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WES BROWN, EXALTED RULER

SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

OCTOBER 2021

## EXALTED RULER

*Wes Brown*

Members,

Thank you to all the volunteers who make Santa Maria Lodge #1538 one of the greatest Lodges in all Elkdome. The Rodeo and Parade were both an enormous success and I am sure, with your help, Haunted Hills and Christmas in the Country will be as well. We could not do it without you. We hope to see you at the events coming up at the Lodge and at the Rodeo Grounds. Please do not hesitate to call the Lodge office or Elks Rec with any questions as to when and how you can volunteer.



With Autumn upon us, the days are getting shorter, and the holidays are right around the corner. It is a season of change and for harvest. It is a time for sharing our gifts of time and treasure and the bountiful blessings God has bestowed upon us with family, friends, and those less fortunate. For some, it is a season that can bring stress and depression. Please choose to sow the seeds of kindness. Something as simple as a smile, a "Please" and a "Thank You" can change someone's day, including yours.

Quotes for the Month:

For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven. Ecclesiastes 3:1

For man, autumn is a time of harvest, of gathering together. For nature, it is a time of sowing, of scattering abroad. Edwin Way Teale

The season for enjoying the fullness of life - partaking of the harvest, sharing the harvest with others, and reinvesting and saving portions of the harvest for yet another season of growth.

Denis Waitley

Fraternally  
Wes Brown  
Exalted Ruler



## ATTENTION MEMBERS:

The House Committee has reimplemented the Dress Code for our Lodge (See Page 8). Please note the new CYO Dress Code: after 5:30 PM all men must be wearing a collared shirt to gain access into the Lodge or remain in the Lodge.

And, per Statute: Any Member not in good standing may not use any of the Lodge facilities, including RV, weight room, showers, etc. until they are a Member in good standing again.

*All American Lodge*

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### CRYING TOWEL

**August 5**

Perry Lotta	\$500
Victor Franco	\$500
Charles T. Weber	\$500

**August 12**

Trinidad Ramos	\$500
William Wineman	\$500
Skyler Funkhouser	\$500

**August 19**

Jack Garvin	\$500
Ralph Lopez	\$500
Larry Rodriguez III	\$500

**August 26**

Adriane Mendez	\$500
Ronald Menane	\$500
Mario Castellanos	\$500

### MAJOR PROJECT PURPLE PIG DONATION

Gary Rayburn	Dirk Echols
Mike Barnes	Faith Reynolds
Stacey Downing	John Gilham
Greg Sturgeon	Joseph Ponce
Cathy Downing	John Castiglione
Keith King	Santa Maria Elks
Tim Reynolds	1538 Bar

### GREETERS

Luis Arellano	10/1/21 to 11/07/21
Bob Lopez	10/8/21 to 10/14/21
Vern Guerrero	10/15/21 to 10/21/21
Efrain Bautista	10/22/21 to 10/28/21
Luis Arellano	10/29/21 to 11/4/21

### MEMBERS!

On-Line membership Applications are available by visiting Elks.org website.



## HELLO ELKS!

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the Rodeo. Looking forward to October and building our Veterans Committee. Our plan is to create several sub committees or teams to increase our ability to be flexible and available for future endeavors. Please contact the Lodge office if you are interested in joining our committee. We can always use your expertise and knowledge to make our committee better.

Happy birthday to the United States Navy! The Continental Congress established a naval force on October 13, 1775.

To implement real change, to push people to accomplish something complex or difficult, you cannot make people do these things. You must lead them!

Prayers for good health and positivity.

Timothy Reynolds  
 Veterans Committee Chairman

"AS LONG AS THERE ARE  
 VETERANS, THE BENEVOLENT  
 AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS  
 WILL NEVER FORGET THEM."



## TOURING ELKS

**SANTA MARIA VALLEY "TOYS FOR TOTS" BIKE RUN**

**WANTED: A FEW BIG HEARTS**

It's that time of year again - time to begin thinking about the many children in our community who will pass the Holidays without the simple joy of opening even one gift and how we can make it possible. We had approximately 4,000 children to provide for in 2019 and expect to meet or exceed that number in 2021.

The Santa Maria Touring Elks are proud to announce that we will once again partner with the Marine Corps Reserve to make a difference in 2021. And, with our community's support we can put a smile on the faces of many "children". The Fifteenth Annual "Santa Maria Valley Bike Run" benefiting "Toys For Tots" will be held on Sunday, November 14th.

Raffle items play a large part in our fundraiser. Therefore, we are asking if you would like to be a part of this event by donating a gift certificate or item from your place of business to be used as a raffle item. Prior year events have been a great success and our goal is to continue with this success. Your contribution can be a part of this "success" and will be greatly appreciated!

We are also seeking Event Sponsors (tax deductible) to assist us in holding this "Toys For Tots" motorcycle event. Proceeds are utilized in our local community. The sponsorship options we offer are:



- \$1,000 and Up – Logo\* printed on t-shirt, banner and poster.
- \$500 – Logo\* printed on t-shirt, banner and poster.
- \$250 – Logo\* printed on t-shirt and banner.
- \$100 – Name (business or personal) printed on t-shirt and banner.

