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EXALTED RULER

Matt Rodriguez

Happy New Year to all our Members and their families,



We at the Santa Maria Elks Lodge have so much we can look back on and be proud of. I'd like to reach as far back as possible to thank all the Past Exalted Rulers, their families and our Members who had paved the way in the past 95 years. I can only imagine the fun that they had doing what was needed to get our Lodge on the community's radar. I don't think officers who started in 1927 would ever think that we would be around 3400 Members today. When the officers in the 70's moved the Lodge to the Bradley location they knew they were making things happen. It slowly grew and was expanded in sections into what it is today. The PER's in the beginning had lots to do and, as stories told to me, they enjoyed every minute of it. Our Lodge today has so much history that we need to keep a part of it with us as we run the Lodge now. I know some things must change, but then again, some things need to remain how they have been since the beginning. The goal of our Lodge must always remain to give back to the veterans, children, and those in need; there is so much in monetary donations and volunteer support given back in our community. We give scholarships, donations to children's groups, we send BBQ teams out to help our community raise money when need, there is a whole list of things we do. In the beginning and now this work is done by the extraordinary work and

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SANTA MARIA ELKS PROVIDE 85 THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS



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dedication of volunteers, and they have fun doing it even to this day, I know I do. Thank you again and always for the countless hours you've sacrificed.

AnnMarie and I want to wish you a new year full of love, prosperity, and new friends.
 "May God be with us Always"

Fraternally,
 Matt Rodriguez
 Exalted Ruler

ELKS ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

Remembering our Members who have passed through the Vacant Chair



CHARITY LEADING KNIGHT

Aaron Castellanos



Leading Members,

We once more have come to see another year to its end and find ourselves hopeful in welcoming a new year. As we do just this, let us look back on the many blessings we received

during this past year and also be thankful to the many more lessons we were able to learn from. It's often times easier to enjoy the memory of positive experiences one has had and the joy and happiness it brought. Yet, it should be easily important that we also remember all other experiences had throughout the years as they allow us to grow and evolve in the future. We have all navigated through some of the most difficult years in our time and have seen through by doing just this. I hope this past year was great for all of you and that it brought with it a greater sense of hope for the years to come. My hope is that will be just that.

This past year was truly amazing for our Lodge and we continue on a positive trend for the past few years in many aspects. A growing Lodge is a working Lodge. We once again experienced another year of Membership growth as the community continues to recognize the great work we do collectively positioning ourselves once again as premiere organization to be a Member of. Support for all club events has been inspiring and very much appreciated. Our Lodge committees are back and active and the amount of charitable contributions thus far are on a record-breaking pace for the Elk year. Elk Recreation Inc team put on one of the best rodeos that we've ever had which was very well attended and supported by many near and far and televised nationwide. They will most definitely outdo themselves next year as we celebrate the 80th annual rodeo.

My hope is that this coming year we all continue our hard work and dedication we put into making our Lodge and community "Extraordinary". Thank you all for all the support throughout the years and here's to this year being another amazing year in all aspects.

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 Leading Knight

JUSTICE LOYAL KNIGHT

Steve Jones



Loyal Members,

As the new year is upon us once again, we should all look towards the new year with excitement and enthusiasm for the Lodge. We are working on many exciting new plans

for the coming year as well as expanding some previous improvements, and look forward to continually improving the Lodge for your enjoyment.

New Club Manager. Julian Azevedo has been running the day to day operations of the Lodge for over a month now, and we are looking forward to seeing what new and interesting ideas he will bring to the Lodge over the months and years ahead. I am sure he would love to hear your suggestions.

Monday Night Dinner are back! Some of the newer Members may not remember how Monday night dinners were before Covid, but we will again be offering family-friendly meals in the dining room every Monday night without the drive through option. We will be expanding the menu to include meals that do not necessarily fit into a styrofoam box.

Tent Heaters have been installed. The tent now has built-in thermostatically controlled heaters that can get the tent up to 75 degrees even during the coldest nights. It is ready for you to rent for all of your parties, retirements, birthdays, etc. Please call to inquire and book early as once the word gets out, it is going to be busy.

