

Antler Antics

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

Happy Father's Day



**Join us for a Father's Day Champagne Brunch
Hosted by the Elks Ladies Sunday, June 18th
See flier on page 11 for details**

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Duty Officers

06-01 to 06-07	Pam Price
06-08 to 06-14	Dan Martyn, PER
06-15 to 06-21	Dave Anderson
06-22 to 06-28	Casey Boggiano
06-29 to 07-05	Rich Lucariello

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.

Elk of the Month



The Elk of the Month is Ben Rieger. If you want to see Ben at the Lodge, you have to be up pretty earlier. Ben quietly works around the Lodge, cleaning up and manicuring the grounds. He is there when you need him, be it at the BBQ, Christmas Tree lot or off site.

Currently, Ben has under taken coordinating the cutting down of oak trees at Simi Lodge.

Thank you Ben for all you do.

Jean Miraglia
Exalted Ruler

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!!
Volunteer position available to help stuff the Antler Antics once per month.
CONTACT THE OFFICE, 805-496-2477, FOR DETAILS

Meet our New Members



Edward and Rita DaCorsi with their sponsor Jim Moye, PER

New Candidates, Transfers and Reinstatements

Candidate	Occupation	Sponsor
Mary Catherine McBride	Event Organizer	Tom Hartin
Kevin McBride	Studio Teamster	Tom Hartin
Dreena Tierney	CVUSD Nutritionist	Jim Moye, PER

Meeting Attendance

	04-19	04-26	05-03
General Members	10	19	10
Officers	12	14	12
PERs	6	6	7
Total	28	39	29

Membership Report

Membership as of April 1, 2017	452
Total New Members 4-30-17	2
Reinstatements and Transfers	0
Total Member Loss 4-30-17	0
Delinquency as of 4-30-17	64
Total Membership as of 4-30-17	454

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

Exalted Ruler Jean Miraglia



I want to start by going back to the beginning of my term, as Exalted Ruler. My term started with my Installation and Inaugural Ball. That was a momentous day for me. I want to thank the Past

Exalted Rulers, especially the Master of Ceremony, Greg Metzgs, for organizing the Installations.

The theme of the Inaugural Ball was sooo me, "New York." The Statue of Liberty, the New York City Taxi and the posters were enjoyable memories. Handsome John Moran and delectable Donna Leary were our escorts into the Ball. They were wonderful. The food was delicious and the music was great. Thank you Karen Martyn for a memorable evening.

Our Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success. There were 45 children in attendance, hunting for 300 eggs. If there is a weird odor outside the Lodge, you can assume they missed a few eggs. The success of this event is due to the efforts of Don "Bugsy" Ansell, PER and his lovely wife Dee. A special thanks to his assistant, Ray Laraway, and his *Numero Uno*, Esto. To the delight of the ladies, thank you Peter Rabbit, Terry Gicking, for your grand entrance. I applaud the volunteers who helped dye and hide eggs, coordinate the giving of gifts and treats, and to Jill for documenting the day through pictures. By your efforts, the day went smoothly.

On May 5th we held our Youth Appreciation Dinner. It was a pleasure to meet these young men and women and their families. Too often they go unnoticed. They are the future and the future looks bright. The Elks Ladies prepared a spaghetti and meatball dinner, that was enjoyed by all. Thank you Ladies!

The month of May was filled with many activities. I hope you had the opportunity to participate in some of the events.

Fraternally,

Jean Miraglia
Exalted Ruler

Leading Knight Karen Martyn



As you know, we are still without a Chaplain. So, ER Jean Miraglia and I primarily picked up the responsibility for the Mother's Day Brunch. My thanks to Donna Leary who, as usual made our

lodge room beautiful, and to Max, who helped set everything up. Trustees Dan Martyn, PER and Ray Laraway together with the Inner Guard Gregg Miraglia and Abe Gamble (welcome back to the kitchen Abe!) manned the kitchen and turned out a good buffet, which was served by the officers. The event was well attended and we thank all moms and their families for attending and supporting the lodge.

At the May House Committee meeting, a few changes for bar operations were approved. First, beginning June 1, the bar hours on Saturday and Sunday will be extended to 8:00 p.m. Second, there will be Happy Hour prices in effect beginning June 1 on Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays and Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. During Happy Hour, all drinks, wine and beer prices will be reduced by \$1.00. These changes will be reviewed at the September House Committee meeting.