\* Logo size increases with level of sponsorship. If you would like a t-shirt, please provide us with your t-shirt size at time of sponsorship.

We appreciate your time and consideration and hope you will choose to support our efforts. You may mail your sponsorship check to the address shown below, or call and we will be happy to stop by to pick it up (checks should be made payable to "SMV Bike Run"). All proceeds will benefit Toys For Tots, a non-profit organization.

Please do not hesitate to call or e-mail if you have any questions. We thank you, in advance, for your time and consideration.

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 Phone: 805-260-5180  
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 Facebook: facebook.com/SMVBikeRun/  
 Website: www.toysfortots.org

# CHARITY LEADING KNIGHT

*Matt Rodriguez*



Members,  
Again, we are that time of year where the season changes and we start gathering wood for the fire and putting the extra jacket in the car. We have now

gone through six months of our Elk year, and it has been a good ride thus far. Our Members throughout the years have shown that Santa Maria is the place to make things happen; we are continuing to show it. On one Thursday night we asked for donations for the flood victims of Tennessee and mentioned that the Lodge would match what we gathered. We had set a goal of \$1,538 that we would like to receive from the Members. To my surprise we raised that amount in one evening--this is what I like about our Members who step up when asked. So, the Lodge is going to match that, and we will send a total of \$3,076 to the Waverly Lodge to help with their efforts to help the flood victims. Excellent job and thank you for your support.

We are in October of an untraditional and uncertain year. We have had some complex decisions to make. As a director of Elks Recreation, the Elks Rec Board had one of the most difficult decisions to make: are we going to have a Rodeo? Safety was the number one thought in the process as we constantly monitored mandates and recommendations from state and local governments. Even know the gearing up process had started, the final decision to proceed was made only about a month before the actual start date. That next day we put it into overdrive and moved forward to get it done, always adjusting as needed to keep the safety recommendations in the forefront of it all.

We did it, another great Rodeo in the books! It is a very satisfying feeling to be part of this. When I speak to people behind the scenes and they tell me that they are so grateful with our hospitality and always happy to come to Santa Maria, this I believe is what keeps us motivated. It takes lots of time and effort from all our volunteers involved to keep them coming back to Santa Maria, so thank you.

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# JUSTICE LOYAL KNIGHT

*Aaron Castellanos*



Members,  
Last month we were all able to enjoy yet another successful Rodeo and Parade thanks to every single volunteer that unselfishly gave their sweat, blood and

tears to achieve this. Elks Rec had to navigate through many factors in doing so: ranging from agreeing on a logistic schedule to working with county public health officials and the ever-changing restrictions. These were not as easy as penciling in a weekend and setting up sanitation stations and posters. The goal they set forth to achieve was not to only provide the Santa Maria tradition of rodeo, an event we all look forward each year, but to do so with public safety at the forefront.

This years' event had a very distinctive theme... Patriotism and the love and pride in our country. This has of course always gone hand in hand with rodeo yet this year was special. Throughout the grounds one would find it difficult to not be in proximity of the symbol of our nation... The American Flag. From lining the grandstands to seeing at least one at every table. This was something I had not seen in abundance since the fall of 2001 when we were in a much different situation. One could not feel more prouder of such a sight and feel the collective love and patriotism in the stands, something I wish to continue to see and feel each year.

We also witnessed the good heart and giving nature of our community at every charity fundraiser. The record breaking fundraising the queen candidates achieved throughout this campaign, as well as the amount raised by our Santa Maria Golden Circle of Champions, was very indicative of the love and support our community continues to give us year after year.

Let us remember the joy, laughter and every inspirational experience we all share until we can unite once more next year... it will be pretty hard to outdo ourselves but then again, Team Santa Maria will always come through... cuz we ARE #SantaMariaStrong.

As always...Be safe, be careful and take care. And I hope to see all of you at lodge... (every Thursday night 7:30pm)  
Fraternally, Aaron Castellanos  
Esteemed Loyal Knight  
#1538Strong

# BROTHERLY LOVE LECTURING KNIGHT

*Steve Jones*



Following up on my last article regarding Cook Your Own and general Lodge etiquette, the most important thing you need to know is that on any Friday night, aside from the bar

staff, we only have 2 - 3 paid employees in the whole building, and they all work in the kitchen. Everyone else "working" is just an Elks volunteer. This includes the tickets sellers, the greeters, the meat crew, the salad bar team, and the barbecue pit crew.

What we do not have anywhere in the Lodge are busboys, table cleaners, glass/bottle pickers. This applies to the dining room as well as the bars. We rely on all Members to clean up after themselves and to inform their guests to do the same. So, I am asking in the nicest way possible, please clean up after yourselves whenever you are in the Lodge and kindly inform any new Members or guests of this simple rule. Here are just a few other rules and traditions do we have:

Ladies First - We are all about courtesy and respect. When men walk through the door, we expect them to open the door and allow any lady to enter the Lodge before they do.

Collared Shirts - We require all men to wear a collared shirt after 5:30 on Friday nights. We are not a fancy place, but we also do not want to be a tank top and flip-flop place on Friday nights either.

