Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge #2477

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Happy ThanksGiving

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Duty Officers

10-31 to 11-06 John Betancourt 11-07 to 11-13 Terry Gicking, PER 11-14 to 11-20 Adelaide Wavra 11-21 to 11-27 Darryl Kopacz 11-27 to 12-04 Ray Laraway

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 for November is Mark Hardie. Mark came to us with "ELKS" in his genes. Mark is the son of our dearly departed member, Alan Hardie. As soon as Mark joined our Lodge it became very apparent that he was not afraid of work. He stepped right up to working the Sat BBQs, off site community events and assists us with setting up the Lodge room for the various activities we host every week. Like his Father, Mark is a quiet and very humble man. You can take Mark at his word and you can always depend on him. Mark, THANK YOU and please enjoy your reserved parking spot and Friday night dinners.

Century Club Award Recipients



(L-R) Ed Lees, Ray Laraway and Terry Gicking, PDDGER, received their Century Club certificates and are pictured with ER Dan Hoffman who received his Recurring Donor Pin.

Candidates, Transfers and Reinstatements

Candidate

Joanne E. Birbaum Johnny Gin William Kaszycki

Sponsor

Mark Merriman Jim Moye, PER Ronald Gregorich, San Diego Lodge

Transfer Requests

Grace Vega, PER Requests transfer from Ventura Lodge to Thousand Oaks Lodge

Requests for Reinstatement

Sylvia Guerra requests Reinstatement

Meeting Attendance

General Members

Officers

PERs

Total

Membership Report

Meeting 60	09-25 4 13	Membership as of April 1, 2018 Total Initiations, Reinstatements & Transfers as of 9-30-19 Total Members Lost as of 9-30-19	445 14
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O_p	21	Total Membership as of 9-30-19	459

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

Open Meeting

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Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge #2477

Exalted Ruler Dan Hoffman



I wanted to take a moment to share with all of you that our Lodge was represented in the Moorpark Country Days and 15th Annual Reyes Adobe Community parades in the month of October. Our train was detailed to look wonderful and it ran like a CHAMP. Our new

signs were deployed on the sides of the train and this whole package was really a community relations magnet. All of the credit for this success goes to Gerry Gillies. He maintains the train and does all of the little things to ensure a stress-free appearance at community events. He even had his son's family join us on Oct 12th. GERRY THANK YOU!!!

In ELKDOM, November is the month we honor our VETS. "So long as there are veterans, the benevolent and protective order of elks will never forget them." They are the heroes of our country. In 1917, our Order established a war fund to care for VETS. Caring for VETS is in our DNA. Our Lodge will be hosting a VETS lunch/brunch on the tentative date of Nov. 9th. There will be more information to follow and our membership will be advised of all of the final details. Tom Ryder and others are finalizing all the program specifics as we speak.

Thanksgiving Day is a time to give thanks to our Creator for the blessings that have been bestowed on our families, service personnel, Veterans, the Elks and our Country. When we gather with friends and family, may we be thankful this day and every day for the many blessings of family, the fellowship of friends, Lodge members and our American heritage. This year, on the Friday following Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 29th), we will be having a potluck dinner with donated "leftovers" from our members' family feasts. The Lodge will supply a salad and the rest of the cuisine will be family recipes from years gone by and then shared amongst all of us who can join us on this date. There will be no charge for this dinner. Richard Platt is finalizing all of the details. More information to follow.

It is hard to believe 2019 is coming to an end. Our big project coming up in December is our Charity/Christmas gift/food baskets which will be distributed to our needy seniors and families in our community. Please support this program by lending a hand and by purchasing the raffle tickets that were sent to all members in our Lodge. Leo and Lynn Rodriguez are working very hard to make this major project a success. Please support their efforts. More information to follow.

Leading Knight Leo Rodriguez



First, I would like to wish all our members a very Happy Thanksgiving and hope you all enjoy your Holiday with family and friends! Now, we must focus on how you can help and volunteer any time you have to get all the various things needed to get the Basket ped from the start until

Program accomplished from the start until every basket is delivered! Watch for the Sign-up sheets in the lounge. They will be posted for every step in the process. Please volunteer to help the us out in any way you possibly can.

