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A Fraternal Organization

Louis J. Grillo, PGER
Area 7 Sponsor

April 6, 2020

To the Officers and Members of the California-Hawaii Elks Association

My fellow members,

During these difficult times, the California-Hawaii Elks Association has had to make many changes to try and keep our members safe. The most important consideration in today's world is to follow our Government Regulations and the advice from our Healthcare Professionals. Because of the COVID 19 situation, the CHEA Convention that was to be held in Palm Springs in May has been cancelled.

A number of steps have now been taken to keep our members safe and to ensure Elkdome will continue once this crisis is behind us. I would like to share some of the steps with you that are being taken at this time.

Our Association President Tim Jaeger and First Vice President, Jay Larkins will remain in office for the coming year. Jay's Vice President Designates will work along with the current Vice Presidents (who will remain in office throughout the next fraternal year). All other Association Officers such as, our CHEA and CHEMPI Board of Trustees, Association Committee Chairmen and Vice Chairmen will change positions per usual on May 16, 2020 because they can work remotely from home.

It has been decided that Association President Jaeger will not make any District Visitations during the upcoming Fraternal Year of Elkdome. The reason for this is that Tim has already made all of his designated visits. It will relieve the Districts of the responsibility of hosting an Association President.

Also, the current Vice Presidents will remain in office but will not do any District Lodge visits. They will submit the reporting forms to the Lodge electronically. Then the Lodge will fill it out and return it. This will relieve the burden of Lodge visits in the coming year. Part of the reasoning here is that once the quarantine has been lifted, many Lodges will probably find themselves in some sort of financial difficulty. This will give the Lodge leadership the opportunity to regroup and get their Lodge in working order again.

You will find other information in this publication regarding the Convention refunds and the steps we are taking to ensure our Major Project continues into the future. Please make sure you read through the magazine to get further information.

It is not only Elkdome that is facing trying times, but our entire world. The most important thing is to keep our membership safe and healthy. Our Lodges have been closed due to the pandemic. Once they reopen, it will be necessary for truly dedicated Elks to step forward and help carry their Lodges successfully into the future. It is the Lodges in their local communities that will carry forward the charitable works of Elkdome that will be needed now more than ever.

Elkdome has survived for over 150 years. It has survived because of its members, giving of themselves, their time, effort and dedication to make our world a better place. God Bless all of our Membership and God Bless the United States of America.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Louis J. Grillo, PGER
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Exalted Ruler's Piggy Bank March

As the Piggy Bank March held on Saturday morning at the convention will not take place this year we are requesting each Lodge to submit their Major Project (Aka: Piggy Bank, Purple Pig) funds on hand to the CHEA Office no later than May 15, 2020. **All piggy bank funds sent to the Fresno office prior to May 15th will be included in the 2019-2020 ER March funds.** All piggy bank funds received at the Fresno office after May 16th will be included in the 2020-2021 ER March funds.

Blue Coats

If you ordered a CHEA Blue Coat, you usually picked it up at the convention. With it being canceled, the Blue Coat Chairman will be working with the District Leaders to deliver the coats, ties and pins to one location in your District for distribution to you sometime in mid May, 2020.

Certificates and Pins

As you know, many of our Lodges have been closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Certificates and pins for the Century Club, 52 Club, Millennium Club, Recurring Donors are continuing to be processed at the CHEA Office in Fresno. Because many of the Lodges are closed due to the California Shelter In Place order, our office will be holding the Certificates and Pins and will mail them when the Shelter In Place order is lifted.

Thank you for your continued support.

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President's Message



Tim Jaeger, President
California-Hawaii Elks Association



Greetings and Aloha
to all California-Hawaii Elk Members,

Wow – as I sit here writing this article, I have just been informed of some unusual developments.

As you are aware, the United States is under a national emergency in connection with the COVID-19 global pandemic. This pandemic has completely infected commerce on a local, national and global basis, and the impacts, never before seen in our lifetime, worsen on a daily basis.

But the Elks continue to be leaders. Our CHEA leadership has decided that to hold our annual convention under these conditions would not be prudent, and in fact would put our most valuable asset, our members, at greater risk. We have cancelled the May 2020 convention in Palm Springs. We will all miss the opportunity to see each other at the convention this year.

So, what happens next, no convention, no meetings, no fun? In an effort to give our Lodges, Districts and members a chance to heal and grow strong again as this pandemic begins to subside some tough decisions had to be made. Not holding a convention will save the Lodges some costs and will keep local leadership around the Lodge during these critical times. Ritual competitions at District and Association level will not occur. There will be no Vice President visits within the District this year and the President and First Lady will not be coming to your District for a visit. These actions are designed to save the Lodges and Districts critical funds to continue the many programs we support. I have been watching all the creative fun our Lodges and members have come up with using virtual gatherings, conference calls, video meetings and similar ways to interact while socially distant – when this subsides, I know the fun will continue.

We recognize that a number of Lodges will have, or have already had events cancelled that they rely on to help fund the Lodge, the Club facility, etc. This year we must concentrate on getting our members and our Lodges healthy. Social distancing is necessary, but not a fun experience. We are social beings and as such we need to be around other people. Perhaps this can be a wake-up call to put aside disputes and similar issues that cause dissension in Lodges. Wouldn't it be wonderful if this social distancing actually brought us closer together?

This would normally be my final article, but I must warn you, I'm going to be back. Sandy and I will be serving one additional year as First Lady and President (she gets first billing this time!!) as we go through this adjustment year. Our current Vice Presidents and spouses, the Hunters, will stay in place for another year. Jay and Ginger Larkins and the incoming Vice President couples, the Volunteers, will work closely with the Hunters during this upcoming year.

So now – what are we going to accomplish? I am convinced we

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CHEA President Tim Jaeger's Upcoming Schedule

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H. Eugene Chambers

CHEA President 2002 - 2003



It is with deep sorrow we announce the passing of Past Association President H. Eugene Chambers on February 14, 2020. Gene was a member of Needles Elks Lodge 1608. He was initiated into Needles Lodge in 1963. He served as Exalted Ruler in the fraternal year 1973. In 1980 he was selected as the Vice President of the South District. In 1982 he was selected as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of the South District. In 1987 he was promoted as a District Leader in the South District. In 2002 he was elected as President of the California-Hawaii Elks Association.

Piggy Bank

Roy Stout • CHEA Purple Pig Chairman



Greetings to all of our members and supporters. I hope this article finds all of you healthy, safe and happy. My, how things have changed since we last connected. My heart goes out to anyone who was ill from this horrible pandemic or experienced the loss of a loved one or a friend to COVID-19.

In March, before we were required to shelter at home, Cora and I were able to present to the CHEMPI Board of Trustees Meeting the best available numbers for the Exalted Ruler's March in May. The exact numbers have been difficult to access due to some technical issues. However, at the last calculation, it appeared that we were trending at about 125% of last year's figures. This is great news - \$4,000,000 is just around the corner. Thank you to each and every person who has dug so deep this year to support the kids. As of today, we are unable to clearly know how that trend may have been affected by the pandemic.

The Leading Knight's Challenge numbers continue to be a work in progress, but I will soon know the winners from each division. How and when we will be able to recognize their accomplishments, unfortunately, remain a mystery. But we will figure it out.

Other subjects discussed at CHEMPI Board of Trustees Meeting were our plans for the fraternal year 2020 -2021 (RV Rally in Hemet, Chili's Give Back Day, Leading Knight's Challenge 2021, Exalted Ruler's March 2021, Purple Pig Booth Fund-raisers). I believe a number of these activities may still be held, but the future is so uncertain at the moment, who knows.

Please do not forget about our wonderful therapists who continue their work during these shelter at home orders. They are working from their home offices keeping constant contact with their clients' families to make sure that our kids receive the help they need. What a remarkable group of people, I applaud each and every one of them.

That is it for now, keeping it short, we all have so many other things to concentrate upon.

Everyone - keep safe and healthy out there.

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



"Hey Joe... how about drawing me slimmer, with a flat stomach, cool abs, thin waist, small nose, head of thick-curlv hair, taller, and ..."



Our Purple Pig Cartoonist Joe Schmidt, one of the most talented men I have known, has passed away. The Chula Vista Lodge lost a wonderful man. Not only was Joe very talented, but he was blessed with a wonderful sense of humor. Never saw him without a sketch pad in his hands, because he would constantly sketch the people or scenes around him. Our most sincere condolences go to his wife Susan and his son Steve. Rest in peace dear friend.



Santa Clarita Lodge 2379 - Friends helping friends...Elks strong! During this terrible pandemic, when we are all so isolated, I for one am very lonely even though I share a home with my wonderful husband. Jeanette and Mike Fisher started thinking about those who live alone, without family close by. The Elks have become a family to me and many others. We go there to socialize with friends, share a meal, and spend time with people who care. I'm sure we're all missing our time at the Lodge. Mike and I decided to pick a member who lives alone, to provide a fully cooked dinner at least once a week, to let them know someone is thinking of them and they're loved. While practicing social distancing we meet up and deliver the meal. The few minutes of socializing, even from afar, is very uplifting. Right now is the time to bring humanity back into our lives and continue to care for others. No act is too small. Elks strong!

