

THE GRAPEVINE

MAY News from the Temecula Valley Elks Lodge #2801

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

Station of the Exalted Ruler

Skip Wilkinson
Fidelity



Hello everyone, this month I would like to talk about some of the new things we are trying to institute at the lodge this year. The first thing I am sure you all noticed is the new "Greeter Committee". These folks have volunteered to be at the door checking member identification cards. They are our first line of defense. They are there to make sure that all people who enter our lodge are either members, or bonafide guests of members. Because our Liquor license only allows us to serve either members or their bonafide guests, someone needs to check identification. This will ensure that no one in the lodge is an undercover ABC agent checking to see if we are following the rules set for our license. So when you come

to the lodge please just have your current member ID card out and ready to show the greeter at the door! Remember that you must carry your membership ID card with you at all times. Without it you cannot gain admission to this lodge or any other lodge! The greeters are not there to punish you! You should be proud to show your ID card! I am and I do!

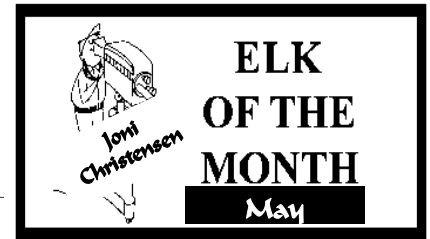
A second reason we have asked these folks and all new members to serve as greeters is that this allows our newer members to get to know all of you wonderful people. It will allow them and you to become familiar with each other and ensure that we have a friendly and welcoming lodge. Carolyn Van Meter has graciously volunteered to head this committee. If you want to volunteer to help out at the door, being a greeter, please contact her.

I know change is hard to accept and sometimes can be annoying, but this is for the good of the lodge. If you visit other lodges you will always find someone is going to check your membership card. Please treat these new volunteers with the Temecula Valley good natured hugs or handshake and make them feel welcome as a new part of our lodge.

You will also notice more sign-up sheets on the table near the office. These are to help those of us who are cooking to get a good idea as to how many of us are going to eat during the better Friday meals! You all need to sign-up or call and let us know if you are planning on eating at the lodge on Friday nights. We are trying to provide some better tasting, more diverse, meals on Friday social nights. Some of these meals naturally are going to cost more to prepare and bring to the lodge! Remember we cannot just cook another meal at the lodge! It all has to be prepared at home and brought in. So if the cooks think we are going to have 30 people and they cook for 35 or 40 and then 50-60 people show up, we run out of food! So please sign the sheets and tell us your intentions! We don't want to discourage anyone from coming on Fridays; we just want to make your time at the lodge as enjoyable as possible! Remember ALL of us are volunteering to try to make this lodge the best it can be and our time together a rewarding experience.

Thank you all for a spectacular ending of the Elk year 2009-2010. We went into the new year with a fantastic momentum and if we continue on this course we will exceed last year's success!

Last, I want to thank all of you for being patient with me as your new Exalted Ruler. I am what you would call "wet behind the ears" when it comes to running a lodge. I am learning as I go and it can be trying at times! I am, and will continue, to try the best I can to do what is best for the lodge.



Joni has been a shining example of what "Elks" should be. Her volunteering and acceptance of responsibility here at our lodge is, and has been, an example that can be held out for others to emulate. She has volunteered to take over our Elks National Foundation program. She has volunteered as the new "Raffle Coordinator". Joni has been our Candidate in the ritual contest and showed up for every practice. She helped me learn my words for my part in the ritual. Joni has become a "Trustee" and committed for five years! She successfully coordinated the St. Patty's Day Party. She has become one of our treasured bartenders. Joni has taken the job of "Officer in Charge" seriously and performed the job correctly and with enthusiasm. I know Joni will continue to shine as an example of what "Elkdom" is all about!

Thank you for your dedication to our lodge and are honoring you with the "Elk of the Month" for May 2010.