There are still positions to be filled in the 2020-21 Officer Corps as well as many Committee Chairs. Our Lodge needs your participation so we can continue to operate and support our many charities. Without the support and volunteers from the membership, we are not able to be as successful as we are! Anyone interested in becoming a part of the Officers or Committees, please contact me at any time. I will be happy to answer any questions regarding these positions. It is a great way to meet new members and have a lot of fun as a part of the operation of our Lodge.

I am also looking for ideas you may have for improving the Lodge socially, in fundraising, in maintenance and Lodge improvements. These ideas need to be put in motion before the new Elk year begins so they can be included in the budget. We need to get volunteers in line or committees formed so they can begin working toward the goals in April 2020. Let me know if you have any suggestions.

Last month we held Bunco on October 2nd. We had three tables playing and food was available, prepared to order by Jill Williams. Everyone had a great evening and our winners were as follows: 1st for Most Buncos was new member Cindy Schreiber; 2nd for most wins Carol Stewart; and 3rd for most losses Sally Johnson. The next bunco is November 20th. There will be no Bunco in December. In January 2020 the date falls on New Year's Day. So, I am looking at the 3rd Wednesday for room availability or starting back up on February 5th. I will get the final details out to everyone as soon as they are confirmed.

Fraternally,

Leo Rodriguez Esteemed Leading Knight

Loyal Knight Richard Platt

Shared Abundances



Well this is the part wherein I ask my brothers and sisters for help. When writing this piece, I have yet to obtain an Elk willing to cook a Friday Night Dinner in November. This saddens me. We do need some

volunteers to step up and fill the vacancies in November.

On the last Friday (day after Thanksgiving) we are going to ask you to bring leftovers from your Thanksgiving dinner. A salad will be provided by the Lodge. There will be no cost for the meal, just your shared leftovers. Your Lodge meal service includes weekday lunches, Football both Mondays and Thursdays, Initiation Night Steak, Friday Nights, Saturdays BBQ, and the best Sunday breakfast in Thousand Oaks. With the exception of Jill Williams and Terry Gicking, some Friday dinners did not serve more than a dozen to twenty dinners. We need more support and participation for Friday night dinners and we strive to keep the costs below \$10. Monday and Thursday meal offerings range from fried chicken, pizza, hamburgers and hot dogs to Richard Goldner's gourmet menu items. Carlos Muzquiz and Jill Williams are doing well with lunch time meals. Please stop by and enjoy.

Jill Williams and her crew have struggled with an outdated fish fryer as well as one well used fryer for fries. We are on the path to acquire some new fryers. We will talk more on that when it comes about. So, I ask you to think about doing what you can for your Lodge. Do you have any suggestions? Please let me know, as you see I need some help.

Leo and Lynn Rodriguez are shipping out on a nice cruise. Too bad for them, as they miss the Mid-Term conference in Sacramento. Dan Hoffman has asked that Gayle and I represent Leo and Lynn at the Mid-Term conference. In my December article you will find updates from the Mid-Term.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Platt

Lecturing Knight Adam Smith



I've been thinking about the meaning of Brotherly Love.

From the world of Wikipedia: Brotherly love, in the biblical sense, is an extension of the natural affection associated with near kin, toward the greater community of fellow

believers, that goes beyond the mere duty in Leviticus 19:18 to "love thy neighbour as thyself", and shows itself as "unfeigned love" from a "pure heart", that extends an unconditional hand of friendship that loves when not loved back, that gives without getting, and ever looks for what is best in others.

Couldn't have said it better myself!

Our representation of Brotherly Love are the words I recite during Initiation:

I welcome you to this station which is dedicated to brotherly love....[I]t is best exemplified by practicing the teachings of our motto - "The faults of our members we write up on the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory."

It softens the stern realities of life and manifest itself in good fellowship, in sympathy, and in kindness of thought, word and deed. It has smiles and laughter for us in seasons of joy, and it sits with us in the shadow and weeps in the hour of bereavement. It teaches us to scatter flowers along the life's pathway and to speak words of kindness to the living as well as to cherish the memory of the dead.

