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Thomas S. Brazier

PGER, Emeritus



At the conclusion of the Grand Lodge Convention in San Antonio, Texas, Thomas S. Brazier became Emeritus. The California-Hawaii Elks Association appreciates the vast amount of time and talent he unselfishly contributed to the betterment of our 168 Lodges and over 84,000 members over the last six years as a Co-Sponsor of the Association. Regardless of his busy schedule, he always took the time to reply with a can-do spirit. We wish him and Venita all the best as they travel throughout the world enjoying each and every day. God bless you both now and always."




California-Hawaii Elks Association Executive Director, **Tim Martin** was nominated and elected to the Grand Lodge Board of Trustees at the Grand Lodge Convention in San Antonio. He is pictured with the 2018-2019 Grand Exalted Ruler **Michael T. Luhr** (center) and **John Holt** from Burbank Lodge who was elected as Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight.



Oceanside Lodge 1561 on Fathers' Day welcomed many families. One of the families is pictured above, **Emily (USN)**, Grandfather **Ron Adams**, Sandee Murphy (Hugs from Home Elks 1561), **Samantha (USN)**, and Grandmother **Nancy Adams**. The girls received care packages sponsored by their grandparents and sent by Hugs from Home Elks 1561 while they were deployed.


Mick Lee Chaffin
March 25, 1963 ~ June 26, 2018



On June 26, 2018 the CHEA Office lost an important member of their staff.

Mick Chaffin passed away from complications after a chronic illness. Since 2010, Mick worked in the mail room, filling orders for Purple Pigs, brochures, orders from our professional staff, and helped to answer the phones. He was an expert at copying, trimming and binding the directories and proceedings. He spoke to many at the Lodges verifying shipping addresses and orders as he wanted to do his job right the first time! Mick loved his job and was a very dedicated staff member, coming to work every day, even though he was suffering in pain.

Mick was a very proud member of the Reedley Elks Lodge 2699. Mick met his wife Anita while attending Reedley High School. They had just celebrated their 30 year wedding anniversary and still lived in Reedley. His funny sense of humor and quick wit will be missed by all.




Newport Harbor Lodge 1767 dedicates Flag Retirement Depository on Sunday, June 10, after the Flag Day Ritual. A special celebration took place to dedicate the newly restored Flag Retirement Depository (RFD). The depository is located just outside the front door of the lodge. The Alan Clifton family generously restored the depository which is available for the public to use to drop off their worn or damaged U.S. Flags. It can't be missed because it is painted to resemble the U.S. Flag and is an old mail drop-off box. The RFD was dedicated to Elk Member Alan Clifton's grandmother **Beverly Blackford**. At the unveiling of the RFD is **Missy Lott** on the left, **Beverly Clifton**, daughter of **Beverly Blackford**, and **Beverly's** sister, **Pat August**.

President's Message



Robert "Bob" Duitsman
CHEA President
Endorsed Candidate for Grand Exalted Ruler



Over the years I've heard many CHEA Presidents say the time flies. As I write this article the year is nearly a quarter over, and our visitations are now in full swing.

Beth and I are truly blessed to have a remarkable group of Vice-Presidents working with us. Their enthusiastic support of the programs of the Association, and their ability to have fun doing it, is a testament to all that is good in our Association. We are particularly grateful that John Smith, the AVP from Hawaii, and his wife Bridget have been able to be with us here on the mainland for a number of events.

Since my last article we've been many places, and the gears are starting to turn faster. Our first official district visit was to the Metropolitan District where we had a great time, with their AVP Rochelle Zenger. I highly recommend to you, a visit to the Nethercutt Museum in Sylmar to see an extraordinary car and musical instrument collection.

Our next trip took us to the East Central District to celebrate with Bakersfield Lodge, their 125th anniversary milestone, and then to Fresno Lodge to celebrate their 120th anniversary milestone. A big "thank you" to AVP Susan Good for inviting us in honoring those achievements.

Then off to the Grand Lodge Convention in San Antonio, where I was thrilled to carry the California State Flag as part of the parade of flags during the opening ceremonies, to the cheers of the CHEA contingent. For all the good Elks in Hawaii, Guam and the Philippines, you can rest assured that your flags were also carried in positions of honor. To be well-informed Elks, we should all make the effort to take a look at the legislative actions that were taken. They can be found on the Grand Lodge website and have been included in various publications.

Once back home, we traveled to the West Central Coast District where we were hosted by AVP Ed Martin and his wife Barbara of the Santa Barbara Lodge. Among a weekend of many highlights we visited for the first time both the Santa Ynez Mission and the Santa Barbara Mission.

Following, a visit to the West Central District hosted by AVP Michele Wilson and Bill Cassidy, where we spent time exploring San Jose and surrounding environs. Saturday night we rocked the night away to the sounds of the New Hope Band. The New Hope Band is a band comprised of individuals with special needs, including autism, down syndrome and other developmental disabilities. Their music brought all of the attendees inspiration and joy!

Most recently we were back in the south for a visit to the Orange Coast District. AVP Randy Eldridge and wife Janice treated us to a weekend of visiting and enjoying the gracious hospitality of many of the Lodges in the district. We re-lived the sixties through a visit to Nixon's library and finished up the weekend with an enjoyable Newport Harbor cruise.

What is so enjoyable about our visits to other districts is not only having the opportunity to see local attractions, but to meet and visit with great Elks from around the state who are working so hard to support their communities and each other. It is truly great to be an Elk.

Beth and I look forward to continuing our visits 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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• Bequests and Living Trusts

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A coin a day so they can walk, talk, see and play!

Incoming CHEA President
Robert Duitsman's
Upcoming Visitation Schedule

September 7-9 • South Coast District • El Cajon
September 14-16 • Bay District • Fremont
September 21-23 • Inland District • Kern River Valley
September 28-30 • Hawaii District • Kona
October 5-7 • North District • Chico
October 11-14 • 50th California Elks Camper Rally Golden Village Palms RV Resort • Hemet
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Elks National Foundation

By Janet Rasmussen • CHEA ENF Chairman



With the conclusion of the Grand Lodge Convention held in San Antonio, Texas during the first 4 days in July, a new ENF goal of \$4.75 per member was set by our Grand Exalted Ruler Michael T. Luhr. I would encourage everyone to embrace this new goal and donate to the Elks National Foundation.

The Grand Lodge Convention was excellent this year with so many seminars available for learning and sharing the latest information. I put most of my focus on attending ENF related seminars although I did attend a few other seminars that I found beneficial to my journey as an Elk; Membership and Audit and Accounting.

At one of the ENF seminars, like most, there was a Q&A session and several times it was brought up that the information/handout/slogan that was being requested by one of the attendees was out dated and/or no longer in use by ENF. All current material related to ENF is listed online on the ENF supplies form and is available for Lodge ENF Fundraising Chairs, Secretaries and Exalted Rulers to order free of charge. All old material at your Lodges should be tossed and not given out because it probably contains out dated information not supported by ENF or a slogan no longer in use.

The ENF is able to help Elks build stronger communities thanks to contributions from our generous donors. Since inception, ENF has received more than \$259 million in contributions and bequests. Today the Elks National Foundation boasts more than 100,000 active donors and an endowment fund valued at \$667.5 million. Are you one of those 100,000 active donors? If not, what will it take to make you one?

Now is the time to be working on meeting the goal by the mid-year mark which will be the Mid-Term Conference in Modesto, California the 2nd and 3rd of November. Is your goal met? Are you there? Do you know what it will take to meet this goal?

Like all Elks, the Foundation values the belief that charity is the greatest of all virtues and that by sharing and giving, we have the power to replace sorrow and despair with hope and confidence. Donations to the Foundation help us fund programs that match our cornerstone values of knowledge, integrity and community. We can all be a part of this belief and relief by donations to the Elks National Foundation. I know I can count on you for your support.

Thank you for all you are doing. Just a little bit more will go a long way for the community and the kids.

