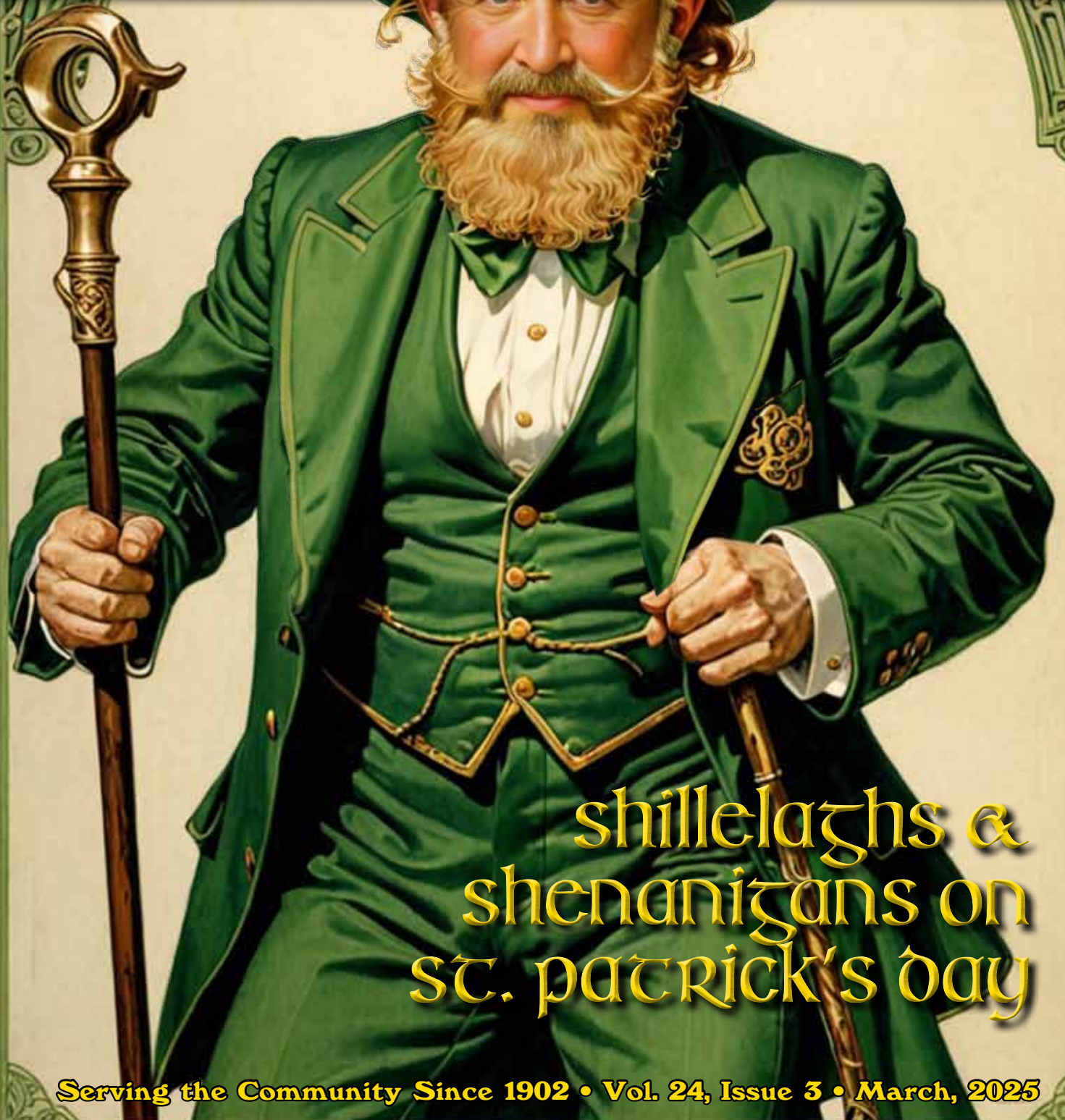


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**Exalted Ruler
Joe Rodriguez**



As my tenure as exalted ruler of the Santa Ana Elks Lodge #794 comes to an end, I find myself reflecting on an incredible journey filled with camaraderie, dedication and meaningful achievements. It has been an honor to serve this esteemed lodge and to witness firsthand the unwavering commitment of our members to the principles of charity, justice, brotherly love and fidelity.

Throughout this past year, our lodge has experienced remarkable growth and success. We have welcomed over 200 new members, reinforcing the strength and vitality of our Elks family. This expansion is a testament to the welcoming spirit of our lodge and the enduring values that continue to attract individuals eager to serve their community.

