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CHUCK BIELY, EXALTED RULER

SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

APRIL 2024

EXALTED RULER

Chuck Biely



Members,

As we begin a new Elk year, I must thank you for your support and confidence in allowing me to become your current Exalted Ruler. I am proud to be given an opportunity to lead the finest Members of the best Lodge in Elkdome.

Your new officer corps is quickly becoming a first-class team. We are each blessed with the unselfish backing of our spouses and significant others, led by my bride and first lady, Carla. The teamwork exists only with their support, thank you.

For the next few months there is much coming up on the calendar. We are contemplating instituting a new program to disseminate information to our Members comprising an email blast to all members giving updates of what is occurring at the Lodge. We must have your current contact information in order for this to happen so please call the office and make sure we have your email address. Stay tuned for the commencement date and anyone interested in volunteering to help with this project is certainly welcome.

As you know, Rodeo is fast approaching. Come meet our 4 Queen candidates at the kickoff on April 6. Your support for these young ladies is especially appreciated as they are working hard to ensure our 81st Rodeo will be the best yet.

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JERRY GUNN - 2024 - 2025 ELK OF THE YEAR



JERRY was born in Monterey Park CA while his parents were visiting relatives and was raised both in California, and in his parents' native Missouri. Jerry moved to Santa Maria with

his parents in 1960 when his dad was transferred to Lockheed Missiles and Space at Vandenberg. Jerry is married to his wife of 42 years, Karmen, who is a multi-generational native of the area and have three Sons: Mathew, Lucas, and Paul, 6 grandchildren: Makayla, twins Malakai and Thomas, Tanner, Jayden, and Mason.

Jerry has a Masters' Degree in Business Administration from Cal Poly – SLO, has been an investment advisor for 44 years, is currently a Senior Financial Advisor with Wells Fargo Advisors and has taught accounting, business, and investment classes at Alan Hancock College periodically from 1977 through 2007.

Service to Elkdome came naturally to Jerry as his late Father, Roy Gunn, and late Uncle, Jerry Andrus were both Members from the 60's through the 80's. Jerry came to many functions with his parents, and started helping out his father on Lodge BBQ's as a teenager. Jerry says all of his efforts for the Lodge and Elks Recreation are in memory of, and to honor, his Dad and Uncle.

At the request of long-time friend, and at that time, Exalted Ruler, Dave Garcia, Jerry joined the Lodge in September 2003. He started volunteering right away on both BBQ and serving crews becoming Serving Crew Chairman for over 10 years. He was Chairman for Elks Training for eight years and also served as District Chairman for Lodge Activities for 5 years.

Jerry was named Elk of the Month for May 2004, 6 months after joining the Lodge to recognize his quick start and numerous activities, and again for January 2016.

With the help of his sons, Jerry also picked up donated foods from local stores for the Thanksgiving and Christmas basket programs for over 10 years. Jerry and his family help with the BBQ's for the children's Halloween and Christmas parties, cook for pancake breakfasts over 15 years, cook for the annual Veteran's Stand Down at the Fairpark, and working with the decorating committee to decorate the Lodge for all major events.

Jerry has been Parking and Traffic Flow Chairman for the Elk's/Unocal Event Center for about 16 years for all events including Rodeo, Haunted Hills, and Christmas in the Country. The Parking Committee was named "Committee of the Year" for the 2013 Rodeo by the Elks Recreation board, and Jerry was also named "Chairman of the Year" for the 2013 Rodeo.

Jerry says "Never have I worked so hard, been paid so little, and enjoyed it more". He is both humbled, and honored by this recognition as Elk of the Year, and thanks all his mentors and those who have come before to help him in Elkdome, and he hopes to be able to help those who are to follow.

**Every Sunday Breakfast Menu
10:00 am – 1:00 pm Details page 3**

**— NEW BAR HOURS —
Monday – Wednesday 11:00 am – 8:00 pm
Thursday – Friday 11:00 am – Close
Saturday 11:00 am – 9:00 pm
Sunday 11:00 am – 8:00 pm**

All American Lodge

LEADING KNIGHT *Jeremy Forman*



Members,

I am very grateful that I have been elected to the position of Leading Knight for the 2024-2025 Lodge Year. It is an honor to serve

you in this capacity and promise to do my best to make decisions that would be in the best interest of the Lodge. If at any time you have a question or concern, please reach out, and I will do my best to get you an answer.

