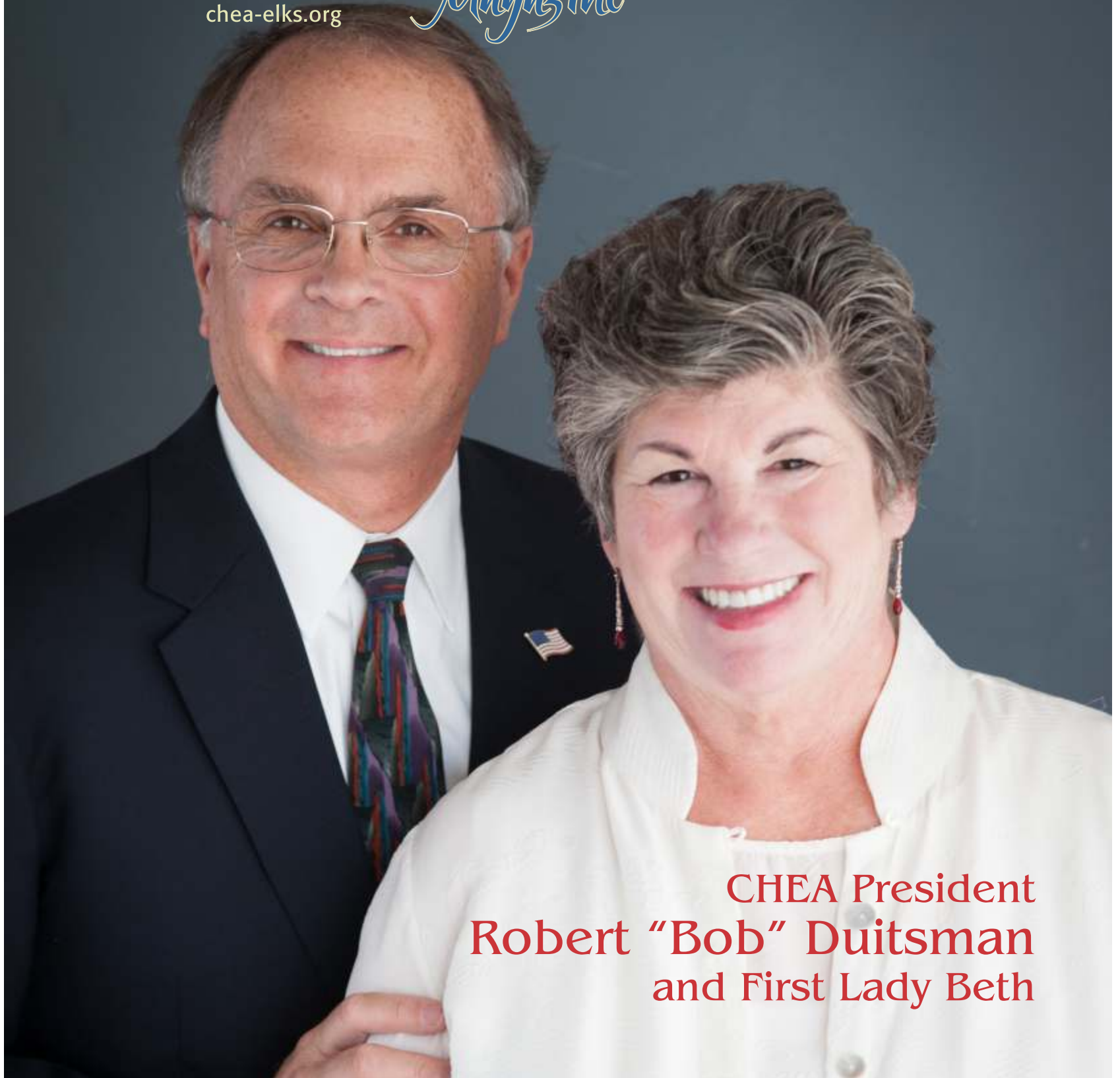




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CHEA President
Robert "Bob" Duitsman
and First Lady Beth

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Huntington Beach Lodge 1959 your 2018 California-Hawaii Elks Association Ritual Champions

Pictured (L to R) Jim Grillo, PGER, Peter Albini, Esquire, Jim Sellers, Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Dennis Fischgrabe, Esteemed Loyal Knight, Dave York, DDGER Designate, Rich Tanguy, Exalted Ruler, Malcolm McPherson, GER, Michael Nutto, Inner Guard, Victoria Rivera, Chaplain, Danny Williams, Esteemed Leading Knight, Helen Evans, Candidate, Tom Brazier, PGER



Redlands Lodge 583 held a Kentucky Derby Day event and raised \$1360 on behalf of a Redlands based non-profit horse therapy program, Equus Medendi, which benefits veterans suffering with PTSD. Redlands Lodge intends to respond to the charge of GER Malcolm McPherson, "Strengthening Elksdom through Community Awareness" and the overall Elks mission of Community and Veteran involvement by helping Equus Medendi achieve the goals of running its program daily.

Shown above is Lecturing Knight, Lisa Hubbell presenting the check to Equus Medendi's Founder, Angie Sheer.



Lake Almanor Lodge 2626 and Chester CA wish to thank CHEA Major Project for taking the time to have a Child Vision Screening day in Chester. Katie Mackay, Pediatric Vision Screener from the California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, traveled from Sacramento to visit three schools and tested 28 children for possible eye problems. Pictured above are Bryce Ruschhaupt, Inner Guard, and Katie Mackey, CHEA Vision Screener.



President's Message



Greetings and Aloooo-ha! Beth and I are thrilled to have been given the opportunity to serve as President and First Lady of our Association for the coming year. Thank you Chuck and Ginger for your year of service and leadership to CHEA; your efforts made us all the more successful this past year. Thank you both for your kind counsel as we prepared for the year.

The San Diego convention was another great time, filled with educational opportunities and social events surrounding the business sessions where decisions were made to guide our Association for the coming year. For any Elk with an interest in what CHEA is all about, you should make the effort to attend our next annual convention.

Our first-time convention General Chairman Glenn Montague and his committee deserve the sincere appreciation of all Elks for their dedicated service in making the convention a success. On his shoulders rested the responsibility for seeing that all aspects of the convention went off without problems, and they did it magnificently. Thank you Glenn!

So far we have had the special treat of attending the 75th Annual Santa Maria Rodeo, the fifth largest such event in the country. Through the hard work of so many Elks, their families and friends, and with the support of a legion of partners and sponsors, they have achieved great success raising funds to combat cancer and bring some joy into the lives of young people facing cancer challenges. Their efforts are examples of the best Elkdom has to offer, and Beth and I thank you for your hospitality and kindness.

My slogan for the year is *"Honoring the Past-Embracing the Future"*. Based in part on this being the 150th Anniversary of our Order, my hope is to renew awareness of the long-held commitment to our cardinal principles. We have so many wonderful social activities, but the glue that holds us together and makes us special is our continued adherence to those precepts.

Throughout the year I look forward to visiting our districts and hearing about the many successes being achieved, while also sharing some of my thoughts on how we can work together toward a brighter future.

Beth and I look forward to seeing friends and making new ones this year, as we travel the state sharing our vision of *"Honoring the Past – Embracing the Future"*.

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Robert Duitsman's
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San Antonio, Texas
July 13-15 • West Central Coast District
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August 17-19 • Northeast District
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Piggy Bank

Roy Stout • CHEA Purple Pig Chairman



All of you who attended the CHEA Convention in San Diego last month know what an outstanding convention it was. It was a particularly good convention for the Purple Pig. I had a lot of fun working the Purple Pig Booth for my first time. It was so nice to have everybody stop by, say hi, ask questions and buy prize tickets. We had ten great prizes donated by ten generous districts from around California and Hawaii. Thank you so much for helping to raise additional funds for the Purple Pig. Next year, I will be encouraging all nineteen districts to donate a prize item for the Purple Pig Booth at CHEA Convention in Fresno.

Of course, the Grand Finale at the Convention was the Exalted Ruler's Purple Pig March which ended with a grand total of more than \$3.5 million. This set a very nice goal for us to surpass this coming year.

As my Vice-Chair, Cora Woodard, and I move forward for this coming year, we would like to give a great big thank you to Gerry Gouveia and Bill Cook for the fabulous job that they have done over the last several years. Thanks for leaving the Purple Pig in such great condition, Cora and I know we have big shoes to fill and we will give it everything we've got. We wish Gerry and Bill the very best on their new assignments in Elldom.