RV Park Expansion: We are in the process of adding eight additional full hookup RV spaces to accommodate even more Elks on the property.

Ladies' restroom addition. We are in the planning phase of adding an additional ladies' restroom next to the men's restroom near the bar. This

Long-needed addition will be welcomed by all of the ladies-I am sure of it.

There is more to come this year and we look forward to seeing even more of you around the Lodge. See you all at the Lodge all year long.

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

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

MEMBERSHIP DUES: Heads up to all Members. The 2023-2024 Membership Dues will be increased from \$149 to \$154, and Life Members will also rise by \$5.00 as well. This is due to the increased cost of Grand Lodge Insurance which is what gives all Lodges the Alcohol Liability Insurance covering a bar. The number of lawsuits and judgements throughout the country has caused this increase.

DELINQUENT MEMBERS: In January, by Grand Lodge Statutes, the Secretary must post a list of Members who are delinquent in their dues to the Membership. This list will be posted on the bulletin board in the Member's lounge. If your dues are paid prior to this date, your name will not appear and when they are paid your name will be removed. In addition, if your dues are not paid by March 28, 2023, by Statutes you will be dropped from the Membership rolls prior to April 1, 2023. To be Reinstated there are two options: within 2 months of being dropped you can be reinstated free of charge if your 2022-2023 Membership dues are caught up and the new 2023-2024 Membership dues are paid. This will also ensure that you will lose no Membership years. If after May 31, 2023, then the normal reinstatement fee and new Membership dues will need to be paid and you would lose the previous year of Membership on your years.

ADDRESS UPDATES: Please make sure we have any new address, phone, cell phone or e-mail address so that your Membership statements will arrive to you.

Phil Daighton
Lodge Secretary

**Monday Night
Grab n Go Dinners ended
December 19. We have
returned to dinner
being served inside this
month. Thank you to all
who have helped these
past few years.**

2022 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY BASKET REPORT

Thank You to all the helping hands who put together the Holiday Baskets for Thanksgiving: Amazing Elks, Antlers, Family, and Friends. There were 50 pairs of helping hands to package the dry goods and 22 pairs packaging the fresh food the next morning when baskets were distributed. Organized Chaos as I like to call it. Everyone worked efficiently and we were done in time for the food, dry goods, fresh vegetables, breads, and desserts.

85 families received baskets: thirty Santa Maria Foster Families, twenty families from Guadalupe, and thirty five were sponsored by Elks. Everyone was thankful and thanked you!

The Holiday Basket Committee sends a special "Thank You" to the Elks Golf Club for providing a substantial donation. Smart 'n Final provided a monetary donation, as did a few anonymous donors. The Food Bank provided nonperishables at a low cost. Thank you to the Farmers who donated the fresh vegetables and boxes. Commercial businesses also contributed with donations of the bags, breads, and desserts.

Also, a special thank you to Johnny Maretto and the Office Staff for their support in supplying space and time during the gathering of items for the Baskets. It truly takes many helping hands to assemble and distribute the Baskets; we have a great team in the Volunteers

who have helped. We hope that we remembered everyone. If we did forget you, remember angels are silent helpers. Many thanks again to all!

This event is organized chaos and always turns out well! See you next month for the Christmas Holiday Baskets report.

Eva Macias
Holiday Baskets Chairman



SANTA MARIA ELKS LODGE #1538 45TH ANNUAL FIREFIGHTER APPRECIATION NIGHT

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

**1309 North Bradley Road
Santa Maria**

**No-Host Bar 5:30 pm
Dinner 6:30 pm**

\$18 Per person

**We would appreciate an email to faith@elks1538.org
Or a call to our Lodge Office at (805) 922-1538 Ext 104
No later than Wednesday, January 9, 2023 for reservations**

Help show your appreciation, join us for this very special evening honoring those fine men and women who proudly wear the firefighter's uniform

**Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538
Veterans Committee
Presents
Veterans Appreciation BBQ
Wednesday January 4th 2023
12 PM - 3 PM**

Lunch is Free for Veterans
Guest Speaker
Veteran Information Booths
Local Veteran Groups

