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FROM YOUR EXALTED RULER

Our Friday night dinners have been outstanding thanks to all of those volunteer chefs and their crews who have been serving up delicious meals for **YOU** and your guests. Remember our Lodge does not have a full time kitchen staff that will cook and clean after each meal, as many larger lodges do. Every Friday is based upon volunteers who want to lend a hand and participate. We need more of you to step up! If you don't want to be in charge of cooking a meal, that is perfectly acceptable. However, you can help serve or wash a dish or two. All you need to do is come down and get involved. We would also like your input on future meals so come on down and see our brand new parking lot and enjoy your Lodge.

February starts the preparation for two of our Lodge's most successful events, Jamboree and Old Santa Ynez Day. Meetings begin for those who want to be involved in either or both events. Look at the Lodge activities calendar for scheduled meeting times. We need your help! Please contact Lodge Secretary, Rebecca Lewis, for information on Jamboree, or myself in regards to Old Santa Ynez Day. These are great ways for new members to get involved in Elks activities.

Another way to be involved in your Lodge is to attend the Lodge meetings which are held on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 7PM. During these meetings we bring up future Lodge activities that you may be interested in, as well as conduct the business aspect of the Lodge. The Lodge is a business. It needs to have

bills paid as well as important decisions made on how to spend the Lodge Charity monies. It is NOT, I repeat, NOT up to the Officers or Trustees of the Lodge to make these decisions. You the members have a vote. *You* make a difference. So please come down and make that difference! You could also win one of the raffles or even the cash membership draw!



And, on that note, it is fast approaching time to nominate your 2015-2016 Officer staff. Nominations for Officers will open on the first meeting in February. If you are at all interested in taking a chair this upcoming Elk year, which begins April 1, 2015, please contact myself, any one of the current officers, or a PER (listed on page 3 of the Bugle) to express your interest in a position. You do not need to attend the meeting to be nominated; you need to have someone who is in attendance nominate you for the position. You do not have to have held a position before to be nominated, nor do you need any prior experience, just an interest in supporting the goals of the BPOE and our local Lodge. Those current and prior officers are here to help you and guide you to successfully fulfill your obligation to your chair. If you want to know more about what duties are involved with taking on a chair, please contact myself or go to the office when it is open and the Lodge Secretary can provide you with the information. Word of the month: INVOLVED!!

Fraternally yours,
Kelley Sadecki, PER

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KELLEY SADECKI PER



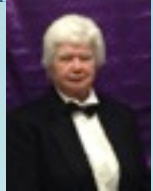
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REBECCA LEWIS



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ELKS OF THE MONTH

This month we recognize two of our members who many of you know as our bartenders...Janice Kelley and Martha Castillo.

Thank you both for your loyalty over the years and your dedicated service to the Lodge. You are our Lodge Greeters, the first people members and visitors meet. You graciously welcome all and we thank you for it.

Janice was a past Treasurer and Martha stepped into the roll of "First Lady" during Greg Boverson's term as Exalted Ruler. You both have, and continue to, represent our Lodge well. On behalf of the members, we thank you both for your hard work and dedication.

LADIES CORNER

It's time to gather quarters and a dish to share. We're going to Billie Walker's on Feb 5th, 12:30PM.

We had a great Christmas Party in spite of the weather. Much wind and even rain! And if you can believe this: everyone kept their gift--No stealing! Can't remember that ever happening before.

As you read this I hope Anadel is on the mend. She has had some issues. Keep her in your prayers. Also Ruth Sahm has been under the weather.

Hope to see everyone chipper at Billie's home.
Wilma Jenssen

CRYING TOWEL

Could you use an extra Benjamin? Would \$80 help? We've got an easy way to get some extra cash: Come to a meeting! You can't win if you're not here. We draw member numbers at each Lodge meeting, with a good check coming your way--IF YOU'RE IN

ATTENDANCE! These guys all missed out. :-(
1/8/15		1/22/15
Paul Burtness	\$80	Jerry Witcher
James Fuhlrodt	\$90	Liz McCleney
Dan Vreeland	\$100	David Rosenthal

THOUGHT FROM THE COWBOY



If you get thrown from a horse, you have to get up and get back on. Unless you land on a cactus. Then you have to roll around and scream in pain.

