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Exalted Ruler Mark Schauwecker



Welcome to fall, my favorite time of year. The nights are cooling off, warmer clothes come out and it's a great time for red wine. Be sure to check out the expanded wine list at the lodge. John has sourced tasty new wines from the Napa valley and Washington state. I have found a few new favorites (Duckhorn). I'd love to hear which ones you are enjoying.

Fall is also back to school time. The B.P.O.E. is committed to supporting and developing our youth. Inside this issue you'll read about our scholarship program, drug awareness and Americanism essay contest.

Please join us for Trunk or Treat (part of Red Ribbon Week) on Sunday, October 26. Our kids are our future and I am so proud of the contributions that the Santa Ana Elks make to support our youth.

I also want to share a big shout out to all the officers. We are half-way through the year and they are doing a fantastic job. We aren't slowing down either. We have a lot of great events coming in the next few months so be sure the check our calendar.

Our membership continues to grow thanks to all of your recruiting efforts. If you have potential candidates, bring them to an event at the lodge. It's a great way to spread the word about Elkdom. In the words of our grand exalted ruler, "be the difference".

See you at the lodge.

Esteemed Leading Knight Eli Morales



As we roll into October, and transition to cooler weather, let's be grateful to be part of "BPOE" (Best

People On Earth) Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

With that said, I want to take a moment and express my sincere gratitude to all our members; your energy, generosity, and fellowship continue to be the biggest asset of Santa Ana Elks Lodge #794.

A heartfelt thank you and a humble appreciation to everyone who helped make our Viva Las Vegas casino night such a fantastic success! Whether you volunteered, donated, attended, or brought a guest, you played a vital role in an evening full of fun, camaraderie, and fundraising. Once again, you proved how powerful we can be when we come together with a shared purpose.

This month, let us continue to strengthen and build our unity not just as members of a lodge, but as a family committed to doing good in our community. Whether it's sharing a laugh at a lodge dinner, volunteering at a local outreach or simply offering a kind word to someone in need, fellowship is the foundation of all charitable actions.

I encourage all members to get involved in upcoming events, donation drives and most importantly lodge gatherings. Even the smallest act of kindness can make the greatest impact in our daily lives. Remember charity doesn't always come in the form of a check. Just as important are time, compassion

and presence. Let us continue to be the difference in our community, in our lodge, and let us be the support for those who need it most.

Keep an eye on our lodge calendar for upcoming events and opportunities to stay involved. Let's continue to make our lodge a place where friendship thrives and giving back is second nature.

Finally, our lodge meetings are on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM, a perfect time to meet and make new friends. Whether you are a new member or have been here for a while, I challenge you to give your lodge three Tuesdays and see what a difference it makes for you and for your lodge. See you there.

Esteemed Loyal Knight Brian Byrd



As summer turns into fall, I am reflecting on all the events, community involvement, charities, and fellowship that our lodge has provided. As we turn towards the holidays, I am encouraging us to remember those who are less fortunate during this time. The Elks have always looked out and reached out to those in need since 1868. Let's do more this year than we ever have.

I would like to make sure that everyone knows about the *spooktacular* Halloween party, *A Nightmare on Elk Street*, at the lodge on October 24. Spend the night with your Elks family and friends disguised as whomever or whatever you feel like for a night of fun and maybe some scary dancing. (I'm thinking Eli and I might be out on

the dance floor with our wives).

We have just over 1,900 members at the Santa Ana Elks Lodge. We'd love to see even more. Invite your friends and family members to join. We have too much fun and camaraderie at the lodge and helping those in our community to keep it to ourselves. Also, if you know anyone that still needs to pay their dues for 2025-2026, have a conversation with them to see why they have not. If you have sponsored a member and you haven't seen them at the lodge, reach out to them and let's get them back into the lodge for all the fun.

We are going to have a lot of events coming up in November and December. Stay up to date with all of these activities at SAEIks.com. Get all the information you need at your finger tips. You can also buy tickets for events and make dinner reservations online.

Did you know we have a great lunch menu? We also have breakfast on Saturdays and Sundays. Come on in for lunch during the work week. Invite your colleagues. I'm sure, because of the atmosphere and food, they will be asking to come back and maybe how to join our fine order.

Our Monday Night Football committee is in full swing. If there are NFL games being played, they are in the Emerald Room and Nest hosting the best parties in Santa Ana. Don't be a stranger, come on in and root for your favorite team and enjoy the friendship of Elkdom.

As I close out this month, I would like to mention two things that not only help our lodge, but also the community. You have the opportunity as a member to donate to the Elks National Foundation (ENF) and the Purple Pig (CHEA Major Projects) through

reoccurring monthly payments. Both of these charity arms of the BPOE are tax deductible and go to great causes. There are links on our website (SAEIks.com/donate) so you can do both online. If you want more information on either of these charities, come into the lodge and let's talk. I'm sure you will find them worthy of your hard earned money.

Have a great month! I'm looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday night at 7:30 PM for our weekly lodge meeting.

Esteemed Lecturing Knight Karla Vigil



There's something about October—the falling leaves, the crisp autumn air, and the feeling that the holidays are just around the corner. Here at the lodge, we have plenty planned to keep the season lively. The “ber” months are always busy, and you won't want to miss the action and camaraderie that make our lodge such a special place.

Back by popular demand, Boogie Bingo is returning this October. Our first event had the McCalla Lounge buzzing with energy, and we can't wait to see the same excitement fill the room again.

Later in the month, families can enjoy the always-popular Trunk or Treat, sponsored by the drug awareness committee. Scheduled for Sunday, October 26 from 4-6 pm, this event is a safe and festive way for children to enjoy Halloween. We're currently looking for sign-ups so if you'd like to decorate a trunk, please reach out to Tracy Smith or contact the lodge directly. This is

truly one of the most heartwarming events of the season as little ghouls and goblins fill the parking lot with laughter and smiles.

Of course, no October is complete without our Halloween bash, one of the lodge's most beloved traditions. This year's theme, "*A Nightmare on Elk Street*," promises a night of spooky fun and lively entertainment. Come dressed in your best costume and dance the night away to the sounds of Family Style, guaranteed to keep the dance floor full.

October also means football season is in full swing. The Monday night football committee is making sure every game day is special with the lodge's big screens tuned to your favorite teams. Pair the action with great food and a cold beverage and you've got the perfect recipe for autumn evenings with friends.

With so much happening, you won't want to miss a single moment. Visit SAElks.com for details on all upcoming events.

October is a season of change, but it's also a season of community. From family events to festive celebrations, the lodge is the place to be this fall. So come out, bring a friend, and share the pride of being an Elk.

General Manager John Moore



As I flip the calendar to October, the first thing I notice is our enhanced Thursday entertainment lineup with options for everyone. Western line dance night kicks off on Thursday, October 2 with lessons for the novice and popular songs for the experienced.