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Elks National Foundation

By Janet Rasmussen • CHEA ENF Chairman



The California-Hawaii Elks Association continues to be one of the most benevolent of all the State Associations and this past Elk year was no different. By making one last "push", the Elks National Foundation (ENF) giving surpassed last year's donation level of \$10.60 per member to this year's \$11.23 per member.

However, numbers for the close out of the year have not been posted yet. Thank you all for supporting the great Heart of Elkdom. We will all benefit as the Elks National Foundation continues to give back to our State Association and this year will be even more.

2019 – 2020 Elks year has officially ended as of March 31, 2020 for the Elks National Foundation giving. District Chairs, if you are continuing for another year as the District Chairman, I remind you that you must register again this year. Now is the time. Also, take a look at the line item objectives for your Chairman Challenge. It would be a good idea to work this all year. David Coleman, PDDGER will be the new California-Hawaii Elks National Foundation Chairman beginning on May 16, 2020. Please show him your support as you have done me this past couple of years.

Grants: This year there is a lot to take in and guidelines are changing from the look and feel of previous years due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Please be patient and flexible with Grand Lodge as they keep our members updated. For the most current updates check elks.org/enf. We'll get through this time of the COVID-19 and our grants will help our communities. Note that dates for most of the grants will open this year on June 1, 2020. The Gratitude and Impact Grants however are the only grants that will open April 1, 2020. As with all grants, applications must be submitted before the project takes place.

Need an idea for your grant project? Check out the Grant History Report at enf.elks.org/CIPHistory for examples of successful grant applications and approved grant projects. Every day Elks across our great Association make a difference in people's lives by acts of kindness. How will your Lodge support the community with the ENF Community Investment Program (CIP)?

John F. Malley Society: The John F. Malley Society recognizes those individuals who plan gifts to the Foundation. A planned gift can include a bequest, gift of appreciated stock, gift of life insurance, or other life income gifts. Membership benefits include the Malley Society pin, the Malley Society medallion, the Society sticker for your membership card, your name listed in Heartbeat, the ENF donor newsletter and an invitation to a special event each year at the Elks National Convention.

To enroll in the John F. Malley Society, you simply need to fill out a one-page application and provide us with a brief testimonial explaining why you chose to include the Foundation in your plans. After submitting your enrollment form, you will be asked to provide the relevant portion of your Will or planned

giving paperwork for our records. This information is confidential and will not be shared with other parties.

The ENF Board of Trustees approved \$39.1 million budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, with something new and exciting for every program. To learn more, please tune in to episode 64 of the Midday podcast, available at enf.elks.org/midday. Let us learn and grow together in the vision and legacy of the Elks National Foundation!

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Pasadena Lodge 672, member Frank De Santis Jr.'s daughter Laurel, just completed her Girl Scout Gold Award project at Villa Scalabrini Retirement Center. Laurel, a sophomore honor student at Saugus High School, updated the Library at Villa Scalabrini. The project included removing all the books, shelves, furnishings, and flooring. Applying new paint, installing new carpeting, cleaning and repairing the shelving, and re-stocking the books. In addition, a new section for over 600 DVD's, 300 CD's and 100 cassette tapes were added to provide entertainment as well as information to the residents. A computer was added so that residents may have access to the Internet and email.



Canoga Park Lodge 2190 donated over 1,600 dictionaries and Drug Awareness bookmarks to third grade students, in 22 schools in the western San Fernando Valley. Pictured (l-r) are members Annalise Lopez, Bill and Gayle Sutton inserting bookmarks and labeling the dictionaries.

Membership Retention and Lapsation

C. Michael Melton, PDDGER • Chairman



Greetings, I hope you and yours are safe and well during these unusual times. The State of California is under "Stay at Home" orders and I believe Hawaii has a similar restriction. Unnecessary travel has been prohibited, the schools are closed and people who can, are working from home. Our annual Convention has been

canceled and most, if not all, of our Lodges are shuttered and operating with the office staff only.

I don't know if any of us has faced the uncertainty that confronts everyone now. The Coronavirus is a worldwide pandemic, and no one can predict its duration or the damage it may do. This has brought a host of issues to the table and put us all in an uncommon position, now it is up to each of us to make of it what we can.

Recruitment can go forward with electronically submitted applications. Interviews and Orientations lend themselves to technologies such as Skype, Zoom, Face Time, Duo and others. These will allow personnel, face to face interaction with the Candidates and eliminate any travel or social distancing issues. A Lodge of one hundred or more members can hold a meeting with a quorum of nine members, two of whom are elected Officers and conduct the normal business of the Lodge. Again, this can easily be done with platforms such as Zoom, Go to Meetings and others.

The question of how we Initiate is still not fully resolved but I expect guidance on that forthwith.

As far as addressing Retention and Lapsation are concerned we have the tools at hand. The Lodge Secretary should have began mailing the monthly late dues reminders already. These reminders in the form of late notices, letters, greeting cards or whatever you choose, need to go out the first of every month. With Lapsation, make the phone calls now. As of April 1st, we began our sixty-day penalty free Reinstatement Period. This allows any member dropped as of March 31, 2020 to be put back on the Rolls simply by bringing their dues up to date. Those recovered will count towards our 2019-2020 Membership total.

All is not a struggle and gloom, and although CLEMS will not have the official numbers until late June or early July, I feel safe in predicting another plus membership year. I don't believe it will rival last year's numbers, but given the virtual loss of the last two weeks of the year, it should nevertheless be respectable.

Lastly, remember, Membership means participation and Brotherhood. Be sure all your members know whom to call should they have a question or need assistance. Stay in touch with the Candidates and keep them abreast of their progress towards membership. Make the members aware of what's transpiring and what may be on the horizon. We have mass mailing bulletins, Facebook, e-mail and other media at our disposal, we need to stay in touch as much as is practical.

Most of all, reach out to each other and offer what help you can during this strange time. The Cardinal Principals of our Order should guide you at this time more than ever.

President's Message

Tim Jaeger, President

California-Hawaii Elks Association

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had a massive gain in membership lined up, it took a pandemic to slow us down, and we will pick up the momentum when these challenges are behind us. I am also convinced that we easily topped the \$4 million dollar mark for the Major Project, and we will now be targeting \$4 million + for the 2020-2021 Piggy Bank March. We will basically have two sets of VPs out there to assist each district in their efforts.

In other parts of this newsletter stories of selfless acts performed by Elks around our Association are documented. Stepping up when we are most needed is a long-standing Elk tradition. We have been among the first to respond to National emergencies for many years. This emergency was no different as when Elks were needed, we as always stepped up to a new challenge.

Finally, for those who are concerned, Gene Dale and the gorilla family are all safely sheltered in place and practicing social distancing.

Thank you for "Stepping up to a New Age" and supporting all the great Elk Programs.

With warm fraternal regards,
Tim Jaeger, President
California-Hawaii Elks Association



Roseville Lodge 2248 hosted two youth events in January, 2020. The Lodge celebrated winners of the annual Drug Awareness Poster contest. Later in January, winners of both the Americanism Essay Contest and the Most Valuable Student Scholarships were awarded. The Lodge provided six \$1000 scholarships to outstanding seniors from local high-schools. Pictured (l-r) Roseville Elks Scholarship Chair Heather Sherk, scholarship winners Kaylie B., Joseph G., Caroline P., Emma M., Tyler B., and ER Mike Jones. Nathan W., Tyler B. and Caroline P. advanced to the State level.

In other news, the Lodge in late February, honored five local Police and Fire agencies.



Aaron is an adorable 5-year-old boy. He is energetic, funny, affectionate and rambunctious. So basically, Aaron is a lot like many 5-year-old boys keeping their parents on the run. What is not so typical is that Aaron is not yet using many words to make his wants and needs known.

The most intensive period of speech and language development is during the first three years of life, a period of rapid brain development. At about 12-months-old, many children are already using single words, and by age 2 may be putting words together in simple sentences.

Aaron's parents noticed early on that Aaron was not using simple words or pointing to direct their attention. Aaron was also a bit delayed in walking so he was receiving physical therapy in his home through The California-Hawaii Elks Major Project. Aaron's physical therapist, Megan Macleod, suggested that Aaron receive a speech/language evaluation and referred Aaron's parents to Toby Tamayo-Davis, speech language therapist with the California-Hawaii Elks Major Project.

Toby evaluated Aaron when he was approximately 18-months-old and determined that he would benefit from individual speech language therapy. She immediately began working with Aaron and his parents weekly in his home. Speech language therapy sessions included using pictures, books, songs, toys

and lots of repetition. Aaron was making slow but steady gains due to speech language therapy, but Aaron's parents felt that there was something more than just a straight forward speech language delay, and had Aaron undergo further diagnostic testing.

