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AARON CASTELLANOS, EXALTED RULER

SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

SEPTEMBER 2023

EXALTED RULER *Aaron Castellanos*



Members,

As we enter into the second half of the current Elk year I would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" all for the continued support you have shown us. Your support has always been a crucial factor and a reason we as Lodge have been able to remain such an operationally successful

part of our community. As some of you may know, we have been extremely fortunate to remain one of the increasingly few Lodges able to remain operational thanks to that fact that the majority of our workforce has been through our Member volunteers. This is something that not all of our sister Lodges can be fortunate enough to say as most have been forced to move into paid workers for Lodge activities. Being able to continue to operate with our current volunteer-based workforce has allowed us to make otherwise unavailable funds available to better support our community in many ways. Some examples of this have been through grants given to local nonprofits, veteran stand downs, monthly student scholarships etc. I truly cannot begin to fully express just how much we really depend on our many volunteers that unselfishly give the gift of time so that we can achieve a greater good.

Having said this, I realize we continually express our hope that you may also join our volunteer force in any way possible. My ask of you today is a bit different than in the past when it comes to how we can support our volunteer team and something I feel we can all course-correct if we work together. In recent years we have unfortunately experienced an increase in incidents towards our volunteers that do not align with behaviors "becoming of Elks". These experiences have mostly involved guests but also some Members as well and must be addressed and corrected.

We must remain mindful that Lodge volunteers do not make up House Rules. If a Greeter informs you of a dress code violation, there is absolutely no need to respond disrespectfully as the dress code policy has mostly remained unchanged for many years now (and is posted in almost every Elks Horn edition). Becoming aggressive is not the proper way to react as we do offer options to correct a rule oversight. The use of foul language, name dropping or any other form of threat will not be tolerated by any guest or Member. Members, please inform any and all guests of our House

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SANTA MARIA ELKS LODGE #1538
PRESENTS
51ST LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION NIGHT
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023
BBQ TOP SIRLOIN SERVED AT 6:30 PM
\$20.00 PER PERSON, (Tickets available at the door)
CALL 805-922-1538 FOR RESERVATIONS BY 09/05/2023

Sleep in Heavenly Peace
Santa Barbara County North
& Santa Maria Elks Lodge No. 1538
are teaming up to build beds for local children in need for this years BUNKS ACROSS AMERICA event!

Donations are to be brand new in the packaging including all bedding, sheet sets, blankets and pillows. Only for TWIN size beds.

Volunteer checklist!

- ✔ Wear comfortable close toe shoes
- ✔ Clothes you do not mind getting dirty
- ✔ Sun protection: hat, sunscreen, sunglasses etc.
- ✔ All minors **MUST** be accompanied by an adult
- ✔ Optional: Bring a NEW twin-size bedding donation!

Scan this code to pre-register for this build!

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

We look forward to building with you!

All American Lodge

LEADING KNIGHT

Chuck Biely



Members,

I thank each of you who have the interest and took the time to participate in the various elections we have had recently. It is important to the health and wellbeing of our Lodge to have the Membership take part in the decisions which affect us all. The officer corps is dedicated to the betterment and vitality of BPOE 1538, but we need to know that we are serving you, our Membership, as we progress toward our 100th anniversary. What better way to ensure our growth than to take an active part and attend our weekly meetings?

On Saturday, September 9, 2023, please join us in the parking lot to put together beds for children in our area who are forced by circumstances to share a bed, or worse, sleep on the floor. The "Sleep in Heavenly Peace" organization is dedicated to doing all they can to alleviate this sad situation in our community. Several of our committees have contributed money to them for the purchase of bed kits and bedding. Contributions of (NEW) twin size sheets, blankets and mattress pads are now being collected in a bin near the office area and any contributions are gratefully accepted. I would challenge all to give something to this most worthy endeavor whether it be time or money. You will feel better having given a child what most of us take for granted, a comfortable bed on which to lie down.

Another way to volunteer: over the years I have been part of several barbecue teams. If you are interested in learning how 1538 does BBQ's or have knowledge to pass on to us "viejos," please contact the office to let us know. We do a lot of events and could use the extra manpower.