Popular western DJ Dan Houston and line dance instructor Millie Clark will be on hand on to get this party started. Then on Thursday, October 9 it's our Tiki Bar Night with \$5.00 boat drinks plus entertainment and dancing featuring the terrific duo Tropic Star (they play for many Starlighters events). Thursday the 16th & the 30th are our popular karaoke nights and we invite everyone to come sing your hearts out. The popular new game sensation "Boogie Bingo" rounds out the line up on Thursday, October 23. This interactive game is a cross between bingo and *Name That Tune* with some dancing mixed in and great prizes. Every Thursday enjoy the All-American Menu with the Thursday prime rib feature for only \$22.50 plus an array of chicken, ribs and burgers—be sure to save room for warm apple pie a la mode for \$2.50!

Tickets on sale and going fast for our annual Halloween Party. For those that haven't attended, it's a must! This event has the biggest turnout and the first 280 will be seated in the Grand Ballroom. Overflow seating will be in the McCalla Lounge and Emerald Room. Esteemed Loyal Knight Brian Byrd is pulling out all the stops to ensure a fright night to remember with a costume contest, great food, drinks, and dancing to Family Style.

As I take a peek into November, there is more fun on the horizon, including our November Purple Pig fundraiser dance and BBQ on Saturday the 2nd, and our traditional Thanksgiving Luncheon with room for the first 500 on Thursday, November 27 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Be sure to buy your tickets to all events online or pick up the phone and give us a call, we are happy to assist you.

We need your help! As you are aware, prices are up in the grocery stores, gas pumps, utilities...it seems every time you turn around prices have gone up. We try to keep the Elks food and beverage prices as low as possible and use top quality food and take no shortcuts as we want only the best for our members. What enables us to do so is booking our banquet halls to the outside public. I call this the power of ten, if each one of you tells ten of your friends, coworkers or friends at church to use our magnificent Elks lodge for their events, quinceñera, wedding or office parties, it helps us keep your dining prices down. So, I ask you all to become part of the Santa Ana Elks sales force. Ask them to call the lodge and ask for Maria Bisbee, Stacey Pineda, or Ana Miranda-Washington. They will be happy to assist with their event and take great care of them.

Lodge to Vote on Fee Increase

by Linda Fernandez

On Tuesday, November 4 during our regular lodge meeting, members will vote on a proposal to raise the application fee from \$50 to \$100. We encourage all members to attend and take part in this important decision.

The increase is necessary to cover the real costs associated with initiating new candidates (pins, key cards, flags, initiation expenses, employee processing time, etc).

Raising the fee ensures that our lodge can continue to provide a meaningful experience for new members without placing the financial burden on the lodge itself.



Get ready for a night of frightful fun and charitable giving—the annual Santa Ana Elks Halloween Party returns on Friday, October 24 and this year’s theme is none other than “A Nightmare on Elk Street!”

Esteemed Loyal Knight Brian Byrd is brewing up a night that’s guaranteed to be spooktacular. Come hungry as you sink your fangs into a bewitching buffet with sordid salad, ribs-amortus, roadkill chicken, macaroni, cheese and worms, graveyard grits, vampire cake, and a late-night autopsy pizza cart. And, of course, devilish drink specials!

A special DJ of the damned will resurrect the dance floor before you show off your most bone-chilling attire in the costume contest. The haunting continues as you boogie with the living (and maybe a few spirits) to Family Style, Orange County’s premiere dance band.

But beware—this party isn’t just about tricks and treats. Behind the cobwebs and cauldrons

lies a greater purpose. This year’s fright fest benefits Olive Crest, an organization dedicated to preventing child abuse and strengthening families in crisis.

Back in 1973, Dr. Ian and Lois Verheer opened their home to four teenage girls in need, and from that act of kindness, Olive Crest was born. Inspired by the olive tree in their yard and the idea of a family crest, the organization has since grown into a faith-based, powerhouse of hope, protecting children, restoring families and proving that love is stronger than fear.

So grab your broomsticks, sharpen your fangs and dust off those cobweb-covered costumes. Whether you’re a wicked witch, a howling werewolf or a dancing skeleton, this is your night to eat, drink and be scary—all while supporting a hauntingly good cause.

Tickets are now on sale at SAElks.com. Don’t ghost us... get yours today, while you can!

Inspiring Patriotism Through the Elks Americanism Essay Contest



by Mark Schauwecker

Each year, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks sponsors the Americanism Essay Contest, an opportunity for students to reflect on what it means to be an American and to celebrate the values that unite us. This contest not only strengthens pride in our nation but also gives young people a voice in expressing the ideals of service, citizenship and patriotism.

This year's theme: "What Does Service to Your Country Mean to You?" The theme invites students to think deeply about the many ways Americans can serve their country—whether through military service, volunteerism, community engagement or simply helping neighbors in need.

All students enrolled in grades five through eight at the time of the contest are eligible. Entries are divided into four divisions:

- Division I: 5th Grade
- Division II: 6th Grade
- Division III: 7th Grade

• Division IV: 8th Grade

Essays must not exceed 300 words and must be typed or legibly handwritten in ink and submitted exactly as written by the entrant. Each essay must include the student's name, grade, school and sponsoring Elks lodge. Essays must be turned into the Santa Ana Elks Lodge Americanism chairman, Dr. Pat Machado, by December 15. Entry forms are available in the lodge lobby.

The Americanism essay contest is more than just a writing competition. It's a chance for young people to reflect on the responsibilities of citizenship and the importance of service in shaping the future of our country. It also gives the Elks a way to encourage civic pride and foster a love of country among tomorrow's leaders.

To ensure this year's contest reaches as many students as possible, we are seeking connections with administrators in the Santa Ana Unified School District (grades 5-8). If you know someone who can help support and promote this effort, please contact Dr. Pat Machado, Mark Schauwecker or the lodge front desk. Your introductions can help us expand the reach of this inspiring program.

By supporting the Americanism essay contest, you are helping shape the voices of tomorrow—instilling patriotism, pride and a deep sense of community in our youth. Together, we can keep the spirit of Americanism alive.

Building Stronger Communities through the Elks National Foundation

by Mark Schauwecker

The mission of the Elks National Foundation (ENF) is to help Elks build stronger communities. This aligns perfectly with my motto for the year: "*Cooking Up Community.*"

Here at lodge #794, we proudly support our Santa Ana community through ENF-funded activities such as the Most Valuable Student (MVS) scholarships, hoop shoot, drug awareness and Elks veterans national services. These programs and initiatives strengthen lives and create lasting opportunities for our neighbors.

Like all Elks, we believe that charity is the greatest of all virtues. By sharing and giving, we replace sorrow and despair with hope and confidence. Donations to ENF fuel programs that reflect our cornerstone values of knowledge, integrity and community.

If you would like to make a difference, please consider a one-time donation or becoming a recurring monthly donor just as I have. You can contribute at SAElks.com/donate.