Hats - We ask all men to remove their hats while eating. This used to be a common courtesy that was never questioned, and we like to keep tradition alive and show respect. We remove our hats during meals, in Lodge, when we pray, and when the National Anthem is played, etc.

The Eleven O'Clock Toast - With Elks, the hour of 11 has a tender significance. We take a short minute to remember all our Absent Members. Remove your hat, remain silent, listen to the Toast, and remember those who may come no more. To Our Absent Members!

Fraternally,  
Steve Jones  
Esteemed Lecturing Knight  
SteveJones1538@gmail.com



## TRAVELEERS

Not every "outing" that the Elks Travelers conduct is a campout, as was the case with

this year's August event being held in the backyard of Joyce and Richard Chrisman's home in Nipomo.

In 2019, due to our inability to find a reasonably close RV park with enough spaces to accommodate our large group, the Travelers decided to not schedule a campout for August that year. But we still had business to conduct and needed to discuss our plans for future outings. Fortunately, our Members Joyce and Richard Chrisman offered their back yard to us so we could hold the monthly business meeting. Then, in 2020 with COVID raging across the region, nearly all the RV parks were closed, including the one we had reserved for our August campout that year. So once again we met at the Chrisman's backyard to conduct our business meeting – this time also holding our collection for ENF and a raffle. Since this arrangement worked out so well, we decided to continue holding our August gatherings locally for both a break in our usual routine, and to continue to enjoy our usual camaraderie.

This year's "backyard outing" had a much larger number of Members participating (48), all sitting under canopies in the open air to ensure the CDC's distancing recommendations for conducting the club's



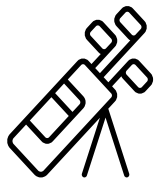
business (see photo). During the meeting, our newest Members and guests were introduced – Larry and Cheri Imoe, Kirk and Gail Murdock, and David and Delia Garnett. The 50/50 fundraiser conducted at the Lodge on August 13th raised over \$500 - enough to enable us to purchase 57 backpacks stocked with school supplies to deliver to local schools for their needy students. Norm McDonald requested a donation for the purchase of a new and larger chainsaw for the Wood Crew, and the Travelers responded by making a donation of \$500. Our traditional champagne toast was hosted by Lucy and Steve Fetzco in honor of Steve's birthday – thank you Fetzco for the supplying the champagne. Richard's golden retriever, Daisy, took advantage of an opportunity to sample champagne that had been "temporarily" left on the ground. Richard reported that Daisy showed no signs of a hangover.

As always, if any Member of our Lodge would like an invite to join us for one of our campouts and see what we are all about, simply contact our Membership Chair, Lucy Fetzco (lkfetzco@gmail.com).

### Upcoming Campouts:

- October 28 – 31  
Valencia Travel Village, Valencia
- November 15 – 18  
Morrow Dunes RV Park, Morro Bay

Alan Munch  
Travelers News Contributor



## SANTA MARIA ELKS GOLF CLUB

In August the Elks Golf Club played the River Course @ Alisal in Solvang. Our players were up to the challenge with Jessie Borrego shooting the low round of the day with a solid 79 followed by Mike Jefferis with an 80. In the low net competition Billy Brooks had the lowest net score with a 66 and Steve Clark held off Chuck Scheithauer in a card off for 2nd low net with a 69. On the tough #9 Dean Reece claimed the reward with a shot of 8'10". Number 17 is a daunting short hole of 101 yards with water in front and behind the green proving no problem for Jay Geenstein with a shot of 7'5"

Our format for the event was a 4-person 2 best ball competition. The team of Mike Jefferis, Chuck Scheithauer, Mike Elliott, and Gary Crompt walked away from their fellow competitors with a fabulous 31 under 113 score. The 2nd and 3rd place ended in a tie

with a score of 22 under 122 which required a card off. The team of Dan Troup, Jim Ford, Steve Salazar, and Billy Brooks claimed 2nd place by having a lower back nine score. Having been beaten by the card off the team of Danny Landrum, Steve Clark, Mick Towle, and Trinidad Martinez took 3rd. Getting into the money for 4th place with a score of 16 under 128 was the team of Fred Olson, Sandy Landrum, Terri Zubiri, and Ed Hillier.

We then went to La Purisma in September to battle an always windy and tough course.

### Upcoming Events:

- October 20 – Santa Maria CC
- November 9 – Cypress Ridge
- December 6 – Lompoc, the Mission Course

If you are interested in playing with us contact Fernie Tarango at ftarango@sbcglobal.net.



Santa Maria  
**POLICE COUNCIL**



Santa Maria  
Elks #1538

**KIRK & SIMAS**  
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We are partnering to raise funds to provide our Santa Maria Police Departments K-9's with much needed protective vests and other needs. Rowdi and Kobi would appreciate your SUPPORT.



When: October 1st, 2021 Starts at 5:00 PM

Where: Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538

Friday Night Cook Your Own

There will be a raffle and auction items



"Rowdi" and or "Kobi" will be in attendance if available.

**Please come down to enjoy the famous Cook Your Own and support our local K-9's.**

If you are unable to attend but would like to donate, please mail or stop by the Elks Lodge Office (Monday thru Friday).