As we therefore have opportunity, let us do good unto others, for we pass this way but once. We cannot retrace our steps nor call back the days that are gone; but the passing moment is ours long enough to grasp the hand in friendship, to lighten each other's burdens, to bring rest for the weary and to comfort those who morn – this is Brotherly Love.

Words to live by! And they bear repeating. The more we hear it, the more we live it.

With the challenges we face today, those words could go a long way to bringing civility to the fore. We, as Elks, are way ahead of the pack, I think. I trust you do, too!

Brotherly yours,

Adam "Smitty" Smith

Lodge Secretary David Naccarato



After my article last month, where I released information on John F. Kennedy as a member of Boston Lodge #10, I went looking for others.

•"Do you feel lucky Punk"? Yes, Clint Eastwood is a member of Monterey Elks #1285 where he was born and

raised.
Andy Devine, an actor, became the Exalted Ruler of San Fernando Lodge #1539.
Will Rogers is a member of New York #1.
General John J. Pershing was also a member. In 1918, President Wilson allowed him to choose the day and time of the WWI armistice. General Pershing chose the 11th hour, on the 11th day and the 11th month, a tribute to his roots in Elkdom. (The Eleven o'clock Toast)

•John Bradley, WWII hero and namesake of the Bradley tank, was a member of Appleton lodge #337 and Antigo #662.

•Herbert Klein, WWII Veteran, Hollywood producer and Entrepreneur, was a member of LA lodge #99 which joined Santa Monica #906.

Other notables are Tip O'Neill, Sam Rayburn, Eddie Rickenbacker, Mickey Mantle and Vince Lombardi.

At this point, may I say It's OK to come to a meeting? It is where you find out what is going on at the Lodge. When we have a visitation from the DDGER or Vice President, it is not a reason to play hooky. It makes the current Exalted Ruler look good and it makes our Lodge look good in the District. We are one of twelve Lodges in our District. Our District runs from Simi Valley, Thousand Oaks and all the way to Paso Robles. It is one big competition among the Lodges. In our Hoop-Shoot, how many did we send to the State competition? The scholarship program, how many received District, State and National awards. How many members did we bring to outside Lodge visitations? More than the host lodge?

The biggest deal yet is the Ritual Competition. Our current Officers practice so that when they perform the Initiation Ritual the new candidates will be impressed. The District holds competitions and the best go on to State competitions. Thousand Oaks has sent a few of those to State. The State competition is against the other 82 Districts. The winner goes to National for competition against the other State associations.

David Naccarato, PER Lodge Secretary

Comfort Dogs for Our Veterans

Representatives of the Military Animal Project, Mardu Lydick, Executive Director and trainer Bob Harrell, were invited by The Blue Star Moms to speak to the members of Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge. The best part was, they also brought their own therapy dogs. It was very interesting hearing how the therapy dogs visit veterans in nursing homes, veterans centers, hospice facilities and more.

The emotional support dogs provide veterans with companionship and comfort to mitigate one or more symptoms relative to their psychological and/or emotional condition. The psychiatric service dogs are specifically



trained to help veterans with PTS, anxiety and/or panic attacks by relieving their symptoms through physical contact.

The Equine Buddies Program is an affiliate of the Veteran Barn Door Project which is a three day onsite equine retreat. It helps veterans form a close bond with the horse and is an exercise in leadership, trust, and



respect.

Providing emotional support with psychiatric service dogs, the Equine Buddies Program and many other pet support services is costly. Thanks to the generous support from our community, sponsors and private donors they are able to provide all of these services at <u>no cost to our military veterans</u>.

See Secretary on page 5

Sickness and Distress

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

Condolences to:

None to report

Keep in your prayers:

Bill Lloyd, PER/PDL who was hospitalized after breaking his back in a fall.

Greg Metzgus' daughter **Diana**, who was hospitalized for internal bleeding.

