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AARON CASTELLANOS, EXALTED RULER

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## EXALTED RULER

*Aaron Castellanos*



Members,  
The Initiation Ritual is very special as it is the first interaction between new Members and

our officers on the Lodge floor. From start to finish our Ritual offers a deep dive explanation of what becoming an Elk truly embodies and leaves a lasting impression. It spotlights each one of our guiding principles: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity as well as instructs us on the procedures of the order. That in itself is reason enough as to why Santa Maria Lodge has always held this practice to be of high importance.

But Ritual also offers officers just a bit more. In January the incoming officers began working on perfecting the memorization of the Initiation Ritual. This consists of twice-a-week practices as a whole group, and of course for many of us, daily run-throughs during any available free time. All this is done with intent to not only offer a well performed ceremony for our Members but also for the ability to represent our Lodge in what we hope will be a series of competitions. Our Lodge competes at a District level where the winner moves on to represent all of the Lodges within our district at the state level, and that winner moves on to the National competition at Grand Lodge.

Preparing for all of this offers the officer corps the opportunity to get to know each other and work as group for the first time each year, which better prepares us to work together for the remainder of the year.

It brings me great pleasure to be able to announce that your Santa Maria Team will be moving on to compete at the CHEA state convention May 17-20th. The team will be fresh from winning this year's West Central Coast District competition where we had a great showing and earned a First-Place finish. Every single member of this team also placed individually. Aaron Castellanos Exalted Ruler and Most Impressive ER award, Steve Jones Leading Knight, Chuck Biely Loyal Knight, Jeremy Forman Lecturing Knight, Eva Guzman Chaplain, Sherry Purcer candidate and Tony Campas Head Coach each placed First in their categories. Christina Lagrimas Esquire and Ray Sanchez Inner Guard both placed 2nd. I hope you are all just as proud of how well they all represented our Lodge. We look forward to performing at state and showcasing our Lodge even more. Wish us luck and we will update you as soon as possible.

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*  
Exalted Ruler

## ELKS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



Past Exalted Ruler, Matt Rodriguez names John Hochleutner Elks Citizen of the Year

**JOHN HOCHLEUTNER** was born and raised in the Santa Maria Valley where he grew up on a dairy with his mother and grandparents. His upbringing helped foster his hard work and giving nature. He has raised three kids, eleven grandchildren, and one great grandson and has been a business owner for the last 40 years. As the saying goes, "He has never met a stranger. Every person is just a friend he hasn't met." He loves

people and supporting his community, not just monetarily but also with his resources and time. John is a 43 year Elks Member and has helped support the annual rodeo and queen candidates.

His love of his community has kept him involved in sponsoring youth athletics. He often donates the use of generators, light towers, and portable restrooms that we see at our sports fields around town. The Shoes for Students program, our local Boys and Girls Club, and the Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo county food banks. John grew up participating in FFA and 4-H, and he has contributed to the Santa Maria Fair Livestock Auction, teaching our children and teenagers important values of responsibility and hard work. An organization close to his heart led him to be the event sponsor for Cruising for Life for the last 15 years in memory of his mother, and in support all of those who are fighting their battle with cancer.

### YOUR 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE WEST CENTRAL COAST DISTRICT INITIATION RITUAL TEAM



1st Place and Most Impressive Exalted Ruler - Aaron Castellanos, 1st Place Leading Knight - Steve Jones, 1st Place Loyal Knight - Chuck Biely, 1st Place Lecturing Knight Jeremy Forman PER, 2nd Place Esquire - Tina Lagrimas, 1st Place Chaplain - Eva Guzman, 2nd Place Inner Guard - Ray Sanchez, 1st Place Candidate - Sherry Purser, 1st Place Head Coach - Tony Campas PER, Assistant Coaches - PERs Tommy Gee, Ron Anderson, Myrl Wallace & Bryan Feldpouch

*All American Lodge*

## CHARITY LEADING KNIGHT

*Steve Jones*



Members,

Now that the Elks Rodeo and Parade are upon us once again, it reminded me of my very first interaction with the Santa Maria Elks Lodge over 20 years ago.

When my daughter Hannah was only two years old, she was diagnosed with Leukemia and we spent three years going through hospitals and chemotherapy. During that time, she became a small-town local hero and was on the news, in the papers, was granted a Make a Wish trip, etc.

Somebody from the Elks Rodeo reached out to me and my family at that point and asked if Hannah would like to be the Junior Grand Marshal of the Elks Rodeo Parade. We had never been to the Elks or even attended the Rodeo or any of the events that surround it. We graciously agreed and Hannah got a Rodeo buckle and got to ride in the parade, attend the kickoff dinner and events, and we all got to attend the rodeo. The Elks made a huge impression on our lives and left us all with lifelong memories.

Having had the opportunity these last couple of years to be part of the Golden Circle of Champions and spend time with families and children who are going through the same thing we went through with cancer is an amazing experience that I am blessed to be a part of. If only there was an organization like that available to me and my family then, we would have felt so blessed. This year, I hope you all bring your families and kids and grandchildren out to the rodeo and parade to build those same memories we had.

