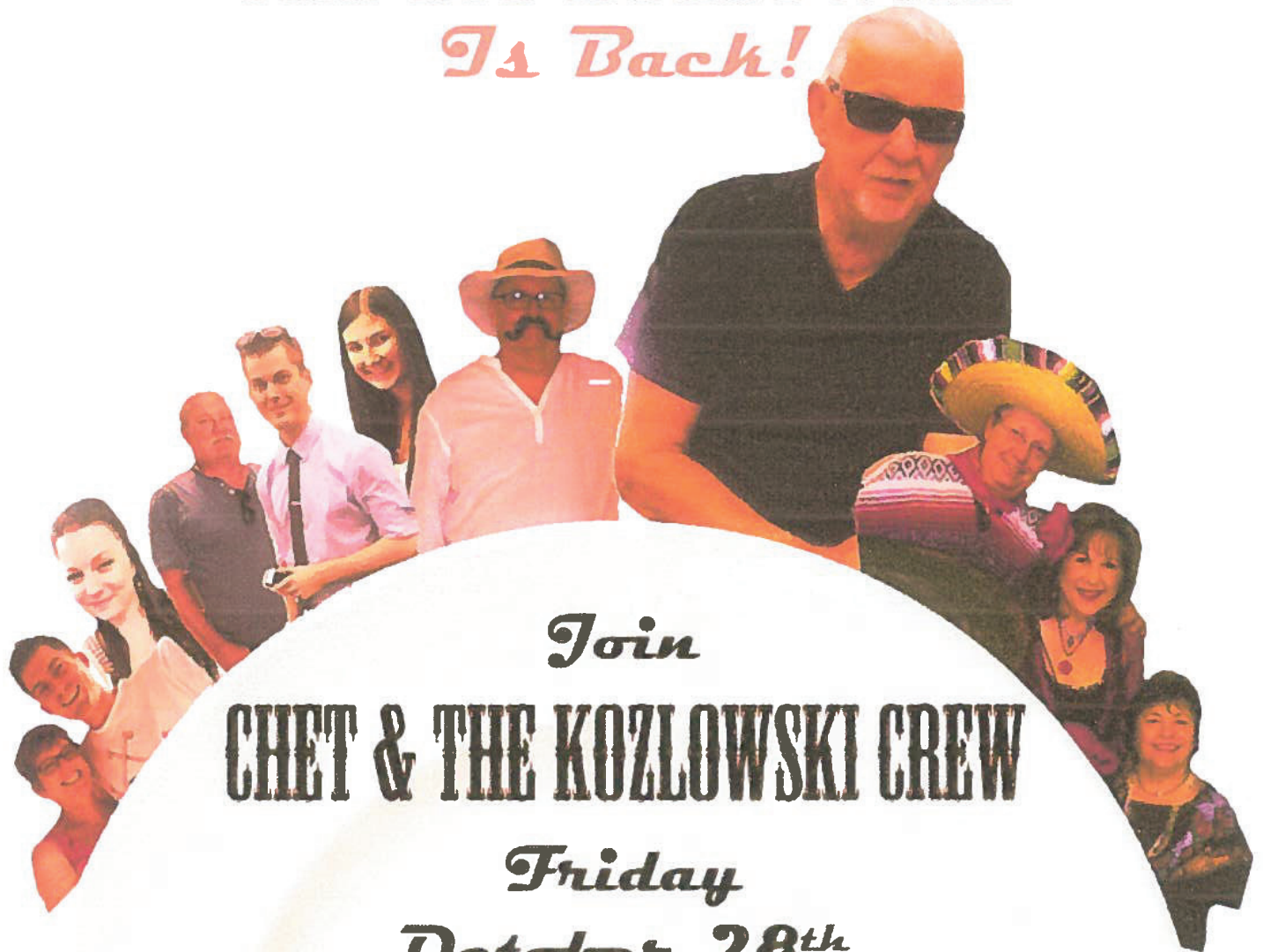
with choice of entree

805-496-4550

Bob Felts

THE BIG KOZLOWSKI

Is Back!



