

# *Antler Antics*

*Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks*



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## Elk of the Year - Dick McCann



See more pictured highlights of this event on page 10

## Duty Officers

03-30 to 04-05	Jean Miraglia
04-06 to 04-12	Karen Martyn
04-13 to 04-19	Gregg Miraglia
04-20 to 04-26	Casey Boggiano
04-27 to 05-06	Steve Woodlief

### LODGE ROOM RENTALS

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.

## New Candidates, Transfers and Reinstatements

Candidate	Occupation	Sponsor
Guillermo Eiland	Entertainment Business	Stacy Gilbert

## Meeting Attendance

	02-15	02-22	03-01	03-15
<b>General Members</b>	17	34	18	6
<b>Officers</b>	15	14	15	14
<b>PERs</b>	5	8	6	6
<b>Total</b>	37	56	39	26

## Membership Report

Membership as of April 1, 2016	433
Total New Members 2-28-17	41
Reinstatements and Transfers	8
Total Membership Loss 2-28-17	31
Delinquency as of 2-28-17	0
Total Membership as of 2-28-17	451

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## Exalted Ruler Jean Miraglia



March, the third month of the Gregorian calendar, is also a noun meaning to advance. We are advancing into a new year in Elkdom, and a new administration.

I feel very fortunate to have had the support of many hard working and dedicated members this past year. Your continued support is always appreciated.

I am looking forward to meeting our new members, and having them share their talents with us. There are many projects, such as the Stand Down for our Veterans, Youth Appreciation Night, Charity Ball, and Conejo Valley Days, to name a few. Our Bar-B-Cue teams always can use volunteers on Saturdays and off site events. Our dedicated, volunteer members arrange all Lodge events. Join your fellow members on a Friday night, for dinner. Support our breakfasts, dinners, special events and fundraisers.

Remember, PARTICIPATION is the key to a Lodge's success.

I am looking forward to a successful year, and to working with a fantastic team of Officers. To all my Officers, Thank you for stepping up.

Fraternally,

Jean Miraglia  
Exalted Ruler

## Leading Knight Karen Martyn



I look forward to my new position as Leading Knight for the 2017-18 Elks Year. We have a solid group of chair officers and trustees this year and my thanks to those who have stepped up.

My station is dedicated to Charity, and I will work to continue our Lodge's proud tradition of helping others in and around our community. Donny Leary has once again stepped up to be the ENF Chair, and she is already planning upcoming fundraisers. A couple of years ago, as a result of your generosity and Donna's hard work, our lodge was third highest in the state for per capita contributions. Donna plans to beat that record this coming year. Thanks Donna and "you go girl!"

One of my main responsibilities in the coming year is our annual charity basket program. We have already scheduled our charity ball on Saturday, October 7, 2017, so mark your calendars and plan to attend and support our efforts to bring some holiday cheer to the less fortunate in our town.

Finally, I am still in need of a chairperson for our purple pig program. This is a great opportunity to get involved with one of our lodge's most important charities. If you have an interest, please let me know.

Thank you for your support and the opportunity to be of service to our Lodge.

Karen Martyn  
Leading Knight

## Loyal Knight Daniel Hoffman



Photo coming soon

Hello everyone, Sandy and I recently attended the Inaugural Ball on March 25<sup>th</sup> and I am honored and humbled to be your new Loyal Knight. I wanted to be part of

an organization that possessed a deep sense of patriotism, fair play and a dedication to noble causes. I have not been disappointed and I have experienced the dedication and work ethic displayed by the members of the Thousand Oaks Elks. I am very proud to be associated with outstanding folks who exhibit generosity and character. I thought I would provide you with some of my personal and professional background information as a way of introducing my family and me to you.

