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AARON CASTELLANOS, EXALTED RULER

SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

OCTOBER 2023

EXALTED RULEF Garon Castellanos



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Members,

THE LODGE GOES COLD! As some of you may have noticed, the Lodge has been looking a bit different recently, a bit more GOLDEN one would say, and I would like to give a brief explanation for it. The month of September is dedicated to Childhood

Cancer Awareness Month. Unfortunately, this fact is not, as one would hope, common knowledge. We are facing a very concerning lack of attention and funding to battle this cause at a national and world level. When one takes the time to research the big variance in appropriation of funding for this disease, it is truly heartbreakingly shameful and something that we hope will change soon.

We are very fortunate to have a local organization that was founded here in our very own community, dedicated to bringing awareness of, and to meet some of the unmet needs for, some of our local families battling this disease. That is why we have chosen to support The Golden Circle of Champions. There are many opportunities for our Members and Lodge committees to make Golden Champions organization as the charity of choice for the month of September. We have been soliciting contributions that will go towards this amazing group throughout the month.

Here is a little bit about what the Golden Circle of Champions is dedicated to.

Founded in 2016, with the support and partnership of the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo, the Golden Circle of Champions was conceived to raise awareness and provide funds to help local children battling pediatric cancer. Each year, 25 children and their families are honored during the opening night of the Elks Rodeo. The children attend a dinner at the rodeo, meet many of the cowboys and cowgirls, and then get to watch the rodeo from a special reserved section located in the grandstands. Through donations and fundraising efforts, support is provided directly to the families to fulfill their most urgent needs: paying bills, buying medicine, and caring for their family. Family Picnic



All American Lodge

1983-1984 1985-1986 1986-1987 1987-1988 1989-1990 1990-1991 1991-1992 1994-1995 1995-1996 1996-1997 1997-1998 1998-1999 1999-2000 2000-2001 2001-2002 2022-2023

LEADING KNIGHT



Members,

It doesn't seem possible but the holiday season is fast approaching. There is enough time to make plans for

contributing to your Lodge by volunteering to help with the kids' Halloween party or the adult version shortly thereafter. Both are always well attended but it takes a little time and effort to ensure their success, and it would be so much easier with the additional help you can provide.

I am certain you are cognizant of the recurring theme of asking your help as a volunteer. We have always had and continue to have the need for you, our Members, to get things done at our Lodge. Without the selfless contribution of those who are willing to get involved, we would not be able to continue. Other Lodges are not so fortunate to have our Membership numbers and, as a result, are not able to generate the activities and monetary donations to our community we are famous for. However, in order to sustain that level of charity we need a constant influx of volunteers. That means you. Join us in keeping our Lodge vibrant and forward looking.

Sunday October 1 is our Elktoberfest celebration. There will be good food and drink plus entertainment in the finest German tradition. Hope to see you there (lederhosen optional).

Remember always you are part of Elkdom but more importantly you are an integral part of the Santa Maria Elks family. Be proud of your Membership in this Lodge. When attending any function here act like you are visiting your favorite relative's home because that is what you are doing. Show respect and you shall receive it in return.

Until next time, be safe and keep your Solemn and Binding Obligation in mind. Remember, you wanted to join us.

Fraternally yours, Chuck Biely Esteemed Leading Knight

JUSTICE LOYAL KNICHT



Members, Again, thanks all who helped

with the Elks Family picnic this past August which was a genuine success and I

know that the kids and families had a great time. On several occasions individuals came up to me expressing the fact that they enjoyed the event which would not have been the success that it was without your help. There is nothing better than to see the smiles and hear the laughter of the children having fun.

Fall Is officially here and with that we will be gearing up for several events that you will not want to miss, such as the Elktoberfest, Children's Halloween Party and Adult Halloween party. Of these, my favorite is the Children's Halloween party. This event is always very popular with families and continues to be a fun event for the kids which will include games, costume contests, candy, food and of course the always popular DJ Frankie G. Bring the kids and grandkids as it is sure to be a good time. You would be surprised as to the effort that is made with some of the costumes. Remember, this event is for Members and their families only.

