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The 83rd annual Santa Maria Elks Rodeo was a historic five-day celebration making it one of California's most prestigious and professional rodeo

The rodeo featured five days of PRCA events including Pro Rodeo Extreme Bulls.

The 2026 Elks Rodeo Queen contest raised \$871,804 for local youth recreation. Making the total raised to date \$19,117,406. The Golden Circle of Champions, the charity born at the Santa Maria Rodeo in 2016 to promote Pediatric Cancer Awareness, held a fundraiser auction at the Rodeo and raised \$175,000.



President's Message



Lynn Glick, President
California-Hawaii Elks Association



Greetings and Aloha,

While the Association Convention in Palm Springs is a distant memory, Jeff and I will hold our memories of it forever. Thank you to PSPs Marty and Ted for all the guidance and support you have given us. Thank you to Jim and Lucia, and to Bob and Beth, for your support and assistance. Congratulations to our newly installed CHEA Vice Presidents and their spouses, and thank you for taking on this job. This year will be a fantastic journey in Elkdom. Of course, we need to educate our communities on the good deeds Elks do, and, about the programs we have that support them. That is why I have chosen to call our AVP's the EDUCATORS.

My theme for this year is simple ... **the ABC's of Elkdom: ACTIONS BUILD COMMUNITY.** We as Elks build community within our Lodges, between our Lodges, and their greater communities.

I first experienced community building through the Elks, when my dad transferred to the Alameda Lodge, from the Sioux Falls, South Dakota Lodge, where he found a community of life-long friends.

Jeff and I have also found life-long friends and connections through the Elks. We found community at the Lodge by attending meetings, going to Friday Night dinners, participating in Bunco and Trivia, and attending other social events. I started a Story Slam where people told five minute personal stories on a chosen topic. Non-Elks attended and participated, and we gained new members through this event because people learned about who we are and what we do, and they wanted to be part of our Elk community. These types of actions help our members find a community among Lodge members, bring in new members who strengthen our Elks community, and create ties between our Lodges and their communities.

This year, I have chosen a few special programs that are near and dear to me. While all of our programs are important, I want to emphasize these programs that I feel build community outside our Lodges: Charitable Giving, Member Relations, Public Relations, Youth Programs, and Veterans Service.

First and foremost are the charitable arms of our organization, the Elks National Foundation, Major Project, BLT Legacy Giving. Through the ENF, we serve many community organizations and programs. ENF Grants are one of the best ways Lodges can serve their communities. There is upwards of \$22,000 available to every Elks Lodge, to help their members strengthen their communities by doing important and needed work there. An added benefit of these grants is that they help make the name "Elks" synonymous with helping our communities.

The Major Project is important throughout California and Hawaii, serving families with children with disabilities by providing programs and assistance they might not otherwise receive. The BLT Legacy Giving program ensures that money for the Major Project will be there in perpetuity, so, we'll always be able to continue the Major Project's valuable charitable endeavors throughout our communities.

As we grow, it is important to instill our Elk values and precepts within our membership. Knowledgeable members can better promote the good works we do for our communities. Strong Member Relations help build strong Elk communities. Great Public Relations programs help us

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CHEA President Elect Lynn Glick's Upcoming Schedule

July 4-8	Grand Lodge Convention - Chicago, IL
July 31 - August 2	Orange Coast District
August 7-9	South Central District
August 14-16	Northeast District
August 21-23	South Coast District
August 28-30	Central District
Sept 18-20	Northwest District
Sept 25-27	Hawaii District

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D-Day Veterans Receive "Quilts of Honor"



Pittsburg Lodge 1474 paid tribute to two of our Veteran members who attend weekly Friday Night Family Dinners. The two Veterans share something unique, they both landed at Normandy Beach June 6, 1944. Pictured on the left is Efen Lopez who was captured that evening by the Germans, months later escaping back to Allied lines. This year he will be celebrating his 101st birthday. Valerie Edwards Past Association Vice President of Stockton Lodge, for years has been presenting Veterans with Quilts of Honor she's made. Pictured on the right is Donald Orton, 103 years of age. He is still living at home, drives twenty miles to the Lodge for dinner weekly and still attends dances at the Lodge.



Elks National Foundation

Jere Williams, PDDGER • Chairman

What a fantastic time at the CHEA Convention in Palm Springs. We witnessed the installation of the first female CHEA President, Lynn Glick. We also watched our current Exalted Rulers March across the stage, raising \$4.867 million dollars for our Association's Major Project. The Elks National Foundation started off the March by donating \$1.25 million dollars, over 25% of the total funds raised for our Purple Pig. With the Community Investment Program Grants used in 2025-2026, totaling \$1.372 million dollars, our return from ENF this year was \$1.86 for every dollar we donated. This is a fantastic return on donations from our Lodges to the National Foundation.

Currently, CHEA Lodges have used \$243,500 in CIP grants for the 2026-2027 year. ENF has allocated \$18 million dollars this year for CIP grants, so please use whatever grants your Lodge qualifies for and support your communities. The Association Vice Presidents and District ENF Chairpersons will be reaching out to you this year, assuring each Lodge meets their National Foundation Per Capita. This is easily attained by, either participating in events designed to raising ENF funds, or by increasing the Lodges membership in the Fidelity Club.

If there are any questions, please reach out to your District's Chairperson(s), to my Vice Chairman, Steve Graham, or to myself. Let's help Association President Lynn have a great year by practicing her motto: the ABC's ... **Action Builds Communities!**

CHEA Convention Ritual Competition Results

Thank you to all who made the 2026 Ritual Competition a huge success! Many, many thanks to PDD/DL Barbara Knox and her steady team for making all of the craziness seem normal! Kudos also go to the Palm Springs and Desert Hot Springs Lodges for providing all that was needed to make a hotel setting into Lodge rooms for all of the performances. The members of those Lodges truly are the unsung heroes for both setting up and breaking down all of the stations needed to make it all work.

As any leader is only as strong as their support staff, I want to recognize our Contest Vice Chairman, Greg Carlson, from Alameda Lodge along with our Ritual Training Chairman Ken Powalisz, from El Cajon Lodge and our Ritual Training Vice Chairman, from Coalinga Lodge, John Albrecht. Each were awesome in doing everything that was needed and more. A special shout out goes to our incoming Ritual Training Vice Chairman, Tony Lopez, from Garden Grove Lodge for stepping in and covering just about everything that needed to be done! Also, I can't say enough about our lead calculator, Todd Bair, from Simi Valley Lodge. He certainly kept us all (relatively) sane through all of the issues with the various programs and his work was beyond compare! Despite all of the absences and hiccups we all made it work and my heartfelt thanks go out to each and every one of you! You all truly exemplified what the definition of a team is truly about. God bless you all!