I have been married to Sandy for 44 years and we have been together for 47 years. I met Sandy when she was in 3rd grade. I married her when she was 19 and I was 21. We settled in the Conejo Valley in 1975. Spending my life with Sandy was the best decision I ever made and she has provided me with three sons-Matthew, Christopher and Patrick. Matt and Pat are Los Angeles Police Officers and Chris is the City Ranger for San Luis Obispo. I am very proud of my sons and Matt and Pat have given Sandy and I five grandchildren-Mikaela, Avery, Stella, Jameson and Magnus. We are blessed that they all live locally. Over the years, I was very involved with the Conejo Valley Little League and I retired from that organization as a Director Emeritus. I also supported the Thousand Oaks Flag Football Program as the President, Referee Coordinator and Snack Shack Coordinator. Of course Sandy was an integral part of all of this and we have many fond memories of these years.

Professionally, I had a thirty year career with the Los Angeles Police Department and retired as a Lieutenant. I could not have completed thirty years without my best partner, Sandy. I then accepted an employment offer from Andrews International, an international security

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## Secretary David Naccarato



Dues notices have gone out and many members have already paid their dues. For that I thank you.

I see a problem arising. I have received too many mailings returned as “not deliverable”.

The Antler Antics is returned for various reasons. When those are returned the cost is high to the lodge. Please, if you have moved or changed your contact information let the office know so we can update our files. Many of you are not receiving the important information needed to get the most out of your lodge and Elkdom. Remember delinquent or dropped members may not use the lodge facilities, not even as a guest.

With everything in a “NOW” mode, once the Antler is finalized it is posted online and sent to those with e-mail addresses on file. If you would like to receive the Antler by e-mail rather than by USPS mail, please give the office a call and we will make the appropriate adjustments saving the lodge postage and paper.

### Visiting Guests

Remember that visiting Elks and any guests must be signed in. All non-members visiting the lodge must be accompanied by a member and must leave when the member leaves. Non-members are permitted in the lounge anytime the lodge is open except for Wednesday nights after 7:15 when the lodge meeting is in session.

### Americanism

Our state association (CHEA) will issue a special citation to members, neighbors of members or businesses that fly their American flag 24/7, which means it is illuminated at night. So far, we have presented one to Terry Gicking and one will be presented to Tom Hartin. The lodge receives points toward the All American Lodge contest for these occurrences. We’ve won that award only twice, during the years of Richard Goldner 99-00 and Greg Metzgas 03-04 as Exalted Ruler. All the stars need to line up but I apply every year. And, in case you missed it, our web site took **FIRST PLACE** among lodges in our division.

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We have been pretty regular at having afternoon Bingo at the lodge on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday afternoons. It’s pretty much the regular winners every week. Member Betty McFarland turned us on to an app where we have Bingo on the big screen in the lodge room. It works out well.

The big winner’s lately have been Charlotte Gessler and the Moyes. Bobby and Paula Williams have blanked the last few games which are not in their character, especially since they help me set up and tear down.

Alan Zatkin played for the first time and brought his Father with him. His Father was in the Army Air Corps in WWII. I think they were sandbagging, acting like they did not know how to play. They took quite a few games and had a good time.

David Naccarato, PER

*Secretary’s article continued*

I would like to announce a new member to the maintenance team, Dean Reichle. Dean has retired and would prefer to stay busy. The lodge could also use his knowledge of electricity.

David Naccarato, PER  
Lodge Secretary



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## GER Message

### Progressive leadership builds successful Lodge

Exalted Rulers, congratulations upon your election as the leader of your Lodge. Your Members have put their faith and trust in you because of your willingness to volunteer your time and effort. They believe in your leadership to assume the challenges that lie ahead. You must lead with impartiality and perform the duties with which you are charged.

You should set your goals and encourage every Member to become involved in your Lodge and Lodge-sponsored community activities. Local community service programs will stimulate a return to increasing your Lodge membership.

As the leader of your Lodge, you are charged with following the Constitution and Laws of the Order and Lodge Bylaws. Take advantage of the tools and manuals that are available to help you do so, including the Grand Lodge manuals posted at Elks.Org. These manuals will provide the guidance to ensure that you will have a successful year as the leader of your Lodge.

