



# *Antler Antics*

*Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks*



*Merry Christmas*





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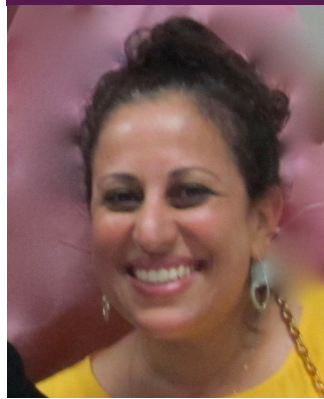
## Duty Officers

11-30 to 12-06	Rick Herrera
12-07 to 12-13	Jean & Gregg Miraglia
12-14 to 12-20	Paul Radomski
12-21 to 12-27	Pam Price
12-28 to 01-03	Dan Martyn, PER

### 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.

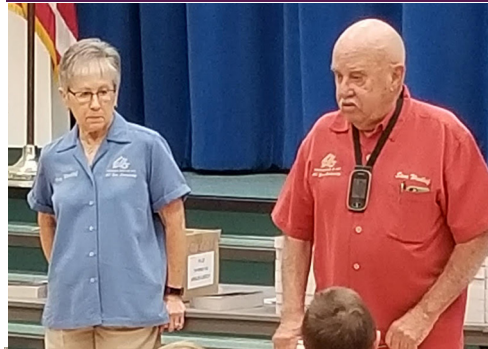
## Elk of the Month



Our Elk of the Month is a newbie, Reem Agel. Reem was no sooner initiated when she volunteered to be on a BBQ team. She loves to cook, and her meals are pure Southern Comfort food, enjoyed by all. Reem is a diamond in the rough, and just beginning to shine. She has volunteered to be on the Americanism team, with our Lecturing Knight, Paul Radomski. Reem has an inspiring personality and is always smiling; you are an asset to our Lodge. Many thanks for all you do.

Jean Miraglia  
Exalted Ruler

## The Dictionary Project



Trustee Steve Woodlief, and his wife Mary, presented new dictionaries to 120 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students at Rancho Rosal Elementary School in Camarillo.



## New Candidates, Transfers and Reinstatements

Candidate	Occupation	Sponsor
No candidate, transfers or reinstatements for December		

## Meeting Attendance

	10-04	10-18	10-25
<b>General Members</b>	18	28	9
<b>Officers</b>	12	11	5
<b>PERs</b>	5	6	15
<b>Total</b>	35	45	29

## Membership Report

Membership as of April 1, 2017	452
Total New Members 10-31-17	31
Reinstatements and Transfers	5
Total Member Loss 10-31-17	37
Delinquency as of 10-31-17	5
Total Membership as of 9-30-17	451

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## Exalted Ruler Jean Miraglia



We are looking forward to a busy December. We start off with preparing for the arrival of Christmas Trees. Due to a beetle infestation, we are not able to obtain our usual number of trees. This

being the case, there will only be one delivery.

The Exalted Ruler Dinner is on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up or call the Lounge to reserve your dinner.

In preparation for the charity baskets, the Lodge room will be closed for one week, from December 18<sup>th</sup> to December 23<sup>rd</sup>. Volunteers are always needed: consider volunteering for a few hours.

In November, I attended the Mid-term convention in Sacramento. As always, I come back with a head full of information. Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge was awarded FIRST PLACE, in Division II, for Social Media. Steve Smith has done an outstanding job in promoting our Lodge and Elkdom.

I attended the Insurance and Safety Committee workshop. I found this to be quite informative and helpful. I walked away feeling assured that our Lodge is in good shape. There is always room for improvement, however; all in all we are doing well. Discussion focused on Liability, and how it has affected other Lodges. Irresponsible behavior has cost the Elks millions of dollars. It is important for our members to watch out for each other.

Our 150th Anniversary is coming up in February, February 16<sup>th</sup> to be exact. Grand Lodge is looking forward to hearing how each Lodge celebrated this momentous occasion. We are currently forming a committee to help with this endeavor. If you are interested on being part of the committee, please contact me at (805) 495-8370.

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## Leading Knight Karen Martyn



It's year-end already and a lot of things need to be done this month. Upcoming events in December include our annual Memorial Service and Brunch, Christmas Tree Lot Sales, ER

Christmas Dinner, Children's Christmas Party, Kampers Christmas Brunch and Christmas Basket Program. We will need plenty of help and so please lend us a hand. Check your calendar for important dates.