My little cancer survivor Hannah is now a Children's Cancer Nurse and is about to be a mom herself, and I cannot wait to bring my new grandson to the Elks Rodeo and Parade when he grows up.

See you at the Rodeo and Parade!

*Steve Jones*

**Esteemed Lecturing Knight**

[SteveJones1538@gmail.com](mailto:SteveJones1538@gmail.com)

## JUSTICE LOYAL KNIGHT

*Chuck Biely*



Members,

Another outstanding rodeo has come and gone. Thanks to all the great volunteers who made it possible.

Without you we could not achieve such a major accomplishment. This major event is well known throughout Elkdom and it

is only all possible because of our volunteers.

For the past few months I have been made aware of a certain lack of respect by some Members and/or guests at our Friday night Cook Your Own. People have been leaving glasses, cans, popcorn and other items on the tables instead of busing them to the bar or trash cans. Members you are responsible for your guests. Set a good example; show them you are proud to be a Member. Then we can welcome them as new Members who are eager to join such a great organization.

Speaking of new Members, our recent classes have been averaging 40 to 50 new applicants with the May 2023 class over 70. Please, when you invite a prospective Member to join our Lodge be certain you are recruiting people you know and who are willing to participate in our charitable work as this is not merely a social club. We want Members who are willing to contribute to the organization and the community and have a good time doing something meaningful. This Lodge year promises to be busy so get active, come to a Lodge meeting, see old friends and make new ones.

As always, stay safe and secure every day.

*Chuck Biely*

**Esteemed Loyal Knight**

## BROTHERLY LOVE LECTURING KNIGHT

*Jeremy Forman*



Members,

Your office corps geared up for the annual CHEA Ritual Contest in Simi Valley. We practiced twice a week since January and did our best

in preparation for the event. We are proud to tell you we took First Place at Simi Valley! We have brought the District Ritual Trophy back once again with us so it can continue to be displayed in our Lodge Room.

The month of June is full of many great events which are kicked off by our very own Santa Maria Elks Rodeo. This year will mark our 80th annual, and it is sure to be a good time. Bring the family as I am confident that it will be enjoyed by all. While you are there, don't forget to thank a volunteer. This rodeo would not exist without the hundreds

of volunteers that help every year.

Following the Rodeo will be our Flag Day ceremony, a wonderful event that I encourage all to attend. You will witness an impressive ceremony about the history of our flag and may learn a few things you did not know. The flag of our country is the emblem of freedom and symbol of unity. Let us be proud Americans and be proud of our flag.

Finally, as you make your way through life, always keep in mind the golden rule; "Do unto others and we would they should do unto you." Treat others as you would expect them to treat you. As you learned during your Initiation, this is the foundation and groundwork of our order.

As always, ever practice Brotherly Love.

*Jeremy Forman PER*

**Esteemed Lecturing Knight**



# Flag Day

C E R E M O N Y

## Sunday, June 11

Ceremony begins at 2:00<sup>pm</sup>

*The officers and members of Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538 cordially invite you to attend our Flag Day Ceremony held at the Elks Lodge.*

1309 North Bradley Rd, Santa Maria

*Cold Cut Buffet Lunch will be served following the ceremony*

## DRESS CODE IN EFFECT FOR ALL ELKS FUNCTIONS

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 6:00 pm except 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:** Collared shirts required after 6:00 pm on Thursday and Friday. 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.

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, remind your guests that you are responsible for them!

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

## GOLF

The Elks Golf Club visited the Santa Maria County Club on April 12th for our 1st tournament of the year. We were scheduled to play our 1st tournament in Paso Robles but due to rather wet conditions we were forced to cancel. As is the normal for our events we always have a full field of 80 or more players out of our total membership of 112 members. We were treated to a great course, thanks to the maintenance staff and the pro shop staff in making us welcome.

As are most of our events we play a blind draw four person team format with different scoring concepts. This format was a 3-person best ball.

In the Team Competition the team of Mike Zubiri, Terri Zubiri, Adolfo Vargas, and Angel Lopez took home 1st place with a score of 199. That score was good enough to win \$240. Taking 2nd place and winning \$220 with a score of 201 was the team of Fernie Tarango, Gary Martin, Daniel Troup, and Rob Borowski. The 3rd place award went to the team of Adolfo Vargas, Trini Martinez, Jim Burbueltz, and Adrain Tabaldo winning \$200 with a score of 203. The team of Chuck Scheithauer, Chip Guthrie, Larry Humburger, and Jim Robb pocketed \$160 with a score of 208. Winning \$120 with a score 208 was the team of Danny Landrum, Sandy Landrum, Gary Adair, and Marc Rodriguez. Claiming 6th place with a score of 209 and winning \$100 was the team of Dan Fitzgerald, Bob Cosley, Mick Towle, and Gary Concellos.

In the Gross Competition, Michael Grenz shot the round of the day with a 75 and winning \$30. Placing 2nd in a card off was Mike Zubiri with a 78, he pocketed \$25. Losing in the card off with Zubiri was Mick Towle and taking home \$20 for 3rd also with a 78. The Net Competition was also tight with Adolfo Vargas claiming 1st with a score of 67 worth \$30. In a card off Steve Salazar shot a 68 for 2nd place worth \$25. Ruben Castillo had the other 68 and taking home \$20 for 3rd place.