New Lodge Officers, thank you for accepting the challenge of helping lead the activities aimed at achieving your Lodge goals. You need to be proactive in seeking opportunities to be a vital contributor to the growth and success of your Lodge. As you participate in those activities, remember that your actions speak louder than words. Approach all of your Elks activities with a positive frame of mind, and earn the reputation as an energetic person.

Activities are vital to a successful Lodge. They should focus on family and community involvement when planning activities throughout the year. Involve new Members and encourage them to become active in Lodge and social functions. New ideas from new Members will have a positive influence on the future direction of the Lodge.

The pride and knowledge that you embrace – properly cultivated in the hearts of our Members, and keeping the membership informed and involved – are

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## Sickness & Distress

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

### Condolences to:

**Pati Harrod** who's mother, **Katherine Felts**, passed away March 11<sup>th</sup> after a long illness. There will be no service.

The family of member **Lester Height**. Born July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1938, initiated January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1991, died March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**Chaplain Holly Healy** who's father, **Ted Eddleston**, passed away after a stay in hospice at Sepulveda VA

### Keep in your prayers

**Dick McCann** - Please keep him in our thoughts and prayers.

**Art Urbano** has been admitted to UCLA Medical Center.

**Robert Jacalone** who is scheduled to have heart surgery.

**Mary Woodlief** who received a pacemaker on March 14<sup>th</sup>

**Dorothy Murray** who was recently released from Los Robles Hospital.

**PER Don Ansel** is recovering after an epidural.

**Pati Harrod** is still having knee problems

**Esquire Paul Radomski's** wife, **Kacee**, is experiencing severe back pain after undergoing back surgery.

## Special Presentation

We will be having a presentation to David Stull. 47 years after the fact Dave has received his Purple Heart. Not to let an opportunity like this go unnoticed we will have a dinner and presentation with a few surprises added in on Wednesday May 31<sup>st</sup>. I thought Armed forces day would be cool but the room was not available. Then I figured on the Friday before but we'll be at convention. So, mark your calendar for May 31<sup>st</sup>, I need you all here to pull this off. (surprise)

David Naccarato, PER

## April Birthdays

Greg Metzgus DL-02  
Marco Gomez-03  
Rosemary Prince-03  
Leo Rodriguez PER 03  
Brenda Hagen-05  
Alan Unthank-06  
Henry Vega-06  
Allan Gottlieb-08  
Richard Ibarra-09  
Kenneth Krabel-09  
Ted Barnes-10  
Robert Foley-10  
Joseph-Nemtusak-10  
Scott Cameron-11  
Thomas Walsh-11  
Joe Clancy-12  
Allan Erickson-12  
James Hamilton-13  
Chuck Busch-16  
Carol Stewart-16  
David Hobert-18  
Zhipi McDougald-18  
James Rinaudo-20  
Jef Harriott-22  
Marvin Gregory-23  
Coleen Morris-23  
Steve Chiszar-24  
Angela Porter-24  
Lisa Casarotti-27  
Dan Martyn-27  
Lynette Micheli-29

## Purple Pig Honor Roll

Coleen Morris  
John Moran  
Bill Smail (Century Club x 5)  
Richard Shaw  
George Vivlamore(52 Club)  
Kenny Keeler  
Christine Rundle  
Robert" Bobby" Williams  
Bill Sternberg  
Bill Miller  
Shirste Gessler  
Rik Gessler  
Greg Metzgus  
Steve Kerman (Century club)  
Tom Baldrige  
Paul Randomski  
Alexandra Rogers  
Jim Moye  
Kathy Moye  
Rick Herrera  
Jean Miraglia  
Gregg Miraglia  
Dan Martyn  
Karen Martyn  
Ray Laraway  
Terry Gicking  
Bill Joseph  
Eugene Letourneau (century Club)  
Steve Finnerty  
Alan Gottlieb  
Dave Anderson  
Jon Preston  
Peter Gordon(Century Club)  
Steve Buczynski  
Jack Paulson  
Anthony Federico  
Jerry Gilmore  
Steve Smith  
Harold Constatine  
Earl Pitman(Charter Member)  
Bill Joseph (52 club)  
Daniel Hoffman (Century Club)

## The Crying Towel



**02-01-17**  
**Capsule Drawing \$350**  
Chris Campbell, no winner

**Lucky 13 \$75**  
Viki Novak, no winner

**02-15-17**  
**Capsule Drawing \$375**  
Bill Rodarme, no winner

**Lucky 13 \$90**  
Paul Stein, no winner

**02-22-17**  
**Capsule Drawing \$400**  
Jim Wiens, no winner

**Lucky 13 \$105**  
Billy Sternberg, no winner

### GER Message continued

the solutions to our problems.