From your Editor:

To refresh everyone's memory, this issue is the first **Autumn Issue** of the CHEA Magazine. It covers the months of September, October and November. The next issue you will receive will be the **Winter Issue**, covering the months of December, January and February. The next article cutoff date to make the Winter issue is November 1st. Thank you for your article submissions, please keep them coming.



Kern River Valley Elks Lodge 2358 used a \$2,000 Beacon Grant to hold a Kids Fishing Derby for local youth ages 2-15. The children fished from 6 am to 12 pm and received free hotdogs and chips. The two grand prize winners each got a bicycle, trophy, tackle box and a new rod and reel. All the children who participated got an age appropriate prize. There were trophies and gift certificates for 2nd and 3rd place.

Shown in the picture is Emilie E., age 4, Grand Prize winner.



Hemet Lodge 1740, using a Promise Grant, purchased school supplies and filled 100 backpacks for children at the San Jacinto School District. Pictured from left to right, Lodge member, Carl Reissig, ER Wayne Wren, Nancy Cook and some San Jacinto District employees.

Paso Robles Lodge 2364, using a Gratitude Grant was able to outfit 12 young campers, each who came from homes with domestic violence and/or abuse. The backpacks, sleeping bags, flashlights, lanterns, bug repellent, sun screen, water bottles, drug awareness coloring books and bookmarks were used during their summer camp at Camp Hope. Camp Hope is a camp dedicated to helping kids find hope in the face of adversity and to remind them daily they are safe, seen, encouraged and loved.

In other news, the Lodge also presented a \$1000 check to a local rural school to help replace worn and outdated books in their school library. With the K-6th grade school only having 80 students, the school has a difficult time acquiring funding for replacement projects like this.

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Piggy Bank

Roy Stout • CHEA Purple Pig Chairman



As much fun as I had at our CHEA Convention in San Diego, I easily had as much fun in San Antonio at Grand Lodge Convention. The 150th year Celebration did not disappoint. This had to be one of the best Conventions in a very long time and San Antonio was such a terrific city. But all good things must come to an end, besides there is so much work to do in our Association.

At Grand Lodge, I was able to observe the different Major Projects of many Associations. I can assure you that all these projects are accomplished through a lot of hard work and dedication of many, many Elk members, their friends and their families. Each and every Association is determined to do everything within their power to assure that the unmet needs of our children will not go unheeded. Whether it is providing care for a young child stricken with cancer or simply making sure children get to enjoy the fun of summer camps specially designed for them, the Elks will meet those needs. It truly makes you proud to be an Elk.

Inspired and invigorated, it is now time to go to work. We have a lot of money to raise for our very own Major Project. We are already off to a good start. Since the CHEA Convention, y'all (picked that up in San Antonio) have been feverishly making contributions, collecting spare change and working fun events to feed our Purple Pig. Your District and Lodge Purple Pig Chairs have reported that approximately \$270,000 has already passed through our Lodges and is on its way to Fresno. There it will be deposited with other direct and recurring donations. The Kids and I thank you very much.

I know it is fun to watch your loose change feed that Purple Pig and I would never want to see that stop because every penny counts. ***But have you ever considered becoming a recurring donor.*** A small regular monthly donation goes a long way. It is a very easy thing to do and is a major component in the sustainability of our fund raising goals. The instructions are on the CHEA website (www.chea-elks.org) and are easy to follow. Heck it was so easy, even I was able to sign up. One of our team goals this year is to dramatically increase the number of recurring donors. Please help us reach that goal. Trust me; you can still enjoy feeding your very own Purple Pig with those loose coins.

Here is a list of terrific events happening throughout our Association over the remainder of the year. I hope you find something in your area to attend.

- **"New England Lobster Fest"** – August 11, 2018 – Canoga Park Lodge featuring a Speech-Language Pathologist.
- **"Regular Wednesday Night Dinner"** – September 5, 2018 – Redwood City Lodge featuring an Occupational Therapist.
- **"Purple Pig Dinner"** – September 15, 2018 - Gilroy Elks Lodge featuring an Occupational Therapist.
- **"Pasta Party Dinner Fundraiser"** – September 29, 2018 - Vista Elks Lodge featuring a Physical Therapist.

Additionally in the Bay District:

- **"Monthly Bunco Night"** – (Purple Pig Fundraiser) – 3rd Wednesday each month – Alameda Lodge. Big Earl just loves his Bunco Nights. More about Big Earl at a later time.

- **"Casino Night"** – (Purple Pig Fundraiser) – August 18, 2018 – Fremont Lodge.

There will be many more of these events throughout the remainder of this fraternal year. I will do my very best to publicize them as often as I can. However, in the meantime, check with your District Chairs and Lodge Chairs to see what events are occurring in your area. If you can't find an event that you can attend, talk with your Lodge's Leading Knight to see if you might be able to chair an event for them, because the Leading Knight Challenge is just around the corner.

"Gots to go" (also from San Antonio). So until next time, have a really great Elk year and have fun. Remember fun is the first three letters of fundraising.

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



Yucaipa Lodge 2389 raised \$2811 with 52 Club and Century Club donations at the Southeast District AVP visitations in June. Lorene Munoz was presented with a special commendation in recognition of her Comfort Bear sales which have exceeded \$10,000 with all proceeds going to the Major Project. Pictured is Lorene Munoz with Southeast District AVP Bill Cook.

Orange Coast District Lodges, Buena Park 2046, Garden Grove 1952, Fullerton 1993 and Orange 1475 held a Christmas in July at Long Beach Veterans Medical Center. The Veterans at the Long Beach Veterans Medical Center appreciated the folks who came from all the Lodges to help with the event. There was no tree or Christmas wrapped gifts but there were plenty of hand knitted lap robes and beanies, books, puzzles and numerous new packaged under shirts, shorts and socks, free for the taking. Bingo was called by Bob Piché from Buena Park Lodge and as each game was won, monies that were donated from each Lodge were distributed to the winners.



Torrance Lodge 1948 hosted a Purple Pig Round-up and pancake breakfast in honor of outgoing ER Tracy Bufano. The event was a great success surpassing the previous year's total. Thank you to all the Elks members and their families for the continued support of our Major Project. Shown above is ER Tracy Bufano and Major Project chairperson Michelle Johnson.



Thousand Oaks Lodge 2477 raised funds for a fallen firefighter's family. Fireman Cory Iverson was 32 when he was killed in December of last year while fighting the Thomas fire in Ventura County, California. He was survived by his wife and 3-year-old daughter. At the time of Cory's death, his wife was expecting their second child, and their second daughter was born in May.

Thousand Oaks Lodge Treasurer, Bill Joseph, purchased a stunning original watercolor depicting the Thomas fire by artist Joe Cibere, and donated it to the Lodge for a fundraiser for the Iverson family. The total amount raised by the Lodge and donated to the Iverson family was \$4,337. Pictured (l-r) Treasurer Bill Joseph, Leading Knight Dan Hoffman, Retired Firefighter, Member Paul Stein and Exalted Ruler Karen Martyn.

West Central Coast Lodges, Simi Valley 2492, Thousand Oaks 2477, Oxnard 1443, and host Lodge Ventura 1430 participated in a three day Ventura County Stand Down. Thousand Oaks made lunch on Friday for 400 Vets and volunteers. Thousand Oaks was also very involved in coordinating the transportation for the Vets to and from the event. Grant money was used by all four Lodges in helping us help our Vets. The event concluded with all four Lodges handing out sack lunches at the Ventura Lodge including Subway gift cards.



The **BLT Legacy Giving Benefactor Program** encourages people to give to the Major Project. It makes it easy and affordable for everyone to give. Anyone, member or non-member alike, making a minimum deferred gift of \$1,000 will automatically become a BLT Legacy Giving Benefactor.

Make a MINIMUM deferred gift of \$1000 or more through a Will, Living Trust, Bank Account, Insurance Policy, or other means to become a BLTLG Benefactor IMMEDIATELY and add more to it later as circumstances allow if you like. As a BLT Legacy Giving Benefactor, you will receive a beautiful oak-framed certificate and a distinctive triangular BLT lapel pin to wear with pride.