With regard to our Charity Basket Program, our deliveries will take place on Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>. My thanks to Sherri Jones for arranging a UPS truck for deliveries to Senior Concerns on a day which is one of the busiest days of the year for UPS. I also thank our PER Association for their generous donation to this program. Through the generosity of our members, the Kampers, Elks Ladies and PER Association, we have raised over \$10,000, which will not only fund this year's program, but will also provide start-up money for next year!

Sign-up sheets for turkey donations and deliveries will be posted at the lodge, along with sign-up sheets for other events.

I wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Fraternally,

Karen Martyn  
Leading Knight

*Exalted Ruler article continued*

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. And now we prepare for the Holidays. Gregg and I want to wish everyone a MERRY CHRISTMAS or a HAPPY HANNUKAH. May the Year 2018 bring health and happiness to all.

Fraternally,

Jean Miraglia  
Exalted Ruler

## Loyal Knight Daniel Hoffman



Hello everyone. The message from our Grand Exalted Ruler for the month of December is "Embrace charity and be kind and compassionate to others". As you review our December

calendar, you will see that you will have several opportunities to embrace charity and display compassion for others.

December 3<sup>rd</sup> will be the Lodge ceremony where we honor our departed members. Please plan on attending this tribute to the departed loved one of our Elks members. The event will start at 10am with a very dignified ceremony. A breakfast buffet will follow the ceremony. This display of compassion and respect is very much in line with being kind to others. Family members will be invited to light a candle in honor of their departed loved ones.

Our Christmas tree lot will open on November 30<sup>th</sup>. Once again, we will be at the Carlson Building Materials at 1432 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd. Why not get your tree from the Elks and support our many charitable causes. Know that 100% of our profit helps fund our many charitable activities throughout the year.

Our Exalted Ruler's Christmas dinner will be on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Jean is an outstanding cook and this is a dinner you will not want to miss. As always, remember to sign up for this dinner. The head count is a big help on determining the amount of food to be prepared.

Our Lecturing Knight, Paul Radomski, will be preparing his classic Firehouse Chili for the dinner on December 1<sup>st</sup>. There's nothing like homemade comfort food in the month of December.

Our Veteran's Brunch and Flag Retirement Ceremony on November 5<sup>th</sup> was an outstanding event and it was humbling to be amongst so many brave warriors. The brunch was wonderful. The Flag Ceremony was dignified and respectful. Our guests very much appreciated the fact that they were honored in such a fashion. I thank everyone that helped put this on. There are too many to name for sure.

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## Lecturing Knight Paul Radomski



It's November 5<sup>th</sup>, and I'm extremely saddened by the news from Sutherland Springs, Texas, outside of San Antonio. Once again, evil rears its ugly head. It's senseless. It makes me

increase my desire to pray more fervent prayers for the dear people who survived this deadly massacre, as well as prayers for the too-soon departed.

After Las Vegas, and now this, I am more rigid in my stern resolve not to be covered by evil. Romans 12:21 rings loudly in my ears right now. It admonishes: "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." Good is all we can do. We cannot repay evil with evil. And good is what allows us to practice Brotherly Love!

Let's all overcome evil with the good deeds we can do. At the end of November we will open our Elks Christmas Tree lot. Huge thanks goes out to Rich Lucariello, who went to exhaustible efforts to even find trees in light of a dearth of available trees. Christmas will soon be upon us and our thoughts will turn to providing basic necessities to the less fortunate through our charitable efforts. Involve your Elk energy in helping out any way you can. We'd love to see you down at the Christmas Tree lot. Sign up. It'll be a hoot, and you'll probably have a good time overcoming evil with good!

In Brotherly Love,

Paul Radomski  
Lecturing Knight

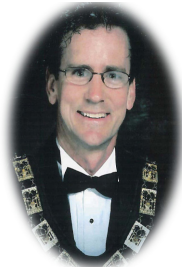
### Wanted

Volunteer as Editor for the *Lodge Calendar*.

Can start immediately but needs to be filled by March 1<sup>st</sup> 2018.

Interested parties should contact Leading Knight Karen Martyn for details via the office at 805-496-2477.

## Secretary David Naccarato



I have lots to cover so let's get started. First, my favorite, History!