As we begin the new year, let us renew our commitment to the principles of our order. Fidelity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Charity. Let's continue to work toward fostering an environment in our Lodge that promotes making a positive difference in the lives of each other, and those of our community. We truly have a wonderful opportunity to have a positive impact on our community with all the charitable work we do. Let us continue those efforts into the new year with a positive attitude.

At the end of the month, your officer corps will once again be representing you at the annual West Central Coast District Ritual Competition at Oceano-Five Cities Lodge. We have been practicing twice weekly for the past few months and feel confident that we will do well. We are working hard to ensure we keep the trophy in our Lodge room for yet another year. Wish us luck!

Fraternally,
Jeremy Forman PER
Esteemed Leading Knight

NEW MEMBERS BAR HOURS

Monday – Wednesday 11:00 am – 8:00 pm

Thursday – Friday 11:00 am – Close

Saturday 11:00 am – 9:00 pm

Sunday 11:00 am – 8:00 pm

MAJOR PROJECT PURPLE PIG DONATIONS

RICHARD MORRIS · ROCIO MUNOZ · MIKE MILLER · VICTOR CUMBERO · ANNIE GLINES

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JUNE PUSLEY · ATHIE AMIR · BARBARA LANDKAMMER · HOMERO CONTRERAS

LOYAL KNIGHT *Christina Lagrimas*



Members,

I am profoundly grateful for the trust you have placed in me as your new Esteemed Loyal Knight. Your faith in my abilities fills me with deep

honor and commitment. Rest assured, I will spare no effort in upholding the integrity of my new position and earning your continued trust.

In addition to expressing my gratitude, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Chuck Biely, our newly appointed Exalted Ruler, and to all the dedicated officers for the 2024-2025 term. Together, we stand strong to lead our Lodge to new heights of success and service to our community.

Our dedication in preparing for the West Central Coast District Ritual Contest showcases our teamwork and sets the tone for the promising year ahead. Strong leadership is key to a resilient Lodge. Let's capitalize on our achievements, starting this year with renewed vigor, ensuring continued success, unity, and keeping the West Central Coast District Ritual Trophy home where it belongs. Wish us luck as we compete in Oceano on April 26th and 27th!

As we embark on this journey together, let us reaffirm our commitment to strong leadership and unity. I encourage all Members to actively engage in Lodge activities, support one another, and attend our Thursday night meetings. Together, we can showcase the true spirit of Santa Maria Elks Lodge and celebrate our achievements as a united Lodge.

Moreover, let us strive to embody the principles of Elkdom in all aspects of our lives, whether at Friday night CYO events or Tuesday night pub gatherings. Let us warmly welcome guests, reminding them of the importance of our rules and the opportunities for greatness within our Lodge.

Fraternally,
Christina Lagrimas
Esteemed Loyal Knight

LECTURING KNIGHT *Eva Guzman*



Members,

I am deeply grateful for the trust you have placed in voting me in as the Lecturing Knight. I am blessed to be an officer for the best Lodge in Elkdom. It is with

great honor and excitement that I step into this role, fully aware of the responsibilities it entails and the profound impact it will have on our community.

Your confidence in me is both humbling and inspiring. It fills me with a deeper sense of duty and commitment to serve you all to the best of my abilities. As I look forward to this journey, I want each and every one of you to know that I am here for you.

This Lodge, Our Lodge, is not just a place we gather; it is a vibrant and a very charitable community, a beacon of fellowship and service. It is a humbling honor to be a part of such an exceptional group of individuals who embody the spirit of generosity and camaraderie.

I am thrilled to be part of the team that makes this Lodge the best it can be. Together, we will continue to uphold the values that define us, support one another, and exemplify Brotherly Love.