On a different note, I want to again encourage as many of you as possible to come out to a Lodge meeting at least once a month. I know that you hear this all the time, but it is the time when you get to be part of the decision-making process for the Lodge and stay informed. We have over 3400 members and it would be wonderful to see just 5 percent of that number attend on a regular basis. Let's make that happen. Besides, I am sure you don't want to find yourself on the Crying Towel.

Let us all make an effort to be kind to one another. As quoted by Greg Henry Quinn, "You will never have a completely bad day if you show kindness at least once."

96 YEARS,

Fraternally, Jeremy Forman PER Esteemed Loyal Knight

MAJOR PROJECT PURPLE PIG DONATIONS

RAYMOND ARENSDORF • MICHAEL WHITFORD JUAN CISNEROS • BRADLEY DUFAULT • SONNY NASH

LECTURING KNIGHT Aristina Lagrimas

Members,

Summer has come to an end and the beautiful colors of Autumn are upon us. Autumn reminds us of the

impermanence of life, a time for change and transition. A perfect opportunity to do something new, something bold, something beautiful! It is also a time of year that we truly reflect on what we are thankful for. I am thankful to be an Elk. to have the opportunity to help our community and give back to those in need. On August 30th, our Lodge was given the opportunity to celebrate the 14U Orcutt Babe Ruth players and coaches who made Orcutt history winning the 2023 Babe Ruth World Series. The MC of the night, local news reporter, Dave Alley, went above and beyond highlighting the great accomplishments of the players and coaches. A monumental moment that will be remembered forever was listening to the inspirational speech given by John Ventura, father of former Major League player Robin Ventura.

We also had the privilege of honoring our diligent volunteers during our Annual Family Picnic with a nice Sunday BBQ. I acknowledge and thank our BBQ Team, Kitchen Crew, and all our volunteers that help with our events. There is so much work that goes on behind the scenes and these individuals dedicate so much time and heart into keeping our Elks lodge running smoothly.

I would also like to remind our Members that the Annual Children's Halloween party is being held on Wednesday, October 25th. Bring the family and enjoy food, games, and a Children's Costume Contest you will not want to miss. We are also hosting the Annual Adult Halloween Party on Saturday, October 28th, a night full of dancing, Halloween costumes and great company.

As I end this article, I challenge you to embrace the season. Do something new, bold, and beautiful. Volunteer, experience what our Lodge has to offer. Come to Thursday night meetings, help make our Lodge thrive. But most importantly, remember why you became an Elk and be a part of the beautiful moments we create as a family and everything we do for our community.

Fraternally, Christina Lagrimas Esteemed Lecturing Knight



CRYING TOWEL

August 3

Linda Adams	\$500
Lili Chason	\$500
Kelly Buentiempo	\$500

August 10

Peter Ybarra	\$500
John Ruvalcaba	\$500
Jerry Gunn	\$500

August 17

Renaldo A. Pili	\$500
Manuel Zarate	\$500
Jared M. Biely	\$500

August 24

Robert Crespi	\$500
PER Larry Stevens	\$500
Israel Esparza	\$500

August 31

Kent D. Hill PRESENT\$500
Isac Leyva\$500
Theresa "Teri" Faulkner\$500

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The children selected each year have ranged in age from 3 months to 17 years old; each child has been diagnosed with a life-threatening cancer or associated illness. The Cowboy Up Carnival fundraiser is the chief fundraising event of the year. Additional events include various raffles, auctions, and the annual passing of the boot during each Elks Rodeo performance.