Member Alan Azoff, who came to bingo one afternoon, showed me a picture of Angels Flight in Los Angeles

and that one of the arches has the letters BPOE inscribed in it and asked if I knew anything about it. Well, first, a little information.

This year the Grand Lodge convention was held in Reno, Nevada. In 1909 the Grand Lodge convention was held in Los Angeles. In early 1900 the call of the wild was "The Elks are coming". This convention meant that 2000 Elks and their families would converge on Los Angeles and spend lavish sums of money on train tickets, restaurants, fireworks and hotels. Today the Grand Lodge convention lasts four days. Back in 1909 it was seven days and they knew how to throw a party.

1901 a funicular railway called Angels Flight Railway was built and carried passengers for a penny (later a nickel) between affluent the Bunker Hill area (now Hill St.) to literally downtown. I'd like to be able to say it was an Elk project but it does go against what we do with the money we raise.

But....at the top of Bunker Hill sat an old run down several storied building called the Crocker mansion. Smack dab next door to the upper Angels Flight station. Charter members of Lodge #99 refurbished the mansion and turned it into their Elks lodge. The improvements to the area and the money that was to be spent during "Elks Week" meant so much to the city that the directors decided to show their gratitude for this "windfall". Officials ensured that every Elk with a fare in his pocket knew where to deposit it to reach venerable "99". The lower arch had already been erected, but it was an easy fix to have their workers carve into its austere surface the bold initials B.P.O.E.

The BPOE was covered when the same

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### Secretary's article continued

building became the Moose lodge. After a couple accidents Angels Flights was dismantled and stored by the city for 27 years. In 1996 it was reinstalled one-half block away from the original site but was closed again in 2001 due to an accident. It reopened again in 2009 it is operational today with B.P.O.E. welcoming all riders with wonderment, what is B.P.O.E.? The Best People on Earth of course?

*That's all folks,*

David Naccarato, PER  
Lodge Secretary

## Around the Lodge

I have a table out in front of the office where visitors may stop for a smoke (Shhhhhh it's within 25 feet so don't say anything). Well, this table is out in the weather and began showing the effects of exposure. Jeff Conyers comes by, picks it up and away it goes. He brings it back and I'm thinking he tightened up the bolts and such. I go to scoot it over an inch with my foot (which does not work that great anyway) and it does not budge. Jeff replaced the top of that table with Granite!! Wows! We're looking good.

Past Elk of the Year Ben Rieger acts like the wind. Meaning, we never see him but we see the effects of his work. He manicures our lawn like Dodger stadium. Why'd I bring that up? They lost case you didn't hear.

Well, as you know, we had high winds a few weeks ago and the mess that was left on the lodge property was so much that Ben formed a party of lodge volunteers to meet at 7 AM to clean it up. We have a pretty sizable pile that will have to be disposed of with a chipper. Good job Ben and crew. If I start naming names I'll forget someone and then I'm in trouble.

Let me point out, this is after an oak tree Ben and crew picked up off Taylor court. Now he wants to know why he needs his knee's replaced? DUH!

David Naccarato, PER



## Sickness & Distress

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

### Condolences to:

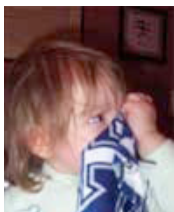
The family of **Pete Jackson**, born 3-10-1952, initiated 1-22-1986, died 11-12-2017.

### Keep in your prayers

**Diana**, daughter of **Greg Metzgus, DL**, who is awaiting surgery for cancer.

**Kaycee**, wife of **Lecturing Knight Paul Radomski**, who is still suffering from nerve pain.

## The Crying Towel



**10-04-17**

**Capsule Drawing \$425**  
Julie Cook, not present  
(4<sup>th</sup> time)

**Lucky 13 \$195**

Dan Martin, WINNER!

**10-18-17**

**Capsule Drawing**

No drawing

**Lucky 13 \$15**

No drawing

**10-25-17**

**Capsule Drawing \$450**

Bob Hart, not present.

**Lucky 13 \$15**

Scott Wanamaker, no winner.

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Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, was our afternoon bingo. We had 15 players and 12 different winners. For the remaining 3 players I'm very sorry. The only consolation is that I brought lunch. Dreena and Juanita were the only double winners. Alan Azoff donated \$5 to the Purple Pig along with Juanita Feamster. In December we meet only once, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendar and don't worry about lunch, I provide.