At the age of 2 years, 9 months, Aaron was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), which is a developmental disability that often includes challenges with communication. The term "spectrum" refers to the wide range of symptoms and skills that children with ASD may have.

Toby was the perfect therapist for Aaron due to her extensive experience as a speech therapist working with children with ASD. She educated and empowered Aaron's parents with a home program so that they could be involved in Aaron's speech language therapy all week long, not only when Toby was there for his therapy session. Aaron's parents were outstanding with following through with all home program suggestions made by Toby, and eventually began seeing improvement in Aaron's ability to communicate both verbally and non-verbally, in his play skills and his ability to follow a routine. It was a lot of work, but certainly a labor of love. But the generosity of the ELKS was about to get even more significant for this family.



Aaron's mother, Gabby had a baby girl, Sarah, in December 2016. A baby sister for Aaron! During the pregnancy Sarah was diagnosed with non-immune hydrops. This is a very rare but serious condition and Sarah was transferred to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) immediately after birth.

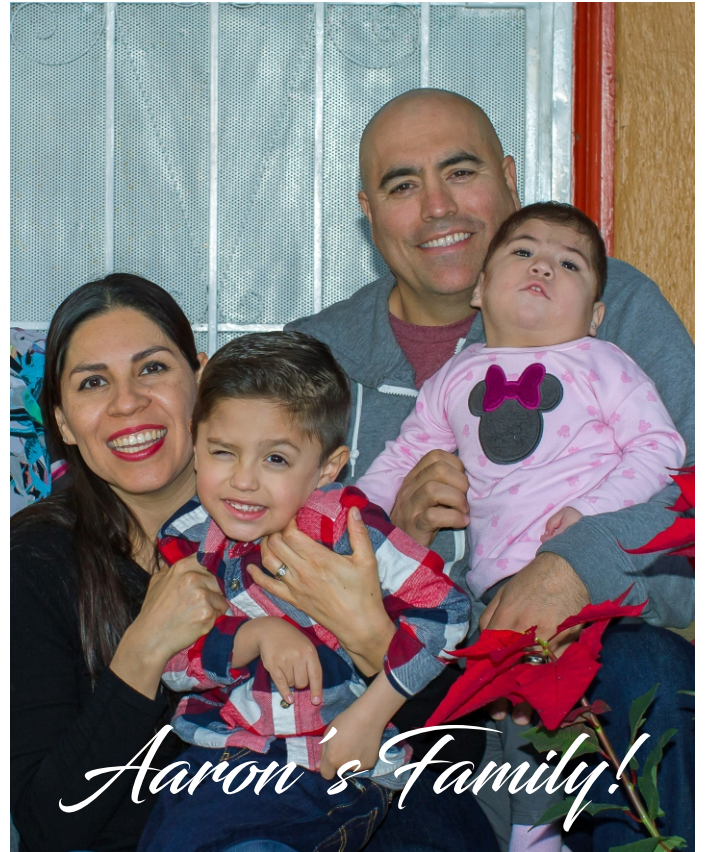
Sarah would spend the next 8 months in the NICU due to issues of chronic lung disease, heart problems and needed a feeding tube. While Aaron required a lot of attention due to his diagnosis and therapy needs, the family now had two children with special needs.

Aaron's mother or father were in the NICU with Sarah every day spending hours by her side. If ever a family needed a skilled speech language therapist coming to them in their home for Aaron, it was this family.

When Sarah was discharged from the NICU, it was clear that she would require physical therapy to gain strength and mobility, but she was much too medically fragile to be out of the home for therapy. Aaron's physical therapist through the Major Project, Megan Macleod, was right there to step in and begin weekly physical therapy for Sarah.



from Hawaii and California for your enthusiastic and selfless fundraising efforts and donations! You are not just helping children with disabilities and their families, but making the world a better place for all of us.



It was a chaotic time for the family due to the multiple medical appointments for both children. They were being pulled in a million different directions, but the one constant was both children getting the very important therapy services they needed weekly in their home, all due to the generosity of the Elks. Sarah is now crawling and there is no stopping her!

Aaron still has a way to go, but is using several words and making his needs known. Aaron loves to sing, use gestures to songs, plays on his iPad and loves his little sister.



We are so grateful for the speech therapy services for our son Aaron. It gives us such peace of mind to know that our wonderful Elks speech therapist, Toby, will be in our home every week providing Aaron such important therapy. He has made wonderful progress and this is all due to the generosity of the Elks members. On behalf of all of the thousands of children who are being served through these selfless donations, we want to say thank you to all the Elk members throughout California and Hawaii.

This family has faced a number of challenges over the past few years, but they are strong and determined to raise happy, functional and independent children. The donations from the Elks have provided Aaron and Sarah the therapy needed to help them reach this goal. A huge "Thank You" to all ELKS



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Drug Awareness Program

Diane Farrens, PDDGER • Chairman



CHEA DAP Contest Winners for 2019-2020:

A special thank you to the CHEA District and Lodge Chairmen that participated in one or more of the Drug Awareness Contests this year, and to the teachers and parents who encouraged the students to submit an entry. We had some outstanding entries again this

year. The judging has been completed and the winners of the various contest are:

CHEA DAP Poster Contest Winners

1st Place • Entry by Sydney C. • submitted by Sean Williams, South Central Coast District Chairman

2nd Place • Entry by Owen H. • submitted by John McEntire Jr., San Gabriel Valley District Chairman

3rd Place • Entry by Charlotte L. • submitted by Elli Platz, North Central District Chairman

CHEA DAP Essay Contest Winners

1st Place • Entry by Nova R. • submitted by Elli Platz, North Central District Chairman

2nd Place • Entry by Benjamin G. • submitted by John McEntire Jr., San Gabriel Valley District Chairman

3rd Place • Entry by Sophia L. • submitted by Kathleen Kuttler, South Coast District Chairman

CHEA DAP Pre-High School Video Contest Winners

1st Place • Entry by Edmund B. and Geronimo F. • submitted by Christy Williams, Southeast District Chairman

2nd Place • Entry by Tahlia S.; Samantha L. and Sophia L. • submitted by Kathleen Kuttler, South Coast District Chairman

3rd Place • Entry by Lauren C.; Stephanie L.; Katie S.; Sarah M. G.; Alejandra B. and Christopher G. M. • submitted by Joe DeLaLuz, Orange Coast District Chairman

CHEA DAP High School Video Contest Winners

1st Place • Entry by Katherine E.; Madelynn C.; Marlise M. and Rhiannon C. • submitted by Sean Williams, South Central Coast District Chairman

2nd Place • Entry by Jayden P. • submitted by Richard Spickler, Bay District Chairman

3rd Place • Entry by Trevin S. and Trishul M. • submitted by Christy Williams, Southeast District Chairman

Enrique Camarena Winner for 2019-2020: Our Enrique Camarena Winner was submitted by the Petaluma Elks 901 and Drug Awareness Chairman, Pamela Tarango. This year's winner is **Brian Wood, an Officer for the California Highway Patrol in the Santa Rosa** area and was sworn in on September 23, 2003. He started working road patrol in the Redwood City area. Since he started, he has focused on and maintained an interest in investigations that involve driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. He has also made and directly participated in arrests that include illegal drug possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of drugs for sale and/or transportation for sale. In July 2016, Officer Wood was trained as a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE). This program is sponsored by the United States Department of Transportation,

National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration (NHTSA) for which the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) set the National Standards. In August 2018, Officer Wood was trained as a DRE Instructor. He has assisted at the Drug Recognition Expert certification; taught Cannabis at the DRE School; taught the Marijuana/Cannabis Update to local and out-of-area CHP officers; taught Stimulants and Inhalants at the Drug Recognition Expert School in Petaluma and numerous other classes.

Officer Wood has made over 690 DUI related arrests in his career. This included arrests for driving under the influence of alcoholic beverages and drugs. As a Drug Recognition Expert, Officer Wood has conducted over 70 Drug Recognition Expert evaluations, since his certification in 2016. Officer Wood has also been present as an instructor and witness to many Drug Recognition Expert evaluations.

CHEA Convention: My Vice Chairman, Dave Provan, and I were looking forward to the upcoming CHEA Convention that was to be held in Palm Springs from May 13–16, 2020. Dave Provan and John McEntire will see you at the 2021 Convention in San Diego. Please stop by the table, say hello and let them know if you have any questions about the Drug Awareness Program.

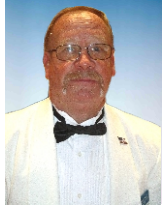
New CHEA Drug Awareness Chairman: This is my last article as the CHEA Drug Awareness Chairman. I have proudly served as the California-Hawaii Drug Awareness Vice Chairman for two years, and the past two years as the Chairman of the Drug Awareness Program. I have enjoyed working with the CHEA District Chairmen and with my Vice Chairman, Dave Provan. At the end of what would have been the CHEA Convention in May, Dave will be taking over as your CHEA Drug Awareness Chairman. Dave is a PDDGER; District Leader for the Northeast District and a member of the Auburn Lodge. Dave will be a great chairman; is looking forward to working with the CHEA District Chairmen and ready to answer your questions about the Drug Awareness Program.