Now, to what it was all about! Overall, we had thirteen CHEA Districts send their teams to the Convention to participate in the team competition. All who participated know it's about impressing

every new member that is initiated and imparting the story of our Order to them. After all, that is what properly performing the Initiatory Ritual is all about! Competing in the Grillo and Duitsman Divisions on Thursday were:

Bay District (Alameda)	South Coast District (El Cajon)
North Central District (Roseville)	Metropolitan District (Santa Clarita)
North District (Redding)	South Central Coast District (Redondo Beach)
Central District (Modesto)	Orange Coast District (Garden Grove)
West Central Coast District (San Luis Obispo)	San Gabriel Valley District (West Covina)
East Central District (Tulare)	Southeast District (Redlands)
	South Central District (Norwalk)

Each team represented their Lodges and District's with aplomb and congratulations to you all!

The Final Four results from the Team competition on Friday were as follows:

4th Place – 95.9776 – Redding 1073
3rd Place – 96.1284 – San Luis Obispo 322
2nd Place – 97.3334 – Redlands 583
1st Place - 97.6974 - Santa Clarita 2379

The 2026 California-Hawaii Elks Association Ritual Champions, Santa Clarita Lodge, will represent all of us at the Grand Lodge Convention in Chicago, IL. Good luck to them and no doubt they will represent the very best of us!

We also had fourteen members representing fourteen Districts participate in both the 11 o'clock Toast Contest and the Flag Charge Contest. Those winners will also represent CHEA at the Grand Lodge Convention Contest in Chicago. They are:

11 O'clock Toast Contest

Kelli Bower, Huntington Beach Lodge 1959

Flag Charge Contest

Kathleen Cobb, PER, Roseville Lodge 2248

Additionally, the All-State Winners of each Division from Thursday are as follows:

All-State Winners for the Grillo Division:

All-State Inner Guard – 91.727 Cashel Blanken, Redding Lodge
All-State Chaplain – 94.171 Shane Bagnall, San Luis Obispo Lodge
All-State Candidate – 468.0 Nancy Lewelling, San Luis Obispo Lodge
All-State Esteemed Lecturing Knight – 94.070 Carrie Vertido, Roseville Lodge
All-State Esteemed Loyal Knight – 93.748 Zack Self, San Luis Obispo Lodge
All-State Esteemed Leading Knight – 94.502 Jeff Silva, Alameda Lodge
All-State Esquire – 92.229 Jennifer Terry, Redding Lodge
All-State Exalted Ruler – 92.302 Brian Moore, San Luis Obispo Lodge
All-State Coach – Robert Lenk, Redding Lodge

All-State Winners for the Duitsman Division:

All-State Inner Guard – 95.252 Paul Escobar, Garden Grove Lodge
All-State Chaplain – 95.229 Rob Forsberg, Santa Clarita Lodge
All-State Candidate – 479.00 Tina Duarte, Garden Grove Lodge
All-State Esteemed Lecturing Knight – 95.915 Stephanie Jonji, Garden Grove Lodge
All-State Esteemed Loyal Knight – 96.555 Scott Bickle, Santa Clarita Lodge
All-State Esteemed Leading Knight – 95.316 Danise Davis, Santa Clarita Lodge
All-State Esquire – 95.563 Tom Terrones, Garden Grove Lodge
All-State Exalted Ruler – 93.031 Carl Keiser, Redlands Lodge
All-State Coach – Jay Larkins, PAP, Santa Clarita Lodge

Lastly and certainly not least, from the Final Four performances on Friday:

The "**Bud Tari Perpetual Trophy**" is presented to the highest scoring, and certainly the most under appreciated member of the ritual team, the Candidate. **Nancy Lewelling, San Luis Obispo Lodge**

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Piggy Bank

Blanche Jorge, PDDGER • Chairman

Our introduction to the Major Project, for many of us as new members, includes receiving our first Purple Pig, going home inserting the first coin, and watching the white hat bounce up to thank us for the coin. We hear the coin fall thinking about how all the coins collected are going to help children and their families when they need the Elks the most. **You matter**, you save lives, and make lives better for all.

At this year's Association Convention we watched as Exalted Rulers, at the Exalted Rulers March, had an opportunity to announce the totals of what their Lodge contributed, while the Vice Presidents announced the District total.

This year's money, raised by CHEA Lodges, totaled \$4,871,429.67. We thank CHEA Piggy Bank Chairman Robert Farrens, for his leadership. Thank you volunteers at the Association Convention *"you all made a difference!"*

Something all Elks should know is that at the Convention we get to meet, in person, this year's Theme Child, Sarah. She is thriving with the aid of Speech-Language Pathology, and Physical Therapy. Read more about her inspiring journey, and the charitable program she represents on the California-Hawaii Elks Association website, in the Convention issue of the CHEA Magazine, as well as in the Theme Child brochures, which are available through your Lodge.

There were so many heart filled moments. One was when Sarah's older brother Aaron, who was the 2020 Theme Child, was introduced. Both siblings need important Physical and Speech Therapy services. So it was such a surprise when Aaron, perfectly and with joy sang the "Happy Birthday", it was so inspirational. Aaron received praise, joyful gasps, and a standing ovation.

It's incredible when a moment perfectly crystalizes our purpose, and reminds us of our overarching goals.

Now for our numbers. **THANK YOU!! \$4,871,429.57!** We want to thank every member of the California-Hawaii Elks Association for their generous donations this past year. I want to especially thank the thirty-seven Lodges that completed the Leading Knights Challenge and the District Piggy Bank Chairs. You are the **Best People On Earth!**

The Five Highest Lodges (per-capita):

1. Livermore/Pleasanton 2117: \$163.38
2. West Covina 1996: \$157.47
3. Porterville 1342: \$143.21
4. Ontario 1419: \$142.96
5. Sunnyvale 2128: \$116.26

The Five Highest Lodges (dollars):

1. Honolulu Elks Lodge 616: \$461,558.32
2. West Covina: 1996 \$100,637.00
3. Ontario 1419: \$ 85,059.09
4. Newport Harbor 1767: \$ 76,310.24
5. Mission Viejo-Saddleback Valley: \$ 75,654.26

The Five Highest Districts (dollars):

1. Hawaii District \$476,061.72
2. Orange Coast District \$378,169.59
3. Southeast District \$298,923.44
4. West Central Coast District \$230,441.09
5. San Gabriel District \$174,423.83

In addition to the above donations, the Piggy Bank received \$1,244,660.00 from the Elks National Foundation; \$402,231.59 from the Peters and Potters Trusts and \$79,305.53 from various other miscellaneous sources for a total of \$1,733,898.12 from those donors.

Winners of the Chairman's Challenge were Alan Bobillot of the Northwest District and Rebecca Powalisz of the South Coast District.

The winners of the Leading Knight's Challenge:

Division I • Buena Park 2046 • Robert Navarrete

Division II • Escondido 1687 • Cathy Mayer

Division III • Alameda Lodge 1015 • Deirde Sargent

Division IV • Redwood City Lodge 1991 • Kevin Sugar

Div. V • Mission Viejo/Saddleback Valley 2444 • Alan Harknes

Division VI • Santa Maria Lodge 1538 • Steve Reyburn

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Walnut Creek Lodge 1811 used an ENF Gratitude Grant to host the Challenger Baseball Jamboree for children with special needs. As the largest tournament of its kind in the western United States, twenty-two teams of children with special needs traveled from many regional counties. Volunteer partnerships with local groups and high schools provided an additional eighty plus volunteers to make the day successful! Pictured are members of the Lodge barbecue team.

