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WES BROWN, EXALTED RULER

SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

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**EXALTED RULER**

*Wes Brown*

Members,

As we approach the end of this Elk year and reflect back it reminds us that much has been accomplished while much was taken away. There can be no doubt that our Lodge made the best of difficult circumstances. Our House Committee and their spouses refused to go down without a fight. Together with John Maretti, the Club Manager, Danny Estrada, our Kitchen Manager, our employees, and many generous volunteers, they navigated the constantly changing Health Orders to ensure we did all we could for our Members and for our community. Monday Night Dinners and Friday night Cook Your Own meals became Grab and Go Drive-Through meals. Tuesday Pub Grub was reimagined, and Sunday Breakfast was added to the calendar. When we couldn't open indoors, we rediscovered the patio and enjoyed our beautiful summer weather. The weather changed, so now a new 2250 square foot tent with lighting and heating, covers most of the patio to make it more comfortable year-round and available for special occasions when permissible. Our Lodge Secretary, Phil Daughton, made sure we applied for every Elks National Foundation grant to support local organizations during these difficult times. These grants allowed us to make generous donations to the Santa Barbara County FoodBank, to CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), and to the Good Samaritan Homeless Shelter. Under normal business conditions building projects can be challenging to complete. This year we were able to take advantage of the circumstances to get building projects, some



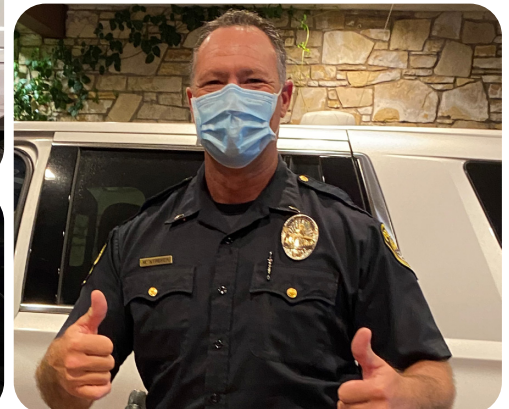
**TOYS FOR TOTS**

*Santa Maria Elks hold Toys for Tots Drive-Thru in conjunction with Friday 12/11 and Monday 12/14 Grab and Go dinners during the month of December. Unwrapped toys were collected to give to the local chapter of Toys For Tots.*



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**Santa Maria Lodge donates extra Grab and Go dinners to 1st Responders**

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*All American Lodge*

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**OFFICERS DUTY ROSTER:**

February 5 Loyal Knight  
February 12 Lecturing Knight  
February 19 Secretary  
February 26 Treasurer

**PURPLE PIG DONATIONS**

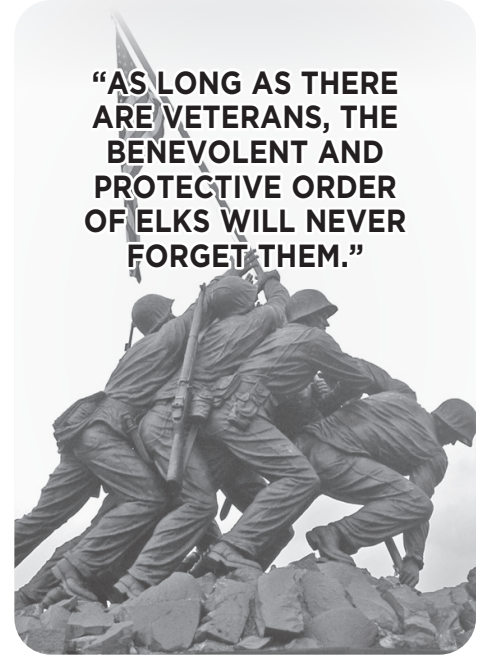
Chuck Biely  
James Grady  
Doug Cofield

**ELKS NATIONAL  
VETERANS SERVICE  
2019-2020 ANNUAL  
REPORT**

**"Meeting the Needs of  
Today's Veterans"**

- 1,019,765 Veterans Served
- 143,056 Elks volunteered 594,834 hours
- 16,764 military members & their families helped through the Army of Hope Program
- 21,660 veterans received on-going support through the Adopt-A-Veteran Program
- 14,000 packs of cards donated through the Elks Playing Cards for Veterans Program
- Monthly, Elks volunteer 155,628 hours to serve 49,106 veterans in 349 facilities
- 1,665 Welcome Home Kits provided to veterans moving into new homes
- 548 veterans safely housed through Elks Emergency Assistance
- 4,837 veterans served through Focus Grants
- Through the Veterans Leather Program: 17,234 hides were donated, 10,620 craft kits distributed, and 3,075 wheelchair gloves donated
- 327 \$2,000 Freedom Grants served 35,871 veterans with 48,033 volunteer hours by 6,430 Elks

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



- 598 Elks National Foundation Grants provided an additional \$1.34 Million to serve veterans and military members in need
- Altogether, 300,479 Elks and friends volunteered 941,498 hours for an in-kind value of \$41,286,657.42 with ENF providing an additional \$3,481,556