Burbank Lodge 1497 hosts the American Red Cross for blood drives on a monthly basis. During the month of April, the Lodge hosted the Red Cross five times, to meet the need for blood.

CHEA Historian

Steve Lobdell, PDDGER



The Origin of Mother's Day Ritual

The Mother's Day Ritual was adopted early on in the 1900's. At a Session of the Grand Lodge in Boston in 1917, a resolution was unanimously adopted recommending that each subordinate Lodge, on its nearest meet-

ing night to the second Sunday in May of each year, they hold a special service to commemorate Mother's Day.

The following year, at the Grand Lodge Session in Atlantic City, J.E. McCormick of Modesto, CA Lodge 1282 submitted a form of Ritual for Mother's Day. It was voted that this Ritual be adopted as an optional ceremonial for subordinate Lodges.

In 1925 at the Grand Lodge Session in Portland, Oregon the committee on Social and Community Welfare which at that time had charge of matters of Ritual, offered a new Mother's Day Ritual. William Sinek of Chicago Lodge 4 who presented this new Ritual to the Grand Lodge for that committee stated that the entire Ritual was new, with the exception of the tribute which had been incorporated in the Ritual of Brother McCormick and said that the tribute "being very beautiful," remained the same.

He then explained that in bringing "Mother" into the Ritual the one thought that was in the minds of the members of the Committee was that Mother who is with us, as well as the Mother who has passed away, should be considered.

At that Grand Lodge Session a Motion was offered that the observance of Mother's Day by each Subordinate Lodge be made mandatory. This motion was adopted.



Lodge Activities

Jim McCloskey • CHEA Lodge Activities Chairman



The Elk year 2019/2020 is behind us! Hopefully, our members are safe, secure, and staying positive. I want to thank those Lodges who have found alternative ways to utilize their facilities and safely conduct the necessary Lodge Activities. Social distancing and technology have proven an effective way of

engaging Lodge membership and supporting our programs. During this period of disruption and uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 virus, our Elks lodges continue to do what they do best: help our communities!

As we move on to a new quarter and a new year, we look forward to returning to the activities that bring us together in the fellowship of the Lodge. The charitable effort of our organization continues on because of the work of each and every Lodge and its membership. Every Lodge activity, no matter how big or how small, helps make a difference for someone, somewhere. It's what we do as Elks!

For the first time in the history of our Order, an unprecedented number of Lodges have had to "go dark." In keeping with shelter-in-place orders, Lodges are complying with local, State, and Federal mandates in an effort to protect the membership. Many Elks members are retired, so fall into the vulnerable category for succumbing to COVID-19. So, what does an active Lodge do to stay connected with its membership during this challenging time?

Concord Lodge 1994 has found several innovative ways to keep members engaged and in touch. First, we subscribed to a teleconferencing service and instituted weekly phone meetings. Officers and Officers-elect were invited to call in. We are able to continue to conduct necessary business, pay bills, and keep everyone abreast of current affairs. The weekly virtual meeting has become quite popular and is well attended.

The Lodge is also preparing daily take-out meals for seniors, as well as putting together food boxes with staple food items and assorted small kitchen items for families in need.

Santa Monica Lodge 906 provided personal hygiene items to homeless veterans.

Santa Maria 1538 is keeping their office open for calls and dues collection with minimal staffing. Also a drive thru system for Lodge dinners has been set up for Mondays and Fridays (March 30 sold out 260 chicken dinners in 20 minutes).

The Lodge is allowing the Santa Maria Food Bank to use their parking lot as a distribution site for meals to the needy. The Lodge also held the drawing for the annual "Harley Raffle," benefiting the Lodge charities, "live" on Facebook.

Santa Cruz Lodge 824 reported that they were able to turn grant money into food gift cards for the staff and patients at the veterans hospital in Palo Alto.

Gardena Lodge 1919 applied for the Gratitude Grant on April 1st and got word that they will receive and donate the \$2500 to our community food bank to help many in need.

Westchester Lodge 2050 had been requested by Cedars-Sinai to do a Blood Drive in April. Individual Elks are offering personal services, (i.e. grocery and RX pick-up, delivery as well as face mask making).

Fremont Lodge 2121 was contacted by the City of Fremont to offer some assistance. The State of California was providing nine trailers to house 18 homeless seniors and/or veterans for the duration of the Shelter in Place. These trailers needed a safe place to set up that could assist with basic hook ups. We have extended our RV area and parking area to make this happen. The Lodge was awarded the Gratitude Grant which the Lodge will use to assist the City of Fremont to help provide meals for not only those sheltered in place at our Lodge. In addition to these above mentioned items, Fremont also has partnered with one of our local restaurants who has always been supportive. Our Community Activities group normally prepares and serves food at one of our local shelters each quarter, but with the Shelter in Place we were faced with the challenge of how to continue to help. The restaurant was humbled to be asked to partner with us on this, preparing meals for those at the shelter and delivering them.

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BLT Legacy Giving

Barbara Knox, PDDGER • Chairman



The new fraternal year has begun, thank you to all of you that participated in the Legacy Giving Program in the last fraternal year.

The pandemic puts into perspective what we do as Elks and as a California-Hawaii Elks Association members. I've been a BLT Chairman for many years in my Lodge and in the South District. In the past I've said (and sometimes even sang a paraphrase of the country song) "Who's going to fill our shoes?" In no recent time have those words resounded as much as they do now in our new normal. One of the great purposes of our BLT program is to insure that the children that we support have the funds to continue their care. So far, we've done a pretty good job but that doesn't mean that we need to stop giving or even slow down...the unfortunate truth is that there will always be children to assist who cannot get assistance elsewhere. This is our commitment, we should be proud.

Over the past few months, a question came up about the donation of stock to the Major Project. Piggy Bank Vice Chair, Cora Woodard, and I put our heads together to figure this out and read the following in the BLT Manual: "CHEMPI can accept both publicly traded securities and closely held securities... Marketable securities may be delivered physically to CHEMPI'S Fresno office with the transferor's (donor) signature or stock power attached." Be mindful that this requires that you have your signature guaranteed with a Medallion Guarantee, available at your local bank if you can get into it. My experience has been that most people hold their securities in a brokerage account... even easier, your broker can definitely assist in the transfer. The securities will, most likely, be sold when received. Closely held securities may have some restrictions that preclude sale, CHEMPI would rule on the acceptance of these securities on an individual basis.

Why would you donate securities? If you've held the securities for a long time, they have probably appreciated. If you sell them there could be capital gain considerations to deal with. Donating them gives you a tax writeoff (contact your accountant for advice) and you avoid the gain.

Stay safe - Wash your hands!



Orange Lodge 1475 participated in a Citizenship Ceremony. One hundred and six children from twenty-three countries became the newest U.S. citizens in a ceremony at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum. They were born abroad and are claiming U.S. citizenship through their parents. A roll call of the twenty-three countries represented and then the Administration of the Oath of Allegiance. As the program closed, our newest citizens waived the American Flag and sang to Lee Greenwood's song "God Bless the U.S.A." The Orange Elks handed out the Elks booklet "About Our Flag" and member Bob Doberneck commented about the history of our flag.

Public Relations

Jim Miller, PDDGER • Chairman



The end of our Lodge year finds us in a very difficult time in our Country. I am sure most Lodges had to close temporarily. I miss the camaraderie of my almost daily visits to my Lodge. But we will get through this and it will make us stronger. Remember, we are Elks and we are here for our communities. Let's help wherever possible. This Lodge year was another stellar year for Public Relations. CHEA was in the news via newspapers, TV and Radio almost 20,000 times! We had over (wait for it) 5.6 million hits on our web pages. Our membership is climbing because we proudly proclaim our accomplishments. With the assistance of my 19 District Chairmen and most importantly GL Public Relations Chairman for Area 7 Andy Costello, I look back proudly at the job we performed in the 2019-2020 Lodge year.

We just finished judging the Best Bulletin, Best Community and Image Brochure and Single Best Event Brochure. Following are the results:

2020 Bulletin Contest Winners:

Division One (1 - 300 Members)

First Place: Westchester 2050
Second Place: Ridgecrest 1913
Third Place: Yreka 1980

Division Two (301 - 500 Members)

First Place: Gardena 1919
Second Place: Culver City 1917
Third Place: Palm Springs 1905

Division Three (501 - 700 Members) - No Entries Received

Division Four (701 - 1100)

First Place: Santa Clarita 2379
Second Place: Santa Ana 794
Third Place: Garden Grove 1952

Division Five (1101 - 1500 Members)

First Place: Mission Viejo - Saddleback Valley 2444

Division Six (1501 or more Members)

First Place: Santa Maria 1538

2020 Single Best Event:

Division One (1 - 300 Members)

First Place: Yucca Valley 2314
Second Place: Ridgecrest 1913

Division Four (700 - 1100 Members)

First Place: Garden Grove 1952

2020 Community Service and Image Brochure:

Division Four (700 - 1100 Members)

First Place: Garden Grove 1952

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Hoop Shoot

Mike Rittenhouse • CHEA Hoop Shoot Chairman



Hoop Shoot Champs Shine in Las Vegas!