The tournament entry fee is \$20 of which \$5 goes into the 50/50 drawing where the club keeps half and the other half is raffled

*GOLF continued on page 14*

## LODGE ACTIVITIES

Lodge Treasurer Liz Brown presents John Maretti with a \$500 Attendance check



Jay Conner presents a Thank You plaque to Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos for the Lodge's help with Honor Flight



Secretary Phil Daughton presents Louisa Garcia a letter from the Grand Exalted Ruler for sponsoring three or more new Members



Secretary Phil Daughton presents Ray Sanchez and Amalia Rea a letter from the Grand Exalted Ruler for sponsoring three or more new Members

**Fireworks  
for  
SALE**

**SATURDAY JULY 1  
through  
TUESDAY JULY 4**

**NOON TO 6:00 PM DAILY  
525 S. BROADWAY**

Elks Lodge #1538 and the PER Association will be hosting a fireworks booth again this year to raise money for student scholarships.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
to staff the booth. Please contact the Lodge office at **805-922-1538** if you would like to help.

**EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2023**

BAR PRICES increased by .50 cents for all liquor and wine.

CYO PRICES for all Entrees:  
New York Steak, Fish, Chicken Breast, and Pork Ribs  
increased by \$2.00  
Members: \$20/plate  
Guests: \$25/plate

SALAD PLATES  
increased by \$3 to \$15/plate

**WOOD CREW SALE**

\$100 for a truckload of pine firewood. Drop delivery in driveway - **NO STACKING!** To schedule a delivery, call Norm McDonald (805) 310-3610. This wood is good for fire pits and fireplaces, **NOT for BBQ'ing!!**

All proceeds go to Wood Crew for equipment acquisition and maintenance.

**Elks Horn News offered free of charge.**  
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**1309 N. Bradley Road**  
**Santa Maria, CA 93454**

**Credit cards accepted in the Members' Bar with a \$20 minimum purchase**

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**CYO BBQ REPORT FOR APRIL**

Date	Band	Dinners	X-cuts
7	Leadfoot	318	25
14	Michael Arriola Project	343	36
21	Caddy Shack	426	38
28	Smooth Groovz/DJ Artie	417	29
<b>TOTAL DINNERS SOLD</b>		<b>1,504</b>	<b>128</b>

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**KENTUCKY DERBY**



## FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

The Lodge Membership finished the 2022-2023 Elk Year with 3,350 Members. Attention Members: In our most recent By-Laws the Lodge instituted a change to reinstating their Membership. Former Members that want to Reinstate their Membership: during JUNE a person can reinstate their Membership for only \$1.00 instead of the \$75 charged normally. Everything remains the same in the process: one sponsor and two references are needed, and the Membership will need to vote the Member back into the Membership. When all is complete the pro-rated dues for the remaining portion of the year will be due as well.

**REMEMBER MEMBERS: IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE THAT IS NO LONGER A MEMBER, THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED BACK INTO THE LODGE EVEN AS A GUEST UNLESS THEY ARE REINSTATED AND BECOME A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING AGAIN.**

## PER CORNER

Congratulations to the 2023-2024 Lodge #1538 Ritual Team for retaining the West Central Coast District #1240 Ritual title and trophy. Your Santa Maria Lodge #1538 Ritual Team was coached by Past Exalted Rulers Tommy Gee, Myrl Wallace, Bryan Feldpouch and Ron Anderson, led by Head Coach Tony Campas. Your dedication and hard work on behalf of Lodge #1538 is much appreciated.

The Rodeo is here!!! June 1 - 4 the 80th Annual Rodeo will be held at the Event Center with the Parade June 3. We hope to see you there.

Elks Lodge #1538 and the PER Association will be hosting a Fireworks Booth again this year. It will be at 525 S. Broadway, Saturday July 1 through Tuesday July 4, from noon to 6 pm each day. Volunteers are needed to staff the booth. Please contact the Lodge if you would like to help.

Have a great month. Hope to see you there too!

The Santa Maria Elks 1538 are being honored for our dedicated work on behalf of our community during the 17th Annual Champions Dinner in June. We are very honored and hope all can attend to support the worthy organizations being honored.

**CommUnify** is a nonprofit organization that works collaboratively with the community to find innovative solutions to assist Santa Barbara County residents in living healthy, resilient, and financially secure lives offering a variety of education and support services aimed at promoting the independence of individuals of all ages.



### 17TH ANNUAL CHAMPIONS DINNER

**When:** June 8, 2023 6:00 PM

**Location:** On the patio of The River Grill Restaurant  
150 Alisal Road, Solvang (adjacent to Alisal Ranch & Resort)

In addition to the Santa Maria Elks Lodge, the 2023 Champions Dinner will honor **Deckers Brands' Deckers Gives Program** and **Reverend Randall Day** of St. Marks-in-the-Valley in Los Olivos for their dedicated work on behalf of the people of Santa Barbara County. Join us in celebrating their contributions to our community!