For all you dads out there, my heartfelt wishes for a very happy Father's Day!

Karen Martyn
Leading Knight



Hi everyone. If you were unable to attend some of the special events in the month of May, you missed some wonderful activities. The Youth Appreciation Night was, once again, a rewarding evening

and it was very motivating to witness the quality of the young adults and their families that were honored. The Kentucky Derby Party and Salsa Contest was a lot of fun and very enjoyable. The Mother's Day Brunch was a very classy event. The room was beautifully decorated and the quality and assortment of food was outstanding. The effort that went into cooking the brunch and having everything prepared on time was impressive. Dan Martyn and his team provided the best brunch in town and the price was simply the best deal in town. Really consider joining us at the Lodge and attending the wide variety of social events that are provided each month. They are well worth your time and very affordable.

June promises to be a productive month as well. We will be having our Flag Day Service on Sunday June 11th. Our Father's Day Brunch will be on June 18th. Effective immediately, we are offering \$5.00 dinners prior to our Lodge and Trustees Meetings on Wednesday evenings. Enjoy an affordable meal and then stay for the meetings. We look forward to having new folks join us at the meetings and sharing their ideas and thoughts. The life blood and sustainability of any organization is the continual introduction of new visions and volunteers taking advantage of the personal rewards of doing something to help other people. It not only aids in the growth of the Elks, it also provides a fertile atmosphere for individual growth. I promise you will enjoy getting involved.

A regular staple of monthly events at the Lodge is the Friday night dinners and El Konejo Kampers cooking breakfast on the first and last Sundays of each month. As always, the care that goes into preparing these meals is impressive. You will feel like a guest in someone's home, with the goal of having an enjoyable evening and morning. Remember, if you would be interested in providing a Friday night

Have You Proposed



a New Member today?

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Secretary David Naccarato



Dues have slowed down and right now, May 9, 2017, we are at 64 not paid. The second notice has gone out but the Order is so close to being a +1 in over 30 years. It was 1980 when we had 1.5 million members

followed by a steady decline. Allowing women to join in 1995 gave us a boost but could not stop the decline.

I will list the non-paid members in next month's Antler Antics. If you're a sponsor and you don't see your applicant anymore, give them a call to see what's up.

I have received a few calls from members explaining why they no longer want to be an Elk. Some have moved away. I want everyone to know that to transfer your membership to another lodge you need to be a member in good standing. You will not need to pay twice. Once you're paid up here the other lodge will vote on your acceptance just like here and they may charge a \$15 service fee.

Some felt they are older and don't come down any more. So, why pay for something they can't use. That is a personal decision but some have never set foot in our lodge after their initiation. Did we, the members, let them down?

"Nothing to do" was another excuse. We had our Police and firefighters, Handicapped Childrens Carnival, Youth Appreciation, Qi Gong, Bingo and Julia Brownly will be in our lodge to present David Stull with his Purple Heart from wounds received in Vietnam and Dave's event sold out fast. We have weekly lodge meetings, Friday night dinners and CVD and Chili cook-off. Thankfully, it's the same 40 members who are our core group that we can count on for all of these events.

While writing this article, I received a call from a BBQ customer wanting to know when we were having our next BBQ. I explained weather permitting every Saturday from 10am until sold out. She said her husband was recently in a car accident and broke eleven ribs and wants to replace them with good ones. Her husband loves our ribs.

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Secretary's article continued

Finally:

- I found it's a lot easier to get older than it was to get wiser.
- If the buck did stop here I'd have a couple.
- Kids in the back seat cause accidents. Accidents in the back seat cause kids.
- It's hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.
- And lastly, "The world only beats a path to your door, when you're in the bathroom."

David Naccarato, PER
Lodge Secretary



We held Bingo May 4th in the lounge because the lodge room was rented for a private function. Of course, we had our largest crowd yet. Our nut is the lunch that's provided and the amount I promised the Trustee's that I'll turn in for the year. Sure it's not a lot but it is an income stream and our players who are totally devoted to it have a lot of fun and win some butter and egg money. Am I dating myself calling it that?