I want to give a great big personal thank you to several of our fine helpers at the Booth in San Diego. Nancy Cook, Bill Woodard and Diane Pryor-Stout did an excellent job working the booth as Gerry, Bill, Cora and I were all called away to do other duties. We could not have done it without you.

I would like to extend a very special thank you to Lorene Munoz, who sold out of her "Care Bears" at our booth with the proceeds going to the Purple Pig. This just added to her already impressive \$10,000 raised selling "Care Bears" in Southern California.

Here are some other fabulous results from this last year:

Highest Lodges per Capita

• Richmond	\$89.35
• West Covina	\$84.28
• Yucaipa	\$81.48
• Fremont	\$81.41
• Lakewood	\$79.58

Highest Lodges in Dollars

• Honolulu	\$138,708.80
• Mission Viejo-Saddleback Valley	\$78,199.01
• West Covina	\$50,483.50
• Oceano-Five Cities	\$45,758.72
• Santa Maria	\$42,283.08

Highest District in Dollars

• Orange Coast	\$279,880.42
• West Central Coast	\$261,215.01
• Bay	\$194,123.88
• Hawaii	\$165,074.29
• West Central	\$143,244.92

Congratulations to all the members of those Lodges and Districts for making this year such a huge success. And thank you to all of our members, guests and friends who contribute each year to make this program such a success.

We are already receiving notices about great Purple Pig events that have been held and are being organized around California. Below are just a couple of them:

"Monthly Rib Night BBQ" – June 1st at **Salinas Lodge**, featuring an Occupational Therapist.

"Ladies Luncheon" - June 16th at **Alameda Lodge**, featuring a Pediatric Vision Screener.

"Therapist Dinner" – November 17th at **San Rafael Lodge**, featuring an Occupational Therapist.

We ask everyone, to please tell us about the events in their areas. We will do everything we can do to inform and encourage everyone to attend and participate in events held near where they live. Additionally, Cora and I are committed to attend as many of these functions as possible.

Feel free to contact Cora or myself at any time with questions or comments as we strive to feed the Purple Pigs "...so they can walk, talk, see and play."

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Elks National Foundation

By Janet Rasmussen • CHEA ENF Chairman



2017-2018 was a great year for our fraternal organization especially in the arena of Elks National Foundation (ENF) giving. As we are already several months into the new Elk year, I wanted to thank Bob Ostini, PDDGER, the outgoing CHEA National Foundation Chairman, for his past two years as chairman. He did an awesome job and set some records. He deserves our gratitude for a job well done!

So how is the Elks National Foundation Helping California-Hawaii? Each year the Elks National Foundation gives back more money to each state than it received from that state in donations. This money helps fund our state associations' major project and other charitable projects serving children with disabilities, the Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot, Drug Awareness, Scholarship and Veterans.

During the 2017-18 Lodge year, the Elks of California-Hawaii donated \$1,018,979.87 to the Elks National Foundation. This year, the Foundation will give back the following:

- State Charities: \$742,650
- Special Projects: \$558,830
- Bonus Grant: \$150,192
- Most Valuable Student: \$304,000
- Legacy Award: \$100,000
- National Veterans Service Commission: \$42,300

These funds will help support our state's Drug Awareness Program, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot and other educational programs. In addition, the hospitalized veterans will receive aid and comfort from these funds. The grand total received from ENF for 2017-2018 was \$1,898,700.00. That's a ratio of 1.863 for every dollar the Foundation received from California-Hawaii Elks last year. And this figure does not include the money Lodges will get back through the Community Investments Program.

The Elks National Foundation is the 'great heart of Elksdom' and it is only through your generous donations that the Foundation continues to thrive. We are so grateful to the members for their support year round. Every year we ask our members to continue in the giving spirit. An easy way to continue this effort is to sign up and participate in the ENF Fidelity Club. This is the recurring donation program in which the donation amount that you decide comes automatically from your debit card each month. The Fidelity Club asks for a minimum commitment of \$5.00 a month. Ask your Lodge ENF Chairman for an enrollment form.

Remember that ENF not only stands for the Elks National Foundation; it stands for what we as ELKS do all year; nurturing our charitable works be it the Hoop Shoot Program or local Lodge Purple Pig events. We, as Elks, are in the communities 'Honoring the Past—Embracing the Future'.

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Concord Lodge 1994 gave an Anniversary Grant of \$1,500 to a unique School, Holbrook Language Academy. The Academy is a 21st Century academic school with a goal to teach Kindergarten to speak both English and Spanish by the time they graduate from the 5th grade. Holbrook school had a Fifth Grade Science Camp that every child will be able to attend because of the Anniversary Grant.

Pictured above (L to R) Araina Hernandez, Language Coach, Lanai Cline, Elks Lecturing Knight, Marga Marshall, Principal, Fran Shockley, Elks Exalted Ruler, Barb Harper, Elks Public Relations Chairman, Carl Harper, Elks Public Relations Committee Member.



Lake Elsinore/Wildomar Lodge 2591 hosted a Special Bingo at the Lodge for "Relay For Life American Cancer Society." Over 95 players participated in the event organized by Cancer Chairperson Chrissy Rohlemeier. A grand total of \$5,020 was raised.



Monterey Lodge 1285 and the filming in Monterey of the Golden Globe and Emmy-winning HBO series, *BIG LITTLE LIES*, recently brought a lot of excitement and a lot of charity cash to the Monterey Lodge. Evolvement with the film crew is a big boost to our charity account which is intended to be used for ENF, the Purple Pig, many needy veterans, children and others in our community.

Public Relations

Jim Miller, PDDGER • CHEA Public Relations Chairman



I am always astonished at all the good works our Lodges do in our communities. Not only do our Local Lodges contribute an unbelievable amount of money to the Piggy Bank and ENF, we reach out to our communities and support our schools, local Veterans, homeless and countless other groups. The first thing I encourage is to apply for the grants that help make all these things possible. It doesn't stop there. We have to let our communities know how we positively impact them. This is where Public Relations comes in. It is essential that we promote our good deeds. This can be accomplished through Social Media, TV, Radio and Newspapers. We can also submit articles to our Local Chambers and other organizations.

We should be proud of our accomplishments and share them. No other fraternal organization can match our contributions. One great way to contact local media is utilizing the format on elks.org. There you will find the press release generator. Who ever came up with this is awesome. All you do is input the details of the event and the generator creates a press release that you can share with your local media for publication. It is fantastic. It is in a format that makes it easy to publish. Here is the link: www.elks.org/enf/mediabrochures/prgenerator.cfm?create Go have fun and experiment with it. I think you will agree it is a gold mine.

We have a big team to assist you that is led by Andy Costello. Feel free to contact your Lodge PR chairs, District Chairs or me with any questions. 2018 - 2019 is the Fraternal year we need to turn the corner on "Tooting our own Horn". Remember, everybody wants to be a part of a winning team. The proper Public Relations will inform our community with knowledge of our benevolence and make a positive impact on our membership.



Concord Lodge 1994 has been collecting much needed supplies for devastated Puerto Rico residents since their two hurricanes. The Lodge has been sending items such as diapers, batteries, baby food, etc. to **San Juan Lodge 972** in Puerto Rico monthly. Exalted Ruler Fran Shockley has been staying in touch with Angel de la Cruz, Secretary for San Juan Lodge 972. Angel said that living conditions in some areas are still difficult to describe. Pictured are Kim Madazo and Exalted Ruler Fran Shockley.



Orange Lodge 1475 held a Retired Orange Police Dog Dinner, Mike Duff is the chairman of the police dog fund since 2006 and has raised over \$26,000 to help purchase five police dogs. Amy Carr (shown above) is the chairman of the Police Dog Veterinarian Committee.

When a police dog retires, the officer has the opportunity to keep his partner but will assume all the financial responsibility for the dog including the veterinary bills of the dog. The members of the Lodge started and provided a fund to help cover these veterinary bills. Amy held a Mexican Dinner Night at the Lodge which raised over \$1,400 with the proceeds benefitting the retired police dogs.

Pictured is Officer Damon Allen and his partner Bosco. Bosco, a German Shepherd who is eight and a half years old, highly qualified in narcotics detection, protection of their partner and helping arrest the bad guys. This week Bosco was diagnosed with a severe medical condition and was euthanized. During his five years of service with the Orange PD, Bosco participated in more than 500 searches, was credited with 60 arrest assists, helped end many dramatic pursuits and assisted in recovering large amounts of illegal narcotics and currency.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Bosco's partner Officer Damon Allen. K9 Bosco, EOW (End of Watch) April 4 2018. RIP! Shown above (L-R) Damon, Bosco and Amy.