First Place Winner! - CHEA Bulletin Contest

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OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler	James "Skip" Wilkinson
Leading Knight	Angie Stevanus
Loyal Knight	Eugene Merenga
Lecturing Knight	Michele Benis
Secretary	Diane Farrens
Treasurer	Kim Orona
Tiler	Howard Adkins
Esquire	Bill Van Meter
Inner Guard	Steve Jones
Chaplain	Cindy Higl
Assistant Chaplain	Howard Cunningham



COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Accident Prevention	Craig Stevanus
Americanism	Laurie Gonzalez
Auditing/Accounting	Marti Barraza
Blood Bank	Howard Cunningham
Building Committee	Paul Gonzalez
Cleaning Committee	Linda Jones
Community Activities	Skip Wilkinson
Dictionaries	Marti Barraza /Barbara Conner
Drug Awareness	Marti Barraza /Barbara Conner
Elks Memorial	Howard Adkins
Elks/Officer Training	Bob Walker
Event Scheduling	Anais Sprigs
Flag Day	Ken Patric
Food Coordinator	Anais Spriggs
Golf Tournament	Jim Beal
Golf Club	Steve Jones
Government Relations	Ken Nordstrom
Greeters	Lloyd Clough / Ken Craig
Health /Sanitation	Angela Stevanus
Hoop Shoot	Steve Jones
House Committee	Skip Wilkinson
Indoctrination	Bob Walker
Investigation	Bob Walker
Lapsation	Eugene Marenga
Lodge Activities	Skip Wilkinson
Major Project	Linda Jones
Membership	
MMCT	Eugene Merenga
National Foundation	Joni Christensen
Newsletter	Paul Gonzalez
PER Association	Keith Meyer
Photographer	Lloyd Clough
Public Relations	Stephanie Benanti
Ritual Chairman	Howard Adkins
RV Camper Club	Ron Loomis
Scholarships	Bob & Diane Farrens
Soccer Shoot	Chuck Broddie
Standing Relief	Skip Wilkinson
Veterans Service	Steve Nunez /Laurie Gonzalez
Visiting	
Youth Activities	
Wine Gala	Angela Stevanus

TRUSTEES

Chairman	Craig Stevanus
2 nd Trustee	Bob Farrens
3 rd Trustee	Jim Beal
4 th Trustee	Walt Wilson
5 th Trustee	Joni Christensen



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

The deadline for submitting articles for the Grapevine is the **third Tuesday of each month**. Articles should be typed and sent to Paul via E-mail at: **PJGonzol@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
2009-2010	Keith Meyer



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

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PERs BY AFFILIATION

Dave Miller

Officer News and Reports

Station of the Leading Knight

Angela Stevanus
Charity



“Each Day is a Gift” Most of you know that we recently had a litter of puppies at our house, nine to be exact. That day and every day since has been a gift to us to watch them develop and grow. To puppies, each day brings new adventure and challenges

Their first new experience was to open their eyes and see all the wonderful things going on around them. Next, to realize there are others just like them, going through the same stuff. Then, they began to watch each other and learn from each other. They learned from the success of others’, how to climb out of the box, and how to eat cereal from a bowl. They also learned about the mishaps of others’, like getting stuck behind the fridge.

When they were only a few days old, they began to develop personalities. Some like to play inside the box, and some prefer to explore outside the box. Some are assertive and others are more laid back and mellow. They all have value.

Puppies also seek attention, but in different ways. Some of the boys like to stand up as tall as they can and profess their importance, with a loud bark. Sometimes, they’re so concerned about impressing others, that when they bark, they fall over. The girls, mostly just watch as if to say, they’re not impressed. Most of them are just looking to get a nice pat on the head or scratch behind their ears. The puppies are all different, but all the same, they all do care about each other. When one gets in trouble or gets stuck, the others gather around and fuss until it gets unstuck. Much like us. As I watch these puppies grow and learn, I think they do appreciate each new day.

As Elks, each day brings new adventures and challenges – But our thought, word, and deeds, truly show that Elks care about others and each other, and Elks share.

