



# THE PURPLE PIG GAZETTE

## California-Hawaii Elks Major Project Inc.

### March/April 2015



**From the Piggy Bank Newsletter Editor:**  
CHEA Piggy Bank Chairman, Bob Farrens

Articles can be provided by PGERs; District Leaders; PDDGERS; DDGERS; PSVP; SVP; District Chairmen; Exalted Rulers; Leading Knights; and anyone who has something of Piggy Bank interest.

Deadline of the May/June newsletter is **April 22, 2015**. Articles can be sent by email to [robertfarrens@msn.com](mailto:robertfarrens@msn.com). The newsletters come out every other month.



**Please forward your Piggy Bank Funds to the CHEA Fresno Office as soon as possible.** The California-Hawaii Elks State Convention will be held in San Diego, California, May 6-9, 2015. This is a week earlier than last year's convention.

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### Clean Out The Jars and Boxes

Over the years we accumulate a lot of Elk pins, as well as 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 State 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 you empty those jars and boxes



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### Easy Way To Help The Kids

by Bob Farrens,

Becky Fahs one of our 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. 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 at the Convention in May.



### DATES TO REMEMBER



May 6 - 9, 2015	CHEA Convention San Diego, California
July 5 - 9, 2015	Grand Lodge Convention Indianapolis, IN
June 8-10, 2015	Mesquite Golf Tournament For Major Project, Page 7
Sept 18-19, 2015	Area 7 Golf Tournament For Major Project, Page 5

### Notice to 2015-2016 Exalted Rulers



If you plan to bring a check to the convention for the Exalted Ruler's March, go to the CHEA office as soon as possible to turn in your check and pick up your card. **If you are not** bringing a check, your Exalted Ruler's March card will be provided to you by your Vice President on Saturday morning prior to the "Exalted Ruler's March."

## Chili's Major Project Fundraiser

by Bob Farrens

On Monday January 12th, many Elks throughout the State of California had lunch or dinner at their local Chili's Restaurant. Thank you to Steve Wagstaff, Past Exalted Ruler from the Escondido Lodge, for coordinating this "fun" fundraiser with Chili's. We raised over \$2,430.00. We are planning to do this fund raiser again next year!



## Black Bear Diner Fundraiser

By Gerry Gouveia



Left to Right: Andrea, Gerry, Broody, Dylan, Melissa  
The Black Bear Diner in Walnut Creek was awarded a CHEA Special Citation for its ongoing support of the Major Project. Over the years they have held several fundraising events with the most recent raising over \$300.

Brody Jackson, the restaurant manger, was presented the award by CHEA Vice Chairman, Gerry Gouveia, as the staff joins in. If you have a Black Bear Diner near you, stop by and set up a fundraiser for your Lodge. You will receive "Truck Driver" portions at a seniors price and 10%, of the net proceeds for a set time, go to the Purple Pig.

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## The Kern River Lodge

The Kern River lodge recently held their annual Piggy Bank Dinner. They raised a total of \$2,749.86 which included ten Century Clubs, and five 52 Clubs.



## Ridgecrest Lodge Pig Races

by Bill Brickey



Left to Right: Grant Vigneault, Austin McCullough, Jacob Turner, Landon Sonnenberg, Bill Brickey ER, Jack Sherritt, and Tyler Gaska

On January 24, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Ridgecrest Lodge #1913, held its annual Purple Pig Roast and BBQ Fundraiser. The lodge raised over \$3000 for the California-Hawaii Elks Major Project Inc. (CHEMPI) also known as the "Purple Pig". CHEMPI supports children with disabilities. Their slogan is, "A Coin a Day Will Help Them Walk, Talk, See & Play". A fun time was had by all, with some good food, and an event known as "Pig Races".

The Lodge also donated \$357.00 to the Burroughs High Boosters Club to help support the school's athletic programs. The Football Players assisted the lodge by volunteering their time to serve food and wash dishes.

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## Raffle Ticket Hint

Many times when you 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.





## Fullerton Pig Races

by Bob Farrens

The Fullerton Elks Lodge recently held their second annual Purple Pig Races, and the winner was number 3. The real winners are the children! The Lodge raised over \$3,000.00 for the Major Project.

### Owners Of Honey The Winning Pig



Left to Right: Dan and Karen Roach, Melody and David Leonard, Pam Sutton, and Jon Ellowitz. All are from the Newport Harbor Lodge.