November Birthdays

John Duhig-01 Cathie Capolino-02 Roger Martin-03 Brad Knupp-04 Steven Grindley-05 Kelly Jo Reed-07 Tim lane-09 Jack Carter-10 Simone Dorrough-10 John D'Ambrogio PER-11 Louis carlentine-12 Jacob Panczak PER-13 John Kohlbrand-15 Scott Pickles-15 George Thompson-15 Russell Miller-17 Roy Ratcliffe-18 Robert Williams-18 Shannon Cunningham-19 Larry Levine-19 Gerry Gillies-21 Betty McFarlin-22 Beverly Reis-26 Wendell Oxford-27 Bruce Froude-30

Exalted Ruler from page 3

Sandy and I wish all of you Happy Thanksgiving!! If we can assist you in any way, please contact us at 818 822 2219 or <u>fivehofies@yahoo.com</u>.

Thank you to Jean and Greg Miraglia for preparing dinner for the DD visit, The Elk Ladies for serving and a whole host of maintenance guys who prepared the Lodge for our inspection. **Rich Lucaricello** who is having treatment for cancer,

Leo Rodriguez, PER who had cataract surgery.

Bill Sternberg, PER had angioplasty on his leg.

Kacee Radomski, for relief from pain.

Purple Pig Honor Roll

John Puckett Dennis Shankel Darryl Kopacz (Century Club x2) Inger Hogan (Century Club) Ed Rice Adelaide Wavra (Century Club) Greg MetzgusDL (Century Club) Jean, PER and Gregg Miraglia Harold Wankle (Century Club) JV BBQ crew Dan Hoffman Ed Lees Brenda Hagen (Century Club) John Betancourt Rose Barrington Bill Joseph Bobby Williams Gerry Gillies

Comfort Dogs from page 4

The Blue Star Moms brought this program to the attention of our members for their support. They have been working together with the lodge on other projects to help our veterans. Some of the Moms have even joined our lodge because of our Veterans Services program. We had approximately 30 guests that evening. Appetizers were provided by the Elk Ladies.

Adelaide C Wavra Public Relations

Crying Towel

09-11-19 No Drawing - Open Meeting Capsule Drawing - \$375.00

Lucky 13 - \$30.00

09-25-19 Capsule Drawing - \$375.00 Jack Carter - No Winner

Lucky 13 - \$30.00 Adelaide Wavra - No Winner

We Get Letters

The following were sent to the members.

Members of Thousand Oaks 2477

Thank you from Kirsti and I, as well as my team, for the kindness and professionalism you extended to us during our recent visit. Please pass along our thanks to the Color Guard for their presentation of Colors. Very impressive. You can be proud of your Lodge and yourselves for the good work you do in service of your veterans, your community and in promoting Elkdom. Thank you to ER Dan Hoffman and the entire Thousand Oaks Lodge. Keep leading the way. Look forward to seeing you soon.

Jay and Kristi Dupler DDGER

And from the Esquire for the DDGER.

Exalted Ruler Dan, Officers and members:

I just wanted to send a quick note to say thank you for your hospitality during our recent visitation to your Lodge. It was unexpected, however, very much appreciated.

Henry Schmitz, PER

Around the Lodge

Our grounds are groomed, not by a ghost, but by Ben Reiger, who invites anyone to help on Thursday mornings. (Warning) He's up before the sun.

PERs Corner

The PERs met for their October meeting in the conference room at the Lodge. They discussed the possibility of their purchasing a new fish fryer for the Lodge. They are also planning to do Night at the Races and a dinner on a Friday night in January.

The next PER meeting is scheduled for November 5th, at the lodge.

Fraternally,

Tom Ryder, PER/PDDGER

Our new Medical Explorer troop is being sponsored by our Lodge with the generosity of Bobby Williams who donated \$500 to get them going. They came and preformed Color Guard duties at the DDGER visitation which was very impressive. Dan Hoffman remembered 9/11. This new Ventura County Medical Explorer post number is 911. Very fitting.

From Grand Lodge Elks Magazine: Honor History and Pass the Torch

Daniel Capella Grand Lodge Government Relations Committee

Truth be told, many Elks like to play "once upon a time" where we begin to tell our captive audience about how things used to be when we first joined our order. Sometimes those who listen are shocked because they really believe we are older than dirt and shouldn't be able to remember anything, or they become confused because they can't fully comprehend what we are talking about.