What an amazing journey for the final six young free throw champions representing the California-Hawaii Elks Association during the West Region 7 Hoop Shoot Finals held in early March in Las Vegas. The West Region 7 Hoop Shoot Finals, consisting of the state winners from Arizona, Nevada, Utah and California-Hawaii, was one of only four Regions of the twelve in the country that was able to complete the Regional contest. On the day before the finals in Las Vegas, an announcement was received from the Elks National Foundation that the National Finals in Chicago had been cancelled for this year.

In spite of the sad news, the Elks volunteers forged ahead and conducted a weekend of excitement and cherished memories for all twenty four boy and girl contestants. A Friday night limousine ride on the famed "Strip" was thoroughly enjoyed by the kids and enabled each to establish new friendships with the other contestants.

The next morning began with "The Breakfast of Champions" and introductions of Elks dignitaries from each State, and of the real luminaries for the weekend, the Hoop Shoot contestants. On Friday morning, the day before the contest, the gym use permit was cancelled. The Las Vegas School District began shutting down all schools due to COVID-19. Larry Torres, (Coalinga Lodge 1613), the West Region 7 Hoop Shoot Chairman, scrambled mightily to find a replacement venue. A gymnasium was found and the contest was conducted the next afternoon at a beautiful Community Center in North Las Vegas. Great work, Larry!

Three hours later, the six age group champions were crowned. Five of our six CHEA free throw champs took first place with their exceptional shooting skills displayed! And, of the five winners, four kids were from the State of Hawaii, including three from Kona, HI Lodge 2616!

The awards dinner was held at the beautiful Las Vegas Lodge 1468 to celebrate each contestant and their families. Beautiful awards included trophies, medals and Elks red, white and blue basketballs (each signed by all 24 kids). Each child participant was recognized as a true champion, regardless of their placement earlier that day. The many disappointed faces after the conclusion of the contest turned into joyous smiles and deeply moving, lasting memories for the kids and their families!

A big round of applause to each and every California-Hawaii Elks Association Hoop Shoot volunteer! You have helped the youth of our Association become very much more aware of our mantra... "Say No to Drugs, Say Yes to Hoop Shoot!"



Pictured L-R Back Row: Tim Jaeger, CHEA State President, James Buehler, Hoop Shoot Chairman, Kona, HI Lodge 2616, Mike Rittenhouse, CHEA Hoop Shoot Chairman, Walnut Creek Lodge 1811. Front Row: Jackson R. (age 9), Boy 8-9 Champion, Walnut Creek Lodge 1811; Kaylie Y. (age 11), Girl 10-11 Champion, Kona, HI, Lodge 2616; Yoshua V. (age 11), Boy 10-11 Champion, Kailua, HI, Lodge 2230; Landon K. (age 13), Boy 12-13 Champion, Kona, HI, Lodge 2616; Briley H. (age 9), Girl 8-9 Champion, Kona, HI, Lodge 2616; Mikela S.-H. (age 12) Girl 12-13 Champion, Kona, HI, Lodge 2616.

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Government Relations

Carlos Mariscal, PDDGER • Chairman



Let me congratulate all new Lodge Officers, Lodge Committee Chairmen, and District Committee Chairmen. I would like to address the District Government Relations Chairmen and the Lodge Government Relations Chairmen. I would like for you to concentrate on the

following items:

1. Develop a plan for the government relations effort for the Lodge/District fraternal year.
2. Invite a Legislator or a community official to speak at Flag Day in June.
3. Invite a Legislator or community official to speak at a 4th of July event.
4. Follow up with Lodges who have not provided Annual Report Page 2 summaries.
5. Send summary of Volunteer, Youth, Charitable and Community Service Program to legislators, Local Government Officials, and your local newspaper for local publicity.
6. Ensure that the Lodge/s has/have implemented the FRS (Financial Reporting System).

I know that all the Lodges are going through hard times due to this medical crisis. We will get through this together. Stay safe and healthy.

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Richard & Dianna Enea • 1474
Kathleen Linsley • 1474
Craig Reynolds • 1497
William Tunnell • 1538
Steve & Roxanne Mayne • 1567
Ruth Reeves • 1811
Wayne Nagao • 1919
Jerry Weis • 1968
John Stangel • 2091

Paul Pennington • 2103
William "Kenneth" Green • 2248
Sherry Costa • 2358
Kathy West • 2358
Jamie Camunas • 2444
Linda Cimmarusti • 2444
Joseph Garica • 2477
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Dorothy Warren • 2639
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Kaye Bruns • 2733

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Rick Barone, Sr.	6	Harold Hamm	613	Peter Ehrman	824	Margy Pickett (2)	906
Lonnie Carlson	6	Dennis Kirby	613	John Hadveck	824	R.A. Pickett (3)	906
Jerry Darling (2)	6	Dan McCammon	613	Malcolm Macaulay	824	Noel Prasad	906
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R. Bruce Synhorst	6	Linda Yeaw	613	Don Pylant	824	Santa Monica Elks PER Association	906
Joel Dery (3)	168	Loretta Baptist	616	Elio Rodoni	824	Steve Schechter (2)	906
Clint Harris	168	Curtis Boland	616	Georgann Scally (2)	824	Eric Schulz	906
Harold Bickley	423	Charlotte Duthie	616	John Scally	824	Anna Scully	906
Rene Brandol (4)	423	Patricia Gamble	616	Mark Swanson	824	Ali Torchin	906
Michelle Chambers	423	Robert Griffith	616	Mike Szeles	824	Alan White (5)	906
Chico Elks R.V. Club (2)	423	Ann Ho	616	Larry Wallerstein	824	Cara Carnes	1015
Erin Clem	423	Euclid Lee	616	Kyle York (2)	824	Thayer Dann Hall III	1015
William "Bill" Dowd	423	Lorraine Manayan	616	Frank Young	824	Thayer Dann Hall IV (2)	1015
Jon Flachsbarth (3)	423	Mauro Martinez	616	Patricia Devine	888	Patrick Hall	1015
Laura Gams	423	Harry Richardson	616	Charles Engelbart	888	Trudy LaFlamme (2)	1015
Michael Kelly	423	Chester Dal Santo	616	Karen Fast	888	Joanne McKay	1015
Rosada Koshak (5)	423	Marvin Scharosch	616	Larry Hancock	888	Beverly Nason	1015
Gary Lowe	423	Maurice Souza	616	Arlene Roos	888	Thomas Roebuck	1015
Steve McDermott (2)	423	Claude Thompson	616	Monday Night Karaoke Singers	888	Jeff Silva (2)	1015
John McMackin	423	Michaelene Urban-Kraus	616	Dennis Woodson	888	Doug Timney	1015
Kathleen Olausen (5)	423	Carl Vaicek, Jr.	616	Elizabeth Beers	906	Cynthia Zecher	1015
Gayle Olsen (4)	423	Anne Wurthner	616	Ray Beers (2)	906	Kelly Salter	1073
Claire Porterfield (4)	423	Grady Machnick	643	Theresa Beers	906	Mac Saunders (2)	1240
Anita Rafe	423	Linda Shipley	643	Dorothy Bellina	906	Stan Felipe (8)	1259
George Sipple	423	Guy Crawford	672	Dana Camarillo	906	Mike Fisher	1259
Erik Voegesang	423	Albert Lasko	672	Ray Carriere (2)	906	Dave Nikles	1259
CE Waters	423	Andrew Bisset	759	Gayle Carter	906	Judy Nikles	1259
Diane Wood (9)	423	Jessie Mata	759	Don Checchi (3)	906	Jeff Schneider	1259
Gail Childress	439	Miles Nakatsu	759	Joe Deering	906	Karen Schneider	1259
Blaine & Juanita Robinson	439	Sandy Walker (4)	759	Ron Fink (2)	906	Mike Wilson	1259
Daryl & Susan Sensano	439	Marilyn Axtell	794	Frank Frazier (7)	906	Monterey Hot Jazz	1285
Paul Boscarino	583	Mary Cordova	794	Betty Ho	906	Albert Fredrickson (3)	1328
John Jessup	583	Evelyn Godinez	794	Marian Johnston (2)	906	Mary Garcia	1328
Gary Schindler	583	Richard Godinez	794	Ilene Knebel	906	Gordon Johnson	1328
Ugo "Peter" Arnoldi	613	Ed Bogner	824	Barbara Lewis	906	Pat Macy	1328
Brett Fraley	613	Battista Bregante III (2)	824	Fabian Lewkowicz	906	Mick Mistretta (2)	1328
Samuel Hale	613	Lori Castillo	824	Mike Mansoor	906	Vern Valenzuela (2)	1328