David Naccarato, PER

## Purple Pig Honor Roll

Coleen Morris  
Juanita Feamster  
Alan Azoff  
Max Maxwell  
Scott Wanamaker  
Niki Case (Century Club)  
Gerry Gillies (All silver)  
Jim Moye, PER  
Kathy Moye  
Ed Rice  
Karen Martyn  
50/50 players \$182.00  
Bobby Williams  
Billy Sternberg  
Ray Laraway  
Greg Metzgus, DL  
Bill Sternberg Sr., PER  
John Puckett (Century Club)  
Alexandra Rogers (52 Club)  
Gregg Miraglia  
ER Jean Miraglia

## Leading by Example



Arthur Garcia leading by example, receiving a *Reoccurring Donor* pin for his automatic donation to the Major Project. With him is lodge Esquire, Terry Gicking.



## December Birthdays

Richard shaw-01  
Jaxon Valdespino-02  
Bruce Cameron-03  
Charles Kudra-03  
Paul Stein-04  
Richard Johnson-05  
Eugene Letourneau-06  
Gerald Feldman-07  
David Mueller-07  
Patricia harrod-11  
Donna Leary-11  
Craig Lopez-12  
Jeff Nickerson-12  
Scott Wanamaker-12  
Richard Harms-13  
Catherine Koeritz-14  
Amanda Hansen-15  
IB Jensen-16  
Jodi Nevandro-16  
Donald Rue  
Scott D. Dool-17  
Richard Quance-17  
Sylvia Kopfer-18  
Jesse Lacoff-18  
Brett Fuchs-21  
Jeffery Weiherer-21  
Nelson Cabello-22  
William Sternberg-22  
Dreena Tierney-24  
William Sandham-25  
Tony Mallord-26  
Adam Hendershot-27  
Jeff Gambino-28  
Robert Jones-29  
Susie Ross-29

### Loyal Knight's message continued

Having the Scouts participate in the Flag Retirement Ceremony was a real treat.

I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving and Sandy and I wish all of you Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. I hope to see you at the Lodge.

Dan Hoffman  
Loyal Knight

## Veterans Services

### Dates to Remember (Taken from VFW Calendar)

December 7<sup>th</sup> – National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day  
December 8 & 11, 1941 – War Declared with Japan, Germany & Italy  
December 15, 2011 – Iraq War ended  
December 31, 1946 – Official End of WWII

**BINGO @ Sepulveda V.A.** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday each month at 1:00 pm  
16111 Plummer St., at Woodley, Sepulveda, CA

**KARAOKE @ Cal Vet Home** - Ventura - 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month  
at 6:00 pm 10900 Telephone Rd., Ventura, CA

Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge #2477 serves brunch for Veterans Remembrance Month followed by a Flag Retirement ceremony with Elks & Scouts. See photos on opposite page.

The lodge served about 100 brunches for our annual event to celebrate the Elks Veterans Remembrance tradition. In recent years we have coupled the event with a flag retirement ceremony by Scouts and Elks. The combined events have been very well received.

Special thanks to the following: Jim Moye & Tom Hartin & kitchen crew – with assistance from Chefs Mike Lodi & John Chew, Elks Ladies, A.B.A.T.E. (group of 11), Steve Kerman, Dan Hoffman, David Naccarato's 2 friends (brothers). Apologies to any I have missed.

The event is attended by residents of the Sepulveda V.A. Hospital, the Cal Vet Home – Ventura, and invitations are extended to veterans in the immediate community. Veterans of WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, Afghanistan, Iraq

and other conflicts have the opportunity to visit and to learn more about what the Elks do for their communities across the country. Elks publication, A Concise History of Elks National Veterans Service Commission has proven to be popular with our guests.

When the veterans see the faces of those who are consistently helping, they have a renewed confidence that they can get the help that they need.

The flag retirement ceremony, led by Billy Sternberg, Scouting Chairman and Bill Sternberg, PER, was conducted by lodge officers and scouts immediately following the brunch.

On Nov. 7th, Moira Flanders, Rear Admiral U.S. Navy (Ret.) and Director of Survivor Benefits for the V.A. made a presentation at the GCVF in Camarillo. It was an eye opening event that provided much information about veterans in the U.S. and for survivors of deceased veterans. Director Flanders works with Dr. Shulkin – Secretary of the V.A. in

Washington, D.C. Watch for a summary of the presentation in the near future.