Paradise Lodge 2026 used an ENF Grant to donate \$1,000 to the Paradise American Legion Post 259, for help with their "Veteran's in Need" program. This program includes PTSD counseling, resources for housing, food, and utilities, for needy Ridge Veterans.

Placerville Lodge 1712 awarded \$1,000 Scholarships to four outstanding High School students. The scholarship recipients were San Juan High School student, Emily Juarez, South Lake Tahoe High School student, Ava Galli, El Dorado High School student, Perla Garcia, and Oak Ridge High School student, Joleen Berindei.



Public Relations

Bryan Baker, DDGER • Chairman

I'll admit, I once saw Public Relations as simply promoting the next dinner, fundraiser, or Lodge social. It mattered, but it didn't seem transformative.

Over time, I realized Public Relations and Marketing are very different, and that Public Relations can be far more meaningful when treated that way. It is how we uplift our communities through the heart of Elkdome. That shift has changed how I see our mission, and I believe it can strengthen every Lodge and District in our Order.

When we share photos of kids at Hoop Shoot, dictionaries in classrooms, proud scholarship recipients, Veterans at Lodge bingo, and baskets delivered to families year-round, something changes.

These are proof that the Elks matter and, as many have said, that we are an Elks Lodge with a Social Quarters—not a Social Quarters with an Elks Lodge. They show that kindness still exists and that ordinary people in our communities can make an extraordinary difference.

Let's be honest, the world feels chaotic. People are weary of division and negativity. They are looking for places where good still happens, neighbors help neighbors, service is valued, and people of all backgrounds unite for the common good.

That place is the Elks.

Public Relations is our olive branch to the community, not a sales pitch or gimmick, but a sincere opportunity to show what we do and invite the community to join us.

Public Relations is not only outward facing; it also shapes how we speak to our members. When we highlight the impact of our charitable work, instead of simply asking for volunteers to "help cook dinner Tuesday", we reconnect them to the mission and inspire pride, not obligation.

When members see the results of their efforts—veterans served, children supported, families helped — they feel Elkdome in action. They see it is more than another Lodge party; it is a pillar our community needs.

The California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, Inc. is a shining example of sustained, meaningful service. When we share stories of Therapists helping children walk, speak, and thrive, we show that the Elks do not just talk about charity, we live it.

Public Relations in Elkdome is no longer about broadcasting events. It is about broadcasting impact and showing the world that the Elks are a steady, compassionate force for good.

When we tell these stories boldly and consistently, something remarkable happens. People looking for purpose find us, people who want to serve join us, and those who already belong rediscover the chance to make a difference.

At the end of the day, Public Relations is not about promoting what we do. It is about revealing who we are.



President's Message

Lynn Glick, President

California-Hawaii Elks Association

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grow even more, by educating community leaders about how we can help them better serve our communities' needs. At the same time helping us become known within our communities as the premier fraternal organization that we have all come to love. Without strong Public Relations, no one will know about all the good work that we do in our communities.

Youth programs are dear to my heart as an educator. The Hoop Shoot and Soccer Shoot programs allow our youth the opportunity to work hard, show some grit, and learn that with hard work, they can do hard things. Our Scholarship programs allow students an opportunity to focus on learning during their college careers, and help students that are not in college learn important vocational skills. Our Scholarships for students with disabilities help them pursue their dreams of a higher education. The skills and knowledge our youth acquire through these programs will help them become productive and valued members of our communities.

Veterans Service is the last area of emphasis, but it should always be first in our thoughts. Without our Veterans' sacrifices, we would not live in the country we do, or have the freedoms that we enjoy every day. Every Veteran has sacrificed in some way on our behalf, which is why need to help ensure they are supported so they can continue to be positive forces in our communities.

With your help in these programs, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will be recognized by everyone as the **Best People On Earth**.

Jeff and I recently attended the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo. And yes, this was our first rodeo, and it did not disappoint. First, I want to thank the Santa Maria Elks Lodge Officers, members, and Elks Rec for their cowboy hospitality. Our escort Beth DuVall did an amazing job of making sure we arrived everywhere on time, and planned some fabulous outings to show off the greater Santa Maria community. This rodeo is a community building enterprise on steroids. From the community created amongst the Elk guests who experience it together, to the dinners and receptions where we learned about how the Elks and the rodeo community came together to create a legacy of building awareness of, and support for local children battling pediatric cancer, and to raise over \$150,000 for that cause, was truly inspiring. My favorite events were Barrel Racing and Mutton Bustin'. Wes Brown gave a tour of the grounds and I loved seeing how the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo takes care of the community of rodeo contestants by providing meals and snacks, showers, and award winning dirt to compete on. Jeff and I were proud to participate with other Elks in unfurling and holding the flag during the opening ceremony on Sunday. The experience was unforgettable and I will cherish the community I became part of.

District visitations are beginning. Jeff and I hope to see many of you at Grand Lodge in Chicago celebrating our Elks Memorial and the 250th birthday of our country.



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Scholarship and Vocational Grants

Harvey Boelts, PDDGER • Chairman

The California-Hawaii Elks Association Vocational Grant is what I want to emphasize this year.

The Vocational Grant program is open to anyone residing in California or Hawaii who is a citizen of the United States of America, 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 are between \$500 and \$2,000 per 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:

Cosmetology • FCC General Radio Telephone Operator
Lineman • Phlebotomy • Architect • Esthetician
Barber • Carpentry • Anthropology • Fireman
Welder • LVN • Real Estate Appraisal

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 retroactive charges and may only be applied to expenses in the academic year.

The new online application can be found at:

chea-elks.org/scholarship-information/

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Merced Lodge 1240 Bingo Chairman PER Len Samuelson presented the Distinguished Supporter Award from the Boys & Girls Club of Merced County to Exalted Ruler Ellen Burk. This award is presented to dedicated champions whose ongoing contributions have made a lasting difference in the Boys & Girls Club of Merced County. Their leadership and generosity help create opportunities, inspire growth and strengthen the future of our youth.



Hoop Shoot

Jamie Jasso, PER • Chairman

Hello and Aloha CHEA Elks,

My name is Jamie Jasso, and I am honored to serve as your California-Hawaii Elks Association Hoop Shoot Chair for the 2026-2027 Elks year.

As I begin this new role, I would first like to congratulate the young athletes who represented CHEA at the 2026 Elks National Hoop Shoot Finals held in Chicago, Illinois, April 16-19. London Durham Jr. of Huntington Beach Lodge No. 1959 finished fifth in the Ages 8-9 Boys division, while Jordynn Hidalgo of Clovis Lodge No. 2599 earned the opportunity to compete among the nation's best in the Ages 10-11 Girls division. Their accomplishments reflect the dedication, perseverance, and sportsmanship that make the Hoop Shoot program so special.

I would also like to thank the outgoing Hoop Shoot leadership, District Chairs, Lodge volunteers, parents, and guardians whose hard work made this year's program a success. The countless hours devoted by Elks members across California and Hawaii provide opportunities that positively impact young people in our communities.