When you come down to the Lodge on September 9, you can get information on any of the committees in which you share an interest. Remember you do not have to be a Lodge Member to volunteer. Until next month, take care and remember your obligation as a proud Elk.

Fraternally yours,
 Chuck Biely
 Esteemed Leading Knight

JUSTICE LOYAL KNIGHT

Jeremy Forman



Members,

Primarily, thank you all for trusting in me to perform the duties of Esteemed Loyal Knight. It is a great honor to hold this position here at the Lodge, and I promise to make you all proud in the performance of my duties. I am here for everyone and will do my best to represent your best interests while being part of the decision-making process here at the Lodge. I am profoundly grateful to have your support.

As Autumn approaches, let we Members renew our efforts to be good citizens in our community. As you go about your day, always keep in mind the cardinal principals of our order, Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity. Be the person who is always willing to help others through good works, who values the rule of law, who treats everyone with respect and kindness and practices fidelity while doing so. We all have different challenges in our lives.

The soccer shoot is coming up this month and, as always, we would like to see as many of our youth come out and participate in the event. If you have a child or know of one under the age of 16 who can kick a soccer ball, please bring them out. This event continues to have an incredibly positive impact on the youth of our community.

Again, thank you all for putting your trust in me. With your help, we will continue to make this a momentous year for our Lodge.

Fraternally,
 Jeremy Forman PER
 Esteemed Loyal Knight

LECTURING KNIGHT

Christina Lagrimas



Members,

I would like to express my deepest gratitude for the trust and support you have given me. Becoming an officer has always been an aspiration of mine and our Lodge holds a great importance to me of home and family. My grandfather was an Elk from 1938 until his passing in 2005 and shockingly he managed to save every Membership card he's ever owned, along with a 1976 Elks Belt Buckle that I now proudly wear. As some of you may know, a piece of him is always with me in our Lodge through his replica of the 1912 Charles M. Russell painting that hangs in our Members bar. I am honored to have the opportunity to not only represent our Lodge as All State Esquire, but to now be able to help make a difference and support our Lodge in any way I can as Esteemed Lecturing Knight.

I would also like to welcome our new Members and hope to see you at our weekly Thursday night meetings. We are always looking for volunteers and strongly encourage participation in our Lodge. If it wasn't for our amazing volunteers and all their hard work, we wouldn't be the Lodge we are today.

Fraternally,
 Christina Lagrimas
 Esteemed Lecturing Knight

FOOD BANK NUMBERS
 As of July 29, 2023

Bags Given Out	49,925
Pounds of Food Given Out	1,219,516
Families Served	25,071
Individuals Served.....	77,837

Wood Crew Sale

Now available to members
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.

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

The Lodge still has approximately 200+ Members who have not paid their 2023-2024 dues. If you are one of them or know someone who has not paid, please pay or encourage others to pay their dues. This is a vital part in keeping this Lodge running. In December, a list will be printed of all Members who are still delinquent to be displayed in the Members' bar. Please call the office, or stop by, to pay your \$154 current dues for 2023-2024 year.

Phil Daighon
Lodge Secretary

MAJOR PROJECT

Our Lodge committee is called CHEMPI: California Hawaii Elks Major Project, Inc., a unique program which funds 32 paid therapists and pre-school vision screeners hired to help disabled children when no other organizations or pre-school vision screening is available. They sometimes travel great distances to help children get the care they need. Please support Major Project by turning in your filled little Purple Pigs with your name and Membership number attached.

Amy Gillot
Major Project Chair

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

Cal-Trans has finally come through and cut back trees, bushes and mowed our highway areas. The waist-high weeds no longer obscure the garbage that has now been shredded by the mower. Note to regular clean-up crew and new recruits: Machetes are no longer required. Come join the fun every third Saturday of the month. We meet prior to 8 am across from the wood room, return in two hours for pizza and beverages. Hope to see you.

Jerry Schons

EXALTED RULER Aaron Castellanos *continued from page 1*

Rules prior to any event you may be bringing them to as YOU are responsible for all your guests, including their actions, and might risk disciplinary actions if you fail to do so.