In closing, I wish you every success, and with hard work, determination and the support from your Members, your Lodge will prosper and grow.

And finally, thank you for being an Elk, and for Caring and Sharing and demonstrating that Elks are Leading the Way.

Grand Exalted Ruler  
MICHAEL F. ZELLEN



## Officer of the Year



Rik Gessler(R), Lodge Esquire 2016-2017  
with Exalted Ruler Mike Flannery

## GER Outstanding Member Award Recipients



Past First Lady Kathy Moye



Past Elk of the Year "Max" Maxwell

## Meet our Exalted Ruler Jean Miraglia

I was born in Brooklyn, New York, in September of '42, where my Dad worked in a foundry making castings for airplane parts. My first five years we moved to three different states. In 1944 we moved to my Mom & Dad's hometown, Trenton, New Jersey. A year later we moved to Los Angeles where I attended Kindergarten, near USC. By first grade I was back in New York. I continued my education in Brooklyn, and graduated from New Utrecht High School in 1960.

I was raised with cousins who are deaf. I became aware of another language, Sign Language. In the classroom I applied my knowledge of Sign Language as a tactile-kinesthetic approach to learning.

After high school I went on to New York University, majoring in Speech Communication. While attending NYU, I worked in Manhattan as a salesgirl in a gold and silver shop. I eventually worked for Schenley Imports on the 57<sup>th</sup> floor of the Empire State Building, where I prepared Bills of Lading and Government Strip Stamps for various Schenley liquor products coming into the New York Harbor. During this time I was dating Gregg.

We have known each other since I was 10 and he was 12. Gregg lived around the corner from me. However, we were closer than that, it was only a fence that separated our backyards. Gregg was the pesty kid that would ride his bike around the corner and spoil whatever game we were playing. Eventually, Gregg and my brother became

best friends. By the time I was 16 we started dating. We both knew this was a match. I left New York University, and we were married on August 20, 1961. We have 2 daughters, Michele and Kathleen, and 4 grandchildren, Michael, Vinny, Angela and Nicholas.

In 1967 we moved to Tarzana, California, where I continued my education. I attended Pierce College and received my AA degree in 1970. I soon transferred to California State University, Northridge (CSUN), where I had the opportunity to be trained by some of the finest professors in the Departments of Communicative Disorders and Special Education.

In 1973 I received my Bachelor of Arts in Speech, and in 1975 my Master of Arts in Communicative Disorders. By 1981 I had obtained my California State License in Speech Pathology, and National Certification in Speech Pathology, through the American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA). I completed my fieldwork for my Master's Degree at the Crippled Children's Society in the San Fernando Valley. Seeking to learn outside of the textbooks, I placed my desire to learn outside the box in the hands of Dr. Ray Barsch and "Movigenics." "Movigenics" was his creation for learning through movement. I soon became a Speech and Language Consultant for the Ray Barsch Center for Learning.

Soon after receiving my Bachelor of Arts I applied my knowledge working for the Los Angeles Unified School

District (LAUSD). I opted to pursue my profession in the classroom. The program is Federally Mandated and consists of no more than 12 students. My students ranged from grades 4 through 6. I taught all the academic subjects through a Language Based curriculum, and provided Speech and Language Therapy on a daily basis. The students I worked with had various disabilities, ranging from mild to severe. Many also had multiple disabilities, including difficulty with fine and/or gross motor skills. However, they all had one disability in common, a Language Concept Disorder. I serviced students with Cerebral Palsy, Autism, ADD/ADHD, Traumatic Brain Injury, Selective Mute, Hard of Hearing and Aphasia.

