

CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS ASSOCIATION

2017

CONVENTION SCHEDULE PROGRAM



102nd ANNUAL CONVENTION

PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA
MAY 17 - 20, 2017

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TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2017

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.--Registration—*Westin, “Celebrity, Polo Room”*

3:00 p.m.--Pre-convention Meeting--*Westin, TBD*

Association President, Convention Committee, Executive Director and Convention Center Staff

REGISTRATION, CHEA OFFICE AND BLUE COAT PICKUP

OFFICE HOURS AND LOCATION

<i>Registration</i>	<i>CHEA Office</i>	<i>Blue Coat</i>
<i>Celebrity Building, Polo Room</i>	<i>Celebrity Building, Mission Hills Boardroom</i>	<i>Celebrity Building, Business Center & Meeting Planner Office</i>
Tuesday – 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.		
Wednesday – 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.	Wednesday – 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.	Wednesday – 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.
Thursday – 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.	Thursday – 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.	Thursday – 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
Friday – 7:00 a.m. until Noon	Friday – 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.	Friday – 7:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.--Registration
--*“Celebrity, Polo Room”*

9:30 a.m.--CHEMPI Board of Trustees Meeting, Ron Mizuno, Chairman
-- *“Ambassador Ballroom 1 & 2”*

10:30 a.m.--CHEA Board of Trustees Meeting, Jimmie Spezia, Chairman
--*“Ambassador Ballrooms 1 & 2”*

12:00 Noon to 4:30 p.m.--Ritual Practice, *Westin*
--Moore Division, *“Celebrity, Oasis Ballrooms 1, 2 & 3”*
--Grillo Division, *“Celebrity, Oasis Ballrooms 5, 6 & 7”*

12:15 p.m.--DDGER Designate Luncheon Meeting with PGERs Moore, Grillo and Brazier
--*“Ambassador Ballroom 1”*

1:00 p.m.--First Vice President's Meeting with Vice President Designates and CHEA Committee Chairmen
--*“Ambassador Ballroom 5”*

2:00 p.m.--Past Association President's Meeting
--*“Ambassador Ballroom 2”*

OPENING SESSION--VISITORS WELCOME --*“Celebrity Ballroom”*

7:30 p.m.--Musical Presentation by The Desert Choral

8:00 p.m.--Opening remarks, Association President Lance Erickson, presiding

Call to Order by Association President Lance Erickson

8:03 p.m.--Posting of Colors by Palm Springs Lodge Boy Scout Troop 262

8:05 p.m.--Pledge of Allegiance by Tommy Gee, CHEA Sergeant at Arms

8:06 p.m.--National Anthem

8:08 p.m.--Invocation by Jay Dupler, CHEA Chaplain

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017 (continued)

8:10 p.m.--Introductions by Association President Lance Erickson

1. Jim Casacchia, President, Arizona Elks Association
2. David Pressler, President, Nevada State Elks Association
3. Brian Lindsay, President, Utah Elks Association
4. CHEA Past Presidents, Spouses and Widows

8:15 p.m.--Introduction and Remarks by the Mayor of Cathedral City, Stan Henry by Barbara Knox

8:20 p.m.--Introduction of CHEA Sponsors by Association President Lance Erickson

8:25 p.m.--Introduction of Grand Exalted Ruler by Louis J. Grillo, Past Grand Exalted Ruler

8:30 p.m.--Brief message by Michael F. Zellen, Grand Exalted Ruler

8:35 p.m.--Announcements by Association President Lance Erickson

8:40 p.m.--**MEMORIAL SERVICE**--by Past Association President Donald D. Schultz

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017

7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.--Registration--*“Celebrity, Polo Room”*

7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.--Preliminary Ritual Contest--*Westin*
Moore Division, *“Celebrity, Oasis Ballrooms 1, 2 & 3”*
Grillo Division, *“Celebrity, Oasis Ballrooms 5, 6 & 7”*

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION--VISITORS WELCOME--*“Celebrity Ballroom”*

8:00 a.m.--Call to Order by Association President Lance Erickson

8:02 a.m.--Pledge of Allegiance by Lawrence DePaul, CHEA Assistant Sergeant at Arms
“God Bless America”

8:05 a.m.--Invocation by Jay Dupler, CHEA Chaplain

8:08 a.m.--Introduction of CHEA Officers and other guests by Association President Lance Erickson
(Each group escorted to stage and introduced by Association Sergeant at Arms, Assistant Sergeant at Arms, Tiler and Assistant Tiler)

Association Officers
Association Trustees
Major Project Trustees
Past Association Presidents
District Deputy Grand Exalted Rulers
Grand Lodge Committeemen
Grand Lodge Officers
Past Grand Exalted Rulers
Grand Exalted Ruler