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Dennis Cox	1342	Thomas Van Tassel	1767	Martin McAllister	1993	Jamie Camunas (3)	2444
Jerry "Gene" Day, Jr.	1342	Michael Anderson (3)	1787	Rick McEnrick	1993	Linda Cimmarusti	2444
Sylvia Martinez	1342	Dianne Finnecy	1787	Stephani McKinney	1993	Jack Jacobs	2444
Juan Orduno	1342	Steven Hoppe	1787	Dennis Olson	1993	Kim Juniper	2444
Pranav Patel	1342	John "Jack" Lower	1787	Eugene "Gene" Shumski	1993	Barbara King	2444
John Rickert	1342	Jean Topley	1787	Candy Valko	1993	Michael Marquis	2444
Nola Strnad	1342	Kevin Finn	1811	Colleen Wadsworth	1993	Elaine Thomson	2444
Lois Swaney	1342	Richard Kreiser	1811	Donald "Don" Anderson (2)	2011	Brenda Hagen	2477
John Thompson	1342	Ruth Reeves	1811	Charles Hall (2)	2011	JV BBQ Crew	2477
Tina Bell	1424	John Story	1811	Gregory Sacco	2011	Jean & Gregg Miraglia	2477
Edward Stegman	1427	Bill Todd	1811	Carolyn Stansberry	2059	David Naccarato	2477
Francine Davis (2)	1436	Maria Callison	1905	Edward Lesneski	2068	John Pecel	2477
Mike Davis (2)	1436	Dr. John Impagliazzo	1905	Mike Martinez	2068	Harold Wankel	2477
Peter Johanson	1471	Marge Pecore	1905	Susan Phillips	2068	Adelaide Wavra	2477
Roy Woolsey (2)	1471	Ben Verde	1905	Antoine Price	2068	John Balster	2504
Mike Morales	1475	Jan Bennett	1913	Brittany Price	2068	Edward Chisum	2504
William Andrew (3)	1497	Henry Blecha	1913	Drew & Pat Smith	2068	John Fielder	2504
Jeanne Artime (3)	1497	Eddie Edwards	1913	Danny Ahern (3)	2091	Dana Pratt	2504
Richard Bertain, Jr.	1497	Janis Garcia	1913	Chris Babcock	2091	Barry Shortz (2)	2504
Danny Blanch (3)	1497	C. Michael Melton	1917	Brenda Brown-D'Elia	2091	Mark Barcellos	2510
Joy Cantrell	1497	Louie Santiesteban	1917	Michael Chandra	2091	Richard Barcellos (2)	2510
John Coyle (3)	1497	Wayne Nagao (2)	1919	Kimberly Collins	2091	Ray Gomes	2510
Mike Davis	1497	Denny Ward	1919	Janet Noya-Pinna	2091	Julie Greco	2510
Fred DeLange (3)	1497	Theodore Yamada	1919	Brian Rogers (3)	2091	Blanche Jorge	2510
Paul Graber	1497	Barry Brockman	1952	Stacy Silva	2091	Michael Mazzucchi	2510
Bill Hellman (3)	1497	Charles Adkins	1959	Eileen Tating	2091	Donald Kammerer	2577
Craig Reynolds (3)	1497	Annie Anderson	1959	Eric & Carmen Thorsen	2091	Jim Collins	2599
Cheryl Richards (3)	1497	Louie Beck	1959	Richard Ransom	2103	Jaleen Morgan (5)	2599
Helen Richards (3)	1497	Bill Butts	1959	James Sekelsky	2103	Fran Musetti	2599
Howard Rothenbach (3)	1497	Jill Cipriano	1959	Gil Argentina	2128	Muriel Boot (3)	2616
Betty Thoreson (3)	1497	Julie Fleeman	1959	Steven Gollob	2128	Roger Gellings	2638
Geoff Williams	1497	Sandra Garcia (2)	1959	Terrence Hunt (3)	2134	Martin VanZandt	2638
Robert Ambrosetti	1538	Lisa Harris	1959	Les Lamoreaux	2190	Sharon Bennett	2639
Raymond Booth, Jr.	1538	Tom Lemm	1959	Raymond Monmaney	2230	Kathy Gavin	2639
Wesley Brown	1538	Michael Nutto (4)	1959	Michael Sullivan	2230	Peggy Hicks	2639
James Leo Gracia	1538	Erlinda Puig (2)	1959	Lawrence Richards	2243	Steve Larson (2)	2640
Jeff Koester (4)	1538	Sandy Samples (2)	1959	Mary Bacho	2248	Winona Estoesta	2669
Myrl Wallace	1538	Don Schmidt	1959	Charles Braden	2248	Josephine Kalauli	2669
Christopher Wilson (4)	1538	Jim Sellers	1959	Michael Dreiling	2248	William Spencer	2669
Dan Brown	1587	Robert Shiley (2)	1959	William "Kenneth" Green	2248	Layne Yoshimura (4)	2669
Carol Kent	1587	Bill Todd (3)	1959	Bruce Hagler	2248	Sam Botkin	2699
Daniel Mohn	1587	Jim Tone	1959	Don Ireton (2)	2248	Ben Drake	2699
Sonora Emblem Club No. 124	1587	Kathy Torres	1959	Marcia Ledoux (3)	2248	Nettie Drake	2699
Frank Taylor	1587	Robert Baron	1968	Cindy McKim	2248	Marvin Elrod	2699
James "Frank" Anderson	1608	Gabor "Joe" Reti	1968	Kris McKim	2248	Hayden Felipe	2699
Calvin Bailey	1608	Nancy Stradley-Di Tomaso	1968	Mel Rojko	2248	Carroll Friend (6)	2699
Linda Fields	1608	Maurie Bennett	1991	Carol Shoemaker	2248	Doug Johnson	2699
Ralph George, Jr.	1608	Tony Curci	1991	Larry Wells	2248	Brian Klassen	2699
Loren Taylor	1608	Guy Faulknor	1991	Shirley Beaman	2358	Jeannette Schwab	2699
John Wilson (5)	1608	David Garcia	1991	Rhonda Becker (2)	2358	Forrest Wright	2699
Scotty Foy (5)	1643	David Hildebrandt	1991	Sherry Costa (3)	2358	Debbe Blake	2704
Ronald Hinman	1643	Gary Hoss	1991	Martha Evans (2)	2358	Bradley "Herb" Cline	2704
Charles Ingle	1643	Robert Mondin	1991	Joan Hermansen (2)	2358	George "Richard" Shaw	2704
Willard "Will" Johnson	1643	Donald Stenger	1991	Tom Jefferies (3)	2358	Charles Clark	2724
David Sarazen	1643	Stephen Traynor	1991	Ron Keele	2358	Terri Huff	2724
Hector Parra	1687	Jim Aksel	1993	Cheri Keller (2)	2358	Tom Wheeler	2724
Eugene "Gene" Henggeler	1691	Georgette Ciocan	1993	Craig Sunderland	2358	Lance Erickson	2733
David Provan	1691	Deanne Compton	1993	Pat Terrell (2)	2358	Michelle Gardner	2733
Alan Clifton (2)	1767	Anna Hanlon	1993	Kathy West	2358	Joe's Little Train (3)	2733
Melissa Clifton (2)	1767	Paul Jaramillo	1993	Steve Arbelbide	2389	John Paulsen	2733
Barbara Etherington	1767	Felix Juarez	1993	Eddie Richey (2)	2419	Dana Pollard	2733
Margie Kierston (2)	1767	Steven Mangum	1993	Verlyne Buckley	2444		



Pasadena Lodge 672 held their annual Youth and Community Service Awards program in March, donating more than \$10,000 to students and the community. The Color Guard from Blair High School presented colors, utilizing new equipment that was purchased with a donation from the Lodge. Lodge Americanism winners were recognized, as well as an Outstanding Candidate from Blair High School's Jr. ROTC program. Awards were given to three outstanding students from Pasadena City College, acknowledging excellence in the categories of Journalism, Technical Education, and Outstanding Leadership. Pictured above are the Junior ROTC Cadets from Boyle High School with ER Neil Yeager.

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(Donations of \$5 or more accepted as a monthly recurring donation.)