For more information, please contact Julie Weiner at [jweiner@CommUnifySB.org](mailto:jweiner@CommUnifySB.org) or call (805) 964-8857, ext. 3

## ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY CLEANUP

Have you ever wondered... Who are those people in yellow vests and white hardhats picking up trash? If they are on Highway 101, between Broadway and Main, and it's the third Saturday... Elks.

Problem is we have more Highway than volunteers. If you would like to help we meet next to the wood room, 3rd Saturday we leave at 8 am. Work for 2 hours, back to the Lodge for free pizza and beverages. You might even win a bottle. Hope to see you.

*Jerry Schons*

Questions? 805 478-2620

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*See Class Photo in May Elks Horn, Page 11.*

### JIM ELKINS CLASS

Ernest Alvarez  
Richard Alvarez  
Ezequiel Banvelos  
Eugenro Barrera  
Ricardo Batalla  
Jose Bravo  
Jacque Caldwell  
Rafael Camacho  
Kristy Charez  
Jesus Chavez  
Lenora Dea Cunningham  
Alejandro Dominguez  
Kevin Drom  
Kaylee Ellis  
Christopher Fernandez  
Eric Gonzalez  
Monica Gonzalez  
James Grunke  
Marcus Guzman  
Emmet Hickey  
Andrew Keil

Terrance Krelle  
Enrique Lopez  
Daniel Lucero  
Sophia Magana  
Ana Mendoza  
Juan Mendoza  
Alec Monte  
Courtney Moreno  
Toni-Ann Mylar  
Denise Ojeda  
Carolina Ortiz  
Dwayne Patton  
Daniel Perez  
Christina Pintar  
Sally Rea  
Maria Rodriquez  
Veronica Romero  
Brian Scappaticci  
Mona Swain  
Lynn Weber  
Stella Wheeler  
Pete Yracheta

### REINSTATEMENTS

Ralph Rea  
Jane Burke  
Llyod Gentry  
Justin Clegg  
Paul Potter  
Manuel Zepeda

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Billy Treat  
Clayton Beck  
Matthew Lima  
Bryan Lentz  
Chris Whitford

## CRYING TOWEL

### APRIL 6

Armando Ramos ..... \$500  
Paul D. Kaye ..... \$500  
Mary Mitchell ..... \$500

### APRIL 13

John Lettau ..... \$500  
Dena Foose ..... \$500  
Tom Overly ..... \$500

### APRIL 20

Meagan M. Rojas ..... \$500  
Phillip Torres ..... \$500  
David Schloesser ..... \$500

### APRIL 27

John Maretta PRESENT.... \$500  
George F. Woodard..... \$500  
Youssef R "Joe" Keldaoui .. \$500



## VETERANS HONOR FLIGHT TO WASHINGTON DC AND WELCOME HOME



## MAJOR PROJECT PURPLE PIG

The California-Hawaii Elks Major Project Inc pledges its commitment to addressing the unmet needs of children with disabilities throughout the States of California and Hawaii - developing a program of supporting services to aid these children at no cost to families and without discrimination. Please fill up your Purple Pigs with your extra change and return them to the office with your Name and Membership Number attached. Here is a special "Thank You" for all who turned in their Pig last month.

A Coin a Day. They will Walk, Talk, See and Play!  
Amy Gillot  
Major Project Chair



Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538 Veterans Committee presents

# Veterans Appreciation BBQ

Thursday, June 29, 2023 • 11:00 am - 1:30 pm

Lunch is FREE for Veterans • Guest Speaker  
Veteran Information Booths • Local Veteran Groups  
Lunch is served from 11:30am till we run out  
1309 N. Bradley Road, Santa Maria








*Just a Thank you for your service*

## VETERANS APPRECIATION BBQ/MINI STAND DOWN

It was another successful Veterans Appreciation BBQ/Mini Stand Down on Thursday, April 6th with several local agencies information booths to help veterans with filing for benefits claims and as well as mental and health issues. Rhonda Murphy, County of Santa Barbara Veterans Services Officer, is always at our vet events to offer her assistance along with Brian Mason and his legion of assistants from the Good Samaritan Services who provide supportive services for veteran families.

We also had a few new veterans' support groups such as the Legacy Village Wellness Centers in Nipomo who are licensed by the California Department of Health Care Services to help with moderate to severe addiction or substance use disorders issues. Another new one was the San Luis Obispo Vet Center who offer confidential help for Veterans, service members, and their families at no cost in a non-medical setting. Their services include counseling for needs such as depression, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and the psychological effects of military sexual trauma (MST). New Life K9's in San Luis Obispo had the most adorable helper to deal with PTSD - Bravo, a four-year old black Labrador Retriever. Program Manager Jennifer Tate ensured that he greeted and mingled with almost everyone. For more information about these awesome organizations, please visit their websites.

The Santa Maria Elks always ensure that our veterans and their families get a great lunch, raffle prizes for gifts or gift cards and some clothing essentials. We could not do this event without the help of our staff, our Members, and our volunteers. A big shout out to them and members of our Veterans Committee who also offer their time and services. If you are interested in being involved with the Veterans Committee, please contact the Elks office. We also want to thank our veterans and their families who, without your service and sacrifice to our country, we would not be free from strife and tyranny.