Orange Lodge 1475 member Mike Duff, chairman of the Police Dog Fund Committee gave the Police Department a check for \$11,250 to help purchase their sixth dog. Please welcome our newest K9 officer, Danto. He is a 19 month old German Shepherd and his partner is Officer Damon Allen

Santa Clarita Lodge 2379, with the help of a Beacon Grant, and additional donations from Emblem Club 459, the Kamper Klub. and the Lodge Charity account, delivered 250 backpacks, filled with age appropriate school supplies, to the Child and Family Center in Santa Clarita for distribution to families in need. Lodge volunteers and the Santa Clarita's BBQ Team fed 350 people at the Child and Family Center's annual Family Fun Night. A magician entertained the crowd and a DJ had participants dancing.

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Public Relations

Jim Miller, PDDGER • CHEA Public Relations Chairman



I, along with 8,500 Elks, recently returned from the 150th Anniversary Convention in San Antonio, TX. A lot of good information was shared during the sessions. The entertainment was highlighted by the Lt. Dan Band starring Gary Sinise. Our Order is getting closer and closer to realizing a plus one in membership for the year. The biggest tool we can utilize in this endeavor is Public Relations. Having events that involve and benefit our communities is a driving force in increasing membership.

Indio Lodge was recently graced by Mrs. United States, who attended their Flag Day Ceremony. She discovered the event on Social Media and attended, sash and all. The age old adage "It pays to advertise" is alive and well in Elkdom. Supporting events that involve the community has a positive effect on recruiting new members. I have witnessed numerous Lodges attract new and younger members by sponsoring Scout Troops.

I was especially excited to see newspaper articles that I submitted for the Santa Maria and Kailua Lodges being showcased in the Public Relations Booth at Grand Lodge. I would also like to publicly praise my District Chairmen for submitting their monthly reports to me in a timely fashion. We are on our way to 100% reporting by Lodges. I cannot emphasize enough how important these reports are.

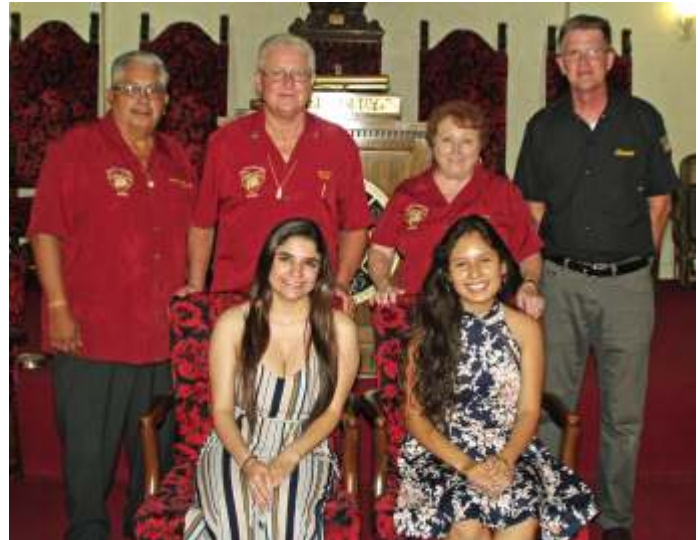
Remember, *No Good Deed Should Go Unnoticed!*



Palm Springs 1905 presented to the ACE Hardware store owner (Left in Picture) Mike Reinhardt their Americanism Award Certificate of Appreciation for providing parking spaces in his new store in Cathedral City for Veterans. Mike is not a Veteran but said "This is my way of giving back to Veterans who gave so much for our Country". Pictured with Mike is Jack Mowreader, Exalted Ruler, Bert Liebersbach, PDDGER, and Jeremy Siden, ACE Hardware General Manager.



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San Fernando Lodge 1539 hosted their annual William L. Frye Scholarship luncheon and awards event in late July. Four local high school graduates were honored and presented with a total of \$55,000 in scholarships. Along with this year's recipients, thirteen past winners attended the event and told of their college adventures. Since 2002, the Lodge has awarded over \$800,000 to high school seniors heading to a four-year college of their choice. This fall there will be twenty one William L. Frye Scholarship recipients attending fourteen different Universities throughout the United States. The Lodge owes sincere gratitude to our brother William Frye and his daughter Dorothy, their generosity and foresight enabled us to create this legacy.

This year's scholarship recipients are:

\$25,000 • Micaela Soria R. • Stanford University
\$10,000 • Katarina L. • Johns Hopkins University
\$10,000 • Elizabeth C. • Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
\$10,000 • Mary K. • UC Irvine

Pictured is the San Fernando Lodge Scholarship Committee, (l-r) Bob Medellin, PDDGER, Robert Paul, Sharron Robinson, Stuart Dunn, front row winners Mary K. and Micaela R.



Van Nuys-Reseda Elks Lodge 2790 Antlers, formed in 2007 under the supervision of PER Eric Lace and PER Jill Lace with some help from our new CHEA Association President Robert "Bob" Duitsman. Mr. Duitsman was presented with an Antlers' shirt and an honorary membership in the Van Nuys-Reseda Elks Lodge 2790 during his visitation to the Metropolitan District. Pictured above with six Antlers are Erick Lace and CHEA President Bob Duitsman.

Scholarship

Ray Broussard, PAVP • CHEA Scholarship Chairman



With the arrival of September many students are preparing for their Senior year of High School. Many of these Seniors are also making plans on where they plan on continuing their education after High School, and how they are going to pay for it.

I'd like to briefly mention the Most Valuable Student Scholarship Contest offered by the Elks National Foundation, but go over in more detail the Vocational Grant Program offered by our California-Hawaii Elks Association.

MOST VALUABLE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The Elks National Foundation will offer 500 Scholarships ranging from \$4,000 - \$50,000. These awards are given over a 4 year period. The contest will once again be a 100% secure, paperless, online submission and processing application. Applications were available beginning August 15, 2018, and the submittal deadline will be November 15, 2018. Lodge judging will be completed by December 20, 2018, District judging completed by January 14, 2019, and State Judging will be held February 15-16, 2019.

CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS VOCATIONAL GRANTS

The Vocational Grant program is open to anyone residing in California or Hawaii who is a citizen of the United States of America and planning to pursue an eligible vocational/technical course resulting in a certificate or two-year degree and leading to employment opportunities.

The program is open to male and female applicants who will be judged on an equal basis. While graduating high school seniors may apply, it is not limited to high school students—in fact, it is open to all prospective students who require training or retraining to compete in the workplace.

The Vocational Grant is for one academic year, with an option to renew for one additional academic year. This grant may be used only for usual and required costs of student's course of study; that is, for tuition and fees, room and board (if living on campus) and books & supplies. Payment will be made to the school. Awards will be between \$500 and 2,000 for an academic year depending on length of course.

The definition of an eligible program shall be comparable to that contained in the federal vocational legislation. That is defined as a two-year or less vocational/technical program culminating in a terminal Associate degree, diploma or certificate, but less than a baccalaureate program (Bachelor's degree). Students planning to transfer to a four year school to pursue a Bachelor's degree are not eligible to apply.

Examples of courses approved recently are:

- 6 month Police Academy
- 13 month Cosmetology
- 3 month Electrical Lineman
- 13 month Veterinary Technology
- 2 year Fire Science

A student must plan to attend school on a full-time basis for a minimum of sixty days. An academic year is determined to be a

minimum of nine (9) months (approximately 39 weeks) of continuous full-time study. Payments may not be used to cover retro-active charges and may only be applied to expenses in the academic year.

Applications must be filed with the Scholarship Chairman, Exalted Ruler, or Secretary of the Elks Lodge having jurisdiction in the area of the student's legal residence. An application may only be filed with one Lodge.

For additional information on either of these Scholarships or Grants, please visit the CHEA website at chea-elks.org/youth-activities/scholarships. You may also contact me at: dak0697@aol.com, (818) 319-3136, or CHEA Vice-Chmn Jack Geiger at: jackbgeiger@gmail.com (559) 974-0695.