Josh Hachadourian	3	Michelle Ottoboni	1251	Ron Harden	1812	Don Luepnitz	2142
Marilyn Hooton	6	Mark Porter	1251	Susan Jimenez	1812	J. Martin Borden	2230
Judi Traci	6	Ferdinand "PJ" Pati	1289	Caspar da Jong	1917	Steven Dale	2248
L. Butch DePaul	168	Hugh H. Scanlon	1289	Robert Duitsman	1917	Robert "Bob" Burns	2248
Lynn DePaul	168	Randy Wolff	1289	Lance Hudson	1917	Gregory J. Martin	2274
Joan Dollar	168	Jan Lee	1298	C. Michael Melton	1917	Shirley Allen-Sparks	2358
Donal Frigerio	168	Teresa Lewis	1298	Larry Faust	1918	Laurie Ashley	2358
Florence "Flo" Gandolfi	168	Ron Marshall	1298	Doug Row	1918	Leroy Bostick	2358
Kathleen Kutler	168	Melanie McKimmons	1298	Marsha Aguon	1919	Larry Cotton	2358
Gary Marinelli	168	Jorge L. Montano	1298	Ruthy Almaraz	1919	Tom Jefferies	2358
Mary Ann Marinelli	168	Dorothy Van Wagoner	1298	Michele Homer	1919	Ronald Keele	2358
Margaret "Peg" McDonald	168	Karen Buchanan	1378	Eric Koyanagi	1919	Janet L. Robertson	2358
Glenn Montague	168	Bruce Harris	1378	Patricia "Tish" McCauley	1919	Fern Sammon	2358
Chuck Nolan	168	Gail Harris	1378	Leslie Mitchell	1919	Terry Sammon	2358
Matthew Pires	168	Albert Valdez	1420	Richard Monteverde	1919	Linda Schwass	2358
Hugh VanDoren	168	Calvin Babb	1424	Reyne Rocha	1919	Michael Streeter	2358
John Areola, Jr.	218	Kevin Brown	1424	Alyssa Santos	1919	Pat Terrell	2358
Frank Chicago	218	Gerald Delker	1427	James G. Anderson	1952	Kathleen West	2358
Nadine Steel	218	John D. McEntire, Jr.	1427	Randall N. Eldridge, Sr.	1952	Henry Schmitz	2364
Susan Good	439	Jackie Orovicz	1427	Rudolph "Rudy" Kominek	1952	Ray Broussard	2379
Joan Toth	538	Jennifer Rentschler	1427	Karen Lewin	1952	Diana Crovo	2379
Paul Toth	538	Joanna Rentschler	1427	Michelle Manzo	1952	Cheryl Laymon	2379
Frank Almazan	583	Jessica Garcia	1430	William "Bill" O'Hearn	1952	Robert Laymon	2379
Janice Almazan	583	Brenda Bernal	1436	Eileen Rasmussen	1952	Ted Olsen	2379
Michelle Brittingham	583	Shelly Gonzales	1443	Henry "Rick" Ross	1952	Sandra Owen	2379
Mike Brittingham	583	Ines Greenwald	1443	Robert Ruppert	1952	John Rivetti	2379
Erik Brown	583	Robert Beck	1474	Lance Slimmer	1952	Joseph Garica	2477
Bonnie Burks	583	Richard D. Enea	1474	Linda Vulgamore	1952	Gerry Gillies	2477
Ashley Campos	583	Dennis Linsley	1474	Roger Vulgamore	1952	Dan Hoffman	2477
Hilary Fulton	583	Kathleen Linsley	1474	Thomas E. Lemm	1959	Inger S. Hogan	2477
Chris Hubbell	583	R.C. "Stoney" Bourke	1475	Erlinda Puig	1959	Ed Lees	2477
Lisa Hubbell	583	Matthew Ferrero	1475	Dale S. Sinner	1959	Greg Metzgas	2477
Charles W. Fairbanks	613	Sean Gambil	1475	Richard Tanguy	1959	Alexandra "Sandra" Rogers	2477
Calvin Hara	616	Amanda Jung	1475	Amy Anderson-Giugliano	1991	Geogory Sweet	2477
Loren Jerlow	616	James Jung	1475	Robert Cassetta	1991	Kris Picard	2492
Arthur "Bud" Lush	616	Chris Michaelis	1475	Richard Wallace	1991	Jay Dupler	2504
Deborah Olson	616	Colin Smith	1475	Judy Givens	1993	Kristi Dupler	2504
Steve Buttress	643	John M. Smith	1475	Alan Kelley	1993	Dale Gregory	2504
Aron Anderson	672	Thomas K. Tinnel	1487	Michael Mathers	1993	Freddie Miller	2504
Charles Rowe	672	Greg Peale	1497	Diana Mondragon	1993	Larry L. Fink	2543
Bob Arthurs	759	Myron Battles	1538	Trudy Nuzum	1993	Marilyn J. Fink	2543
Lisa Fleury	759	Karen Feldpouch	1538	Claudia & Carlos Santos	1993	David W. Mullett	2543
Miles Nakatsu	759	Warren H. Downs	1561	Robert Hollis-Brau	1996	Janet Rasmussen	2543
Dan Breece	794	Carole D. May	1561	Willie S. Koskela	1996	Richard Yeager	2543
Tim Jeager	832	Russell Lumpkin	1643	Norman Nikodym	1996	Evelyn Poppa-McKenna	2577
Robert Nichol	836	James E. Miller	1643	Ben Ortega	1996	Diane Ward	2577
Jerry Hansen	901	Donald D. Schultz	1643	Laurie Ayala	2011	Connie Flatley	2591
Donald Checchi	906	Michelle Solvin	1643	Martin Barros	2011	Jim Flatley	2591
Frank Frazier	906	Steven Wagstaff	1687	Janet L. Byrd	2011	Howard Cook	2599
Robert A. Pickett	906	Michael Cosby	1691	Phillip W. Byrd	2011	Thom Richardson	2599
Margaret Pickett	906	William "Bill" Cook	1740	Sharron Cannon	2011	James J. Williams, Jr.	2599
Jayne Roszhart	906	Judi McEvers	1740	Roy Jenness	2011	Barbara Nance	2616
Michael Noreen	960	Judy Menke	1740	Rebecca Munoz	2011	Bridget Smith	2616
Karen Chambliss-Ray	966	Angela Anderson	1767	Christine Nelson	2011	John R. Smith	2616
Jose Justiniano	966	Richard Blake	1767	Cynthia "Cyndy" Wise	2011	Tom Warren	2639
Sean Mejia	966	Sharon Dearborn	1767	John Hardman	2031	Claire Duvall	2640
Pamela Brodie	1015	Ray Prettyman	1767	Steve Thatcher	2031	Rose Marie Johnson	2646
Lynn M Landry	1015	Kaye Brandos	1804	Beth Long Duitsman	2050	Arlene Degen	2697
Roy Stout	1015	Rocky Brandos	1804	Sean Williams	2050	William Canet	2698
Howard Weinman	1015	Gerry Gouveia	1811	Kira Wagner	2059	Dave Hosted	2698
Robyn Sembenini	1108	Mary C. Gouveia	1811	Kimberley Collins	2091	Karen Kaye	2698
Joe Tato	1108	Chuck Jackson	1811	Brian Rogers	2091	Marvin Elrod	2699
Dr. Donald Gumm	1240	Edward C.A. Johnson	1811	Jere M. Williams	2091	Kaye Bruns	2733
Susan Gumm	1240	Michael Silva	1811	Earl T. Bouchard	2098	Lance Erickson	2733
Dave Wells	1240	Joe Acosta	1812	Janice L. Brown	2117		
Frank Gutierrez	1250	Patricia I. Hamilton	1812	Ian Lanouette	2121		



Santa Maria Lodge 1538 solar project is nearing completion, we contracted out the install to meet the needs of our Lodge and upgrade the North RV Park to 50 amp for each space with no out of pocket expense to install. Once it is complete and up and running, we anticipate it being a real asset to the Lodge.

In other news, the Lodge is serving Monday and Friday dinners in a "Grab n' Go" format which has been very successful. We are also supporting our community by hosting a weekly Food Bank pick up location and assisting our neighbors and community in any way we can.



Visalia Lodge 1298 held a Sud's and Stories day with funds made possible by a Spotlight Grant. Melanie McKimmons worked with a local laundromat and made arrangements for parents to do their laundry for free (sponsored by the Lodge) while their children were treated to books and crafts, all donated by the Lodge. A bookcase with books which children take a book and bring back to exchange for additional books, all made possible by the Spotlight Grant.

In other news, during this time of distress, the Valley Children's Hospital located in Madera put out a message, that they were in desperate need of diapers. Members Laurie and John Wilkers saw the story and immediately put out a request through the Elks social media. Anyone wanting to help, the Lodge would be collecting diapers to donate to the Children's Hospital. With the assistance of Ted Donald, PER and his wife Jane, 140 boxes were collected. We would like to thank Delano and Bakersfield Lodges who heard what we were doing and brought a donation to us.



Thousand Oaks Lodge 2477 held its 43rd Annual Firefighter and Law Enforcement recognition awards dinner. Four firefighters and law enforcement members were honored. Pictured above are Los Angeles County Fire Department Captain Jay Fernandez, event chairman Paul Stein and Ventura County Fire Department Engineer Chris Sharp.



Yucca Valley Lodge 2314 held their annual Military Moms to Be Baby Shower in February. The Lodge hosted ten first time Moms to be from the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, 29 Palms. They were treated to a pasta dinner, played games and each mom went home with a diaper cake, jogging stroller/car seat combo, a Pack N Play, a Diaper Genie, a baby monitor, a diaper bag filled with necessities, and two large gift bags filled with necessities. This was made possible by the ENF Beacon Grant and generous monetary donations, along with donations of baby items from members. Pictured above are some of the young mothers and their husbands. Some of the husbands were deployed and could not attend.