Lunch is served from 12:30pm till we run out
1309 N Bradley Road, Santa Maria

Just a Thank you for your service

THANK YOU FROM JOHN MARETTI

I would like to thank Santa Maria Elks Lodge 1538 for giving me the opportunity to be your Club Manager for the last almost nine years. It was definitely an adventure and a rewarding position, and a great way to end my working career. I was awarded the opportunity to work with many great people in the form of Officers, employees, volunteers, and too many more to name in this letter. I made many new friends through the years and hopefully I will still continue to see many of you. I wish all the best to the new club manager Julian Azevedo. See you at the Lodge!

John Maretti



John Maretti



Julian Azevedo

PER CORNER

Thank you to all the helpers and participants who took part in our Opportunity Drawing fundraiser for student scholarships. Your efforts made it a resounding success and we look forward to our next project.

The Lodge is planning to expand the Women's Restroom facilities--more to come.

The New Year's Party was a great success: fun was had by all.

On January 12 the PERs will perform the Initiation of new Members to the Lodge. Come to Lodge to see us perform - we hope to make you proud and we hope to see you there.

Here is some news many of you have been looking forward to: Monday Night Family Dinners return to indoor dining - no more Grab-n-Go.

Take care and God be with you. We hope to see you at Lodge meetings.

Don Moshier, PER
President, Past Exalted Rulers Association

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In Memoriam "TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS"

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

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James Jones

BORN: May 07, 1944

INITIATED: December 03, 1981

DIED: November 16, 2022



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



MIKE CORDERO CLASS

Randy Altergott
 Scott Alvarez
 Gina Arellano
 Kendall Anecchini-
 Martin
 Zachary Beachey
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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Maria Ramos Lemus from Pioneer Valley High School has a 4.30 GPA, Ranked 5th in her class of 780, has over 841 Service Hours and has completed an Advanced Placement class and is enrolled in six classes at Hancock.

Her Awards include: Academic Excellence Award, a Varsity Plaque in Track and Field, Outstanding Officer Team, State Proficiency Award Finalist in Outdoor Recreation, and a State Finalist: Job Interview.

Maria's Activities include: The Patch as Student Board Member, UNICEF, and Track and Field as a Sprinter.

Her Community Involvement and Service includes: Link Crew Team Leader, Pioneer Valley FFA Chapter Secretary and Vice President, and St. John Neumann Catholic Church Lead Alter Server and Front Desk Clerk.

Jamielynne Lomibao from Ernest Righetti High School has a 4.67 GPA, ranked 4th in her class of 581 with 563 Service Hours and has completed 5-Advance Placement and 6-Hancock classes.

Her Awards include: AP Scholar with Distinction, MVP of Righetti HS Girl's Swimming, Coach's Awards and Workhorse Awards from the Santa Maria Swim Club.

Jamielynne's Activities include: (in addition to swimming), President and Secretary for the South Council Future Leaders of America; Co-President and Founder of A Helping Hand at Righetti; Vice President of the California Scholarship Federation; Secretary of the National Honor Society; and Community Research Associate for Corazon del Pueblo partnered with Cal Poly Center for Health Research.

Her Community Involvement and Service include Volunteer at Hardy Diagnostics, Elementary and Middle School Tutor and Makerspace help at Santa Maria Library, and Volunteer at ASTRA.

Alessandro Ante from Orcutt Academy High School has a GPA of 4.38, ranked 38th of 155 with 285 Service Hours and has completed an AP class and four Hancock classes.

His Awards include: Orcutt Academy Track MVP, Cross Country CIF, Track CIF.

Student Activities: National Honors Society.

Alessandro's Community Involvement and Service include: Foodbank in Los Alamos, Summer Daycare counselor, Angel Tree Tag donations to fulfill local underprivileged kids' Christmas wishes, Scholastic Book Fair – Patterson Elementary, Spring Baskets Donations, Bingo Night at Patterson Elementary, Fall Festival at Early Learning Center for preschool aged children.

Jasmin Olivera from Pioneer Valley High School has a GPA of 4.10 ranked 24th of 784 and has completed one AP class and is registered in three Hancock classes.