This often happens when we tell our new members about the ritual and the many changes that have occurred over the years. Usually initiated members ask questions such as, "Officers have to memorize what"? That same look of disbelief also occurs when they see pictures of Elks from decades ago when men always wore suits and ties and women wore long dresses to our official Elks functions and social affairs, or even pictures from a short time ago in which there are no females in the lodge officer portraits simply because there were no female Members. (1995)

Today's Elkdom is different than Elkdom of years past, and there's an ongoing difference of opinion regarding whether today is the best of times or the worst. This is a debate that can't be won simply because there is merit on both sides. It is essential that we blend our traditions and customs with a more enlightened manner.

Undoubtedly, the past is deserving of respect. Our organization would not be in existence today if not for the "Jolly Corks"

and the other architects who established our framework, beliefs, and sense of direction and dedication since the very beginning. We sometimes question the "This is the way we've always done it group" but we must respect their time, work and perseverance.

We must also realize that today's America has changed since February 16th 1868. Heck it's changed in the last 30 years. Our newest members have much to contribute but this will not occur if they are not given the chance to participate and assume responsibility. When ignored, many just give up and drop out. We need to prepare our new members for inclusion and not exclusion. Try their suggestions, after all like it or not the reins of control will eventually be inherited by others. It's better to pass the torch to those with whom we have worked, encouraged and made connections.

The Thousand Oaks Elks Train Travels to Two Community Parades



Above - ER Dan Hoffman in front, Richard Platt and his wife Gayle with their grandsons Logan and Trevor. At far right is member Joseph Loy.

(L-R) Gerry Gillies, his grandchildren, Charlie and Cameron, his daughter-in-law Christine, his son Chris and ER Dan Hoffman.

From Grand Lodge Elks Magazine: Americanism Essay Theme

David P. Cioe Grand Lodge Fraternal Committee

The Americanism Essay Contest stirs youth pride in America. Grand Lodge once again is pleased to offer this national contest to fifth and sixth graders for Division I and seventh and eighth graders for Division II. For 2019-2020, members of the Grand Lodge Fraternal Committee have selected the theme, "What does freedom of speech mean to me?"

This important patriotic contest gives school children the chance to express their pride in America. Fostering our youth's appreciation and respect for patriotism is central to understanding our country's heritage. They come to understand the symbols that represent what this country stands for and gain a deep appreciation for the individuals who sacrifice everything for our freedom. The Fraternal Committee and all Elks across the country enthusiastically endorse this program because patriotism is one of the BPOE's great cornerstones. Another academic year has begun and students across our great country are back in classrooms to study, learn, and grow into our future leaders. Lodges should have already contacted local school districts, private schools, home schools, charter schools, and teachers (especially those who may also be Elks) to provide them with the new Americanism Essay Contest to add to their fall curriculums.

Information was given out on this contest at the National Convention. All area DDGERs and ERs should have thumb drives with instructions, forms, and other files. If you do not have your thumb drive with this information, contact your DDGER immediately to get one or to have the zip files e-mailed to you. All information is also available at elks.org.

This contest is important because it demonstrates Americanism at its best to school children in your area. Essays must be submitted to Local Lodges by December 15, 2019. Plaques will be awarded by the Grand Lodge for first, second, and third place for national winning essays in Division I and Division II. Winners will be announced at the Grand Lodge Session in Baltimore, MD in July 2020.

Your action now will shape the youth of our country, which impacts all of our futures. I urge all ERs and Americanism Committee members to implement this contest in your local schools or follow up on the essays if you already have the contest underway in your school district. God bless you and God bless America!

Veterans Services

September is done and October is underway as far as our reaching out to Veterans.

As usual Marshall Knowlton and his crew made their monthly trip to the Veterans facility in Sepulveda and hosted another Vets bingo day.

While Elks support our nations' Veterans through the year, we step up our efforts in November. This year preliminary planning is for our lodge to honor our veterans at a luncheon on Saturday November 9th. Put it on your calendar and come down and have BBQ with us. Watch for more info as the date gets near.

