

THE GRAPEVINE

AUGUST News from the Temecula Valley Elks Lodge #2801

First Place Winner ! - Grand Lodge Div. 1 Bulletin Contest

Station of the Exalted Ruler

Keith Meyer
Fidelity

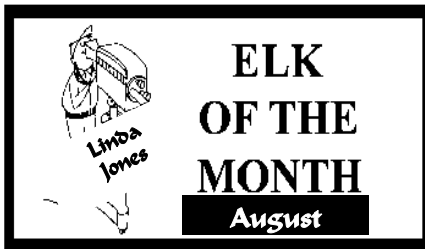


I AM VERY PROUD OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION The Temecula Valley Elks presented a float in the Temecula 4th of July Parade honoring our Local Youth Scholarship winners and Americanism contest winners. Of particular note is that some of our Elks members were in the parade as participants for other local community groups. Elk's members Ken Patric, George DeVry, Joe Gonzalez, and John Merry are also members of the American Legion and rode on their float. Elk Trustee Chairman Ken Nordstrom marched with his Cub Scout Pack No. 614. The Temecula Valley Elks are very proud of their deep involvement in Community affairs.

GRAND LODGE HIGHLIGHTSI attended the Grand Lodge Convention in Portland Oregon on July 5th thru July 9th. It was an uplifting experience and highlighted the many accomplishments we are able to achieve through Elkdom. I was extremely fortunate to be able to walk across the Stage to receive the Elks National Award for Best Newsletter in the nation on behalf of Paul Gonzalez and his Grapevine Staff. I was also there as our new DDGER Larry Hannon was sworn into office. Larry is going to be an outstanding DD for the Southeast District in the upcoming year.

Especially uplifting was the report from the ENF and all the wonderful accomplishments they make possible and hearing personally from the Top ENF Scholarship Winners. I could not help but think of the wonderful work our own Diane and Bob Farrens does to get Scholarships for our local students. We had three students get major scholarships last year because of Diane and Bob's efforts. On the last day of the Convention they honored the Hoop Shoot winners. This touched me because some of our Temecula Hoop Shoot winners went as far as the CHEA State finals.

Overall, many thanks for sending me and I hope to share the things I learned there with our Lodge, Lodge Officers, and Committee Chairpersons over the next few months.



I wish to announce that Linda Jones is our Elk of The Month for August 2009. Linda is our current Major Project Chairperson. She likes to be referred to as the "The First Major Pig." She has worked tirelessly at our Lodge and also at the State Convention in Ontario to raise money for our CHEA Major Project. In addition to her work as

"First Major Pig" she has for many years always volunteered to help with activities and is currently the Chairperson of our August Chili Cook Off and Purple Pig Contest. Linda can also be seen at many Southeast District functions supporting her PER Hubby Steve and promoting our Temecula Valley Lodge. For the year just ended Linda was a major reason for our Lodge Coming in at **FIRST PLACE** in the entire California Hawaii Elks Association for per Capita giving to the Major Project. Linda is a great example of our Temecula Valley Elks Spirit of; **Having Fun.....Doing Good!** Congratulations Linda and many thanks for your help in making our Lodge a **fun** place to be.

Recent Elks-of-the-Month

ER Keith is seen in photos honoring Anise Spriggs our June Elk of the Month and Howard Adkins our July Elk of the Month. Both Howard and Anise exemplify the true Temecula Elk spirit by volunteering their time and talents to the Lodge and participating on committees, event coordination, and leadership opportunities.

Thanks to both Anise and Howard for the great job they have done and continue to do.