Members, I would like to reiterate and reassure that these incidents are not reflective of our entire Membership as the majority of time all are able to enjoy our stay at Lodge events. But something that unfortunately occurs from time to time must be addressed. The goal is not to discourage anyone from bringing guests into your Lodge but to do so in a way that will make everyone have a great experience.

My hope is that we all pull together and be able to make EVERYONE'S stay with us as enjoyable as they have always been.

"In a world where you can be anything, be kind."

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

TRAVELEERS

In July, our camp-out was held at Pacific Dunes Resort in Oceano. Since this resort suffered a lot of water damage during our winter storms, their clubhouse, bathrooms, and store were all under construction, so everything we did was held outside. Weather was somewhat warm but windy during the day and then it really cooled off at night. Who would have ever guessed that we would need our fire pits in July!

On golf day, some of our guys took a swing or two at the La Sage Golf course. The big winners were Randy Bisho and Hal, each with 1 par.

We had a great turnout for our club's monthly Membership meeting on Wednesday and we want to thank Richard Chrisman for hosting our champagne toast in honor of "Celebrating Life." At the end of our meeting, the hat was passed and \$37 was collected for ENF.

At our CYO Wednesday evening, we enjoyed our new BBQ grill purchased by Richard Chrisman and Chuck Glines. This grill fits perfectly in Richard's trailer and will be traveling to our many camping adventures.

The Traveleers are one of the friendliest 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 upcoming camp-outs to contact our membership chairperson, Kelly McLoughlin (mkk96@msn.com) for an invitation.

Joanne Willis
Traveleers Article Contributor

Upcoming Campouts

- Sept. 28 - Oct. 2 River Run RV Resort Bakersfield
- Oct. 19 - Oct. 23 Tres Hermanas Winery Santa Maria
- Nov. 27 - Nov. 30 Morro Dunes RV Park Morro Bay
- Dec. 8 - Dec. 11 Santa Maria Elks Lodge under the Big White Tent

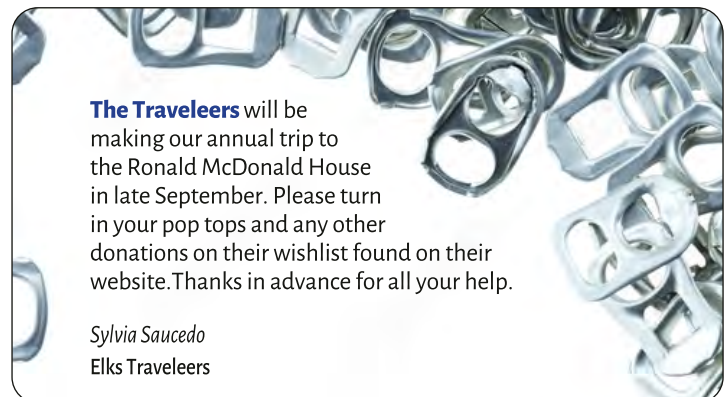
MAJOR PROJECT PURPLE PIG DONATIONS

MICHAEL RAMOS • CHET MONTOYA • RON CRUZ

STEVE PENZE • AMY GILLOT • SUE MANDLER

TIM REYNOLDS • KENT HILL • FAITH REYNOLDS

ROBERT AMBROSETTI • ROBERT BAKER • BILL TUNNELL



The Traveleers will be making our annual trip to the Ronald McDonald House in late September. Please turn in your pop tops and any other donations on their wishlist found on their website. Thanks in advance for all your help.

Sylvia Saucedo
Elks Traveleers

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 Mission Club on July 17th, we were treated to wonderful weather and a great venue. We also signed up our 126th Member to our club.