Her Awards include: Scholar Athlete Award, FFA Star Chapter Farmer Award, Fresno State Fruit Tree Judging, FFA Extemporaneous Speaking Contests, Academic Excellence, Lamb Showmanship at Santa Barbara County Fair.

Jasmin's Community Involvement and Service include: Summer Intern at the YMCA, at St. John Neumann Church Catechist and volunteer, Teen Court, Festival of Trees, The Patch Santa Maria, Dog for Toys, Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau, Farm Day, Elks Rodeo, Bread and Roses.

Jasmin's Student Activities and Sports: PVHS Tennis and Swim Teams, Hiking & Environmental Club, Link Crew, Altrusa Club, Youth Making Change, Future Farmers of America, and Early Academic Outreach Program (EAOP).



TRAVELEERS

We took our rigs to Morro Dunes Resort Campground for our November 14 –17 campout. Upon arrival we were greeted with clear and beautiful weather conditions with the iconic Morro Rock visible from everywhere in the park, which provided a great backdrop for our group photo. However, the late afternoons and evenings turned uncomfortably cool (cold?) with strong wind gusts. Needless to say, we were glad our Wagon Master, Steve McGehee, had been able to reserve the park's clubhouse for our potluck and cook-your-own dinners and our monthly club meeting.

As is our usual custom, we headed to a local restaurant for our first evening's dinner. When we returned, we gathered around a couple of fire rings to socialize and exchange tall tales. Karen Munch served homemade cake for dessert, which was much appreciated.

The next day, many of the ladies decided to do some pre-holiday shopping at the Morro Bay Embarcadero's shops, and rumor

has it that they made the shop owners' day! That evening we had a potluck dinner and afterwards a number of us gathered around three fire rings set-up between two of our rigs. Others chose to avoid the chilly and windy conditions and sheltered inside.

Wednesday was our club's monthly meeting which was preceded by a champagne toast to Jim and Peggy Cox on their 59th wedding anniversary and for Jim's 80th birthday. (According to Peggy, they were married on Jim's birthday so Jim wouldn't forget their wedding date!). Also observing a birthday was Carol Steigler – all these happy events took place during the month of November. Later that evening the group gathered once again at the park's clubhouse for a cook-your-own BBQ dinner with everyone contributing an abundance of delicious side dishes and desserts.

Most of our members headed home on Thursday, but several opted to stay another day to enjoy the views and atmosphere of the Morro Bay area.

Got an RV or have one available to you? Then consider joining the Traveleers on one of our upcoming trips to see what we're all about, and how much fun and camaraderie we have when we gather together. You can send an email to our Membership chair, Lucie Fetzco (lkfetzlc@gmail.com) for an invitation.

UPCOMING CAMPOUTS

January 12 –15

Yanks RV Resort
Greenfield, CA

February 9 –12

Casa de Fruta RV Park
Hollister, CA

March 30 –April 3

Bakersfield RV Resort
Bakersfield, CA

Alan Munch
Asst. Wagon Master



California-Hawaii Elks Major Project Leading Knight's **CHALLENGE**

In support, please bring all Purple Pig donations to the Lodge office by **January 31**. Ensure that your Name and Membership number are attached.

Thank You,

Aaron Castellanos
Esteemed Leading Knight

Chris Wilson
Major Project Chairman

SANTA MARIA ELKS GOLF CLUB



The Elks golf club traveled to the Mission Club in Lompoc for our last event of the year on Dec 2nd where we also crowned our Club Champions; however, before crowning our champions the last round of our club championship had to be played.

Shooting the low gross score of 80 was Rick Grenz and Bruce Coggin, who split \$155. James Skaggs was alone for 3rd with a fine score of 81 and taking home the \$70 prize. Dave Landeck

with a score of 82 claimed 4th, pocketing \$65. Steve Salazar and Alfonso tied for 5th with 83's and split \$95. The trend of ties continued with Todd Yoder and Jay Johnson both shooting 84 and splitting \$65.