During my 34 years with LAUSD I wore many hats. For me the most important hat I wore was Administrative Designee. I was responsible for scheduling all Individual Education Plans (IEPs), 504 Plans, and parent requests for testing. My goal was to ensure the best possible placement for the student. I retired from LAUSD in 2008. Looking back on those years, I can say I had an exceptional, memorable, and enriching career.

I have been blessed. I have a wonderful, long marriage to Gregg, 55 years, 2 great daughters and 4 fantastic grandchildren. Gregg is my biggest fan and supporter. I couldn't have accomplished all of this without him.

## Meet Our New Members



Richard Harms (R)  
sponsored by Dave Biedebach



John Perry (L) pictured with  
ER Mike Flannery and sponsored by  
Sander Moss of Simi Valley Lodge



Marty Uskali sponsored by Steve McKeev



Nelson Cabello (R)  
sponsored by David Naccarato, PER



Robert Jacalone (L)  
sponsored by Jim Lovato



Camera Shy was Nakeisha Washington  
sponsored by Karen Martyn

## CHEMPI Century Club Award Recipients



L-R Jim Moye, PER, Bill Sternberg, PER, (behind the left antler) Kathy Moye, Greg Metzgas, DL, Brenda Hagen, Billy Sternberg, Pam Price, COB, Rik Gessler, Jean Miraglia, Shirste Gessler and Gregg Miraglia

## Flying our Flag



Terry Gicking, PDDGER, received a  
CHEA award for flying the American Flag  
24 hours a day, seven days every week.

### *Loyal Knight message continued*

company, and held the position of Senior Vice President-Human Resources, Legal Affairs and Labor Relations. I resigned from this position in May of 2015 after a rewarding sixteen years. Currently, I am semi-retired and working for a local Worker's Compensation Attorney. The office is only four miles from my home and this is certainly a relief from all those years I drove a minimum of one hundred miles daily to and from my assignments. Life has been good to me and I sought membership in the Elks when I could

participate in the many commendable programs and events we are involved in. I intend to serve all of you with integrity and humility. I have much to learn, however, I have received much support from the legacy and veteran members of this Lodge. I will be leaning on everyone for your insights and thoughts. Likewise, all of you can consider me an active partner and team member who will give each of you my attention and support. I would like to thank Jean Miraglia for reaching out to me and giving me this opportunity and I intend to give all of you

my best effort. I would also like to thank Karen Martyn and recognize her for the wonderful job she did this past year as your Loyal Knight. I congratulate her on her new position as Leading Knight. There are many people who have reached out to Sandy and me. You know who you are and we thank you so much. That's enough for now. If you need to contact me, please do so at [fivehofies@yahoo.com](mailto:fivehofies@yahoo.com).

Dan Hoffman  
Loyal Knight

Pictures from St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Elk of the Year Award





**2017 - 2018  
Committee Chairpersons**

1st Vice President	Diane Lovato
2nd Vice President	Lynn Rodriguez
Secretary	Faye Stevens
Treasurer	Charlotte Gessler
Auditor	Shirste Gessler
Communications	Carol Fredericks

**Elks Ladies**



**Karen Naccarato, President**

**2017 - 2018  
Committee Chairpersons**

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

**April Birthdays**

4 <sup>th</sup>	Tina Nickerson
8 <sup>th</sup>	Madeleine Brockwell
16 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Stewart
19 <sup>th</sup>	Mary Flannery
19 <sup>th</sup>	Patty Sweet
21 <sup>st</sup>	Theresa Kingsland
24 <sup>th</sup>	Trudy Phillips

The Elks Ladies held their Installation of Officers on March 14<sup>th</sup> to install the Officers for the 2017–2018 year. The

evening was a very nice affair with a wonderful Prime Rib dinner prepared by none other than Tom Ryder. Many thanks to Beth Kozlowski and her Officers for their time and dedication in continuing the Elks Ladies doing the great things that we do!

