

# *Antler Antics*

*Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks*



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## Duty Officers

09-27 to 10-03	Ray Laraway
10-04 to 10-09	Terry Gicking, PER
10-10 to 10-17	Gregg Miraglia
10-18 to 10-24	David Naccarato, PER
10-25 to 10-31	Darryl Kopacz



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## 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 for October is Dean Reichle. Dean is a long-time member who worked for several years on the BBQ, patronizes the lodge on a regular basis, and is a member of our maintenance crew. Thanks Dean for your contributions to our lodge.

Karen Martyn  
Exalted Ruler

## October Birthdays

01-Douglas Brown	12-Dennis Angelini
01-Terri Endsley	12-Maree Contreras
01-Dave Gates	15-John Puckett
01-Howard Jacobson	16-Christopher Vrakelos
01-Irving Koeritz	18-Jim Porter
02-Ben Rieger	19-Michael O'Kelly
02-Tom Tyler	22-Norman Panczak
03-Jack Paulson	24-Mike Becker
04-George Gomes Da Costa	26-Michael Stark
04-Timothy Hinsche	27-Dennis Gillette
06-John Barr	27-June Leadam
06-Paul Radomski	27-Peter Nolan
07-Forrest Godfrey	29-Angelique Milner
08-Ray Laraway	30-Larry Cummings
10-Andrew Gessler	30-Bryan Gicking
10-Dennis Shankel	30-Winona Krieger
11-Margaret Gonzales	31-Joseph Buckhout
11-Kenneth Kolde	31-Gregory Charles
11-Gregg Miraglia	31-Chris Metzgas

## Sickness & Distress

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

### Condolences to:

The family of **Jim Mullen**, born August 1<sup>st</sup>, 1938, initiated July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2003, died August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

The family of **Pam Smith**, wife of Steve Smith, PER, who's sister, Sandy, passed away August 18<sup>th</sup>

### Keep in your prayers

**Kacee Radomski** for severe pain to ease.

**Lodge Secretary David Naccarato, PER** who is still in rehabilitation following surgery.

**Lynn Rodriguez's** mother, Letty, having problems with her arm

**Rosa Conde** is still healing from surgery.

**Richard Platt** having difficulty with medical treatment.

## New Candidates, Transfers and Reinstatements

Candidate	Sponsor
Norman Rose	Steve Crowell, Lancaster Lodge #1625
Daniel Parrott	Fred Suttlerley, Carson City Lodge #2177

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

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## Exalted Ruler Karen Martyn



I know that I am not alone in hoping and praying that October brings our Lodge Secretary back to us. David Naccarato, you have truly been missed (especially by this ER) and we hope you are back in

the saddle again! A big THANK YOU to Karen Naccarato for holding down the fort in your absence.

Many thanks to our members who take care of the never-ending maintenance of our facility. These individuals give us their time and energy on a regular basis. Their efforts are very much appreciated. This dedication helps to save us money and keep our lodge in good shape so we can enjoy it for many years to come.

A friendly reminder to the membership: PLEASE DO NOT USE OUR TRASH BINS FOR YOUR PERSONAL OR BUSINESS DEBRIS. We do not have the room and our trash company will not empty the bins if they are overloaded.

At this writing we are still in need of a BBQ Crew Chief for the first Saturday of the month. Please contact me if you are interested in this very important leadership role.

Dan and I are looking forward to the annual bus trip to Laughlin October 7-9. We particularly enjoy the hospitality that the Bullhead City, AZ lodge extends to us. If you are interested, there may be a few seats still available. Thanks to the Pearsons and the Moyes for once again making this getaway possible.

Hope to see you all at the Charity Ball on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Leading Knight Dan Hoffman is working hard to make this event a success so we can help our neighbors in need this coming holiday season. Please plan on attending and don't forget to buy your raffle tickets.

Fraternally,

Karen Martyn  
Exalted Ruler

## Leading Knight Dan Hoffman



Here we are with Fall upon us. I hope you all had a good summer. One of my responsibilities is the Christmas Basket Program. This year's annual Charity Ball will be on October 27<sup>th</sup>.