Thank you once again for your trust and support. I am eager to work alongside each of you, and I am committed to contributing to the continued success and growth of our Lodge.

Fraternally,
Eva Guzman
Esteemed Lecturing Knight

FOOD BANK STATUS AS OF 2/29/2024

Bags given out
51,852

Pounds of food given out
1,262,898

Families served
26,285

Individuals served
82,893

SUNDAY BREAKFAST

IN THE MEMBERS BAR

BREAKFAST 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

- Chicken Fried Steak n Eggs

- Steak n eggs

- Breakfast burrito

- Eggs Benedict

- Denver omelet

- Cheese omelet

- Two eggs any style, bacon or sausage, potatoes, toast

* various specials from time to time



Wood Crew Sale

Now available to members

OAK BBQ WOOD
(chips/chunks)

\$10.00/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.

CRYING TOWEL

"IN VAIN WE CALL"

February 1

Robert Wachsmuth..... \$500
James R Chapman Jr \$500
Pete Yracheta Jr \$500

February 8

Jessie Marroquin \$500
Michel Holford \$500
Roy F. Coop \$500

February 15

Joe Tabisola \$500
Craig Ball..... \$500
James Crowley \$500

February 22

Neil A. Gowing..... \$500
Jason Vasquez \$500
Richard England..... \$500

February 29

Franklin E. Drake \$500
Luke Hardin \$500
Manual Gonzales \$500

(Members must be in the Lodge Room when your name is called)

EXALTED RULER Chuck Biely *continued from page 1*

The District Ritual Contest is scheduled at the Oceano Five Cities Lodge this year on April 26 and 27. Please encourage our competing officers as they are working for you.

On April 28, all committee chairmen are invited to a Meet and Greet Breakfast. Please RSVP early for planning purposes. Although many are continuing chairmen, it is very important that all attend ready to reveal plans for the year. Please be prepared to share ideas and information.

As always, if you have good ideas to improve our current practices or constructive criticism with a realistic solution, feel free to contact me or any of the officers. We want and appreciate your input as it is your Lodge also.

Fraternally,
Chuck Biely
Exalted Ruler

Mother's Day Champagne Brunch

Join Us

Sunday, May 12, 2024

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Menu

HAM OR SAUSAGE - SCRAMBLED EGGS
COUNTRY POTATOES
BISCUITS & GRAVY
FRUIT SALAD
COFFEE OR TEA
ORANGE JUICE

**MOTHER OF AN ELK
MEMBER EATS FREE**

\$15 - ADULTS

\$7 BOTTOMLESS CHAMPAGNE OR BLOODY MARYS

WITH WRISTBAND 9 AM TO NOON

\$7 CHILDREN 12 & UNDER

(MUST SHOW MEMBERSHIP CARD)



ELKS BOWLING LEAGUE

After 6 weeks of our 2nd half season, Team 7, QUIET THUNDER, Melva and Lee McClatchey, Lyn Vaughn, and Randy Blankenship and Team 1, ILLUSIONISTS, Melanie Davis, Joe Bingham, Beverly and Dave Johnson are tied for first place with STUPENOUS 18 wins and just 6 loss records. Team 1 also leads in High Team Series with a STUNNING 2963 score! Team 10, STRIKES R US, Tom and Shelly Glover, Scott Daniels, and Annette Slack continue to lead in High Team Game with a STRIKING 1040! In Men High Series, Joe Bingham leads with a STAGGERING 880 and in Men's High Game, Scott Daniels leads with a SMASHING 319 game! Melanie Davis leads the Ladies in High Series with a STUPEFYING 812 and Belinda Thomas continues to lead in Ladies High Game with a SPECTACULAR 302 game! CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

The following bowlers bowled a 200 or higher game or 600 or higher series: Tami Baty – 212, Joe Bingham – 208, Randy Blankenship – 243/633, Jim Bolterman – 206, Scott Daniels – 212, Kat Fitzgerald – 248/635, James Franklin – 214, Larry Galaites – 226/608, Lee McClatchey - 203, Thomas Soule – 202, Deanne Stote – 200, Belinda Thomas – 248/638, and William Thorpe – 208! CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