Thank you for helping us continue to support these valuable Elks programs.

To donate to ENF, use the QR code below



The Elks and Red Ribbon Week

Standing United for Drug Awareness

by Marc LaFont

Every October, schools and communities across America fill their halls and streets with red ribbons. Students wear them proudly, teachers decorate classrooms and entire towns hold rallies to spread a simple but powerful message: say no to drugs. But behind the familiar sight of Red Ribbon Week lies a story of tragedy, resilience and one man's sacrifice that ignited a nationwide movement.

The origins of Red Ribbon Week trace back to 1985 and the story of Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, a U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) agent. Camarena, who grew up in Calexico, California, joined the DEA after serving as a firefighter, Marine and police officer. Known for his dedication, he worked tirelessly to dismantle powerful drug cartels in Mexico.

Tragically, on February 7, 1985, Camarena was kidnapped, tortured and killed by cartel members. His brutal death shocked the nation and deeply impacted his hometown. Friends and neighbors, searching for a way to honor his memory, began wearing red ribbons as a symbol of their commitment to a drug-free lifestyle.

What began as a grass-roots act of remembrance, soon grew into something larger. In California, a group of high school friends and community leaders formed Camareno Clubs, pledging to lead lives free from substance abuse in honor of the fallen agent. Their movement spread quickly, fueled by the urgency of the

drug crisis in the 1980s.

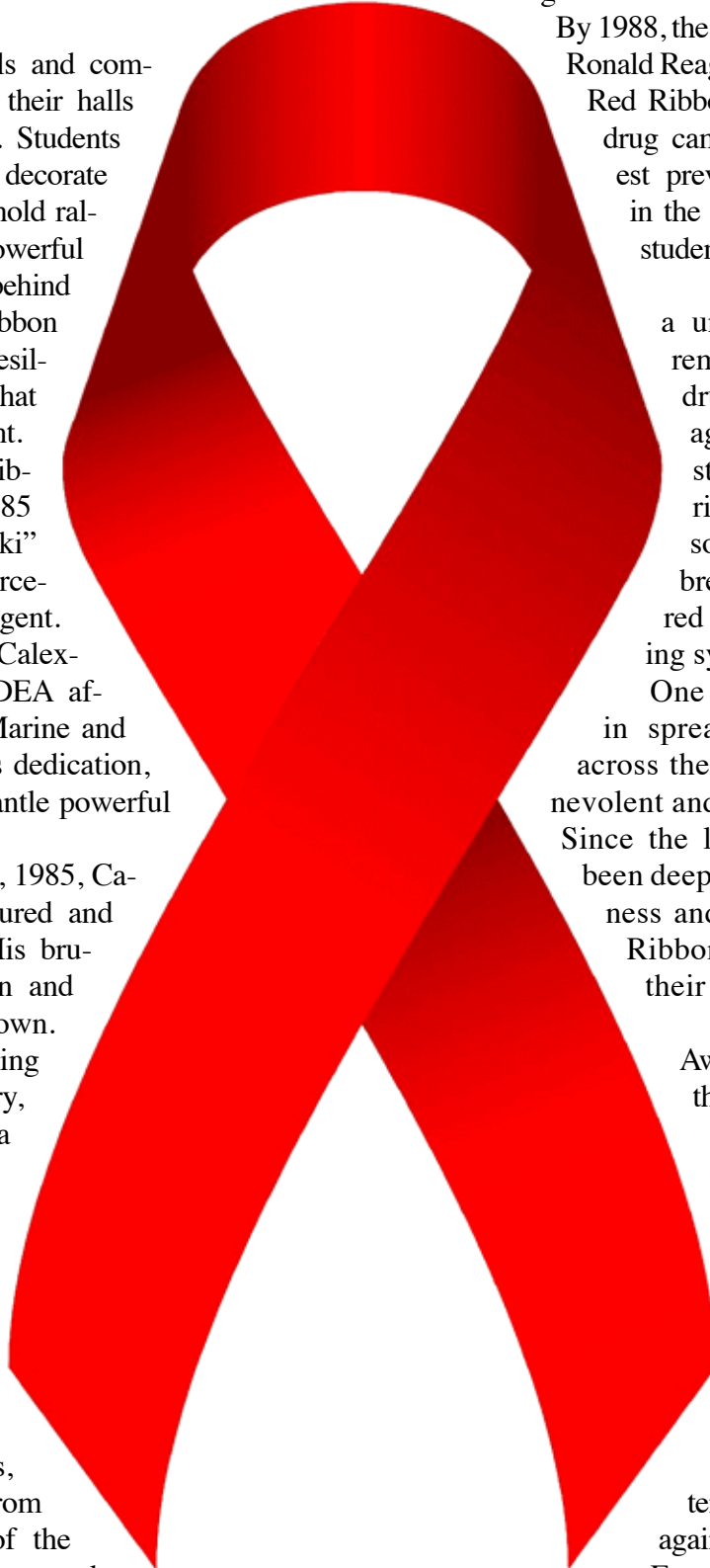
By 1988, the U.S. Congress and President Ronald Reagan had officially recognized Red Ribbon Week as a national anti-drug campaign. It became the largest prevention awareness program in the nation, reaching millions of students across all 50 states.

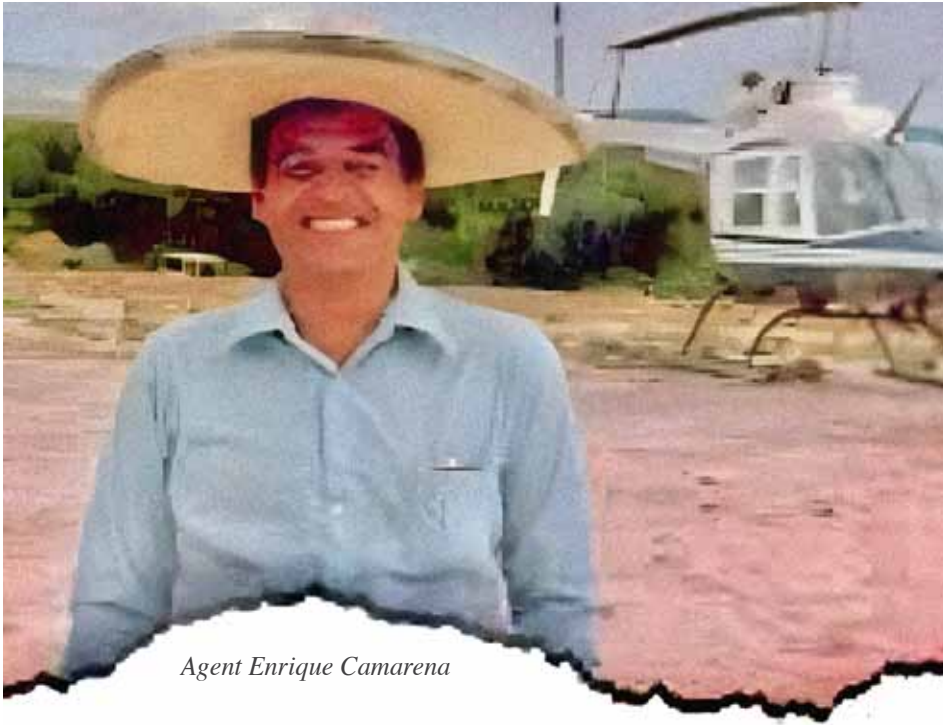
The red ribbon became a unifying emblem—a visual reminder of the dangers of drug use, but also of courage, sacrifice and community strength. Much like a yellow ribbon tied around a tree for soldiers or a pink ribbon for breast cancer awareness, the red ribbon evolved into a rallying symbol of hope.