Our 2017–2018 Officers are Karen Naccarato, President; Diane Lovato, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Lynn Rodriguez, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Faye Stevens, Secretary and

Charlotte Gessler, Treasurer. We are looking forward to a great year ahead!

Myrna Block will be hosting a Luau on July 15<sup>th</sup> at the lodge. Be sure to mark your calendars and keep your eyes open for further details on the Luau as well as other events in future Antlers. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Lynn Rodriguez  
2nd Vice President



L-R Beth Kozlowski, 2016-2017 President, Karen Naccarato, President, Shirste Gessler, 2nd Vice President 2016-2017, Charlotte Gessler, Lynn Rodriguez, Treasurer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Faye Stevens, Secretary and Diane Lovato, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

**Dates to Remember**

- May 5th**  
Youth Appreciation dinner and awards
- May 11<sup>th</sup> thru 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Conejo Valley Days. "All hands on deck!"
- May 12<sup>th</sup>**  
Special Kids Day at CVD
- May 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Mothers Day
- May 17<sup>th</sup> thru 20<sup>th</sup>**  
State Convention in Palm Springs

**Scoring to New Heights.**

When the bulb in our overhead projector needed changing many of our members had good intentions of changing it, but only one made good on his promise. That member was Past Elk of the Year Gerry Gillies.

Gerry climbed our 12' ladder but was still a few feet short of attaining his goal. "I'll come back with something that will work," he said. The next day I see Gerry drive up to the lodge with Dave Anderson in the passenger side.

When I went down to bring the bar bags to Brooke, I saw Gerry holding a 14' ladder with Dave Anderson up on the perch. Now for those who don't know, the top rung of most ladders is labelled "NO STEP." Where do you think Dave was standing? You guessed it. Nonetheless, this story has a happy ending. The bulb was changed and there were no broken bones.

Thanks Gerry and Dave.  
David Naccarato, PER

## El Konejo Kampers



manageable.

Two months ago I mentioned the Kampers Holiday Brunch, but didn't give much detail due to space constraints. The brunch was held at the Los Robles Golf Course Gardens, a lovely banquet room overlooking the course and the hills. One wall is all glass giving you the feeling of the outdoors being part of the venue. Just lovely. The food was delicious. It was a buffet of all of our favorite dishes. We had both breakfast and lunch entrees.

Each year the Kampers buy several

Sometimes you may wonder what else the Kampers do besides camp, and it's a legitimate question. However, that is a huge topic too big for an article, so let me drill down to something

large raffle prizes and the members fill in with smaller prizes. This year was no exception. Beside the 40" screen TV, there was a plethora of electronic gadgets, baskets of every description, a wagon of vodkas and many handmade items. Speaking of handmade items, the centerpieces, colorful quilted fabric wreaths, were made by some of the talented quilters. Some lucky person won the centerpiece at each table.

Kamper members and others bring in donations for Manna, the local food pantry, as part of our tradition and this year was no exception. Tickets were given for donations and prizes were won for that as well. There was a big 50/50 drawing and Sue Osgood won a whopping \$480. The entertainment consisting of Westlake High School's chorale group of singers and dancers, decked out in their red and green sequined costumes, put on a very lively show. They are really talented

young people.

Our next function was a St. Patrick's corned beef and cabbage dinner on March 17th. This is a fundraiser with proceeds going toward the parking lot rehab. Tickets were only \$18.00 for one of the best meals you could have at this lodge. Mike Flannery, our ER, does this each year as a labor of love celebrating his Irish heritage. Many of his camper friends (both Irish and non-Irish) give him an assist. There were prizes to be won, both cash and baskets. Some campers donated to the baskets, or bought lots of tickets - whatever your pleasure, the campers accommodated you. This is a Lodge function and we are grateful for your

The breakfast count for February, 2017 are 56 AAs and 12 Elks on February 5th and 60 AAs and 35 Elks for February 26, a grand total of 173 breakfasts. We're on an upward trend.