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Tiler	Howard Adkins
Esquire	Steve Jones
Inner Guard	Skip Wilkinson
Chaplain	Margie Souza
Assistant Chaplain	Howard Cunningham



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Community Activities	Keith Meyer
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Drug Awareness	Marti Barraza /Barbara Conner
Elks Memorial	Howard Adkins
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Flag Day	Ken Patric
Food Coordinator	Angela Stevanus
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Golf Club	Mike Wisener
Government Relations	Ken Nordstrom
Greeters	Lloyd Clough / Ken Craig
Health /Sanitation	Angela Stevanus
Hoop Shoot	Steve Jones
House Committee	Keith Meyer
Indoctrination	Bob Walker
Investigation	Bob Walker
Lapsation	Bob Farrens
Lodge Activities	Keith Meyer
Major Project	Linda Jones
Membership	Diane Farrens
MMCT	Ralph Souza
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Newsletter	Paul Gonzalez
PER Association	Steve Jones
Photographer	Lloyd Clough
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RV Camper Club	Ron Loomis
Scholarships	Bob & Diane Farrens
Soccer Shoot	Chuck Broddie
Standing Relief	Keith Meyer
Veterans Service	Steve Nunez /Laurie Gonzalez
Visiting	Margie Souza
Youth Activities	Diane Farrens
Wine Gala	Angela Stevanus

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3 rd Trustee	Bob Farrens
4 th Trustee	Jim Beal
5 th Trustee	Walt Wilson

The Grapevine and Staff

The Grapevine is the official newsletter of Temecula Valley Elks Lodge #2801. It is published on the fourth Tuesday of each month. The Grapevine Staff is:

- Paul Gonzalez - Editor and Webmaster
- Craig Stevanus - Calendar Editor
- Laurie Gonzalez - Proof Reading
- John Hammond - Mailing
- Sally Hammond - Mailing
- Lloyd Clough - Mailing Labels and Photographs
- Keith Meyer -Photographer

The deadline for submitting articles for the Grapevine is the **third Tuesday of each month**. Articles should be typed and transmitted to Paul via E-mail at:

PJGonzo1@Verizon.net. Thank you to all the hard working staff!

TEMECULA VALLEY ELKS
PAST EXALTED RULERS

1998-1999	Bryan Barefield
1999-2000	Adam Barraza
2000-2001	Chuck Broddie
2001-2002	Mike Caruso
2002-2003	Tom Kirkonnell
2003-2004	Bob Walker, SVP
2004-2005	Bob Herrera
2005-2006	Diane Farrens
2006-2007	Bob Farrens
2007-2008	Paul Gonzalez
2008-2009	Steve Jones

PERs BY ASSOCIATION—2009/10

Jim Andersen – Rancho Cordova
 Frank Almazan – San Bernardino
 Janice Almazan – San Bernardino
 Jim Beem – Riverside
 Jerome (Hutch) Brandau – Hemet
 Larry Hannon – Lake Elsinore
 Judith Paxton – Skyforest
 Jimmie Spezia – Moreno Valley
 Michael Tharp – Ontario
 Wayne Wren – Lake Elsinore

Grapevine Sponsors

Please be sure to thank our Grapevine sponsors. Individuals and businesses may become Grapevine sponsors for \$10/month or \$25/quarter. Contact Paul Gonzalez if you would like to join our list of sponsors.

PERs BY AFFILIATION

Bill Clair Dave Miller

Officer News and Reports

Station of the Loyal Knight

Ralph Souza
Justice



I have been told that one of my new responsibilities is being in charge of solicitation of new members for membership. I did not volunteer for this it just came with the territory being a Loyal knight. I have many

ideas of how we can get new members to join us, but shanghaiing, carjacking and kidnapping are prohibitive!

Those of you that attend our meeting are the core and backbone of this lodge!! We have somewhere in the vicinity of 240 members but we have only a fourth of members attending our functions. We must encourage new members into our lodge. They are our lifeblood of our lodge, if we are to survive and remain vital.

What I want all of you to do is ask friends to come to our Friday Night Dinners. Tell them what our purpose is and of course that is lending a helping hand to those in need. When we have someone here that appears to be new to our lodge go to them extend a hand of friendship welcome them with a smile make them feel welcome. Tell them about our charitable programs that Elk Lodges spend over forty-five million dollars annually in our various works of community betterment and charitable programs.