One of the most rewarding aspects of my tenure has been our ability to give back. Together, we raised over \$142,000 in charitable donations, directly benefiting local youth programs, senior services,

veterans' initiatives, schools and families in need. Our collective efforts have made a tangible impact, and I am deeply grateful to everyone who contributed their time, resources and passion to these endeavors.

Serving as exalted ruler also provided me with the opportunity to lead and support our officers, committees and board of trustees. We have strengthened our lodge's foundation by implementing sound business practices, ensuring fiscal responsibility, and enhancing safety and security protocols in accordance with Elks Grand Lodge and Cal/OSHA requirements. These efforts will continue to guide our lodge in the years ahead, fostering an environment of stability and growth.

Beyond our lodge, I had the privilege of serving as the Orange Coast District exalted ruler association president and the district safety and security vice-chairman. These roles allowed me to collaborate with fellow leaders, enhancing our collective efforts at the district, state, and national levels.

As I pass the gavel to my successor, I do so with immense pride in what we have accomplished together. The future of Santa Ana Elks Lodge #794 is bright and I have no doubt that our lodge will continue to flourish under dedicated leadership. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to ev-

Additional Upcoming Santa Ana Elk Events

**JEROME DEAN
March 8**

**LARRY FRESCH
DINNER DANCE
March 21**

**SATURDAY
KARAOKE
March 22**

**SUNDAY
GET TOGETHER
March 23**

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

ery member, officer and volunteer who has supported our mission and contributed to our shared success.

Though my term as exalted ruler concludes, my commitment to the Elks and our community remains steadfast. I look forward to continuing my involvement and supporting the lodge in any way I can. Thank you all for the privilege of serving as your exalted ruler—it has been an experience I will cherish forever.

Esteemed Leading Knight Mark Schauwecker



Mark is busy preparing for his new role as our exalted ruler. Look for his column in the next issue.

Esteemed Loyal Knight Eli Morales



Fellow Elks; March marks the arrival of spring, bringing with it the beauty of blooming

flowers, warmer weather and longer daylight hours to fully appreciate the season's offerings. This month also signifies the conclusion of our current officer corps' term, particularly my tenure as your loyal knight. It is, indeed, a bittersweet moment, not just for me, but for all current officers. For some, this marks the end of their officer experience, while for others, it is an opportunity to move up and continue the ongoing work of our lodge. It is important to recognize and applaud the

commitment and dedication demonstrated by our officers. Their tireless efforts have ensured a successful year for our lodge.

I would like to express my gratitude to Exalted Ruler Joe Rodriguez for including me in being part of his team and for his guidance throughout this busy year. I have come to realize that one of life's greatest pleasures lies in the charitable endeavors we pursue together at our lodge and I will actively seek his insight and vision for our Santa Ana lodge. To Mark Schauwecker, our esteemed leading knight and future exalted ruler, thank you for your friendship and your constant willingness to lend a hand. Likewise, I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation to Esteemed Lecturing Knight Brian Byrd. Getting to know you and calling you a friend has been one of the highlights of this year.

The Santa Ana lodge is fortunate to have such talented and dedicated officers like Mr. George Will, our lodge esquire. He deserves special recognition as he not only took first place in our ritual competition but also emerged as our top recruiter, demonstrating outstanding service. Likewise, Mr. Ronnie Harrell, our inner guard and first place winner, brings an unparalleled level of class to his role that will not be easy to duplicate. I would also like to commend our tilers, led by Karla Vigil who is known for her exceptional work ethic. This year, with the support of our assistant tilers—George Salazar, Patrick Newell, and Jim Austin—they elevated the tiler position to new heights. Their family picnic event has been one of the most attended activities of the year, and I wish to extend my congratulations to them all. To our chaplains, Garlin Flynn

and Tom Wyatt, I am grateful for your unwavering support and contributions. The joy you bring to our member through your holiday events is unmatched by anything else we do.

I often hear the saying, "It takes a village," and I can attest that it truly does. However, the success of our lodge's events, activities, and charitable initiatives would not be possible without the dedication of countless volunteers. Thank you to all the committees for your outstanding efforts—you are all exceptional and have propelled our lodge to greater heights. I extend my sincere appreciation to John Moore and his incredible staff. Their dedication ensures the wellbeing of our members and I am forever grateful for their hard work. Lastly, to our members, thank you for entrusting me with the role of loyal knight. I hope to have met your expectations and I assure you that I will continue to strive for the betterment of our lodge. I believe deeply in our mission and, most importantly, I love our lodge and our ever-growing membership.