A Note from the Trustees

By the end of October (weather permitting), the entire lower parking lot will be completely repaved, resealed and restriped. This project started five years ago with PER Jim Moye raising funds through shirt sales and now will be completed through the efforts of

2019 - 2020 Committee Chairpersons

November Birthdays			
Secretary	Rose Barrington		
2 nd Vice President	Karen Naccarato		
1 st Vice President	Alex Rogers		

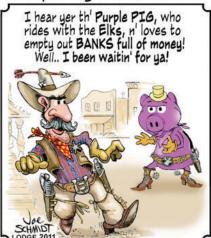
11-05 Flo Llovd

- 11-09 Jeri Miller
- 11-22 Betty McFarlin

Hello Ladies;

I can't believe Christmas is almost here!! From now and until that time, a lot is happening at the lodge. Don't forget to

Purple Pig's Adventures



The Elks have taken on a new project. At the 2019 Elks National Convention outgoing GER Mike Luhr issued a challenge to the Elks members to raise funds for the Pearl Harbor National Memorial in Hawaii. With contributions from Elks across the nation, we can help preserve, restore and modernize the USS Arizona Memorial. A monument to all Veterans! The goal is to raise \$783,000. You can learn more at the Pearl Harbor webpage.

On August 15, 2019 the Department of Defense announced a new program that will allow Veterans who qualify to use the

many contributors. Our thanks to generous contributions from El Konejo Kampers and the PER Association, along with all of those members who have generously contributed to this important project. Thanks to Duke Kopacz and Ben Rieger for obtaining bids and special thanks to Ben Rieger

Elks Ladies Alice Kennedy, President

Treasurer	Charlotte Gessler
Communications	Carol Fredericks
Auditor	Shirste Gessler

mark your calendars with all of the events you want to attend <u>or</u> want to volunteer some of your time.

The ladies will be wrapping Christmas toys again this year. That will be Wednesday, December 18th at 10 am. All you need to bring is scissors tape, and a big smile! Just think of all the kids that receive these toys and commissary, exchange and certain MWR retail facilities on military bases and Department of Defense locations. This program will start on January 1, 2020.

Still reaching out all lodge members for your help! Veterans please let me know who you are. I can be contacted in the following ways, e-mail -<u>kr3tcr@verizon.net</u>, phone - 805-497-1853, or through the Lodge office mail box. Please help me do a good job for our veterans and our lodge.

Fraternally,

Tom Ryder PER/PDDGER

for his technical assistance. The Board of Trustees made this our first priority for this Elks year, and it's a great feeling to see it finished. Thanks again to all.

Dan Martyn, PER Chairman of the Board

2019 - 2020 Committee Chairpersons					
Parliamentarian	Beth Kozlowski				
Major Project	Karen Naccarato				
Sunshine	June Leadam				

their big smiles on their faces. It's worth it!!

Thanksgiving is a time of togetherness. I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Karen Naccarato

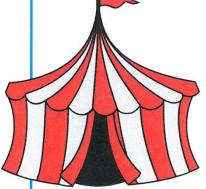
The California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, Inc.



ATTENTION! Elks Lodge members. Help is needed to put on this event. Please contact David in the office for more information, 805-496-2477. The Fall Fun Festival is for the handicapped children from Dean Triggs School, located across the street from the Lodge office.



Elks Lodge #2477



Fall Fun Festival

Date: Friday, Nov 1, 2019 Time: 10am-12pm Admission: FREE Where: 158 N Conejo School Rd RSVP: <u>myra.medina@ventura.org</u> OR 805-497-4590 by 10/28/19

Games, Prizes, Lunch, Cotton Candy,
 Snow Cones, Photo booth, Therapy dogs
 And MORE!





Bunco Party at the Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge Wednesday November 20, 2019

6:30 PM (please arrive 15 minutes early to sign-in) Come down to the Lodge for an evening of fun

17'S BUNCO TIME - LET'S ROLL!

Come join us for a fun filled evening and help raise money for our various charities!

Don't know how to play Bunco? Don't worry, we'll show you how!