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Membership

Bob Svedeen • CHEA Membership Chairman



As your new CHEA Membership/Lapsation Chairman I want to acknowledge the outstanding achievements of all involved in continuing to increase our membership numbers and reduce our lapsation over the past two years. Working with past chair Michael Melton during this time has confirmed my belief that all Elks working together as a TEAM builds a strong membership.

The California-Hawaii Elks Association members have stayed strong these past two years in reversing the long downward trend in membership and it will be our goal to keep the numbers growing. Maintaining the momentum that had our Association standing out as a leader in recruitment and retention will take each Lodge Team making recruitment and retention their primary focus once again this year.

Membership is a common word heard in each Lodge. The word retention, however, is not as common. Retention goes hand-in-hand with membership and without the pairing, membership efforts will not reach the goals that we are striving for. Your effort at recruiting new members is not as successful if you fail to keep the members you already have. It is absolutely necessary that new members be involved in Lodge activities as soon as they are initiated. Retention starts at the application interview. The interests noted on the application and discussed at the interview represents our golden opportunity to quickly find a program in the Lodge for our new family member. Every member in the Lodge is responsible for membership retention. Make new members welcome and comfortable. Help them find activities they enjoy and introduce them to members with similar interests. Members who are active in the Lodge are members who will become long time members and your most active recruiters.

Our goal once again this year is to increase membership 10% and reduce lapsation to 2% or less. This is a very attainable goal but it requires the attention and involvement of all our Teams. By working together to achieve our goals we will continue to set the benchmark for other State Associations throughout the Order.

"Honoring the Past - Embracing the Future" is the slogan of our new Association President Robert Duitsman. Continuing to embrace new members into the fold supports the importance placed on our growth by our leaders. An active, vibrant and growing membership is the only way we can insure healthy Lodges and a strong Order.

To assist in the continued success of this program, this committee's Vice Chairman, Greg Peale, and I will be reaching out to the Teams throughout the state to support your efforts. If we can be of service to you don't hesitate to contact myself or Greg. We are here as a resource to you. By working together as a TEAM we can lead our Association to another successful year of membership gains.

Remember our motto:

*"We liked you, we will like your friends".
Share the Elks propose a new Member!*



Fullerton Lodge 1993 celebrated Special Child Devin in May. The Lodge has an active special needs children's program, hosting several young people with disabilities and their families during the year. Devin is four years old and was accompanied by his father, mother, brothers and several other family members. Devin was presented with an Exalted Ruler pin, Special Child pin, Special Child certificate, and a soccer ball. Gifts were also given to his parents, brothers and family. Devin's grandfather (Gene Shumski) is a long time member of the Lodge. From (L to R), Devin and his parents, Nyada Turner, Special Child Chairperson, Sandy Rees, Chaplain.



Vista Lodge 1968 hosted an all you can eat Spaghetti dinner to benefit the Royal Family Kids Camp of Temecula. Exalted Ruler James Leitholf was happy to report that 100% of the proceeds went directly to the Camp.

The Royal Family Kids Camp Temecula is a Camp specifically designed for children in the Foster Care System. Since 2006, they have been creating lasting positive memories for children who are or have been the victims of abuse. Over the past 11 years they have been able to impact well over 500 children.

Royal Family Kids Camp wishes for every Foster Child ages 12-16 to experience a life-changing Camp. There are 18 Royal Family Kids Camps located in Southern California alone, and will this year be able to impact over 1000 Children collectively.

Pictured above Camp Director Tina Stealy, Mara Baldavinos, Sandy Shelton, Camp Director Larry Stealy, Joe Simon, Sandi Simon, Carol Lethin, David Shelton, Jamie Curtis, and James Leitholf, Exalted Ruler.

National Veterans Service

Bob Bowers, PDDGER • CHEA NVS Chairman



At the 103rd State Convention of the California-Hawaii Elks Association, Earl Bouchard from Sunland/Tujunga Lodge 2098 received the award as the National Veterans Volunteer of the Year. He has dedicated over 30 years of service to our Veterans. He has served as the District Chair and the National Veterans Service Committee Representative at the Sepulveda Ambulatory Care Center. He has organized and provided work crews for the Annual Volunteer Award Luncheon, the Veterans Day Parade, the Breast Cancer Awareness Walk, and even Valentine's Day. These events have been attended by 250 to over 700 veterans, family and staff. His 4th of July picnic is attended by 300 to 400 individuals alone. He and his volunteers work tirelessly to ensure that every activity is a success and that the veterans knew they were appreciated and cared about. Earl always has time to talk to the veterans with encouragement and kindness and for these reasons the veterans always look forward to his and the volunteers visits.

Earl has worked to assist veterans in receiving grants for housing and also assisted them in getting furniture and household needs through "Welcome Home Grants". At his Lodge he has had visitations, dinners and activities for our veterans. He and his Lodge make a special effort at Thanksgiving to provide a delicious meal and entertainment for all those who attend. Earl exemplifies our motto "So Long as there are Veterans the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them".

I was just informed by Grand Lodge that at the Grand Lodge Convention in San Antonio, Earl will be presented with the National Veterans Volunteer of the Year award for his continuing and unwavering service to Veterans.



Gilroy Lodge 1567, in keeping with the concept and philosophy behind the California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, the Lodge awarded a scholarship at the local community college specifically for a student who is pursuing a major in the field of Occupational Therapy. Pictured above (L to R) Mitch Marinovich P.E.R., Scholarship Winner Omar Manzano, and Lodge Scholarship Chairman Sam Bozzo



Roseville Lodge 2248 used Anniversary and Gratitude Grants to sponsor the dental services at the annual Placer Veterans Stand Down in Roseville, CA in May. Stand Down provides services to veterans and their families. Services provided included meals, overnight accommodations, haircuts, showers, medical, dental, vision, hearing, pet services and legal assistance. Roseville Elks also used a Beacon Grant to provide new clothing and toiletries. Pictured are Ed and Elisa Ungerman, Elli and Gary Platz, Marcia Ledoux, Mike Dreiling, Mary Bacho and Judy Grayson.



Nevada City Lodge 518 donated \$3,000 to the Nevada County All Veteran Stand Down to help with the work they do for our local Veterans. This donation will make the mission of the NCAVSD possible in assisting Veterans in need.

Pictured is the presentation of the donation made to William Buck, Veteran and President of the NCAVSD (center), by Bob and Dorothy Rhodes, Veteran Services Committee.



Indio Lodge 1643 - Retired ABC Agent and LEAD Instructor Dana Saladen instructs the second LEAD Training (Licensee Education on Alcohol and Drugs) for South District Leadership, Lodge Members, attendees from other Fraternal Organizations and the public. Indio Elks Lodge has agreed to provide the ABC at the facility quarterly for this important training. The next training is scheduled for September 29th at 11AM.

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Drug Awareness Program

Brad Smith, PDDGER • Retiring CHEA-DAP Chairman



It has been my honor to have served two years as Vice Chair and two years as Chairman of the Drug Awareness Program for the Great States of California and Hawaii. The Drug Awareness program is dear to my heart and essential to today's society. The current opioid crisis that our nation faces has as its root cause a lack of information. Our society, especially the young, has been making choices without enough information. The Drug Awareness Program or DAP provides that information in an honest and straight forward manner. The DAP is to me, the most important program that Elksdom provides the citizens of this great country. This program is the largest of its kind in America, and it is working. I see that when I talk with the young and the young at heart.

I had several goals during my tenure. First, was to have all Districts and their Lodges actively participate in the program. In this I have failed; however, I can say that there were more poster, essay and video contestants this year than last. I can say that there were more Enrique Camarena nominees this year than last. The program is growing. I want to thank all of the District Chairs for their efforts in encouraging their Lodges to participate. Those Lodges that are participating are doing a great job in their communities. I wish I had the opportunity to thank each and every DAP Chair. I urge those that haven't been participating to do so.

My second goal was to put out information that was relevant to the current substance abuse issues we have in these United States. That I have done. The articles in the CHEA ELKS magazine, the training seminars provided by myself and others, and the printed literature, have all been relevant information well received by all who listen or read. They number in the thousands. The comments I received through my granddaughters after listening to Ray Lozano in Auburn, California went something like; wow, he really knows what he's talking about. The reviewing of the poster, essay and video entries lets me know our program is relevant and well received by not only the adults, but also by the young. The comments I receive from those who have read the articles are very positive.