As we look toward the 2026-2027 season, my goals are to support our District Chairs and local Lodges, strengthen communication throughout the Association, share resources and best practices, and help more youth discover the benefits of Hoop Shoot. By working together, we can continue growing this outstanding program and ensuring that more children have the opportunity to participate.

To assist with planning, the Northern California Semi-Finals will once again be held in Modesto on January 9, 2027. The California-Hawaii State Finals for Southern California and Hawaii are scheduled for January 23, 2027, with the location still to be determined. To allow adequate time for advancement and reporting, District competitions should be completed two weeks prior to the applicable Association competition.

Whether your Lodge has hosted Hoop Shoot for many years or is considering restarting the program, I encourage you to get involved. Together, we can continue building a program that develops confidence, character, and perseverance while strengthening our connection to the communities we serve.

Thank you for your dedication to our youth programs and to the principles of our Order. I look forward to working with all of you in the coming year.

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Madera Lodge 1918 provided a free lunch to cancer survivors at the American Cancer Society Relay For Life. Lodge members formed a team for the event and raised \$5,811 for the charity. Members helped support this event by donating \$10 for each luminaria bag with the name of a loved one who has been touched by cancer. The Lodge has many members who have survived cancer who were honored at this event.

Kern River Valley Lodge 2358 distributed dictionaries to seventy third graders at Woodrow Wallace Elementary School.



Lodge Activities

Lou Apodaca, PDDGER • Chairman

Greetings and Aloha!

My name is Lou Apodaca and I am your new CHEA Lodge Activities Chairman. As I take over this very important position from my friend Rudy Guerra, I know that I have some very large shoes to fill. Thank you Rudy for all of your help thus far. I do not take this new job lightly and I will do my absolute best to help all of you promote and improve Lodge Activities in your Districts and Lodges.

First, let me properly introduce myself. I am a thirty year Elk, five time Exalted Ruler, a Past Association Vice President, and two time past District Deputy from the South Central District. I am very blessed to be part of this great organization. In my personal life, I am an off and on a retired Electrical Engineer with experience in the antenna communication field. I retired twice and now I am currently working for an old boss who recently started his second company in 2018. I also have two hobbies which I enjoy. I am a part time musician and singer, and an avid golfer of over 50 years. I enjoy what I do and it keeps me busy when I'm not doing Elks business.

As I get myself familiar with this new position, I am open to, and welcome your suggestions and ideas for Lodge Activities. This is such a great way to engage our Members! The key to any successful Lodge is the participation of it's Members. Get your members involved and keep them involved by thinking outside of the box. Mix things up and try different activities at your Lodge instead of the same old things. There are so many ideas out there that we can share with each other. Some of the obvious ways are to promote involvement with your city and local community. Do something for your Veterans. There are so many activities involving our youth. And don't forget our First Responders.

As you initiate new members, get them involved in your Lodge. Give them a purpose and make them feel a part of your family of members. Make Lodge Activities an important part of your Lodge's week to week functions. The more activities you have, the more your members will be involved. And by doing so, the more successful your Lodge will become!

I am so excited to support our new President of the California-Hawaii Elks Association, Lynn Glick, and her First Dude, Jeff. We are breaking new ground with Lynn being our very first female President. Congratulations to her and I know she will have a great year! My wife Angie and I will support Lynn in every way we can.

Finally, as your CHEA Chairman of Lodge Activities, I will be staying in touch with all nineteen District Lodge Chairs to help them promote Lodge Activities in your District and Lodges. Exalted Rulers, if you have not done so already, please appoint a Lodge Chairman for Lodge Activities. I will work with them through your District Chairs and help you in any way I can. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me anytime. Let's have a great year and I hope to see many of you in Chicago at our National Convention where we will see

California-Hawaii's own Tim Jaeger will be Installed as our new Grand Exalted Ruler.

God Bless all of you!

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Membership Retention and Lapsation

James Warrick, PDDGER • Chairman

Hooray! California-Hawaii Elks Association led the nation with a net membership gain over 1,200 members in 2025-2026. Congratulations to the Orange Coast District for winning the custom Elks Lodge with membership gains in seven Lodges. With careful attention to recruitment and retention, other Districts and Lodges within CHEA also promoted membership growth. Lodges with strong membership programs conducted dignified initiation rituals, recognized sponsors, and included new members into Lodge activities. In 2026-2027 we now parlay our CHEA growth to some unfinished membership business. With every Lodge seeking a plus one in membership CHEA may surpass 100,000 members. The checklist for success includes every officer sponsoring just one member, Lodges reaching out to stray Elks, and Lodges promoting Elks at community events.

In addition to the Grand Exalted Ruler pins, the Grand Lodge watches, and Grand Lodge clock, a model Elks Golf Clubhouse will be awarded to the District which exemplifies the best membership program at the 2026-2027 CHEA Convention in Fresno. To win the clubhouse, a District must have a District net gain in membership and report successful orientation and retention approaches for new and existing members. Some ideas for increasing enthusiasm include recognizing the current number one recruiter in your District at the next District Deputy Clinic, and encouraging Saturday initiations along with a BBQ, and, holding a membership round up night to promote committees. "Actions Build Community" and by taking action to recognize sponsors and to engage new members into a committee the brand of Elks will continue to grow and prosper.

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Monterey Lodge 1285 celebrated their Lodge building's 62nd Anniversary by hosting an Open House and Membership Drive to showcase the Lodge facilities. Committee Chairs had stations to inform the public about Elks membership, charities and community support programs, such as Veterans Services, Youth Programs, Drug Awareness, Purple Pig, Elks National Foundation, Elks RV Parks, and social events. Music, food, a Kids Zone, gym fitness challenges, fire department safety demonstrations, and guided tours were offered throughout the day. Over two hundred people from the community attended, with forty new membership applications received along with five member reinstatements.

Santa Monica Lodge 906 Charity Fund was proud to support Santa Monica High School's Grad Night by providing \$2,000 worth of prizes and charging equipment. This cherished event has been celebrating graduates for over thirty-five years, with the Santa Monica Elks supporting the program for more than thirty of those years.



Youth/Soccer Activities

Jim McCloskey, PDDGER • Chairman

It was great to see so many Elks at our Association Convention in Palm Springs. We had many visitors stop by our Youth Activities information table who were gathering materials and ideas for their Lodge programs. It was rewarding to see such renewed interest in the Soccer Shoot competitions, especially with those looking to hold their first event. As I had hoped, the anticipation for the FIFA World Cup seems to have motivated the movement.

Certificates were awarded at Palm Springs to the ten winners of the 2025/2026 California-Hawaii Elks Association Virtual Soccer Shoot Grid-Goal event:

U-8 Boys • Cody Crunk • Jackson Lodge 2428
U-8 Girls • Annabelle Hardy • Jackson Lodge 2428

U-10 Boys • Adrian Figueroa • Lake Elsinore/Wildomar 2591
U-10 Girls • Lucia Flores • Arcadia 2025

U-12 Boys • Jonathan Escobar • Arcadia 2025
U-12 Girls • Isla Gascon • Jackson 2428

U-14 Boys • Jason Escobar • Arcadia 2025
U-14 Girls • Victoria Bravo • Arcadia 2025

U-16 Boys • Zachory Tyler • Arcadia 2025
U-16 Girls • Logan Lewis • Arcadia 2025

These CHEA winners were forwarded to Terence Ford, Grand Lodge Activities Committee Chairman and Soccer Shoot Coordinator to compete in the National level virtual competition. Winners of the Elks National Virtual Soccer Shoot will be announced at Grand Lodge Convention in July.