We must bring in new members, but we must continue to keep those we already have. This last year we instituted a free dinner to all members who had a Birthday in that month this was a great idea and perhaps we should advertise it frequently in our Grapevine newsletter. Did you know at our meeting we draw a name from our total membership and if your name is selected you can win a money prize? But you must be at the meeting to win. We must emphasize the truth that we are one of the most friendliest Elk lodges in California.

We should all remember why we joined the Elks. In most cases we wanted to meet new people and join in the camaraderie to join in the many functions that take place in our lodge. Lapsation in most cases are inexcusable. We should always call that person to see why they have chosen to not being a member of our lodge anymore. Everything good about Elkdom has come about because of the hard work of progressive-minded people like you and me. So we must get off of our rusty dusty and work together to encourage new people about Elkdom and watch our lodge grow and in turn do good. See you at the meeting.

food for those that would ask Dorothy for advice or opinions on a personal matter. Dorothy was always young at heart and spirit no matter how she may have been ailing physically. She possessed the rare quality to always find good in everyone and dismiss their shortcomings. Like a good matriarch she would embrace you through your stomach and feed you the good things in life as well as the comfort foods of a loving home.

Yes, Dorothy was a rare find and the Temecula Elks were privileged to have her land in our own Emerald City. In her waning years as she sought her way "back home" to our grand maker, she would still be there for family and friends to help guide them through troubled waters. She did not mince words and often was directly to the point about accomplishing your own goals. She instilled self confidence and reminded you that you already knew the answers. You just needed to the courage to follow through with your decision. Dorothy's ability to bring out the best in you was her strongest trait. She accomplished this by making you feel good about yourself. And true to the Elk Charity doctrine she proved that the important influence of good deeds will continue forever.

Chaplain's Corner *By Margie Souza*



It is with great sadness that I must report that **Dorothy Nehrling** passed away this month. Dorothy was 91 years young. Her face would brighten our lodge when she and Herb would attend one of our Friday & Tuesday night dinners. Dorothy will be missed and remember an ELK is never forgotten. Jackie Nehrling Daughter-in-Law of Herb Nehrling requested prayers due to illness that she is very concerned about. **Mary Clough** wife of our Greeter and Photographer Lloyd, had eye surgery and is recovering well. **Joyce Bodenhoefer** on July 28 will have surgery to remove a kidney due to cancer, please have her in your prayers.

May the souls of our ELK members who have departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. If you know of anyone in our order that is ill, distressed or has deceased, please contact: Chaplain Margie Souza or Assistant Chaplain Howard Cunningham.

We're Not in Kansas Anymore, Toto!

This famous line was spoken by Dorothy to her beloved dog Toto at the outskirts of the Emerald City in the famous "Wizard of Oz" story. Dorothy began to realize that somehow, someday she would have to make her way back home again. Although Dorothy was young she was also very wise to the ways of life. Her adventures led her to help the scarecrow find a brain; the lion to find courage, and the tin man to find a heart. And in her journey she overcame assaults and threats from the wicked witch of the West. But she also made friends and allies with the good witch Glenda and the "munchkins". Even as she met the Wizard himself she realized that he really did not have any more power to get her back home than she herself already possessed.

But in her own personal search to find her beloved home and family, Dorothy taught all her friends and those she came in contact with the importance of self-confidence and good will. She made them realize they each had the power to achieve their own goals. She accomplished this not through some magical wizard, but quite simply by making each character feel good about themselves.

The Temecula Valley Elks have been blessed to have their very own special Dorothy. Dorothy Nehrling was a matriarch that could lead both by example and by advice. She was a woman of integrity and strong will who knew how to get things done. She seldom asked for help, but was always willing to extend a helping hand to those that needed it. Her life experiences were often

Lodge News, Activities, Reports, and Events

Scholarship Committee

By Bob and Diane Farrens

We invited our “Most Valuable Student” scholarship winners, in addition to the winners of the Hoop Shoot, Americanism, Drug Awareness, and Middle School Student of the Year contests to ride our 4th of July Parade float and had a great response. The students commented that they were honored to ride the float and had a great time. The only drawback they said – was the parade was too short!! Special thanks to those individuals who organized and decorated our float.