We will be serving a Mexican Feast that will be professionally prepared. The menu will include authentic street tacos, rice, beans, cheese quesadillas, variety of salsas, limes, onions, cilantro etc. We will have live entertainment and beautiful gift baskets with an opportunity drawing. I ask that you support this event. The income we make on this event will fund our Christmas Charity Baskets that will go to our neighbors in need. Cocktail hour will be at 5pm, with dinner served at 6pm. The dress code is casual and tickets will be \$20.00 each. A flyer will be posted and tickets will go on sale at the bar on October 15th. Please purchase your tickets by Wednesday, October 24th so that the appropriate amount of food will be prepared.

The theme of our Grand Exalted Ruler for 2018-2019, Michael T. Luhr, is "Working Together to Make a Difference". Membership remains the number one priority this year. By getting involved and attending meetings, we will be Working Together to Make a Difference in our communities and building new foundations for our Lodges' future. If you have not done so, please try to attend one of our monthly meetings. Our calendar displays the schedule for these meetings. I believe you will benefit from attending the meetings and seeing everything that we do. Please recruit new members. We need the vitality of new members and the fresh ideas they bring to the table.

I hope to see all of you at the Charity Ball. If I can assist you in anyway, reach out to me at [fivehofies@yahoo.com](mailto:fivehofies@yahoo.com) or 818 822 2219. Take care.

## Loyal Knight Leo Rodriguez, PER



Summer has come and gone, and now fall is here. I would like to thank our kitchen volunteers who have cooked meals for us and will, hopefully, continue in the future. In October we have many things to do, like preparing

for the Veteran's Brunch in November, our annual Christmas basket program and the Charity Ball.

We are having Monday Night Football with food available and every week we will serve something different. If you would like to help prepare food for a Monday, let me know, because it will be all volunteers providing the football fair! The Thursday Bingo group is suffering from Bingo withdrawal. Our Bingo Guru Dave Naccarato has been ill. He will be back soon so they should not worry.

I would like to thank Jill Williams for her hard work as crew chief for Friday Night Fish Fry and monthly Outcasts BBQ Team. Now, Jill will be preparing Wednesday night dinner at the first regular meeting of the month assisted by Lynn Rodriguez and Christine Harrison. There will be no Fish Fry in November and December. Watch for the Fish Fry to return at the beginning of the year. Please let me know if you can cook or assist with the cooking of a nice Friday night dinner!

We are planning a few events that are coming up and want to let you know so you can save the date. First, there will be a costume party on Halloween, Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. We will have prizes for best costumes, some fun raffles and food. So, watch for our upcoming flyer with the details. We are planning Thanksgiving dinner on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. This is going to be a fundraiser for ENF and donations for the dinner will be accepted. Details will be available in the near future. Finally, we are going to celebrate New Year's Eve at the Lodge on New York time. Dinner will be served at 7:00 pm and we will ring in the New Year at 9:00 pm. Details will be coming shortly. Please mark your calendars for these upcoming activities. We hope to see you all there and having a great time while raising funds for our community charities!

Fraternally,

Leo Rodriguez, PER  
Esteemed Loyal Knight



## Meet our New Members



Katie Phillipson with sponsors Carol Fredericks (L) and Mike Becker



Jan Robles with sponsors Carol Fredericks (L) and Mike Becker



Simone Dorrrough with sponsors Carol Fredericks (L) and Mike Becker



Don Doxee sponsored by Paul Stein



Omar Kahlid sponsored by Angela Porter



John Kolbrand pictured with Carol Fredericks, sponsored by Paul Stein

## Pictured Highlights from the PERs *Night at the Races*





Pictured Highlights from our Purple Pig Night in August





## Adult Americanism Essay Contest

**Title:** *Why Our Veterans are our American Heroes*

**Due date:** December 1<sup>st</sup> or sooner.  
Submit your entry to Rick Herrera (handballrick@hotmail.com) or to the office (toelks2477@gmail.com).