Veterans Day, Nov. 11th was a very busy day. First, a ceremony at the government center memorial in Ventura, then several veterans gathered at the lodge after the BBQ, and finally, a 50th birthday party for Jeffrey. Speakers at the Ventura ceremony included Assemblywoman Jacqui Irwin, Congresswoman Julia Brownley, County supervisors and City council members; all highlighted by keynote speaker Capt. Chris Janke, Commander-Naval Base Ventura County. (Photos included below.)

With all the holiday activities in December, no Veterans event is planned except Bingo on Friday, December 8th.

THANKS FOR YOUR VETERANS SUPPORT AT THOUSAND OAKS ELKS LODGE #2477

**Carl Lanterman**, NVSC Chairman  
(805) 630-8110  
[carl.silverstrand@gmail.com](mailto:carl.silverstrand@gmail.com)

## Veterans Day Observance at Government Center Memorial in Ventura





# Pictured Highlights of Veterans Remembrance Day Brunch



More Veterans Remembrance Brunch Pictures on page 8.



More Pictures from the Veterans Remembrance Day Brunch

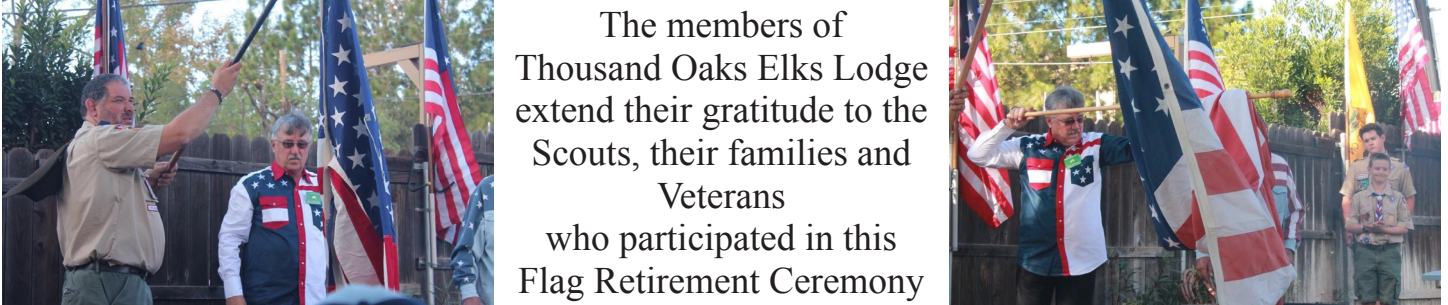




# Flag Retirement Ceremony



The members of  
Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge  
extend their gratitude to the  
Scouts, their families and  
Veterans  
who participated in this  
Flag Retirement Ceremony





## Thousand Oaks Elks Halloween Party for Dean Triggs Therapy School Children

On October 31<sup>st</sup> we held a Halloween party for special needs children from the Dean Triggs therapy school which sits behind Conejo Elementary. We raised \$2,101 and sent it to the Elks National foundation which is the per capita that is requested per lodge. Once a lodge reaches this per capita it is now able to request funds back for community projects. We asked for \$2,000 to help Veterans and \$2,000 for the Dean Triggs carnival and petting Zoo. So we doubled our money, sent \$2,101 and received \$4,000. Only in America.

Last year I had 5 members who helped me with the carnival and this year to receive the money we had to “kick it up a notch” We had double the kids and parents and I had 14 members giving me a hand. 7 AM sure comes early and Bobby Williams, Jill Williams, Steve Kerman,

Jim and Kathy Moye, Larry Cummings, Michael Flannery and Gerry Gillies came down early to help set up. Also helping were Don (PER) and Dee Ansell, Winona Krieger, Christine Rundle, Charlotte Gessler, Lynn Rodriguez, Karen and Brenda Hagen who brought an employee from her office and we put him to work too. Karen was supposed to cook but was stuck at the doctors. Jim and Bobby stepped up and cooked up great carnival fare. The kids had a great time and the staff at Dean Triggs could not say enough about our lodge. The parents that attended had a minute for themselves without worry which was worth a lot to them.