I would like to announce the winners of the various contests. Please understand that there is only enough room to write the first, second and third, but many more participated, and received awards for doing so. The Essay Contest was my favorite: Levi M. of Temecula was first and awarded \$500. Sophia L. of San Diego was second with \$400, and Kimberly L. of Roseville was third at \$300. The Poster Contest was also very good: Alexander L. of Roseville was first and awarded \$500. Amelia M. of Fremont was second at \$400, and Emma G. of Riverside was third at \$300. The Video Contest, which CHEA won last year, was outstanding: There were three categories this year for the Video Contest: Canyon High School of Anaheim received \$500. Mira Mesa High School of San Diego received \$400 and Arlington High School of Riverside received \$300. Hoover Middle School of Merced received \$500. Cerro V. of Santa Ana received \$400, and Nicholas C. of Mentone received \$300. I gave a special award of \$500 to Monte Vista Elementary of El Monte.

The new CHEA-DAP Chair is Diane Farrens from Temecula Valley Lodge. Diane is a PDDGER, and has been my vice chair these past two years. I know she will do a great job.



Roseville Lodge 2248 honored the winners of the Lodge's Drug Awareness/Prevention Contest. Students were asked to create a poster and/or write an essay based on the theme "Drugs Take Away..." Alex L., who attends one of the schools in the Roseville City School District, won the poster contest and received a certificate and \$300. Kimberly L., also from Roseville City School District, won the essay contest and received a certificate and \$500. Alex and Kimberly won at both the District and State levels. Pictured are Exalted Ruler John Vertido, Alex, Kimberly, and DAP Chairperson, Laura Menz.



San Rafael Lodge 1108 honored local Enrique S. Camarena Award nominee Bruce E. Goldberg, Special Agent, DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency) Retired, at a special ceremony and dinner. Until his recent retirement, he was Assistant DEA Special Agent in charge of the San Francisco Field Office, served as Special Agent on assignments in the U.S. and eight years as Asst. Regional Director in South American Countries.

Bruce remains active within the schools and community, leading efforts in drug abuse prevention, including opioids. He has been a founding member of Rx Safe Marin since 2014, and Mill Valley Aware since 2015. He has also been working with youth as a high school football coach and athletic director.

Shown above, Bruce Goldberg and Lynn Fox, DAC Co-Chair

Drug Awareness Program

Diane Farrens, PDDGER • CHEA-DAP Chairman



Thank you to everyone who stopped by the Drug Awareness Booth or attended the Drug Awareness Workshop at the CHEA Convention in San Diego in May. Thank you to those Elks and spouses who helped with the "Elks Quiz Show" Demonstration that we held at the workshop. I also want to thank Brad Smith (Past CHEA-DAP Chairman) for his help and guidance the past two years. We will miss him, but he assured us, he is always available to share his knowledge. I want to welcome David Provan, who is the new Vice Chairman for Drug Awareness.

If you want to learn more about the Elks Drug Quiz Show, go to the website at www.elksdrugquizshow.com. It has a video of a quiz show, information on how to put on a quiz show and you can request questions for your quiz show. In order to view all the information about the Elks Drug Quiz Show, you will need to register. There is no cost to register and once you have been verified, you will receive an email letting you know you have been approved to enter the website.

If you stopped by our booth during the convention, you probably noticed our lemonade stand. Thank you to those who made a donation to "Alex's Lemonade Stand." The Elks National Drug Awareness Program (the largest drug education and awareness program in the United States) has a partnership with Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation. Annually Elks Lodges across the country organize events during Red Ribbon Week and ask each of the Lodges in the United States to hold a Lemonade Stand at their Lodge or in their community during Red Ribbon Week. Kent Gade, Director of the Elks National Drug Awareness Program commented, "This is a great example of Elks helping another organization with values similar to ours – the Elks are known for providing service and support to those in need." Jay Scott, father of Alexandra "Alex" Scott – who created the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation said it is making a difference in the lives of children living with childhood cancer worldwide.

Alex's mission was to find cures for all children battling cancer. When she was 4 years old, she held her first childhood cancer fundraiser in her first year and raised over \$2000. By the time of her death in 2004 at 8 years old, Alex had raised \$1 million and inspired a legacy of hope and cures for childhood cancer. Alex's family – including brothers Patrick, Eddie and Joey – and supporters around the world are committed to continuing her inspiring legacy through Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation.

To set up a stand – visit www.alexslimonade.org to learn how. After your fundraiser is over, you will send in your donations (by writing a check or money order equal to all the cash donations and) send it to: Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation; 111 Presidential Blvd., Suite 201; Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004.

Watch the Drug Awareness section on chea-elks.org. As I get updated information, I will be changing the forms for Drug Awareness.

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Chico Lodge 423 Lady Elks April Luncheon, celebrated four outstanding women, not only for their dedication to our Lodge and many Elks Charities, but for their patronage and long lives. These four women have celebrated their birthdays in the month of April. A celebration indeed. Celebrating between the fine young ages of 95-100 years old. Pictured (L to R), Hazel Mello, Virginia Goodrich, our President, Lora Lewis, Mimi Moser and Ellie Wilson. Happy Birthday to our golden Chico Elks Ladies!



Santa Barbara Lodge 613 held their annual Youth Appreciation Awards Ceremony and Dinner for local students. Twelve students received recognition for their accomplishments during the past school year. Those celebrated were winners of the local Hoop-Shoot competition, Americanism Awards, Scholarship Awards, and the Drug Awareness Program. Awards totaled \$6700 were given to the winners and two schools' PTAs.

Pictured above are the Scholarship Winners: L to R: Ray Duarte, Leading Knight, Tahis A., Emily F., Emilee E., Clair G., Amanda R., and Sally Mott, ER.

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Santa Clarita Lodge 2379, for the 21st year, joined the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Brownies, Explorer Scouts and Young Marines in placing nearly 6,000 American flags at Eternal Valley Memorial Park on the graves of our nations Veterans. Following the placing of the flags, 1,100 scouts, scout leaders, and parents were treated by the Lodges BBQ Team to hot dogs, chips, cookies and drinks and handed Elks Drug Awareness literature along with soccer balls and footballs to the lucky random winners.



Santa Monica Lodge 906 marked its 80th Anniversary of the remembrance of Memorial Day at Woodlawn Cemetery. The Members, their children, along with help from local citizens and the Girl Scouts placed American and Elk flags on all Elk graves. Pictured are Tristan and Catherine, children of Member Bonnie Baldwin, who helped placing flags on the graves.

In other news, the Elks of Santa Monica donated \$3500 to sponsor the Boys and Girls Club Buddy Basketball. The Elks also donated \$1000 to Santa Monica High School for Grad Night. With the help of the Anniversary Grant the Lodge donated \$1500 to the Santa Monica Breakfast Club. The Breakfast Club helps local children with dental services.



Mission Viejo, Saddleback Valley Elks Lodge 2444, had nine cooking teams compete for medals and bragging rights in the Lodge's annual Chili Cook-Off. The Orange County Fire Authority Firefighters and Paramedics of Station 24 had time between calls to make their special stop at the Lodge to judge the waiting chili entries. The well attended annual event for members and guests was again a big success and raised \$2200 for Elks Charities.



Fresno Lodge 439 Exalted Ruler Jack Geiger, left, accepts a Certificate of Recognition for the Lodge's support of the Veterans Administration California Healthcare System from Vicky Carswell, Director of Voluntary Service and Mary Golden, Volunteer Coordinator during a veteran and student recognition dinner and video premiere held at the Lodge May 30th. With an annual ENF Gratitude Grant, the Lodge conducts a 4-week hands-on project where Pershing Continuation High School students interview Veterans while videotaped and the completed videos are presented to Fresno's Legion of Valor Museum for placement in their permanent archive.

Oxnard Lodge 1443, on Memorial Day placed 50 flags around Plaza Park and the War Memorial contained therein in the city of Oxnard. Oxnard Elks are proud to honor and remind others of the sacrifices our brave soldiers made for our nation.

Pictured (L to R) Trustee Steve Gutierrez-Johnson, Inner Guard Thomas Escobar, Leading Knight Jake Sapien, ER Jon Greenwald, PER, and Esquire Jess Gonzales, PER.