**Make your checks out to Santa Maria Police Council Attn. K-9 units**

**1309 N. Bradley Rd, Santa Maria, CA. 93454**



**COME JOIN THE FUN**

**ELKS LODGE 1538 CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY**

**WED OCT 27TH 5:30-8:30**

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P: 909.226.4562 E: dawnettecress@msn.com

**ELKS SWAP MEET**

October 3rd  
7am - 2pm

**Proceeds to Benefit**  
Golden Circle of Champions

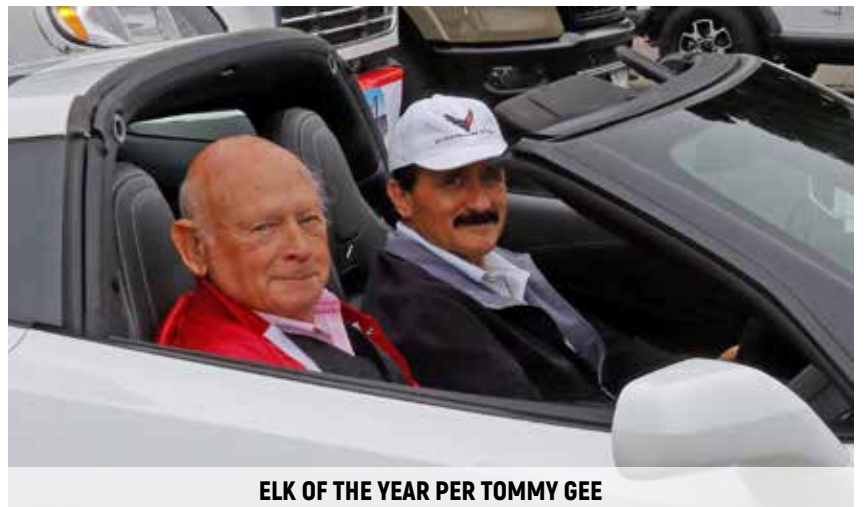
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# ELKS RODEO PARADE





**CHEA PRESIDENT JAY LARKINS & 1ST LADY GINGER**



**ELK OF THE YEAR PER TOMMY GEE**



**ELKS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR CLIFFORD LABASTIDA**



# ELKS RODEO











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## FOOD BANK

First, meet "Food Bank" the pup with her new mother, Frances. Her name is Food Bank because a couple of months ago Frances was taking information from a lady in the line who said this little girl just jumped into her car, so she was taking her to the animal shelter. Well Frances wasn't having any of that and offered to take the dog and see if she was chipped. Frances and Food Bank immediately fell in love and as she was not chipped, and no one responded to any of the "Lost Dog Postings", Frances will have a furry reminder of #1538's 17 month-and-counting food distribution in our parking lot on Thursday mornings.

As of August 26th, Team Santa Maria volunteers and officers have distributed 1,102,881 pounds of food, 42,786 bags to 60,179 individuals (21,435 families). Beginning in September we were able to transition from a weekly distribution to a monthly distribution on the last Thursday of each month until the need is over. Many good things came out of this commitment to the community, not least of all #1538's new mascot - little miss Food Bank.



### Loyal Knight continued from p. 3

I do want to especially thank Scott Parsons, Joey Silva, Jeff Ward, Mason Silva (who all are Elk members) and Randy Shepard: these men are out there all year round helping to make all of Elks Rec events a success. Their individual talents always seem to come together to make things happen; this team is one of the main reasons why we can put on a great Rodeo.

Another motivating part of the Rodeo team is a woman who works like the energizer bunny, Anna Sorenson, who has for years put in countless hours. I do not know how she does it. Tina, AnnMarie and the rest of the Elks Rec staff continue to kick the hurdles out of the way to get where we need to be. This is not an easy task, to say the least. Please show your appreciation to these volunteers and all who helped: the words "it was a great Rodeo" go a long way.

We now have had a little break from Rodeo take-down and clean-up and are currently gearing up for Haunted Hills. This was a major event last year and has more support this year. Events like Rodeo, Haunted Hills and Christmas in the Country are needed in our community, so get involved.

Matt Rodriguez  
Esteemed Leading Knight, COB

## BROTHER AND SISTER ELKS, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Honor Flight Central Coast California is looking for all "WWII", "Korean", "Vietnam" and Other Veterans to complete applications for their all-expense paid 3-day "Tour of Honor" trip to Washington, DC to see their Monuments or to support a Veteran by being their Guardian on a once in a lifetime flight, at your own expense.