Our first quarterly reporting period, for April-May-June, is soon coming to an end and Lodges will submit their reports to their District Chairmen early in July. These reports of activities held by our Lodges received throughout the year add up to numbers like this:

In total, from the 162 Lodges in CHEA, a total of 370 Lodge reports were submitted to their District Chairmen for the four quarters of this year 2025/2026. These reports show their efforts served 104,427 youth, provided by 42,525 Elk members, and 93,260 non-elk helpers and volunteers, who drove a combined 723,521 miles to our events. The Lodges contributed \$602,230 towards supplies, prizes, site use, and other non-cash support, and distributed \$657,677 in cash. This is a thank you to you, your families, friends and fellow members.

Youth Activities encompasses such a wide range of opportunities available to develop into our Lodges it only takes a date on the calendar and a little creativity to include a youth component. For 2026/2027 we will work towards helping all Lodges become more aware of, and take more initiative in, scheduling and implementing their youth activities, and staying diligent with documentation and reporting. Together we will strive to meet the goal for our Elks Youth Activities Programs to make the day, the week, or the month, better for our Youth and their families, through interaction with our Lodges.

Our Youth – Our Future



Government Relations

Alyssa Santos, PDDGER • Chairman

Aloha fellow Elks,

With a new Elk year, come new opportunities for your Lodge to get its great works known in your communities. Now is the perfect time to send a letter to your local government with your Charitable Giving Report for the 2025–2026 year.

As the Government Relations Chairman of your Lodge, you can go to the Elks.org website, where you will find examples of letters to send in the Government Relations Manual.

Include the hours, miles, cash, and non-cash contributions your Lodge made this past year. It's also a great time to let them know about upcoming events at your Lodge. Inviting your local Mayor and Council Members to fundraisers, or open meetings, opens the door to future working relationships.

If your city has various events going on, consider having an information table to share what's happening at your Lodge. Include information on the various programs you are promoting. Have Drug Awareness information available, highlight Youth Activities, and if your Lodge is involved with Veterans programs, such as welcome home kits, or visits to the VA hospital, take this opportunity to showcase what you have been doing through pictures or informational boards.

I look forward to hearing about your efforts in your monthly reports and being able to share in the coming months what your Lodges are doing in your communities. Let's ensure we are living up to President Lynn Glick's theme for the year: "Actions Build Communities."

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to myself or Vice Chairman, Kris Picard.

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Riverside Lodge 643 recently donated \$35,000 to support local organizations that provide essential services throughout the community. This year's recipients include Voices for Children, Fraternal Order of Police, Riverside Mountain Rescue, Ronald McDonald House, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, and California-Hawaii Elks Major Projects, Inc.

In other news, the Lodge Golf Committee, using proceeds of the Lodge Golf Tournament, donated \$10,000 to the Lodge Veterans Committee. The funds will benefit local Veterans.

Orange Lodge 1475 celebrated National Youth Week with its annual Youth Appreciation Night program with forty-one individual awards being handed out. Hunter Smith was recognized for achieving his Eagle Scout Award. Hunter is the sixteenth Eagle Scout from the Lodge's Boy Scout Troop 1475 since 2006.

Scholarship Chairman, Lynda Einstein introduced nine outstanding high school seniors, who were awarded \$14,000 in Scholarships. Teens from the Lodge Antler program were given awards: Teenager of the Month, Antler Officer of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, and Victoria Vega received Teenager of the Year Award.



Veterans Service

Dan Bachcelliere, PDDGER • Chairman

Greetings fellow Elks,

Let me begin, by saying what an honor it is, to have been selected as the Chairman of the CHEA National Veterans Service Commission. I am fortunate to be joined by Jay Dupler, PDDGER (Oceano/Five Cities 2499) as the Vice Chair. We both served during the 80's. Jay was stationed at Camp Darby, Italy and Camp Roberts, California, as part of the Army, and I spent most of my time aboard the USS Enterprise CVN65, in the Navy.

As Veterans, Jay and I appreciate all of the time and efforts put forth by our Order to live up to the Elk's promise, "As long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, will not forget them." We were reminded of this devotion, as we swapped stories with members throughout the Association, that stopped by our table during the Convention.

Speaking of Conventions, what a pleasure it was to present the Veterans Volunteer of the Year Awards to this year's recipients. Congratulations to Nicole Moreno (Gardena 1919), Dierdre Wellborn (Santa Monica 906), David Perry (Mission Viejo-Saddleback Valley 2444) and Greg Schlitz (Oceano-Five Cities 2499). Your individual efforts were above and beyond and well deserving of this honor. Another highlight of the week was the presentation to Larry Nelson, PDDGER/DL (Lakewood/Bellflower 888), in recognition of his 15,000 hours of voluntary service to the VA Long Beach Medical Center. And, it wouldn't be a Convention, without the generous offering of Valerie Edwards PAVP (Stockton 218), who donated another beautiful handmade quilt to be auctioned off.

With the CHEA Convention in the books, we look forward to the upcoming Grand Lodge Convention being held in Chicago. This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the Elks National Memorial Building, with a rededication ceremony on our nations 250th birthday. For those of you, who have yet to see the Memorial building, I recommend either taking the tour while in Chicago or enjoy it from the comfort of your own home, with the virtual tour that can be accessed through www.elks.org/memorial/memorialTour.cfm. I promise you, you will be amazed by its beauty and reverence. While you're there, don't forget to donate to the restoration fund so it will be available to future generations.

Finally, let me conclude with a heartfelt thanks to John Hardman, PDDGER (Clovis 2599) for his years of dedication to the NVSC. and he'll be a hard act to follow. Fair Winds and Following Seas my friend.

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Newport Harbor Lodge 1767 hosted Bingo for Veterans at the Long Beach VA Medical Center. Lodge volunteers assisted participants, helping create an enjoyable and welcoming atmosphere. Veterans played for "patriot bucks," adding excitement to each game.

Chico Lodge 423 used an ENF Grant to present a \$1,000 to the We Love Veterans group. The Elks National Foundation supports the upcoming Women Veterans Recognition Day on June 13th raising awareness for Women Veteran Health Services.



Gardena Lodge 1919 in partnership with Operation Nourish, donated to and helped serve taco plates on Cinco de Mayo at the Long Beach VA. Pictured (L-R) are Nicole Moreno, Veterans Chairman, Shirley Treuden and Norma Flores.



Monterey Lodge 1285 Veterans Committee used a \$2,000 Beacon Grant to donate food to the Veterans Transition Center's Food Pantry which provides essential, nutritious food items to local Veterans. Pictured (L-R) are VTC Pantry Manager Amos Johnson, Veterans Committee Chairs Alma McHonney and Charles Carman.