**LOOK WHAT'S  
HAPPENING IN**  
*February 2021*

**02/04/2021 - PER NIGHT 7:30 IN TENT**

**02/04/2021 - 1ST ROUND OFFICERS  
NOMINATION 7:30 IN TENT**

**02/11/2021 - 2ND ROUND OFFICERS  
NOMINATION 7:30 IN TENT**

**02/16/2021 - BPOE 153RD BIRTHDAY**

**02/10/2021 - NEW MEMBER APPLICATION  
CUT OFF FOR MARCH CLASS**

**02/17/2021 - NO MORE INCOMING  
TRANSFERS OR GOING OUT TRANSFERS  
TILL AFTER APRIL 2021**

**02/18/2021 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Elks Care –  
Elks Share**

**TENT ASSEMBLY TEAM**



**HOLIDAY BASKETS TEAM**

### CHARITY LEADING KNIGHT

*Peter Oblak*



Members,  
I hope that you are all doing well and staying safe. I am writing one of my last articles for this year which has been, to say the least, a very strange year for all of us.

Officer nominations, and voting is this month. I hope to see a good turnout as the representation of the Membership is important to seat the most qualified people for the next year. Hopefully, we will be able to have ritual competition, conventions, and the events around our Lodge that we are accustomed to participating in.

May this next year bring many new and positive changes to us as individuals, and as a nation of Americans striving to get our Nation back on track.

As always, take care and stay safe, and most importantly, God Bless you all.

Fraternally,  
Peter Oblak  
Esteemed Leading Knight

### JUSTICE LOYAL KNIGHT

*Matt Rodriguez*



Members,  
Welcome to February, we are here in 2021 and still have residual from 2020. I could say last year as an Officer was difficult and stressful, but to me it was

challenging and exciting which keeps me fueled. This officer corps went in directions that no one could foresee, we stepped up and asked what we do to keep Santa Maria #1538 shining. These challenges were new to this Lodge, there was no going back to a previous year to see what they had done. The Membership holds this Lodge to a remarkably high standard and being able to keep it up, by going in directions that other Lodges soon followed, was the goal. We have had some bumps along the way and are continuing to go down that bumpy road. We could not have done this without the Volunteers who have worked alongside of us through this challenging year, we are very thankful for your help.

We are at that time in the Elks year to make the decision of moving forward in the chairs; I know normally this is a given. The decision is a difficult one, this team works well together and for the good of the Lodge we should keep the team together, especially in these times. Some say we should have a do-over because we missed out on a lot of the normal activities. Well, we appreciate the advice, but I feel that moving forward is in the best interest of the Lodge. This team needs to stay motivated and focused on the future, I feel staying in the same position will stall us. I ask no matter what the next Elk year brings in form of the officer corps, that the Members continue to support the officers in their goal of keeping Santa Maria the best Lodge in all Elkdom. This is, and should always be, the main objective for the officers of this Lodge.

As we reopen safely, I am hoping to see the Members return and enjoy the company of their fellow Members.

Fraternally,  
Matt Rodriguez  
Esteemed Loyal knight

### BROTHERLY LOVE LECTURING KNIGHT

*Aaron Castellanos*



Members,  
We all entered this new year filled with hope for a best outcome. Many thought and dreamed that all of the struggles and complexities of the last year would

magically disappear come January 1st at exactly 12:00am. Yet, unfortunately that wasn't so. We are still very much in a constant state of uncertainty and adaption of our everyday activities. The world as we knew it is very different. But throughout it all we have remained optimistic and relentless in our commitment to not let anything defeat us. We have grown stronger in resilience. As a Lodge we become even more united and have been witness to what makes Santa Maria Lodge great... it's our Members; evident by how you have all stood by us. Drive thru dinners have been a tremendous success. Becoming the biggest Food Bank distribution center has been inspiring. Witnessing the good of our Members during our Toys for Tots drive was emotional.

In many ways, whether we feel it or not, a lot of good has happened. Human kindness is overflowing. So, I for one will continue to see the good. I hope that everyone will also. It has been said..."In a World where you can be Anything... Be kind"

As always...Be safe, be careful and take care. And I hope to see all of you at Lodge... Soon.

Fraternally,  
Aaron Castellanos  
Esteemed Lecturing Knight

The Santa Maria Elks would like to thank Fableist Winery in Templeton for their most generous gift of 12 wine barrels that are being used on the patio around and inside the tent. Members, if you find yourself wine tasting up in the Templeton area please stop by the winery, say "Hello", and thank them on behalf of the Lodge. Also, a big "Thank You" to our Member, Robin Bogue (a fine winemaker herself) for finding the wine barrels and delivering them to the Lodge.  
Winery address:  
5036 S El Pomar Rd, Templeton.