**Length of essay:** 300 words or less

**Format:**

- Must be printed using #12 point size font
- Should be in a plastic or paper folder
- Should have a title page with story title, your name, and a photo or drawing related to your essay
- Should have an autobiography - 1 page max, including a photo of yourself

**Awards:**

- Your story will be featured in the Antler Antics, a dinner for two at any Elks Friday night dinner
- Framed certificates for the top three with all others receiving a certificate of participation

Fraternally,

Rick Herrera  
Americanism Chairman



*Have You Proposed*



*a New Member today?*



### 2018 - 2019 Committee Chairpersons

1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Rose Barrington
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Marian Anderson
Secretary	Diane Lovato
Treasurer	Charlotte Gessler
Communications	Carol Fredericks

### Elks Ladies Karen Naccarato, President



### 2018 - 2019 Committee Chairpersons

Auditor	Shirste Gessler
Parliamentarian	Beth Kozlowski
Major Project	Karen Naccarato
Sunshine	June Leadam

**October Birthdays**

- Deanna Savolinas 10/12  
Lee Yates 10/23  
Betty Vega 10/25  
June Leadam 10/27

The Board discussed several events that will be taking place during the fall/winter season. The Elks Ladies Christmas party

will take place December 11. This is an annual affair and invitations will be sent with details regarding menu and the unwrapped gifts for children. The Childrens Christmas party will be held Saturday December 1. Volunteers are needed for this fun time to assist the children with activities and of course to be Santa's helpers.

Call Karen at 805-375-1089 or stop at the lodge office for information.

How about some fun stuff? Or how about crazy laws still on the books?  
*In China it is a law that a person must be intelligent to go to college.*

### El Konejo Kampers



Our Kampers for the Vista Kampout included Alan and Trisha Ito (Wagonmaster), Virginia Grindley, Jim and Kathy Moye, Patty Bauman and Jimmy Miller, Rik & Shirste

Gessler, Cheryl Templeton and John Puckett. Although not camping with us, Jim Porter and Sherri Jones joined us on Friday and Saturday for fun activities.

On Friday afternoon, some of the Kampers

went to Stone Brewery for a tour and were able to taste four of the beers. On the way back to the Vista Lodge, we stopped at Belching Beaver to enjoy a couple more tastings. On Saturday, a couple of Kampers went to Del Mar Racetrack and returned with money in their pockets.

Although a bit hot, the lodge provided a covered patio area where the Kampers enjoyed games of Left, Right, Center and other dice games, as well as lots of good food. As the sun was setting, we were able to get in a quick game of horseshoes. When the heat got too much, we ventured inside the lodge to play shuffleboard.

Competition was fierce, but fun was had by all.

Many of the Kampers friends and family living in and around Vista were able to stop by and visit with us. We all agreed that it was good to catch up with our old friends and siblings.

The winner of the 50/50 drawing was Alan Ito, who also won a Free Kampout. Kathy Moye won the second Free Kampout. We are all looking forward to our return trip to Vista next August.

Submitted by Trish Ito



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[elkonejokampers.oaksdata.com](http://elkonejokampers.oaksdata.com)

### Lounge Hours

(Unless otherwise noted)

Mon., Tues., Thurs.: 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM - Closing

Friday: 10:00 AM - Closing

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

1st & Last Sundays: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

All other Sundays: Noon - 6:00 PM

### Lodge Meetings

Regular business meetings are at 7:00 PM  
every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month.

### 3rd Wednesday of the Month

Trustee Meeting: 6:00 PM

House Committee Meeting : 7:30 PM

### 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	2017-18 Jean Miraglia
1993-94 *Jim Wallace	
1994-95 *George Pekow	By Affiliation:
1995-96 Gil Riding, PDDGER	1981-82 Robert L. Thornton, PDDGER
1996-97 *Jack Loughran	2001-02 Bill Sternberg
	1999-00 *Ralph Vester
	'83-'84, '02-'03 Harold Constantine

\*Deceased