Hilo Lodge 759 recently completed a highly successful Saimin Drive, a popular Hawaiian noodle soup, in support of HIRANG (Hawaii Army National Guard), providing donations to help feed and support service members participating in their Annual Training. Representing the Lodge, Lecturing Knight Joseph O'Connell, Loyal Knight Loren Pabila, and Esteemed Leading Knight Pamela Paulo personally delivered the donations to SSG Nellie Towata. This initiative marked the first partnership between the Hilo Lodge and the Hawai'i Army National Guard. The donations were warmly received and greatly appreciated by the soldiers and leadership alike.



Drug Awareness

Patty Hamilton, PDDGER • Chairman

CHEA Convention: Thank you to all who stopped by our Drug Awareness booth to say hello, check out the current Drug Awareness Program brochures, and share exciting details

about things you're doing in your Lodges to promote our great program. One of the highlights of the Convention was being able to present our CHEA National Awareness plaque to our 2026 Enrique Camarena Award recipient, Pasadena Police Officer Raymond Cardenas Jr. The award honors Law Enforcement Officers who demonstrate outstanding commitment to Drug Prevention and community education.

Our Youth Poster, Essay and Video contest theme this year was **"Drugs Are a Grave Mistake"**. We were also honored to hear our CHEA first place essay winner, Alyson Schmidt, read her essay at the Convention. We have several Elks stop by our booth afterwards to meet both Alyson and Police Officer Cardenas Jr. and learn more about our Drug Awareness contests.

Grand Lodge Convention – Chicago, IL: I am now looking forward to representing CHEA at the annual Drug Awareness Program training for Association Chairs, held two days before Grand Lodge begins in Chicago. At this training, I'll learn about the newest, latest, and greatest information, and resources, we have available through our Drug Awareness Commission for all of us to enjoy and utilize. It is here that we will hear what our new theme will be for our contests and programs for our 2026-2027 Elks year. If you are going to Grand Lodge, I hope you'll join me at our Drug Awareness Program Open House session. It is always a highlight of the Convention and there are even free giveaway items and fun surprises to add to all the newest information you will want to know to make this Elk year your very best yet!

In closing, please remember to check out the Drug Awareness Committee section regularly on www.chea-elks.org for our most updated contest entry forms, list of deadlines for contests, Enrique Camarena nominees, quarterly reports, etc. All of the information listed on the website will be updated after Grand Lodge, but besides the exact deadline date and the new theme, the old forms can still be used for planning your program now.

Our CHEA Drug Awareness Program Vice-Chair, Dave Wells, from the Merced Lodge in the Central District, and I are excited to work with you this year! No question or comment you have isn't worth asking or sharing, so please don't hesitate to call us, email us, or text us with your questions and your ideas. You can reach me at 619-857-3724, pattyhamilton3@att.net, or Dave Wells at 209-756-3070, or dwellsmcmerced@gmail.com.



Gilroy Lodge 1567 used a Gratitude Grant to support area youth, students, and our active military service men and women. The South Bay Blue Star Moms send "care packages from home" to active service members. The Garden Project at San Martin Gwinn School teaches young students the importance of good nutrition. The Gavilan College Student Food Pantry helps provide food for students in need.

CHEA Convention Ritual Competition Results

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Most Impressive Esquire with the highest possible score of 50.0000: 49.0500 – **Robert Duron, Redlands Lodge 583**

The **Gerald Strohm Award** is awarded to the Most Impressive Exalted Ruler in the Final Four, Highest possible score is 50.0000: 48.3750 – **Carl Keiser, Redlands Lodge 583**

A grateful and heartfelt thank you to everyone associated in any way, including all of the family members, who understand and appreciate the teamwork needed to make these performances a wonderful success. Ritual truly is the "story of us" and each and every one of you who embraces participation in any facet of it helps keep it alive to pass along to our future members.

Lastly, it has been an honor to spend the last four years serving our members and CHEA as part of the Ritual team. Again, all the thanks go to the team that came together and made it all work.

Nancy Kulinski, PDDGER
CHEA Ritual Contest Chairman, 2026
El Cajon Lodge 1812



Palo Alto Lodge 1471 used a Freedom Grant to assemble fifteen baskets of cleaning supplies and personal items for distribution to Veterans transitioning into permanent housing. The Lodge volunteers were accompanied by local past Most Valuable Student Scholarship recipients.

Orange Elks Antlers presented a check for \$550 to the Orange Unified School District Special Education Department in support of their 2026 OUSD Olympiad Games. This is an athletic event celebrating approximately 500 students with disabilities from across the Orange Unified School District.

Fullerton Lodge 1993 participated in a LOT 318 Community Event in Placentia. LOT 318 exists to walk alongside at-risk youth and their community by empowering them to see their worth and purpose in this world. The organization believes in the importance of education and teaching self-value. Their goal is to give youth opportunities they may never have had, and to help them become a positive influence and force in our world. The Lodge donated \$500 to support Lot 318.

In other news, Lodge volunteers served a meal and mingled with veterans at the Placentia Veterans Village apartment complex which provides permanent supportive housing for homeless or disabled military Veterans in Orange County.

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Gary R. Schindler • Redlands 583
Thomas & Lois McNamara • Pasadena 672
Katherine Moore • Redondo Beach 1378
Amy Santa Cruz • Redondo Beach 1378



Beth Sorg • San Diego 168
Deborah Laird • Chico 423
John Crawford • Fresno 439
Dani Goldberg • Redlands583
Rodney Perry • Santa Ana 794
Elizabeth Hasychak • Alameda 1015
Craig Williams • Visalia 1298
Colin Smith • Orange 1475
Susan McClernan • Redwood City 1991
Bryan Brower • Encinitas 2243
Debra Reed • Thousand Oaks 2477

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walk, talk, see and play!*

CHEMPI Latest Millennium Level Donors (\$1,000) • (April 1, 2026 through May 31, 2026)

Cheryl A. Nuno	322	Sharon Young	1015	Jessie Gracia	1430	Steve Dale	2248
Sue Brown	423	Dave Wells	1240	Estelle Stone	1687	Jennifer Zerbst	2393
Michael McAlpine	672	Michael Key	1259	Donald Botsford	1968	Art Garcia	2477
Thomas E. and Lois R. McNamara	672	Alyssa Pineda	1259	Jerome Parker	1991	Cynthia Lee Brown	2504
Kyle York	824	Robert Youngmark	1299	Judy Lawson	1993	Patricia Dandy	2704
Barbara "Bobbi" Galbraith	901	Elizabeth Dye	1378	John Sibley	1993	Martha Foltz	2704
Lori Ham	901	Katherine Moore (4)	1378	Bruce Ungles	1993	Karen Erickson	2733
Chris dos Remedios	1015	Amy Santa Cruz (3)	1378	Candy Valko	1993		
Karol Pessin	1015	Wade Roberts	1424	Brian Rogers	2091		