**ATTENTION MEMBERS**  
**RE-SURFACING OF THE PARKING LOT NEEDS MEMBERS APPROVAL AT LODGE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 11, 2021**  
The Board of Directors has been waiting until the Solar project was completed to have the parking lot repaired and re-surfaced. From six received bids the Board has chosen one to fix the spots that need new asphalt, slurry seal the entire parking lot with two commercial-grade coats, and then re-striped. This work, necessary to maintain the integrity of the parking lot and as an investment in our property, falls within the Lodge Improvement Fund budget. There will be a vote to approve the bid from Apodaca Paving of \$24,900, plus permit fee, at the Lodge Meeting on February 11, 2021. This project will then require Grand Lodge approval prior to commencement. If you have further questions prior to the meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Lodge Secretary.

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of which have been in the works for years, and time-consuming maintenance jobs finished. Since April 2nd, on Thursday mornings, our parking lot has become a distribution point for the Santa Barbara County FoodBank. Even though Elks Rec could not put on their Rodeo and Parade they refused to let the pandemic cheat the community out of family friendly events. Hence "Haunted Hills" and "Christmas in the Country" came to fruition and were wildly successful. They say necessity is the mother of invention; with your support and encouragement Santa Maria Lodge #1538 proved that to be true.

**Quotes for the month:**

It was the best of times it was the worst of times. - Charles Dickens  
Difficult roads often lead to beautiful destinations. - Anonymous  
Challenges are what make life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful. - Joshua J. Marine

Fraternally,  
Wes Brown  
Exalted Ruler

**ATTENTION MEMBERS**

The 2021-2022 Election of Officers will be as follows:  
Nominations round one - February 4, 2021  
Nominations round two - February 11, 2021  
Balloting for new Officers on February 18, 2021  
All these events will take place in the new Tent on the Patio starting at 7:30 PM

The process may be different this year due to COVID, however the above dates will apply.

**28<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**Santa Maria Touring Elks**  
**Harley Davidson Bike Raffle**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021**  
**AT THE SANTA MARIA ELKS LODGE**



**GRAND PRIZE**  
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## HELLO RODEO FANS,

It is typical during the month of December to look back retrospectively as the year came to a close, and what a year it was! Covid 19 has had a pronounced effect on our all our lives, including the Rodeo family. It has been quite a struggle to get through the year, but we have prevailed. Every cloud has a silver lining.

We had been tossing around some ideas on other community events that we could put together that would be entertaining and hopefully provide some cash flow to substitute from the loss of our Annual rodeo event revenue. This loss of our traditional events provided us with the perfect incentive to bring our ideas to reality.

We considered how we could use our 107-acre property of unimproved raw land, while meeting County COVID guidelines of social distancing to prevent the transmission of disease and came up with a couple of drive-through events that we hoped would fit the bill. These ideas had been under consideration for a while, but the impact of COVID forced our hand. "Haunted Hills" and "Christmas in the Country" became a reality.

With Team Santa Maria at the helm, both events were successful beyond our wildest dreams! Every weekend during the month of October Haunted Hills was met with "sold-out" crowds. In December we quickly changed gears and converted the property into an enchanting Winter-Wonderland of Christmas light displays. Our successes would not have been possible without the support that we received from our incredibly dedicated volunteer Team and the entire community. We are thankful to have such strong support from the many businesses and organizations in our community, and a special word of thanks to our partners the City of Santa Maria Recreation and Parks Department, the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce and Duplicated Business Systems. Though the list of volunteers who helped pull these events together is lengthy, there are a few that we are forever grateful to for their tireless efforts; Matt Rodriguez, Joey Silva, Mason Silva, Randy Shepard and Scott Parsons. We could not have navigated the logistical demands of both of these events without their hard work and determination to see that they were a success! To Jerry Gunn and your crew, a huge "Thank you" for making sure our traffic flow was handled with great professionalism and precision to assure a wonderful experience for our guests. It was humbling to see the true appreciation and the strong support that we received from our guests who attended each event.

We look forward to making these two events a mainstay and are already planning additions and improvements to make them event better for 2021!

As we roll into 2021, we wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Peter Sterling  
President  
Elks Recreation, Inc.

### *In Memoriam*

"TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS"

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

**#6577  
Dean Satre**

BORN: April 25, 1932  
INITIATED: September 26, 1974  
DIED: November 28, 2020

**#13440  
Edward Finney**

BORN: June 6, 1922  
INITIATED: May 12, 2005  
DIED: December 16, 2020

**#7245  
Ken Groves**

BORN: November 7, 1932  
INITIATED: February 24, 1977  
DIED: December 9, 2020

**#10006  
Richard Pelton**

BORN: April 13, 1937  
INITIATED: February 25, 1988  
DIED: December 22, 2020

**SADLY TWO OF OUR PAST  
FIRST LADIES HAVE PASSED AWAY:**

First Lady Mary Lou to Exalted Ruler Mac Clark  
(1993-1994) on November 18, 2020  
First Lady Tillie to Exalted Ruler Vern Claycamp  
(1986-1987) on December 23, 2020

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**Club Manager:** John Maretti x103  
**Kitchen Manager:** Danny Estrada x114

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Janet Cullivan x106  
Faith Reynolds x104  
Julie Willis x101  
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**Rodeo Web Page:** www.elksrec.com

### THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN OUR LODGE:

#### NEW APPLICANTS:

##### Proposer:

George Zaragoza  
Christian Espinola  
Elenita Donato  
George Gonzales  
Robert Lopez

##### Candidate:

Mark E. Karr  
Alejandro Ceballos  
Susan Marie Tremper  
John Wells  
Louis Soleno

#### Reinstatements:

Chuck Biely  
Faith Reynolds  
Norman Scott

Marc S. Rodriguez  
Charlie B Soqui  
Dennis C Wineman

#### Transfers

Robert J. MacLeod  
from Santa Ana Lodge # 794

### THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WILL BE VOTED ON TO BECOME LIFE MEMBERS THIS YEAR

Donald J Alt  
Leo C Bailey  
Jim F DeRosa  
John Eggert  
Walter A Garten  
Jim Glines

Paul W Harper  
Robert J Kump  
David E Lee  
Alan J Millico  
Armando G Perez Jr

# Service Pin Awards March 4, 2021

## 15 YEARS

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 Dennis Allis  
 Laban S Aragon  
 W Scott Baker  
 Matthew Barcellos  
 Homero J Barragan  
 Evvy A Boggess  
 Cynthia Bolding  
 Monica Brown  
 Nicholas Cantor  
 Ernesto Capistran  
 Elena F Condon  
 Paul A Cuce Jr  
 Roy F Dugger  
 Richard C Dupuis  
 Eugene A Empante  
 Anthony Esparza  
 Nancy J Ferrari  
 Stephen Fetzko  
 Dennis L Freitas  
 Martha Gallegos  
 Ben Gonzales  
 Michael E Head  
 Pamela J Head  
 Glenda Jennings  
 Kenneth A Jensen  
 Michael R Johnson  
 William H Johnson  
 Ronnie Labastida  
 Fred Lange  
 Loretta J Marsh  
 Ruben Martinez  
 Michael Mc Gehee  
 Elizabeth A Miller  
 Kristine L Mollenkopf  
 Robert Morabito  
 Alan T Munch  
 John Neisess  
 John J Normanly  
 Jake O'Neil  
 Bryan O'Sullivan  
 Ralph L Pacheco  
 Terry Reed  
 Arthur C Reynolds  
 David J Rice  
 Maria E Rodriguez  
 Mark Rodriguez  
 Rod Rodriguez  
 Javier Sanchez  
 Paul G Santana  
 Edward J Sarten  
 Norman D Scott  
 Frank G Silva  
 Eugene L Slentz  
 Bobby C Smith  
 Joseph Snow  
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 Spencer Stimler  
 Orin Stinn

Theron Thompson  
 Nathan Tyler  
 Araon Valdez  
 Daniel Van Lith  
 Ricardo Velasco  
 Michael J Weston  
 Mark A Wilkening  
 Wyman M Winn  
 Scott B Wonnell  
 Eugene J Zeller Jr  
 Edward J Zemaitis  
 Michael Zoost

## 20 YEARS

Jessica Allyn-Smith  
 Gilbert A Baez  
 Jared M Biely  
 Don R Buliavac  
 Daniel F Castillo  
 Dino A Cosma  
 James Crowley  
 Kenneth H Daniel  
 Michael A Davis  
 Ventura De Dios  
 Patrick J Dolan  
 Frank Echavarria  
 Trevor Everett  
 Roger A Flocken  
 Robin R Gault  
 John Hall  
 Gary S Hanes  
 Lance W Hunter  
 Bertram G Johnson  
 Robert L Johnson  
 Robert P Kraft  
 Jaime Macias  
 Dennis D Mc Dowell  
 Chris Ann Michaels  
 Mike Munger  
 Elias Murguia Jr  
 Rod Murray  
 Kim Newman PER  
 Raymond Noriega Jr  
 Daniel Olivares  
 Alfredo Ortaleza  
 Patricia Park  
 Jay F Patton  
 Walter 'Steve' Ray  
 Brian T Rietzke  
 Ted Rios  
 Kurt Rodriguez  
 Alfred Salazar  
 Ronald S Secrease  
 Henry E Span  
 Michael Streater  
 Clark Talbert  
 Oscar Trujillo  
 Daniel A Vegezzi  
 Manuel Zarate  
 Johnny C Zavala

## 25 YEARS

Kirk T Allen

Jeffrey W Armstrong  
 Jake Barks  
 Michael Lee Benson  
 Geoffrey A Bishop  
 James E Boster  
 Harold J Broussard  
 James M Carroll  
 David J Chavez  
 Tyrone D Chrest  
 Kenneth Combs  
 David W Cross  
 Tom De Leo  
 Daniel H Decker  
 Jeffrey M Diaz  
 Gerald Domingues  
 Justin L Drake  
 Paul D Erickson  
 Harold L Fisher  
 Anthony Funaro  
 John P Gutshall  
 Gilbert W Harper  
 Charles E High  
 Derek Hirata  
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 Leo Santos  
 Terry A Schafer  
 James A Schubert Jr  
 Raul J Segura  
 Kevin L Starr  
 David A Story  
 Jon Valencia  
 Roy Wallace  
 Gary D Wollam