Join
CHET & THE KOZLOWSKI CREW

Friday
October 28th
6:00pm
\$15 per Plate

SALMON OR PRIME RIB
MASHED POTATOES & MIXED VEGETABLES
GOURMET SALAD BAR

RSVP AT BAR BY WED 10/26

**2016 - 2017
Committee Chairpersons**

1st Vice President Mary Woodlief
 2nd Vice President Shirste Gessler
 Secretary Karen Naccarato
 Treasurer Charlotte Gessler
 Auditor Shirste Gessler
 Communications Carol Fredericks

Elks Ladies



Beth Kozlowski, President

**2016 - 2017
Committee Chairpersons**

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

Hope everyone enjoyed their summer. The ladies sure did! And boy did we enjoy our Ladies Appreciation Luncheon on August 20th. We had a delicious lunch and were able to do a bit of shopping. Thank you to Jill Williams for chairing the event. Thank you to Jessica Stull, Carol Stewart, Lynn Rodriguez, Faye Stevens and Christine for all your help.

On September 24th we are looking forward to our luncheon and a Chinese Auction fundraiser which is going to be a lot of fun. The cost will be \$15 for BBQ pulled pork and Chinese chicken salad. Lunch starts at noon. This is definitely an event you shouldn't pass up! Bring your friends, bring your husbands and significant others. Come on down to the Lodge, have

a delicious lunch and bid on some fun items! This Chinese auction is one you don't want to miss!

Love.....from the Elks Ladies Chaplain:

Love is patient and kind, love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.

As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

The Bible is full of great passages about the topic of love. God's love for us is a perfect example and starting place to study on love. There are also great verses about love in relation to marriage, brotherly love or friendship, and loving your neighbor.

Let us not love in word or talk, but indeed and in truth.

Dear Father in heaven, Thank you for the love you show us every day. Please continue your wonderful blessings in all our life's and here at the Elks Ladies.

In Your Holy Name We Pray,

Amen

El Konejo Kampers



**Good-Bye
Port Hueneme**

For the third time this year our campout has been in jeopardy. Scheduled to happen at Port Hueneme, it was the campout

that almost wasn't. Several of our club members have passes to enter the base and have always been able to take the group camping, but this time, the day before, we were notified that we couldn't bring all these people on the base. Why? Still not sure about that one, but at the last minute we were notified that we could come, and that we did. Unfortunately, some people were unable to reschedule plans so we were three rigs short of our full compliment.

Ed and Donna Coleman, the wagon masters, did a fine job of keeping us all happy. There were games going on, shopping, going out to dinner and the usual things we do when we're camping. The campout was attended by the Moyes, Jellanders, Porters, Sue Osgood, Virginia Grindley and her friend, John Puckett, the Kudras, Dows, Ericksons, Stocktons and of course the Stulls. Thursday dinner at Yolanda's Restaurant was fab as was the Friday Happy Hour and the Saturday evening potluck. Despite us being all over the park, or maybe because of it, we visited each other and were able to get in some walking along the way. We will miss this place with its gentle weather, lovely golf course, nice scenery, concrete pads and so much more. We can only

hope the base will change its mind in the future and once again allow us to bring in the club.

August 7th the campers served 73 breakfasts to the AAs and 32 to the Elks for a total of 105 breakfasts and on August 27 we served 62 AAs and 35 Elks, another 97 breakfasts, for a grand monthly total of 202! Thanks to all the Elks who continue to support the campers by purchasing our delicious breakfasts, and to all the campers who get up at the crack of dawn to cook those breakfasts. We do this so routinely we often forget to thank everyone. For those of you still thinking about coming down the first or last Sunday of the month, try our yummy omelets with your choice of ingredients or our blueberry pancakes, a real treat!

