

# THE PURPLE PIG GAZETTE

# California-Hawaii Elks Major Project Inc. November/December, 2014



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# REMEMBER

7-8, 2014 Nov.

Feb. 21-22, 2015

**CHEA Midterm Conference** Sacramento/Woodland

**DATES TO** 

Colorado River Classic South Point Hotel and Casino More Information on Page 8







#### **Pins Pins Pins Pins**

Over the years we accumulate a lot of Elk pins, jars and boxes full of pins. Yet there are pin collectors looking for the right pin to complete a set, and there are more than a few Exalted Rulers who gave away all their pins and now would like to find one of their own pins. The CHEA Booth at the Mid-Term Conference will accept donations of pins. They will make the pins available for a dollar donation for each pin. This is a no cost fundraiser that helps empty those iars and boxes

# Let's Fill Becky's Van

by Bob Farrens,

Becky Fahs one of the California-Hawaii Elk's Association Physical Therapists. collects. sorts. and forwards the Box Tops to a collection site. The money that is received



from turning in the Box Tops is used by our Therapists to purchase training aids for the children. This saves CHEMPI from having to go out and purchase these items allowing our donations to stretch even further.

Becky will be at the Mid-Term Conference in Sacramento, so this is a great time to send your Box Tops for Education with your Exalted Ruler to be turned in at the Piggy Bank Booth. Our goal is to fill Becky's van.

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#### Raffle Ticket Hint

Many times when purchase raffle tickets you need to fill out your name and phone number on the ticket. A time saving way to do this - is to use some of the return labels you receive



in the mail. Just stick one on and write in your phone number on the ticket so you can be contacted when you win.

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#### Get One While They Are Still Available

There are only a few Talking Pigs left. The



remaining few will be sold at the Mid -Term Conference in November.

Purchase vour Talking Pig for only \$20.00 before they are gone.



**A Mystery** by Bob Farrens

Recently Association President Skip Henke was at the Town and Country Hotel in San Diego, to finish some of the plans for the State Convention in May of 2015. As he was leaving one of the Town and Country Managers informed Skip that they have been cleaning out storage rooms and had found an old Elks photograph and wanted to know if he would like to take it with him. Expecting a ten by fourteen picture, Skip was quite surprised to be presented with a fifteen by twenty inch wooden framed photograph.

It is titled "Elks Clam Bake" Labor Day Bloomfield Park September 7, 1903

## The Mystery:

What Lodge is it from?

How did it end up in a storage room at the Town and Country Hotel in San Diego?

A 52 Club will be presented to the first person who solves the mystery. I will need your answer in writing to be valid.

We will start selling raffle tickets on the photograph at the Mid-Term Conference and the drawing will be held on Saturday morning May 9, 2015, at the State Convention. The tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

# High School Senior Raises Money for the Piggy Bank by Gerry Gouveia



Kayley Edwards is a senior at Bear Creek High School in Stockton, California. She is 17 years old and is on the water polo and swim teams for the school. She has been interested in working with children for many years now. When asked what she wants to do, she replied, "I want to

work with kids, but not like the kids in your classroom, Special Kids, you know, the ones that need special help." That has evolved into a dream of being a physical therapist or a speech pathologist.

Bear Creek requires their seniors to do a senior project as part of the requirements for graduation. While in English class, the students had to express their thoughts on a project. That was when she found out that shadowing a physical therapist, could be a part of her hours in the project but not all. Shadowing could be a maximum of five hours. She was voicing her frustration one night that she had to find a new project, maybe do a drive-thru BBQ as a fundraiser for the swim team.

That's when Stockton Leading Knight, Valerie Edwards, (Kayley's Grandmother) gave her a flyer about Ethan, the poster child for the major project. Valerie had been working on a quilt for the Midterm Purple Pig Booth. "This is what I am doing to raise money for kids with disabilities." Then Kayley asked if she could do a drive-thru BBQ for the Purple Pig and that way she could keep the project for Special Kids.