The Mission is always a tough course but not for Reggie Sanchez as he carded a fabulous score of one under par 71 and claiming low gross worth \$30. In second was Tanner Bevill with a 79 taking home \$25. Taking 3rd was Rick Grenz with an 80 winning \$15. In the net competition the scoring was closer with Chet Montoya carding a 65 worth \$25. In a close 2nd was Bob Taylor with a net 66. Winning 3rd in a card off with Jim Fulton, Trini Martinez, and Mathew Santos was Paul Feeley claiming \$15. In our closest to pin competition, hole # 2 was Jason Harris 12', # 7 was Steve Salazar 7'5", #13 Rob Borowski 7'7", and with the shot of the day on hole #17 was Pete Concepcion 1' 71/2". All four winner won \$15. As most of our tournaments are blind draw for teams which allows for socialization and meeting new people the team of Herman Sanchez, Reggie Sanchez, Sandra Brown, and Paul Feeley shot a score of 124 in the 4-person 2 better ball format and claiming the 1st place money of \$210. A couple of strokes back was Dan Egan, Randy Gil, Marc Rodriguez, and Bob Taylor with a score of 126 and winning \$200. Just one stroke back was the team of Fernie Tarango, Shelly Glover, Tom Glover, and Chet Montoya shooting 127 and winning \$180. We had 3 team tying with a score of 129 for but prevailing in the card off was the team of Alan Matoza, Trini Martinez, Dan Fitzgerald, and Glen Rod for 4th place and winning \$170. Taking 5th worth \$160 was the team of Gary Adair, Paul Rodriguez, Ben Clark, and Rick Grenz.

The golf club will be traveling to Santa Barbara to play Glen Annie on August 21.

Our membership cost is \$20 of which \$15 goes to our charity fund and based on our 126 Membership equates to \$1,890 and add our 50/50 raffle at each tournament of which we have 10 tournaments per year taking in roughly \$300 per tournament of which the club keeps 50% and the rest is given back to our Members via raffle. It is because of our Membership and tournament participation that we are able to give money to worthwhile causes like the Veterans, food baskets for the needy, Band of Brothers, the Antlers, a bus to transport school children to the Elks Rodeo.

Fernie Tarango
Tournament Chair

In Memoriam

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

8015

VALDEMER D BROSE

BORN: FEBRUARY 06, 1933

INITIATED: SEPTEMBER 25, 1980

DIED: JULY 04, 2023

#11622

DONALD F MALIN

BORN: JANUARY 15, 1943

INITIATED: MAY 26, 1994

DIED: JUNE 28, 2023

#5615

LIFE MEMBER

ANTHONY G SANDONA

BORN: MARCH 09, 1927

INITIATED: JANUARY 13, 1963

DIED: MARCH 17, 2023

#2828

LIFE MEMBER

ROBERT KAUFFMAN

BORN: MAY 26, 1935

INITIATED: MARCH 26, 1964

DIED: JULY 12, 2023

11903

DANIEL J KLEINSMITH

BORN: JUNE 24, 1954

INITIATED: FEBRUARY 29, 1996

DIED: JULY 15, 2023



ELKS SOCCER SHOOTOUT



**For both
Boys & Girls**

**7 yrs. & under
8 & 9 yrs.
10 & 11 yrs.
12 & 13 yrs.**

Age group is determined
by the age of the contestant
as of January 1, 2023

THERE IS NO CHARGE TO PARTICIPATE
Experience not necessary

Saturday, September 23, 2023

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Tie breakers will be determined by 12:30 pm

Held at:

**Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538
1309 North Bradley Road**

*** For all boys and girls under the age of 13 and
must be accompanied by an adult.**

*** The top three winners of each age group, both boys and girls, will
receive awards presented to them at a dinner ceremony
at the Elks Lodge!**

**For more information or if you would like
to volunteer, please contact Eddie Navarro,
Elks Soccer Shoot Chairman, at (805) 720-3581.**

BOWLING

IMPORTANT NOTICE: We will have had our 2023-2024 Elks Bowling League meeting at 6:30, August 29th, at Rancho Bowl and we will start our league bowling the following Tuesday, September 5th at 6:30! Join and have some FUN!

Our four person teams must consist of at least one Elk bowler and have at least one male and one female on a team. If you would like to bowl in our Elk's League, call our League President, Deanne Stote at 805-801-1318 or our League Secretary, Debbie Johnson at 805-451-5315. It is a fun 100% handicap league and our bowlers' averages range between 110 and 215.