One of the strongest partners in spreading Red Ribbon Week across the country has been the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Since the late 1980s, the Elks have been deeply involved in drug awareness and prevention, making Red Ribbon Week a cornerstone of their community service.

Through their Elks Drug Awareness Program (DAP)—the largest volunteer drug education effort in the United States—local Elks lodges provide schools with red ribbons, host student contests, sponsor educational events and work closely with parents, teachers and law enforcement. Our motto, "Elks Care, Elks Share," extends powerfully to our fight against youth substance abuse.

For many students, the Elk's presence is part of their earliest





Agent Enrique Camarena

memories of Red Ribbon Week—whether through assemblies, poster contests or simply being handed a red ribbon or DAP coloring book by a smiling Elk volunteer. Our participation has helped the campaign remain vibrant, visible and impactful for nearly four decades.

Now observed every year from October 21–31, Red Ribbon Week continues to grow in scope and creativity. Schools host assemblies, student sign drug-free pledges, law enforcement collaborates with educators, and communities stage rallies and awareness campaigns. The Elks remain at the forefront, ensuring that new generations embrace the message. The Elks are committed to eliminating the use and abuse of illegal drugs by all members of society and believe that in order to ensure a bright future for our country, it is essential that our children be raised in a drug-free environment. In Santa Ana, the Elks are holding a Trunk-or-Treat event on Sunday, October 26 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm, inviting children and families from the community to trick or treat in a safe environment and leave, not

just with candy, but with Elks DAP coloring books and other materials.

The National Family Partnership (formerly the National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth) which spearheaded the campaign, continues to lead the national effort, while allies like the Elks amplify it at the local level. Each year, a new theme—such as this year’s “*Drugs are a Grave Mistake*”—guides the week and inspires participation nationwide.

While Red Ribbon Week lasts only seven days, its impact continues year-round. For many the red ribbon is a reminder that one person’s sacrifice can spark change—and that communities united can shape healthier futures for generations.

Nearly four decades after Agent Camarena’s death, the red ribbon still carries his legacy. It stands for courage in the face of danger, determination in the fight against drugs, and the power of communities—families, schools, and organizations like the Elks—to transform grief into hope.

*Watch videos about
the Elks DAP program
at SAElks.com/dap*



Trunk-or-Treat to support Red Ribbon Week



by Tracy Smith

Each year the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, along with the National Family Partnership organization, pay tribute to and highlight the fight against drugs in our schools and communities. Red Ribbon week this year, is October 21 to 31.

You can show your support by wearing a red ribbon October 21 through 31 and by supporting our Trunk-or-Treat event here at the lodge. We will have coloring books and crayons, an appearance by Elroy the Elk and, of course, plenty of candy for everyone as members decorate their trunks and pass out goodies! Save the date of Sunday, October 26 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm here at the lodge. Bring your kids, grandkids, nieces and nephews, come one, come all! This event is open to all members of the community.

If you like to support the event by donating candy, there will be a drop box in the lobby. If you’d like to participate by bringing your car and decorating your trunk, or to hand out DAP materials, contact Tracy Smith at 714-623-6624.

Building for the Future: The Elks Bequest and Living Trust Program



by Mark Schauwecker

The California-Hawaii Elks Major Project (CHEMPI) has always stood as a testament to the power of service and generosity. Through its many programs—most famously the Purple Pig program—Elks have helped countless children with disabilities live healthier, more independent lives. To ensure that this legacy continues for generations to come, the Bequest and Living Trust committee (BLT) was established.

The Bequest and Living Trust committee was created to encourage Elks and their spouses to remember CHEMPI in their estate planning. While family always comes first, Elks are invited to designate a portion of their estate—no matter the size—to support the Major Project. This lasting gift guarantees that the extraordinary work of helping children will carry on far into the future.

Importantly, giving through BLT is not limited to Elks alone. Anyone who believes in the mission of CHEMPI can include the Major Project in their estate plans,

creating a legacy of compassion and hope.

The BLT is not a replacement for the Purple Pig but a companion to it. While the Purple Pig funds today's needs, the Bequest and Living Trust program builds for tomorrow ensuring that the Major Project has a strong and sustainable foundation.

To honor those who make this special commitment, the BLT created the Benefactor Program. Benefactors are recognized for remembering the Major Project through their wills, trusts or direct donations.

All contributions through the BLT program are invested prudently for growth, maximizing the long-term benefits to children with disabilities. Even more, the program is designed to be accessible—making it possible for everyone, regardless of financial means, to give in a way that creates a lasting impact.

For those seeking both security and philanthropy, the BLT offers the Commitment Trust Program. This charitable remainder unitrust (UT) pays 7% of the trust value annually

for as long as the donor or spouse lives. After both have passed on, the remaining trust value is gifted to the Major Project.

With a \$10,000 minimum to establish, the Commitment Trust offers:

- Lifetime income for you and your spouse.
- An immediate income tax deduction.
- Avoidance of capital gains taxes
- Reduced estate taxes
- Tax-sheltered growth
- BLT recognition

It's a way to give back while also securing financial peace of mind.

By joining the BLT through a bequest, trust or benefactor gift, Elks and their families ensure that the Major Project will always be there for the children who need it most. It's a promise that today's generosity will continue to change lives well into the future.

For more information on how to become part of this meaningful legacy, contact Dennis Yosanovich, Orange Coast District BLT chairman, at 714-421-1815 or by email at dyosanovich@hotmail.com.

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Now's the time to apply for an SA Elks Scholarship

by Linda Barcelona

Wunderbar! What a great event! Oktoberfest was yet another successful event for the scholarship committee, I sure hope you didn't miss it! Lots of fun was had by all, great entertainment by Da Stuben Buben band and incredible German dancers was enjoyed by all! And a great German menu provided by our incredible kitchen. So fun and successful, we've booked it again for next year!

The other successful event that the scholarship committee held in September was our scholarship information night. The program was presented by our own Sue McKee, a long-time teacher and administrator. We counseled parents and students on the application process, how to prepare for college applications and what to gather in preparation for applications in advance. Being prepared and knowledgeable about the process makes a huge difference in students' success in attaining financial help. Thanks to Sue and our committee, these students will be much better prepared to apply for all financial aid. Those application deadlines come up quickly.