Temecula Valley Elks



Yes, We Can!

Membership Update

From the Secretary, Diane Farrrens
(Period 4/01/09 through 3/31/10)

Number of members @ 4/01/09	245
Elks initiated @4/01/09-3/31/10	+23
Transfer Dimits into our Lodge	+14
Reinstatements into our Lodge	+4
Members dropped per request	-21
Transfer Dimits out of Lodge	-3
Members @ Absolute Dimit	0
Elks deceased	-2
Number of members @ 2/28/10	260
Unpaid Members for 2010-11	70

On the number of members, that have not paid for 2010-11, has decreased since March 31st. A second notice has been sent out to those members who have not paid yet.

If you have not received your dues notice, please contact me immediately by e-mail (temeculaelks@verizon.net) or phone (Lodge: 951-695-7470.) You may have moved and forgotten to send me your new address. This year the dues are \$111.00. If your dues are not paid by April 1st, you will not be able to visit the Temecula Lodge or any other Lodge, until you have paid your dues and have a current membership card. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me and I will be glad to help you.

April Elk-of-the-Month

ER Skip Wilkinson is seen here honoring Barbara Conner April’s Elk-of-the-Month. Barbara exemplifies the true Elk spirit of volunteerism to the Temecula Lodge. Congratulations Barbara!



Elks Care - Elks Share

Members in Good Standing!



Our new Greeters Committee will be at the door for all events and meetings requesting you to display your “signed” new membership card. So don't be fooled on April 1st. Pay your 2010-2011 membership and have your new card ready to proudly display to our Greeters. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Saturday Night Dance Party



Come join the Temecula Valley Elks for their second Saturday Night Dance Party at the Lodge. It will be held on Saturday May 8th. Doors open at 6:30. Dance to the sounds of “Listen Up”. \$5 cover charge at the door. Attire is California casual. There is no dinner but munchies will be provided. Elks, and bonafide friends and guests are welcome.

Lodge #2801 Propositions for Membership

Candidate	Sponsor/Transfer
Susan Portera	Eugene Merenga
Larry Clutter	Reinstatement from Midwest City, Oklahoma
Neil Kramer	Reinstatement from Monroe, Michigan

Elks of the Month 2010-2011

April	Barbara Conner
May	Joni Christensen

Lodge News, Activities, Reports, and Events

Scholarship Committee

By Bob and Diane Farrens

The judging of the "Middle School Student of the Year" will be taking place as you read this newsletter. Thanks to the judges who helped in the judging process. The judges will also be making the presentation on the evening of the awards ceremony on Thursday, May 27th.

The CHEA Vocational Grant applications are now available at <http://www.chea-elks.org>. The grants are in the amount of \$1,000 with an option to renew for one more year. The program is open to any prospective applicant, residing in California or Hawaii who is an American Citizen, planning to pursue an eligible vocational/technical course, above and supplemental to high school or preparatory school level. While high school seniors may apply, it is not limited to high school students. It is open to all prospective students who require training or retraining to compete in the workplace. Applications are due three months after receiving the application.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame

The Temecula Elks are planning an evening out with the Lake Elsinore Storm baseball team. The date has been set for Saturday July 17, 2010. There will be a "tailgate" party in the parking lot and members are encouraged to bring your favorite munchies. There is a sign up list at the Lodge so invite family, friends and neighbors. Stay tuned for more details.

House Committee Meeting

WHEN: Thursday May 6, 2010
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

Letter to our Lodge Members

Recently there has been a rumor going around our lodge about a family member of one of our member families. This rumor, and it's insinuations about this person were both false and unsubstantiated. The rumor was spread by people in our lodge who, did not know all the facts, distorted the facts that they did know, and were asked not to pass on any of this information.