### Chempi the Sleepy Piggy



Chempi needed to take a nap before, during, and after the races. I'm sure he was dreaming of the day when he takes the checkered flag for winning the race.

## The Fullerton Pigs were Raised by Thelma Darwicki



### #1 Kari – Mustang Ranch

Sings out a grand oink  
wherever she goes.

A real crowd pleaser. She's all ham.  
Trainer – Jimmy Dean Farms

### #2 Memphis – Graceland Ranch

Sweet and Smokey,  
he loves to dish it out.  
Loves it HOT! You won't get burned.  
Trainer – Hickory Farms

### #3 Honey – Sue Bee Ranch

Sweet as can bee!  
You'll want to gobble her up.  
Bee Careful, she's hard to catch.  
Trainer – Honey Baked Farms

### #4 Patrick – Daytona 500 Ranch

An all American prime porker.  
Loves NASCAR and racing of any kind.  
Trainer – Oscar Meyer Farms

### #5 Trotter – Pigskin Ranch

Loves to run to the end zone.  
A pro pigskin, he's a sure bet.  
Look out for his spiral!  
Trainer – Farmer John

### #6 Princess – Lady GaGa Ranch

Likes to be in the front.  
Always a winner,  
A real prize pig,  
She'll bring home the bacon!  
Trainer – Smithfield Farms

# Hand in Hand Building for the Future



**B.L.T. Major Project**

## BEQUESTS AND LIVING TRUSTS

Call or write the BLT Committee

c/o The Major Project

5450 E. Lamona Ave, Fresno CA 93727

1-800-742-1907

## 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!

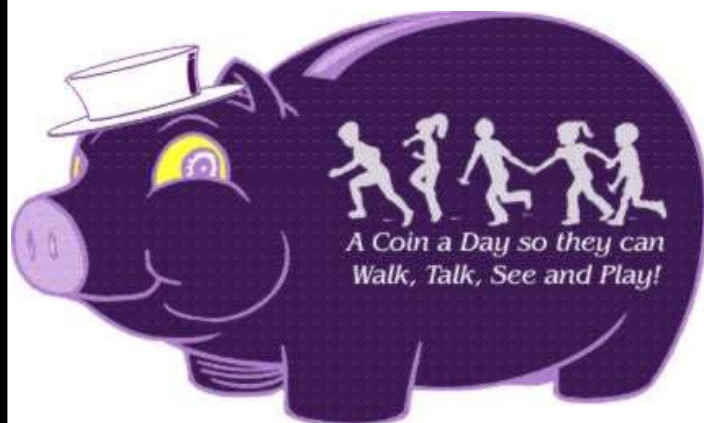
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## CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS MAJOR PROJECT, INC. Mission Statement



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.



**B.P.O.E. AREA 7**  
**Major Projects**  
**Golf Tournament**

**Location:** Stockton, California

**Date: September 18, 2015** (Tee Times: 8:00 am Men's/1:00 pm Women's Tournament)

**September 19, 2015** (Tee Times: 8:00 am Mixed Tournament)

**Golf:** At Elkhorn Country club      Blue: yards 6486, rating 71.6, slope 130  
    White: yards 6126, rating 70.2, slope 126  
**Cost:**    \$170 per golfer                      Gold: yards 5779, rating 68.7, slope 122  
    Red: yards 4657, rating 67.3, slope 120  
    \$60 per non-golfer

**Includes: 2 days;** Golf on Friday and Saturday with Green Fees, Range Balls, and Cart; Friday Night Dinner at the Stockton Elks Lodge and all course contests, Awards Banquet with \$10 drink tokens on Saturday; and Tournament Hat. (Shot-gun Start)

Tee prize for each golfer plus a chance at a **\$25,000 Car Hole-in-One Contest**

**COURSE CONTEST:**

**Mulligan:** (one front 9 and one back 9) No Mulligan's on hole-in-one contest holes!

**Closest to the Pin Contest:** on a par three

**Hole-in-One Contest:** on a par 3 wins \$25,000 car

**Longest Drive Contest:** on a par 5

**PLEASE PRINT NAMES:**

Golfer \_\_\_\_\_ Ghin# \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Golfer \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer \_\_\_\_\_ Ghin # \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Golfer \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer \_\_\_\_\_ Ghin # \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Golfer \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer \_\_\_\_\_ Ghin # \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Golfer \_\_\_\_\_