EASTER JOKES: *How do you make Easter easier? Change the t to an i....What do you get when you pour hot water down a rabbit hole? Hot cross bunnies....What did the Easter bunny say to the carrot? It's been nice gnawing you... What do you call a group of Easter bunnies walking backwards? A receding hareline.*

Happy Easter to All
Mike Kenderes
Bowling Chairman

CYO BBQ REPORT

FOR FEBRUARY

Date	Band	Dinners	X-cuts
2	DJ BUTTER	492	22
9	Unfinished Business with The Beatles	340	40
16	Soundhouse	320	23
23	Red Oak Country	400	21
TOTAL DINNERS SOLD		1,552	106



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Michaela Jamison from Ernest Righetti High School with a 4.32 GPA is Ranked 13th in her class of 613 and has over 690 Service Hours, taken three classes at Hancock and one AP Class.

Her Awards include an Academic Letter, California Scholarship Federation; Elks Rodeo Queen Candidate, representing VTC Enterprises, becoming 2023 Elks Rodeo Queen.

Michaela's Activities include Kidz Ministry Leader, EAOP, CSF, PTA as a Student Member, National Honor Society, and Angel Food Distribution.

Her Community Involvement and Service include the 2023 Elks Rodeo Queen Candidate and Queen.



Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos and Student of the Month Chair Eva Macias present a Certificate of Achievement and a check to each student

Cindy Pena from Pioneer Valley High School with a 4.36 GPA is Ranked 8th in her class of 748 and has over 340 Service Hours, taken three classes at Hancock and three AP Classes.

Her Awards include the Advanced Placement Excellence Award and Academic Excellence Award.

Cindy's Activities include Link Crew, Early Academic Outreach Program; Key Club Vice president, Full Steam Ahead Club, Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), Chick-fil-A Leader Academy; and Santa Barbara Reach program.

Her Community Involvement and Service includes Key Club, United Way, Ticket booth at Football games, Full STEAM Ahead club, Link Crew, and AVID Community Service Projects.



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THE 62ST ANNUAL SANTA MARIA ELKS RODEO

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Presented by Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538

SATURDAY- MAY 18, 2024

BEARDS • DINNER • DANCING

SANTA MARIA ELKS LODGE • 1309 N BRADLEY RD.

DOORS OPEN AT 4:30 PM
DINNER SERVED 5:30 – 6:30PM
BBQ RIB DINNER WITH ENTRY TICKET \$20 - RIB DINNER TICKETS

CONTEST TO FOLLOW

ALL CONTESTANTS MUST BE 21 OR OLDER
ENTER NOW!
 SIGN-UPS BEGIN APRIL 1ST
 LAST DATE TO SIGNUP IS **FRIDAY, APRIL 29**

DANCING TO FOLLOW CONTEST • \$10 COVER WITHOUT DINNER

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**BEST MUSTACHE • BEST ALL AROUND • BEST ATTEMPT
 WHITEST • LONGEST • REDDEST • BLACKEST • SALT & PEPPER
 BEST WESTERN**



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7:30am until we run out!
\$15 All You Can Eat
(in house)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
 April 28 • August 25
 September 29 • October 27
 November 24 • December 29
NO Menudo: May, June, July

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15 Year Pins Presented by Aaron Castellanos PER



20 Year Pins Presented by Matt Rodriguez PER



25 Year Pins Presented by Tony Campas PER



30 Year Pins Presented by Don Mosier PER



35 Year Pins Presented by Marty Durrett



40 Year Pins Presented by Tony Dart PER



45 Year Pins Presented by Tony Dart PER



50 Year & Life Pins Presented by Tommy Gee PER



55 Year Pins Presented by Kim Newman PER



60 Year Pin Presented by Myrl Wallace PER

LODGE ACTIVITIES



Past Exalted Ruler Wes Brown presents Rick Smith with an Elk of the Month plaque for January 2022



Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos names Suzanne Fillmore January 2024 Elk of the Month



Touring Elks Kirk Murdock, Mark McNutt, and Esther Mendez present a \$750 donation to the YMCA for Youth activities