Esteemed Lecturing Knight Brian Byrd



It has been a fun and love-filled February at the Santa Ana Elks Lodge, due to the excellent staff and member volunteers

who have put on an amazing St. Valentine's Day event that was enjoyed by so many. I guess we can also give credit to Cupid.

Alas, we have closed out the 2024-2025 football season with the largest Super Bowl party in Or-

ange County. Did your team win? Mine didn't, but only because they weren't playing, but we rallied for a #6 pick in the draft.

As of this writing, the lodge members are electing our next officers for the 2025-2026 Elk year. By the time you receive this *ElkHorn*, the officers will have been elected. I hope that you participated in the process, and you are comfortable that going forward our lodge is in good hands. As members, your voice matters. The officers are there to help make your experiences as an Elk the best there is to offer. The more you get involved with Elk activities, the more fun, friends, and rewarding experiences you will have.

In case you are wondering, we have lodge meetings every Tuesday at 7:30 pm. This is where the officers will present committee reports and upcoming events. Members can vote on proposed new members and ballot on incoming members. The officers will recognize recipients of donations and present the lodge financials. Also, it pays to attend the meetings with a "good of the order" raffle. We will have an after meeting snack in the McCalla Lounge where you can meet the officers and possibly learn more about being an Elk.

Have you purchased tickets for the best Irish folklore party ever? It's not too late! Our St. Patrick's Day party, nicknamed the *Shillelagh and Shenanigans Party*, is on March 15. We will be having The Fenians playing Irish folk songs and many more of your favorites. \$45 gets you authentic Irish food and entertainment. Lá fhéile Pádraig sona dhuit! (Translation = Happy St. Patrick's Day in Gaelic)

As always, have a great March and come to the lodge, enjoy and have fun.

General Manager John Moore



Keep your eyes peeled on the web site, Elk Mail and the large poster in our Lobby to see this year's line-

up for our concert series! As you know, our concerts are very popular and sell out rather quickly with tribute bands for The Beach Boys, Elton John, Journey and Chicago plus a few more surprises. Don't wait to purchase tickets! They will be available for purchase online at SAElks.com! Dinner comes with the purchase of your concert ticket so stay tuned for the menus for each concert.

Speaking of concerts and dancing, without football, we have a huge void on Sunday. All the good times and camaraderie came to a screeching halt after the Super Bowl and although our Super Bowl party closed out the season in style, we have decided to have a "Sunday Get Together" once a month. Everyone who likes to dance, party, and have fun should come! Save the date, Sunday, March 23 from 1:30 to 7:00 pm for our initial "Sunday Get Together" featuring the classic dance band Moondog Miller (2:00-5:00 pm). Food will be available and the bar will be stocked—we just need you to show up. Go online or call the lodge to make your reservation. A kind donation of \$2.00 will be collected at the door.

Thank you for the many positive comments on our recent menu changes and additions, especially on the Saturday breakfast. If you like pancakes, you must come down as Chef Jose has outdone himself by offering many different flavored

pancakes to choose from. All menus can be viewed at our web site, the MyElks app, weekly Elk Mail, or just by coming in and dining with us.

Theresa on our communications team started sending out the weekly Elk Mail on the Saturday prior to the upcoming week to give you more time to plan for the upcoming week. If you are not receiving Elk Mail, please call us so we can get you signed up.

Want to spread the word on your local business? Call Maria at extension 7007 to discuss running an advertisement in our monthly *ElkHorn Magazine*. It's affordable and reaches nearly 2,000 members!

Lodge Elects New Officers for 2025/2026

On Tuesday, February 4, the lodge held first nominations for leadership offices. Nominated were Mark Schauwecker for exalted ruler, Eli Morales for leading knight, Brian Byrd for loyal knight, Karla Vigil for lecturing knight, Linda Fernandez for secretary, Bill Capps for treasurer and Jim Austin for 5th year trustee. Second nominations were held the following Tuesday, February 11 with two new nominations: George Will for leading knight and Joe Rodriguez for fifth year trustee. As the rest were running unopposed, they were elected by acclamation.

On Tuesday, February 18 the election was held for the contested positions with Eli Morales being elected leading knight and Jim Austin being elected 5th year trustee.

Congratulations to the new officer team. We look forward to your leadership during the coming year.

It's March and it's Maddness!



By Dan Breece

For college basketball fans, there is no better time of the year than March. Sixty-four teams all start out with hopes of a national championship and it's win or go home! The excitement comes from buzzer beater, last second shots to an underdog with the huge upset and becoming the Cinderella story of the tournament.