\$10 Buy In

We now have Deli Sandwiches made to order with potato salad or coleslaw by Jill Williams available for \$7

9f you are interested in participating please call Lynn Rodriguez at 805-449-4282 or 805-559-0909

Or

Carol Stewart at 818-635-5175





Shared Abundance Meal

Bring your leftovers from your Thanksgiving Dinner to share

with your brothers and sisters at the Lodge

Friday, November 29, 2019, 6 PM

The cost of admittance is a leftover Thanksgiving dish to share in brotherhood and fraternity. Please let Richard Platt know if you will volunteer for set up or clean up.

Officers 2019-2020

Exalted Ruler	Daniel Hoffman	Tiler	John Betancourt
Leading Knight	Leo Rodriguez, PER	Inner Guard	Gregg Miraglia
Loyal Knight	Richard Platt	Esquire	Terry Gicking, PDDGER
Lecturing Knight	Adam Smith	Chaplain	Adelaide Wavra
Secretary	David Naccarato	Officer at Large	Jean Miraglia, PER
Treasurer	William Joseph		

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One Year Two Year Three Year Four Year Five Year Dan Martyn, PER Raymond Laraway Rich Lucariello Darryl Kopacz Ed Lees

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Grand Exalted Ruler *Outstanding Member* Award Recipients Jim Moye, PER and Art Garcia

2019 - 2020 Committees reporting to the Exalted Ruler

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2019 - 2020 Committees reporting to the Leading Knight

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2019 - 2020 Committees reporting to the Loyal Knight

Kitchen Liaison: Richard Platt Lodge Activities: Richard Platt Flag Day, Flag Retirement: Richard Platt Government Relations: Richard Platt Elks Memorial Service: Adam Smith Veteran Services: Tom Ryder, PDDGER Public Relations: Adelaide Wayra Calendar: Richard Platt Conejo Valley Days: Tom Hartin Mediator: Rick Rodgers Mothers Day: Adam Smith Inaugural Ball: Richard Platt Law Enforcement/Firefighter Appreciation: Paul Stein

2019 - 2020 Committees reporting to the Lecturing Knight

Youth Activities: Adam Smith Hoop Shoot: Anna Garcia Drug Awareness: Adam Smith Scholarships: Reem Agel Scouting: Adam Smith Americanism: Rick Herrera Dictionary Program: Steve Woodlief Youth Appreciation Night: Adam Smith

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(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 1973-74 Erle Pittman, PDDGER 1974-75 *Richard Flake 1975-76 *Bill Wagner 1976-77 *John E. Henry 1977-78 *Robert McKee, PDDGER 1978-79 *Frank J. Rindone, PDDGER 1979-80 *Edward F. Stogsdell 1980-81 *Frank "Tex" Hastie 1981-82 *Robert Hardy 1982-83 *A. John Nichols 1983-84 John Nau 1984-85 Vern Ogden* 1985-86 Dan Snyder 1986-87 Bill Lloyd, PDDGER 1987-88 *John E. Henry 1988-89 *Ted Lipka 1989-90 Don Skinner 1990-91 *Don Ansell 1991-92 *Gary Sleigh 1992-93 Tom Ryder, PDDGER 1993-94 *Jim Wallace 1994-95 *George Pekow 1995-96 Gil Riding, PDDGER 1996-97 *Jack Loughran

*Deceased

1997-98 *John Kelly 1998-99 Chet Kozlowski 1999-00 Richard Goldner, PDDGER 2000-01 Jacob Panczak 2001-02 John D'Ambrogio 2002-03 Don Booker 2003-04 Greg Metzgus, PDDGER, DL 2004-05 *Jay Block 2005-06 *Sally Claunch 2006-07 David Naccarato 2007-08 Catherine Koeritz 2008-09 *George Meehan 2009-10 Terry Gicking, PDDGER 2010-11 *Harry Brockwell 2011-12 Steve Smith 2012-13 Leo Rodriguez 2013-14 Terry Baker 2014-15 Dan Martyn 2015-16 Jim Moye 2016-17 Mike Flannery 2017-18 Jean Miraglia 2018-19 Karen Martyn

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