Our scholarship committee is now fully immersed in scholarship season. We are fully committed to the process of contacting our assigned schools and making the counselors aware of the scholarships our Elks have to offer. We are answering questions and guiding students to the scholarships that best fit their needs and qualifications.

You will find a flier of our cur-

rent offerings online at SAElks.com/scholarships as well as flyers in the lodge lobby.

This year we are offering four different scholarships to students that live in Santa Ana, Irvine and Tustin (our service area) including our new McCalla nursing scholarship. There are now two community college scholarships available to all students in Orange County, the Machado Family scholarship and the opportunity scholarship. Also there are three scholarships exclu-

sively for Elks families, children, grandchildren, stepchildren and Elks members.

You just might know a student that could use a little help with their education, the nice kid down the street or the young person at your church. Hand them our flyer, have them give us a call. Who knows how a little act could make a big difference in someone's life. Should you have any questions about any of our scholarships or how to apply, please give me a call at 714-651-9596.

Most Valuable Student	High school senior pursuing a 4 year degree as a full time student (12 units) in a US college or university	\$1,000 - \$7,500 <i>Renewable</i>	500 nation-wide	11/25/25	Six students receive awards locally and are submitted to district state and national levels. Applications at www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm	
CHEA Vocational Grant	California or Hawaii resident planning to pursue vocational tech course training.	\$500-\$2,000 <i>Renewable</i>	58	12/31/25	No age restriction. No high school diploma required. chea-elks.org/youth/activities/scholarships	
CHEA Students w/ Disabilities	High school senior or high school graduate with a disability who is a California or Hawaii resident.	\$1,000-\$2,000 <i>Renewable</i>	20-30	3/15/25	Applications available online at chea-elks.org/youth-activities/scholarships	
Bob McCalla Scholarship	High school senior, college student or planning to enroll in college (2 or 4-year) or vocational school who is a Santa Ana, Tustin or Irvine resident.	\$2,500	4	1/9/26	Applications available online at saelks.com/scholarships	
McCalla Nursing Scholarship	High school senior, in Santa Ana, Tustin or Irvine with a 3.0 GPA and a CIF participant.	\$2,500	1	1/9/26	Applications available online at saelks.com/scholarships	
MNF Athletic Scholarship	Santa Ana, Tustin or Irvine resident, high school senior enrolling in community college or community college student with a minimum 2.0 GPA.	\$2,000 \$1,000	1 1	2/1/28	Application available online at saelks.com/scholarships	
Opportunity Scholarship	High school senior to enroll in community college or current community college student residing in OC with 2.0 GPA or higher.	\$2,000	1	1/9/26	Application available online at saelks.com/scholarships	
Machado Family Scholarship	OC resident currently enrolled full-time in accredited 4-year college program with 3.0 GPA or higher.	\$1,000	2	1/16/26	Applications available on at saelks.com/scholarships	
Machado Community College	High school senior who is a child or grandchild of an Elk in good standing for two years with SAT or ACT test.	\$500	2	1/16/26	Applications available on at saelks.com/scholarships	
Santa Ana Elks #794 Scholarship	Member, child/grandchild of SA Elks member currently enrolled as freshman or higher in accredited college	\$5,000 \$2,000	3 5	1/16/26	Applications available on at saelks.com/scholarships	
Legacy Award	High school senior, child/grandchild of Elk in good standing for 2 years	\$1,000 per year for 4 years	22 for CA& Hi	2/2/26	Applications available soon	
Emergency Educational Grant	Under age 23, unmarried, 12+ units college, child of totally disabled or deceased Elk in financial need	Up to \$5,000 for 1 year renewable	Varies	12/31/25	Applications available by emailing scholarship@Elks.org or calling 773-755-4732	

October

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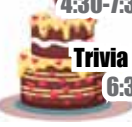
OFFICE HOURS: MONDAYS - FRIDAYS 9 AM-4 PM, OFFICE CLOSED SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
WE ARE THE ELKS usa			1 Birthday Club Pasta Night Investigation 3:30 pm 	2 All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Western Line Dancing 6:00-10:00 pm 	3 Fiesta Buffet 4:30-8:00 pm Michael Sylvestri 7:00 - 10:00 pm 	4 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Prime Rib Night 4:30 - 8:00 pm
5 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Sunday Football 10:00 am - 8:00 pm 	6 Lodge closed Bingo - 6:15 pm Monday Night Football 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm 	7 Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm PER Meeting 5:00 pm Taco Tuesday	8 Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm	9 Charity Cmte 6 pm Tiki Bar Night 6:00-10:00 pm 	10 Steak Night 4:30-8:00 pm DJ Majestic Mike 7:00 - 10:00 pm 	11 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Orientation 12:00 Noon
PURPLE PIG RALLY -HEMET						
12 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Sunday Football 10:00 am - 8:00 pm 	13 Lodge closed Bingo - 6:15 pm Monday Night Football 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm	14 House Comm Mtg 5:00 pm No Lodge Meeting Taco Tuesday 	15 Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm 	16 All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Emblem Club 6:30 pm Karaoke 6:30-10:00 pm	17 Tom Rizzo Italian Night 5:00-10:00 pm Larry Fresch 7-10 pm 	18 Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Orientation 12 Noon Jerome Dean 7:00 - 10:00 pm
19 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Sunday Football 10:00 am - 8:00 pm 	20 Lodge closed Bingo - 6:15 pm Monday Night Football 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm	21 Open Lodge Meeting PIN NIGHT 7:00 pm BOT Meeting 5:00 pm Veterans Cmte 6:00 pm Special Menu	22 Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm 	23 All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Bingo Boogie 6:30 pm 	24 Special Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Halloween Party with Family Style 7:00-10:00 pm 	25 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Magic Castle Night 6:30 - 8:30 pm
26 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Sunday Football 10:00 am - 8:00 pm	27 Lodge closed Bingo - 6:15 pm MNF - 5-8:30 pm 	28 Lodge Meeting Initiation 7:30 pm House Meeting 5:00 pm Special Buffet 4:00 - 7:00	29 Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm 	30 All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Karaoke 6:30-10:00 pm	31 Corned Beet & Cabbage 4:30-8:00 pm Mango 7:00 - 10:00 pm	

November

LODGE HOURS: CLOSED MONDAYS; TUESDAYS - THURSDAYS 11 AM-10 PM; FRIDAYS 11 AM-6 PM, SATURDAYS 11 AM-1 AM, SUNDAYS 9 AM-7 PM