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Scarlet Rhoads	423	Jack Kelly	1240	Barry Lilore	1968	Mary Gordon (2)	1993
Joan Schreiner	423	Maria Lopez	1240	Dolph Raasch	1968	Mitchell Hanlon (4)	1993
James "Jim" Everitt	583	Jane Lozano (2)	1240	Dee Spiller	1968	Carole Herndon (2)	1993
Dale Gerlach	583	Karen Marques	1240	Brad Bachelder	1991	Stephany Johnson (3)	1993
Cheryl Gerlach	583	Charli McCord	1240	Maurie Bennett	1991	Jackie Keating (3)	1993
Dennis Grimes	583	Robert Romero	1240	Adrienne Bresler	1991	Darlene Kuchel	1993
Kathleen Murray	583	Chris Salas	1240	Greg Campbell	1991	Jennifer Lamb (3)	1993
Gary Schindler (2)	583	Rob Schwabel	1240	Robert Cattarin	1991	Judy Lawson (4)	1993
David Andrews	616	Conchita Swiggart (3)	1240	Anne DeBattista (5)	1991	Christina McLoon	1993
Marilyn Hastings-Kern (6)	616	Daniel Wentz	1240	Elizabeth Duncel	1991	Linda Morrow	1993
Steven Mizokawa	616	Alyssa Pineda	1259	Claudia Dunsby	1991	Trudy Nuzum	1993
Tony Schmidt	616	Ron Beeman	1282	Jocelyn Fakouri	1991	Joe Petri	1993
Michele Yamanaka (2)	616	Sharon Hackett	1282	Rosemarie Grelli	1991	Patti Rocovitz (2)	1993
Thomas & Lois McNamara (3)	672	Cody Himenes	1282	John Gunderson	1991	Mark Rocovitz (2)	1993
Linda Barcelona	794	Mark Kninoo	1282	Alan Hansen	1991	Phil Rowe	1993
Garland Clark (3)	794	Peggy Massey	1282	Erin Hill	1991	Carlos Salazar	1993
L.J. Housner (8)	794	Kenneth Phillips	1282	Melvin Horn	1991	Doreen Scherff	1993
Nupur Kiri	794	Gary Rectory	1282	Peter Kutch	1991	DeAnna Schlabsz (2)	1993
Roberta Steel Merritt	794	Bradford "Brad" Smith	1282	Kelly Lang	1991	John Sibley (3)	1993
Janet Woolford	794	Agnes Smith	1282	Andrea Lopez	1991	Carol Sibley (4)	1993
Ian Mackenzie	824	April Starkweather	1282	Susan McClernan (5)	1991	Bruce Ungles (2)	1993
Mary Rose Mackenzie	824	Frances Tafoya	1282	Konstantin Millonis	1991	Candy Valko (2)	1993
John Scally	824	Troy Wells (3)	1282	Anthony Nannini	1991	Becky Young (2)	1993
Georgann Scally	824	Bill Youngman	1282	Jerome Parker	1991	Christina Carter (2)	1996
Ron Schmidt	824	Norman Blackwell (3)	1298	Joesph Pestoni	1991	Robert Hollis-Brau	1996
Steve Tedesco	824	Ted Donald (2)	1298	Maryliz Smith	1991	Amy Boteiho	2020
Robert Coleman	901	Richard Grissom	1298	Monica Thompson	1991	Robert Van Dyke	2045
Barbara "Bobbi" Galbraith	901	Dale Lamb	1298	Stephen Traynor	1991	Kathy Crutchfield	2046
Lori Ham (3)	901	Michelle Nelson	1298	Mark Urban	1991	Marisol Navarrete (2)	2046
Gary Patrick Johnson (4)	901	Tom O'Connor	1298	Rich Wallace	1991	Steven Hawthorne	2091
Anthony Morgan	901	John Skaggs	1298	Kim Whitall	1991	Anthony Quigley	2091
Wayne Wilson (2)	901	Craig Williams (2)	1298	Jim Woolway	1991	Brian Rogers	2091
Richard Bierman	1015	Harry Wood	1298	Mariann Aita (3)	1993	William Sandoval (2)	2091
Jeff & Linda Britton (2)	1015	Marla Buckmaster (4)	1299	Andrea Amrein (4)	1993	Gary Eckhardt	2103
Chris dos Remedios	1015	Robert Youngmark (5)	1299	Lina Ariola (3)	1993	Lori Murdock	2121
Arthur Kurasch (2)	1015	Jerry Baltz	1378	Kitty Arthur (2)	1993	David Murdock	2121
Cathleen Myers	1015	Frank Mathis	1378	Marge Auayo (4)	1993	Mike Vigil	2121
Karol Pessin	1015	Katherine Moore (9)	1378	Mark Blackburn	1993	Gerard Finnety (3)	2128
George Phillips	1015	Sylvia Smullen	1378	Judi Carolan (2)	1993	Deborah Klein	2128
Dean Seaquist	1015	Les Smullen	1378	Ellie Castillo	1993	Michael Klein	2128
Lisa Young	1015	Floria Valdez	1378	Sheri Chu (2)	1993	Barbara "Joy" Richards	2243
Ronald Zampa (4)	1015	Wade Roberts	1424	Kathe Currie	1993	William "Bill" Vance	2243
James Jensen	1073	Paul Dohmann	1475	Karin Derks (3)	1993	Tracy Cooney (3)	2248
Deanne Adame	1240	Ronald Hinman (2)	1643	Robin Edwards	1993	Steve Dale (2)	2248
Susan Albertoni (2)	1240	Harrison Beal	1687	Susan Fields (2)	1993	Brian Dittmer	2248
John Cale	1240	Earline Claunch (2)	1728	Tim Fields (2)	1993	Sue Foley	2248
Rick Eason	1240	Keenan Warner	1787	Diana Ford (2)	1993	Gayle Herring	2248
Jennifer Feix (9)	1240	Rolando Linares	1799	Marty Frieber	1993	Shannon McCann	2248
Danny Fialho (6)	1240	Frank Putz	1948	Lori Galvan (2)	1993	Diannia Morrison	2248
Jesse Flores	1240	Karen Stuetz-Garland	1952	Ore Lea Germinaro	1993	Carena Mulady	2248
Tom Gaffery (5)	1240	Lynne Suzanski	1959	Violet Germinaro (3)	1993	Jeffrey Pingree	2248
Bob Hinson	1240	Russ Greene	1968	Jim Germinaro (2)	1993	Heather Sherk	2248

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Ed Van Patten	2248	Eugenia Whitten	2444	Debbe Blake	2704	Diane Farrens	2801
Michael Halloran	2379	David Coleman	2492	Patricia Dandy (6)	2704	Pat Kelleher	2801
Judy Buckley	2444	Sandra Balster	2504	Tim Darnell	2704	Roy Kelleher	2801
Linda Cimmarusti (2)	2444	Jason Goetz	2504	Martha Foltz (5)	2704	Carlton "Spike" Lunn	2801
Louie Hernandez	2444	Greg Schlitz	2504	Edward Giannelli	2704	Diane Stead	2801
Lynette Holmes	2444	James Stitt	2504	Cameron Reeves	2704	Joyce Winge	2801
Kathleen Krieger	2444	Clint Weirick	2504	Valerie Schweifler	2704		
Sam Rizk	2444	Brian Klassen	2699	Diane Castro	2801		

California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, Inc. Recurring Donors

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

Johanna Abate	3	Tom Olson	322	Cheryl Bode	672	Jennifer S. Terry	1073
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Gardena Elks Lodge Bingo Players	\$638.00	Gardena 1919
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Orange Lodge 1475 Flags over Orange program was created by the Orange Elks to provide a flag for a Military, Police, Fire, Veteran, Seniors, or people with disabilities that would love to have a flag flying, but could use a helping hand mounting one. The Orange Elks install a flag kit that consists of the flag, pole, and a solar light to keep the flag properly displayed and illuminated overnight. Pictured above is Michael R. McBee, a Marine Veteran.