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For details go to [www.HonorFlightCCC.org](http://www.HonorFlightCCC.org) or contact Santa Maria Elk and Santa Barbara County Liaison Jay A. Conner, Army Veteran 1966-1968

**(805) 550-6305**

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## In Memoriam

"TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS"

**AN ELK IS NEVER FORGOTTEN,  
NEVER FORSAKEN.**

**# 10379**

**Jerry Weatherly**

BORN: April 16, 1944

INITIATED: July 13, 1989

DIED: August 12, 2021

**# 12559**

**Ivan Brough**

BORN: November 23, 1944

INITIATED: September 21, 2000

DIED: July 29, 2021

**# 10153**

**Terry Torres**

BORN: March 19, 1955

INITIATED: September 29, 1988

DIED: August 18 2021

# SUPER SUNDAY BINGO

**SANTA MARIA ELKS' LODGE #1538**  
 1309 North Bradley Road, Santa Maria, California

**SUNDAY, OCT 10, 2021**  
**26 GAMES PAY UP TO \$250**

**Doors Open 10:00 a.m. • Warm-ups: 12:00 Noon • Early Birds: 12:30 p.m. • Games Start: 1:00 p.m.**  
**BENEFIT LOCAL CHARITIES • DONATION: \$20.00 PER PERSON**

*Note: Every player must purchase first \$20.00 packet.*

<b>Warm-Ups</b>			
		3 SHEETS - \$2.00	
PURPLE	1.	3 BINGOS, 1 <sup>ST</sup> & 2 <sup>ND</sup> # FREE	\$250.00
ORANGE	2.	2 REGULAR BINGOS	\$250.00

<b>Early Birds</b>			
RED	3.	BLOCK OF NINE (ANYWHERE)	\$250.00
WHITE	4.	RENO 2 BINGOS	\$250.00
BLUE	5.	2 REGULAR POSTAGE STAMPS (ANYWHERE)	\$250.00

**6 MINUTE BREAK**

**6. DOUBLE ACTION** \$2.00 per sheet **\$250.00**

<b>Regular Pack Games (6 on card)</b>			
BLUE	7.	LETTER X	\$250.00
ORANGE	8.	2 HARD WAY	\$250.00
GREEN	9.	TWO CARD BINGO	\$250.00
YELLOW	10.	3 REGULAR BINGOS	\$250.00
PINK	11.	2 POSTAGE STAMPS-(ANYWHERE)	\$250.00
GREY	12.	CRAZY STAMP AND A LINE	\$250.00

**6 MINUTE BREAK**

<b>Specials (3 on cards)</b>			
GREEN	13.	CRAZY STAMP & A LINE	\$250.00
PURPLE	14.	RENO 3 BINGOS	\$250.00
ORANGE	15.	BLOCK OF 6 – NO FREE SPACE	\$250.00
BLUE	16.	2 HARD WAY BINGOS	\$250.00
RED	17.	RENO 3 BINGOS, 1 <sup>ST</sup> & 2 <sup>ND</sup> # FREE	\$250.00
YELLOW	18.	2 REGULAR BINGOS	\$250.00

**19. SPEED BALL COVERALL** **\$250.00**

**INTERMISSION & DOOR PRIZES**

**20. DOUBLE ACTION** \$2.00 per sheet **\$250.00**

<b>Regular Pack Games (6 on card)</b>			
OLIVE	21.	BLOCK OF NINE	\$250.00
BROWN	22.	2 REGULAR BINGOS	\$250.00

**23. BONANZA GAME** \$1 each or 7/\$5.00 **\$250.00**

<b>Regular Pack Games (6 on card)</b>			
RED	24.	SIX PACK – NO FREE SPACE	\$250.00
PURPLE	25.	3 REGULAR BINGOS	\$250.00
BLACK	26.	1 HORIZONTAL & 1 VERTICAL BINGO	\$250.00

<b>Early Bird Packs</b>	
<b>1 PACK</b> .....	<b>\$4.00</b>
<b>2 PACKS</b> .....	<b>\$6.00</b>
<b>4 PACKS</b> .....	<b>\$8.00</b>
<i>ADD'L PACKS \$2.00 EA. (AFTER PURCHASE OF E.B. 4 PACK)</i>	

<b>11 Games (6 Cards per sheet) Regular Game Packs</b>	
<b>FIRST PACK</b> .....	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>(2<sup>ND</sup>) PACK</b> .....	<b>\$5.00</b>
<b>(3<sup>RD</sup>) PACK</b> .....	<b>\$5.00</b>
<b>(4<sup>TH</sup>) PACK</b> .....	<b>FREE</b>
<b>ADDITIONAL PACK</b> .....	<b>\$4.00</b>

<b>6 Games, 3 Ons Specials Pack</b>	
<b>1 PACK</b> .....	<b>\$6.00</b>
<b>2 PACKS</b> .....	<b>\$9.00</b>
<b>4 PACKS</b> .....	<b>\$12.00</b>
<i>ADD'L PACKS \$2.00 EA. (AFTER PURCHASE OF SPECIAL 4 PACK)</i>	

**SPECIAL DOOR PRIZES**

**Two players can win 6 month's**  
 (26 CONSECUTIVE WEEKS)  
 See Bingo Chairman for additional rules & explanations

**PLAY BINGO PLAY**  
**\$1,352.00 VALUE/each**

— **DOOR PRIZES** —  
**\$200**

**FREE BINGO FOR ONE MONTH**  
**SUPER PACK \$180.00**

V.I.P. FOR TWO  
 FOR TUESDAY 10/12/21 - \$115 VALUE

kitchen will be open and a menu will be available

**Thank You For Your Continued Patronage**

*kitchen will be open and a menu will be available*



# LODGE ACTIVITIES



*Lodge Secretary Phil Daughton presents a certificate from the Grand Exalted Ruler to Loyal Knight Aaron Castellanos for recruiting 6 new Members.*