The idea was growing, but she needed a mentor for her project. The only thing was she needed someone that was not a family member, but was an Elk. After meeting Kayley, Stockton PDDGER Frank Chicago agreed he would help as her mentor

In class, Kayley is working on letters for donations for either supplies or food and flyers for ordering the prepaid meals. These flyers will be placed around the lodge and given to the kids at school to give to their parents and friends.

On December 3, Kayley will hold her BBQ. The students will sell prepaid tickets for the dinners. The menu will be: BBQ tri-tip, chicken, salad, pesto pasta and a roll. The BBQ will be set up in the Stockton Lodge parking lot. Firemen from the Woodbridge Fire Department will be manning the BBQ (Eric, her father, is a fireman and a lodge member). Sondra Ryan, the Lodge caterer, is donating the pasta.

Kayley's goal is to make \$1500.00 to go towards the Purple Pig. She has taken it a step further and is placing a Purple Pig in all her classrooms for students to contribute.

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## **Fund Raising Information**

From Cherylle Waters

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same

wide selection of products, low prices, shopping features convenient as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when customers shop AmazonSmile on (smile.amazon.com), the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by customers.

#### How does AmazonSmile work?

When first visiting AmazonSmile, customers are prompted to select a charitable organization from almost one million eligible organizations. In order to browse at AmazonSmile, customers must first select a charitable organization.

The Holidays are fast approaching. Set up your Amazon Smile Account on Amazon and start earning money for the Major Project.

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The 46th Annual California Elks Rally



was held at Golden Village in Hemet on October 10, 11, 12, & 13th, 2014

140 Camper Rigs and 40 Hotel Campers had a great time doing some fun and fund raising. The event raised over \$30,000 for the Major Project

Joining the Campers were

California-Hawaii Elks Association President Skip Henke and First Lady Karen, CHEMPI Therapist Mavis Johnson, Theme Child Ethan Kempton, his mother and brothers.

Major Project Theme Child, Ethan Kempton, his mother and brothers, entertained the audience with a special dance number. Ethan's mother Janelle, expressed the family's appreciation for all they have received from the Elks Major Project.



Therapist Mavis Johnson, First Lady Karen Henke, Kempton family brother Taylor, mother Janelle, "Theme Child" Ethan, and brother Cameron: photo by Andy Costello



Theme Child Ethan had a great time at the Rally. He had a smile for everyone he met.

photo by Andy Costello



First lady Karen Henke, Association President Skip Henke, and Mike Wright spent time in the jail.



Ribs, Tacos, Brats, Hamburgers and Beverages







The Pig Races always draw a large crowd. There was a lot of excitement as the pigs crossed the finish line. Last year Pig #6 did not win a race. This year he redeemed himself and won the first and the third, but he hid and we couldn't take his picture.

# Meet Mindy Gulley, CHEMPI Occupational Therapist by Bob Farrens



Oceanside Lodge Piggy Bank Chairman, Greg Koester with CHEMPI Occupational Therapist Mindy Gulley

Mindy is from Kansas City, Missouri. During her senior year of high school her father had a swimming accident and was left a quadriplegic. Due to this accident Mindy developed an interest in occupational therapy and attended Colorado State University to further her education in the field. Mindy traveled to San Diego for an Internship to complete her education and fell in love with the area and stayed. Thirty-three years ago Mindy went to work for the California-Hawaii Elks Maior Project has been helping children with and disabilities and their families ever since. Mindy told me that "therapy has to be fun or the children won't do it". Mindy works with the whole family to insure that her therapy sessions are maximized.



Left to Right: Doug and Antonea Grandparents; Ethne, Hope holding Paxton; Keliah, Nate, and Silas Peterson.