In other news, the Lodge held a Kentucky Derby Party for Orange City Fire Peer Support. Astrid, the newest support dog was introduced. A donation was made to the Fire Peer Support Dog Program. The donation will help with the expenses of the program.



Garden Grove Lodge 1952 Youth Activities Committee donated twenty new Scholastic Books to the Library at Ralston Intermediate School. Pictured (L-R) are the Youth Activities Chairman Karen Stuetz-Garland, Teacher and Lodge Member Tracey Hampton.



Palo Alto Lodge 1471 hosted fifty Veterans and staff from the Palo Alto VA Hospital Rehabilitation Wing for dinner. Gift bags were distributed to all Veterans. Pictured are Exalted Ruler, Krista Kobeski, Veterans Chairperson, Jennifer Hawks, and Member, Shelley Hatfield.



Ontario Lodge 1419 member, Veteran, and Elks Rider, along with his wife Maria, completed their Run For The Wall mission to the Vietnam Wall Memorial. Randy rode to honor PFC Darryl Messer who was killed in Vietnam. Maria rode to honor her daughter, who is serving in the Marine Corps. Randy is pictured above at the Vietnam Memorial Wall.

Riverside Lodge 643 recognized students at Arlanza Elementary School for their outstanding perfect attendance. Drug Awareness Chairperson, Rose Smith presented awards to Transitional Kindergarten through 5th grade students. Students received certificates, patriotic lanyards with medals, gift bags, and additional age-appropriate prizes.

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Our FAX number has change to
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Santa Monica Lodge 906 were visited by the Samotech Robotics Team to share their award-winning robot and tell us about their successful season. The team earned a coveted spot at the 2026 Robotics World Championship in Houston, Texas, where they finished among the Top 20 teams in the world. The Santa Monica Elks Charity Fund was proud to support their journey with a \$500 donation to help with competition expenses. Pictured (L-R) Front Row: Ari, Andrew, Waylon, Camille, Brandon, and Rob Kirbyson, Parent, Back Row: Chris Rowe, Samotech Coach, Gloria Steck, PER and Lodge Charity Fund President, and Ilene Knebel, Exalted Ruler.



Santa Clarita Lodge 2379 on Memorial Day Weekend, prepared and served lunch to more than 300 youth volunteers from Scouts, Girl Scouts, Young Marines, Trail Life, and other local groups that gathered at Eternal Valley Memorial Park to place over 7,000 American flags on the graves of our nation's Veterans. Several lucky participants also received Elks Drug Awareness Program soccer balls as part of the day's activities. Pictured above is a Young Marine, along with Association Vice President, Wayne Edwards, and Exalted Ruler and First Lady Stacy and Scott McKenna.

San Diego Lodge 168 Officers had the privilege of touring "Just in Time" for Foster Youth (JIT), a remarkable San Diego based organization dedicated to helping young adults transition successfully from the foster care system into independent adulthood. The visit offered an inspiring look at the impactful work JIT is doing every day to ensure that no young person ages out of foster care without a supportive community behind them. The Lodge donated \$10,000 in ENF Grants to the organization.



Paradise Lodge 2026 awarded three academic Scholarships to local students. Pictured (L-R) Maya Goodlin, \$1,000; Grace Medlum, \$1,500; Jan Keller, Paradise Lodge; and Aaron Davis, \$1,000.



Riverside Lodge 643 hosted its Nineteenth Annual Youth Awards and Dinner awarding \$34,500 in Scholarships, \$1,125 in gift cards, and thirty-two backpacks. Scholarship Chair, Susan Straight and her team presented \$15,500 in Elks National Foundation awards, \$4,000 in Carol Tong Memorial Scholarships, ten \$1,500 Lodge Scholarships. The Scholarship winners are shown above.



El Cajon Lodge 1812 presented certificates and awards to two fifth grade students in recognition of their Americanism Essays on the theme "What Does Service to Your Country Mean to You?" Pictured (L-R) Sandra Allose, Mia Adefioye, Patty Hamilton, PDDGER, Lodge Americanism Chair.



GER Bryan Klatt and First Lady Susan



CHEA Past President Scott and Mary Kay Stephens



CHEA President Lynn and Jeff Glick,
with GER Bryan and Susan Klatt



Theme Child Sarah and her family



Santa Clarita Ritual Team will represent
CHEA at the Grand Lodge Convention in Chicago



CHEA's new Corps of Officers taking their oath of Office



San Rafael Lodge 1108 Annual Veterans Fundraiser Dinner and Auction raised \$15,000 for the Veterans Services Program. The program provides donated and purchased home furnishings to Veterans in need, many of whom have been formerly homeless. Over 100 local Veterans apartments have been furnished by this program. Pictured from the left is Peter Behr, Veterans Chairman, who accepted a \$1,000 donation from Kelley Reid, 1st Vice Commander, American Legion Twin Cities Postwhile Jeffrey Schaub (MC/Auctioneer) looks on.

CHEA Americanism Chairman Larry Perez, during the CHEA Convention, assisted by his wife Mona Perez, presented the CHEA Americanism Essay Awards to deserving students. The California-Hawaii Elks Association provided Amazon gift cards for the winners, including four \$500 first-place awards, four \$400 second-place awards, and four \$300 third-place awards. Exalted Rulers from the various divisions accepted certificates and gifts on behalf of the winners. Congratulations to all of the award recipients!



Needles Lodge 1608 would like to thank the CHEA Major Project. A Vision Screening was held at Vista Colorado Elementary School. We are proud to say it was pure joy working this Project. Vision Screening has not been done in the County for years and now with CHEA Major Project, some of these children will receive the glasses they are in need of to help them for their future. Pictured is Elizabeth Holthausser, P.H.D., Vision Screener with one of the students.



Santa Clarita Lodge 2379 was proud to donate to and sponsor a Canyon Country Little League team in the Challenge Division, an adaptive baseball program that gives children and teens with physical and intellectual challenges the chance to experience the joy of America's favorite pastime. Serving players ages 4 to 15, the Challenge Division creates an encouraging, inclusive environment where every athlete can participate, grow, and celebrate their abilities.



Orange Lodge 1475 observed Memorial Day at the Santa Ana Cemetery and the Fairhaven Cemetery. The Antlers placed a wreath at Tri-City Memorial. Antlers pictured (L-R) Julianne Taylor, Sierra Hay, Bobby Nelson, Seth Lawrence, Wyatt Wozneak. The Lodge members placed a wreath at Fairhaven Cemetery.