Hoop Shoot

Mike Rittenhouse • CHEA Hoop Shoot Chairman



The Elks Hoop Shoot program provides Lodges with a great opportunity to connect with their communities and serve youth in a meaningful way. To be successful, the program requires planning, organization and volunteer effort.

The Elks Hoop Shoot program has deep roots in service. Throughout all levels of competition our Hoop Shoot Directors are volunteers and role models to the contestants. Our Hoop Shoot Directors and other Hoop Shoot volunteers provide a great example of the impact a volunteer can have in their community, a lesson that is very important for our contestants to learn.

The Elks Hoop Shoot program provides a character-building, competitive experience for all contestants. Contestants learn about the importance of respect and good sportsmanship. Through each level of competition, contestants support one another and learn to win or accept defeat gracefully. The California-Hawaii Elks Association has had great success with their free throw champions competing and winning in the West Region 7 finals and have done very well in the National Finals now held each year during the month of April in Chicago, Illinois.

The California-Hawaii Elks Association has had great success with Lodge participation throughout each District in California and Hawaii in recent years. However, we all should strive to have 100% participation. Increased attention and assistance should be given to EVERY Lodge to conduct a contest this year. The children of our communities need to be given the opportunity to participate in this high profile event and experience one of the best programs in Elksdom!



Elk Grove Lodge 2577 had a very successful Americanism Essay Contest, with a theme of, "Why are Veterans American's Hero's". From the Arlene Hein Elementary School we had five children win awards in Division 1. This is our Lodge's best showing and many thanks goes to our Americanism Chairman Evelyn Poppa McKenna. Pictured (L to R); back row Evelyn Poppa McKenna, Diannia Morrison, Teacher Tom Atkin, Principal Lynne Mayer. Front row, are the five Division 1 award winners, Danato C., Ethan H., Christopher M., Young H., and Matthew Y.

In other news the Lodge participated in the Elk Grove Memorial Day Ceremony. The Ceremony was held at the Elk Grove Cemetery and was followed with a "Walk for Veterans" to the Elk Grove Park. At the park a BBQ was provided for more than 200 Veterans families by the Elk Grove Elks.



Walnut Creek Lodge 1811 collected 150 pairs of lightly used shoes which were given to the Contra Costa County Independent Skills Learning Program (ISLP) in Martinez. Pictured above (L to R) Don Graves, ISLP Coordinator, Mike Rittenhouse, CHEA Hoop Shoot Chairman, Nicholas Rocha, ISLP Specialist, Pat Ensley, ISLP Specialist, Greg Hunter, PER, Dave Larson, EOY and Bill Todd, Lodge Inner Guard.



Sunnyvale Lodge 2128 donated \$5,000 to the "Our Kids, Our Community". The project was sponsored by the Sunnyvale School District, which provides school lunches for needy students throughout the school year. Last year 23,986 meals were served to the 8 elementary and 2 middle schools in the district. The total donations collected this year was \$30,271. Pictured above (L to R) ER Jeff Sanchez, Alia Wilson from SSD, and PDDGER Steve Gollob.



Newport Harbor Lodge 1767 hosted its annual Youth Night. With over 150 children and adults in attendance over \$50,000 was awarded to outstanding youth and other charitable organizations for their good works.

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Rene Ornelas	218	David Sos	423	Laurie Ervin	652	Marian Nathan (10)	1073
Nancy Snyder	218	Jerry Southam	423	Barry Jacobsen (2)	652	Judy Osgood	1073
Nancy Steinberg	218	Richard Stewart	423	Pat Myers	652	Mary Payne	1073
Paul Stolberg	218	Arthur Thomas	423	Jim Olson	652	Isabella Petersen	1073
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Kent Addison	423	Bob Van	423	Madeleine Stagnoli	652	Mike Scott	1073
Robert "Rob" Anderson	423	Ella Ryan Vanella	423	Jeani Vallee (2)	652	John Sharrah	1073
Michael Arens	423	Erik Voegesang (3)	423	Marty Van Zandt	652	James Stephens	1073
Joseph Bartlett	423	Mac Wagner	423	Katherine Ziemer (3)	652	Gary Stucki	1073
Teresa Basham	423	John Warwick	423	Al Lasko	672	Ron Vandervolgen	1073
Frank Blizman	423	David Westphal	423	Paul Peru	672	Charles Wadowski	1073
Ross Bradford	423	Richard Wilbur	423	Mike Reid	783	Chris Westberg	1073
Kurtis "Kurt" Carman	423	Gary Combes	518	Robert Estep (2)	794	Ed Will	1073
Gary Chase	423	Elsie Durgin	518	Kevin Finn	794	Deborah Lazzarini	1108
Chico Elks Bridge Club	423	Bryce Lee	518	Marlem Mason	794	Jennifer O'Mara	1108
Chico Elks Ladies	423	Oliver Long	518	Joy Thomas	794	Susan Albertoni	1240
Chico Elks R.V. Club	423	Jessica Post	518	Gino Hernandez (2)	824	Fred Arzamendi	1240
Tom Dauterman	423	Bob Rhodes	518	Ian MacKenzie	824	Joe Baird	1240
Ken Dickson	423	Richard Singleton	518	Don Mungai (2)	824	John Cale	1240
David Fleming	423	Robert Coonrod	583	George Bohn	836	Stan Callan	1240
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Stanley Fortier	423	Nancy Barnes	613	John Dewey Buezis	888	Joe Corvello	1240
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Tracy Howard	423	Vern Horton (2)	614	Daniel Foster	1015	Bill Kline	1240
Richard Hughes	423	Robert House	614	Trudy La Flamme (3)	1015	Mark Lewis	1240
Howard Isom	423	Stephen Jensen	614	John Lathbury	1015	Karen Macedo	1240
Tony Jewett	423	Jim Lewis	614	Cathleen Myers	1015	Charles "Chuck" Meyer	1240
Joe Koshak (2)	423	Loyd Mayer	614	Patricia Osborne (2)	1015	Mike Pellicano	1240
Brandi Laffins	423	Donald Nielsen	614	Chris dos Remedios	1015	Gene Pimentel	1240
Samantha Lewis	423	Matthew Nielsen	614	Elizabeth dos Remedios	1015	Bill Walker (2)	1240