What started in Santa Maria now has grown to provide support to these children and their families on a national scale. In December of 2021, the Golden Circle of Champions, in conjunction with Las Vegas Events, the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, Red Bluff Round-Up, and Nevada Childhood Cancer Foundation, honored 20 children and their families from across the country, all of whom are fighting life-threatening cancers or illnesses, during the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas. The Champions are each partnered with an NFR contestant who teaches them Rodeo skills. Each Rodeo contestant is given a gold Wild Rag to wear during their competition in honor of their Champion. The Champions are outfitted with Wrangler jeans, Justin boots, a Resistol hat signed by all the contestants, a Montana Silversmiths buckle, a Boot Barn belt, and many other goodies to ensure they feel like Champions! The Champions are also given signs to cheer on their NFR contestant so the cowboys and cowgirls know exactly where their Champion is sitting. It is very special to see the NFR contestants and Champions wave to each other from across the arena.

The Golden Circle of Champions, through your financial support, looks forward to continuing its growth and dedication to these children and their families.

I hope that will join us in our small effort in supporting this group and encourage you all to visit www.goldencircleofchampions.com and find ways to help facilitate them in achieving the mission to which they are dedicated. We wish them the best in the future and would like to thank them for the great cause they have chosen to bring awareness and relief to.

As always, be safe, be careful and take care. I hope to see all of you at Lodge. (every Thursday night 7:30pm)

Fraternally, Aaron Castellanos **Exalted Ruler**

SATURDAY OCTOBER 28TH

Tickets go on SALE on September 27th

in the office.

\$25.00 Members \$<mark>30.00 Gu</mark>ests DJ CORTEZ

Costume Contest 7:00 PM till you DROP or 1:00 AM

Members are allowed to buy 8 Ticket:

Must follow Elks Dress Code

No Weapons or Sharp objects



GOLF

On Monday Sept 11th the Elks Golf Club traveled to Goleta to take in the beauty of Sandpiper and play a challenging golf course. Prior to our short meeting and before heading out to our assigned holes we had a moment of silence in remembrance of Sept. 11th. This was our 1st round of our Club Championship to be followed by River Course @ Alisal then the final round at Santa Maria Country Club.

Rick Grenz showed that he would be someone to contend with by shooting the low round of the day with a 76. We had a guest, Tim Schipper shoot 78, and James Binnebose with a respectable 84. In the Net competition Gary Adair shot a fabulous 62 followed by Adrain Tabaldo with a 67. Rich Taylor is only 6 strokes behind Gary Adair with a 68.

All winners of closest to pin were rewarded with \$15ea. #4 winner was Rob Borowski with a shot of 15'1", Jay Johnson took the honors on #6 landing his shot 4'6" from the hole. Randy Gil was the winner on the beautiful #11 with a fine shot of 5'1 1/2". Jaime Francisco nailed #18 stopping his ball 6'11" from the hole.

Our 50/50 drawing had 6 winners winning \$25ea. Chip Guthrie, Fernie Tarango, Randy Gil, Sandra Brown, Chet Montoya, and Carl Barbettini.

We played a 4-person 2 better ball format with a prize fund of \$900. The team of Rick Grenz, Greg Butler, Chet Montoya, and Greg Martin won 1st place with a score of 119 and taking home \$220. Two strokes behind with a 121 was the team of Danny Landrum, Robin Porter, Pete Concepcion, and Jay Johnson winning \$200. The 3rd place team of Mick Towle, Gary Adair, Carl Barbettini, and Chip Guthrie had a respectable 124 and winning \$180. The 4th place finisher was worth \$160, Dan Neilsen, Fred Salazar, James Binnebose, and Jamie Francisco with a score of 124. Our 5th place went to Todd Yoder, Dan Troup, Claude Worsham, and Adrain Talaldo shooting 125 and was worth \$140.

Our next outing will be Oct 17th at the River Course @ Alisal in Solvang.

Fernie Tarango Tournament Chair



Come shop for the holidays with over 50 vendors & participate in the community food & toy drive!

Santa Maria Elks Lodge Sunday, November19, 2023 1309 N. Bradley Rd. Santa Maria, CA 11am-3pm

> Contact: Dawnette Cress P: (909) 226-4562 E: dawnettecress@msn.com

TOURING ELKS

NOTE: There will be no Touring Elks meeting for October - instead we will have our Annual Party on Friday October 27th in the Ladies bar.

