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FROM YOUR PER ASSOCIATION

The Holiday season has arrived and the Lodge is busy and doing just great; with the help and support of the Officers and some very dedicated members the Lodge continues to run smoothly. Final nominations for Exalted Ruler for the balance of the Elk year will be held at the December 4th meeting, with balloting to follow. Please remember nominations will open again in February 2015 for all officer positions for the 2015-2016 Elk year.

Some of our Officers attended the mid-term Association Convention held in Sacramento in early November; this was a time to be re-energized and learn new programs the Elks are promoting. The most important issue brought forward was due to a recent lawsuit and verdict involving a lodge back East, and as a result the days of doing outside events that include the sales of alcohol are over. Grand Lodge will no longer issue an insurance policy to cover the service of alcohol away from our facility. Our Lodge could buy a policy from an outside company, but this is very expensive and in most cases wouldn't justify purchasing the coverage based on what would be made at an event. This new policy will affect our Lodge with such events as our Jamboree, the Youth Rec Queen bars, and any events we hold at the Memorial Building at which alcohol would be served. We will continue to monitor this new information and investigate ways we might possibly continue to provide services to these events.

We have a few very significant and meaningful events in December: the first is on Sunday, December 7th when the Lodge will conduct the annual Elks Memorial Service to honor our departed brothers and sisters. The service will start at 1PM, and a reception will follow. All are welcome to attend to pay your respects. Next, the Lodge Christmas Party on December 12th; Keith and Judy Hinchcliffe are preparing the meal and Santa may be making an appearance. We are in the planning stage to choose our Christmas families for this event; Gail Plowman is working on identifying the families and children that need our help. This promises to be a special event for the families, thanks to the grant we detailed last month. Remember Kelley Sadecki, PER, will have the bar open on Christmas day at 2PM so come down, say hello and enjoy the holiday with your Elks family. Finally, plans are being considered to host a New Year's Eve party at the Lodge, so look for information to be forthcoming.

We would again like to thank Bill Douds, PER, for his most generous gift of the Henry Rifle that was raffled off on November 1st. Congratulations to Will Moniot for having won that rifle! The event helped raise over two thousand dollars for the Lodge. In addition, the Lodge has held and catered many events in the past month and half and several members have volunteered their time for them, some members worked several of them! It's been a good month financially for our Lodge; thanks to you all for your hard work and dedication to the Lodge, and for continuing to spread and promote Elkdom.

Fraternally and Sincerely,
Phil Daighton, PER
President of the PER Association

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EXALTED RULER
POSITION OPEN

LEADING KNIGHT
BODIE BETTENCOURT



LOYAL KNIGHT
PAT SADECKI PER



LECTURING KNIGHT
SHIRLEY HOLLISTER



SECRETARY
REBECCA LEWIS



TREASURER
PHIL WILLIS



ELKS OF THE MONTH

November's Elks of Month are Don & Shirley Hollister, both of whom have spent many hours of their time volunteering for many of our events in the past two months. Whether it has been a Friday night dinner, catering event or Halloween street fair, Don and Shirley have always stepped up to help. In addition, Shirley recently volunteered to become an officer of the Lodge and now holds the Esteemed Lecturing Knight position. Many thanks to you both, for your continued support of the Lodge and your tireless work in promoting Elkdom.

PLEASE WELCOME 2640'S NEWEST!



Pictured after their initiation on November 20th, 2014, are Mike Brown with his proposer Keith Hinchcliffe, PER, Sharon Campbell with Becca Lewis, and Ernie Phelps with Marty Castillo. Please make these new members feel welcome, and we welcome you all to our Elks family! We look forward to seeing you often.

CRYING TOWEL

Pat? Again? See what happens when you regularly attend meetings? Come on down!

11/6/14		11/20/14
Mike Carr	\$80	Susan Smith
Ed Ellison	\$90	Allen Castillo
Pat Sadecki, PER	\$100	Guy Smith

THOUGHT FROM THE COWBOY



Broke is what happens when you let your yearnings get ahead of your earnings.