Golfers: _____ x \$170 = _____	<b>Mail Checks or Money</b>	<b>Master Card or Visa</b>
	<b>orders to:</b>	Card: _____
Non-golfer: _____ x \$60 = _____	<b>AREA 7 Golf</b>	Credit Card # _____
	<b>645 Charity Way</b>	Expiration: _____
Hotel Recommendations on back.	<b>Modesto, Ca. 95356</b>	CVV: _____

**Contact Info:**

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge \_\_\_\_\_

Your email address: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_



# LIMITED TO FIRST 144 PAID GOLFERS

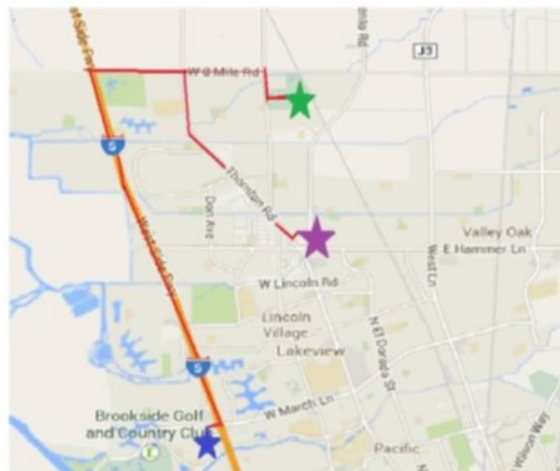
- Official play is on Friday and Saturday.
- Hotel accommodations can be arranged at the La Quinta Inn Stockton  
2710 West March Ln., Stockton, CA 95219.  
Cost vary from \$69 to \$99 a night. Call for reservations at 1-209-952-7800
- Other Options:  
Quality Inn Cost from \$65  
2717 W March Ln, Stockton, CA 95219 1-209-477-5576  
Extended Stay America Cost from \$71  
2844 W March Ln, Stockton, CA 95219 1-209-472-7588
- RV Parking:  
Stockton Elks Lodge: Call for reservations 1-209-951-5026  
Lodi Elks Lodge: Call for reservations 1-209-369-3291
- **Friday:** Golf at Elkhorn Country Club, 8:00 am Men's tee.
- **Friday:** Golf at Elkhorn Country Club, 1:00 pm Women's tee.
- All score cards should be returned to the Stockton Elks Lodge within one hour after completing play.  
8900 Thornton Road Stockton, Ca. 1-209-951-5026
- **Friday Dinner:** Dinner will be at the Stockton Elks Lodge
- **Saturday:** Golf at Elkhorn Country Club, 8 am tee. Mixed TBD.
- All score cards should be returned to the Stockton Elks Lodge within one hour after completing play.  
8900 Thornton Road Stockton, Ca. 1-209-951-5026
- **Saturday Dinner:** Awards Banquet at the Stockton Elks Lodge with BBQ Ribs.
- **Sunday:** Departure
- **Golf Dress Code:** Shirts with Collars – No Cut-Offs – Soft Spikes Required – No Exceptions
- **Banquet Dress:** Dressy Casual or Lodge Shirts

## Deadline for reservations is September 1, 2015

All entries must be postmarked prior to  
September 1, 2015 to be entered.

### Travel Times:

Hotels to Elkhorn Country Club	12 minutes
8.5 miles	
Elkhorn Country Club to Stockton Elks	5 minutes
2.1 miles	
Stockton Elks Lodge to hotels	9 minutes
4.7 miles	
Lodi Elks Lodge to Stockton Elks Lodge	18 minutes
10.3 miles	
Lodi Elks Lodge to Elkhorn Country Club	17 minutes
9.1 miles	



### Questions: Contact event sponsor

Gerry Gouveia, PER  
CHEA Vice Chairman Purple Pig  
g2gopher@hotmail.com  
925-822-3288



Proceeds of the event will be divided and donated to the California-Hawaii, Utah, Arizona and Nevada State Associations dependant on the number of players from that association.  
Sign-up today and help your association!



## *16<sup>TH</sup> Annual Mesquite ELKS Charity Open Golf Tournament*

Dates: June 8<sup>TH</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> 2015

Location: Mesquite, Nevada  
Conestoga Golf Club  
Oasis Golf Club – Canyons Course  
Shotgun Start at 6:30am both days

Players of all skill levels are invited to participate in the golf tournament

A portion of your entry fee helps fund ELKS State Major Projects within the region

Official play is on **Tuesday & Wednesday**. Practice round available on Monday (extra charge).