Of course same old winners with Charlotte Gessler winning two and splitting one. It was nice to see Patricia Heckathorne who has moved up to Clovis, which has a nice lodge. For now she is keeping her membership here. Pat won two games.

Jimmy Millers lady, Patty, was new to our bingo and went home with more than when she arrived. Also, I added a horse race, as I call it. Only the first 15 can play. The way it works is, while the bingo pattern that we are playing for is going on, we also look for whose column fills up first. A bingo board has 15 across and 5 deep. Every player receives a number 1 to 15 and that's their column. I paid win, place and show.

I even play a game where the players picks their own numbers. I'm totally out of it. Patty and Charlotte split that one. Patty brought a friend, Ellie, who also won. Ellie even won the "Double Action". Other winners were Lynn, Jim Moye, Letty, Betty Mcfarlin, Paula and Bobby Williams.

Kathy Moye blanked this week which just means next time watch out. Everyone was

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Bingo article continued

mostly happy and to top it off Jim Moye signed up a member from the bingo. She probably feels it will help her chances. Anyway a whole lot of fun, lunch and camaraderie. Bingo is on the first and third Thursday's of every month at 1:00pm.

David Naccarato, PER

Qi Gong

Qi Gong translates to "The way of Energy." The English language chops it up by spelling it Chi Gong. Qi is Chi.

Tuesday mornings at 10:30 we meet for 15 minutes of warm up, 15 minutes for capturing Chi and 15 minutes to move your Chi around the body to help heal. We use up another 15 minutes for explanations. So, it's a one hour class. Attendance has grown from four the in first class to 11 on May 9th. If everyone came it would be a full house.

A huge thank you to new member Master Bill Joseph for giving of his time to teach us this ancient Chinese art of healing the body and mind.

We learn positions like *Looking back like a cow gazing at the moon*, which helps with circulation, *Drawing a bow and shooting the buzzard*, improves the small intestines and *Supporting the sky with both hands*, regulates all internal organs. We learn positions for the spleen, stomach, heart, feet, and belly. You can't go wrong. If you're still working, take an early lunch and join us.

David Naccarato, PER

Family Feud

On April 27th we finally had "The Family Feud" game at the lodge. We had four teams playing for their favorite Elks charity. The money came from not hiring a band on that night. The participants had a good time. We try different events until we find the one that works.

The "Fearsome five", who didn't have a name until the night of competition, outlasted the other three teams. We all had fun. It was real cheesy, since we didn't have all the electronic equipment. But, that gave it character. Look for the next game night "Trivia Match game".

David Naccarato, PER
Lodge Game Host

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Sickness & Distress

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

Condolences to:

No condolences reported

Keep in your prayers

Dick McCann - Is hospice, please keep him in our thoughts and prayers.

Robert Jacalone who is scheduled to have heart surgery.

Chet Kozlowski's friend **Rosa Conde**, who is recovering from surgery.

Patti Queen who is still battling cancer.

Jerry Serota, who fell and suffered a broken foot.

Paul Radomski, who is recovering from a broken foot.

Kacee Radomski, who is suffering from nerve pain.

Lori Hartin, Tom Hartin's wife, who is recovering from her 2nd knee surgery.

Karen Martyn, who is recovering from an abrasion to her eye.

Eugene Letourneau had a pace maker implanted and is recovering nicely.

Mike, PER and Mary Flannery's Daughter is in the hospital.

Ralph Vashaw, who is recovering from back surgery.

Steve Smith is recovering from rotator cuff surgery on his right shoulder.

Elks Care – Elks Share

June Birthdays

Michael Mathews-01
William Ratcliffe-01
Bob Adams-03
Henry Germain-03
Abe Gamble-04
Mary Woodlief-04
Woody Hammer-06
Bonnie Baumeister-07
Jim McHarg-08
Elise Murray-09
William Figge-10
Luis Lara-10
Cherri Peterson-11
Eric Larson-12
Patricia Heckathorn-13
Steve Smith-13
Rod Reynolds-14
Clarence Brown-15
Alan Hardie-15
Ken Krabel-15
Patrick martin-15
Ronald Hull-16
Ronald Pizitz-16
Chuck Costigan-18
Jerry Gilmore-18
Randall Hays-18
Frederick Kolbeck-18
Paul Rios-18
Glenn Kenny-19
Charles Malin-20
Walter Ogden-20
Steve Harrison-21
James Allen-22
Barbara Gibbs-23
Scott Dool-24
Shirste Gessler-24
Anita Gorino-24
Virginia Grindley-24
Howard Johnson-25
Bill Rodarme-25
Martin Uskali-28
George Hees-29
James Horning-30

