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FROM YOUR NEW EXALTED RULER

First, I would like to thank Phil, Georgia and the previous team for all their work over the past two years. Our small Lodge is blessed to have so many active PERs among us. This new year is going to be interesting, as we basically have a whole new team: one officer repeating in their position, a couple changing positions, and a PER coming back to take a chair again, but other than those, all new faces.

That being said, I look forward to having a great year. My first goal is to work hard to increase our membership. This is the lifeblood of our Lodge. Second, I would like to increase the participation at Friday night dinners and revive the bar. If it is your birthday month, you will now have a choice of one of our regular dinners. We are still working on the idea of a happy hour, so please be patient with that item. We are bringing back the Saturday barbeques in the parking lot. We have already picked up a few outside catering events. This year, we plan to work hard to increase catering events. I believe we have a great new team and I am confident that we will do well. I hope to see you at the Lodge and Jamboree.

Thank you and God Bless,
Terry Pfannenstiel
terry@syvelks.com

2014 ELKS JAMBOREE

iViva La Fiesta!

The "iFiesta!" is getting closer!!! We are a little under a month out right now and the excitement is sure growing. As of Sunday 22nd I have entered 37 rig entries, so about 80 people thus far. Within those entries I only have 3....THREE.....entries from our Lodge here in Santa Ynez. COME ON SYV ELKS!!! Get those entries in so you don't miss out on all the fun. It helps all of us to get a good count beforehand so the ordering goes smoothly. We are hosting this event so let's make a strong showing.

We have two amazing bands that will be performing for us this year. They both are made up of local talent and play at various venues throughout the Valley including The Maverick and Randy's Tap Room. On Friday night we will be enjoying the sounds of "MOJO" and on Saturday we get the pleasure of having "The Rincons/The Dusty Jugz" play for us.

We're still looking for help in every area of Jamboree. Even an hour is extremely helpful. Please don't be shy and ask if there is something that you can do to help our Lodge succeed with this event.

And finally, we are having regular meetings on Sundays at 1PM at the Lodge. Stop by with any questions, bring an item to donate for the silent auction or just gather some information. This is the biggest event of the year for our Lodge and we cannot do it without your support!

I am very excited about this year's party and look forward to seeing you all on Sundays to talk
iFIESTA!

Rebecca Lewis, Secretary
2014 Elks Jamboree Chairperson
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ELK OF THE MONTH

Mike Perry is the Elk of the Month for March 2014. Mike continues to be a very active member, always willing to help out in the kitchen when asked. His skills at the BBQ pay huge dividends as we have large crowds for dinner every time he cooks. Thank you Mike for your continued work with Elkdom and your hard work always.

DELINQUENT DUES

Your annual membership dues of \$102 are payable on April 1st, the start of the Elk year. Thank you to everyone who got theirs in on time! Unfortunately, there are some members who are now delinquent. Grand Lodge statutes dictate that if you are not current, you may not use the Lodge facilities or attend meetings.

Did you know we accept credit/debit cards for any transactions, dues included? Did you know you can pay half your dues by April 1st, and the other half by October 1st? Maybe this is a solution for your situation. If that's still a hardship, please contact the Lodge and perhaps we can come up with an individual program for you.

We value all of our members, appreciate your participation on whatever level, and would hate to see you dropped from our rolls. Please let us know how we can help you maintain your membership at #2640.

CRYING TOWEL

March broke a streak of winning months--shall we start the trend again? Come to a meeting!!!

3/6/14		3/20/14
Robert Lindberg	\$80	No draw
Jerry Witcher	\$90	No draw
Jim Matsukas	\$100	No draw

THOUGHT FROM THE COWBOY



Never approach a bull from the front, a horse from the rear, or a fool from any direction.

TILER
BOB BEAUCHAMP

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GARY SKIPPON

TRUSTEE 2 YEAR
JIM KANNAS

TRUSTEE 1 YEAR
SALLY BALDWINSON

NEWS FROM NATIONAL

This is an exciting time of year for the Order of Elks.

By Grand Lodge Statutes, Local Lodges should have selected their leadership for the next fraternal year, which commences in April. With those changes come new faces potentially at all levels, from committees to officer team.

Serving a Local Lodge can be a very rewarding experience. Every Elk enjoys being a part of something larger than themselves and working for worthwhile projects in their Lodge and community. I think that type of attitude is a big part of what makes us "Distinctively American", setting us apart from many other organizations and much of the rest of the world.

Those stepping out of office can look back with pride at having served the Order with diligence and fidelity. Our gratitude for everyone who serves should be evident and generous. Indeed, the survival of Our Order depends upon good people stepping up to carry forward, and gratitude is all the remuneration most officers and committee persons take away for all their hard work.

With much attention focused on the election and selection process, some important aspects of leaving office can be overlooked.