It is that time of the year again when the Touring Elks go all out with their fundraising efforts.

First off, we have our Annual Bike Raffel for a 2023 Harley Davidson Black Street Glide (valued at approximately \$25,000) on display in the Lodge Member's Bar for our annual fundraiser which will allow us to support our Lodge and its many charitable needs. The tickets are still the same price @ \$100 each with only 400 available. The drawing will be on March 24th, 2024 at the Lodge. There will also be multiple cash prizes and other gifts. Tickets will be available soon from any Touring Elks Member, as well as the Lodge Member's bar and Santa Maria Harley Davidson. Watch for more details on the Touring Elks Facebook page.

We have also started our annual Toys 4 Tots fundraiser where we supply thousands of dollars in bicycles and toys to help children in our local community. The event is held November 12th, 2023 right here at the Lodge. Watch for information on this event in the Elks Horn, as well as posters in the Lodge and local businesses.

If you would like to help with either of these events as a volunteer, please contact us because it takes a lot of effort and support by our Members and community to make these events happen.

The Touring Elks usually meet the last Tuesday of every month in the Ladies Bar. Please come by and say "Hi" and consider joining.

Mark McNutt Touring Elks President Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538 touringelks@gmail.com



Pizza & Hot Dogs for sale DJ Frankie G. Open to Elks Members family only



FAMILY PICNIC



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

SANTA MARIA, CA -B.P.O. ELKS LODGE 1538

1309 N. Bradley Road Santa Maria, CA 93454 (805) 922-1538

Office hours Monday-Friday 10 am - 5 pm LODGE STAFF

Kim Chenault (RV Desk/General Information) x101 Club Manager/Catering: Julian Azevedo x103 Julie Willis (General Information) x104 Faith Reynolds (Office Manager/Membership Desk) x105 Janet Cullivan (General Information/Club) x106 Donnell Apetz (Bookkeeper) x107 Phil Daighton (Lodge Secretary) x108 Lodge Bar x110 Kitchen Manager x114

Lodge Events Recording: (805) 925-1538

ELKS HORN BULLETIN STAFF Kim Newman PER, Andy Licoscos

PHOTO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN Ray Sanchez

RODEO OFFICE

(805) 925-4125 2325 Skyway Drive, Suite H, Santa Maria Website: Elksrec.com Email: elksrodeo@elksrec.com

CYO BBQ REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER

Date	e Band	Dinners	X-cuts	
4	Sound Investment	287	20	
11	DJ ANTX	379	23	
18	D] Davey D	505	35	
25	Sound House	248	24	
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VETS MINI STAND DOWN



SWAP meet

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FROM 7AM-2PM

October 8th 2023

FOOD TRUCKS & VENDORS

PROCEEDS BENEFIT GOLDEN CIRCLE OF CHAMPIONS

Elks Swap Meet 1309 N Bradley Road, Santa Maria

\$25.00 Per Space or \$40.00 for 2 Spaces

Paula Elkins 805-260-4417 BRING OWN POP UPS AND TABLES

VETERANS REPORT

The August 17th Mini Stand Down served approximately 125 people, less than our previous events. The number of veteran groups was smaller, too, but those committed to helping our veterans are always there. Good Samaritan Services, Combat Vets Association Motorcycle Club 33-4A, Vets Center of SLO, County of Santa Barbara Veterans Services, Legacy Village, New Life K9, and American Veterans United were present.

We were honored to have three Korean War Veterans, and each was given a free Tablet. No, not the kind you take for a headache but tablets which work like a handheld computer, but smaller than a laptop and bigger than a smartphone. Seventeen tablets were given away that day. In addition to these great gifts, \$300 in gift cards were given to numerous veterans with winning numbers drawn.