*Lodge Secretary Phil Daughton presents a certificate from the Grand Exalted Ruler to Chaplain Chris Wilson for recruiting 3 new members.*



*Lodge Chaplain Chris Wilson presents a certificate for a dinner to Frances Brawner for all that she has done for the Lodge*

## RODEO ROUNDUP

Howdy Folks,

Your Santa Maria Elks Rodeo was a smashing success! Beginning with Thursday' Night's performance it was met with a very enthusiastic crowd. Opening ceremonies were excellent all weekend, starting with Kent Lane's final appearances skydiving with Old Glory, after which 13 Flags representing those in Afghanistan who lost their lives defending our Country. As the tears began to flow, Madison MacDonald entered, standing on her horse, with Old Glory stretched out in front of her and fireworks shooting out of the flag staff. It was sure a sight to see. There wasn't a dry eye in the house. Friday night's performance was highlighted by the crowning of Avery Nelson representing St. Joseph's High School raising over \$550,000. Not far behind her was Faith Totorica who raised over \$320,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Santa Maria Noontime. Chloe LaMaire, representing United Way of North Santa Barbara County and Isabelle Gamino representing Guadalupe Kiwanis Club rounded out the contest and with all their efforts combined the Queen and her Court raised a combined total of \$1,009,500 for a record-breaking year! Our Rodeo Announcer, Bob Tallman stated that he is not aware of any other PRCA Rodeo in the United States that has raised as much as these four young ladies. We are all extremely proud of what they have achieved for our community!

I recognize that the success of our rodeo would not be possible without the tireless efforts of all our volunteers, the rodeo staff, the media, our sponsors, and all those who have had a hand in

making this a successful program. A special thanks goes to our Chief Operating Officer, Tina Tonascia. She has a special talent in knowing what it takes to put on a high-quality performance, whether its Professional Rodeo, Haunted Hills or Christmas in the Country. Next time you see her, please give her a tip of the Resistol and thank her for all the long hours and hard work that she puts in to making our events an exceptional experience for us all.

With Rodeo in the rearview mirror our focus is now on Haunted Hills. Last year was our test run and it was received with overwhelming success. This year we added to our Team who bring with them lots of experience in event planning with Halloween event backgrounds. This year our "Scare actors" will be trained by the best in the industry. For those who really enjoy a good scare, you and your friends can enjoy your experience on a flatbed without the safety of an automobile for protection. We have it all. We have received inquiries literally from across the nation on this event. Tickets are now on sale online at [elksrec.com](http://elksrec.com). Last year's event sold out quickly and with Rodeo behind us we anticipate the same this year!

Again, a sincere THANK YOU to all our Committee Chairman, volunteers, sponsors and staff for what we believe was our best Rodeo yet! We are humbled and proud of all that each of you did to make this year's event a great success!

Peter Sterling, President  
Elks Recreation, Inc.



## ATTENTION ALL #1538 COOKS

We have spent some time at home: understatement! We are hoping that you have made some of your favorite recipes or perhaps dug out some of your Old Family Favorites (OFRs). It has been a while since a committee published a #1538 cookbook, so let's do it! This cookbook is a fundraiser for Honor Flight, a Veterans non-profit organization whose

mission is to safely fly our local elderly Veterans to Washington D.C. to experience the Memorials that we have built in their honor. Just go to: [santamariaelks.org/cookbook](http://santamariaelks.org/cookbook) to submit your recipe or drop it off at the Lodge Office.

## MONDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU

- Oct. 4:** Meatloaf
- Oct. 11:** BBQ Spare Ribs
- Oct. 18:** Chicken Fried Steak
- Oct. 25:** BBQ ½ Chickens

### THE BAND LIST FOR CYO FRIDAY IS,

- Oct. 1 :** Sound Investment
- Oct. 8:** That's What She Says Band
- Oct. 15:** Soul Kool Band
- Oct. 22:** Ron Miller's "Gun Metal Gray Band"
- Oct. 29:** the Brass Factory Group

## DRESS CODE IN EFFECT FOR ELKS CASUAL FUNCTIONS AND CYO FRIDAYS

Elks Lodge 1538 is a flagship among Elk Lodges and not just another "Bar or Club." As such we have a Dress Code. Most times it is casual and allows more casual wear: Long shorts, like Bermuda and cargo style shorts are acceptable after 6 pm – except long pants & collared shirts required at Thursday Lodge Night.

- Please no mid-thigh, cutoffs, short-shorts, or torn/frayed wear.
- Please wear all pants at your waist, not below! And no "Plumber Pants!"
- No Sweat Suits or Beach Apparel – No Flip Flops (rubber style shower shoes) – Sandals okay
- For Ladies: No Inappropriate tops – No dresses shorter than mid thigh
- For Men: No muscle shirts – No T-shirts or caps with vulgar or inappropriate slogans – No gang attire. Gentleman, wear pants at the waist, not below! Hats should be worn properly, not backwards or sideways, and please remove hats when sitting at the table to eat.