Indio Lodge 1643 celebrated Flag Day with a special guest in attendance, Lauren Ziegler, Mrs United States. Mrs Ziegler found our ceremony on Social Media and chose to attend. She is shown above with Exalted Ruler Michelle Solvin and Ruthann Aguilera, PER.

In other news, the Lodge held a pinning ceremony for three of the newest officers in the Indio Police Department. They are K-9 Loki, K-9 Askio and K-9 Mikey, all German Shepherds. They received their badges after completing an extensive training program alongside their handlers. One of the dogs is trained in Narcotics as well as firearms and the other is both apprehension and firearms and the third is just apprehension. Indio Lodge and the Community have supported the K-9 program with fundraisers to help pay for the dogs.

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Drug Awareness Program

Diane Farrens, PDDGER • CHEA-DAP Chairman



The Drug Awareness Chairmen are starting to work on the contest information for the 2018-2019 Elk year. The theme for this year is: "Drugs Take Away." The theme is the same for all three contests: The Poster Contest; the Essay Contest and the Video Contest. The Poster Contest is for students in third grade; fourth grade and fifth grade. The Essay Contest is for students in the 6th grade; 7th grade and 8th grade. The Video Contest is for the pre-high school; high school and post graduate high school. The forms for all three contests are on the CHEA website under Youth Activities. Your district chairman will set the date when the entries, for each of the contests are due to him/her. The district chairman will judge the entries and send the winning entries to the CHEA Drug Awareness Chairman.

The Elks Enrique Camarena Award has been established by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks to recognize and honor law enforcement officers who have made a significant contribution in the field of drug prevention and who personify Agent Camarena's belief that one person can make a difference. Special Agent Enrique Camarena was a slain DEA Agent, murdered by the Mexican Drug Cartel, while investigating drug trafficking into the United States. He was brutally tortured and killed in 1985. His death precipitated the start of the Red Ribbon Campaign that we celebrate each year during October in his honor. The Red Ribbon Campaign was started by the Camarena family and friends as a tribute to Agent Camarena. However, it also serves as a reminder to all of us about the dangers of substance abuse.

Each year, the BPO Elks present the Enrique S. Camarena Award to a member of law enforcement who best exemplifies the qualities and principles for which Agent Camarena gave his life. Nominees should be involved in their communities in efforts to make them drug-free. Nominees should have the support of their agency and respect of their community.

Additional information on the Enrique Camarena Award can be found on the CHEA website in addition to the nomination form. Complete the form and on a separate sheet(s) of paper write a one or two-page article on the Nominee's accomplishments in Drug Education and Prevention in their community. Nominations should be submitted to the CHEA Drug Awareness Chairman by October 15, 2018. Each of the Elks Lodge awards and District awards should be made before October 15th to ensure they can be included in the State competition. National selection will take place in December and the award will be presented during the next calendar year.



Richmond Lodge 1251 hosted Students with Disabilities Scholarship winner Jacob C. and his parents at a recent Lodge dinner. Jacob is using his scholarships to attend Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, New York.

Jacob gave a very inspiring speech about overcoming being deaf in a hearing world. Jacob was diagnosed as deaf in both ears when he was still an infant. Pictured with Jacob is ER Jim Cowen, Dad Jeff Corey, Jacob, Mom Kristi Victor and Lodge Piggy Bank Chair Gloria Maltagliati.



Fullerton Lodge 1993 Veteran's Service Committee Co-Chairs, delivered prepared food to residents of Fisher House, located on the grounds of the Long Beach Veteran's Hospital. This facility can house families of veterans for free, when they are visiting and the family qualifies for such help. Pictured are Susie Myers, Sgt. Peter Marshall (Ret.), and John Paine.

In other news, the Lodge used a \$1,500 Anniversary Grant for a family in which both parents are United States Marine Corps veterans, and both have service connected disabilities. The grant was used to pay for child care for their youngest daughter, allowing the father the opportunity to start his own business, and the mother to continue her education.

Hoop Shoot

Mike Rittenhouse • CHEA Hoop Shoot Chairman



We are soon entering basketball season and the California-Hawaii Elks are preparing for great "HOOP SHOOT!" Lodge contests during the next months. Promotion for the free throw contest for boys and girls age 8 to 13 will be a key to attracting large numbers of participants.

Some different ideas for promoting your Lodge contest is reaching out to your communities various youth basketball programs, including the YMCA, Boys and Girls Clubs, P.A.L. (Police Athletic Leagues), Church leagues, Public and Private school basketball teams and C.Y.O. (Catholic Youth Organization) basketball leagues, etc. Early promotion is encouraged by delivering invitational flyers to summer and fall basketball camps that may be occurring in your community.

By contacting the leadership of these programs and providing flyers and posters for the upcoming Lodge contest, our Lodge directors should find rewarding partnerships being established. Also, watch your local newspaper(s) for postings of upcoming basketball sign-up dates, holiday tournaments and various camps and clinics that you can distribute your Lodge contest invitations. In many cases, your Lodge contest can coincide with a basketball tryout day or team photo day.

A complete guide on how to run a successful HOOP SHOOT program can be found by logging onto Elks.org/HoopShoot/ and registering with the website. Once registered, click on Hoop Shoot Director's Dashboard for Lodge Directors and follow the detailed instructions for organizing your contest. Be sure to form a quality committee of Elks volunteers to deliver the message to our youth and parents of our communities..."Say NO to Drugs and YES to Hoop Shoot!"



Visalia Lodge 1298 hosted a "Best of the Best " banquet recognizing those Visalia Girl Scouts who have earned the highest awards for their respective age groups. Sixteen California-Hawaii Elks Scouting certificates were awarded for Bronze, Silver and Gold Awardees. Danielle C. of Troop 213, the sole Visalia recipient going for the Gold this year was awarded \$200. The funds will be used to pay for Dani's Lifetime membership in Girl Scouting so she can hone her community leadership skills.



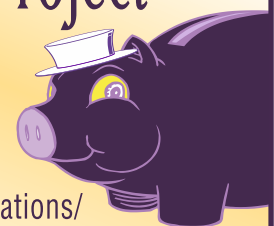
Concord Lodge 1994 participated in the 4th of July parade to celebrate the Elks 150th Anniversary, built a Covered Wagon to show what it was like in 1868 when the covered wagon was still one of the main modes of travel.

This year is also the City of Concord's 150th birthday. The city celebrated after the parade by unveiling a statute of Don Salvio Pacheco, founder of Concord, at the entrance of Todos Santos Plaza, around the base of the statue are bricks with various donor names on them. The Lodge donated to have a brick that says "Concord 150 years and BPO Elks 150 years. Pictured in the covered wagon are Concord Lodge Members.



Lompoc Lodge 2274 "Elks of the Year" donated \$500 toward the restoration project of the World War I Monument in front of the Lompoc Library. Pictured from the left are Joyce F. Moiha, Lisa A. Renken, Phil Hager, Don Adams, Sylvia Boynton, Duane Schuyler, Gene Schaefer and Jerry Hogan.

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Government Relations

John Sutton, PDDGER • CHEA Govt Relations Chairman



As an Exalted Ruler, weather this is your first time or not, I am sure that when you find yourself guiding and assisting the Lodge Chairman with his or her committee it will be very rewarding for everyone involved.

A good way to show how rewarding it can be is by keeping statistics of all the charitable work the committee has accomplished, throughout the year. We have made it simple to do this by furnishing every Lodge with a Charity Records Workbook, along with a Government Relations manual that has appendices 7 and 8 to help in keeping track of charitable work. Please make copies of these forms and distribute to each committee chairman. By doing this you will make your Lodge Secretary's work much easier.

It is very important for each Lodge to sit down with every officer, committee chairman, and any member interested and go through the Government Relations manual page by page. You will probably hear things like "I didn't know we could count that," or "Why haven't we been reporting that?". Going through the guide will help your Lodge better serve those who are less fortunate and make positive changes in your community.