8:30 a.m.--Introduction of CHEA Vice Presidents by Lance Erickson, Association President

BAY—Fred Guerrero
CENTRAL—John Hardman
EAST CENTRAL—Hollis Green
HAWAII—Keith Williams
INLAND—Craig Sutherland
METROPOLITAN—Ray Broussard

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017 (continued)

NORTH—Matt Goddard
NORTH CENTRAL—Bill Faubel
NORTHEAST—Vinny DeWitt
NORTHWEST—Sandy Gowan
ORANGE COAST—David Seeley
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY—Ben Ortega
SOUTH—Jim Meyers
SOUTH CENTRAL—Scott Ludwick
SOUTH CENTRAL COAST—Robert Pickett
SOUTH COAST—Glenn Montague
SOUTHEAST—Robert Farrens
WEST CENTRAL—Jim McCloskey
WEST CENTRAL COAST—Philip Daughton

8:40 a.m.--Credentials Report by Barbara Knox
8:43 a.m.--Association Treasurer's report by Dr. Ron Stillman, CHEA Treasurer
8:46 a.m.--Association Secretary's report by Frank Chicago, CHEA Secretary
8:49 a.m.--CHEA Board of Trustees report by Jimmie Spezia, Chairman
8:58 a.m.--Constitutional Amendments by Timothy C. Martin, PGELK, CHEA Executive Director
9:00 a.m.--National Veterans Service Awards, Kevin Correira, Chairman
9:10 a.m.--Bequest and Living Trust report by Robyn Sembenini, Chairman
9:18 a.m.--President's Achievement Awards, Greg Metzgus, Chairman
9:26 a.m.--Lodge Activities Presentation, Michael Mathers, Chairman
9:35 a.m.--Nomination and Election of 2017-2018 Officers
9:50 a.m.--Acceptance Speech by Chuck Nolan, Association President Elect
9:55 a.m.--Grand Lodge Committee Reports
 9:55 a.m.--Audit and Accounting by Ronald J. Celeste
 10:25 a.m.--Judiciary by Edward Johnson
 10:55 a.m.--Public Relations by Andy Costello
 11:05 a.m.--Announcement of CLMS2/Accounting/CHEA Secretary Seminar
11:25 a.m.--Benediction by Jay Dupler, CHEA Chaplain
 --Adjourn

LUNCHEONS

12:30 p.m.--First Lady's Luncheon Social Hour-- "*Ambassador Ballrooms 1, 2 3 & 4*"
1:00 p.m.--First Lady's Luncheon and Entertainment-- "*Ambassador Ballrooms 1, 2 3 & 4*"
1:00 p.m.--Secretaries, Trustees and Club Managers Luncheon-- "*Celebrity Ballroom D*"
 Conducted by CHEA Board of Trustees Chairman and Business Practices Chairman
1:00 p.m.--Exalted Rulers, Leading Knights, other Officers and Members Luncheon-- "*Celebrity Ballrooms E, F, G & H*"
 Conducted by Association President Elect Chuck Nolan. Topics: Grand Lodge Judiciary by Edward Johnson, Member,
 and Grand Lodge Audit and Accounting by Ronald J. Celeste, Member.
1:00 p.m.--DDGER, PDDGER and Lodge Advisors Luncheon-- "*Ambassador Ballrooms 5, 6 & 7*"

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017 *(continued)*

3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.--Grand Lodge Judiciary Available to Answer Questions-- "*Celebrity, Mirage B*"

3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.--Grand Lodge Audit & Accounting Member Available to Answer Questions--*TBD*

EVENING

Association President's Dinner (Association Blue Coat or Suit)

6:30 p.m.--No Host Cocktails-- "*Celebrity Ballroom*"

7:30 p.m.--Dinner-- "*Celebrity Ballroom*"

Introduction by Louis J. Grillo, Past Grand Exalted Ruler

Address by Grand Exalted Ruler, Michael F. Zellen

7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.--Ritual Contest Finals Practice--*Westin, Moore & Grillo Divisions, "Celebrity, Oasis Ballrooms 1-4"*

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2017

6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.--Major Project Piggy Bank ***Walk-A-Thon***-- "*Celebrity Foyer*"

7:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon--Registration-- "*Celebrity, Polo Room*"

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon--Ritual Contest Finals--*Westin, Moore & Grillo Divisions, "Celebrity Oasis Ballrooms 1-4"*

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION--VISITORS WELCOME-- "*Celebrity Ballroom*"