Please join us for our next Veterans Mini Stand Down on Thursday, June 29th at 11 am. Lunch will be served at 11 am until we run out of food.

Remember Elks Care, Elks Share.

God Bless our Veterans,  
Suzanne "Sam" de St. Jean  
Veterans Committee Member



## STUDENTS OF THE YEAR – MAY 3, 2023



The Student of the Month ends with two of those students being named **Student of the Year**. These are outstanding students who excelled academically and scholastically; athletically; and with community involvement and service. The scholarships would not be possible without the donation of the monies from the Elks Bingo Committee. These scholarships assist these students with their next step to the university.

Throughout the past seven months, two students per month from Santa Maria and Orcutt High Schools were selected from the 139 candidates who applied for an Elks Student of the Month scholarship:

**39 from Ernest Righetti High School • 7 from Orcutt Academy High School  
70 from Pioneer Valley High School • 18 from Santa Maria High School  
5 from St Joseph High School**

The applications were scored by a six member committee based on the following point system: Community Involvement/Service Hours - **40**, School Activities/Sports - **35**, GPA/AP Test Scores of 3-5/AHC classes - **25**, for a **TOTAL OF 100 POINTS**. Mr. Cowell's generosity is appreciated by these students and their parents.

### STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

October	<b>Vineesh Neerathalingam</b>	<i>Ernest Righetti</i>
	<b>Yitzel Chavez Herrera</b>	<i>Pioneer Valley</i>
November	<b>Maria Ramos Lemus</b>	<i>Pioneer Valley</i>
	<b>Jasmin Olivera</b>	<i>Pioneer Valley</i>
December	<b>Jamielynne Lomibao</b>	<i>Ernest Righetti</i>
	<b>Alessandro Ante</b>	<i>Orcutt Academy</i>
January	<b>Alexandra Martinez</b>	<i>Pioneer Valley</i>
	<b>Zimin He</b>	<i>Ernest Righetti</i>
February	<b>Czharina Joy Ilaban</b>	<i>Pioneer Valley</i>
	<b>Acosta Cassandra Padilla</b>	<i>Pioneer Valley</i>
March	<b>Benjamin Choi</b>	<i>Ernest Righetti</i>
	<b>Tynan Schierman</b>	<i>Orcutt Academy</i>
April	<b>Jade Eteli Espinoza</b>	<i>Ernest Righetti</i>
	<b>Rubi Orduna-Hernandez</b>	<i>Pioneer Valley</i>

The two Students of the Year were selected from this list who received an additional \$1,750 toward their education:

**-Vignesh Neerathalingam** from Ernest Righetti High School has a 4.70 GPA ranked 2nd in his class of 600 was profiled in the December 2022 Elks Horn.

**-Benjamin Choi** from Ernest Righetti High School has a 4.93 GPA ranked 1st in his class of 585 was profiled in the May 2023 Elks Horn.

The **Citizen of the Year** award was also announced: **John Hochlenter**. Mr. Hochlenter was so moved by the achievements of these students, he donated an additional \$500 to each student for their accomplishments and achievements.

### ANOTHER ELK WITH A BIG HEART

There are high school students and there are exceptional high school students. All scholarship applicants maintain a high grade point average, take Advanced Placement classes and college courses, while participating in sports, community service, and so much more.

In our Lodge, **Richie Cowell III**, a three-year Member, was so moved by the students' stories of achievement that he felt he had to do more than just applaud these students and decided to provide dinner for these students and their parents. They met with the Scholarship Chairman the night of the monthly Elks Lodge meeting presentation and shared dinner, conversation, dreams, and questions about their futures at Rancho Nipomo BBQ.



*We have distributed the following since the beginning of the pandemic:*

As of April 27, 2023

49,364 . . . Bags given out • 1,206,904 . . . Pounds of food distributed  
24,752 . . . Families served • 76,140 . . . Individuals served

**Want to help?**

**The last Thursday of each month in the Lodge Parking Lot  
8:00 - 11:00 am**



## APRIL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



**JADE ETEH ESPINOZA** from Ernest Righetti High School, with a 4.38 GPA is ranked 13th in her class of 599 has completed 4 Advance Placement classes and 4 Allen Hancock classes and 350 Service Hours

Her Awards include: Honor Roll, Athlete Scholar, Golden Warrior for Physics and for mathematics, Community Excellence award, and Certificate of Excellence.

Jade participates in Latinos Unidos as Secretary, Youth Making Change, Upward Bound, Early Academic Outreach Program, Animal Lovers Club, California Scholarship Federation, Track and Field, AVID, and National Honor Society.

Her Community Involvement and Service includes: Youth Making Change, Jimenez Elementary School, St. John Neumann Church, and Latinos Unidos.



**RUBI ORDUNA-HERNANDEZ** from Pioneer Valley High School with a 4.29 GPA is ranked 6th in her class of 785 has completed 1 Advance Placement classes and 6 Allen Hancock classes and 814 Service Hours.

Her Awards include: Academic Excellence, California Scholarship Federation, National Hispanic Recognition, Key Club Treasurer of the Year.