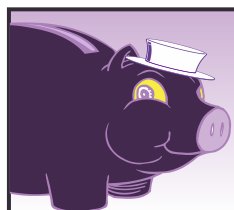
After you have done this, compile your statistics quarterly and post them on your Lodge bulletin board, monthly newsletter, and E-mail blast. If you have a signage board out front, put it there. Another good place to share this is with your local officials. Let them know what the Elks are doing. Invite them to one of your charitable events or a Lodge function and let them see firsthand that "Elks Care Elks Share".

As you know we are a very quiet organization. One reason is because we do not have just one major project that we contribute to nationally. For the Fraternal year 2018-2019 Elks National Foundation Board of Trustees has budgeted \$33.8 million to be distributed: \$12.4 million to Lodges and Community Grants, \$9.6 million to State Major Projects, \$4.6 million in Scholarships, \$1 million to Hoop Shoot, \$709,680 to Drug Awareness, and \$325,900 in miscellaneous grants. This is certainly a good start to our charitable giving.

Let's remember that this is our 150th Anniversary. It is time for us to speak up and show our government just how powerful and benevolent the Elks are. The main way we can do this is by keeping detailed records of all the awesome things that we are doing. Let's make a change, not only for 100% reporting but 100% of what we are doing.

Our new Area 7 Chairman wants CHEA to have 100% reporting this year. We will be visiting the Lodges that did not report last year. We will also be looking at the Lodges that were late in their reporting last year. So, no excuses this year.

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California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, Inc.

we support children with disabilities
by giving a coin a day so they can
walk, talk, see & play!



Santa Maria Lodge 1538 and Elks Recreation held their Golden Circle of Champions fundraiser benefitting local children battling cancer. The event is part of the Elks Rodeo which celebrated its 75th year this June. The Elks Rodeo works with the local hospital to identify local families with a child diagnosed with pediatric cancer. Again this year, the Golden Circle of Champions raised enough money to give 25 families more than a thousand dollars each to ease the burden of travel and other expenses. Santa Maria Elks hosts the families at the Thursday night rodeo performance, where a local restaurant, the Hitching Post, provides dinner, Resistol provides Cowboy Hats and Central Coast Party Factory offers free access to Camp Buckaroo children's zone at the rodeo grounds. The Golden Circle of Champions was inspired by Lexi Brown, a 12-year old Santa Maria Valley girl who died in 2016 after a long, well-publicized battle against cancer, and this program continues to grow every year. This December at the National Rodeo finals in Las Vegas the PRCA (Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association) will include for the first time the Golden Circle of Champions to benefit children battling cancer which originated at the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo.

The first performance of the 2018 Santa Maria Elks Rodeo at the Elks Unocal Arena each year is the Clarence Minetti Mini Rodeo. This year 6,000 plus children were invited to enjoy a morning of rodeo action. One hundred school busses sponsored by local businesses and individuals arrive with 6,000 plus 3rd graders and younger children. Before attending the rodeo, the children receive lessons on Western heritage and flag etiquette. As they enter the rodeo grounds they are greeted by active military personnel from Vandenberg AFB and Elk members who hand out an American Flags to each child. The local cowboys that compete in the Mini Rodeo are 17 and younger potential rodeo stars. One of the most popular events is the Mutton Busting, where about a dozen children ages 5 to 7 attempt to ride an untrained sheep for as long as possible.

The Santa Maria Rodeo Parade scores very big for area Youth. In the seventy five year history of the Rodeo, the Rodeo Queen candidates have raised in excess of 12.5 million dollars for youth recreation in the Santa Maria Valley and surrounding areas. The rodeo is ranked the best mid-sized rodeo in the country. This year the rodeo was broadcast live to 23 countries on the Wrangler Network and will be featured on a National Geographic Channel special on American Rodeos.



Santa Monica Lodge 906 in conjunction with local American Legions, Mason Lodges and Santa Monica Emblem Club sponsored a barbecue at the West LA Veterans Hospital. On hand to help serve the Vets was California-Hawaii Elks President Robert Duitsman. The Elks served over 500 vets. Pictured here is President Duitsman serving a Korean War Vet and Silver Star recipient Robbie Robinson and Arsen Tovmasyan of the Masons.



Sunnyvale Lodge 2128 hosted its 27th Annual Tropical Picnic luncheon at the Menlo Park VA Living Center. In attendance were 250 disabled veterans, family, and staff. During the luncheon, the veterans were entertained by the Kapalakiko Hawaiian Band. The Lodge also distributed wheelchair gloves and commemorative armed services bracelets to the veterans in attendance. A big *mahalo nui loa* to all Lodge members and volunteers who helped with this successful event.

Pictured above (l-r) Veterans Chair Bob Maes, PER, Veteran Tom Dimperio, Treasurer Alan Aana.



Palo Alto Lodge 1471 Exalted Ruler Danielle Viola and Secretary Ken Wood recently presented a \$2,000 donation to the Defender's Lodge, a complimentary accommodation facility for veterans receiving pre and post-operative treatment at the Palo Alto Veteran's Hospital. The Defenders Lodge aids those who live too far from the hospital to arrange for timely or inexpensive housing options. The Lodge Veterans Committee also hosts a monthly Bingo game at the hospital and provides monthly dinners at the Fisher House, a companion facility for local veterans in need of long-term care.

Pictured left to right: William Ball, Chief of Voluntary & Hospitality Services, Danielle Viola, Exalted Ruler, Ken Wood, Lodge Secretary, Harold Rucker, Defenders Lodge Manager and Tracy Marino, Fisher House Program Manager.



Sunland/Tujunga Lodge 2098 held their 3rd Annual Motorcycle Poker Run to raise funds for the VA Sepulveda Ambulatory Care Center Hospital's Fourth of July Picnic which fed Veterans and their families. The ride was chaired by Bill Connor, Kymberly Blue and Rob Davis, pictured above. The scenic ride went through the San Gabriel Mountains, stopping at various locations including Santa Clarita Lodge 2379. The ride raised a little over \$5,000 for the Veteran's Picnic. A special thank you out to the Elks Riders of Santa Clarita Lodge for donating their time and managing all of our stops and to all the volunteers from our Little Lodge on the Hill!

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 Richard & Annette Silver (2) 218
 Marci Norkin-Schoepel 322
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 Michelle Thompson 423
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 Lynn Glick 1015
 Dennis Reno 1015
 Roy & Diane Stout 1015
 Jeanne Atno 1112
 Kess Ventuleth 1259
 E Clampus Vitus Chapter 58 1282
 Bill Phillips 1282
 Bradford "Brad" & Agnes Smith 1282
 Bill & Nancy Wirms 1282
 Nick Henares 1285