On the net side of the bracket Danny Landrum claimed 1st and the \$80 with a net score of 71. Chuck Scheithauer and Angel Lopez both shot 73, splitting the 2nd and 3rd place money of \$145. Jimmy Contreras claimed 4th by himself with a fine score of 74 taking home the \$65 prize money. Tying for 5th was Rick Mathis and Mike Elliott both shooting 75, thus splitting \$95. Dan Nielsen and Frank Burrola both shot 77 and split \$65 for 7th.

In the closest to pins on the par 3's we had some great shots on some tough hole locations. Robin Porter was 6'11 1/2" on #2. On the par 3, 7th Steve Salazar was 3'1". James Skaggs won #13 with a shot of 5'. Hole #17 was claimed by Blanca Entrena with her ball coming to rest 9'4" from the hole. All players won \$20 for their efforts.

The climax of this event was crowning our Club Champions. Steve Haskins took home the Gross Club championship plaque with a 3-event total of 243. In the net competition Mike Elliott shot a 3-event total of 215 claiming our Net Club championship. Congratulations to Steve and Mike!

Our 2023 season will resume in March. We had a very good year ending the year with 105 members and contributing a lot of money to our charities. We are always looking for Members who like to play golf, socialize, make friends, and support our charities. If interested, send email to ftarango@sbcglobal to request an application.

Fernie Tarango
Tournament Chairman

BOWLING

After 12 weeks of bowling, Team7, Quiet Thunder, Melva and Lee McClatchey, Lyn Vaughn, and Randy Blankenship are in FIRST PLACE with an ASTOUNDING record of 34 wins and just 14 losses! Team 8, Soule Mates, Colby Freitas, Madeline Thompson, Travis Soule, and Deanna Stote continue to lead High Team Series with a BREATHTAKING 2879 score! Team 5, STRIKE FORCE, Rance Lewis, Donna Ryczek, Johnny Arguijo, and Belinda Thomas lead High Team Series with a COLOSSAL 1017 score! In Men's High Series, Travis Soule leads with a DYNAMITE 818 and in Men's High Game, Johnny Arguijo leads with an ELEGANT 297! Bev Klein leads the Ladies in BOTH High Series and High Game with FABULOUS scores of 741 and 314 respectively!! CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

The following bowlers played a 200 or higher game or 600 or higher series: Johnny Anguijo – 268/697, Jim Bolterman – 230, Scott Daniels – 213, James Franklin – 217, Larry Galaitis – 221/621, Bev Klein – 204, Tom Klein – 237, Deanne Stote – 213 and Belinda Thomas – 202! CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

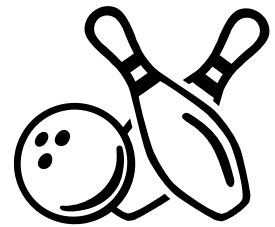
New Year's Jokes:

At the beginning of this year, I made a resolution to lose 10 pounds. I only have 15 to go!

What happened to the woman who stole a calendar on New Year's Eve? She got 12 months!

I was going to quit my bad habits for the new year but then I remembered nobody likes a quitter!

My New Year's resolution is to stop posting corny jokes in the Elks Horn!



Merry Christmas to All
Mike Kenderes
Bowling Chairman

CYO BBQ REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

Date	Band	Dinners	X-cuts
4	Caddy Shack	449	32
11	Sound Investment	295	25
18	Steppin Out	410	40
25	Smooth Groovz DJ Artie	379	22
Total Dinners Sold		1,533	119



LODGE ACTIVITIES



Secretary Phil Deighton presents Ginger Kaufman with a Grand Exalted Ruler letter and pin for sponsoring three or more new Members



Kent Hill presents a \$475 donation from the Veterans to Aaron Castellanos for the Leading Knight's Challenge



Secretary Phil Deighton presents CHEMPI certificates and pins to Myron Battles for achieving Millennium Club (\$1,000+) and to PER Myrl Wallace for achieving Centennial Club (\$100+)



The Past Exalted Ruler Association presents Touring Elks a \$1,000 donation for Toys for Tots