Purple Pig Honor Roll

Coleen Morris
Reem Agel
Joel Erickson
Max Maxwell
Robert "Bobby" Williams
Billy Sternberg
Jim Moye
Kathy Moye
Paul Radomski
Rik Gessler
Shirsti Gessler
Alexandra Rogers
Jean Miraglia
Gregg Miraglia
Brenda Hagen
Bill Sternberg
Raymond Laraway
Greg Metzgus
Dan Martyn
Karen Martyn
Terry Gicking
David Naccarato

Purple Pig Century Club



Paul Stein receives a Century Club Certificate from Terry Gicking, PDDGER

The Crying Towel



04-05-17

Capsule Drawing \$475
Debbie Hawthorne, no winner

Lucky 13 \$150

Ray Laraway, no winner

04-19-17

Capsule Drawing \$500

Pam Price, Present and a winner!!

Lucky 13 \$165

Bobby Williams pulled the Ace, winner!!

04-26-17

Capsule Drawing \$25

Carmine Prizzi, no winner

Lucky 13 \$15

Terry Gicking, no winner

Loyal Knight Message continued

dinner, you may reach me at fivehofies@yahoo.com or Brooke at brookeokray@gmail.com. You can also contact Brooke at 805 496 4550. Additionally, you can use this contact information to advise us that you will be attending the dinner on Friday night. This headcount information allows the cooks to predict how much they will need to prepare.

It is hard to believe that we are at the half way mark in 2017. Time is flying by. If I can assist any of you as we move forward, you can reach me at 818 822 2219. To all of the Dads, Happy Father's Day!!!

Fraternally,

Dan Hoffman
Loyal Knight

Veterans Services

Dates to Remember (Taken from VFW Calendar)

June 6, 1944 – D-Day; Allied Invasion of Europe
 June 14, 1775 – U.S. Army founded; Flag Day
 June 22, 1944 – GI Bill signed into law; Pledge of Allegiance recognized by Congress
 June 25, 1950 – Korean War began
 June 30, 2008 – Post 9/11 GI Bill signed into law

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

ORIGIN OF FLAG DAY: In the United States, Flag Day is celebrated on June 14th. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States, which happened on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The United States Army also celebrates their birthday on this date; Congress adopted “the American continental army” after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775. In 1916, the president of the United States issued a proclamation that officially established June 14th as Flag Day and in August 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress.

A Purple Heart presentation was made to David Stull and a Veterans Recognition Day was held for our own lodge veterans on May 31st. More than 135 people signed up for reservations; the results and count will be reported in the July Antler.

Remember the upcoming 25th Ventura County Stand Down on July 28th-30th. To volunteer for lunch on Friday, contact Tom Hartin @ 805-497-4902. For cleanup or other tasks or for donations, call me @ 630-8110 or go to the website:

www.vcstanddown.org to see volunteer opportunities.

ITEMS NEEDED: Take to lodge office and call Carl
 Tennis shoes; Wallets; Baseball Caps; Jeans; Undershorts (new only) – small and 2XX are needed. These are specific sizes of needed Jeans: 2 - 30 X 30, 3 - 30 X 32, 7 - 32 X 30, 6 - 32 X 32, 3 - 32 X 34, 3 - 33 X 30 2 - 34 X 30, 10 - 34 X 34, 9 - 36 X 33, 5 - 38 X 34. WE STILL NEED FOOD CARDS in \$25 denominations.