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James "Jim" Cowen (2)	1251	Sidney Kindig	1608	Fred Costa	1968	Frank Vanacore	2248
Sandi Caldera	1259	Edward Kulik	1608	N. Kety	1968	Ed VanPatten	2248
Tito Caldera	1259	John Wilson	1608	James Leitholf	1968	Deana Daly	2314
John Fowler	1259	Kenton Bell	1613	Don Loeschner	1968	Christine Rehberg	2333
Renay Mobert (4)	1259	Kim Bell-Davis (2)	1613	Douglas Caldwell	1991	Jimmy Hancock	2347
Dave Nikels	1259	Johnny Bonilla	1613	Ross & Jennifer Graves (2)	1991	Steven Banta	2364
Clay Bunte	1282	Terry Cope	1613	Melvin Horn	1991	Henry Donatoni	2364
Brandon Clark	1282	Ralph Garcia	1613	James Johnson (7)	1991	Glen Lynch	2364
Donald Crumpton	1282	Hollis Green	1613	Anthony Price (4)	1991	Leslie Toth	2364
Charles Gibson	1282	Hayley Hill	1613	Jerrold Redford	1991	Roy Carozza	2389
Harold Hackett	1282	Richard Hill	1613	Mariann Aita	1993	Steve & Dianne Copelan (2)	2389
Gilbert Jasso (2)	1282	Sheri Leighton	1613	Don Andrews	1993	Lorene Munoz (3)	2389
Sharon Jorgensen	1282	Ed Magyar	1613	Ray Bowsher	1993	Charlee Skaggs	2389
Peggy Massey	1282	Tammy Nebelung	1613	David Coffin	1993	Bobby Yoast (2)	2389
Louise McCoskey	1282	George Pryor	1613	Michael Crow	1993	Donald Firkins	2426
Charles McIntyre	1282	Vince Tanner	1613	Ai Hua Fan	1993	Pat Lough	2426
Robert McManus	1282	Tom Trumbly	1613	Richard Frauenzimmer	1993	Joan Mitchell	2426
Craig Persons	1282	Dino Uribe	1613	Ismael Gomez	1993	Ellen Vieira	2432
Chris Rector	1282	Sharon Kinsey	1625	Richard Green (5)	1993	Helen "Cookie" Akesson	2444
Gary Rector	1282	Bob Evans	1643	H. Joann Haugen	1993	Barbara King	2444
James Rector	1282	Ronald Hinman	1643	David Lawhorn	1993	Kathleen Krieger	2444
Laurie Rector	1282	James Miller	1643	Martin McAllister	1993	Gloria LeCouvre	2444
Sylvia Reinitz	1282	Michelle Solvin	1643	Peter Murrieta (2)	1993	Dennis Lumley	2444
Samuel Ryno	1282	Mike Baxter	1689	Susie Myers (6)	1993	Susan Murray	2444
Allan Walker	1282	Crescent City Emblem Club	1689	Jerry Norton (3)	1993	Randall Smith	2444
William Welch	1282	E Clampus Vitus Umpqua	1689	Sandy Rees (2)	1993	Steve Finnerty	2477
Mary Ann Wood	1282	Joe Chap	1689	Mary Schmidtgal (2)	1993	Peter Gordon	2477
Rick Barnes (3)	1289	Linda Ging	1689	John Skehan	1993	Brenda Hagen	2477
Bart Bowers	1289	Matt Kime	1691	Mike Spratt (6)	1993	Steve Kammerer	2477
Greg Brittner (6)	1289	Anna Anderson	1691	Scott Stephens (5)	1993	Eugene Letourneau	2477
Joe Callian	1289	Dianna Campbell (2)	1691	Adam Vartanian	1993	Rich Lucariello	2477
Walter Colburn	1289	Tom Eastman	1691	Ethan Vartanian	1993	David Naccarato (2)	2477
Sterrett Harper (2)	1289	Yvonne Edwards	1691	Mary Lou Hunter	2020	Pam Price	2477
Linn Hoadley (2)	1289	Bob Espinosa	1691	John Jewart	2026	Paul Radomski	2477
David Kakita	1289	Leonard Ferretti	1691	Francis Rolfson	2026	Don Skinner	2477
Karl La Masa, Jr. (2)	1289	Rex Gouldthread	1691	Walter Grabe	2027	Bill Smail (5)	2477
Robert Lee (4)	1289	Wayne Helley	1691	Michael Molloy	2027	Earl Boyd	2484
Stephen Licker	1289	Gene Henggeler	1691	Robert Ventroni (2)	2027	Lydia Brotherton	2484
Lawrence Morrison	1289	Roy Kleger	1691	Angela Barth	2031	Robert Brotherton	2484
Ramon Navarro	1289	Jack Meylink	1691	George Briggs (2)	2031	Robert "Bob" Burns, Sr.	2484
Eugene "Gene" Premier (2)	1289	Anna Miller (6)	1691	Donald "Don" Dreisbach	2031	Nadine Chianese (2)	2484
Anthony Santillo (2)	1289	David Provan	1691	Derrol Hammer (5)	2031	Louis "Lou" Dulay, Sr. (2)	2484
Bill Schad (3)	1289	Richard Robart (2)	1691	Rick Hanson	2031	Joseph Gleason	2484
Don Vincent	1289	William Roe (2)	1691	Ronald "Ron" Hedberg	2031	Peter "Pete" Hall (2)	2484
James Garvin	1298	Rick Sutherland	1691	George Hickman	2031	Richard Herlache	2484
Ron Neve	1298	Linda Talso	1691	Jerry Nicolaisen	2031	Steele Houx	2484
Jasper Parlier	1298	Wilfred Thomas (4)	1691	Richard Stephenson	2031	Ronald "Ron" Howell	2484
Barney Pounds (4)	1298	Jesse Thompson	1691	Les Arneson	2050	John Mayhew, Sr.	2484
Butch Ruddy	1298	Dennis VanDelsen	1691	Joann Duray	2050	Gary McCoy	2484
Jim Backer	1419	Larry Yungblut	1786	James Gunter	2059	Tanuray McCoy	2484
Jerry Bogaczyk	1419	Robert Rist	1787	George Hodgkinson (2)	2059	John Pratt	2484
Bob Casaletti	1419	Jack Lower	1811	Alexa Rogers	2059	Rob Fischer	2510
Ellen Gadegaard	1419	Kent Jones	1811	Jacque Reimer	2103	Julie Greco	2510
Ulysses "Butch" Johnson	1419	Russell Kesler	1811	James "Jim" Sekelsky (2)	2103	Curtis Pyeatt	2510
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Sherry Barreiro (5)	1436	Lupe Vallejo	1812	D. Robert Bemis	2128	Marti Fredericks	2599
Brenda Bernal	1436	Robert VanRyzin	1900	Frank "Rocky" Graziani	2128	Back Country Horseman (2)	2599
Frank Bonura	1436	Glenn Hinsz	1900	Teresa Kossayan	2128	Bev Reed	2599
Tori Charvez	1436	Hal Laney	1900	Elizabeth Lopez-Aguado	2128	Jack Reed	2599
Paul Hesse	1436	Jim Norton	1900	Janet Meixsell	2128	Kim Riehl	2599
Clyde Homen	1436	Mike Patterson	1900	David Morman	2128	Julian Manelli (2)	2616
John Johnson	1436	Russ Wold	1913	David Nieto	2128	Roger Gellings	2638
Karen Mauro	1436	Barry Douglas	1913	Richard Smith	2128	Carlina Orr	2646
Gerald Pingree	1436	James "Jim" Hayes	1913	Vernon Smith	2128	Charles Orr	2646
Max Sweet	1436	Bruce Ludeman	1913	Leila Pendergast (2)	2134	Marilyn Pfeifer	2646
Walter Thomas (3)	1436	Dr. D.A. Odsen	1959	Gene Wallis	2190	Ray Pfeifer	2646
Monte Thompson	1436	Daryl Beck	1959	Nancy Andress	2230	Sadie Velci	2646
Keith Fraser (2)	1475	Ron Earnest	1959	Mark McCabe	2230	Herta Wenz	2646
Joseph LeFever	1475	Sandra Garcia	1959	Robert "Bob" Reynolds	2230	Dale Willett	2646
Edward Robles	1475	Richard Goetjen (2)	1959	Michael Scarfone	2230	Lee Adelsbach	2724
Michael Williams	1475	Richard "Dick" Grantner	1959	Sheri St. Germain	2230	Scott Adelsbach	2724
John Coyle	1497	Huntington Beach PER Association (3)	1959	Donald Amsbaugh (2)	2243	Anne Despol	2724
Mike Davis	1497	Ane Miller	1959	Betty Byrd	2243	Chris Despol	2724
Edna Lamberson	1497	Dave Miller	1959	Robert Doss	2243	Dennis Huff	2724
Howard Rothenbach (3)	1497	John Nielsen	1959	Monty Jones	2243	Dale Obermolte	2724
Jim Torres	1497	Don Pool	1959	Larry Marquand	2243	Harold Schulze	2724
Carolina Tse	1497	Erlinda Puig (2)	1959	Lolita Noga	2243	Dale Webb	2724
Bob Warren	1497	Sandy Samples	1959	Eleanor Southwell	2243	Tom Wheeler	2724
James Miller	1538	Don Schmidt (2)	1959	Renee Southwell (2)	2243	Kaye Bruns	2733
Greg Koester (2)	1561	Bob Scopel (8)	1959	Marilyn Taranto	2243	Larry Bryant	2733
Sandy Koester (2)	1561	SOB Camping Club	1959	Steven Dale	2248	Randy Korsgaard	2733
H. Eugene Chambers	1608	Bill Todd	1959	Sergay Ivazian	2248	Kerry Spinks (2)	2733
Ralph George	1608	James Tone (3)	1959	Joel Neves	2248		