Dan Cole (5) 1289
 Donna Bailey 1298
 Norman Blackwell 1298
 Julie Burger 1298
 Neville Buyense 1298
 Sark Davidian 1298
 Paul Gorley (2) 1298
 Donald Heisey 1298
 Ronald Hoskins 1298
 Don Landers 1298
 Susie Mooney 1298
 Larry Owsley 1298
 John Peters 1298
 George Pfefferkorn 1298
 Richard Randolph 1298
 Ernest Remillard (2) 1298
 Butch Ruddy 1298
 Larry Tate 1298
 Carl Prutch 1299
 Mike Carney 1328
 Al Fredrickson (5) 1328
 Gordon Johnson 1328
 Pat Macy 1328
 Mick Mistretta 1328
 David Quintero 1328
 Robert Santos 1328
 Vern Valenzuela 1328
 Karen Buchanan (2) 1378
 Loraine Badeau (4) 1419
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 Robert Camu (2) 1419
 Ken Carnes, Sr. 1419
 Bob Casaletti 1419
 Mardi Gilkey 1419
 Mike Gott (2) 1419
 Butch Johnson 1419
 Rebecca McDaniel 1419
 David Olson 1419
 Lori Quon 1419
 John Riccardi 1419
 John & Sherry Riccardi 1419
 Roger Riccardi (2) 1419
 Roy "Alan" Wissing 1419
 Christina Carter 1427
 Delbert Crandall 1427
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 Edward Stegman 1427
 George Van Hove (2) 1427
 Jessica Gracia 1430
 Marvin "Charlie" Stevenson 1430
 Mike Davis 1436
 Anthony & Carol Mauro 1436
 Diana Smith 1436
 Jerry Smith 1436
 Jim Smith 1436
 John & Kath-Leen Behne 1443
 Scott Miller 1471
 Dick & Claudette McDonald 1474
 Charles Barnhouse 1475
 Barbara Berger 1475
 Jay Broyles (3) 1475
 Cindy Corrales 1475
 Vern DeMars 1475
 Mike Duff 1475
 Lynda Einstein 1475
 Dale Fairchild 1475
 Matt Ferrero 1475
 Wayne Fish 1475
 Keith Fraser 1475
 Judith Hall (2) 1475
 Bob Hanna 1475
 James King (2) 1475
 James McAnena 1475
 Quinton Newton 1475
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Margaret Stephens (3)	1475	Denny Ward	1919	John Robbins	2190	Felice Bitters	2646
Dori Sullivan	1475	Jim Wilson	1919	David Swoger	2190	Robert Bonson	2646
Jim Swindell	1475	Nancy Brennan (4)	1948	Mel Borden	2248	Betty Green	2646
Doug Wells	1475	Tracy Bufano (2)	1948	James Kellogg	2248	David Green	2646
Don Westerfield (3)	1475	Beverly Woulfe (4)	1948	Carol Shoemaker	2248	Joe Phillips	2646
Tony & Rosanda Campas	1538	Barry Brockman	1952	Robert Lehman, Jr.	2274	Mary Brunkhorst	2697
Mercy Medellin	1539	Margarita Castillo	1952	Ron Meidell	2274	Steve Brunkhorst	2697
Laurel Utecht	1587	Randy Eldridge	1952	Timothy Staffel	2274	Arlene Degen	2697
Carol Allen	1608	Christopher Garland (2)	1952	Carol Hertel	2314	Chip Durham (9)	2697
Frank Anderson	1608	Raul Martinez	1952	Franz Wagner	2364	Shawnie Card	2697
Chuck Cairns	1608	Jeffrey Ryan	1952	Ellsworth Warner	2364	Greer Johnny	2697
Barbara Earle	1608	Don Schneiderhan	1952	Larry & Dwanna Lousberg	2379	Nakatani Ross	2697
Edward Kulik	1608	David Skelton	1952	Sharon Ventrice	2379	Nakatani (6)	2697
Nancy Larkin	1608	Karen Stuetz-Garland	1952	Steve Arbelbide	2389	Sharon Nakatani	2697
Owen Long	1608	Rick & Kate Bruce	1959	Arden "Ardie" Bates	2389	Lynn Powell	2697
Nancy Nelson	1608	Dennis Fischgrabe	1959	David Byard	2389	Bobbie Spezia	2697
Fred Wasserman	1608	Tom Lemm (2)	1959	Marilyn Gower	2389	Jimmie Spezia	2697
Ronald Hinman (2)	1643	Victoria Rivera	1959	Mary Hutchcroft	2389	Greg Stefo Galen	2697
Auburn Elks Bar	1691	Robert Baron	1968	Roy & Joyce Lovejoy	2389	Pat Taylor	2697
Auburn Elks PER Association (2)	1691	Fred Costa	1968	Lorene Munoz (6)	2389	Bernie Timm	2697
Howard Davidson	1691	Nancy DiTomaso (5)	1968	Jay Skaggs	2389	Gerald Troxel	2697
Leonard Ferretti	1691	Dan Feyka	1968	Robert Stouffer	2389	Christy Williams (2)	2697
Harlan Moore	1691	Don Loeschner	1968	Bobby Trask (2)	2389	Dick Williams (3)	2697
Jim & Kathy Buell	1712	Roy & Marilyn Norman	1968	Harold Tullledge	2389	Bert Agustinovich	2704
Marie Bolstad	1728	Gary Papp	1968	Yucaipa Elks Dart League	2389	Debbe Blake	2704
Dean Cochran	1740	Ray Reno	1968	Yucaipa Elks Kamper Klub	2389	Virginia "Ginny" Cline	2704
Dorothy Cochran	1740	Joe Reti	1968	Yucaipa Elks Ladies & Lads	2389	Gerald "Jerry" Mills	2704
William "Bill" Cook (2)	1740	Bob Cassetta	1991	Yucaipa Elks PER Association	2389	Walter Neumann	2704
Hazel Dotson	1740	Frank Giugliano	1991	Bob Yzquierdo	2389	Patricia Powell	2704
Carol Heintz	1740	Tom & Pat Conlon	1993	Tom Ziech (3)	2389	Lou Riccardi	2704
Albert Kuk	1740	Kit Pummer	1993	Donald Firkins	2426	George "Richard" Shaw (2)	2704
Virginia Lowe (2)	1740	Gus Kane	1996	Linda Cimmarusti	2444	Arda Sundstrom	2704
Judi McEvers	1740	Nancy Kane	1996	Mary Cooper	2444	Charlene Klinger	2724
Vince Puterbaugh (2)	1740	Sharron Cannon (5)	2011	Erik Fisher	2444	Lance & Karen Erickson	2733
Joe Schrettner	1740	Jan Anderson	2013	Sheryn Howlett	2444	David Martin	2733
Darleen Underwood (5)	1740	Gene Armstrong III	2013	Mike & Judy Klinger	2444	Kathy Rogers	2790
Carol Wren	1740	Sheila Armstrong	2013	Ron McKeon	2444	Howard Adkins	2801
Wayne Wren	1740	Robert Cruz	2013	Richard Goldner	2477	Kenneth Behrends	2801
Alan Clifton (5)	1767	Karen Emery	2013	Brenda Hagen (2)	2477	Lloyd Clough	2801
Jon Ellowitz	1767	Maureen Hardy-Blair	2013	Sal Argo	2492	Barbara Conner	2801
Stan Malkin	1767	Kathleen Murray (2)	2013	Jeff Bastedo	2492	Diane Farrens (2)	2801
Thom McElroy	1767	Patrick O'Keefe (2)	2013	Dennis Brookins	2492	Robert Farrens	2801
George Corbin	1786	Bonnie Thomas	2013	Don Daurio	2492	Laurie Gonzalez	2801
Al Frank	1786	Stacy Thomas	2013	Jose Diaz	2492	Paul Gonzalez	2801
Jo Ann Knight	1786	John Goerlitz III	2020	Andy Dobrzynski	2492	Donna Greenlee	2801
Mark Layman (6)	1786	Barbara Jones	2020	Ellis Dyer	2492	Wayne Hallett	2801
Ed Owens	1786	Dan Jones	2020	Dale Harwood	2492	Arthur "Tom" Jensen	2801
Frank Reimann	1786	Robert "Bob" Rech	2026	Fred James (2)	2492	Robert Johnson	2801
Ron Vickery	1786	Olga Spenol	2026	Ed Lucas	2492	Linda Jones	2801
Cherylle Waters	1786	Larry Bliss	2031	Gary Lynch	2492	Steve Jones	2801
Jean Bruechle Topley	1787	Ina DaCosta (2)	2031	Tony Markarian	2492	Ken Nordstrom	2801
Nancy Kulinski (2)	1812	Carl Santo	2031	Sander Moss	2492	Dale Qualm	2801
Vicki Zellner (3)	1877	Richard Crowe	2046	Bill Nuss (2)	2492	Pete Recatto	2801
Barbara Knox	1905	Daniel Baccelliere	2050	Tom Petriella	2492	Angela Stevanus	2801
Dianna Valenzuela	1913	Sherry Hunt	2050	Michelle Rivera	2492	William "Bill" Van Meter	2801
John Van Guilder	1913	Robert Sitter (5)	2050	Keith Scott	2492	Diana Walker	2801
Bob & Beth Duitsman (2)	1917	Mike Chandra	2091	Kari Sears (2)	2492	Robert "Bob" Walker	2801
Marilyn Marble	1917	Kimberly Collins	2091	Mike Mazzucchi	2510	Michael Zenski	2801
Francine Cross	1919	Richard Garcia	2091	Larry Fink	2543		
Donald Davis	1919	Steve Noya	2091	Janet Rasmussen	2543		
Michele Dobler	1919	Brian Rogers (3)	2091	Penny Scott	2543		
Jeanine Gray	1919	Lee & Rosie Northcutt	2095	Dan Gerber (2)	2577		
Rick Gray	1919	Karen Perriseau	2098	Diannia Morrison	2577		
Paul Groff	1919	Carmichael Emblem Club 355 (2)	2103	John Parman	2577		
Carolyn Kilb	1919	Richard Ransom	2103	Margie Samaniego	2577		
Robert Kilb	1919	Ralph Davis (2)	2117	Cindy Becker	2591		
John Masaki	1919	Laurie Kerr	2117	Jim Flatley	2591		
James S. Mason	1919	Gini Gustafson	2121	Helene Fowler (2)	2591		
Sharon Mason	1919	Patricia Polehla	2121	Russ Hamilton	2591		
Laraine Miyata	1919	Sonny Santana (2)	2121	Larry Hannon	2591		
Norman Naritoku	1919	Jolene Smith	2121	A.B. Hetland	2591		
Allan Peace	1919	Larry Smith	2121	Mary Ann Kuk (4)	2591		
Donald Pfenniger	1919	Herb & Liz Lopez-Aguado (3)	2128	Lake Elsinore Elks	2591		
Megan Silveira	1919	Christina Mehl	2128	Ladies Lake Elsinore Elks Lodge 2591	2591		
Cluad Smith	1919	Cloyd Sargent	2128	Lake Elsinore PER Association	2591		
Steve Swigart	1919	Marvin Baker	2190	Larry Ryan	2591		
Lynnie Tabata	1919	James Davis	2190	Juanita Sethney	2591		
Kenneth Taylor	1919	Harrie Day	2190	Larry Williams	2591		
Greg Thomke	1919	Hugh Laughlin	2190	Colette Aoki	2616		
Pauline Thomke	1919	Peter Marshall	2190	John Brown	2616		
Shirley Treuden	1919	Byron McKibben	2190	Bridget Smith	2616		
Adela Villa	1919	Bob Miller	2190	John Smith	2616		