Veterans were treated not only to a delicious deli lunch with potato salad and fresh fruit, but they could get sweatpants sets, packs of T-shirts and packs of underwear for free. New volunteers who signed up to be on our Veterans Committee assisted veterans and veteran groups with check in. They also helped give away free athletic shoes and socks donated by the Cloverlane Foundation in Buellton.

That day also commemorated our Veterans Committee changing of command. Tim Reynolds our chairman passed responsibility to Brian Mason, Supportive Services for Veteran Families Case Manager for Good Samaritan Services. Brian is always present at our vet events and brings years of experience working with veterans and their families. As many of you know Tim and Faith Reynolds will be moving to beautiful McAlester, Oklahoma, and plan to build a house there. We wish them all the best.

When you joined Elks Lodge #1538, you were given a form to fill out to volunteer on one or more of our many committees including help with the Rodeo. If interested in getting involved, you marked which committee you were happy to serve on. The form states "The Spirit of Volunteerism is what makes this Lodge (Your Lodge) one of the most successful of all Elkdom." Several of you checked off the box that says Veterans Committee. That is a great choice because you want to help and honor our veterans, whether it be at one of our Veterans Mini Stand Downs or helping with other vet events.

Our Veteran Committee meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Ladies Lounge. Please join us to meet Brian and our fellow committee Members. We welcome you and appreciate your willingness to help.

Remember Elks Care, Elks Share.

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

DRESS CODE IN EFFECT FOR ALL ELKS FUNCTIONS

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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.

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Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538 Veterans Committee presents

VETERANS APPRECIATION

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12 11:00 AM

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

Future Date is December 14





VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION



MEMBERSHIP REMINDERS

- Please remember to buss your own tables this includes in the Members Bar, simply return used glasses to the bar when finished, leaving your table ready for your fellow Members. During CYO and dinners there are always busing stations in the hall to return dishes and silverware.
- Gentleman, collared shirts are required at Friday night CYO. Should you enter prior to the Greeters being on duty, you are still required to wear a collared shirt (you will be asked to leave unless a collared shirt is worn). Also, gentleman please remove your hats while seated in the dining room during dinner.
- There has been an increase of some Members and their guests' treating employees, security, and officers with disrespect. This behavior will not be tolerated and will be dealt with by the House Committee with possible house suspensions for Members (and guests being banned from entering the Lodge in the future). Let's all just treat everyone with respect please.

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LODGE ACTIVITIES





Eric Alvarez and Georgia Daighton from the Elks Car show Committee presents \$550 to Antlers President CJ Arias

Eric Alvarez and Georgia Daighton from the Elks Car show Committee presents \$5,000 to Sleep in Heavenly Peace



James Thomas from the Elks Parade Committee presents \$500 to Sleep in Heavenly Peace



Major Project Chair Amy Gillot presents 52 Club pins and certificates to Kent Hill and Bill Tunnel



The Past Exalted Rulers Association present \$500 to "Let's Make A Difference"



Eric Alvarez and Georgia Daighton from the Elks Car show Committee presents \$4,000 to Jay Conner to support Honor Flight

OFFICER INSTALLATION



PER Keith Barks Installs Chuck Biely as Leading Knight



PER Ron Anderson Installs PER Jeremy Forman as Loyal Knight



PER Myrl Wallace Installs Christina Lagrimas as Lecturing Knight



PER Wes Brown Installs Eva Guzman as Lodge Esquire

BROTHER AND SISTER ELKS, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

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

If you don't apply we don't know you want to go. For details go to www.HonorFlightCCC.org or contact Santa Maria Elk and Santa Barbara County Liaison Jay A. Conner, Army Veteran 1966-1968

(805) 550-6305

Jay A. Conner Founding Board Member Santa Barbara County Liaison (805) 550-6305

PO Box 1750 Paso Robles, CA 93447



HonorFlightCCC.org

OUR MISSION is to safely fly our Veterans to Washington, D.C. to experience the Memorials that were built in their honor.