## 30 YEARS

George J Adam  
 Ernest J Alvarez  
 Richard A Armero  
 Gerald T Arseneau  
 Ricky R Austin  
 Sam K Baker  
 Terry Batlowski  
 Myron G Battles  
 Ross E Brothers  
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 John P Machado  
 Art L Manriquez  
 Wayne R Miller  
 Mitchell E Moffitt  
 David L Muth  
 Scott R Parsons  
 Joe Razo  
 Charles R Redman  
 Dean Reece  
 Eloy Renfrow  
 Danny C Rich  
 John F Ross  
 Frank C Ruiz Jr  
 Herman Sanchez  
 Michael A Sanchez  
 Arthur C Scheithauer  
 Rodney I Schnetzler  
 Richard Schuermann  
 Michael Szczepanik  
 Daniel F Sheehy  
 Thomas N Shiffra  
 Johnny M Shuffield  
 Timothy E Simmons  
 Jerry L Tilley  
 Edward Vargas

## 35 YEARS

Brian K Allison  
 Larry Azcarate  
 Elwin H Byrd  
 Casey Tuttle Conrad  
 J Douglas Cox  
 Thomas W Crakes  
 Tony L Dart  
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 Bill L George  
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## 40 YEARS

Steven R Adam  
 James R Allen  
 Dennis E Baker  
 G Daniel Barberena  
 James G Battles Jr  
 James R Beaver  
 Roy Bognuda  
 Robert L Bonilla  
 William J Caldwell  
 Mike Castro  
 Mac P Clark PER  
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 James L Jones  
 John H Kinney  
 David J Marriott  
 David B Mc Daniel  
 Mike Miranda  
 Philip G Moore  
 Harry C Naugle  
 Terry Wayne Newby  
 Randolph A Newton  
 Russell C Olsen  
 Frank G Rodriguez  
 Fred Roinestad  
 Stephen Salazar  
 Joe Eugene Shank  
 Del Signorelli  
 Richard W Snyder  
 Craig Stephens  
 William J Storms  
 James L Tognazzini  
 Miguel Velasquez  
 Richard E Williams

## 45 YEARS

Norman R Anderson  
 Alfred L Brown  
 Fred Carr  
 James Carr Jr  
 Ronald W Cisney  
 Perry N Clyatt  
 Edward Cullivan  
 Larry A Evans  
 Clyde 'Tom' T Foster  
 Albert Giorgi  
 Joseph Hadsell  
 Robert S Herdman  
 Kent D Hill  
 John Hochleutner  
 John K Knapp PER  
 Marvin E Koens  
 Joseph M Luke  
 John W Mac Donald  
 Jefferson E Mc Donald  
 Robert C Miller  
 Michael L Morris

R Michael O'Brien  
 Richard L Parker PER  
 Michael J Pischke  
 James Pudwill  
 William R Reid  
 Johnny Lee Reynolds  
 Craig R Ross  
 Dale A Ruskauff  
 Floyd A Snyder  
 Fredrich W Sobottka  
 LeRoy N Stanford  
 Joseph Steigler Jr  
 Dean M Teixeira  
 Glenn Teixeira  
 Marvin C Teixeira  
 John Van Preen  
 Albert A Vega

## 50 YEARS

Donald J Alt  
 Leo C Bailey  
 Jim F De Rosa  
 John Eggert  
 Walter A Garten  
 Jim Glines  
 Paul W Harper  
 Robert J Kump  
 David E Lee  
 Alan J Millico  
 Armando G Perez Jr

## 55 YEARS

Leroy K Aandal  
 David C Baldonado  
 James P Burnett  
 Lawrence E Foy  
 Ronald L Newark  
 John Nichols  
 Gary Prestridge  
 Jaimi Sanchez  
 E G Starkey  
 James L Ullmer

## 60 YEARS

Leslie P Leal  
 John L Mussell  
 Charles W Russell  
 Wayne Veatch

## LIFE MEMBER

Donald J Alt  
 Leo C Bailey  
 Jim F De Rosa  
 John Eggert  
 Walter A Garten  
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## FROM THE SECRETARIES DESK



Dear Members:

Under Grand Lodge Statute 14.160 I am required to notify the Membership of their fellow brothers and sisters that are currently delinquent for the 2020-2021 Elk year.

A letter will be sent out to the following Members stating that if dues are not paid, they will be dropped from the Membership roles in March 2021. The letter will give them options on reinstating if they choose. If you know anyone on the list, please reach out to that Member and ask them to pay their dues.

The Membership dues are what allows the Lodge to be open and

provide a place for us all to enjoy the brotherhood and sisterhood of Elkdom. It also allows us to do all the good charitable deeds the community benefits from. Dues are best paid by calling the Lodge office with a credit card or ask for the current office hours (as the office hours have been modified during these uncertain times) to come in and pay in person.