Secretary Phil Daughton presents PER Myrl Wallace with a certificate and pin from the Grand Exalted Ruler for sponsoring 3 or more new Members



Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos, Loyal Knight Christina Lagrimas, and Youth activities volunteer Eddie Navarro present a \$300 donation to each of the three Little League Challenger Teams: Northside, Southside, and Nipomo

NEW BAR-B-QUE TEAM FORMED

Creetings Elks,

As a newer Member I've seen that the organization is great and what the Elks do for the community is unbelievable! All the work is done by volunteers and without them not much would be done.

Robert Dorado asked me if I would put a BBQ Team together and take the last Monday of every month to BBQ. He also asked us to do other events when we can do them. I have put together a seven-man team with three Honorary members.

The new "B" Team is as follows:

- Dave Linsky
- Mike Boling
- Chuck Biely
- Dan Roux
- Dick Medley
- Chris Stober

Honorary:

- Robert Dorado
- Jim Elkins
- Jose Velazquez

As we progress and if we need extra help, we may call on you - for now, this is the team.

We look forward to serving you,

Billy Ruiz
(Esteemed Baby Elk)

ELKS GOLF CLUB

The Elks Golf Club took their talents to Paso Robles on March 11th. This was our first tournament of the year. We were greeted with overcast skies which did not damper the fine performance of the players.

We added a birdie hole this year which was hole #13 and was worth \$68. Not only did we have one player birdie that hole, we had two players birdie #13. Matt Santos and Greg Butler split the \$68 winning \$34 each. In our closest to hole competition, Paso Robles has 5 par 3's with each worth \$15. Jaime Flores #4- 11'10", Marc Rodriguez #6 -1'6", Rich Grenz #8 -11'0", Matt Santos # 13 -7'1", Rick Grenz # 17- 22'4"

Our gross completion was very competitive. Ron Mullins 73 \$25, Mike McManigal 78 \$20, Charles Schwager 79 \$15. In the net completion Matt Santos had low net with a 70 \$25, Jaime Blanco 72 \$20, Bob Taylor 72 \$15. Our team format was a two person one better ball. The team of Vince Herrera and Bob Taylor shot a net 62 claiming first place and winning \$200. Taking 2nd was the team of Bob Cosley with a score of net 63, winning \$190. Greg Butler and Jaime Francisco had a nice 65 and winning 3rd in a card off taking home \$180. Forth place was the team also with a 65 Jeff Balvanz and Charles Schwager winning \$160. With another net 65 and winng \$150 was the team of Steve Salazar and Adrain Tabaldo. Taking 6th was Matt Santos and Leo Santos with another 65 and taking home \$140. We had 9 players winning \$25 each in our 50/50 raffle. The 50/50 is part of the tournament entry fee of \$25 and is how we make money for our charities.

Our goal in the Elks Golf Club is to have fun, socializing, and family always plays together. We pride ourselves on raising money for the charities we support, the veterans, food baskets, band of brothers, children's Christmas party, and transporting school children to Elks Rodeo. Our current membership sits at 112 members.

Fernie Tarango
Tournament Chairman

SUPER BOWL PARTY



HIGHWAY CLEANUP

Good news folks, Cal Trans has been doing a great job clearing out trees, bushes, encampments, etc. Bad news, you can see from the shoulder all the way to the wall and or fence. The trash has no room to hide, (except between mowings). Please join us every 3rd Saturday if not raining. Meet by wood room, we leave by 8am work for 2 hours and return for free pizza and beverages. Might even win a bottle.

Jerry Schons
Highway Cleanup Chair

ELK OF THE YEAR



New Elk of Year Jerry Gunn is welcomed by the Past Elks of the Year



Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos names Jerry Gunn as Elk of the Year for 2024-2025 and presents Jerry's wife Karmen with flowers

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

Dear Members:

Under Grand Lodge Statute 14.160 I am required to notify the Membership of their fellow brothers and sisters that are currently delinquent for the 2022-2023 Elk year. A letter will be sent out to the following Members stating that if dues are not paid, they will be dropped from the Membership roles in March 2024. The letter will give them options on reinstating if they choose. If you know anyone on the list, please reach out to that Member and ask them to pay their dues.