JOKE OF THE MONTH: *An elderly lady was home when the doorbell rang. She opened the door to see a well-dressed man standing there who said, "Hello, I'm a Jehovah's Witness; do you have a moment to discuss the Holy Word?" The lady invited him in and sat down with him at the kitchen table. She noticed that the man looked a little lost. She asked, "Now, what would you like to talk about, dear?" The young man replied with a pale and shocked face, "Beats the heck out of me, I've never gotten this far before."*

Mike Kenderes
Bowling Chairman
(805) 354-4942

CRYING TOWEL

July 6

Lloyd Dean Parrish\$500
Jim Talamantes\$500
Jim Parker\$500

July 13

Peter Sterling\$500
Jon Fleming\$500
Georgia Daughton\$500 PRESENT

July 20

Joseph A. Romero\$500
Julian Azevedo\$500
Michael Arguilo Villalobos...\$500

July 27

Robert D. Dylan Sweet\$500
Kevin Heitmeyer\$500
Jaime Doneti\$500

*SWAP
meet*

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

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Office hours Monday-Friday 10 am - 5 pm

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 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 Daughton (Lodge Secretary) x108
 Lodge Bar x110
 Kitchen Manager x114

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CYO BBQ REPORT FOR AUGUST

Date	Band	Dinners	X-cuts
7	John Pemberton	285	13
14	DJ Davey D	406	29
21	Steppin' Out	542	43
28	DJ Tymeless	358	39
TOTAL DINNERS SOLD		1591	124

PHOTOS IN THIS ISSUE CONTRIBUTED BY



Lauri Stoneburner
 Ray Sanchez



**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 Dates are
 December 14**



Just a Thank you for your service

**GET YOUR OPPORTUNITY DRAWING TICKETS
 SUPPORT THE PAST EXALTED RULERS
 SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Tickets are \$100.00 each.
 You get 2 Dinners with the purchase of a ticket.
 Drawing will be Sunday September 24, 2023
 at the Santa Maria Elks Lodge
 No Host Bar 3:00 pm
 Dinner 4:00 pm
 Drawing to follow after dinner.
 Dinner BBQ 1/2 Chicken, Macaroni Salad, Elks Beans, Salad,
 Garlic bread & salsa
CONTACT ANY PER TO BUY A TICKET

VETERANS COMMITTEE

It has been a pleasure to work with Tim Reynolds, Chairman of the Santa Maria Elks Lodge Veterans' Committee, and his lovely wife, Faith, Elks Office Manager and Coordinator of the Veterans Committee. None of our Veterans Mini Stand Downs would have been possible without them. They both have dedicated their time, energy, and love for veterans to make all the Stand Downs successful. As many of you know, they will be moving to beautiful McAlester, Oklahoma, and plan to build a house there and have their dream farm become a reality.

Here is a brief bio of this couple. Tim was born and raised in the Bakersfield and Taft area, graduating from Taft HS in 1990. He enlisted in the Marine Corps and was honorably discharged in 1994. From 1994- 2000, Tim was a Prison Guard in Oklahoma. From 2000-2022, he was an officer for the California Highway Patrol retiring at the end of last year. He has been an Elk Member for six years.

Faith grew up in Taft, California, worked for the US Postal Service for 10 years, then went on to work at Cal State Bakersfield. Tim and Faith decided to move to Santa Maria where she was employed by Santa Barbara County. She was volunteering at Bingo where she was noticed by Janet, and that was where her career at the Santa Maria Elks started. She has been a Member at the Santa Maria Elks Lodge for 7 years.

Tim and Faith married on August 31, 2004, and have raised a total of seven children together: Cheyenne, Garrett, Heather, Mikaela, Jacob Taylor, and Trinity. They also have ten grandchildren.

I met them at the first Mini Stand Down on July 20, 2022, where I was a volunteer. They were so organized and had me give away bags with grooming

needs, socks, and shoes. Although we had only a few veteran groups on that day, we now have over eighteen. The number of veterans and their families who have come to our Mini Stand Downs has also increased. Tim has been the Veterans Committee Chairman for three years. In his March 2020 article, Tim wrote, "Our Veterans Committee Volunteers are the backbone of our committee; Volunteers enable us to continue to reach out into our community and beyond."