Please remember that once a Member has been dropped for non-payment, they are no longer a Member in Good-Standing and may not be signed into the Lodge as a guest in the future.

Phil Daighton,  
Lodge Secretary

## MEMBERS DELINQUENT IN THEIR DUES - AS OF JANUARY 6, 2021

Abercrombie, David H	Draper, Nicola R	Herbaugh, Dan	Nunez, Howdy	Scherrer, Cody
Adam, Hasan	Dulay, Curtis L	Hernandez, Joe S	Nunez, Joseph A	Scherrer, Jared
Adam III, Jim R	Durham, Earl R	Hinshaw, Robert	Nyulassy, Fred	Sheaff Jr, Joseph L
Adams, Bailey	Duty, Carlton	Hoesl, Anton	Ochoa, Cesar	Sherman, Julie A
Adelhelm, Clifford	Edralin-Trejo, Vicki C	Holicky, Josef M	Ogle II, Laren G	Shuffield, John Everett
Albrecht, Nathan	Escobedo, Livdi	Hudachek, Michael L	Ontiveros, Jason	Sierra, Cristian A
Alejandre, Lorena	Esparza, Israel	Hutchinson, Shea	Ormonde, Scott T	Smith, Danny L Member
Allen, Scott	Estrada, Anthony A	Ibarra, Angel G	Ortiz, Ramon G	Snyder, Joscelyn K
Alvarez, Ramon	Everett, John J	Jackson, Keith E	Owens, Terry G	Sorenson, Constance Le
Alves Jr, Daniel F	Falcon, David	Johnson, Scott	Pabon, Maurice	Soto, Ricardo
Andoyan, Andre T	Fields, Raymond	Jones, Robert	Padilla Jr, Macario	Steffey, James
Arguijo III, Lucio	Flagg Jr, Don	Leahy, James R	Padron, Andrew	Stefono, Dante N
Arguilla, Nestor	Fletcher, John	Lemay, Laurance M	Pandolfo, Larry J	Stickler, Michael J
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Balaam, Richard C	Flores, Joseph R	Limon, Mario	Michelle Parker, Linda	Strong Jr, Joe B
Balcorta Jr., John	Flores, Naomi	Loera, Fernando	Penn, Gerald G	Sullivan, Brian
Banakus, James A	Fontaine, Connie	Long, Richard	Perez, Frank L	Talbot Jr, Rodney L
Baskett, David E	Franco, Michelle	Long, Ronald	Placencia, Eloisa	Tallman, Erin
Bazan, Vincent Mario	Franco, Rafael	Lopez, Henry	Plascencia, Jose A	Taylor, Michael
Binter, Walter A	Freitas, Richard J	Lopez Sr, Joe M	Plummer III, Joseph W	Teixeira, Adam J
Birch, Richard	Friedl, Robert S	Machado, Rick	Pollack, Jody Ben	Tell, Jamar
Bonilla, Abdon M	Furlong, Barry M	Madsen, Mitchell	Porras, Aften Y	Terry, Shayne
Brock, Matthew	Galarza, Marlene B	Magno, Paul	Portune, John E	Torres Sr, Richard
Brooks, Keri E	Gamble, Jayme H	Maldonado, Alex	Potter, Paul D	Turner, Vernon L
Bucio, Ruby D	Garcia, David J	Mamaglis, Federico	Prebyl, Darlene M	Valencia, Teresa A
Buentiempo, Jacob D	Gentry, James A	Maravilla, Jesus M	Quiroga Jr, James	Van Dusseldorp, Cory
Callaway, Gary	Geter, Fraciska Evelyn	Mares, Jessica	Ramirez, Elisa	Van Morkhoven, Steve
Camarena, Javier J	Gomez, Beatriz	Marin, Alejandro	Ramirez, Michael A	Varela, Lupe
Campbell, Tosh	Gonzales Sr., Robert	Markstone, Dennis Ray	Ramos, Trinidad	Vargas, Cesar
Castellanos, Carlos	Gonzales, Steve A	Marlett, Johnny	Reasner, Alan	Velasquez, Michael A
Castro, Michael	Gonzalez, Letisia R	Martinez, Jason	Reeves, Jeremiah	Velazquez, Francisco J
Chavira, Gerardo	Granado, Maria E	Martinez, Manuel G	Renner, Michael J	Velazquez, Orlando
Childress, Rodney W	Grant Jr, Dale	Martinez, Oscar	Reynoso III, Frank	Villaros, Jennifer V
Clason Jr., Jack H	Greene, Ann	Martinez, Steven	Rivera, Baltazar	Villavicencia, Leticia
Collier, William G	Grossi, Judy Lynn	Mc Kenzie, Edgar	Rivera, Melinda J	Walch, Linda D
Cook, Erin	Guerra, Richard C	Meza, Melissa R	Rivera, Melissa	Ward, Katie
Cornwell, Denise	Guevara, Sandra	Miller, John W	Robison, Sylvia	Watanabe, Rachel
Cortez, David	Gutierrez, Jacqueline	Miranda, Shena	Rodenberger, Matt	Welch, Greg
Coutley, Sandra L	Gutierrez, Melissa Ann	Moore, Joshua S	Rodriguez, Fabian	Wilson, Douglas S
Crowley Jr, Herbert	Gutierrez, Rafael	Mora, Daniel	Rodriguez, Rafael	Wilson, Josie
Cruddas, Shannon	Guzman, Cristal	Mora, Everardo	Rojas, Juanita	Yana, Anthony
Davidson Jr, Larry D	Hancock, Brandon	Mora, Joe L	Rolon, Armando	Yaughner, Jeff
Davis, Glenn	Hardy, Jason D	Morton, Edward E	Rose, Martin J	Zaragoza, Jesse M
De Boi, Monica	Harney, Jerome M	Munoz Jr., Mr Francisco	Sahagun, Eric A	Zepeda Jr, Manuel
De Los Santos Sr, David	Haslam, Ralph E	Murray Jr, Earl	Sanchez Jr., Enrique	
Decker, Christy A	Hastings, Frank L	Muscio, Alan T	Santillan, Steven L	
Depew, Jerry	Healey, Thomas	Niems, William A	Sartain, Ricky Lee	
Dilullo-Hart, Lisa Ann	Heffner, Peter D	Niles, James A	Scherrer, Caleb Elijah	