All the kids won prizes and the high point was these stuffed animals. PDDGER Greg Metzgs was able to broker a deal with Pets Smart on some doggie chew toys. When I heard that, I first thought

they were toys after they had been chewed which was not fair. When Greg dropped off the three bags of toys I was taken back. These were not junk in any stretch of the imagination. These were top notch, top cabin toys. Cut off the tag that said doggie chew toy and everyone thought they were the best ever. Every child and adult left with 2 or 3.

Dealing with these children is very humbling. It’s very sad and I was happy we could do something for them. The animals at the petting zoo portion had a positive reaction to the kids when approached. The horse and goat were very calm with the kids. The pig, even though wearing a Toto, smelled a bit but who cares. Fun was had by all.

David Naccarato PER





More Pictures from the Dean Triggs Children's Halloween Party



Elks Care  
Elks Share





DDGER Shelley Gonzales Visits Thousand Oaks Lodge





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

6	Colleen McFarlane
10	Kay Riebe
14	Catherine Koeritz
15	Roxie Skinner
27	Marilyn Cissell

This month the Elks Ladies would like to recognize Mary Woodlief. Mary has been both an Elk and Elk Lady for 12 years. Mary served on the Ladies Board as Secretary for 2 years, and 1st Vice President for 2 years, which also includes going to Orientation to invite the spouses of new members to join our group. She has served Friday night dinners, Veteran's Day Brunches, Father's Day, Christmas present wrapping and decorating for many parties, Police & Firefighter's Dinner and just about anywhere there is need Mary volunteers. She also works on the

Dictionary Project assisting her husband Steve, works on 2 Saturday BBQ teams and offsite BBQ events such as CVD. For this we are very appreciative for Mary and all she does. Thank you Mary!

The Ladies Christmas Party is being held at the Lodge on Tuesday, December 12th at 6:00pm. Tom Ryder will be cooking his famous prime rib dinner. We look forward to seeing all our members come out to celebrate the holidays. Don't forget to bring an unwrapped toy or toys for the Christmas Basket Program. A raffle ticket will be given for each donated gift at the party for a chance to win a really nice prize donated by the Elks Ladies.

Speaking of unwrapped gifts, mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 20th from 9:00 am until we are finished wrapping the donated toys for the

children of the families who are receiving Christmas baskets from the Lodge. We always have a lot of fun wrapping gifts every year, and it really puts you into the mood celebrating this wonderful season of Christmas. Come over to the lounge and bring a pair scissors and some tape with you.

On behalf of the Ladies, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. May 2018 be a happy, healthy and prosperous year for everyone.

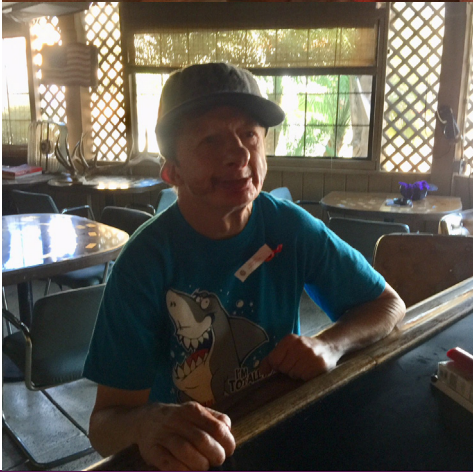
Finally, some food for thought: When I hear somebody sigh, "Life is hard", I am always tempted to ask, "Compared to what?" "We make a living by what we get, and we should make a life by what we give!"

Pictured Highlights of the Elks Ladies Tea





## Members Gather to Celebrate Jeffery's 50th Birthday



## El Konejo Kampers



The October campout at Flying Flags in Buellton, which might have been in jeopardy due to the Laughlin bus trip conflict, was a rousing success. As a matter of fact, it was a sell out. Attendees

were Tony & Terri Mallord, Mari & Paul Chodkowski aka Walter, Debra & Jeff Drake, Donna & Ed Colleran, Judy & Chuck Kudra, Patricia & Alan Ito, Kathy & Brian Boals, Vivky & Butch Price, Mati & Arleen Cohen.

Hosts for the campout were none other than Scott and Crystal Dool, long time camping club members who are affectionately known as the "hotel campers," as they don't own an RV. This was a first for them. They rented a cabin onsite and the club was treated to a new experience. The weekend went something like this:

On Thursday, October 12, 2017, everyone gathered at Scott and Crystal's and Wine Cabin for a BYOB and goodies at 5pm. A roster of attendees was passed out (five of the couples were new to The El Konejo Kampers). All enjoyed the Happy Hour. It was followed by dinner at Ellen's Pancake House.