Vocational Grants

for Technical & Vocational Training

Any student residing within the jurisdiction of the California-Hawaii Elks Association may apply for a Vocational Grant!

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Judi Traci	6	Jan Lee	1298	Marsha Aguon	1919	Brian Rogers	2091
Michael Bradshaw	168	Teresa Lewis	1298	Michele Homer	1919	Jere M. Williams	2091
Max Burnett	168	Melanie McKimmons	1298	Eric Koyanagi	1919	Earl T. Bouchard, PDD	2098
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Gary Marinelli	168	Ines Greenwald	1443	Randall N. Eldridge	1952	Shirley Allen-Sparks	2358
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Margaret "Peg" McDonald	168	Robert Beck	1474	Karen Lewin	1952	Leroy Bostick	2358
Glenn Montague	168	Richard D. Enea	1474	William "Bill" O'Hearn	1952	Jadeen Costa Schroeder	2358
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Matthew Pires	168	Kathleen Linsley	1474	Harry Ross	1952	Ronald Keele	2358
Hugh VanDoren	168	R.C. "Stoney" Bourke	1475	Lance Slimmer	1952	Janet L. Robertson	2358
Frank Chicago	218	Matthew Ferrero	1475	Linda Vulgamore	1952	Fern Sammon	2358
Nadine Steel	218	Sean Gambil	1475	Roger Vulgamore	1952	Terry Sammon	2358
Deborah Ross-Moonelo	522	Amanda Jung	1475	Thomas E. Lemm	1959	Linda Schwass	2358
Jeanine Allspaw	583	James Jung	1475	Erlinda Puig	1959	Michael Streeter	2358
Robert Allspaw	583	Chris Michaelis	1475	Dale S. Sinner	1959	Pat Terrell	2358
Frank Almazan	583	Thomas Robertson	1475	Richard Tanguy	1959	Kathleen West	2358
Janice Almazan	583	Colin Smith	1475	Carol Beckwith	1968	Ray Broussard	2379
Erik Brown	583	John M. Smith	1475	Henry "Hank" DiTomaso	1968	Cheryl Laymon	2379
Bonnie Burks	583	Kathy Walker	1475	Kathleen Harrod	1968	Ted Olsen	2379
Hilary Fulton	583	Mark Walker	1475	Norman J. Leitholf	1968	Joseph Garica	2477
Chris Hubbell	583	Greg Peale	1497	Amy Anderson-Giugliano	1991	Terry Gicking	2477
Lisa Hubbell	583	Karen Feldpouch	1538	Richard Wallace	1991	Greg Metzgas	2477
Sally Reagan	613	Warren H. Downs	1561	Dan Casey	1993	Beverly Burns	2484
Calvin Hara	616	Carole D. May	1561	Judy Givens	1993	Robert "Bob" Burns	2484
Arthur "Bud" Lush	616	Michelle Solvin	1643	Richard Green	1993	Jay Dupler	2504
Aron Anderson	672	John E. Harry	1687	Judy Harraka	1993	Kristi Dupler	2504
Jerome Paul	672	Steven Wagstaff	1687	Robert Harraka	1993	Melvin Fitzhenry	2504
Charles Rowe	672	Michael Cosby	1691	Alan Kelley	1993	Dale Gregory	2504
Lisa Fleury	759	William "Bill" Cook	1740	Michael Mathers	1993	Larry L. Fink	2543
Miles Nakatsu	759	Judy Menke	1740	Diana Mondragon	1993	Marilyn J. Fink	2543
Tim Jeager	832	Angela Anderson	1767	Trudy Nuzum	1993	Barbara Kincade	2543
Robert Nichol	836	Richard Blake	1767	Claudia & Carlos Santos	1993	David W. Mullett	2543
Jerry Hansen	901	Ray Prettyman	1767	Robert Hollis-Brau	1996	Janet Rasmussen	2543
Donald Checchi	906	Kaye Brandos	1804	Willie S. Koskela	1996	Linda Tucker	2543
Frank Frazier	906	Rocky Brandos	1804	Ben Ortega	1996	Richard Yeager	2543
Robert A. Picket	906	Carl Becker	1811	Laurie Ayala	2011	Diane Ward	2577
Margaret Pickett	906	Gerry Gouveia	1811	Martin Barros	2011	Thom Richardson	2599
Karen Chambliss-Ray	966	Mary C. Gouveia	1811	Janet L. Byrd	2011	Charisse Williams	2599
Jose Justiniano	966	Chuck Jackson	1811	Phillip W. Byrd	2011	James Williams	2599
Sean Mejia	966	Edward C. Johnson	1811	Sharron Cannon	2011	Bridget Smith	2616
Pamela Brodie	1015	Michael Silva	1811	Roy Jenness	2011	John R. Smith	2616
Roy Stout	1015	Kevin Wrobel	1811	Ashley Munoz	2011	Tom Warren	2639
Howard Weinman	1015	Patricia I. Hamilton	1812	Rebecca Munoz	2011	Arlene Degen	2697
Robyn Sembenini	1108	Ron Harden	1812	Christine Nelson	2011	Dave Hosted	2698
Joe Tato	1108	Susan Jimenez	1812	Cynthia "Cyndy" Wise	2011	Marvin Elrod	2699
Dr. Donald Gumm	1240	Stacy Mackey	1812	Bob & Beth Duitsman	2020	Kaye Bruns	2733
Susan Gumm	1240	Rose Johnson	1877	John Hardman	2031	Lance Erickson	2733
Dave Wells	1240	Donald D. Schultz	1877	Steve Thatcher	2031		
Frank Gutierrez	1250	Lance Hudson	1917	David Dickey	2046		



Elk Grove Lodge 2577 completed a school assistance project to four Title 1 schools using an Anniversary Grant of \$1,500. All of the schools have children that speak many different languages. The requests started coming in for multi-language books to meet the needs of the children. All of the schools are in low income areas and the parents find it difficult to purchase the necessary books. The books provide incentives for the schools Positive Behavior Intervention System. Our members placed Elks identification labels in each book prior to delivery.