This still rings true today. Faith has helped secure many grants, including a \$2,500 Freedom Grant in 2021 which helped purchase needed equipment and materials for Operation WEBS (Women Empowered Build Strong). She was also instrumental in getting an Impact Grant from the Elks National Foundation (ENF) for our 2022 and 2023 Veterans Mini Stand Downs.

Her enthusiasm, smile and laugh are always present at our veteran events.

It has been an honor for me to have taken over as the writer of the Veterans Committee articles since September 2022. I am immensely proud to be part of the Veterans Committee. **If you wish to volunteer, we meet on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Ladies Lounge.**

No matter who fills their shoes (Tim has mighty big feet), we wish them well with their new positions working in the Lodge Office and with the Veterans Committee. We also wish Tim and Faith the best of luck with their future plans and safe travels.

Remember, Elks Care, Elks Share.

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



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
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LOUIS "HENRY" SCHMITZ



DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND EXALTED RULER
CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS ASSOCIATION
WEST CENTRAL COAST DISTRICT

Louis "Henry" Schmitz was born on April 14, 1981 in Templeton to Louis "Earl" and Kathy Schmitz and has sister Jennifer living in Modesto. Henry was active with community service organizations taking leadership roles from the age of 9 in 4-H and continuing into High School with

the Future Farmers of America (FFA) as well as being active in sports as part of a State Championship football team. After graduating with Honors from Paso Robles High School in 1999, he attended Cal Poly SLO on Scholarships. Before graduating from Cal Poly Henry was recruited by a local ozone water purification company as a mechanical engineer. Over the next 8 years this career took him to many corners of the world, such as China, the Middle East, Europe, and the Caribbean, just to name a few. He is the inventor and co-inventor of many patents. In 2007, in addition to remaining a consultant to his previous company, he decided to start his own plumbing business. Over the last 15 years he has plumbed thousands of new houses, wineries, and businesses throughout California as well as being active in many business-related organizations such as Habitat for Humanity and Peoples Self Help Housing. In 2020 he met the love of his life, Trinda and in 2023 they added Louise "David" Schmitz to their combined family already consisting of Baily and Carter.

Henry was initiated into the Paso Robles Elks Lodge #2364 in January of 2015 and became Tiler for 2015-2016. He was awarded Officer of the Year in 2017 as Leading Knight and served as the youngest Exalted Ruler to-date of the Paso Robles Lodge in 2018-2019. Immediately following his term of Exalted Ruler, he was elected to the Board of Trustees and has served as Chairman. In addition to holding many committee positions and Past Exalted Ruler Association President of the Paso Robles Lodge he has also been very active at the District Level: Vice Chairman of Lodge Activities in 2017-2018, Lodge Activities Chairman 2018-2020, Special Assistant to DDGER Jay Dupler in 2019-2020, Secretary to DDGER Norman "Ed" Martin in 2020-2021, Grants Chairman and Elks National Foundation Vice Chairman in 2020-2022, District Past Exalted Rulers Association Trustee 2021-2023, Esquire to DDGER David Martin in 2021-2022, Ritual contest vice chairman in 2019, 2020 and Ritual Contest Chairman in 2021 during a worldwide pandemic (and having 12 out of 12 Lodges in the District participate safely). In 2022-2023 he served as California Hawaii Elks Association Vice President of the West Central Coast District and currently proudly serves as the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

Henry will conduct his official
DDGER Visitation
to our Lodge on

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Tim Reynolds Class



- | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Gloria Ynez Acosta | Michael Taubenheim |
| Pamela Ann Almaguer | John Vinluan |
| Stephen Andrich | Robert Wachsmuth |
| Jasmine Alizae Arguijo | Cody James Wiseman |
| Jamie Brunsell | Gilbert Garibay |