TILER
BOB BEAUCHAMP



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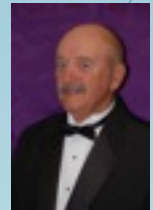
ESQUIRE
JANELLE WILLIS



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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 HINCHCLIFFE
 2010-11 DIANNE WITTENBROCK
 2011-12 JERRY PLOWMAN
 2012-13 PHIL DAIGHTON
 2013-14 PHIL DAIGHTON
 *DECEASED

FROM THE DESK OF THE LODGE SECRETARY

I'll keep this short and sweet since I only have 2 things to touch on.

First: the members that are still delinquent have until Monday, Feb 9th as the FINAL pay-by date for your *total* past dues for the 2014-15 year. If you have not paid your dues for 2014-15 I will have to drop you from our membership roster and you will receive a letter stating that you have been dropped. You will then have 30 days to appeal your dropped status with no penalty by paying your total past dues amount and by a 3/4 vote on the floor of our March 19th meeting. After 30 days, you will have to pay your total past dues amount *and* the penalty of \$37.50, and your name will be brought to the floor where a 3/4 vote will reinstate your membership. Statements for the 2015-16 year have gone out and a few of you have already turned in your dues. **BIG GOLD STARS** for you!!! You can pay your dues at the bar by cash, check or credit card whenever we're open (2-7PM every day).

Second: Jamboree meetings will start on Sunday, Feb 8th at 1 PM, and continue weekly until the event April 23-26. If you are interested in helping out, please let me know or show up to the meeting to find out what you can do to make this event a success!!

I hope everyone had a great first month of the new year and I really hope to see you down at the Lodge!!

Rebecca Lewis
 Secretary
 Elks Jamboree
 Chairman 2015



2640's NEWEST MEMBERS

Please welcome these members who joined our ranks on January 22nd, 2015. Consider sponsoring some new members of your own!

Pictured below, left to right: Chelsey Williams and Lisa Yabsley, proposed by Jim Hallman, Patti Landis with new member (and her daughter!) Tami Sherman, and Jane Schwartzwalter and her proposer (and dad!) Aaron.



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WHY SUPPORT THE ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION (ENF)

Each year the Grand Exalted Ruler sets a per capita goal for each lodge to contribute to ENF; this year was \$4.60 per member. With your generous contributions the members of the Santa Ynez Valley Elks have (to date) contributed over \$3,500, which averages to \$13.44 per person. That puts us at #7 in the nation for lodges under 300 members, and #82 overall—can we make #1 by year-end? Consider making a donation before April 1st to put us over the top!

One might wonder what the money is used for. I'm glad you asked! At its meeting in Tampa on February 12, 2014, the ENF Board of Trustees approved appropriations and distributions for the 2014-15 fiscal year totaling a record **\$26.5 million**, split up as follows:

Community Investments Program	\$8.68 million
State Elks Association Grants	\$8.35 million
Scholarship Programs	\$4.05 million
Elks National Veterans Service Program	\$1.144 million
Elks Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest	\$825,160
Elks Drug Awareness Program	\$666,910
Elks Memorial Building Maintenance	\$422,450

During the 2013-14 Elks year, the members in California-Hawaii donated \$802,677.63 to the Elks National Foundation. This year, the Foundation will give back to us the following:

State Charities Grant:	\$587,620
Special Projects Grant:	\$445,970
Bonus Grant:	\$139,670
Most Valuable Student:	\$284,000
Legacy Award:	\$92,000
National Veterans Service Commission:	\$39,900
Grand Total:	\$1,589,160

That's a return of 1.980 for every dollar the Foundation received from our state association last year. And that doesn't even include the money lodges in our state will get back through our [Community Investments Program](#). For the 2012-13 fiscal year, for example, a total of \$362,990 was awarded to 120 California-Hawaii Lodges.