LODGE SUPPORTS VETERANS WITH MINI STAND DOWN

Veterans,

November was the month of being thankful and December was the month of giving. The third Santa Maria Elks Mini Stand Down held on Wednesday, November 30th thanked our veterans who served our country and those who currently are serving. The Cloverlane Foundation in Buellton gave new athletic shoes to veterans and their families who were in attendance. For three decades, the Cloverlane Foundation has been providing for and supporting programs to assist underserved families. The Foundation also provides needed services for our veterans of the United States Armed Services. Gerald Chase, a Korean War Veteran and Cloverlane's Chairman, had over 2,000 pairs of shoes donated by Pierce Footwear, located in Bend, Oregon. These shoes were created by its founder, George Pierce who turns waste into foam for shoes. American Veterans United Board Members, Clettus McDonell and Loren Manes made the round-trip trek from California to Oregon to pick up the shoes and then gave them to the Foodbank of Santa Barbara County for storage.

In addition to shoes, veterans were given hats, gloves, socks, toiletries, and other helpful items. Plus, they all enjoyed a delicious BBQ meal. Several veteran groups were also there to help with programs and services. Businesses such as Grocery Outlet in Santa Maria, donated gift cards for groceries. These were won by many who were given a raffle ticket after signing in. The big winner was a gift basket donated by the Band of Brothers.

KSBY TV covered the event interviewing Elk Veterans Committee Members, Cloverlane Representatives, and many veterans. Highlights can be seen on their website or type in Santa Maria Elk's Lodge Hosts Stand Down for Veterans. Please plan to attend our next Veterans Appreciation BBQ on Wednesday, January 4, 2023, from 12 – 3 pm. at the Lodge.

Remember Elks Care, Elks Share.

Suzanne "Sam" de St. Jean
Veterans Committee Member

God Bless our Veterans





**B.P.O. ELKS – NO. 1538
2022-2023 OFFICERS**

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 New Years' Day Lodge Closed	2 Lodge Office Closed	3 No Bingo or Pub Grub	4 Veterans Committee Appreciation BBQ Noon -3:00 pm (Details p. 4)	5 Lodge 7:30 pm	6 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:15 – 8:00 pm Dance to DJ John Ortiz	7 Bar and Lounge Open 10 am – 9 pm
8 Bar and Lounge Open 10 am – 9 pm Cigar & Fine Spirits 2 pm Patio	9 Family Night Dinner 5:30 – 7:00 pm BBQ Spareribs House Committee 6:30	10 Pub Grub 5:30 – 7:00 pm BINGO 6:00 pm PER 7:00 pm	11 Orientation Dinner 6:30	12 Lodge 7:30 pm PER Initiation Student of Month	13 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:15 – 8:00 pm Dance to Sound Investment	14 Bar and Lounge Open 10 am to 9 pm
15 Bar and Lounge Open 10 am – 9 pm	16 Family Night Dinner 5:30 – 7:00 pm Chicken Fried Steak	17 Pub Grub 5:30 – 7:00 pm BINGO 6:00 pm	18 Fire Fighters' Appreciation Night No Host Bar 5:30 pm Dinner 6:30 pm (Details p. 4)	19 Lodge 7:30 pm	20 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:15 – 8:00 pm Dance to Soundhouse	21 Adopt-A-Highway 8:00 am Bar and Lounge Open 10 am to 9 pm
22 Bar and Lounge Open 10 am – 9 pm	23 Family Night Dinner 5:30 – 7:00 pm Taco Bowl	24 Pub Grub 5:30 – 7:00 pm BINGO 6:00 pm Investigation Interviews	25	26 Food Bank 9:00ish Lodge 7:30 pm	27 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:15 – 8:00 pm Dance to Steppin Out	28 Bar and Lounge Open 10am to 9 pm
29 Bar and Lounge Open 10am to 9 pm	30 Family Night Dinner 5:30 – 7:00 pm BBQ 1/2 Chicken	31 Pub Grub 5:30 – 7:00 PM Bingo 6:00 pm Touring Elks 7:30 pm				Elks Bowling Every Tuesday 6:30 pm Rancho Bowl

NOTE: Deadline for Elks Horn copy is 8:00 pm, THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH!

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