# DID YOU KNOW?

#1538 has kicked 2020 to the curb and Team Santa Maria remains #1538 Strong. Let us go back to 1996 to remind ourselves that "Elkdom is not a job, it's an adventure".

Over the proceeding Elks year, the Kadiddlehoppers had 59 performances, 15 clowns in costumes, a fiddler and accordionist. In an April Lodge meeting, the Loyal Knight proposed that if a Member appeals his fine in the Lodge meeting, he is not fined but receives a "work sentence". Repeat offenders may be sentenced to a "Chain Gang" (highway cleanup). 1996 brought "political correctness" at last to Major Project, "disabled children" replaces "crippled children", sometimes. Proceeds from the Lady Traveleers cookbooks reached almost \$5,000 and were donated to Major Project. Mother's Day brunch remains extremely popular, the observance of Mother's Day began in Philadelphia, PA in 1907. The Father's Day brunch featured linguica, ham, eggs, potatoes, biscuits and gravy, beans, salsa, fruit salad and champagne. \$5,200 in proceeds from the Traveleers Rodeo campout were donated to the Event Center, as were the proceeds from the first annual Elks Rodeo Golf Tournament of \$1,085. Members can now send articles to the Elks Horn via e-mail, imagine. The King City Traveleers campout featured a baby picture contest followed by a "Celebrity Baby Parade". The winner of Santa Maria's 7th annual Chili Cookoff will compete in the International Chili Society Cookoff, the participant must be a member of the ICS. The annual membership fee is \$30.00 for a regular charter membership, \$35.00 for including Canada and Mexico, and \$50.00 for an International Membership. The Chili Cookoff winners were from Mission Hills, Oxnard, Simi Valley and Thousand Oaks. The People's Choice winner of course was from Santa Maria. During the summer months of 1996 Monday night dinner numbers were down to 350-400 except for BBQ Chicken. The 4th of July Block Party was a well-attended fun event. There was an Elks Training Program that offered the opportunity to learn more about Elkdom. Tests were taken at the Lodge, 100 true/false questions; a Certificate of Completion and a lapel pin was awarded for passing the open-book test. #1538 once again hosted the Elks BBQ Classic Bowling Tournament weekend in August. This event exposed the Lodge to Elks statewide and some attended just because of #1538's BBQ reputation. The night of the dinner, nine western states lost power through 9 PM but #1538 pulled off the dinner for

360 with generators and #1538 spirit. Once again at Grand Lodge Convention #1538 was awarded #1 All American Lodge, Best Lodge in America. A Member contacted the Veterans Committee chairman to have his donation picked up: 446 jackets with coordinating slacks and ties, 100 other slacks, 60 shirts, 4 boxes of ties, 3 western hats and 20 pairs of boots. Not a single bathing suit though, which could have been used because the "dunk tank" returned to the Family Picnic. For those that cannot get enough accordion music it is still featured tableside at the International Night dinner. Returning from a ride to Camp Scheideck some of the Touring Elks decided to ride with their "hair in the breeze." Out of nowhere Mr. Sheriff appeared, pulled the "rebels" over and administered a friendly tongue lashing. In November, a challenge was made by the Adopt-a-Highway committee chairman: a competition between the sexes as to which are the better trash pickers. Yikes, valuable items donated for the ENF auction disappeared while being stored prior to the auction, not good.