Just as any Elk would want to leave things a little better than they found them as a result of their service, we should also acknowledge the duty to get the next person serving off to a good start. However successful our term has been we have learned some things about the job, dodged a few pitfalls and found a few short-cuts that would help the new guy.

Spend some time with the person taking up the position. Share some success stories as well as areas where you may have fallen a little short of your goals. Doing this not only enhances your image as a leader in your Lodge but also helps foster the leaders of tomorrow.

Paying it forward is the best pay of all and great insurance for the future.

See you down the road.

Millard Pickering

Grand Exalted Ruler

We recently performed an audit of our email system.

If you are still not getting our weekly blasts, and would like to, please send an email to info@syvelks.com and we'll make sure to add you to the list.

If you need an email address, we can set you up! Just let us know.



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LIFE MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL

At our Lodge meeting on February 20, Liz McCleney proposed Don Hart for Life Membership. Don is a charter member of our Lodge, and meets the requirements for Life Membership. This proposal will be voted on at our Lodge meeting on April 3rd. A two thirds affirmative ballot will be needed to pass the nomination.

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY GALS

Thank you, Doris, for hosting our March get-together. It was a good turnout. Plenty of snacks, things to drink, and cards to be played.

Dianne will be our hostess for April the 3rd. She is planning on making soup for lunch and I will make a salad. We will meet at 1PM.

Mark your calendars for the remaining dates for 2014:

April 3rd 1PM Dianne Wittenbrock

May 8th Marilyn Hart

June 5th Ruth Sahn

July 3rd 1PM Salads, snacks, beverages.

Just bring small amounts.

August 7th Liz Douds

If you need to make a change in the schedule, please advise. We can switch!

Sincerely,

Wilma Jenssen

September 3rd Shirley Hernandez

October 2nd Sheila Gregory

November 6th Anadel Wright

December 11th 4PM Wilma Jensen.

Christmas Party, Dinner at approximately 6PM

WE WANT YOUR INPUT!

If you could have something new and different for Friday night dinners, what would it be? Look for balloting slips at the bar; please let us know your preferences! On the horizon? Maybe happy hour! Parking lot BBQs! Get our email blasts or keep an eye on your Bugle for updates.



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LODGE ACTIVITIES

Subject to Change. Items marked with * require staffing (please call Terry at 895.2128 for information)

April - Terry		1	2	3 - 1PM: SYV Gals 6:15: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg, Initiation	4 - *6:30PM: Chinese Buffet \$12	5
6 - 1PM: Jamboree Mtg 3PM: OSYD Mtg	7	8	9	10	11 - *6:30PM: Inaugural Dinner, Mike's Prime Rib, \$15	12
13 - 1PM: Jamboree Mtg	14 - 5:30PM: PERs 6PM: House Committee	15	16	17 - 6:15: Trustees; 7PM: Lodge Mtg, Pig Dump	18 - *6:30PM: Fish Fry, \$10	19
20 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	21	22	23	24	25 - No dinner <i>Jamboree</i>	26 <i>Jamboree</i>
27 <i>Jamboree</i> 3PM: OSYD Mtg	28	29	30			

May - Pat				1- 2PM: SYV Gals 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg, Initiation	2- *6:30PM: Ham, \$12	3
4- 3PM: OSYD Mtg	5	6	7	8	9- *6:30PM: Stuffed Pork Chops	10
11- 3PM: OSYD Mtg <i>Mothers Day</i>	12- 5:30PM: PERs 6PM: House Committee	13	14- CA-HI Elks Assoc (CHEA) Convention, Palm Springs	15- CHEA 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg	16- CHEA *6:30PM: Spaghetti, \$9	17- CHEA
18- 3PM: OSYD Mtg	19	20	21	22	23- *6:30PM: Gourmet Burgers, \$9	24
25- 3PM: OSYD Mtg	26 <i>Memorial Day</i>	27	28	29	30- Campout *6:30PM: Tri Tip, Sheriff Explorers Appreciation Night	31- Campout, San Luis Obispo Lodge

WAGONAIRS NEWS

March campout is on track for Atascadero Lodge. Of course, April is Jamboree! Mark your calendars for May 30th, to go to San Luis Lodge. Please note the date change due to the holiday the 4th weekend. Ken and Sheila will be our ramrods. Let them know of your intentions at 348.3988.

June 27th thru the 29th will be in Oceano at the Elks Lodge.

Scribe,
Wilma Jansen

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Please join us as our guests on the 4th or the 18th if you're an April Birthday Elk!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

David Clark	04/01	Pat Sadecki	04/20
Jim Reid Jr	04/01	Jeff Willis	4/20
Doug Cota	04/05	Audrey Ackroyd	4/22
James Lewis	04/07	Les Clark	04/23
Frank Kelsey Jr	04/08	Harold Couture	04/23
Bosco Carricaburu	04/09	Ken Gregory	04/27
Gerald Kenner	04/13	Dan Vreeland	04/27
William Foit	04/19	James Hallman	4/30

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