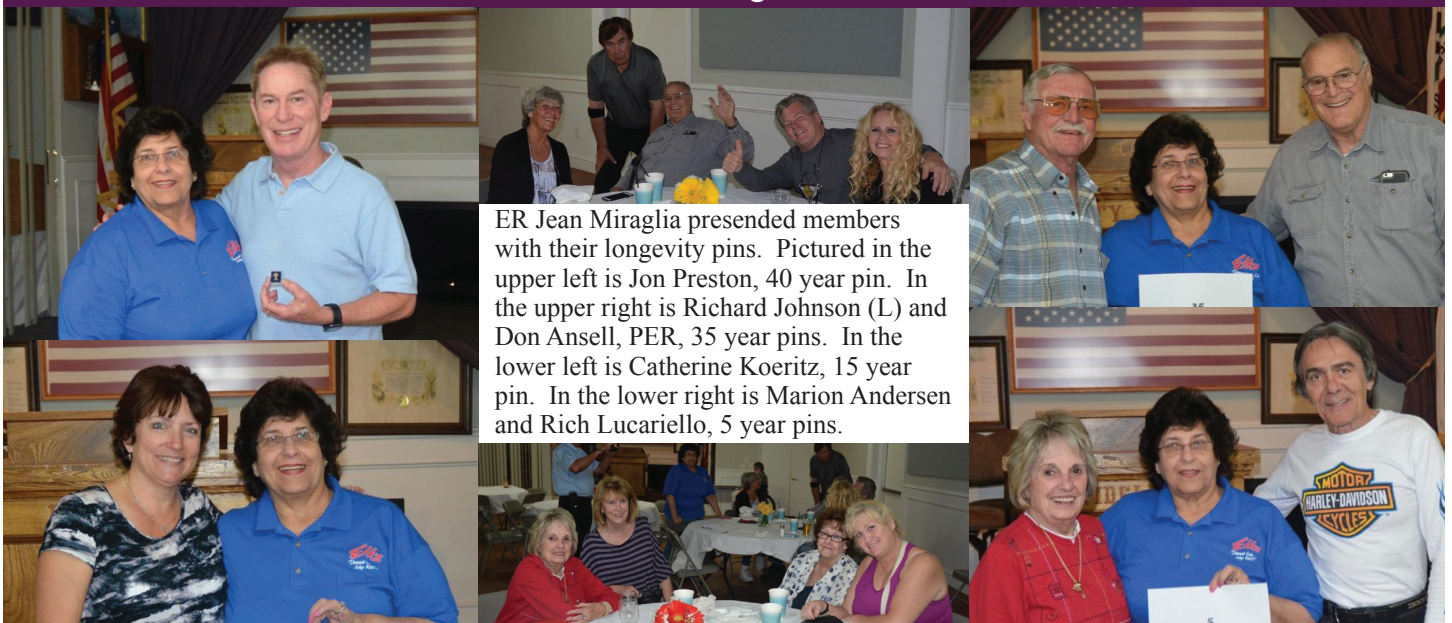
I have been working with Ventura County officials and private organizations to help veterans obtain housing and furnishings. Wheel chairs have been popular since the Gold Coast Veterans Foundation joined with the Knights of Columbus and acquired nearly 50 chairs. Stand Down meetings and Continuum of Care meetings for homeless veterans have been heavy on the schedule in May, and are expected to continue through June and July. We are now involved with the Stand Down in the committees for Food, Medical and Clothing, just to help where we can. Thank you to the subcommittees who

have been so dependable each month; i.e., Marshall Knowlton with Bingo, Robert Jones with Karaoke and Terry Gicking with the Stand Down, and not to forget Tom Hartin, David Naccarato, Ed Rice and others for their support. Continuing efforts towards helping veterans are supported by the National Veteran Services Commission through programs to help veterans who are returning home and need furnishings and supplies when they find new homes. See www.elks.org. Click on ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION and then Veterans Services.

Each year, the Cal Vet Home – Ventura hosts a Volunteers Recognition Day. Our lodge was represented by Me, Robert Jones and Terry Gicking. They provided a great magician and accolades for all volunteers. It was announced that the three key people who organize events will all be retiring before this time next year; Lynda Griffin, Delsie Anthony and MaryAnn Allen.

Carl Lanterman, NVSC Chairman
 (805) 630-8110
carl.silverstrand@gmail.com

Pin Night



ER Jean Miraglia presended members with their longevity pins. Pictured in the upper left is Jon Preston, 40 year pin. In the upper right is Richard Johnson (L) and Don Ansell, PER, 35 year pins. In the lower left is Catherine Koeritz, 15 year pin. In the lower right is Marion Andersen and Rich Lucariello, 5 year pins.