San Rafael Lodge 1108 held a "Sweetheart Stroganoff" dinner, which raised \$2,000 for sending Care Packages to US Troops overseas, including those based in Afghanistan, Iraq and the Horn of Africa. Proceeds went to the American Legion Auxiliary in San Anselmo who created and sent out hundreds of care packages annually. The packages contain toiletries, hand-made scarves, snacks and other items. Pictured above Stewart Munson, PER, with officers of the American Legion Auxiliary, Post 179 (l-r): Sophie Shehi, Valerie Casalnuovo, Ellen Boesner, Carol Jacob-Courtz, and Sandy Mixsell, with a sample Care Package."

All it takes is ...

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





Mission Viejo, Saddleback Valley Lodge 2444 Elks Veterans Committee visited the Fisher House at the Long Beach Veterans Hospital to put on a BBQ for the families who were staying there. Veteran's Committee member Sven Akesson thanked the Fisher House Staff, Ivan, Zadrea, and Elroy for allowing the Elks to once again visit the facility and cook for the families present. The staff was very happy to show the visiting Elks the many options Fisher House has to offer guests residing there. All 16 suites of the beautiful facility were full and the Elks stayed busy preparing and cooking the meal. The visiting Elks were thanked by the staff for their generosity and were invited to return.

The Long Beach Fisher House is one of 86 Houses built on VA Facilities and Military installations in the US with two in Germany and one in Great Britain. This 5-Star-like hotel is where families can stay for free while the veteran or active duty soldier is receiving medical care at the hospital. The average cost of a Fisher House is approximately \$6 Million dollars. Half of the cost comes from local charities and the other half from Fisher House National. Rapid expansions are planned to build from 44 to 65 more new Fisher Houses in the next several years. The Elks have a long-standing commitment of support for our active Military and Veterans. Their visit to the Fisher House is just one of many visits to Southland veterans hospitals and military bases throughout the year. Pictured above is the beautiful Long Beach Fisher House.

Elks Judging California-Hawaii Student Scholarship Applications where High School seniors compete for this year's \$4,000,000 in Elks Scholarships.

California-Hawaii Elks Association Scholarship Vice Chairman Jack Geiger led a distinguished group of 28 District Scholarship Chairmen and Past District Chairmen in the judging of 353 Most Valuable Student Scholarship applications. The judging took place in Atascadero, CA over a two-and-a-half-day period in mid-February. The assembled group extended their best wishes to Scholarship Chairman Ray Broussard who had been hospitalized and was unable to be there.

One-and-a-half-days were spent reading and evaluating the 353 essays. Every essay was read and graded by no fewer than three different judges. The remainder of the judging involved reading and evaluating the many other categories of each application. There was a very thorough cross-checking by judges, assuring the accuracy of the scoring of every application. As quickly as information was gathered, it was passed-on to Charisce Williams and Cindy Mowrey from the Association office who worked tirelessly uploading data to computers as quickly as it was provided. The whole process was well organized and went smoothly.

On Saturday, the judges included West Central District Scholarship Chairman Sean Pringle who received an Elks scholarship award in the 2010-2011 year. He is now a member of the Oceano-Five Cities Elks Lodge. Sean was warmly greeted by the group, then quickly put to work assisting at one of the judging stations.

In the final tally, 77 applications were judged to be winners at the California-Hawaii level and were advanced to Grand Lodge for judging in the national contest. Those 77 are guaranteed at least \$1,000 per year for four years by Elks National Foundation (ENF) and will have the chance for the four-year award totals of \$50,000, \$40,000, \$30,000 and \$20,000 to be awarded to the winners of the Grand Lodge national judging.

Yucaipa Lodge 2389 used a Spotlight Grant to visit with thirty homeless veterans at the Safe Haven office. The Lodge provided a chicken n' fixings lunch. Twelve Elks volunteers also packed lunches for twenty working veterans. For personal use, each received a large reusable bag filled with hygiene products, towels and socks.

Torrance Ladies of the Elks Past Presidents Carol Simons and Diane Paine delivered adult, and children's clothing, food, and housewares to families being helped while getting back on their feet. Community's Child helps with housing, schooling, and job placement.

In other news, Torrance Lodge 1948 and the Torrance Ladies of the Elks delivered 1,400 dictionaries to 3rd graders at 17 schools in the Torrance Unified School District.

San Pedro Lodge 966 Ruff Neks received a thank you letter from The Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) for their continuous support and latest donation of 150 lbs of pull tabs. Donations from our members and many organizations in our community have made this possible. RMHC help address problems involving housing of hospitalized children.

In other news, the Lodge provided tickets for over 100 kids from the San Pedro Boys and Girls Club to attend the Lions Club High School Charity All-Star Game. The donation from the Lodge provided admission to the game as well as dinner for all of the kids.





Santa Barbara Lodge 613 had 424 students compete in its Hoop Shoot Contest. Five winners received trophies at the Lodge's annual Hoop Shoot Awards dinner, attended by families, friends and Hoop Shoot Volunteers. Pictured above is Dave Bianchi, our Hoop Shoot Coordinator and 8-year old winner, Juliana H.



Honolulu Lodge 616 Exalted Ruler Guy Larson Hicks, in the first year that Hawaii has participated in the Chili's Give Back Day, presented a certificate of appreciation to the Chili's Hawaii Kahala Manager Megan Waiki for their participation.

Quincy Lodge 943 is providing storage and staging for the Plumas County Veteran's Service Office.

West Covina Lodge 1996 is offering free assistance with grocery or prescription pick-ups, deliveries to the post office, etc., for those age 70 or older.

Concord Lodge 1994 member, Will Johnson, our kitchen manager, creates meals for members. The first offering had 26 takers. Tonight, for chicken, ribs, and peach cobbler, we sold over 50 dinners. Will prepares them and professionally boxes them for take-out, and Lodge Secretary Jay delivers them to members when they pull up in their cars.



Santa Maria Elks Rodeo and Parade Announces New Dates for this Year's 77th Annual Elks Rodeo & Parade

In the interest of our community and a comeback spirit, the Elks Recreation, Inc. Board of Directors has announced the 77th Annual Elks Rodeo & Parade for this year will now take place with the new dates of **September 24-27, 2020** due to the continued concern over COVID-19.

All Elks Rodeo-related activities will be re-scheduled moving forward including the Queen Contest Campaign. This also includes the Elks Rodeo Parade, which will take place on Saturday, September 26 at 9:00 am down Broadway. The new Events Schedule will be posted at elksrec.com in addition to any ongoing and updated information. The Elks Recreation, Inc. Board of Directors would like to thank everyone for their continued support during this difficult time.



Southeast District Elks Bowling Club, held the Colorado River Classic in February. Thank you to CHEA President Tim Jaeger for supporting the event. **The Bowling Club raised and will be donating \$11,000 to CHEA Elks Major Project this year.** Pictured above with CHEA President Tim Jaeger are the Bowling Tournament volunteers. Next year the Colorado River Classic will be held in Laughlin at the Riverside Resort Hotel and Casino on February 19-21, 2021.

Vocational Grants

chea-elks.org/youth-activities/scholarships
for Technical & Vocational Training

70th Anniversary CHEMPI Pin



CHEMPI began from the modest amount the first year of \$78,991.37, directed by a committee, to over \$4.7 million currently being dispersed to the varied parts of the program now directed by the Trustees of the Major Project. In 1950 the program started with scholarships to therapists, a medical research grant and two mobile therapy units established in Eureka. We now offer expanded therapy services to many areas of California and Hawaii; provide Preschool Vision Screening to determine eye deficiencies while the deficiency is still correctable; funds to support unmet financial needs of those with vision deficiencies and scholarship funding for Students with Disabilities. **In honor of CHEMPI's 70th Year Anniversary, we are offering a 70-Year Pin available now from the CHEA Office.** Cost is \$30 with credit going towards your Millennium Accumulative total and your Lodge. We are also offering a 50-Year Anniversary Pin for an additional \$10, so \$40 for both pins!!!

To request your beautiful 70-Year Pin fill out this form, scan and email to chea@chea-elks.org or mail your check made out to **CHEMPI** to: CHEMPI • 5450 E. Lamona Avenue • Fresno, CA 93727-2224. Your 70-Year pin(s) will be mailed to the address shown on the form below.

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70-Year Pins will also be available from CHEMPI Piggy Bank Chairman and Vice Chairman. Send an email or leave a voice mail message.

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Santa Clarita Lodge 2379, working with the Santa Clarita Veterans Collaborative, who had given Ernesto and Alyssa Trevizo a home that had been donated. The Lodge, using a \$2,500 Beacon Grant, gave a check to the Trevizo's for to help in the purchase of appliances for their new home. Pictured above (l-r) Gary Keener, ER, Ernesto and Alyssa Trevizo, Donna and Tom Schmidt, Grant Coordinators.



Chula Vista Lodge 2011 hosted its eighth annual Valentines Day Dance for our Sports for Exceptional Athletes at the Lodge. More than one hundred fifty exceptional athletes and their families attended the dinner and dance.