High school scholarships will be available on or right after September 1, 2009. At that time the applications for the Most Valuable Student Scholarship and Legacy Scholarship can be downloaded from the internet (www.elks.org) under “Scholarships.”

Veterans Affairs

By Chairman I-SG Steven Nunez and Co-Chair Laurie Gonzalez



The Veteran Affairs Committee will be visiting the Jerry Pettis Veterans Hospital in Loma Linda on Saturday, August 15th. If anyone wishes to join the committee for the visitation see or contact Laurie or Paul Gonzalez. Thanks again to all those Elks who have graciously donated T-shirts, and personal hygiene products for us to distribute to the needy Vets. They really appreciate it and continue to thank us for the support we show them by these visitations. We can continue to use donated items such as disposable razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, body creams, shampoo, soap, other personal care products and blankets. Thanks again in advance to our fellow Elks who know the importance of charity and continuing to honor our veterans.

Candidate	Sponsor/Transfer
Mary Lucchesi	Dimit from Lake Elsinore
Jill Cherry	Susan Wilkinson
Michael Cherry	Susan Wilkinson
Kim Orona	Judy Hernandez
Samual Cohen	Guy Trisler
Jean Cohen	Paul Gonzalez
Marcy Getz	Diane Farrens



At Sunset

It is always hard to say good bye and at times it’s hard to say thank you for what you have done. But this is my time to say thank you to all the Memorial Team for your brotherly love and dedication in the service for Dorothy Nehrling Acting officers Paul Gonzalez E.R. Diane Farrens Leading Knight, Angela Stevanus Loyal Knight, Margie Souza, Lecturing Knight, Bob Farrens Esquire, Bob Herrera Chaplin, Ken Patric Inner guard and Susan Alpern Music..... Howard Adkins, Memorial Team Coach

Rambling Vines RV / Camping Club *By Ron Loomis*



The Rambling Vines took a short trip to the Oceanside Elks for a campout in late June / early July. As it was the beginning of summer, a lot of us were gone on vacation, so we had only 6 rigs in attendance. It was a fun time for all however, and we enjoyed games and of course...a lot to eat.

Our next outing will be at the Chula Vista Marina in mid September. This year it will be a midweek campout as it is getting hard to get group reservations on weekends at this site. We now have to make reservations 1 -2 years in advance here.



The week following the Chula Vista campout is the annual Hemet Elks Rally in Hemet. This is the Rambling Vines annual fund raiser for Major Project. We will be raffling off a booze wagon and a toy wagon again this year.



We will need new, wrapped toys for the toy wagon, which will be on display at the Lodge prior to the Rally. We will also be selling raffle tickets for the two wagons at the Lodge, also in advance of the rally.

The Rambling Vines want to invite ALL members of Temecula Valley Lodge to come to this rally on Saturday, September 26th. You don’t need an RV, just come and have fun at the various booths which will be selling food and crafts, some with games of chance, a lot of food booths, and of course, the infamous JAIL. Also, join us for dinner Saturday at the rally...the cost is \$10 per person

If you have any questions about the RV club and are interested in joining us some campout weekend, please give me a call at (951) 695-2221 or email me at rooomishome@verizon.net.

Lodge #2801 Propositions for Membership

Elks of the Month 2009-2010

- April..... Bob Herrera
- May.....Lloyd Clough
- June.....Anaise Spriggs
- JulyHoward Adkins
- AugustLinda Jones

Lodge News, Activities, Reports, and Events

Birthdays and Steaks

On the fourth Friday of each month, the Temecula Valley Elks celebrate the monthly Birthday boys and girls. If your birthday lands in that month and you are a Temecula Elk in good standing you get a free steak dinner. So bring your family and friends to celebrate your B-DAY. If you are not an Elk, you are always welcome as a guest and to get to know your local Lodge and maybe join our benevolent organization. If you do, you will see how we have fun doing good in our local community.



Photos here show the June and July Elk Birthday guys and gals. If you are a Birthday child invite your family and friends to join in the festivities. You get to BBQ your own steak just the way you like it and baked potatoes, dinner roles, salad, and dessert are all

part of the \$10 advance paid ticket.