Rubi is a Link Crew Mentor, Full STEAM Ahead, EAOP and EAOP Scholar, Key Club President.

Her Community Involvement and Service includes: Marian Regional Medical Center Volunteer, Tommie Kunst Junior High School Tutor, and Santa Maria Public Library assistant.

## TED TALBOT *CHEA President 2023-2024, (South Central Coast District/Torrance Elks Lodge #1948)*

Born in Beaumont, Texas, and one of three sons, Ted Talbot relocated with his family to Torrance, California in 1965. He graduated from Torrance High School, joined the Navy and received an Honorable Discharge in 1972. For more than 39 years, Ted has worked as Owner/Broker of Talbot Insurance Agency located in Lomita, California. Additionally, he is a Past President of the Lomita Chamber of Commerce and has been a Board Member of the Torrance/Lomita/Carson Work Force Network for nearly 25 years.

Ted joined Torrance Elks on January 27, 1992. He served as Lecturing Knight (1995-1996), Loyal Knight (1996-1997), Leading Knight (1997-1998). It was during these years that Ted served with the South Central Coast District Government Relations Committee, until he was elected Exalted Ruler (1998-1999). Ted was elected Lodge Secretary (1999-2000) and served as Chairman of the following District Committees: Government Relations (1999-2000); Drug Awareness (2000-2002); and Insurance and Safety (2002-2020). From 2009-Present Ted set up and provides District-wide Lodge assistance of the C.L.M.S. program. Ted served as District Piggy Bank Chairman (2010-2011) and was appointed District BLT Chairman for the year 2011-2012.

Ted served as Esquire to District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Bill Mounday (2001-2002) and became CHEA District Vice President (2007-2008). He served as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler (2012-2013). Ted served as a Lodge Advisors with Jim Mason, PSP, for matters related to Downey Elks Lodge. Ted



assisted CHEA 1st VP Robert L. Duitsman (2017-2018) with various strategic planning/fund-raising events and activities. Ted was asked to be CHEA President Robert L. Duitsman's Aide for the year 2018-2019 and was subsequently appointed Administrative Aide to Grand Exalted Ruler Duitsman for the year 2019-2020.

Ted has devoted much of his time to the Elks Ritual. In 1999, Ted became a District Word Judge and became a member of the District Ritual Contest Committee for the year 2004-2005 and assumed the Chairmanship in 2005-2006. Since 2010, Ted has been: Tri-District Ritual Training Chairman; CHEA Ritual Training Chairman; CHEA Ritual Contest Chairman.

In 2020, Ted began to serve as a Board Member of CHEMPI and will continue to serve as its secretary until his term ends in 2022. In 2023 served as CHEA 1st Vice President under Brad Smith.

Ted met the love of his life Jeanie in 1999 and were married at the end of the 2002 Grand Lodge Convention in Reno, NV. While they have no children of their own, they do maintain strong family ties with Jeanie's two daughters and three grandchildren who live outside California. Ted and Jeanie are deeply honored and proud to serve CHEA and to share the positive news about how its Members have demonstrated flexibility and sustainability by maintaining steadfast T.E.A.M. ideals and leadership in response to ongoing community challenges.

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# Father's Day Brunch

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2023

TIME: 9:00 am - 11:30 am

MENU:

New York Steak - Eggs  
Country Fried Potatoes - Beans  
Biscuits and Gravy - Salsa  
Fruit Cocktail  
Coffee - Milk - Orange Juice - Champagne

\$20.00

Only Father of the Elk Member is Free  
- Cash or check only -



## BOWLING

Our 2022-2023 Elks Bowling League season is over and the winners are:

**LEAGUE CHAMPIONS:** Team 8, Soule Mates, Colby Freitas, Madeline Thompson, Travis Soule, and Deanna Stote

**TEAM HIGH SERIES:** Team 8, Soule Mates, Colby Freitas, Madeline Thompson, Travis Soule, and Deanna Stote – 2878

**TEAM HIGH GAME:** Team 8, Soule Mates, Colby Freitas, Madeline Thompson, Travis Soule, and Deanna Stote – 1029

**MEN'S HIGH SERIES:** Travis Soule – 818

**MEN'S HIGH GAME:** Jim Bolterman – 301

**WOMEN'S HIGH SERIES:**  
Deanna Stote – 774

**WOMEN'S HIGH GAME:** Bev Klein - 314

### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!!

The following bowlers bowled a 200 or higher game or 600 or higher series: Tami Baty – 236/649, Jim Bolterman – 278/715, Scott Daniels – 204, James Franklin – 222, Debbie Johnson – 204, Ashley Kelley – 202, Tom Klein – 237/629, Rance Lewis – 223, Brandon Mathews – 213/632, Lee McClatchey – 204, Donna Ryczek – 212, Deanne Stote – 228/645, and Belinda Thomas – 231/611!

### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

**JOKES OF THE MONTH:** *A lawyer and a farmer have a head-on collision on a country road. No one is badly hurt, but both men are badly shaken. The farmer goes to his car and brings out a whiskey flask and offers it to the lawyer. "You look like you need a drink." Lawyer takes a swig and then, at the farmer's insistence, another. He hands the flask back to the farmer. "Your turn." Farmer replied, "No thanks, I'm waiting for the sheriff."*

## ELKS #1538 COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN APPOINTMENTS 2023-2024

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Mike Kenderes

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(Leading Knight)

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Al Torres

**ELKS HORN**  
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**ELKS MEMORIAL DAY**  
Marty Durrett PER (Tiler)

**ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION**  
Vicki Melville

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Jaime Flores

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Joe Tuttobene

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**TOURING ELKS**  
Mark McNutt

**TRAVELEERS**  
John Purdum (Wagon Master)

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**TRAVELEERS**

The Traveleers are always on the lookout for new and interesting destinations for our trips, and our April campout (13th - 17th) served this objective perfectly. On the suggestion of one of our Members, June Pusley, we headed North to the Salinas Valley



Fairgrounds in King City. We had 12 rigs with 24 Members participating, and after settling in at the campsite, we all headed to a nearby Mexican restaurant for dinner. Although we usually gather together after dinner around one or more fire rings to enjoy the evening and socialize, the weather didn't cooperate – too cold and much too windy – so most of us opted to take shelter in our rigs for the rest of the evening.

Richard Chrisman, Tom Simas and Chuck Glines started-off our Friday morning by providing a full breakfast for everyone, and it was much appreciated – thank you gents! The rest of the day was spent either socializing outdoors in what turned-out to be a sunny but windy day, or occupying the “Longhorn Saloon” building at the Fairgrounds to get out of the wind and play “penny poker”. That evening we all enjoyed a pot luck dinner in the Longhorn building with everyone contributing delicious food items. Although we planned to gather around the fire rings after dinner, the temperature plummeted and the wind picked up so once again everyone took to their rigs.

We held our club's monthly membership meeting on Saturday in the Longhorn building. The meeting was preceded by a champagne toast to Richard and Joanne Willis for their 38th anniversary (see photo). As usual, our “honorees” hosted the event by providing the champagne – thank you Joanne and Richard, and congratulations!

Our recently elected Wagon Master, John Purdum, conducted his first Membership meeting during this campout and among the club's business topics were the “formal” introduction of new members Jim and Evette Dilley and our customary collection for ENF.

It turned out that our stay coincided with the Fairgrounds' Opening Day “Kick-Off” activities, to which we were invited to join-in by the Fairground folks. This provided us the opportunity to wander through a large swap meet during the afternoon and later

to participate in live and silent auctions and enjoy a BBQ dinner put on as a fundraiser by the local high school FFA. After the dinner, there was “dancing ‘till mid-night” with music provided by a really loud band!! Fortunately, our rigs were parked just far enough away for it not to be an annoyance. Many

in our group came away with some great swap meet and auction items – mostly food and local produce. The serendipity nature of the Fairground's Kick-Off event's timing presented us with an unusual and interesting aspect to this campout, and we plan to camp there again next year when their opening day events are scheduled.

Sunday was departure day for most of our group, although 5 rigs (10 Members) stayed over until Monday. Even with the cool and windy conditions, the campout was another great trip that everyone enjoyed.

Finally, after 3 years as the Traveleer's monthly article contributor to the Elks Horn, I've passed the “reins” to Joanne Willis who volunteered to take on the job beginning with our May campout. Thank you Joanne for being willing to perform this important function of the Traveleers Club. Also, a really big THANK YOU! to my wife, Karen, for serving as my proofreader for my articles and, especially, my spelling checker, a challenging task for sure – just ask her!

The Traveleers are one of the most friendly groups of Elks Lodge 1538, and we welcome all Lodge members who have access to an RV and would like to join us on one of our next campouts to contact our Membership chairperson, Kelly McLoughlin (mkk96@msn.com) for an invitation.

*Alan Munch*  
 Traveleers Article Contributor

**UPCOMING CAMPOUTS**

**June 8 - 12**  
 Tres Hermanas Winery,  
 Santa Maria

**July 10 - 13**  
 Pacific Dunes Ranch/  
 RV Park, Oceano

**Sept. 28 - Oct. 2**  
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off. The amount raffled off for this event was \$200, drawing 8 tickets each worth \$25. Those lucky winners were: Rob Borowski, Greg Butler, Ann Clark, Larry Humburger, Todd Yoder, Chuck Scheithauer, Gary Concellos. We had closest to pins on all the par 3's each worth \$15. Fernie Tarango launched his tee shot 4' 2 1/2 inches on hole #3. Dennis Grossini found the green on hole # 7 with an excellent shot of 17 feet. The shot of the day was made by Marc Rodriguez on hole # 13 landing his ball 3'1" from the hole. Larry Humburger hit a great shot on hole #16 with his ball coming to rest 3'6" from the hole.