Having a "portrait concession" at events was proposed by the photography committee, just in time for all the holiday events. The 1996 Children's Christmas Party included a traditional turkey dinner, children and Santa were free, adults \$5.00. At this time, and some will remember, New Cuyama held their own rodeo and #1538's officers wagon participated. As 1996 ended, the Loyal Knight predicted #1538 would have a webpage where people could view upcoming events and even have the Elks Horn e-mailed to those who wish. A December Monday night dinner featured "boiled beef"? \$3,000 from the Touring Elks motorcycle raffle was donated to the Unocal Event Center Building Fund. Oops, San Luis Obispo Lodge won the Pork Chop Cook-off so for 1997 it was back to SLO to reclaim the title. Seems having a DJ instead of live music on New Year's Eve did not go over well with some, it depended on who was asked but at least the Portrait Concession was a big hit. The Adopt-a-Highway volunteers are busy collecting golf balls, finding stolen vehicles, and directing traffic at accident sites. Look out Touring Elks, April is the first annual combined campout of the Traveleers and Touring Elks. A production of "The Life of a Member" is to be the entertainment, a diaper and whiskey are involved. The Lodge mules made what sounded like their first appearance at an Inaugural Ball. At State Convention, #1538's donation to Major Project increased almost \$10,000 over the prior

year. #1538 is still the All-American Lodge, still #1. September 1st bar prices increase as follows; beer and wine \$1.50, \$1.80 for well drinks and \$2.00 for call brands. The Traveleers held their first campout at the Unocal Event Center in August. Accordion music returned to Traveleer campouts and the Kadiddlehoppers have a new clown who is only 14. The Bowling committee held their 28th annual BBQ Classic Tournament in August drawing 79 teams representing 23 lodges. New at the Family Picnic were pony rides and a petting zoo. The Scholarship committee put on a pancake breakfast for the Allan Hancock College Alzheimer's' Memory Walk. 500 participants and supporters were served and \$1,500 was raised for scholarships. Someone stole more than a case of dessert from the kitchen, a serious "sweet tooth". As is the case today, decades ago, #1538 Members that moved away, even to foreign countries, maintained their Santa Maria Memberships. Pride and "bragging rights" explain why hundreds of Elks carry #1538 Membership cards for decades and just become Associate Members at their local Lodges. In the October 1997 Elks Horn there was an article talking about CYO back in the 1970's, apparently BBQ volunteers were few and attendance was averaging 100. The three dedicated weekly volunteers decided to split into three teams which seemed to do the trick and the rest is history. November brought "Hospitality Southern Style" featuring southern fried chicken with all the trimmings followed by an "Old South Pie Auction" fundraiser for ENF. "Unlike the tradition, the pie baker didn't go with the pie purchaser for the evening entertainment", (must be a southern thing?) but 27 pies were auctioned with an average bid of \$19. Effective January 1, 1998 Monday Night dinner prices increase to \$5.50 and by State Law all Lodge facilities must be smoke-free! Yikes, #1538 came in second again in the Pork Chops Cookoff to San Luis Obispo Lodge. Kadiddlehoppers have 16 clowns, the oldest being 90 and the youngest 16. The January Traveleer campout was held in Laughlin, Nevada, some brought their rigs and others traveled by bus, no mention of accordion music. On March 14, a retirement gala and roast were held for the Club Manager, the crowd was limited to 500 guests. Bingo continued to raise upwards of \$100,000 each year for Major Project, Scholarships, and many other charities in the Santa Maria Valley.

Life remains "great at #1538! We will tackle 1998-99 next month and remember that "Elkdom is not a job, it's an adventure"!

To be Continued...

Georgia Daughton  
Lodge Public Relations Chairman





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 Loyal Knight.....Matt Rodriguez  
 Lecturing Knight ..... Aaron Castellanos  
 Secretary..... Philip Daighton PER, PAVP  
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 Tiler..... Glenda Jennings  
 Esquire..... Steve Jones  
 Chaplain..... Tyler Storey  
 Inner Guard..... Robert Lewis  
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	1 <b>Grab and Go!</b> <b>Check website</b> 5:15 pm	2	3	4 Food Bank 9:00'ish am PER Night <b>1st Round Officers Nominations</b> Lodge 7:30pm Elkshorn articles Due	5 <b>Grab and Go!</b> <b>Check website</b> 5:15 pm	6
7	8 <b>Grab and Go!</b> <b>Check website</b> 5:15 pm	9	10 <b>New Member Applications Due for March Class</b>	11 Food Bank 9:00'ish am <b>2nd Round Officers Nominations</b> Lodge 7:30pm	12 <b>Grab and Go!</b> <b>Check website</b> 5:15 pm	13
14	15 <b>Grab and Go!</b> <b>Check website</b> 5:15 pm	16 <b>BPOE 153rd BIRTHDAY</b>	17 <b>No Incoming OR Outgoing Transfers until after April 2021!</b>	18 Food Bank 9:00'ish am <b>ELECTION of OFFICERS</b> Lodge 7:30pm	19 <b>Grab and Go!</b> <b>Check website</b> 5:15 pm	20
21	22 <b>Grab and Go!</b> <b>Check website</b> 5:15 pm	23	24	25 Food Bank 9:00'ish am Lodge 7:30pm <b>Balloting</b>	26 <b>Grab and Go!</b> <b>Check website</b> 5:15 pm	27
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