### CYO (Cook Your Own) Fridays:

**AFTER 5:30 pm ALL Men must wear Collared Shirts. (Effective August 1, 2021)**

Our Greeters, Staff, and Officers do not wish to embarrass or upset any Member or guest, so please do not put them in that position. We will ask you to leave to change. Members are responsible for informing all guests of the dress code! Members may bring up to 8 guests.

**All persons attending Friday Night CYO must be over 21 years of age.**

These rules will be updated as needed and are at the discretion of the Greeters, Staff, or Officer in Charge the day of the event.

**Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538  
ADULT HALLOWEEN  
PARTY 2021**  
Saturday October 30th 2021 7:PM- 1:00AM

**Taco Bar**  
Included with Ticket  
7:30pm - 10:00pm

**Member \$30.00**  
**Non-Members \$35.00**

Members may purchase up to 6 tickets  
 \*\*All guest must be accompanied by a member\*\*  
 \*\*There will be no reserving of tables\*\*  
 \*\*Vulgar costumes will not be permitted\*\*  
 \*\*No weapons or sharp objects\*\*

**Tickets on sale Sep 15th**

No tickets will be sold at the door. PRE sale only. Tickets will only be available at the office.

**Contest categories**  
**Scariest**  
**Best Couple**  
**Best Group**  
**Laziest**  
**Punniest**  
**Most Creative**  
**Funniest**

**Music By Steppin Out**  
 This Event Hosted By Our "Chaplain" Chris Wilson

## MEMBERS!

You can pay your Dues by phone with your credit or debit card. Call the Office at (805) 922-1538.



## DAVID MARTIN

### 2021-2022 DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND EXALTED RULER WEST CENTRAL COAST DISTRICT

David was born in Sacramento and when he was young, his family moved to the Atascadero/Templeton area. When David was fourteen years old, he started working at a racing quarter horse ranch in Atascadero. Forty four years later, he is the General Manager of the same and much larger ranch. His spouse of thirty-seven years, Jackie is the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services for Atascadero Unified School District and is also a Member of the Atascadero Elks Lodge. They have three children and four grandchildren. In his spare time, David enjoys being outdoors with family and friends.

David joined Atascadero Lodge #2733 in September 2008, elected Lecturing Knight in April 2009, progressed through the chairs becoming Exalted Ruler in 2012/13, repeating Exalted Ruler in 2015/16. David has also served as Lodge Esquire (twice) and Inner Guard. He is currently serving as 1st year Trustee. David has served his Lodge as Chairman for Drug Awareness, Membership/Retention, PER Association, and as the Ritual Coach for the past five years. David was chosen as 2010/11 Officer of the Year and was awarded GER's Special Citation in 2010/11, GER's Outstanding Service Commendations in 2010/11 and 2014/15.

For the West Central Coast District #1240, David served as District Membership/Retention Vice Chairman for two years and as the Chairman for three. He served as Ritual Word Judge in 2018, 2019, and 2021 District contests. David served as Esquire to the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Terry Gicking in 2019/20. In 2019, David was elected to serve the West Central Coast District as Association Vice President under CHEA President Tim Jaeger. In 2020, David was asked to serve again as Association Vice President due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In 2021, David was nominated and elected to represent the District as the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler. David looks forward to representing our Grand Exalted Ruler, conducting visitations, and assisting the West Central Coast District Lodges.





## KEITH MILLS

**GRAND EXALTED RULER 2021-2022**  
**"MEETING THE CHALLENGE"**

Keith Mills was born on October 17, 1968 in Twin Falls, Idaho. High school was spent in the neighboring town of Filer where Keith participated in almost every sport; football, basketball, track, and rodeo, graduating in 1987. Keith received an appointment to West Point for academics and football. An injury sent him home in 1989 where he attended the College of Southern Idaho and met Amy Jane Rutherford (his best friend and true love) where they both received their Associates Degrees. They were married in 1990 and Keith transferred to University of Idaho earning a Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering. After college his career began at Applied Materials where he worked for more than 10 years in the Semiconductor Industry with extensive travel in the United States, Asia and Europe.

Keith returned to Twin Falls to be with family where he owned and operated several construction and trucking companies. Keith currently works as the Director for a County Highway District. Growing up on a farm, Keith developed a strong work ethic and as he grew older, the value of a hard day's work. His family farmed 350 acres and operated a Custom Farming business. They also raised prize winning Duroc hogs for breeding which Keith showed in 4-H and FFA, as well as sold as breeding stock across the United States.

In 1990, Keith was proposed for Membership by his father and initiated as a Member of the Twin Falls, Idaho Elks Lodge #1183. Upon graduation, they moved to Nampa, just down the street from his brother Devon. With Devon already an Elks Member, Keith transferred his Membership to Caldwell Lodge #1448. Keith was Tiler for the Twin Falls Lodge for two years before leaving for college, then upon his

transfer to Caldwell in 1994, was appointed Inner Guard in 1995 and progressed through the Chairs, serving as Exalted Ruler 2001-2002. He then served the next five years on the Board of Trustees, with the last as Chairman. Keith was a member of five Idaho State Champion Ritual teams, each competing at Grand Lodge. He is excellent at performing the ritual and is a six-time State All-American. In 2008, he was voted Caldwell's "Elk of the Year," as well as Idaho State's "Elk of the Year." Keith has the distinguished honor of being the first-ever to be elected to Honorary Life Membership in Caldwell Lodge.