Starting on March 18, the NCAA men's college basketball tournament kicks off. It's called March Madness and it's some of the most exciting college sports events to watch. Most of the games are on Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday for two weeks. The lodge will have all the games starting on March 18 concluding with the Final Four on April 5 and the championship game on Monday, April 7. The women's tournament will be going on at the same time, so if you are interested, all the games will be available to watch. The women's championship game is scheduled for Sunday, April 6. Check for game times as we get closer to all of the fun.

We hope to see you there for all the excitement and madness this annual tournament brings and, speaking of bringing, bring your friends too.



It Was Off to the Races for Percy the Purple Pig

by Marcia Piña

Hello fellow Elks! March is here and we have had a wonderful year. I do believe that all of the Santa Ana Elks committees have had a banner year, all thanks to our loyal and generous members. We are so lucky to be a part of this wonderful organization and have such awesome members. You rock!

One of the most remarkable events at our lodge was this year's Super Bowl party held by the Monday Night Football committee. Although this is an article about the Purple Pig, all committees at the Elks lodge are committed to raising monies for worthy causes and I want to commend the Monday Night Football committee for hosting a phenomenal event filled with juicy hamburgers, an array of raffle baskets and good cheer!

Our last Purple Pig event of the season was held in January with a picnic-style theme complete with pig races and a wholesome fried chicken dinner followed by dancing with DJ Ronnie spinning the tunes. It was our first pig races event with six pigs competing against each other. The pigs had

the cutest names like "Makin' Bacon", "Carnitas", "Pork Chop", and of course, "Percy". And wouldn't you know it, Percy won the most races. We also had games like Giant Jenga and Four Corners. Lodge members connected over the pig races and the energy in the room was exhilarating as we all laughed and cheered. It was a successful event and we look forward to doing it again next year.

With such a mass of support, over the course of the 2024-2025 year, the Purple Pig has raised over \$25,000 so far. You all know that we could not have done it without your generosity and your support, particularly during Wednesday's trivia night when we sold our purple pig piggy banks filled with candy. For a \$5 donation, patrons could guess the amount of candy inside the pig. Winners were announced at the end of the trivia game and if you guessed correctly, you received the pig and its contents. During the events, we raised about \$150 each night for our children in need. Thank you so much!

In closing, I would like to remind members that we will be honoring those who donated to the purple pig in increments of \$52, \$100, and \$1,000 with a special ceremony on Tuesday, March 11 at the lodge. I hope to see you all there.



SANTA AND ELKS TO RELEASE THE CRAIC ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY



As it Irish writer Oscar Wilde or Captain Sparrow who said “Release the Craic”? Actually, neither. “Craic” is a Gaelic term for “great, old Irish fun” and this month offers an extraordinary chance to practice craic and celebrate the millions of Americans with Irish heritage and their considerable contribution to our nation. It’s also an excuse to drink green beer, pinch people, eat corned beef and dance the jig.

From its inception, Irish Americans have distinguished themselves in virtually every aspect of American life and have added enormously to this country. Nine of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and 22 US presidents (including Andrew Jackson, John F. Kennedy and Ronald Reagan) were of Irish stock.

Although St. Patrick’s Day is celebrated differently in Ireland than here in America (Guinness is ruby black there, not green) the point of observing the holiday is the same: the camaraderie of fellowship and brotherhood.

And who knows more about those than the Elks? That’s why we’re throwing a St. Patrick’s Day celebration that would make a leprechaun green with envy.

The day starts off with a good ol’ Irish breakfast of corned beef benedicts, corned beef hash & eggs and banana pancakes with Jameson sauce. Then wash it down with Irish coffee for \$4. Served from 9:00 am to noon in the McCalla Lounge, St. Paddy’s Day breakfast is only \$10 and a great way to start the day off right.

The festivities continue

that evening when the Fenians, Orange County’s favorite Irish band, comes to perform. The Fenians were formed in 1990 by the son of Irish immigrants, mandolin player-singer Terry Cased as an outlet for his love of the Irish folk songs that were sung in his childhood home. They have since released five studio albums, one greatest hits album, a live DVD and have toured throughout the United States and Ireland. In 2009, the Fenians were named the best world act at the Orange County Music Awards! Today, they infuse Irish folk tunes with rock and cool-punk energy for a sound that is both traditional and uniquely contemporary.

The doors for the evening’s festivities, titled Shillelaghs and Shenanigans by our host, Esteemed Loyal Knight Brian Byrd, open at 5:30 pm. That’s also when the buffet opens with a spread that’s magically delicious: up country salad, corned beef and cabbage, boiled potatoes, Jameson chicken, shepherd’s pie and fried fish. Cookies and brownies top it off for dessert.