Honor Flight CCC is a 501(C)(3) Non-Profit Organization. We receive no government funding. Your donation of any amount to Honor Flight CCC can help us accomplish our mission.



RANDY P. SHOOK



GRAND EXALTED RULER 2023-2024

"We Are The Elks"

Randy Paul Shook was born in Nashville, Tennessee on the 25th of November and grew up in Loretto, a small town in Lawrence County. Completing school in 1974, Randy worked in the family farming operation until 1977, moving to Genesco, a shoe manufacturer in nearby Pulaski. He was promoted to Assistant Department Manager in 1980 and Department Manager

in 1982. In 1984, Randy discovered his vocation while studying Real Estate, Banking, and Economics at Columbia State Community College and became an affiliate real estate broker. After graduating from the Nashville Auction School, Randy became a licensed Real Estate Broker and Auctioneer in 1986. He served as President of the Southern Middle Tennessee Board of Realtors in 1989. Randy founded Appraisals Plus, in 1992 after becoming a Certified Real Estate Appraiser which serves seven counties in southern Tennessee.

Randy initiated into Lawrenceburg Lodge No. 2206 in 1993, elected Esteemed Loyal Knight in 1995-1996, Exalted Ruler in 1996-1997 and 1998-1999, Trustee from 1999 to 2001, Elk of the Year in 2008-2009, Treasurer from 2010 to 2015 and 2019-2020. Randy began his service to the Tennessee Elks Association in 1998-1999 as Vice President-Elect and was Vice President in 1999-2000. He was elected President-Elect in 2004-2005 and as Tennessee State President in 2005-2006. His service continued as Government Relations State Chair from 2003 to 2016. Raffle Committee State Chair from 2005 to 2018. Budget Committee State Chair from 2010 to 2022, Executive Committee from 2009 to present, and the Board of Directors and Advisory from 2006 to present. He was named Tennessee Elk of the Year in 2007-2008 and was inducted into the Tennessee Elks Hall of Fame in 2012-2013. At the Grand Lodge level, Randy was appointed Esquire to District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler in 2000-2001. In 2001-2002, he served as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for the Middle District of Tennessee. Randy was named Area 3 Grand Lodge Government Relations Member from 2007 through 2009. He was elected Grand Treasurer for 2009-2010. Randy was named Area 3 Public Relations and Marketing Member from 2014 to 2018. In 2018, he was elected to represent Area 3 on the Board of Grand Trustees, serving as Building Applications–West Member in 2018-2019, as Pensions and Benefits Member in 2019-2020, as Secretary of the Board in 2020-2021 and Chairman of the Board in 2021-2022.

Along with his service to the Elks, Randy has served on various Boards and Commissions within his community. He was appointed to the Lawrenceburg Regional Planning Commission in 2003 and served until 2023, serving as the Chairman for the past ten years. He was also on the Zoning Board of Appeals from 2003 to 2023, Lawrence County Joint Economic Board from 2011 to 2023 and Historical Planning from 2019 to 2023. Randy is a 32nd Degree Mason and has been a Shriner for over thirty years. At Genesco, in 1981, he met the love of his life and his soulmate, Wanda marrying in 1982. They have been partners in life, love, and laughter ever since.

Randy and Wanda are looking forward to the adventures ahead and are thankful and humbled to represent the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America as Grand Exalted Ruler and First Lady. We welcome the opportunity to meet new friends and let our communities know that: "We Are The Elks".

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Electroperiod Santa Maria Elks #1538 October 1st 2-6 pm 530 PER PERSON Diner includes: Authentic German Dinner

AUTHENTIC GERMAN FOOD LIVE MUSIC GAMES DANCING

Get Tickets in advance, no tickets will be sold at the door. Ticketa available in the office Soptember 1st.