Exalted Ruler's message continued

November 6th
Veterans Brunch at our Lodge.

November 17th
Homecoming for District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Robert (Bob) Alvarez and his First Lady Myrna, at Santa Maria Lodge. (All Officers **and all members are invited to attend**. If you would like to go please let me know at least a week in advance and I will take care of the RSVP).

November 23rd
Regular Wednesday Night Meeting is cancelled and rescheduled for Wednesday, November 30th.

November 24th
Thanksgiving Day

December 4th
Elks Memorial Day
As required by the Laws of the Order, Sec. 2.020, "The first Sunday in December of each year shall be a day commemorated to the memories of Departed Members." This will be my third year participating in this Memorial Service and I invite each of you to take an hour or two out of your Sunday to attend this solemn and beautiful ceremony. Come out and support those members who have suffered a loss. I guarantee you will be moved and impressed. Breakfast will be served to our AA guests from 8:00am to 9:00am and to the Elks, families and guests from 9:30am to 12:00 noon. The ceremony will follow as soon

as we can make the necessary adjustments to the Lodge Room.

December 25th
The Kamper breakfast scheduled for Christmas Day is cancelled and rescheduled for Sunday, December 18th.

January 1st
The Kamper breakfast scheduled for New Year's Day is cancelled and rescheduled for Sunday, January 8th.

Elks breakfast available both days.

Thank You,

Mike Flannery
Exalted Ruler

Pictured Highlights from the Elks Ladies Appreciation Luncheon

L-R: Jessica Stull, Niki Case and Beth Kozlowski



L-R: Jeanie Sandt, Jill Williams and Christine Harrison



L-R: Sue Osgood, Linda Gordon, Jessica Kozlowski, Jessica Stull, Juanita Feamster, Niki Case and Beth Kozlowski



Jeanie Sandt



Beth Kozlowski, Jessica Kozlowski and Rosa Conde



THE 13TH ANNUAL



SHOOTOUT FOR SCOUTING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2016

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**CHECK-IN &
 REGISTRATION**

EARLY MORNING: 7:30AM - 8:30AM
LATE MORNING: 10:30AM - 11:30AM

SHOOTOUTS

EARLY MORNING: 8:30AM - 11:30AM*
LATE MORNING: 11:30AM - 2:30PM*

**A RANGE SAFETY BRIEFING WILL BE HELD 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO THE START OF EACH SHOOTOUT SESSION.*

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REGISTRATION FORM

Team Captain _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City/ST _____ Zip _____

Fax _____ Cell _____ Email _____

- I will be a Major Sponsor (\$5,000 each)**
 Sponsorship Includes:
 • 2 Trap Teams (Please list team members below)
 • Priority selection of Shootout Session & Trap Field
 • Banner recognition at the event
 • Other sponsor recognition at the event

- I will be a Trap Field Sponsor (\$1,500 each)**
 Sponsorship Includes:
 • 1 Trap Team (Please list team members below)
 • Priority selection of Session/Field after Major Sponsors
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- I will sponsor a Trap Team of 5 (\$1,000)**
 (Please list team members below)
- I will not shoot, but will sponsor a team**
- I will not shoot, but please accept my \$500 donation**
- Please contact me regarding a Silent Auction donation**
- Please contact me about underwriting opportunities**
- Other support:** _____

TEAM MEMBER LIST

Team Sponsor/Team Name: _____

Session Time: Early Morning Late Morning (Sponsor priority; otherwise sessions filled on a first-come, first-served basis)

TRAP TEAM	SHOOTING ORDER					JACKET SIZE				
Team Captain: _____	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	M	L	X	2X	3X
Team Member: _____	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	M	L	X	2X	3X
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Program information will be sent to each team captain following team registration.
 Please contact the Ventura County Council (805) 482-8938 for more information.
 Mail entry fee and form to **Ventura County Council BSA • 509 East Daily Drive • Camarillo, CA 93010**