Daniel A Cadena

Thomas Richard Caldera **REINSTATMENTS**

Toby Carpenter Alec Andoyan

Angelica Herrera Jack S Bingham

Raelynn Lilliana Cortez Michael A Borjas

Lori Doty Jacob Buentempo

Carole Edwards Noe Castillo

Will Gordon Nicholas A Chavez

Joan Keiko Henretta Erika Cota

William Ivers Michael G Durant

Rafe Knotts James Harris

Justin Kuhnle Reina Longoria

Alberto Licerio Clara Miranda

Linda J Madison Jose Perez

Anita Magdaleno Michael Ramirez

Stephanie Nunez Maria E Sumibcay

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Hunter Pease Frank Torres

Irma K Real

Elizabeth Rees **TRANSFER**

Daniel Rodriguez Neil Carter

Mary Lynn Stovall



Craft Faire



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SAVE THE DATE

11/12/2023

SANTA MARIA VALLEY

BIKE RUN

LODGE ACTIVITIES



Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos presents **Richard Cowell** an Elk of the Month plaque for April



Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos presents **Scott Parsons** an Elk of the Month plaque for May



Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos presents **Amy Gillot** an Elk of the Month plaque for June



Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos presents **Efrain Bautista** an Elk of the Month plaque for July



Exalted Ruler Aaron Castellanos presents **Tim Reynolds** an Elk of the Month plaque for August



Treasurer Liz Brown presents **Georgia Daughton** with a \$500 Attendance check



Secretary Phil Daughton presents **Jaime Flores** with a Grand Exalted Ruler pin and Certificate for sponsoring 3 or more new Members



Secretary Phil Daughton presents **Luisa Garcia** with a Grand Exalted Ruler pin, Certificate, and watch for sponsoring 11 or more new Members



Secretary Phil Daughton presents **Sleep in Heavenly Peace** representatives with a \$9,000 ENF Beacon Grant



The Touring Elks present a \$1,000 donation to the **Alzheimers** support organization



The Touring Elks present a \$1,000 donation to the **Veterans Committee** to support the Honor Flight



The Touring Elks present a \$1,000 donation to **Mission Hope** to help Cancer victims



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Save the Date OCT. 8th 7 am - 2 pm SWAP MEET (Details pg. 5)		Elks Bowling Every Tuesday Rancho Bowl 6:30 pm	Please donate NEW TWIN-size bedding, sheets, blankets, etc. for the Bed Build on Saturday, the 9th		¹ CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to Unfinished Business	² Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
³ Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm	⁴ CLOSED for Labor Day	⁵ Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm Bingo 6:30 pm Investigation 6:30 pm	⁶	⁷ Lodge 7:30 pm Elks Horn articles DUE!	⁸ CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to Smooth Groovz DJ Artie	⁹ Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build 8:30 am (Details on Cover)
¹⁰ Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm	¹¹ Family Night Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm Build A Burger House Comm. 6:30 pm	¹² Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm Bingo 6:30 pm PERs Meeting 6:00 pm	¹³ LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION NIGHT Top Sirloin 6:30 pm (Details on Cover)	¹⁴ Vet's Committee 6:30 pm Ladies Bar Lodge 7:30 pm Balloting	¹⁵ CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to Caddy Shack	¹⁶ Adopt-A-Highway 8:00 am Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
¹⁷ Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm	¹⁸ Family Night Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm Fish 'n' Chips	¹⁹ Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm Bingo 6:30 pm	²⁰	²¹ Lodge 7:30 pm	²² CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to Ron Miller & Gun Metal Gray	²³ Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
²⁴ Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm PER Opportunity Drawing 4:00 pm Tickets \$100 (Details pg. 6)	²⁵ Family Night Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm BBQ Beef Ribs	²⁶ Pub Grub 5:30 - 7:00 pm Bingo 6:30 pm Sportsmen 7:00 pm Touring Elks 7:30 pm	²⁷ Orientation Dinner 6:30 pm	²⁸ Food Bank 9'ish Lodge 7:30 pm Initiation	²⁹ CYO Steak/Ribs/Fish/ Chicken Breast 6:00 - 8:00 pm Dance to Steppin' Out	³⁰ Bar and Lounge Open 10:00 am - 9:00 pm

NOTE: Deadline for Elks Horn copy is 8:00 pm, THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH!
 Please email all copy to smelkshorn@gmail.com and include your name and phone number. **Early entries appreciated.**

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