8:00 a.m.--Call to Order by Association President Lance Erickson

8:01 a.m.--Pledge of Allegiance by Tommy Gee, CHEA Sergeant at Arms
"America The Beautiful"

8:02 a.m.--Invocation by Jay Dupler, CHEA Chaplain

8:03 a.m.--Americanism by Robert Schrum, Americanism Chairman--Essay Readings and Awards

8:11 a.m.--Youth/Soccer Activities Committee, Debbie Hosted, Chairman

8:15 a.m.--Enrique Camarena Award by Brad Smith, Drug Awareness Chairman

8:24 a.m.--Resolutions by Tim Martin, PGELK, CHEA Executive Director

8:26 a.m.--Remarks by Jim Casacchia, President, Arizona Elks Association

8:29 a.m.--Remarks by David Pressler, President, Nevada State Elks Association

8:32 a.m.--Remarks by Brian Lindsay, President, Utah Elks Association

8:35 a.m.--Remarks by Past Grand Exalted Ruler, Area 7, Kenneth L. Moore

8:38 a.m.--Remarks by Past Grand Exalted Ruler, Area 7, Louis J. Grillo

8:41 a.m.--Remarks by Past Grand Exalted Ruler, Area 7, Thomas S. Brazier

8:45 a.m.--Pre Installation Rally

9:00 a.m.--10:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m.--Theme Child Photo Opportunity, "*Celebrity Foyer*"

9:00 a.m.--Installation of Officers by Floyd "Skip" Henke, Past Association President

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2017 (continued)

- 9:15 a.m.--Acknowledgment by Chuck Nolan, new Association President
- 9:25 a.m.--Presentation of blue coat to Chuck Nolan, new Association President
- 9:29 a.m.--Benediction by Jay Dupler, CHEA Chaplain
- 9:30 a.m.--Adjourn into seminar workshops
- 9:45 a.m.--Exalted Rulers, Leading Knights, other Officers and Members Workshop--*"Ambassador Ballroom 4"*
Conducted by New Association President and New Committee Chairmen for Membership, Lapsation, Lodge Activities, Public Relations, and Ritual Contest & Training
- 9:45 a.m.--Secretaries, Trustees, and Club Managers Workshop--*"Ambassador Ballrooms 1, 2 & 3"*
Conducted by CHEA Board of Trustees Chairman and Business Practices Chairman
- 12:15 p.m.--CHEA Board of Trustees, *"Ambassador Ballroom 5"*
CHEMPI Board of Trustees, *"Ambassador Ballroom 6"*
CHEA and CHEMPI Boards of Trustees joint meeting, *"Ambassador Ballroom 5"*
- 1:00 p.m.--Accounting Consultant/CLMS2 & CHEA Secretary Seminar--*TBD*
- 1:00 p.m.--Drug Awareness Seminar-- *"Celebrity Ballroom C"*
- 1:00 p.m.--Hoop Shoot Seminar--*TBD*
- 1:00 p.m. --Insurance and Safety --*TBD*
- 1:00 p.m.--Membership and Lapsation Seminar--*"Celebrity Ballroom B"*
- 1:00 p.m.--National Veterans Service Seminar--*"Celebrity, Oasis Ballroom 4"*
- 1:00 p.m.--Piggy Bank & Bequests & Living Trusts (BLT) Seminars by the CHEA Piggy Bank Chairman & Vice Chairman, and BLT Chairman and Vice Chairman-- *TBD*
- 3:00 p.m.--New President's Reception-- *"Ambassador Ballrooms 1, 2, 3 & 4"*

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2017

FINAL BUSINESS SESSION--VISITORS WELCOME--"Celebrity Ballroom"

- 8:00 a.m.--Call to Order by Lance Erickson, Association President
- 8:01 a.m.--Pledge of Allegiance by James Warrick, CHEA Tiler
"Proud To Be An American"
- 8:03 a.m.--Invocation by Jay Dupler, CHEA Chaplain
- 8:05 a.m.--Recognition and Presentation to Lance Erickson, Association 2016-2017 President
- 8:10 a.m.--Major Project report by Ron Mizuno, Chairman, CHEMPI Board of Trustees
- 8:20 a.m.--Presentation of Theme Child
- 8:45 a.m.--Piggy Bank report by Gerry Gouveia, Chairman
- 8:56 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.--***Exalted Ruler's Piggy Bank March***
- 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m./10:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m.--Theme Child Photo Opportunity- *"Celebrity Foyer"*
- 10:45 a.m.--Ritual Contest Report and Awards by John Lennon, Chairman
- 11:50 a.m.--Benediction by Jay Dupler, CHEA Chaplain
- 11:55 a.m.--Closing by Lance Erickson, Association President