Elk's Ladies of Thousand Oaks Lodge
3rd Annual Holiday Boutique

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Exalted Ruler	Mike Flannery	Tiler	Casey Boggiano
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Loyal Knight	Karen Martyn	Esquire	Frederick "Rik" Gessler
Lecturing Knight	Shirste Gessler	Chaplain	Holly Healy
Secretary	David Naccarato, PER	Officer at Large	Jim Moye, PER
Treasurer	Arthur Urbano		

Trustees 2016 - 2017

One Year	Pam Price, COB
Two Year	Steve Woodlief
Three Year	Darryl Kopacz
Four Year	Dan Martyn, PER
Five Year	Raymond Laraway

Elk of the Year	Richard Herrera
Officer of the Year	Billy Sternberg
Citizen of the Year	Jill Williams

2016 - 17 Committees reporting to the Exalted Ruler

Antler Antics	Membership: Holly Healy & David Naccarato, 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 Officers, David Naccarato, PER
Calendar: Steve Smith & Karen Martyn	Lapsed and Stray Elks: David Naccarato, PER
Website, Blog & Weekly Updates: Steve Smith, PER	Maintenance: Jim Moye, PER
Auditing and Accounting Committee: David Pearson	Grounds: Ben Rieger
Barbeque: Eddie Rice	Facilities: Tom Hartin, Jeff Conyers & Max Maxwell
Photography: Jill Williams	Greeter: Dorothy Murray
Forward Planning: Jim Moye, PER	PER Association President: David Naccarato, PER
Protocol: Karen Martyn	Grants Coordinator: Jim Moye, PER
Parliamentarian/Presiding Justice: Dick McCann	

2016 - 17 Committees reporting to the Leading Knight

Bar Liasion: Jean Miraglia	Community Activities: Jean Miraglia
Major Project/Purple Pig: Art Urbano	Sickness and Distress: Alex Rogers
Bequests & Living Trusts: Jean Miraglia	Charity Matters: Jean Miraglia
Elks National Foundation: Donna Leary	El Konejo Kampers: Jessica Stull
Christmas Basket Program: Jean Miraglia	Christmas Tree Lot: Jim Moye, PER

2016 - 17 Committees reporting to the Loyal Knight

Kitchen Operations: Karen Martyn	Public Relations: Dan Martyn, PER
Lodge Activities: Karen Martyn	Conejo Valley Days: Jim Moye, PER
Flag Day, Flag Retirement: Bill Sternberg	Mediator: Boyd Lindquist
Government Relations: Patty Ringo	Mothers Day: Holly Healy
Elks Memorial Service: Holly Healy	Inaugural Ball: Karen Martyn
Veteran Services: Carl Lanterman	Law Enforcement/Firefighter Appreciation: Paul Stein

2016 - 17 Committees reporting to the Lecturing Knight

Youth Activities: Shirste Gessler	Scouting: Bill Miller and Bill Sternberg, PER
Hoop Shoot: David Naccarato, PER	Americanism: Terry Gicking, PDDGER
Drug Awareness: Don Sabol	Dictionary Program: Steve Woodlief
Scholarships: Rick Herrera	Youth Appreciation Night: Shirste Gessler

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Sun: 9:30am - 6pm

Lodge Meetings

Regular business meetings are every 1st, 3rd
and 4th Wednesday of the month.

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 Metzgas, 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	2015-16 Jim Moye
1991-92 Gary Sleigh	
1992-93 Tom Ryder, PDDGER	By Affiliation:
1993-94 *Jim Wallace	1981-82 Robert L. Thornton, PDDGER
1994-95 *George Pekow	2001-02 Bill Sternberg
1995-96 Gil Riding, PDDGER	1999-00 *Ralph Vester
1996-97 *Jack Loughran	'83-'84, '02-'03 Harold Constantine

*Deceased