Mindy recently attended a Major Project Fund Raiser at the Oceanside Elks Lodge. Mindy spoke about her work with the children and introduced the Peterson family. Mindy has been working with thirty-one month old Paxton Peterson, for almost a year. Paxton was born with numerous physical problems and is currently in hospice. He has had several minor strokes due to arterial fragility and he is one of only a few children in the United States that has anterior aneurisms for which there is currently no cure.



The Oceanside Elks Lodge presented Paxton with a new tricycle. Ethne and Mindy help Paxton get on the tricycle.

Paxton's mother, Hope Peterson, expressed her appreciation for all that the Elks' have done for her family. She talked about the frustrations of dealing with doctors who did not know how to help her son, and insurance companies that wouldn't cover the treatments that he needed. Hope said you can't image how alone we felt until Mindy stepped into our lives.



A Coin a Day so they can Walk, Talk, See and Play!

## Temecula Valley Elks Purple Pig Party

by Diane Farrens

On a recent Friday evening, the Temecula Valley Elks #2801 had a "PIG Party." The Committee Co-Chairman, Linda Jones, coined the acronym PIG – People Into Giving. Linda gave out 32 Century Club and 23 Fifty-Two Club Certificates during the evening. The money was donated at the California-Hawaii Elks Vice President, Cliff Wadley's visitation in June. In addition to the money donated in June, the members donated an additional \$1041.97 that evening. The money donated at the PIG Party and the previously donated Century Clubs (\$100 each) and the Fifty-Two Club (\$52 each) go the California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, a charitable organization serving children with disabilities.



## **Photo Caption:**

Row 1: Marti Barraza; Laurel Frey; Linda Jones; Peggy Lewis; Diana Walker; Alice Lacosse; Jane Holzmann and Renate Beall.

Row 2: Keith Meyer; Howard Adkins; Ken Bodenhoefer; Karen Caruso, Diane Farrens; Linda Ragle; Sue Wilkinson; Cindy Higl; Bob Farrens; Hallie Sebanc and Bill Van Meter.

Row 3: Mike Caruso; Ken Patric; Tom Jenson; Paul Gonzalez; Jack Keefer; John Heberle; Chuck Ragle; Bob Walker; Spike Lunn; Ken Hauer; Jim Beall; Linda Iwanski; Emil Iwanski; Barbara Conner and Lloyd Clough.

## Sammy the Purple Pig

by Gerry Gouveia



Sammy the Purple Pig was out big time for the visit of State President Skip Henke to the Walnut Creek Lodge 1811. The visitors to the Lodge pinned a total of \$149 to the Big Sammy for the Major Project. This bigger than life pig (4' x 6') was made by the members of the Lodge for the visit and was so well received they were taking orders for other Districts.

# Hand in Hand Building for the Future



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# **Purple Pig Recurring Donations**

Would you like to see the children walk, talk, see, and play?

You can contribute to the Major Project more often without writing a check, buying a stamp and addressing an envelope each time! It's simple-by just signing up to be a recurring donor! We'll automatically charge a credit card on a recurring basis for a set donation amount. There are no checks to write or envelopes to mail. It's safe, reliable, and allows Fresno to spend less time on administration and more time on our charitable mission. Recurring donors are very important and are special donors who will be recognized in each CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELK MAGAZINE. Keep it simple – become a recurring donor for the Major Project! You can still fill the Pigs and turn them in!

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you with the necessary information.

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CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS MAJOR PROJECT, INC. Mission Statement

The California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, Inc., a committee of the California-Hawaii Elks Association, pledges its commitment to addressing the unmet needs of children with disabilities throughout the states of California and Hawaii by developing a program of supporting services to aid these children at no cost to their families and without discrimination.



A Coin a Day so they can Walk, Talk, See and Play!



# 31st Annual Colorado River Classic

At the South Point Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada Hosted By:

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Please choose a squad picking a first, second, and third choice: Saturday 9am Saturday 12 noon Saturday 3pm					Open To All Bowlers  ALL TEAMS CONSIST OF TWO MEN		
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•TEAM CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE DATE

**CHECK ALL DATA!** 

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