Contest: Best Dress Individual & Group, & Best Decorated Table

1309 N Bradley Road, Santa Maria CA 93454

SUNDAY BREAKFAST AND FOOTBALL PUB GRUB

IN THE MEMBERS BAR

BREAKFAST <u>10:00 am to 12:00 pm</u> ~ Chicken Fried Steak with Eggs......\$12 ~

~ Bisquits and Gravy with Sausage Links \$12 ~

GAME TIME GRUB <u>11:00 am to 3:00 pm</u> ~ Chicken Wings (6 pieces) \$8 ~

...... (12 pieces) \$15 (24 pieces) \$25 Your choice of Buffalo, BBQ or Sweet Thai Chili

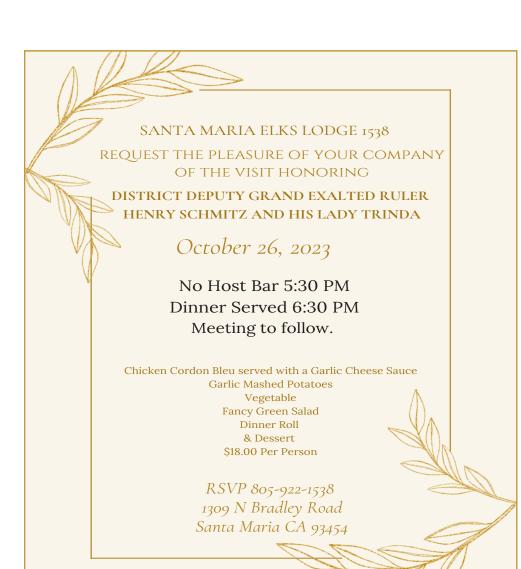
~ Nachos \$10 ~

~ BLT Sandwich \$9 ~

~ Angus Western Burger \$12 ~

~ Quesadilla with Salsa, Guacamole, Sour Cream \$7 ~

with Meat \$10



CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS ASSOCIATION

VOCATIONAL GRANT APPLICATION

The program is open to anyone residing in California or Hawaii who is a citizen of the United States of America and planning to pursue an eligible vocational/technical (voc/tech) course resulting in a certificate or two-year Associate degree and leading to employment opportunities. The program is open **all prospective students who require training or retraining to compete in the workplace. Students planning to transfer to a four year school to pursue a Bachelor's degree are not eligible to apply.**

The Vocational Grant is for one academic year, with an option to renew for one year. This grant may be used only for tuition and fees, room and board (if living on campus) and books & supplies. Payment will be made to the school. Awards will be between \$500 and 2,000 for an academic year depending on length of course.

Examples of courses approved recently are: 6 month Police Academy, 13 month Cosmetology, 3 month Electrical Lineman, 13 month Veterinary Technology, 2 year Fire Science

A student must plan to attend school on a full-time basis for a minimum of sixty days. An academic year is determined to be a minimum of nine (9) months (approximately 39 weeks) of continuous full-time study. Payments may only be applied to expenses in the academic year.

Applications must be filed with the Scholarship Chairman, Exalted Ruler, or Secretary of the Elks Lodge in the area of the student's legal residence. **An application may only be filed with one Lodge.**



"TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS" AN ELK IS NEVER FORGOTTEN, NEVER FORSAKEN.

#7573 LEE LA FAILLE

BORN: MAY 02, 1932 INITIATED: JANUARY 26, 1978 DIED: AUGUST 10, 2023

#9274

JOHN J NORMANLY BORN: DECEMBER 02,1936 INITIATED: AUGUST 01,1985 DIED: APRIL 18, 2023

#6983

ROBERT A DOSS

BORN: NOVEMBER 21, 1943 INITIATED: FEBRUARY 12, 1976 DIED: AUGUST 20, 2023

#6734

ROBERT G BLACKMORE Born: January 24, 1942 Initiated: March 27, 1975 Died: August 28, 2023

> #5145 Life Member **DENNIS C RHULE**

Born: September 5, 1942 Initiated: February 8, 1968 Died: August 30, 2023



OAK BBQ WOOD (chips/chunks)

\$8.00/box - 16" x 20" x 10"

Pick up time is 12:00 noon on Wednesdays at the Wood Room.