FOOD SERVICE HOURS: TUESDAYS 11 AM-7 PM; WEDNESDAYS—FRIDAYS 11 AM-8 PM, SATURDAYS 9 AM-8 PM; SUNDAYS 9 AM-6 PM

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON Thursday, November 27						1 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Veterans Stand Down Garden Grove Lodge
2 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Sunday Football 10:00 am - 8:00 pm	Lodge closed Bingo 6:15 pm Football 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm	4 Trustees Meeting 4:00 pm PER Meeting 5:00 pm Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm	5 Investigation 3:30 - 6:00 pm Birthday Club Pasta Night 4:30-7:30 pm  Trivia Night 6:30 pm	6 All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Western Line Dancing 6:30-9:30 pm 	7 Regular Menu Fish Fry 4:30-8:00 pm 	8 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Prime Rib Free Corkage
9 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Sunday Football 10:00 am - 8:00 pm 	10 Lodge closed Bingo 6:15 pm Football 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm 	11 Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm Taco Tuesday House Committee 5:00 pm	12 Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm TRIVIA NIGHT	13 Charity Cmte 6:pm All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Karaoke 6:00-10:00 pm KARAOKE Night	14 Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm Fun Night with DJ Ronnie 6:30 -10:30 pm	15 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Orientation 12 Noon Prime Rib Free Corkage
16 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Sunday Football 10:00 am - 8:00 pm 	17 Lodge closed Bingo 6:15 pm Football 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm	18 Lodge Meeting Initiation 7:30 pm BOT Meeting 5:00 pm Veterans Cmte 6:00 pm	19 Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm 	20 All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Emblem Club 6:30 pm Bingo Boogie 6:30 pm	21 Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm Purple Pig Fundraiser Dance & BBQ	22 cake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Prime Rib Free Corkage
23 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Football 10am-8pm	24 Lodge closed Bingo 6:15 pm Football	25 House Meeting 5:00 pm Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm 	26 Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm TRIVIA NIGHT	27 Thanksgiving Luncheon 11:00 am - 3:00 pm 	28 Lodge Closed 	29 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Magic Castle Night 6:00 - 8:00 pm 
30 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Football 10am-8pm						



Veterans Committee Helps Install Retired Flag Box in Lodge Lobby

by Kellie Miller

Hello all, it's hard to believe that we're coming into the last quarter of the calendar year—there are a lot of holidays and celebrations on the way!

These past months have been busy for the veterans committee and those we collaborate with. Children went back to school last month and we were able to donate 105 backpacks and 20 comfort bears to Strong Families, Strong Children (SFSC) for veterans and their families. (This was in collaboration with VetCenter, CalVet, Cypress College and Orange County Veterans & Military Families Collaboration) Thank you again to Linda Fernandez for the backpacks and Sharon Breece, Alma Landini, and Linda Morton for the hand-sewn comfort bears. Both were so appreciated and the kids just loved picking out the type of bear they wanted. Even the big kids took one; we can always use a bit of comfort, no matter our age.



September 19, the veterans committee and Emblem Club donated a “mailbox” to our lodge #794 for retired flags. It will be located by the entrance of the lobby so please bring your tired flags and we'll dispose of them properly.

When do you dispose of an American flag? The U.S. flag code says, “The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.” When an American Flag is worn beyond repair, it should be retired in a respectful manner.

Community Disposal Box: A second way to dispose of an Amer-

ican flag is to drop it off in a flag disposal box. Flags made of cloth will be respectively burned during a ceremony. All other materials will need to be cut in a specific way. We will collect the disposed flags and handle accordingly. South Coast District also holds an annual ceremony to retire them.

Save the Date! Wreaths Across America is December 13. Please donate to this great cause! You can do so at SAElks.com/donate.

At the beginning of October there is a very special event coming to the city of Orange. The traveling Vietnam Wall. “*The Wall that Heals 2025*” will be here at Grijalva Park from October 2 to October 25—it's a powerful and emotional tribute to the heroes that fought in Vietnam War. We see you and we honor you. Please take a moment and watch the video at SAElks.com/veterans.

On October 18, the veterans committee will host our first Veteran Coffee Talk. This will be a place for veterans to learn about benefits or other important subjects, have breakfast and sit with peers. As suicide rates grow with women and non-combat veterans, it's important to try and help with listening and resources before it happens.

OCTOBER MILITARY HOLIDAYS AND BIRTHDAYS

- Oct 13 - Navy 250th birthday! (*I love all the branches, but I'm a little partial to the Navy*) ;-)
- Oct 26 – National Day of the Deployed

To join the committee or stay up to date on veterans events, come to our next meeting on Tuesday, October 21 at 6 pm at the lodge (the 3rd Tuesday each month). To join our email list: send an email to veterans-team@elks794.org. View our page online at SAElks.com/veterans.



MNF is Open for Business!



by Dan Breece

That's right! Monday Night Football is back, and our committee is open for business! September 8 opened up with what many thought was not a very interesting match up, but the Bears and Vi-

kings made it fun! A good close game, delicious sloppy joes with tater tots and cole slaw and the next thing you know, we're having fun!

A good crowd was on hand to see the 2025-2026 season get started and it was great to see so

many smiling faces from some friends we haven't seen in a while! Week two was a great night for a doubleheader with the Raiders and Chargers in game two and I can only predict at the writing of this article, but I'm confident a great turnout was there! If you haven't made it out yet, we're just hitting our stride in the month of October, so make sure you head over to the lodge on a Monday night to join the fun, football and friendship! There's plenty to go around for all!

And don't forget, even though we don't have the same MNF activity, Thursday's and Sundays are also full of football, food and friendship! We hope to see all you football lovers on one of those days, or even better on all of those days! College football is also in full swing on Saturdays if you prefer that over the pro game.

See you at the Nest soon!

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21 & Over-Food will be served from 5:30 to 8:30 pm with opportunity raffles. Please join us for a great event supporting the SAPOA Widows & Orphans Fund. For more information please call (714) 836-1211 or email matt.wharton@santaanapoa.com

The Emblem Club: Serving with Truth Justice and Charity

by Connie Foley

Since its founding in 1926, the Emblem Club has embodied its guiding motto of "Truth, Justice and Charity". Chosen to represent the flag of the United States, the name "Emblem" reflects both patriotism and community spirit. Its insignia, an Elk's head surrounded by a wreath, symbolizes the club's strong ties to the Elks and its devotion to service.

Over the years, Emblem members have made a lasting difference in their communities through programs focused on Americanism, scholarships, literacy, drug awareness and support for veterans. To-

day, members continue to live out this tradition through hands-on service and fundraising events that bring people together for meaningful causes.

This fall, the Emblem Club has an exciting lineup of activities for members, friends and the community to enjoy.

SILENT AUCTION

*Sunday, October 5, noon - 2:30 pm
McCalla Lounge*

Enjoy lunch and bid on a variety of treasures from designer handbags and collectibles to vintage objects and gently-used finds. Donations of collectibles are welcome. Chairperson: Sharon Breece (714-686-8066)

SEES CANDY SALES

Begins, Wednesday, October 15
What's better during the holidays than boxes of See's chocolates?