Temecula's "Grapevine" Wins First Place

The Temecula Valley Elks Lodge bulletin the "Grapevine" won first place in the Grand Lodge bulletin contest in Division 1 for Lodges under 300 membership. This is a great honor and in conjunction with the CHEA first place honors also, your Lodge has a lot to be proud of.

The Grapevine has won these accolades in the past and it's staff continues to work hard on producing the award winning bulletin for members, associates, and other lodges. We also have the Grapevine appear monthly on our website: www.TemeculaElks.com. Come and view it there and if you download from the site you save the Lodge money on printing and distribution costs.

Thank you to all our members for their input and compliments. Seen in this photo is ER, Keith Meyer presenting the recognition award to Paul Gonzalez, Editor and Webmaster, and recognizing the entire Grapevine staff: Laurie Gonzalez, proof-reader and assistant, Lloyd Clough, mailing label and photographer, Craig Stevanus, Calendar Editor, and John and Sally Hammond, mailing. Thanks to all for their hard work!



Luau Party!



On Saturday, August 14th Temecula Valley Elks will be having a grand Luau Party! There is going to be a Polynesian themed dinner featuring authentic Polynesian dancers and music. Wear your Island attire as there will be a contest and prizes for the most authentic and prettiest Polynesian dress for the Ladies and the ugliest Hawaiian Shirt for the men. (so get out those ugly Hawaiian shirts that us guys love, and the ladies hate!) Other games will include a hula hoop contest, island themed shot glass sliding contest, pineapple and coconut bowling, and maybe an "ELKS" style "limbo" contest!!!! (this outta be hilarious!) We don't yet know if that mysterious FIRE DANCER is going to show or not! But most of all we are going to have FUN, FUN, FUN!

The cost is \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door! Remember to have these kind of events we need maximum participation! So sign up and PAY now!



Lodge Reports, Activities, and Events



Happy August Birthdays

Kathy Reardon	1
Jerry Throckmorton	1
Terry Zimmerman	1
William Bean	3
Eugene Marenga	6
Gary Myers	10
James Arnett	12
John H Merry	15
Owen Hyde	17
Vincent Puterbaugh	18
James P Guisepppe	19
John Drummey	21
James W Kessler	21
Jerry Wright	24
Dana Class	25
Charles Broddie	26
Linda Jones	26
Dominic Chemello	27
Spike Lunn	27
Phillip Benson	28
James Beall	29
Jo Ann Grant	31
Joe Spychaj Sr	31

Barstool Donations a Success!

Hello all, Skip Wilkinson your Inner Guard here, again! I just want to thank all of you who have donated the money for the Barstools! This has been an overwhelming success! You all have been so wonderfully generous. You have all shown why Temecula Valley Lodge #2801 is the best little lodge in Elkdom!

To date, we have acquired 13 new barstools for our new bar! Wow! I didn't have any idea how generous our membership is until now! I am astounded and proud to be a part of such a great group of folks! Well I set my goal of 10 new stools and have well exceeded that! For those of you who still want to, or missed out on, ordering barstools, there are still some needs at the lodge.

I just don't know at this time what they are. Perhaps an extension of the bar along the south wall, or perhaps pub stools situated throughout the lodge area. This will be discussed at the next house meeting in August. If it's the extension we will order more stools for it. If it's the pub tables, we will need folks to donate those! Any and all of these will be the same program as the barstools! I will keep my finger on the pulse of what's next and let you all know what we need! Until next time, Thanks again! Skip.



EXTRA! EXTRA! Read all about it!

We could use more people to help deliver Neighbors newspapers once a month. Some of the routes are delivered by women. It's an easy job and takes a couple of hours to deliver. We as volunteers get paid by Neighbors and they pay you 40 cents to the mile on gas. We pay half our monthly rent by delivering these papers, and we don't need to come up with fund-raisers to find ways of paying our rent. A good money-maker is right here in these newspapers! So let's take advantage of it and step forth to help make it easy on everybody. We set-up the routes with a team of two, one driving and one taking the papers to assigned businesses. We again need more help. We have an opening on Highway 79 (Temecula Parkway) and David Jones needs a driver for Sun City/Menifee area. Thank you in advance. Call Steve Jones if interested..