Also offered will be a selection of green and Irish beers, Guinness Stout, Harp Lager and Smithwick’s Red Ale plus Shillelagh shooters, Irish whiskeys and delicious ciders.

After dinner, the Fenians take the stage for an evening of unforgettable music and dancing. Tickets are \$45 and available by calling the lodge at 714-547-7794. The event is sure to sell out, so you’ll want to call the lodge for tickets faster than you can say “Release the Craic!”

Football Season Comes to a Close but MNF Goes On

By Dan Breece

The football season has officially been closed by another fantastic Super Bowl party hosted by the MNF committee. Our committee members worked hard all year long to culminate our season with the biggest Super Bowl party in Orange County. This year we set a record for ticket sales with 516 sold! We hope everyone who came out had a great time and are already looking forward to next year.

Thank you can never be said too often and the committee would like to say thank you once again to all who came out and supported our Monday nights, our Thursday and

Sundays, the playoffs and finally the Super Bowl. Your support makes what we do a true labor of love. We love hosting, cooking, serving, and giving things away. Hopefully we create a family atmosphere where everyone who comes out enjoys themselves, makes new friends and enjoys the lodge. We also love being able to provide and give to our community, all because of your support. That's why we take pride in the effort we make to be able to help, as we like to say, the neediest of the needy.

Another thank you goes out to our great lodge staff. GM John Moore and Maria Bisbee are always helping with the planning, Dayana and Lori at the front handling reservations and tickets, our kitchen staff and the bar and server staff all helped to make Super Bowl Sunday such a great day. Not only on Super Bowl Sunday, but throughout

the football season they have done their part to help us be successful in providing a great experience for all who supported us.

Just because football is over though doesn't mean your MNF committee is taking the rest of the year off. Save some dates for more fun between now and the opening day of the 2025-2026 football season. Starting on March 18, it is college basketball tournament time, called March Madness. Check out our article in the Elkhorn for more on that. Next up will be our annual golf tournament on Saturday, June 7 and then there will be our third annual car and motorcycle show on Sunday, August 3. In between there will be our annual Angels game outing. That date is yet to be announced, so stay tuned.

On behalf of our Monday Night Football committee, thank you for a great season and God bless!



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'80s Come Alive at Forever Young Scholarship Fundraiser

by Linda Barcelona

The scholarship review may be over, but there's no rest for our committee just yet. Following up our presentation night, we are throwing our annual fundraiser, dinner dance! This year's theme is the 1980s and is titled Forever Young, and who doesn't want to be that? We hope you will be able to join us on Saturday, March 29 for a lot of fun with the band "'80s Daze" who have been featured at Disneyland and local clubs.

Anyone remember the neon decade; big hair, big jewelry and big shoulder pads, parachute pants, Miami Vice and the moonwalk? Costumes are not required but we hope you will join in the fun, and of course there will be a costume contest. And you might want to brush up on your Rubix cube skills too!

Our live auction items are coming in with trips to see Nikki Glaser (Golden Globe host 2025) and David Spade in Las Vegas, a

Palm Desert trip, sports memorabilia and more to come soon! Really 'rad' silent auction items will be available as well!

You won't want to miss this one and you'll want to invite all your friends. Tickets are available now at the lodge for \$50. The cost of this event is underwritten by Aptiva Care Management, so every dollar made on this event goes to fund scholarships for next year.

If you can't make the event, consider donating to our silent auction or simply writing a check to the Santa Ana Elks 794, noting scholarship on the check. Contact Sue McKee at suemckee@cox.net to donate silent auction items and Linda Barcelona at lindabarcelona1@yahoo.com to donate live auction items by March 25.



Take the '80s Trivia Quiz Online at SAEIks.com

Test your knowledge of all things '80s with our online 1980s trivia quiz with ten multiple-choice questions that will help determine how much you paid attention during the decade. Winners will be entered in a drawing for two '80s-themed cocktails at the event plus breakfast at the lodge. It's fun. Go to SAElks.com/scholarships. Max Headroom says "g-g-g-g-give it a t-t-try!"