Youth Appreciation Night



Flanked by ER Jean Miraglia (R) and Scholarship Chairman Rick Herrera (L) are the students who received scholarships. Pictured L-R are Odysseus Pyrinis, Andrew Chau, Justin Kawaguchi, Rayna Kanapuram. Two other students receiving scholarships but were unable to attend are Michelle Heredia and Juliana Emanuel.



L-R above are ER Jean Miraglia, Thousand Oaks Mayor Claudia Bil-De La Pena and Scholarship Chairman Rick Herrera



Our Lodge Secretary, David Naccarato, PER presented a special Youth Appreciation award to Ben Knox for volunteering his time to the lodge.



Hoop Shoot award recipient Brooke Warren with Chairman David Naccarato, PER



Hoop Shoot recipients Ashley Chow and Alex Chow with Chairman David Naccarato, PER

Pictured Highlights from *Special Kids Day* at Conejo Valley Days



Pictured Highlights from the Family Feud Contest

The Teams



The Competition and the Audience



And, The Winners! "The Fearsome Five"



Pictured Highlights of our Mother's Day Ritual and Brunch



Pictured Highlights of CHEA Convention



Outgoing CHEA President Lance Erickson who is also a PDDGER of our WCCD



ER Jean Miraglia announces our CHEMPI donation for a per capita amount of \$42.06



Greg Metzgsu, DL of our West Central Coast District



Both of our District Leaders, Greg Metzgsu and Tony Markarian



ER Jean Miraglia with the 2017-2018 CHEMPI Theme Child Aya



ER Jean Miraglia, Shelly Gonzales, our DDGER Designate, and COB Pam Price



ER Jean Miraglia with Barbara Metzgsu



On behalf of the lodge, ER Jean Miraglia accepts the 1st place award for the CHEA All American Lodge Contest in Division II



ER Jean Miraglia seated with new found friends from Honolulu, HI lodge.



CHEA President, Chuck Nolan

Chuck Nolan was born in Cleveland, Ohio on July 11, 1940. He entered the U.S. Navy in 1960 and served for four years' military duty at the Naval Air Station, North Island, San Diego, CA before joining the federal civil service. He held many positions in the information systems and financial management fields including Resource management Officer and Comptroller for the Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station, San Diego and the Business Manager of the Defense Information Systems Agency, San Diego. He retired in 1995 after 35 years of federal service.

He attended St. Ignatius High School in Cleveland and graduated from San Diego State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Information Systems Management.

Chuck was initiated as a member of San Diego Lodge No. 168 in October 1973. He was immediately appointed as the Lodge Youth Activities Chairman. Other Lodge Committees chaired by Chuck include the Hoop Shoot, Major Project, Drug Awareness, Elks Training, Public Relations, the 100th Lodge Anniversary and 125th Lodge Anniversary Committees, Ritual Coach and Chairman of the Lodge Building/New Site Committee.

He served as Exalted Ruler in 1981-1982, having filled the offices of Chaplain, Esquire, Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Esteemed Loyal Knight and Esteemed Leading Knight. He also served as Lodge Treasurer for five terms.

Chuck served the South Coast District as Youth Activities Chairman, being first appointed in 1976. He has also served as the Hoop Shoot and Scouting district Chairman.

He worked on past California-Hawaii Elks Association Annual Conventions as Secretary, Co-Chairman and General Chairman for the CHEA Conventions held in San Diego since 1983 through 2015, and the CHEA 2016 Mid-Term Conference.

Chuck served as CHEA Vice President in 1992-1993 under CHEA President Richard Owen. He was installed as District



Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler at the 1995 Grand Lodge Convention in New Orleans, LA.

Chuck serves as a Trustee of the CHEA Board of Trustees - 2000-2003 and was appointed Trustee of the CHEA Major Project, Inc. Board of Trustees and served from 2011-2015, serving his final year as Vice-Chairman.

He served as CHEA First Vice President in 2016-2017 and has served as Co-District Leader, CHEA South Coast since 2006

In addition to his Elks activities, Chuck is an active member of the National Association of Parliamentarians and he

is a Past President of the California State Association of Parliamentarians. He belongs to the Knights of Columbus and the American Legion.

His wife, Ginger has been an active member and officer of the San Diego South Clairemont Park and Recreation Council since 1973 serving many terms as President. She operates her own dog training business and is now active in a local dog rescue organization.