Keith served three years as Idaho Vice President South, subsequently serving as Idaho State President in 2006-2007. The next six years were on the Idaho State Major Project: the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Hospital Board with the last two years as Chairman. In 2016, he was inducted in the "Idaho Elks Hall of Honor." He continues to serve the Idaho State Association and is on the Advisory Committee with the Past State Presidents.

Keith's service to the Grand Lodge has included two terms as District Deputy for Idaho South District and then served six years as a Special Representative for various Lodges in Idaho. During this time, Keith also served as Idaho State Hoop Shoot Chairman for 18 years and Northwest Regional Director from 2011 to 2016. He was appointed Senior Special Representative for Idaho and Oregon in 2019 and continues to serve in both positions.

At the 2016 Grand Lodge Convention, Keith was elected to a four-year term on the Board of Grand Trustees, subsequently serving as Building Applications-West Member, Approving Member, Secretary, and most recently as Chairman. In 2020, he was appointed Oregon Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler.

Keith, and his wife of 31 years Amy, have truly enjoyed being with their children and the passion Keith has for our Fraternal Order is shown by his enthusiasm, commitment, and devotion.





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2021-2022 OFFICERS**

Exalted Ruler ..... Wes Brown PER  
 Esteemed Leading Knight ..... Matt Rodriguez CoB  
 Esteemed Loyal Knight ..... Aaron Castellanos  
 Esteemed Lecturing Knight ..... Steve Jones  
 Secretary ..... Phil Daughton, PER, PAVP  
 Treasurer ..... Chuck Biely  
 Esquire ..... Jamie Scherrer  
 Chaplain ..... Chris Wilson  
 Inner Guard ..... Bob Lewis  
 Tiler ..... Tony Dart, PER  
 Organist ..... Bryan Feldpouch, PER  
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 4 Year Trustee ..... Tony Campas PER  
 5 Year Trustee ..... Jim Elkins

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# OCTOBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Football is HERE!!</b> <b>Sunday NFL Package with ALL Games</b>		<b>Elks Bowling Every Tuesday</b> <b>Rancho Bowl 6:30pm</b>			1 <b>CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:15 - 8:00pm</b> <b>Dance to Sound Investment</b>	2 <b>Bar and Lounge Open 11am - 9pm</b>
3 <b>Swap Meet 7am - 2pm (p. 5)</b> <b>Bar and lounge 10 am – 9 pm</b>	4 <b>Grab'n Go 5:15</b> <b>Family Night Dinner 5:30 – 7:00 pm</b> <b>Meatloaf</b> <b>House Committee 6:30 pm</b>	5 <b>Pub Grub 5:30-7:00pm</b> <b>Bingo 6pm</b>	6	7 <b>Lodge 7:30pm</b> <b>Elks Horn articles due</b>	8 <b>CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:15 - 8:00pm</b> <b>Dance to That's What She Says</b>	9 <b>Bar and Lounge Open 11am - 9pm</b>
10 <b>Super Bingo Doors Open 10 am (See p.12)</b> <b>Bar and lounge 10 am – 9 pm</b>	11 <b>Grab'n Go 5:15</b> <b>Family Night Dinner 5:30 – 7:00 pm</b> <b>BBQ Spare Ribs</b>	12 <b>Pub Grub 5:30-7:00pm</b> <b>Bingo 6pm</b> <b>PER Meeting 7 pm</b>	13 <b>Orientation 6:30 pm</b>	14 <b>Lodge 7:30pm</b> <b>Initiation</b>	15 <b>CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:15 - 8:00pm</b> <b>Dance to Soul Cool</b>	16 <b>Adopt-A-Highway 8:00pm</b> <b>Bar and Lounge Open 11am - 9pm</b>
17 <b>Bar and lounge 10 am – 9 pm</b>	18 <b>Grab'n Go 5:15</b> <b>Family Night Dinner 5:30 – 7:00 pm</b> <b>Chicken Fried Steak</b>	19 <b>Pub Grub 5:30-7:00pm</b> <b>Bingo 6pm</b>	20	21 <b>Lodge 7:30pm</b>	22 <b>CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:15 - 8:00pm</b> <b>Dance to Ron Miller's Gun Metal Gray</b>	23 <b>Bar and Lounge Open 11am - 9pm</b>
24 <b>Bar and lounge 10 am – 9 pm</b>	25 <b>Grab'n Go 5:15</b> <b>Family Night Dinner 5:30 – 7:00 pm</b> <b>BBQ 1/2 Chicken</b>	26 <b>Pub Grub 5:30-7:00pm</b> <b>Bingo 6pm</b> <b>Investigations 6:30pm</b> <b>Sportsmen 7:00pm</b> <b>Touring Elks 7:30pm</b>	27 <b>Children's Halloween Party (See p.5)</b>	28 <b>Lodge 7:30pm</b>	29 <b>CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:15 - 8:00pm</b> <b>Dance to The Brass Factory</b>	30 <b>Bar and Lounge Open 11am - 9pm</b> <b>Adult Halloween Party (See p.14)</b>

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