MARCH

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p style="text-align: center;">THE Fenians saturday, march 15</p>						<p>1</p> <p>Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon</p> <p>Veterans Stand Down Garden Grove Lodge</p>
<p>2</p> <p>Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>Lodge closed Bingo 6:15 pm</p> 	<p>4</p> <p>Trustees Meting 4:00 pm</p> <p>PER Meeting 5:00 pm</p> <p>Scholarship Awards Night Open Meeting 7:30 pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Investigation 3:30 - 6:00 pm</p> <p>Birthday Club Pasta Night 4:30-7:30 pm</p> <p>Trivia Night 6:30 pm</p> 	<p>6</p> <p>All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm</p> <p>Karaoke 6:00-10 pm</p> 	<p>7</p> <p>Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon</p> <p>Jerome Dean 7:00-10:00 pm</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon</p> <p>Quartermania 11:00 am - 3:00 pm</p> 	<p>10</p> <p>Lodge closed Bingo 6:15 pm</p> 	<p>11</p> <p>Lodge Meeting Purple Pig Awards Balloting 7:30 pm</p> <p>Taco Tuesday</p> <p>House Committee 5:00 pm</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm</p> <p>TRIVIA NIGHT</p>	<p>13</p> <p>All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm</p> <p>Karaoke 6:00-10:00 pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm</p> <p>DD Clinic 7:00 pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon</p> <p>Orientation 12 Noon</p> <p>St Patrick's Day Concert The Fenians 6:00 pm</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Lodge closed Charity Cmte 2:00 pm</p> <p>Bingo 6:15 pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Lodge Meeting Initiation 7:30 pm</p> <p>BOT Meeting 5:00 pm</p> <p>Veterans Cmte 6:00 pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm</p> <p>Emblem Club 6:30 pm</p> <p>Karaoke 6:00-10:00 pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm</p> <p>Larry Fresch Dinner Dance 7:00 - 10:00 pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon</p> <p>Saturday Karaoke 6:00 - 10:30 pm</p> 
<p>23</p> <p>Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon</p> <p>Sunday Get Together 1:30 - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Lodge closed Bingo 6:15 pm</p>	<p>25</p> <p>House Meeting 5:00 pm</p> <p>Open Meeting ER Exit Night 7:30 pm</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Pasta Night Trivia Night 6:30 pm</p> 	<p>27</p> <p>All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm</p> <p>Nomads 6:00 pm</p> <p>Karaoke 6:00-10:00 pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon</p> <p>Forever Young Scholarship Fundraiser 6:00 - 10:00 pm</p> 
<p>30</p> <p>Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Lodge closed Bingo 6:15 pm</p>					

APRIL

LODGE HOURS: CLOSED MONDAYS; TUESDAYS - FRIDAYS 9-6PM, SATURDAYS 9AM-11PM, SUNDAYS 9AM-3PM

FOOD SERVICE HOURS: TUESDAYS 11AM-7PM; WEDNESDAYS—FRIDAYS 11AM-8PM, SATURDAYS 9AM-8PM; SUNDAYS 9AM-2PM

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Installation of New Officers 7:30 pm PER Meeting 5:00 pm	2 Birthday Club Pasta Night 4:30-8:00 pm Trivia Night 6:30 pm Investigation 3:30-6:30 pm	3 All American Menu 4:30-8 pm Karaoke 6:00-10 pm 	4 Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm	5 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Inaugural Ball 	
6 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon	7 Lodge Closed Bingo 6:15 pm 	8 Lodge Meeting Balloting 7:30 pm HC Meeting 5:00 pm Taco Tuesday 	9 Pasta Night 4:30-8:00 pm Trivia Night 6:30 pm 	10 All American Menu 4:30-8 pm Karaoke 6:00-10 pm 	11 Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm Jerome Dean 7:00 - 10:00 pm	12 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Orientation 12 Noon 
13 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12 noon Spring Boutique 11:00 am - 3:00 pm 	14 Lodge Closed Charity Committee 2:00 pm Bingo 6:15 m	15 Pin Night Open Meeting 7:00 pm Veterans CMTE 6:00 pm BOT Meeting 5:00 pm	16 Pasta Night 4:30-8:00 pm Trivia Night 6:30 pm	17 All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Karaoke 6:00-10:00 pm Emblem Club 6:30 pm	18 Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm Tropic Star Dinner Dance 7:00 - 10:00 pm	19 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon
20 Easter Champagne Brunch 10:30 - 3:30 pm 	21 Lodge Closed Bingo 6:15 pm	22 Lodge Meeting Initiation 7:30 lpm HC Meeting	23 Pasta Night 4:30-8:00 pm Trivia Night 6:30 pm 	24 All American Menu 4:30-8:00 pm Karaoke 6:00-10:00 pm Nomads 6:00 pm	25 Regular Menu Dinner Special 4:30-8:00 pm Moondog Miller Band 7:00 - 10:00 pm 	26 Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon Saturday Karaoke 6:00 - 10:30 pm 
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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, March 5 from 4:30 to 8:00 pm.