Chuck and Ginger, have been married for 51 years. They have three children Cheryl, Michael and Camille. Chuck and Ginger are active in St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, both serving Eucharistic Ministers.

Pictured Highlights of the Kentucky Derby Party and Salsa Contest

The Kentucky Derby Party



The Salsa Contest



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

Birthdays

2	Pat Peterson
4	Mary Woodlief
16	Pat Jellander
17	Anne Ogden
19	Marcy Shewmon
21	Kathy Whitmire
23	Barbara Gibbs
24	Shirste Gessler

Don't forget to make reservations for the Father's Day Brunch! The Elks Ladies are once again hosting a Champagne Brunch on Sunday, June 18th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. We will be serving eggs, bacon, sausage, ham & hash browns, biscuits & gravy, waffles with strawberries & cream, fruit & pastries, orange juice, coffee & champagne. \$12 Adults and \$6 children. Call the Lodge to make your reservations and bring the family to celebrate our

fathers!

Look for details on our upcoming Luau on July 15th. We look forward to your support in making our fundraisers a success! Keep in mind the Elks Ladies purpose is to raise funds to help our lodge to give back to the community. We can't do it without your support.

El Konejo Kampers



For our April campout, we went to Bakersfield RV Resort. Many of the campers had been there before, but not me. Turns out, it's a delightful, compact, very clean resort with many facilities. Best of all they had their

own restaurant making eating very convenient. The restaurant is open to the public and has quite an extensive menu. I'd go back, only not in the summer. Saturday, it got up to about 90 degrees, so the summer months would be unbearable.

Thursday night, the majority of us ate at Crest Bar and Grill, the on-site restaurant, but the adventurous Carol and Anne decided to try a Basque restaurant. Next morning we wanted a full report and they were happy to say the food was good, locals aplenty, but the area for The Noriega was a bit sketchy. Meals are served family style and the gals thoroughly enjoyed

themselves.

Friday many of the folks went out to the McKittrick Cafe, AKA the Million Penny Cafe. Most of the surfaces in the establishment are covered with pennies, hence the moniker. All who went had positive things to say about the food, so that's a recommendation. The downside is that it is over thirty-three miles from the campground.

Saturday morning was to be a continental breakfast, provided by the club, but as often happens with any group, the signals got crossed and people brought breakfast items, too. No problem, this group has hearty eaters and nothing went to waste. Virginia, our VP and the hostess for this campout, made the continental breakfast as the kick off for the Cornhole and Farkle tournaments. What's a Farkle tournament you ask? Well, Farkle is a dice game requiring lots of points to win. No skill required, unless you call having to decide to risk previously rolled points and ending

up with Bupkis (no, that's a different dice game), a skill. It's pretty much a matter of luck. Some people may be asking themselves what is a Cornhole tournament? It is throwing beanbags through a hole in a board. This does take skill. Anywho, winner of the Cornhole tournament and \$40 was Herb Jellander and winner of the Farkle tournament was me, Jessica Stull, and I won \$30. Other winners this weekend are Carol Spinner and Jim Moye who won the free campout drawings and Anne Digmar who won the 50/50/50 which means she won \$50 on the 50/50. Just checking to see if you are still with me. Thanks Virginia, we all had fun.

For the business end of this, on April 2 we served 70 AAs and 24 Elks, which includes 3 children, and; on April 29 we served 47 AAs and 16 Elks losing a lot of the crew to the Chile Cook-off. Grand total breakfasts served for April: 157. Look out McDonalds. Another successful month.

Pictures from El Konejo Kampers Breakfast on May 7th



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		Chaplain	
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

Elk of the Year	Dick McCann
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<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:</p> <p>Veteran Services: Carl Lanterman</p>	<p>Public Relations: Dan Hoffman</p> <p>Conejo Valley Days: Jim Moye, PER</p> <p>Mediator: Boyd Lindquist</p> <p>Mothers Day:</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:</p> <p>Hoop Shoot:</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:</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	
1994-95 *George Pekow	
1995-96 Gil Riding, PDDGER	
1996-97 *Jack Loughran	

By Affiliation:

1981-82 Robert L. Thornton, PDDGER
2001-02 Bill Sternberg
1999-00 *Ralph Vester
'83-'84, '02-'03 Harold Constantine

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