TILER
BOB BEAUCHAMP



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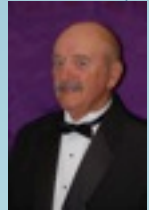
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JANELLE WILLIS



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TRUSTEE 3 YEAR
GARY SKIPPON, COB



TRUSTEE 2 YEAR
JIM KANNAS



TRUSTEE 1 YEAR
SALLY BALDWINSON



INNER GUARD
ERIC BUCHS



2640's PAST EXALTED RULERS

1982-83 HARRY BLACKSTOCK*
 1983-84 KEN RAMSEY
 1984-85 AL PAINE
 1985-86 KEN OLSON
 1986-87 DICK MILLER*
 1987-88 HENRY SMITH
 1988-89 LON RIGONI*
 1989-90 JIM SMITH*
 1990-91 TRUE BEACH
 1991-92 JACK PRESTON*
 1992-93 LON RIGONI*
 1993-94 ROBERT PARSON
 1994-95 BILL DOUDS
 1995-96 MONTE LARSEN
 1996-97 ROBERT PARSON
 1997-1998 HENRY SMITH
 1998-99 HOWARD SAHM*
 1999-2000 HOWARD SAHM*
 2000-01 LOUIS WATKINS
 2001-02 FRANK TAYLOR
 2002-03 RUTH SAHM
 2003-04 WILLIAM SPEULDA
 2004-05 PATRICK SADECKI
 2005-06 PATRICK SADECKI
 2006-07 GREG BOVERSON*
 2007-08 EVERETT PIKE
 2008-09 KELLEY SADECKI
 2009-10 KEITH HINCHLIFFE
 2010-11 DIANNE WITTENBROCK
 2011-12 JERRY PLOWMAN
 2012-13 PHIL DAIGHTON
 2013-14 PHIL DAIGHTON
 *DECEASED



NEWS FROM NATIONAL

This is the busy holiday season when social activities at our Lodges are at the maximum and we as Elks have the opportunity for fun with our friends. December can also be a time for great voluntary service in our communities.

I am reminded of a good friend who is an active and prominent Elk in my home state. He grew up in a dusty town in another state where the economy was chronically in poor shape. My friend learned of the Elks when he was a boy in his small town because of the annual Christmas party hosted by the Elks for the whole community.

Some 50 years later he would recount the pleasant experiences of sitting on Santa's lap at the Elks Lodge, grateful for the simple gift he received from the Elks on those happy occasions.

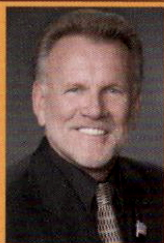
This remembrance of my friend exemplifies the message of our Leading Knight's Initiatory charge that "the influence of a good deed, honestly and promptly performed, will continue forever."

One of the most heart-warming activities that we can participate in is Christmas basket donations to the needy. It takes a little planning and a few requests to local businesses for donations of food items and small gifts. My experience is that at this time of year our businesses are supportive and generous in this type of activity. If your Lodge does not have a community gift basket program you are missing out. This is one activity that when the call goes out for volunteers you will be pleased at the positive response.

This can also be a time of year when sadness can be felt in our VA hospitals. A friendly visit with a veteran who is sick or in distress will be rewarded greatly. It costs nothing other than a little time, and "the influence of a good deed will last forever."

Marcia and I wish all Elks and families a Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year.

John Amen
 Grand Exalted Ruler



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CHRISTMAS CHILDREN CHOSEN!

For the past several years, we have hosted a child diagnosed with cancer and their family to be our guests at our Christmas Party. We try to lighten their load during the holiday season by providing gifts, delivering a tree to the home, and buying gas cards so the daily commute to the hospital isn't such a burden for the parents. This year we were fortunate enough to receive a grant to support a few families, thanks to the efforts of Phil Daughton, PER. Gail Plowman, who works in the Pediatric unit at Cottage Hospital, has identified 2 children (and at press time is working on a third), that we will be aiding this season.

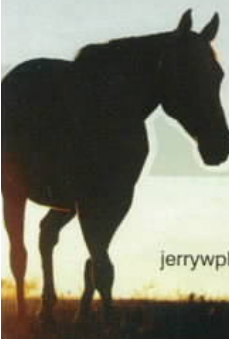
- Nathan, 7, has suffered a relapse in his fight against cancer. He lives in Lompoc with his 3 siblings and parents.
- Lexi, 11, is newly diagnosed with cancer, and we are proud to support her, her brother, 13, and their parents, who live to the north.