Elks 4th of July Busy!

The 4th of July is always a busy holiday for the Temecula Valley Elks. In the morning we participate in the City of Temecula's 4th of July through Old Town and honor our

Meet our Newest Members

If you haven't had the chance to meet our newest members; please do. Make sure you personally give them that warm Temecula Elks smile and hug. Try to greet them in person and remember that each Elk provides an opportunity for us to pass along our good will and good works! Welcome them and we hope to see you and your family at our many upcoming events. And remember volunteerism is what made America great and continues to make the Temecula Valley Elks a strong force in Elkdom and in our local communities. So please help your Lodge, get involved and volunteer! This month we did not initiate a new member to introduce. But stay tuned because in August we plan on bringing in 7 new members.



House Committee Meeting

WHEN: Thursday August 6, 2009
7:00 PM

WHERE: Temecula Elks Lodge

WHY: Club Management, Calendar and Event Planning is necessary to organize upcoming events and key dates

WHO: All Lodge Officers, Committee Chairpersons, Event Coordinators, Volunteers and those members wanting to get more involved in your Lodge activities and **Have Fun, Doing Good**



Scholarship and Most Valuable Students and our Americanism and Drug Awareness contest winners. We send off our ER and 1st Lady to Grand Lodge convention and have a great time with silly games and camaraderie as seen in these photos.



Major Projects and Crying Towel

Major Projects 2009-10 Contributors

By Linda Jones Major Projects Committee Chairperson

Thank you to those who have contributed in Elk year May 2009 thru April 2010. A special thanks to all those Temecula Elks who made their pledge donations at the June 9th VP Visitation.



Purple Pigs:

Frank Almazan	Jim Anderson	Opal Bendikson	Marilyn Broddie
Lloyd Clough	Bonnie Collins	Barbara Conner	Ken Craig
Diane Farrens	Jo Ann Grant	Paul Gonzalez	Judy Hernandez-
Debra Hosted	Cynthia Jarvis	Tom Jensen	Stephen Jones-
Linda Jones	Jack Keefer	Keith Meyer	David Mitchell
Ken Nordstrom	Olga Ochoa	Richard Ochoa	Ken Patric
Jimmie Spezia	Angie Stevanus	Craig Stevanus	Bob Walker
Bertha Webb			

52 Club

Howard Atkins	Jim Anderson	Opal Bendikson	Marilyn Broddie
Bill Bright	Lloyd Clough	Diane Farrens	Bob Farrens
Jim Guiseppe	Laurie Gonzalez	Paul Gonzalez	John Hammond
Sally Hammond	Larry Hannon	Judy Hernandez	Cynthia Jarvis
Tom Jensen	Linda Jones	Stephan Jones	Ed Kunesh
Janet Kunesh	Ken Nordstrom	Ken Patric	Chuck Perrot
Bill Van Meter	Hallie Sebanc	Bertha Webb	Skip Wilkinson
Sue Wilkinson			

Century Club:

Frank Almazan	Susan Alpern	Jim Anderson	Marti Barraza
Jim Beall	Renate Beall	Opal Bendikson	Ken Bodenhoefer
Errol Bratley	Chuck Broddie	Marilyn Broddie	Jay Coyne
Lloyd Clough	Barbara Conner	Diane Farrens(2)	Robert Farrens
Laurie Gonzalez	Paul Gonzalez	Bobbie Gutshall	Henry Hein
Judy Hernandez	Bob Herrera	Jerlyn Herrera	Tom Jensen
Linda Jones	Stephen Jones(2)	Betty Loomis	Ron Loomis
Jennie Lowe	Spike Lunn	Keith Meyer	Barbara Mitchell
David Mitchell	Ken Nordstrom(2)	Olga Ochoa	Vicki Puterbaugh
Peter Recatto	Halle Sebanc	Margie Souza	Ralph Souza
Jimmie Spezia	Angie Stevanus	Craig Stevanus(2)	Doug Stuhr
Dick Tracy	Jerry Throckmorton	Diana Walker	Robert Walker(2)
Skip Wilkinson(2)	Walt Wilson	Terry Zimmerman	