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Judi Traci	6	Frank Gutierrez	1250	Stacy Mackey	1812	John Hardman	2031
Michael Bradshaw	168	Robert Ostini	1251	Rose Johnson	1877	Steve Thatcher	2031
Max Burnett	168	Mark Porter	1251	Donald D. Schultz	1877	David Dickey	2046
L. Butch DePaul	168	Jan Lee	1298	Lance Hudson	1917	Sean Williams	2050
Lynn DePaul	168	Melanie McKimmons	1298	C. Michael Melton	1917	Kimberley Collins	2091
Kimberly Dotseth	168	Karen Buchanan	1378	Kathy Row	1918	Brian Rogers	2091
Donal Frigerio	168	James Ferris	1378	James G. Anderson	1952	Jere M. Williams	2091
Florence "Flo" Gandolfi	168	Jackie Orovecz	1427	Randall N. Eldridge	1952	Earl T. Bouchard, PDD	2098
Kathleen Kutler	168	Jennifer Rentschler	1427	Rudolph "Rudy" Kominek	1952	Janice L. Brown	2117
Gary Marinelli	168	Shelly Gonzales	1443	Karen Lewin	1952	Ian Lanouette	2121
Mary Ann Marinelli	168	Robert Bagwell	1474	William "Bill" O'Hearn	1952	Don Luephnitz	2142
Margaret "Peg" McDonald	168	Robert Beck	1474	Eileen Rasmussen	1952	J. Martin Borden	2230
Glenn Montague	168	Richard D. Enea	1474	Harry Ross	1952	Lori Clark	2243
Chuck Nolan	168	Dennis Linsley	1474	Lance Slimmer	1952	Steven Dale	2248
Matthew Pires	168	Kathleen Linsley	1474	Linda Vulgamore	1952	Laurie Ashley	2358
Hugh VanDoren	168	R.C. "Stoney" Bourke	1475	Roger Vulgamore	1952	Leroy Bostick	2358
Frank Chicago	218	Matthew Ferrero	1475	Thomas E. Lemm	1959	Jadeen Costa Schroeder	2358
Nadine Steel	218	Sean Gambil	1475	Erlinda Puig	1959	Pat Terrell	2358
Deborah Ross-Moonelo	522	Amanda Jung	1475	Dale S. Sinner	1959	Ray Broussard	2379
Frank Almazan	583	James Jung	1475	Richard Tanguy	1959	Cheryl Laymon	2379
Janice Almazan	583	Chris Michaelis	1475	Carol Beckwith	1968	Ted Olsen	2379
Erik Brown	583	Thomas Robertson	1475	Henry "Hank" DiTomaso	1968	Joseph Garica	2477
Bonnie Burks	583	Colin Smith	1475	Kathleen Harrod	1968	Terry Gicking	2477
Hilary Fulton	583	John M. Smith	1475	Norman J. Leitholf	1968	Greg Metzger	2477
Lisa Hubbell	583	Mark Walker	1475	Amy Anderson-Giugliano	1991	Beverly Burns	2484
Sally Reagan	613	Greg Peale	1497	Richard Wallace	1991	Robert "Bob" Burns	2484
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Arthur "Bud" Lush	616	Warren H. Downs	1561	Judy Givens	1993	Kristi Dupler	2504
Aron Anderson	672	Carole D. May	1561	Richard Green	1993	Melvin Fitzhenry	2504
Jerome Paul	672	Michelle Solvin	1643	Judy Harraka	1993	Dale Gregory	2504
Charles Rowe	672	John E. Harry	1687	Robert Harraka	1993	Larry L. Fink	2543
Lisa Fleury	759	Steven Wagstaff	1687	Alan Kelley	1993	Marilyn J. Fink	2543
Miles Nakatsu	759	Michael Cosby	1691	Michael Mathers	1993	Barbara Kincade	2543
Tim Jeager	832	William "Bill" Cook	1740	Diana Mondragon	1993	David W. Mullett	2543
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Jerry Hansen	901	Angela Anderson	1767	Claudia & Carlos Santos	1993	Linda Tucker	2543
Donald Checchi	906	Richard Blake	1767	Robert Hollis-Brau	1996	Richard Yeager	2543
Frank Frazier	906	Ray Prettyman	1767	Willie S. Koskela	1996	Diane Ward	2577
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Jose Justiniano	966	Carl Becker	1811	Martin Barros	2011	James Williams	2599
Sean Mejia	966	Gerry Gouveia	1811	Janet L. Byrd	2011	Bridget Smith	2616
Pamela Brodie	1015	Mary C. Gouveia	1811	Phillip W. Byrd	2011	John R. Smith	2616
Roy Stout	1015	Chuck Jackson	1811	Sharron Cannon	2011	Tom Warren	2639
Howard Weinman	1015	Edward C. Johnson	1811	Francis J. Glenski	2011	Dave Hosted	2698
Robyn Sembenini	1108	Michael Silva	1811	Roy Jenness	2011	Kaye Bruns	2733
Joe Tato	1108	Kevin Wrobel	1811	Ashley Munoz	2011	Lance Erickson	2733
Dr. Donald Gumm	1240	Patricia I. Hamilton	1812	Rebecca Munoz	2011		



Glendale Lodge 1289, celebrating Memorial Day weekend at Glendale City Hall. The Lodge was represented by ER John Reiger with our very own Glendale Veterans and Members, Glendale Emblem Club 104, Glendale City Council Officials and other Glendale Civic Community members. Thanking our VETERANS for their ultimate sacrifices as we enjoy the FREEDOM we have today.

Fresno Lodge and Bakersfield Lodge, are celebrating their 120th and 125th Anniversaries respectively, on Saturday, June 23rd and are honored to have CHEA President Bob Duitsman and his wife Beth at both celebrations. Bakersfield is having a BBQ at 1pm and Fresno is having a dinner at 6pm, so both celebrations can be enjoyed by all.

San Fernando Lodge 1539 Girl Scout Troop 7136, for Easter this year put together Easter Baskets that were handed out to children of the community at the community park in San Fernando. The Girl Scouts put together 115 baskets and did an overall great job. Our very giving Lodge Members donated the baskets, contents and candy.



Alameda Lodge 1015 was recognized for our continued service to the Yountville CA Veterans Home. In addition to our annual August barbeque we hosted for residents, during the past year members donated more than 10,000 lbs of much needed supplies, along with an electric scooter. Pictured above receiving the award are Lt. Col. Nick Pereira (USMC, retired) and Chris Cormier (US Army, retired).

In other news, the Lodge marked the 76th Anniversary of Lt. Col. James 'Jimmy' Doolittle's Raid on Tokyo. To mark this milestone, the Alameda Theatre had a special viewing of *Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo*. Our veterans committee worked with the California Veterans Home in Yountville to invite 20 residents to the movie along with more than 30 Lodge member veterans and hosted a luncheon for the group at the Lodge.

Paso Robles Lodge 2364 recently raised and donated \$660 to help support the family of Cory Iverson, Cal Fire Engineer who lost his life fighting the Thomas Fire in December of 2017. The Thomas Fire, known as one of the largest fires in California history burned more than 280,000 acres. Cory left behind his wife, a 2 year old daughter and an unborn child.

In other news, the Lodge presented a donation of \$1000 to the Boy Scouts of America to help rebuild The Outdoor School at Rancho Alegre which tragically burned over 90% of its structures in the Whitter Fire in July 2017. The Outdoor School is best known for teaching more than 4000 5th and 6th graders each year aimed at nurturing community and environmental stewardship.



The Antlers of the **Santa Maria Elks Lodge 1538** were chartered by Grand Lodge in late 2017. Their first official installation of officers was held on April 21, 2018 for the 2018-2019 Elk Year. The new officers were installed by D.D.G.E.R. Shelley Gonzales and the Officers of the Lodge. The Antlers of Santa Maria Elks Lodge 1538 were established in 2016 as a project then Exalted Ruler Karen Feldpouch believed would be successful in Santa Maria. In 2016-2017 there were 8 original members, currently they are entering 2018-2019 with 25 members and anticipate growing their membership. The current members range in age from 12 to 18 years old, these young people are an asset to the Lodge and are the future of Elkdom.

In other news, eighteen amazing local students representing six high schools were honored and presented with checks totaling \$19,500. This was in addition to monies awarded throughout the year for each student of the month. Elks National Foundation, Santa Maria Elks Lodge 1538 endowment, bingo and the Lodge PER Association enabled the Lodge to assist these deserving students in furthering their education.

The Santa Maria Lodge 1538 Cigar and Fine Spirits committee donated \$1,000 to Elks National Foundation. Committee chairman Bob Miller presented Exalted Ruler Tony Dart and Lodge ENF chairman Susan Filmore the check at the April 5th Lodge meeting.



Santa Clara Lodge 2347 during Youth Week, at its Family Night dinner, presented a \$500 scholarship to each of its six finalists in the ENF Most Valuable Student Scholarship Contest and to the Student of the Year. The Lodge was assisted by School District Superintendent, Dr. Stanley Rose, and Santa Clara Mayor Lisa Gillmor, who presented each student with the City Youth Week Proclamation, which congratulated these seven students. Four of these students, Aditya A., Ahmed I., Christopher T., Amy J., each won an \$800 award from the California-Hawaii Elks Association.