3/1.....Lloyd Downing	3/11.....Luis Andres Perez	3/20.....Jeffrey Brumett
3/1.....Jose Luis Muniz	3/11.....Michael Zachan	3/20.....Joan Eidenmuller
3/1.....Gary Paul Williams	3/12.....Roberta Bonzer	3/20.....Patricia Fuhlrodt
3/2.....John Hanson	3/12.....Jessica Carr	3/20.....Robert Mansfield
3/2.....Hector Ramirez	3/12.....Salvador Lujan	3/21.....Heriberto Alvarado
3/3.....Tammy Hurst Radan	3/12.....Yvette Portugal	3/21.....Hector Anaya
3/3.....Adolfo Zavala	3/12.....Amy Linn Tsotsis	3/21.....Carlos Arango
3/4.....Roger Brophy	3/13.....Rob Boyd	3/21.....Robert Fletcher
3/4.....Jody Campbell	3/13.....Alexandra Castle	3/21.....Paul Mc Donald
3/4.....Susan Granger	3/13.....Susan AnneHawken	3/21.....Russell Meyer
3/4.....Fiona Ma	3/13.....Martha Dolores Luna	3/21.....Patrick Mottram
3/4.....Adam Reesman	3/13.....Sue Mc Kee	3/21.....Mishele Richards
3/5.....Lee Branch	3/13.....Nicholas Quinones	3/21.....Martha Simon
3/5.....Patricia Filley	3/13.....John Rodriguez	3/22.....Christopher Hisgen
3/5.....Linda Harrell	3/13.....Hector Villalobos	3/23.....Donald Blankenship
3/5.....Raquel Keena	3/13.....Trace Weatherford	3/23.....Brian Hagadorn
3/5.....Bernadette Powers	3/14.....Chris Barbera	3/23.....Ronald Heben
3/5.....Sevan Sarkisyan	3/14.....Ana Bizarro	3/23.....Michael Jensen
3/5.....Matthew Sarmiento	3/14.....Ralph Flores	3/23.....Luis Mier
3/6.....Cinthia Guzman	3/14.....Thomas Ford Hurst	3/23.....Richard Ornelas
3/6.....Paul Alfred Lujan	3/14.....Jill Kightlinger	3/23.....Antonio Romero
3/6.....Irma Martinez	3/14.....Marietta Parkinson	3/23.....Roger Schartung
3/6.....Eddie Ramirez	3/15.....William Haddock	3/24.....Paige Fountain
3/7.....Emad Alaeddin	3/15.....Marvin Hobbs	3/24.....Linette Johnston
3/7.....Nicole Kay Campbell	3/15.....Tim McVay	3/25.....Joseph Flores, Jr
3/7.....Robert David Hoover	3/15.....Mark Raab	3/25.....Natalie Lindauer
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3/8.....Shannon Bain	3/16.....Vicky Hoffman	3/25.....Jeffrey Moon
3/8.....Klaus Bellinghausen	3/16.....Susan McIntosh	3/25.....Robert Olson
3/8.....Jeffrey Dickson	3/16.....Sherri Seitz	3/25.....Wilbur Salazar
3/8.....Frank Roa	3/16.....Jonathan Sigala	3/26.....Raymond Gagne
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3/9.....Davor Radan	3/17.....Lynn Flores	3/26.....Eri Gomez
3/9.....Richard Whiteside	3/17.....Ismael Velasquez	3/26.....Sharon Leatherman
3/10.....Carlos Castruita	3/18.....Jonathan Chavez	3/26.....Paul Shelor III
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3/11.....Nathan Anderson	3/19.....Peter De Marco	3/28.....Harold Eugene Byrd
3/11.....Darwin Bolsinger	3/19.....Gina Hawes	3/28.....James Scott Hawes
3/11.....Irene Callahan	3/19.....Stephen Saporito	3/28.....Tara Loza
3/11.....Brook Hansen	3/19.....Kevin Shuler	3/28.....Camden O'Donnell
3/11.....Margaret Peggy Kupfer	3/19.....Rachel Snell	3/28.....Vincent Ruvalcava
3/11.....Herbert Martin	3/19.....John Washington	3/28.....Kelley Lynn Stagner
		3/29.....Liz Martin
		3/30.....Dave Klokochar
		3/30.....Alan Lukei
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Volunteers Needed for May CHEA Convention

Volunteers are needed to help with the California Hawaii Elks Association convention in Anaheim, May 7-10. It's a great opportunity to have fun and connect with Elks from across California and Hawaii.