Five pull down screens were purchased for the Mary Tsukamoto school. The school had recently purchased camera projectors and had no screens. A big thank you to the project chairman, Eva Nelson and Mike Vandepol for a very successful project.

Glendale Lodge 1289, represented by members Bill Pyros and Sterrett Harper at the Herbert Hoover High School annual awards program. The Lodge presented a total of \$4,050 in scholarships to college bound seniors.

Lancaster Lodge 1625 Mixed Bowling Team donated \$300 to the William J. "Pete" Knight Veterans Home in Lancaster. Annette Gewirtz, Activity Coordinator at the veterans home, thanked bowling league President Art Hiley, ER Darin Combs, along with members of the Lodge and bowling league.

Garden Grove Lodge 1952, using a Gratitude Grant, furnished school supplies to Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center in Garden Grove.

The Lodge provided 144 backpacks with school supplies to Project Dignity for distribution to needy families.

Prior to the Fourth of July, Lodge volunteers operated a Fireworks stand with all the proceeds going to Elk Charities.



Santa Maria Lodge 1538 hosted 950 local elementary school students, parents, school administrators and community leaders for two ceremonies for their Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program graduation.

The 10-week program emphasized abstinence from drugs, violence and gangs. The students are encouraged to make good decisions, smart choices and understand that they have many advocates within the community that are there for them.



Lake Elsinore/Wildomar Lodge 2591 held a Special Bingo at the Lodge for the Temecula Valley Young Marines. Lodge Bingo Chairman Bob Viscardi and Director Potter organized the event which helped the Young Marines reach their goal of \$9200. A big tribute to the Elk Volunteers and Bingo participants.



Downey Lodge 2020, held its Flag Day ceremony with the Police Explorers and Boy Scout Troop 441. The boys presented our flags and made the ceremony very special. Pictured are the Downey Police Explorers, Exalted Ruler Helen Soto, and Boy Scouts from Troop 441.



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Orange Lodge 1475 recently helped at the Children's Hospital of Orange County second annual Cleft and Craniofacial Family Picnic. A cleft occurs when certain body parts and structures do not fuse together during fetal development. Clefts can involve the lip and/or the roof of the mouth, which is made up of both hard and soft palate. This year's picnic was held at the Santa Ana Zoo for patients who have been treated at Children's Hospital of Orange County for craniofacial problems. The event gives these children an opportunity to meet and enjoy a special day with other individuals who have experienced similar challenges. The Orange Elks sent ten volunteers to help set up the event and serve more than 300 lunches to these special children and their families.

In other news, the Lodge helped at the Down Syndrome Association of Orange County Picnic. The Lodge fed them, played games with them and made sure the families had a great time! The ENF Beacon Grant was used to help fund the picnic. Over 100 Elk members volunteered for the 4th annual Elks / Down Syndrome Family Picnic at Irvine Park. Over 300 attendees had a great day of games, crafts, food, therapy dogs, zoo visits, train rides, pony rides and more. Truly a great day in Elksdom!



Yucaipa Lodge 2389, Fontana Lodge 2013, San Bernardino Lodge 836, Riverside Lodge 643 and Redlands Lodge 583 worked together to provide hot dogs, hamburgers and side dishes to 300 veterans at the Jerry L. Pettis Veterans Hospital to commemorate Flag Day.



Downey Lodge 2020 presented Michael J., from Troop 441 a Certificate of Merit signed by Grand Exalted Ruler Michael Luhr, for Michael's achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Pictured is Exalted Ruler Helen Soto and Michael J.



California-Hawaii Elks Association **Mid-Term** Conference DoubleTree • Modesto

November 1 - 4

Thursday Morning

Golf Tournament • Creekside Golf Course

Thursday Evening

Modesto Elks Lodge 1282

Thursday Dinner • All you can eat Pasta Buffet

Friday

President/BOT Mtgs. 8:00 to 11:30 am

Attendees Luncheon 12:00 noon

DDGER Luncheon 12:15 to 1:30 pm

Officer Seminars 1:30 to 5:00 pm

Friday Evening

Modesto Lodge • Friday Night Dinner Club

Big Band Entertainment (2 Seatings)

Bus Service by Ticket

Saturday

Officers Seminars 8:30 am to 12 noon

Attendees Luncheon 12:00 noon

Advisory Meeting 1:30 pm

Workshops 1:00 pm

ENF Mass 4:00 pm

Saturday Evening

ENF Dinner • Centre Plaza

Sunday Morning

District Leaders Breakfast 7:30 am

District Leaders Meeting 7:45 am

Modesto Elks Lodge 1282

Breakfast Buffet 8:00 am to Noon

*A complete list of Meetings is available
on the CHEA website.*

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Newport Harbor Lodge 1767 held its third annual Visually Impaired Veterans' Harbor Cruise in July for veterans from the VA Hospital in Long Beach. Each veteran had a social companion who guided them through the day's events and ensured their every need was met. After the Harbor Cruise, lunch was served and Phil Bradley, Retired Marine and Lodge Veterans' Chairman, spoke about Elkdom. Phil also mentioned how proud the Lodge was to host the event, and thanked the veterans for their service to the country. Each veteran received a gift bag and a \$25 gift card. The event was made possible by an ENF Beacon Grant.



Mission Viejo / Saddleback Valley Lodge 2444 held their annual Summer Sock Hop for one hundred thirty-five (135) Saddleback Valley special needs men and women at the Lodge. The day was filled with fun, food, music, and dancing. Entertainment was provided by the High Hopes musical ensemble from Hope University in Santa Ana. The talented musical group, made up entirely of developmentally challenged men and women, is world renowned and has performed on national TV. Event chairman Les Stipek said of the event, "It's a joy to see some of these wonderful people year after year and how much they enjoy themselves." Les added, "Most of the guests are repeat attendees who look forward to meeting up with old friends and dancing to the great music at the party."

In other news, Sandy Bergan and Elks supporters crocheted quilts for use by Veteran patients at the Veterans Hospital in Long Beach. The colorful and comfortable quilts were a welcome sight to Veterans and were delivered by the Elks Veterans Committee Bingo Team when they visited the hospital to play bingo with the Vets.

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At the Grand Lodge Convention in San Antonio, Texas, **Earl Bouchard of Sunland-Tujunga, California, Lodge 2098** was awarded the first ever **National Veterans Service Volunteer of the Year Award**.

For Earl's story, please go to: Elks.org/vets/news.cfm?StoryID=112294



The Elks Luncheon Club, established in 1928 by Los Angeles Lodge 99, held its annual luncheon at the Burbank Lodge 1497 to welcome new Association President Bob Duitsman to the Metropolitan District. In attendance, and pictured with President Duitsman are seven Past Association Presidents that were in attendance, in front Lee Northcut, row two, President Bob Duitsman, John Holt, back row are Skip Henke, Lance Erickson, Jim Mason, Art Echternaght, and Chuck Nolan.



Bill and Belinda Turner (Bill, a member of Palo Alto Lodge, now living in Morro Bay) made a gift of \$400,000 to support CHEA Ritual Championship Teams going to Grand Lodge conventions to compete. Bill and Belinda's gift will have an impact within the California-Hawaii Elks Association for decades to come. A plaque was created as an expression of the Association's heartfelt appreciation for their generosity. Since the Turners will be unable to attend any upcoming meetings or events, Bob and Beth Duitsman personally delivered the plaque to them.