Millennium Club:

Adam Barraza	Marti Barraza	Opal Bendikson	Chuck Broddie
Diane Farrens	Bob Farrens	Paul Gonzalez	Bob Herrera
Steve Jones	Jerilyn Herrera	Dorothy Nehrling	Herb Nehrling
Ken Nordstrom	Craig Stevanus	Bob Walker	Guy Way
Bertha Webb			

CHEA Major Project

By Linda Jones, Major Projects Committee Chairperson

The Vice President's visit got us off to a good start! We are going to have several more fund raisers this year. Starting with the "Purple Pig Party on July 31st, 2009. This party is also a Chili Cook Off. There will be a 1st prize for the pig that is decorated "Best All Round" and a 2nd prize for the "Ugliest" and a third prize for the "Funniest" pig. The chili will also be given a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prize for the best taste! We will serve hot dogs with the chili and a salad, so people with sensitive stomachs will have a choice. Dessert will be soothing too, like ice cream. So Friday, July 31, 2009 come with your pig (make sure your name is on it decorated or not) and join the fun.

Crying Towel 2008-2009

Each week we draw a member's number and if that member is present, he or she wins the money in the box. If the member is not present, the money is added to the next drawing!! We have had some winners and losers.

- ★ April 7, # 421 Peter Fiori—not present.
- ★ April 21, #503 Bill Nietsch—not present.
- ★ April 28, #454, Terrell Barlow- not present.
- ★ May 5, #331 James (Craig) Stevanus- PRESENT!
- ★ May 19, #473 James Wilkinson-PRESENT!
- ★ May 26, #491 William Clair—not present.
- ★ June 2, #527 Lester Lewis- not present.
- ★ June 16, #322 Harold Hutchins- not present.
- ★ June 23, #72 Frederick Zinggeler- not present.
- ★ July 7, #419 William Swanson- not present.
- ★ July 21, #495 Douglas Stuhr- not present.



Temecula Elks Website

The Temecula Valley Elks new Website: www.temeculaelks.com appears to be visited quite often. Statistics show that Visits per Month are: from mid - February through the first week in June are Feb / 42, Mar / 66, April / 148, May / 124, June / 138, July / 156 .

Come visit us and get information on your local lodges activities, events, and meetings. We also have our award winning Grapevine available at the site. We are encouraging our members receive their newsletter electronically and drop the old method of delivery. You can help our Lodge save a lot of money because we won't have to print and use postage anymore.



ENF Chairman Dave Jones honors Temecula Valley Elk's member Judy Hernandez for a donation to ENF. Thanks Judy for your contribution.

Temecula Elks, Have Fun, Doing Good!



Temecula Elks Raise \$7,500 for CHEA Major Projects

The Temecula Valley Elks raised \$7,500 for Major Project during the Southeast District State Vice President, Bob Walker's Visitation on June 9th. The fundraiser dinner was huge success primarily due to the many members joining and contributing to the 52, Century, and Millennium Clubs. The photos below show many of those members being honored at a recent Lodge meeting. Linda Jones our very own "First Major Pig" was the driving force behind to very successful and fun evening. And thanks to all our Elks for their continued show of support for our Major Project of children with disabilities.



Esquire and PER Steve Jones is seen here presenting ER Keith Meyer with a plaque of appreciation from the Little League team that the Temecula Elks sponsored. Member Mike Wisener (not present) was the coach or the team.



Lodge Reports, Activities, and Events

Eleventh Annual

LOCAL CHARITIES GOLF TOURNAMENT

Elks Care - Elks Share

Presented By: **TEMECULA VALLEY ELKS LODGE # 2801**



Time	Event
7:00 am	Registration Begins
7:30 am	Putting Contest
8:30 am	Tee Time
1:00 pm	Mixer, Awards, & Lunch

Menifee Lakes Golf Course
Date: Friday October 9, 2009

Tournament is a best ball scramble format at one of Southern California's premier golf courses. Cash & door prizes, contests, giveaways, raffles, silent and live auction, and more.