On Friday, October 13, 2017 most of the Kampers went to Wineries and/or the Chumash Indian Casino for the day. Many of us enjoyed dinner at A.J. Spurs. We all ate so much that we went to bed without a fire! Perhaps a food coma?

On Saturday, October 14, 2017 we gathered at 4pm for Happy Hour. The 50/50 was won by Jeff Drake - \$80.00. The free camp outs were won by Scott/Crystal Dool and Mati/Arleen Cohen, new Elks members. Sheriff collected \$18.00. Congratulations to all the winners. Afterward, the majority of us were off to

the Firestone-Walker Brewery for good beer, wine and eats. The evening was topped off by friendship & more beer/wine at the fire pit.

And finally, on Sunday, October 15, 2017, fourteen people stayed overnight, possibly a new record for Sunday night. A casual recovery day, with excellent weather, was enjoyed by all. After dark we enjoyed our last fire.

A big WELCOME to the five new camping couples. Scott and Crystal get a big THANK YOU from David and I as they stepped up to the plate as wagon masters after we cancelled due to the Laughlin trip. Sounds like you did a great job. Be sure to check out the photos from this and prior campouts on the El Konejo Kampers website. It is easily accessed from the lodge website.

See you for Thanksgiving dinner at Kinney Grove in Fillmore!



## Officers 2017 - 2018

Exalted Ruler	Jean Miraglia	Tiler	Casey Boggiano
Leading Knight	Karen Martyn	Inner Guard	Gregg Miraglia
Loyal Knight	Daniel Hoffman	Esquire	Terry Gicking, PDDGER
Lecturing Knight	Paul Radomski	Chaplain	Rick Herrera
Secretary	David Naccarato, PER	Officer at Large	Mike Flannery, PER
Treasurer	David Anderson		

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### 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

Antler Antics	Membership: Steve Kerman & David Naccarato, PER
Editor & Email Distribution: Steve Smith, PER	Investigation: Alan Hardie, Diane Scott, John Duhig & Steve Kerman
USPS Mailing: Juanita Feamster	Orientation: Catherine Koeritz, PER, Chair Officers, David Naccarato, PER
Calendar: Steve Smith, PER	Lapsed and Stray Elks: David Naccarato, PER
Website, Blog & Weekly Updates: Steve Smith, PER	Maintenance: "Max" Maxwell
Auditing and Accounting Committee: David Pearson	Grounds: Ben Rieger
Barbeque: Jean Miraglia	Facilities: Tom Hartin, Dean Reichle & Jeff Conyers
Photography: Jill Williams	Greeters: Dorothy Murray and Kathy Moye
Forward Planning: Jim Moye, PER	PER Association President: David Naccarato, PER
Protocol: Karen Martyn	Grants Coordinator: David Naccarato, PER
Parliamentarian/Presiding Justice:	

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

Bar Liaison: Dan Martyn, PER	Community Activities: Karen Martyn
Major Project/Purple Pig: Arthur Garcia	Sickness and Distress: Alex Rogers
Bequests & Living Trusts: Arthur Garcia	Charity Matters: Karen Martyn
Elks National Foundation: Donna Leary	El Konejo Kampers: Sherri Jones
Christmas Basket Program: Karen Martyn	Christmas Tree Lot: Rich Lucariello

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

Kitchen Liaison: Dan Hoffman	Public Relations: Dan Hoffman
Lodge Activities: Dan Hoffman	Conejo Valley Days: Jim Moye, PER
Flag Day, Flag Retirement: Bill Sternberg, PER	Mediator: Boyd Lindquist
Government Relations: Richard Platt	Mothers Day: Dan Hoffman
Elks Memorial Service: Rick Herrera	Inaugural Ball: Dan Hoffman
Veteran Services: Carl Lanterman	Law Enforcement/Firefighter Appreciation: Paul Stein

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

Youth Activities: Paul Radomski	Scouting: Billy Sternberg, Chair and Bill Sternberg, PER
Hoop Shoot: Anna Garcia	Americanism: Reem Agel
Drug Awareness: Don Sabol & Mary McBride	Dictionary Program: Steve Woodlief
Scholarships: Rick Herrera	Youth Appreciation Night: Paul Radomski



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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	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

\*Deceased