The Elks Golf Club had a turnout of 62 players at Cypress Ridge on May 15th. The format for this event was a two person one best ball. We also awarded closest to the pin on all par-3's. The par 3's were worth \$15 with Rich Mathis landing his ball 2'4" from the hole, his fine shot got him \$15. On hole #8, with a fine shot of 11' 11", was Steve Salazar. Angel Lopez nailed his shot on the tough #11 within 7'. On the hard #13 proved no problem for Mick Towle landing his ball 8'2" from the hole. The two person one best ball format proved to be very competitive. With a net score of 64- 8 under par was the team of Trini Martinez and Claude Worsham taking home 9th place worth \$60. We had a couple of 9-under 63. The team of Todd Yoder and Chad Payne claimed \$70 for 8th place. The 7th place team of Larry Humburger and Dan Fitzgerald won \$80 in a card off also with a 63. We had 3- scores of 62 which required an other card off. The team of Gary Concellos and Jim Robb pocketed \$90 for 6th place. Danny Landrum and Steve Brown swept 5th place with one of the other 62 worth \$100. Winning 4th place with the lowest 62 was Steve Salazar and Adrain Tabaldo taking home \$110. The 2nd place finish resulted in another card off with two teams at 11 under 61. Greg Bulter and Angel Lopez edged out Bob Taylor and Jamie Cuellar for 2nd place and taking home \$130 leaving Bob Taylor and Jamie Cuellar with 3rd place and \$120 in their pocket. Winning the tournament with a score of 12-under par 60 and winning \$140 was the team of Gary Adair and Billy Brooks. Ties are broken by using the back nine score and if still tied the last 6 holes are used if still tied the last 3 hole total. We also had the 50/50 drawing with \$150 spread out by drawing 6 names and each winning \$25. Those winners were Roy Wallace, Angel Lopez, Steve Brown, Chip Guthrie, Rick Grenz, and Greg Butler.

We will have two tournaments in June. La Purisima will take place on June 5th followed by Santa Barbara Golf Club on June 26th. We currently have 112 members and will welcome anyone that enjoys playing golf, socializing, and meeting some great people.

*Fernie Tarango*  
Tournament Chairma

While our monthly Major Project Donors are regularly recognized here in your Elks Horn, those that generously donate when renewing their annual dues will find themselves in this issue. THANK YOU to all of our Members who support our Elks Charities.

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# 80<sup>TH</sup> ELKS RODEO & PARADE EVENT SCHEDULE



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<b>MAY 31</b> Wednesday	<b>Rodeo Meet - N - Greet</b> .....	4:00 - 6:00 p.m. ....	SM Chrysler
<b>JUNE 1</b> Thursday	<b>1st PRCA Rodeo Performance</b> .....	7:00 p.m. ....	Event Center (Gates 5:00 p.m.)
	<b>Rodeo Dance</b> .....	9:00 p.m. ....	Event Center
<b>JUNE 2</b> Friday	<b>2nd PRCA Rodeo Performance</b> .....	7:00 p.m. ....	Event Center (Gates 5:00 p.m.)
	<b>Rodeo Dance</b> .....	9:00 p.m. ....	Event Center
<b>JUNE 3</b> Saturday	<b>Rodeo Parade</b> .....	10:00 a.m. ....	S. Broadway
Saturday	<b>Cowboy Up Carnival</b> .....	2:30 - 6:00 p.m. ....	Event Center
Saturday	<b>3rd PRCA Rodeo Performance</b> .....	6:00 p.m. ....	Event Center (Gates 4:00 p.m.)
Saturday	<b>Rodeo Dance</b> .....	8:00 p.m. ....	Event Center
<b>JUNE 4</b> Sunday	<b>Cowboy Church with Coy Huffman</b> .....	10:00 a.m. ....	Event Center
Sunday	<b>4th PRCA Rodeo Performance</b> .....	2:00 p.m. ....	Event Center (Gates Noon)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Upon Entrance to the Lodge, there may be a cover charge for Guest not buying a CYO Dinner			RODEO WEEK!!	1 LODGE DARK 1 <sup>st</sup> Rodeo Night (Details pg. 15 )	2 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to DJ John Ortiz 2 <sup>nd</sup> Rodeo Night	3 Rodeo Parade 10:00 am Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm 3 <sup>rd</sup> Rodeo Night
4 Cowboy Church 10:00 Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Last Rodeo	5 Family Night Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm Taco Bowls House Committee 6:30	6 Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm BINGO 6:30 pm	7	8 Veterans Committee 6:30 pm Ladies' Lounge Lodge 7:30 pm	9 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to Unfinished Business	10 Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
11 Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Flag Day 2:00 pm (Details pg. 3)	12 Family Night Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm BBQ Pork Loin	13 Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm BINGO 6:30 pm PERA Meeting 7:00 pm	14	15 Lodge 7:30 pm	16 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to Sound House	17 Adopt-A-Highway 8:00 am Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
18 Fathers' Day Brunch (Details pg. 9) Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm	19 Family Night Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm Spaghetti	20 Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm BINGO 6:30 pm	21	22 Lodge 7:30 pm	23 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to The Michael Arriola Project	24 Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Car Show (Details pg. 10)
25 Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm	26 Family Night Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm BBQ 1/2 Chicken	27 Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm BINGO 6:30 pm Sportsmen 7:00 pm Touring Elks 7:30 pm	28	29 Food Bank 8:00ish Vets Stand Down (Details pg. 7) Lodge 7:30 pm Assoc. Vice President Visitation	30 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to Smooth Groovz DJ Artie	

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

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