### HOTELS

Please make your own room reservations directly through the hotel. Please mention **Elk's Golf Tournament** to get the special rates. All rooms must be booked by May 7, 2015.

- **CASABLANCA HOTEL AND CASINO** - Room rate: \$44 plus tax and fees,  
Hotel address: 950 West Mesquite Blvd. Website [www.casablancaresort.com](http://www.casablancaresort.com)  
Phone 1-877-438-2929. Use code: 1MESECG when booking. RV Park also available.
- **HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS**: Room rate : Std. king/DbL. queen \$79 + tax Phone: 702-346-2200  
Web site [www.holidayinn.com](http://www.holidayinn.com)- address 1030 W. Pioneer Blvd
- **EUREKA HOTEL AND CASINO**: Room rate: \$65 including tax – reference “Elks Golf” - Web  
site: [www.eurekamesquite.com](http://www.eurekamesquite.com) - address 275 Mesa Blvd Phone: 702-346-4600
- **HIGHLAND ESTATES HOTEL** – Suite rates: studio starting at \$60 plus tax. Web site  
[www.highlandestateresort.com](http://www.highlandestateresort.com) address: 555 Highland Drive Phone: 702-888-8383



## AGENDA

- **MONDAY– June 8<sup>th</sup>- “Registration and Parings Party”** at the Mesquite Elks Lodge from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Lodge located at 545 Riverside Rd.
- **TUESDAY – June 9<sup>th</sup> - Golf** 6:30am at Conestoga Golf Club. **Luncheon** at Mesquite Elks Lodge from 11:30 am to 1 pm. (Cost included in entry fee). **Dinner** at the Mesquite Elks Lodge: 1<sup>st</sup> seating is 5:30 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> seating 7:00pm (Cost included in entry fee). Let us know at registration which seating you would prefer.
- **WEDNESDAY- June 10<sup>th</sup>· Golf** 6:30am at the Oasis Golf Club, the Canyons Course. **“Awards Luncheon Buffet”** at the Mesquite Elks Lodge starting at 12 noon. (Cost included in entry fee).
- **Entry Fee:** \$170 per player. Don't forget to include \$30.00 for a spouse or non-golfing companion and the \$50 if you choose to sponsor a hole. Fee includes green fees and cart, registration party, tee prizes, gift bags, Tuesday luncheon and dinner and Wednesday luncheon buffet.

**Format & Scoring:** 2 person teams. All players on the same course each day.

**Day 1:** Conestoga front nine is a shamble; back nine holes alternate shot. Gross scores will be used to determine the flights for the second day.

The number of flights will be determined by the number of participants.

**Day 2:** The Canyons front nine is a scramble; the back nine is individual lower gross.

Scoring for the second day is low gross for the two person team.

- **Awards:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place payouts per flight. Plaques presented to flight champions.
- **Mulligans:** \$20 Buy-in good for for one mulligan on the front and one on the back each day.
- **Paint sticks:** \$20 per stick which allows for a “gimmie” putt within the length of the stick once on each nine of each day.
- **DRESS CODE:** Shirts with collars, no denim, no cut-offs, soft spikes only.

ALL SCORE CARDS ARE TO BE TURNED IN AT THE ELKS LODGE WITHIN ONE HOUR AFTER FINISHING ON EACH DAY. Exchange cards in your foursome for scoring confirmation.

**Any Questions???** Contact Tournament Chairman Dennis Baylor at (845)321-2193 or Mesquite Elks Lodge at (702)345-2811

**Email:** [elksgolf281114@yahoo.com](mailto:elksgolf281114@yahoo.com)





Mesquite Elks Lodge  
16<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Open Golf Tournament  
Entry Form

June 8-10, 2015

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Player 1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Elks Member: Yes ☐ Lodge # \_\_\_\_\_ No ☐

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Player 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Elks Member: Yes ☐ Lodge # \_\_\_\_\_ No ☐

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Team Entry Fee - \$170 per Player

Non-Golfing Companion (Meals) - \$30 ☐

Lodge or Individual Hole Sponsorship - \$50 ☐

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

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Make checks or money orders payable to: Mesquite Elks Lodge 2811

Mail To: **Mesquite Elks Lodge 2811, 545 Riverside Dr., Mesquite, Nevada 89027**

Contact: Dennis Baylor, Golf Tournament Chairman: (845) 321-2193 or (702) 345-4507

Email: [elks golf281114@yahoo.com](mailto:elks golf281114@yahoo.com)