## Scouting for Food

*The following was prepared by Rohan Jhingan. He is a Boy Scout at Star rank and the Historian for Troop 754. He has been a scout since he was 6 years old. His mother, Dolly Jhingan, is the Scouting for Food coordinator for Troop 754.*

We had another great year with our Scouting for Food service project. Scouting for Food is the BSA's service project that helps Manna give food to those in need in our community.

Our Troop asks for donations from local stores for paper bags. The scouts then staple flyers to the bags to let everyone know why we're collecting food. After that we spend an evening distributing bags to many different neighborhoods in hopes that people will fill the bags we've left with food for donation.

This year we hit over 1,300 homes! A few days later, us scouts go back to collect all the donations of food. That's the best part! We get to see all the fruits of our labor. This year we were able to collect over 1,450 items for donation to Manna! We had 41 scouts participating in this endeavor, not to mention so many of our awesome parents. It was a great success!

Thanks to everyone that participated!



## Officers 2017 - 2018

Exalted Ruler	Jean Miraglia	Tiler	Casey Boggiano
Leading Knight	Karen Martyn	Inner Guard	Gregg Miraglia
Loyal Knight	Daniel Hoffman	Esquire	Paul Radomski
Lecturing Knight	Art Urbano	Chaplain	Holly Healy
Secretary	David Naccarato, PER	Officer at Large	Mike Flannery, PER
Treasurer	David Anderson		

### Trustees 2017 - 2018

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

<b>Elk of the Year</b>	Dick McCann
<b>Officer of the Year</b>	Rik Gessler
<b>Citizen of the Year</b>	Ed Jones

### 2017 - 2018 Committees reporting to the Exalted Ruler

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### 2017 - 2018 Committees reporting to the Leading Knight

<p>Bar Liaison: Dan Martyn, PER</p> <p>Major Project/Purple Pig: Arthur Garcia</p> <p>Bequests &amp; Living Trusts: Karen Martyn</p> <p>Elks National Foundation: Donna Leary</p> <p>Christmas Basket Program: Karen Martyn</p>	<p>Community Activities: Karen Martyn</p> <p>Sickness and Distress: Alex Rogers</p> <p>Charity Matters: Karen Martyn</p> <p>El Konejo Kampers: Jessica Stull</p> <p>Christmas Tree Lot: Jim Moye, PER</p>
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### 2017 - 2018 Committees reporting to the Loyal Knight

<p>Kitchen Liaison: Dan Hoffman</p> <p>Lodge Activities: Dan Hoffman</p> <p>Flag Day, Flag Retirement: Bill Sternberg, PER</p> <p>Government Relations: Patty Ringo</p> <p>Elks Memorial Service: Holly Healy</p> <p>Veteran Services: Art Urbano</p>	<p>Public Relations: Dan Martyn, PER</p> <p>Conejo Valley Days: Jim Moye, PER</p> <p>Mediator: Boyd Lindquist</p> <p>Mothers Day: Holly Healy</p> <p>Inaugural Ball: Dan Hoffman</p> <p>Law Enforcement/Firefighter Appreciation: Paul Stein</p>
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### 2017 - 2018 Committees reporting to the Lecturing Knight

<p>Youth Activities: Art Urbano</p> <p>Hoop Shoot: Art Urbano</p> <p>Drug Awareness: Don Sabol</p> <p>Scholarships: Rick Herrera</p>	<p>Scouting: Bill Miller and Bill Sternberg, PER</p> <p>Americanism: Terry Gicking, PDDGER</p> <p>Dictionary Program: Steve Woodlief</p> <p>Youth Appreciation Night: Art Urbano</p>
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### 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	2016-17 Mike Flannery
1992-93 Tom Ryder, PDDGER	
1993-94 *Jim Wallace	By Affiliation:
1994-95 *George Pekow	1981-82 Robert L. Thornton, PDDGER
1995-96 Gil Riding, PDDGER	2001-02 Bill Sternberg
1996-97 *Jack Loughran	1999-00 *Ralph Vester
	'83-'84, '02-'03 Harold Constantine

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