Pictured above (L to R) Councilmember O'Neill, Exalted Ruler Freddie Jo Soto, MVS Finalist Ahmed I., MVS Finalist Aditya A., MVS Finalist Haley Y., MVS Finalist Amy J., MVS Finalist Athiyya Umar M., MVS Finalist Christopher T., Student of the Year Kristopher H., Mayor Gillmor, Lodge Scholarship Chairperson Stuart Sampson

Oceano/Five Cities Lodge 2504 held a dinner in May to award seniors from Arroyo Grande High School, Nipomo High School, Lopez High School and Central Coast New Tech High School over \$11,000 in college scholarships.

Scholarships included five Teenager of the Year awards totaling \$9000, one \$1000 Ladies of the Elks (LOE) Scholarship, and one \$1000 Past Exalted Ruler Association (PERA) Scholarship. Also recognized at the dinner was an Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship recipient of \$4000.

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Hanford Lodge 1259 sent many members to Dinuba, California to help with the Inauguration of the only permanent Vietnam Memorial Wall west of the Rocky Mountains. The members volunteered to help setup, pass out flyers, and place flags for the ceremony. They brought with them their mobile American Flag, which is the Largest in their area.



Gilroy Lodge 1567 had the Pacific Brass Band perform a concert of show tunes and military marches for a scholarship fundraiser. Scholarship recipients and their parents were in attendance and hosted. With donations and ticket sales the Lodge netted over \$3400 to go toward the scholarship program.

In other news, the Lodge created a permanent memorial for both Blue Star and Gold Star Families within the Lodge.



Visalia Lodge 1298 outgoing Trustee, Scott Nelson, chaired a Community Poker Run. Motorcycle riders came from around Visalia to participate. After completing a 110 mile ride through some of our scenic areas the riders returned to a pulled pork lunch, prepared by Lodge volunteer. The event raised almost \$8000 for CHEMPI and other Elk Charities. The photo shows the bikes ready to go.

Sunland-Tujunga Lodge 2098 VAVS Rep, Earl Bouchard, PDD, provided a French dip sandwich with coleslaw to over 535 veterans at the recent Open House at Sepulveda VA MC. Assisting were Karen Perriseau, Exalted Ruler, Nellie St. George, John Wheeler, Don Deminio and Bill Andrew from Burbank Lodge 1497.



Trona Lodge 1975 DDGER Sam Brown and First Lady Trudy delivered to Exalted Ruler Rhondea Hamilton, an electric wheelchair for use by it's members. The Lodge is thankful for the Brown's generosity. Pictured above are Trudy and Sam Brown and ER Rhondea Hamilton.



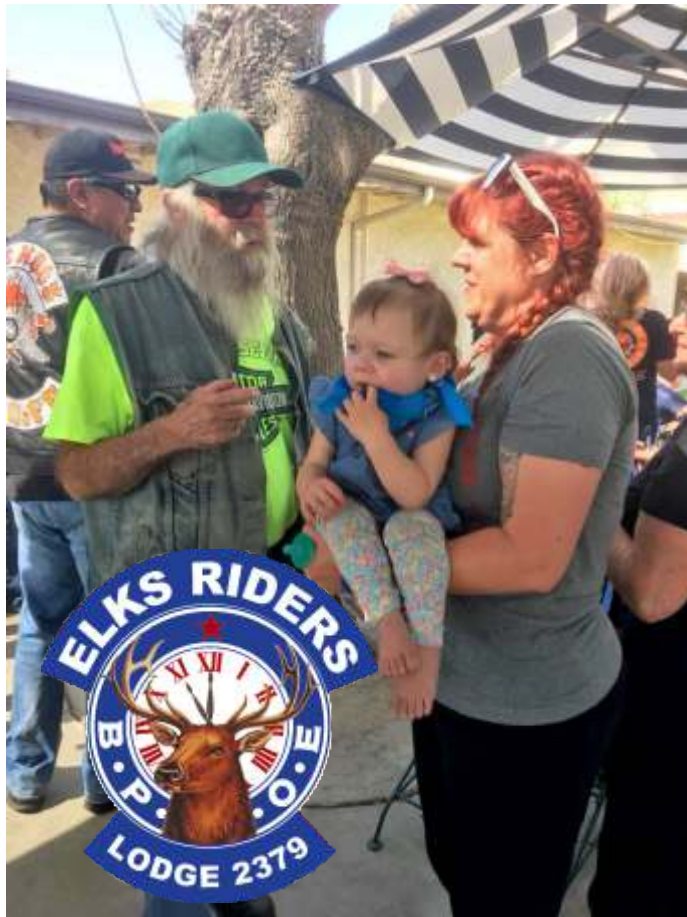
Garden Grove Lodge 1952 Elk Enders RV Club Junior Past President Gary Lawler presents Exalted Ruler Sherrie Larson a check of \$2500 for the Major Project.

Thousand Oaks lodge 2477 used a Gratitude Grant to feed and provide twenty three families who missed the cut of their annual Christmas Cheer Program and provided 200 others, mostly seniors, with Easter baskets filled with personal items and snacks.

In other news, the Lodge distributed medication disposal kits at a local fair.



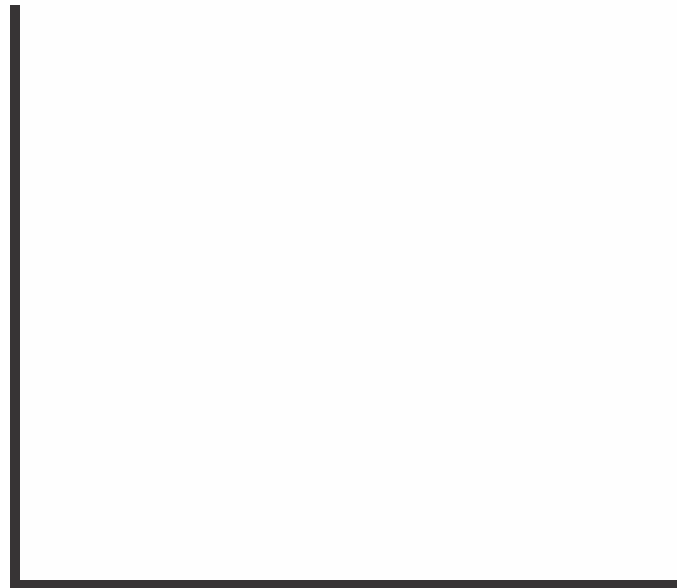
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Santa Clarita Lodge 2379 Elks Riders held their annual Brain Injured Children's Rally. Although this rally has been going on annually for past 15 years with Elks Riders Chapters, mainly on the East coast of the United States, this is the first one hosted by **Elks Riders – Lodge 2379**. The Elks Riders – Lodge 2379 is a fraternally focused "Family" Motorcycle Club, focused on Charity, Community, and Elkdome.

The "Elks Riders Rally for Brain Injured Children" was focused not only on bringing awareness to the needs of children, but it specifically focused on sponsoring a child selected by Elks Riders – Lodge 2379. Olivia was born with serious health issues that lead to a brain injury in just her infant stages. She has endured so many health challenges in her short life even with the support of an amazing mother, father and family. Caring for her health was critical, and the level of care to meet her needs was extremely challenging for her family. But she has held a fighting spirit despite these setbacks. Olivia's story touched our hearts and moved us to sponsor her for the Elks Riders Biker Rally for Brain Injured Children.

When most people think of a "Biker Rally" they don't think of seven local motorcycle clubs coming together in the community to attend this charitable event. But this truly shows that *"We Roll Together for a Cause"*. Along with publicizing this event through Facebook, and word of mouth, we were thrilled to get quite a bit of press coverage from the Hometown Station KHTS, KTLA Channel 5 and the Ventura County Star to name a few. All of which helped raise \$10,745 dollars to be donated to little Olivia's family.



Temecula Valley Elks 2801 held their 20th annual Middle School "Student of the Year" Presentations recently at Van Avery Prep School. Twenty-nine students were recognized from five schools in the Murrieta area. The top female and top male from each school received a gift card from Barnes & Noble in the amount of \$50. All the candidates received a framed Certificate of Achievement from the Temecula Valley Elks; an engraved Olympic style medallion medal and coupon from Chick-fil-A. Pictured above with Bob and Diane Farrens are the Temecula Students of the Year.



Vacaville Lodge 2638 became aware of the funding cuts the local Solano County Meals on Wheels program was experiencing. Deciding to step up and help, the Vacaville Elks PER Dan Roach is shown presenting Executive Director Laurie Hartman a check for \$5,000 to help alleviate the financial crisis.