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

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

Phil Daighton,
Lodge Secretary



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

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

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In Memoriam

To Our Absent Members

AN ELK IS NEVER FORGOTTEN, NEVER FORSAKEN

#5717

FRANK W PENNER

BORN: JULY 7, 1934

INITIATED: NOVEMBER 19, 1970

DIED: JUNE 27, 2023

#5696

JOHN B FUMIA

BORN: AUGUST 15, 1927

INITIATED: SEPTEMBER 24, 1970

DIED: FEBRUARY 15, 2024

#6705

FRANK MAINARD

BORN: NOVEMBER 10, 1932

INITIATED: MARCH 27, 1975

DIED: DECEMBER 2, 2023

#11258

ANDERSON L WRIGHT

BORN: APRIL 03, 1926

INITIATED: JULY 2, 1992

DIED: JANUARY 31, 2024

#8353

MICHAEL F GAUGHEN

BORN: JUNE 14, 1933

INITIATED: FEBRUARY 25, 1982

DIED: FEBRUARY 7, 2024



Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538

Veterans Committee
Presents

Veterans Appreciation

Thursday April 18

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



Just a Thank you for your service

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.

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Members Bar Open Sunday 10:00 am-8:00 pm Every Sunday Breakfast Menu 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Details page 3	1 Monday Night Dinner BBQ Top Sirloin \$18 5:30 – 6:30 pm	2 Elks BOWLING every Tuesday at Rancho Bowl 6:30 pm Pub Grub 5:30 – 7:00 pm BINGO 6:00 pm House Committee 6:00 pm	3	4 Lodge 7:30 pm Elks Horn Articles Due	5 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:00 – 8:00 pm Dance to DJ Davie D 8:30 pm	6 Members Bar Open Saturday 11:00 am – 9:00 pm
7 Members Bar Open Sunday 10 am – 8 pm	8 Monday Night Dinner Chicken Fried Steak \$15 5:30 – 6:30 pm	9 Pub Grub 5:30 – 7:00 pm BINGO 6:00 pm PER Meeting 6:00 pm	10	11 Lodge 7:30 pm	12 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:00 – 8:00 pm Dance to DJ Tymeless 8:30 pm	13
14 Members Bar Open Sunday 10 am – 8 pm Cigar & Fine Spirits 2:00 pm Patio	15 Monday Night Dinner Portuguese Sopas \$15 5:30 – 6:30 pm	16 Pub Grub 5:30 – 7:00 pm BINGO 6:00 pm Investigations	17	18 Veterans Mini Stand Down 11 am – 2 pm Lodge 7:30 pm	19 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:00 – 8:00 pm Dance to Sound Investment 8:30 pm	20 Adopt-A-Highway 8:00 am
21 Members Bar Open Sunday 10 am – 8 pm	22 Monday Night Dinner Chili Verde \$15 5:30 – 6:30 pm	23 Pub Grub 5:30 – 7:00 pm BINGO 6:00 pm	24 Karaoke Night 6:30 – 9:30 pm	25 Foodbank 9'ish Lodge 7:30 pm	26 CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish Chicken Breast 6:00 – 8:00 pm Dance to Steppin' Out 8:30 pm	27
28 MENUDO – POSOLE 7:30 am Details Page 5 Members Bar Open Sunday 10 am – 8 pm Committee Chair Breakfast 10 am	29 Monday Night Dinner BBQ 1/2 Chicken \$18 5:30 – 6:30 pm	30 Pub Grub 5:30 – 7:00 PM BINGO 6:00 pm	ATTENTION — NEW BAR HOURS Monday – Wednesday 11:00 am – 8:00 pm Thursday – Friday 11:00 am – Close Saturday 11:00 am – 9:00 pm Sunday 11:00 am – 8:00 pm		Upon Entrance to the Lodge there may be a COVER CHARGE for Guests not buying a CYO Dinner	

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