Orders may be placed at the Emblem table in the McCalla Lounge on Wednesdays through Fridays during lunch and dinner. Contact Sharon Kennedy (714-656-7776) or Sharon.Kennedy33@yahoo.com. Order forms are also available in the lodge lobby.

VETERANS UNDERWEAR DRIVE

Thursday, October 16

Support local veterans with donations of new men's and women's underwear (t-shirts, socks, shorts, briefs). There are three ways to donate:

- Drop off at the lodge, attention Valerie Fisher
- Ship directly to the lodge, attention Valerie Fisher
- Bring to the business meeting on October 16. Cash contributions are also accepted and Valerie will do the shopping on your behalf (949-798-9384)



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HOLIDAY GIFT BOUTIQUE*Sunday, October 19, noon- 4pm*

An annual festive shopping tradition! Admission is \$5 at the door.

STARS & STRIPES**CRAFT CIRCLE***Saturday, Oct. 25, 2:00 - 3:30 pm*

Join craft chairperson Gloria Chavez (714-280-5723) to create items for veterans. All skill levels are welcome.

HOLIDAY PIE SALE*Saturday, November 1*

Details to be announced—just in time for the season!

FASHION SHOW*Saturday, November 8*

RSVP to Evelyn Godinez at 714-240-8001 or write EvelynGodinez1131@gmail.com to reserve your seat.

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKET*Deadline Thursday, November 13*

Donations of food are needed to support families in the Sheepfold program. Contact Ida Wade (714) 269-4515

VETERANS HANDMADE QUILT RAFFLE*Drawing: Friday, December 12*

Tickets are 6 for \$5. Proceeds benefit veterans.

Through every event—whether it's raising scholarship funds, crafting for a cause or support veterans—the Emblem Club continues to honor its proud legacy of service. Members invite the community to join in these events, share in the fellowship and help carry forward the values of *Truth, Justice and Charity*.

Visit us online at SAElks.com/emblem.

Winners & Losers List

At every Tuesday lodge meeting we pull three member names at random for a cash prize. If you're at the meeting, you're a winner! If not, you lose that money, it rolls over and the pot increases by \$5. Don't be a loser. Be a winner and attend Tuesday lodge meetings!

AUGUST 5 - \$55

*Sobeida Butchko, Stephanie Roe
Alicia Saporito*

AUGUST 12 - \$60

Cathie Pouchie was present!

AUGUST 19 - \$50

*Janie Ekman, Jeff Hale
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Mark Digiambattista	Retired	Transfer from HB
Mark Francis Kusiak	Retired	Jon Jumper
Michael Jon Lucio	Carpenter	Eric A. Ruelas
Michael Lombard	Retired	Miranda Bernstein
Michael Zerkel	Technology	Edmund D. Hayes
Miguel Martinez	Broker	Released from Orange
Nupur Kiri	Housewife	Allen Bisbee
Patricia Castillo	Homemaker	Brian Byrd
Rachel S. Valdez	Retired	Michael P. Lopez
Ramon V. Lujan	Retired	Anita Lomeli
Rashad Wilson	Detective	Ryan Berger
Raul Flores Luna	Retired SAPD	Art Echternacht
Robert E. Hernandez	Teacher	Mehdi Mohammed
Rogelio Garcia	Retired USPS	Anita Lomeli
Selma R. Ponsell	Retired	Sy Ellis
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Celebrating October Birthdays With Pasta Dinner on Wednesday, October 1

Every month, the Santa Ana Elks Lodge celebrates those members with birthdays that month. So, if your name is listed below, join us for a FREE pasta dinner and a slice of cake in the McCalla Lounge on Wednesday, October 1 from 4:30 to 8:00 pm.

10/1..... Peter Beatty	10/8..... Peiling Strychnine	10/18..... Donald George Hughes
10/1..... Deborah Bueche	10/8..... Glenn Weber	10/18..... Jon Hyrkas
10/1..... Barbara Eden	10/9..... David Brown	10/18..... Matthew Lilly
10/1..... Melissa McEvers Gomez	10/9..... Charles Goetz	10/18..... Lindsay Tan
10/1..... Buck Kuhns	10/9..... Jackie Hanson	10/19..... John Scott Bailey
10/1..... Lisa Markley	10/9..... Rosalind Solano	10/19..... Simon Gounder
10/1..... Philip Oviedo Jr.	10/9..... Yvonne Wasson	10/19..... Alan H Meyer
10/1..... Catherine Quaid	10/10..... Jim Campbell	10/19..... Lorena Muniz-Gudelman
10/1..... David Steadman	10/10..... Joelle E Casteix	10/19..... Sophia Paliov
10/1..... Madeline Williams	10/10..... Anton Tony Chiapizio	10/19..... Michael Peterman
10/2..... Margo Eggers	10/10..... Alfredo Enriquez	10/20..... Jo Anna Eldridge
10/2..... Lorena Grey	10/10..... Michele A Joyce	10/20..... G. Rick Gaulden
10/2..... Nick J Ortega	10/10..... Patrick Newell	10/20..... Robert Meehan
10/3..... Michael Fiore	10/10..... Ian O'Donnell	10/20..... Sally Packer
10/3..... Mike Karich	10/10..... Don Rosholm	10/21..... Lex Adams
10/3..... Nancy Leung	10/10..... Francis Elena Torres	10/21..... George Ennis
10/3..... Shelly Mavar	10/11..... Valerie Barber	10/21..... Mark A Rodriguez
10/3..... Chris Reed	10/11..... Raymond Garcia	10/22..... Nancy Lewis
10/3..... Jose Zenon	10/11..... Leah Glastetter	10/22..... Richard Munoz
10/4..... Kurt Christy	10/11..... Michael Lopez	10/22..... Patrick Thomson
10/4..... Brianna Diaz	10/12..... Edward J Hurtado	10/22..... Vincent Vargas
10/4..... Jeff Frank	10/12..... Linda Perez	10/22..... Jeffrey Worthe
10/4..... Francisco Jimenez	10/13..... Karen L Ashford	10/23..... Irene Alonso
10/4..... Hung D Le	10/13..... James Austin	10/23..... Lorena Garcia
10/4..... Gregory Le Fever	10/13..... Scott Lohse	10/23..... Gerardo Lechuga
10/4..... Andrew Linares	10/13..... Julie Luases	10/23..... Frank Rodriguez
10/4..... Ralph Mendoza	10/13..... Edward Ojeda	10/24..... Jonathan Hodge
10/4..... Guadalupe Roberts	10/13..... Thomas Tsotsis	10/24..... Dawn Wardlaw
10/4..... Jorge Sanchez	10/13..... Robert Tyler Walker	10/25..... Isaac Uriel Briones
10/4..... David Michael Wislocki	10/13..... Antoinette Walsh	10/25..... Richard Desbiens
10/5..... Conny Bergstrom	10/13..... Tyler Zell	10/25..... Delia Estrada
10/5..... Daniel Bright	10/14..... Luz Maria Jacques	10/25..... Linda Fernandez
10/5..... Paul Dambroso	10/15..... Stephen Black	10/25..... Denise M Naranjo
10/5..... Collin Dunner	10/15..... David Colchado	10/25..... Vincent Smith
10/5..... Yong Cha Kim	10/15..... Brian Pope	10/16..... Mary Brecheen
10/5..... Brian Leighton	10/15..... Matthew Storman	10/26..... John Rodriquez
10/5..... Gary Padron	10/15..... Linda Wooley	10/26..... Stephanie M Sowa
10/5..... Mark Parkinson	10/16..... Hoang Bui	10/26..... William George Tomkiel
10/5..... Sherry J Schwanke	10/16..... John Duran	10/27..... John Connolly
10/6..... Ronald Allen	10/16..... Victoria Olguin	10/27..... Warren Peter Morgenroth
10/6..... Sherie Dunbar	10/16..... Nancy Titterud	10/28..... Yolanda M Esparza
10/6..... Judith Kay Mears	10/16..... Martha Tovar	10/28..... Angelina Gonzalez
10/6..... Scott C Mueller	10/17..... John Andrew Casado	10/28..... Jason Groom
10/7..... Tracey Garcia-Buenteo	10/17..... Amy de Souza	10/28..... Daniel Richard Palma, Jr.
10/7..... Darlene Iverson	10/17..... Margarito John Delgado	10/29..... Art Carranza
10/7..... Eliseo Lopez	10/17..... William McIntosh	10/29..... Jeewaka Haththotuwegama
10/7..... Rose Merryman	10/17..... Shelley Racey	10/29..... Maria Kribel
10/7..... John Tabacek	10/17..... Albert Solario	10/29..... Roberto Silva
10/8..... Gregory J Adams	10/17..... Kari Wilfong	10/30..... Paul A Brown
10/8..... Jeffrey Orosco	10/18..... Edward Hirth	10/30..... Sandra DeAngelis
		10/30..... Raquel Guillen
		10/30..... Larry Paul
		10/31..... Beatriz Chavez
		10/31..... Michael Engler
		10/31..... Lila Foster
		10/31..... Susanne Luna
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		10/31..... Tim Tietz
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John's Gone Crazy: October Price Slashes Hit the Menu!