Both of these families are excited to join us on December 12, pending the health of Nathan and Lexi, and we hope you are there to honor and support them in this critical time in their lives. Be blessed for what we have, and for what we can give. **Elks care, Elks share.**

DELINQUENT MEMBERS

Updated November 24, 2014; please pay your dues as soon as practical, or call the office for consultation

<u>Member #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Member #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Member #</u>	<u>Name</u>
0963	Cherie Austin	0845	John Gauger	1002	Karen Seeley
1016	Stacey Bertelsen	0827	Dan Kelly	1008	Linda Sherwood
1012	Brandon Bryner	0924	Jerry Langager		-Kelly
0701	David Clark	1017	Shirley Lavigne	0884	Natalie Velotta
0964	Les Clark	0981	Rafael Quiroga	0991	Hans Wolff
0989	Tamra Dempsey	0977	Gabriele Santi	0932	Gary Wooten
0735	Frederick Doke	0861	Guy Savage		
0902	Greg Fanning				
0813	Travis Foss				



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*Come join us in celebrating 2014 and welcoming in 2015 with a bang!!
8:30p.m., Dec 31, 2014 to ???, Jan 1, 2015!
Bring appetizers to share
No entry fee ~ Drink specials ~ Champagne toast
Please call Kelley Sadecki at 688.3299 if you are interested in helping decorate*

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LODGE ACTIVITIES

Subject to Change. Items marked with * require staffing (please call the Lodge at 688.3448 for information)

Lounge hours: Mon-Sat, 2PM-7PM; Sundays 1PM-7PM

December - Shirley	1 - 6PM: House Committee	2	3 - *11AM: SYV Support The Troops	4 - SYV Gals 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg, ER Nominations, Election	5 - *6:30PM: Beth's Spaghetti, \$10	6
7 - 1PM: <i>Elks Memorial Service</i> Lounge opens at 2PM	8 - 6PM: House Committee	9	10	11	12 - *6:30PM: Christmas Party, Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings by the Hinchcliffes, \$13	13
14 - ~10:30AM: Bobby Knudsen Toy Run visits our Lodge	15 - 5:30PM: PERs 6PM: House Committee	16	17 <i>Happy Hanukkah</i>	18 - 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg, Pig Dump	19 - *6:30PM: the Jewells' Pulled Pork, \$12	20
21	22 - 6PM: House Committee	23	24	25 <i>Merry Christmas</i> 2PM: Kelley's Bar	26 - No dinner, Happy Boxing Day!	27
28	29 - 6PM: House Committee	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>			

January - Pat				1 <i>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</i>	2 - *6:30PM: Tri Tip, \$12	3
4	5 - 6PM: House Committee	6	7	8 - SYV Gals 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg (note date change due to the holiday)	9 - *6:30PM: Corned Beef, \$12	10
11	12 - 6PM: House Committee	13	14	15	16 - *6:30PM: Sally's Chicken Cordon Bleu, \$12	17
18	19 - MLK Jr Day 5:30PM: PERs 6PM: House Committee	20	21	22 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg (note date change due to the holiday)	23 - Campout *6:30PM: Pork Ribs	24 - Campout DDGER Clinic, Lompoc
25 - Campout	26 - 6PM: House Committee	27	28 - Noon: SYV STT	29	30 - *6:30PM: Spaghetti	31

WAGONAIRS NEWS

It's time to think of camping in January! Monte Larsen is going to be the ramrod. Dates are January 23rd thru the 25th. Tentatively we hope to be going to Pacific Dunes in Oceano. We were there last January. We will need to know as soon as possible if you can join us. Reservations have to be made as soon as we can get a count. Please call Monte 245.4113. Several indicated at a recent Friday night dinner at the Lodge that they wanted to be included, but we need firm reservations.

It is with sadness to report we have lost a long time member of the Camper Club. Ed Hensley passed away at home on Friday, November 21st. His service will be Sunday the 30th of November at 11AM at the chapel in Ballard.

Scribe,
Wilma Jensen

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Please join us as our dinner guest on the 5th or 19th this month if you're a SYV December Birthday Elk!

Sally Griswold	01	Janice Kelley	19
Gail Plowman	01	Eric Buchs	20
Kelley Sadecki	02	Michael Duckett	20
Jeff Williams	02	Michael Stinson	21
Carlos Quintero	03	Paul Deats	22
Ruth Sahm	06	Don Hollister	22
Bodie Bettencourt	07	Gary Esau	23
Gary Jensen	07	Wil Moniot	25
Robert Bergstrom	09	Judy Hinchcliffe	26
Will McCoy	09	Jerry Langager	26
James Wafer	09	Guy Smith	26
Aaron Rhodus	10	Ken Bebernes	27
Ted Strangman	10	Max Doke	27
Willie Martinez	12	David Eagar	27
Travis Foss	13	Linda Mauck	27
Lance Brown	14	Gerhard Haas	28
Stuart Hanssen	17	Jerry Plowman	29
Steven Holley	19		

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