This year the Santa Ynez Valley Elks Lodge received a total of \$4,000 through grants to help fund two of our programs: Our continued support to help Veterans and active service members through "SYV Support the Troops," and our program at Christmas time to help support families with children undergoing cancer treatment. As you can see, your donations to ENF come all the way back to your own Lodge and community, and we actually receive more money than we donate.

You should have received your 2015-16 annual dues statement from the Lodge; please consider adding a donation for ENF so that our Lodge, and all the others, can continue to receive benefits from this great program.

Phil Daighton PER
Lodge Chairman for ENF

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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: 2PM-7PM

1 - Oceano Campout SUPER BOWL PARTY February - Bodie	2 - 6PM: House Committee	3	4	5 - SYV Gals 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg, PER Night, nominations for 2015-16 officers	6 - *6:30PM: Greg's Brisket, \$12	7 - 9:30AM: Leading/Loyal Knight Clinic, Lompoc *3PM: OSYD Mtg
8 - *1PM: Jamboree Mtg	9	10	11	12	13 - *6:30PM: Becca's Chicken Alfredo, \$12	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>
15 - *1PM: Jamboree Mtg	16 <i>HAPPY BDAY BOE!</i> Presidents' Day	17 - 5:30PM: PERs 6PM: House Committee (Note date change due to the holiday)	18 Ash Wednesday	19 - 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg, Nominations, Elections, Pig Dump	20 - Campout *6:30PM: Greg's Pork Tenderloin, \$13	21 - Campout
22 - Campout Patriotic Recognition Breakfast *1PM: Jamboree Mtg	23	24	25 - *Noon: SYV Support the Troops	26	27- *6:30PM: BBQ Chicken, \$12	28

March - Kelley	2 - 6PM: House Committee	3	4	5 - 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg, Step Up Night	6 - *6:30PM: Spaghetti, \$12	7 - *3PM: OSYD Mtg
8 Daylight Saving Time begins *1PM: Jamboree Mtg	9	10	11	12	13 - *6:30PM: Corned Beef, \$12	14
15 - *1PM: Jamboree Mtg	16 - 5:30PM: PERs 6PM: House Committee	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	18	19 - 6:15PM: Trustees 7PM: Lodge Mtg, Installation of Officers, public welcome!	20 - *6:30PM: Awards Dinner	21 - *3PM: OSYD Mtg
22 - *1PM: Jamboree Mtg	23	24	25 - *Noon: SYV Support the Troops	26	27 - Campout *6:30PM: Sheriff Explorers Appreciation Dinner, Tri Tip, \$12	28 - Campout ~10:30AM: Special Olympics Poker Run
29 - Campout Palm Sunday *1PM: Jamboree Mtg	30	31				

WAGONAIRS NEWS

Our next campout is coming soon. Did you make a reservation with Monte? It is not too late! His phone number is 245.4113. We are going to Pacific Dunes in Oceano, just a short drive from the Valley, Jan 30th to Feb 1st.

It is with sadness to tell you Jim Waller passed away on Saturday, Jan 17th. It was in his sleep, in his own home in the very early morning hours. He had undergone many treatments with dialysis and it had taken a huge toll on him. He did come to the Lodge for the corned beef dinner with his two sons the night before which he enjoyed very much. He and Ruth were part of the camper club for many years. A celebration of his life will take place at a later date.

Scribe,
Wilma Jensen

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Please join us as our dinner guest on any Friday dinner this month if you're a SYV February Birthday Elk!

Karen Seeley	01	Patricia Landis	16
Chuck Hamby	03	Karen Starbuck	17
Mark Hoyt	03	Cary Boles	21
Don Bratt	04	John Volk	21
Duane Landis	06	Mark Mendenhall	22
Cynthia Kia Beckert	07	David Redkey	23
Michael Kemp	07	George Shaw	23
David Louy	07	David Tallmadge	25
Randy Jewell	09	Jack Coble	27
BPOE	16	Tony Howell	27
Joe DuVall	16	Steve Meyer	28

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