Fees	
\$100/PP	Prior to October 1, 2009
\$125/PP	After October 1, 2009
\$20/PP	Lunch Guest

- Hole-in-One Prizes
- Longest Drive
- Closest to Pin
- Putting



In Each
Three Divisions
First & Second Place


- Continental Breakfast
- Sponsor Recognition
- Awards Banquet
- Lunch
- Auction
- Raffles



Registration Form Credit Cards Accepted

Temecula Valley Elks Lodge #2801

Event Coordinators:
Ed Kunesch
Phone: 951-303-0726
Steve Jones
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Lodge
Phone: 951-695-7470



Make Check out to :
Temecula Valley Elks #2801

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Name	Handicap	Fee
Player #1 _____		\$100/\$125
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Player #3 _____		\$100/\$125
Player #4 _____		\$100/\$125
Lunch Guest _____		\$20
Lunch Guest _____		\$20
Total Paid _____		

Membership Update

From the Secretary, Diane Farrrens

Number of members @ 4/01/09	245
Elks initiated @4/01/09-6/30/09	+2
Transfer Dimits into our Lodge	+6
Reinstatements into our Lodge	+0
Members dropped per request	-7
Transfer Dimits out of Lodge	-1
Members @ Absolute Dimit	-0
Elks deceased	-0
Number of members @ 6/30/09	245
Unpaid Members for 2009-10	25

All members should have received their dues notices by now. If you have not, please contact me and I will see that you get one. (Things get lost in the mail, addresses change, mistakes are made in writing addresses, etc.) Thanks to the members who have sent in their dues already

July Family Night is another Success

July 14th Family Night sponsored by the Trustees proved to be another successful and fun night. CHEA State winner of the Americanism essay contest Taia Strachan was present to read her award winning essay as seen here with Gary Gunn, Americanism Chairman.

Also for more entertainment a youth drum group ensemble from the local Temecula Musician's Workshop entertained the crowd and even Elk volunteers to join in the festivities. Come join us on Family Night for a great time.



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Temecula Valley Elks - August 2009

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
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2		3	10am-2pm Office Hours	4	6pm Dinner 7pm Lodge Meeting Mexican \$6 Officer-Skip Bartender-Skip Food-Craig/Angie	5		6	10am-2pm Office Hours 5:30 Trustee mtg 7:00 House mtg	7	5pm doors open 6pm Dinner Pizza \$6 Officer-Margie Souza Bartender-Steve Jones Food-	8	Lodge Closed (Facility Donation Activity)
9		10	10am-2pm Office Hours	11	6pm Family Night Chicken \$6 Officer-Ken Nordstrom Bartender-Paul/Laurie Food-RV Club	12		13	10am-2pm Office Hours 7:00 Indoctrination	14	6pm Dinner Catered Luau \$10 advanced (\$12 day of) Please RSVP Officer- Bob Farrrens Bartender-Bob Farrrens Food-Anais/Skip/Sue	15	
16		17	10am-2pm Office Hours	18	6pm Dinner 7pm Lodge Meeting Salad Bar \$6 Officer-Walt Wilson Bartender-Linda Jones Food-Angela	19		20	10am-2pm Office Hours	21	5pm doors open 6pm Dinner BBQ Burgers Officer-Jim Beal Bartender-Angela Food-Anais/Skip/Sue	22	
23		24	10am-2pm Office Hours	25	6pm Dinner 7pm Lodge Meeting New Member Initiation Officer-Craig Stevanus Bartender-Ron Loomis Food-	26		27	10am-2pm Office Hours	28	6pm Dinner Steak/B'day Night \$10 advanced (\$12 day of) Please RSVP Officer-Keith Meyers Bartender-Anais/Angela Food-Golf committee	29	
30		31	10am-2pm Office Hours										

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