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TITO TUESDAYS—Tuesdays just a whole lot tastier. All Tito's drinks are only \$5.50 from 11:00 am to close. And if you're craving something to go with your cocktail, check out the street taco menu with tacos starting at just \$2.50 from 3:00 to 7:00 pm.

PASTA WEDNESDAYS—Every Wednesday create your own pasta masterpiece at our Pasta Bar for just \$14.95 between 4:30 and 8:00 pm. Pair it with a glass of house wine for only \$4.00, available all day.

ALL AMERICAN THURSDAYS—Thursdays bring an all-American favorite to your plate. Prime Rib dinners are now only \$22.50 from 4:30 to 8:00 pm. Wash it down with something from the Jack Daniels drink menu for only \$7.94 all day.

FISHERMAN'S FRIDAYS—What a catch! Fish and chips fans rejoice because this Friday favor-

ite is now just \$12.95 from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm. Pair it with a \$5.00 well drink and don't forget the Kill the Keg special: Michelob Ultra 16 oz. drafts are only \$3.00 from 4:00 pm until the keg runs dry!

LALO TEQUILA SATURDAYS—Indulge in Cadillac margaritas for just \$6.00 and Modelo bottles for only \$3.00 all day. Hungry? Our English cut prime rib dinner, complete with salad bar, is now only \$22.50. Reservations recommended!

SUNDAY FOOTBALL—Express breakfast buffet for \$13.95. Happy hour starts at 3:00 pm with all bottled beers, \$3 and street tacos for \$2.50.

WEEKDAY LUNCH—Doc's got you covered for lunch! From Tuesday through Saturday between 11:00 and 2:00 pm, get our classic Doc's Jr. Burger, crispy fries and your choice of soda or ice tea for only \$12.95.

These jaw-dropping deals are available only in October, so gather your crew and head in for unbeatable food and drink specials because there's a deal waiting for you every day of the week! John "The Slasher" Moore has gone crazy—and your taste buds (and bank account) are about to benefit!



Membership/Lapsation Report Santa Ana Lodge #794

Beginning Membership Total 4/1/25..... 1846

INCREASES

Initiated.....	114
Affiliated.....	14
Reinstated.....	2
Subtotal.....	130

DECREASES

Dropped.....	7
Transferred Out.....	14
Absolute Dimit.....	0
Deaths.....	8
Expelled.....	0
Subtotal.....	29
Calculated Membership Total.....	1947
CLMS Active Members.....	1947
Average Age.....	63.53
Gain/Loss.....	101

DELINQUENCY

Six Months.....	0
One Year.....	199
Over One Year.....	0
Total.....	199
Lapsation Rate.....	10.78%

APPLICATIONS ON HAND

Waiting to be read at next lodge meeting.....	6
Ready for investigation.....	6
Ready for balloting.....	28
Ready for orientation.....	18
Ready for Initiation.....	3
Ready for Affiliation.....	0
Ready for Reinstatement.....	3
Other.....	0
Total.....	64

LIFE MEMBERS

Life Members.....	75
Honorary Life Members.....	2
Total.....	77
Life Percentage.....	4.17%

Additional Upcoming Santa Ana Elk Events

**TIKI BAR
NIGHT
October 9**



**ITALIAN
NIGHT
October 17**



**BINGO
BOOGIE
October 23**



**MAGIC CASTLE
NIGHT
October 25**



For the full calendar of events, go to SAElks.com/calendar

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Lodge Meetings

First Four Tuesdays of the Month, 7:30 pm

Board of Trustees Meeting

First Tues. 4:00 pm. and 3rd Tues. 5:00 pm

House Committee Meeting

Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 5:00 p.m.

Charity Committee Meeting

3rd Monday of the Month, 2:00 pm

Travel Club Meeting

1st Friday of the Month, 1:30 pm

Nomads Meeting

4th Thursday of the Month, 7:30 pm

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 Asst. Tiler..... Andy Matthews
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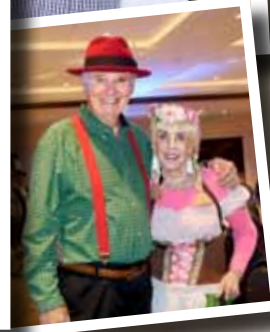
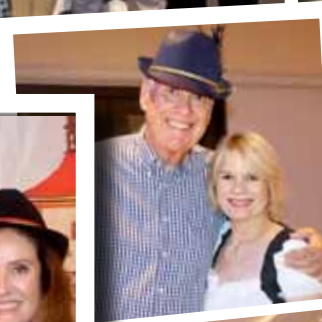
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