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Membership/Lapsation Report Santa Ana Lodge #794

Beginning Membership Total 4/1/23..... 1663

INCREASES

Initiated	245
Affiliated	20
Reinstated	20
Subtotal	285

DECREASES

Dropped	2
Transferred Out	12
Absolute Dimit	0
Deaths	7
Expelled	0
Subtotal	21

Calculated Membership Total	1927
CLMS Active Members.....	1927
Average Age	63.11
Gain/Loss	264

DELINQUENCY

Six Months.....	0
One Year	168
Over One Year	0
Total	168
Lapsation Rate.....	10.10%

APPLICATIONS ON HAND

Waiting to be read at next lodge meeting	3
Ready for investigation	23
Ready for balloting.....	39
Ready for orientation	12
Ready for Initiation.....	6
Ready for Affiliation	0
Ready for Reinstatement.....	3
Other.....	0
Total	86

LIFE MEMBERS

Life Members.....	81
Honorary Life Members.....	2
Total	83
Life Percentage	4.99%

Criers Corner and Winners 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. Make it your New Years resolution to attend Tuesday lodge meetings!

JANUARY 7 - \$100

James Kay, Ben Ber, Miguel Gonzales

JANUARY 14 - \$105

Christina Cervenka, EVELYN GODINEZ was there and won \$105

JANUARY 21 - \$50

Myra Ruiz, Charles De Lange, Marilyn Baily

JANUARY 28 - \$55

Kerrie Nelsen, Sheri Lynn Nerland, Jonathan Juarez

New Candidates for Membership

CANDIDATEOCCUPATION PROPOSER
 Alan Crowe.....Supply Specialist..... Ryan Berger
 Alexandra Sams.....Branch ManagerLouisa Solis
 Angel Vargas..... UC Engineer..... Johnny Saldana
 Carmen Hofsaess Retired Kathleen Cruz
 Cheryl Carter.....Executive Director.....Joe Rodriguez
 David Bautista..... Retired Fire Captain Troy Leonard
 Deborah Gwen Acuna Retired Patricia Machado
 Erick Maki Business Owner Mike Jensen
 Frank O'Campo Retired Ryan J. Berger
 Gabriel Torres..... Retired Beatriz Chavez
 Genaro SantanaAppraisal Specialist Sandra Carrillo
 Gordon Braun Retired Valerie Kramer
 Hilda RendonRetired Senior Social Worker.....Sylvia Voss
 Ignacio Salazar Sales Analyst..... Vincent Lopez
 James Alexander Zamora..... PhysicianPhil Rowe
 Jaqueline Moss..... Retired Jeff Brumett
 Jason Mastella.....Mechanical EngineerAngelina Gonzalez
 Jason Robert Lee Barber & Cosmo School Owner.....Brian Yeandle
 Jim Bosley RetiredDavid De La Riva
 John M. Spurgeon RetiredTransfer from Orange

John Robert Baskin Sr..... Life Insurance Agent.....Mark Tyler
 John Rodriguez Sales Reinstated
 Larry Paul Mortgage Broker Jason Sherrill
 Laura M. Chiron Insurance Specialist.....Nancy Silva
 Lawrence Collier.....TeacherTransfer from Orange
 Maria Martinez..... Human Resources Generalist Samuel Amaya
 Mary Helen Perez RetiredTransfer from Orange
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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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Emblem Club to host Quartermania

by Linda Barcelona

The Santa Ana Emblem Club is once again hosting a rousing round of Quartermania on Sunday March 9 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Quartermania is a fast-paced, fun event where home-based businesses bring items to be auctioned off for between one and four quarters. The day includes a boxed lunch and ticket for a door prize and raises money for our veterans committee. Tickets are \$25 each and are available at the door. Reservations recommended by calling Dixie Brenner at 714-283-3224. For more Emblem news, go to SAEIks.com/emblem.

SA Elks Donate to Fire Fund

by Colleen Daddario

The Santa Ana charity committee recently donated \$2,500 to CHEA (The California Hawaii Elks Committee) disaster relief fund to provide assistance to Elks effected by the recent fires. If you would also like to donate financially, make checks payable to CHEA and mail them to the CHEA office, 5450 E. Leмона Ave., Fresno, CA 93727-2224. It's vital that you put the words "disaster relief fund" in the memo line.

Charity meetings are held on the third Monday of the month at 2:30 pm. The next meeting will be March 17 and all Elks are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Scholarship Presentations on March 4

by Linda Barcelona

The applications have been read, the letters have been sent and the winners are soon to be announced. I hope you all can join us on March 4 to honor our scholars as they receive their awards for their hard work. Our committee has really been put to the test since the beginning of January. We've been reading and evaluating scholarship applications, 48 of the athletic scholarship alone! We really want the winners to receive the recognition they deserve, so please join us at the open lodge meeting, Tuesday March 4 at 7:30 pm.



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