For more information contact: Norm McDonald (805) 310-3610 All proceeds go to Wood Crew for equipment acquisition and maintenance.



SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE BED BUILD

SANTA MARIA ELKS HELP BUILD 51 BUNK BEDS FOR CHILDREN WITHOUT BEDS IN OUR AREA







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ORCUTT BABE RUTH CHAMPIONS RECOGNITION

Our Santa Maria Elks in partnership with the City of Santa Maria came together on Wednesday, August 30 at our Lodge to celebrate the Orcutt Babe Ruth 14 U 2023 World Series champions - the first Babe Ruth team to achieve that goal from our valley.

The event was emceed by Dave Alley, and amongst the speakers giving tribute and certificate of achievement were: Mayor Alice Patino; Aaron Castellanos (Exalted Ruler), Aaron Hanke, (Chief of staff to Supervisor Bob Nelson); and Johnny Ventura, one of our 1st Little Leaguers in our valley, (coach and father to Robin Ventura, former Major League Baseball Player and Manager).

Players and coaches were introduced individually, entering the room to a standing ovation by a full house of family and fans. Players included Mason Majewski, Dom Nevarez, Ryan Aparicio, Ashton Bluem, Connor Chanley, Cristiano Goncalves, Robbie Roemling, Santana Covarrubias, Kamron Walker, Mason Anderson, Carter Anaya, Daniel Tovar, Jason Rodriguez, Nolan Roberts, and Aaden Roberson. Manager Mike Roberson and coaches Tony Bluem, Ryan Walker, and Matt Majewski. Thank you to Orcutt Babe Ruth President Jerome Harney, and Team Mom Sally Aparicio.

The journey started at the State tournament, held in Lompoc where Orcutt played seven games in six days, and won with a record of 6 wins and 1 loss. The Pacific Southwest tournament was held in Tulare, California, where teams from Northern California, Arizona, Nevada and Utah competed. Again they played seven games in six days, and won the tournament with the record of 6 wins and 1 loss, earning them the right to compete for the Babe Ruth 14 U World Series, held in Stafford and Fredericksburg, Virginia. Teams from the U.S, Aruba, Mexico, and Australia competed.

The team played 7 games in 8 days to win the World Series undefeated!

Aparicio was the World Series tournament MVP, and Mason Majewski was the defensive player of the tournament. Aparicio and Roemling were the cooffensive players of the tournament.

Congratulations to Orcutt, players, coaches, team families, fans, and all who donated their time, sponsorship and prayers to the success of these history making young men!

Thank you to Matt Rodriguez PER/Trustee, Mike Cordero/ City Councilman and Our Officers, PERs, Trustee's, Antler, and Elks volunteers for making this a special event.

Eddie Navarro Youth Activities Volunteer















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in parades, or simple visits at the various Veteran's Hospitals and other facilities, Veterans will be honored as long as there are Elks.



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1 Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Sunday Football Menu (Details pg. 10)	2 Family Night Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm Chili Verde \$15 House Comm. 6:30 pm	3 Elks Bowling 6:30 pm Rancho Bowl Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm Bingo 6:00 pm	4	5 Lodge 7:30 pm Elks Horn articles DUE!	6 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:15 - 8:00 pm Dance to Mestizo 8:30 pm	7 Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
8 Swap Meet 7 am - 2 pm Bar & Lounge 10am - 9pm Sunday Football Menu (Details pg. 10) Cigar & Fine Spirits Patio 2 pm	9 Family Night Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm Chicken Alfredo \$15	10 Elks Bowling 6:30 pm Rancho Bowl Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm Bingo 6:00 pm PER Meeting 6:00 pm	11	12 Veterans Appreciation Mini Stand Down 11 am (Details pg. 7) Veterans Comm 6:30 pm Lodge 7:30 pm	13 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:15 - 8:00 pm Dance to John Pemberton 8:30 pm	14 Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
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