This type of rumor and innuendo have no place in our lodge. We are pledged to "Protect our Members, their good names and their families". We need to keep this in mind when we speak to each other about one another. If there is any negative comments about another member or family member from, or to any of us, we need to keep in mind our Obligation. We need not spread such things. We also need to have in mind the damage this kind of thing can cause to a person's reputation. Especially when untrue.

The rumor I have been speaking about has been investigated by myself and found untrue. The people involved have met, discussed and mitigated this problem.

The misunderstanding that happened here should not have happened. It will not happen in the future. I ask each and every one of you that have heard these untruths to forget them. Treat your fellow members with the respect and good fellowship that they deserve. Keep in mind your Obligation. Please don't spread gossip, rumors or innuendoes in the future.

Thank you,
Fraternally yours, ER, James (Skip) Wilkinson

Meet our Newest Member

If you haven't had the chance to meet our newest member, meet Gloria Boe. Please make sure you personally give her that warm Temecula Elks smile and hug. Try to greet her in person and remember that each Elk provide an opportunity for us to pass along our good will and good works! Welcome Gloria 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!



Major Projects Awards

CHEA Major Projects Chairwomen, Linda Jones is seen in these photos presenting awards to more Temecula Valley Elks members who contributed to the Purple Pig, 52, or Century Club. Congratulations to all and thank you for your generosity. Remember that our upcoming VP Visitation on May 18th is the best time to contribute to the CHEA Major Project clubs so we can get a great showing of support for the new Vice President.



Lodge News, Activities, Reports, and Events



Rambling Vines RV Camping Club

By Ron Loomis

Heading to the Desert..

The Rambling Vines are headed to the Emerald Desert RV Resort in Palm Desert April 30th to May 2nd. This is a first class RV resort that we haven't been to for the past few years.

Terry and Lois Zimmerman will be hosting this event as wagonmasters. As you can see from the photos below, the setting is one of the most beautiful RV resorts in Southern California. Daytime activities will include swimming, socializing and shopping in Palm Springs.



Our next campout will June 4th to 6th at the Vista Elks Lodge. Ken and Joyce Bodenhofer will be wagonmasters at that event. After that, we will take a camping breather during the summer months as many members are gone on vacation, and it gets a little warm for outside activities at some of our destinations.

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 rooomi-shome@verizon.net.

Mothers Day Breakfast

- Saturday, May 8th
- Doors open at 9 am
- Breakfast at 9:30 pm
- Mothers Day Tribute at 10:30
- Tickets \$7.00 per person

Sickness and Distress

By the Chaplain

Never underestimate the power of prayer. Please keep all members experiencing sickness or distress in your prayers. Do you know of someone who needs a prayer? If you know of anyone in our order that is ill, distress or has deceased, please contact: Chaplain Cindy Higl or Assistant Chaplain Howard Cunningham 951-699-1052.

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. 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.

CHEA Major Project

By Linda Jones, Major Projects Committee Chairperson

In January of this year I attended a DD Clinic and they advised and encouraged us to send in all the money in our Major Project account. So in February I sent in \$500 with the two Century Club Clubs for Bob Walker. Also in February we had the "pig party" and everyone responded so well. I sent in \$1,788 more. Then Diane Farrens sent out the dues notices with options to donate. So far we have brought in \$471 to Major Project. The donations are still coming in from the dues and from calls that I have made for money on the books to grade up to a 52 or Century Club. The grand total we have sent in since the first of February is \$3,476. I simply can't thank all of you enough for your generous donations!

We will be attending the State Convention in San Diego May 12th to May 15th. Saturday, May 15th is the Exalted Rulers March and our Exalted Ruler, Skip, will announce our year-end total. After all the Exalted Rulers announce their Lodge totals, we will find out if California-Hawaii made their goal of \$3,000,000.

I, the Major Project Chairperson, have until May 14th by 1PM to have all of our donations turned in to Fresno. I still have about 10 people to call that have money on this year's books. I am so proud of all of you, our generous members.



The March Birthday Bunch

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. March Birthday Babies are seen above.

Elk Training Draws to an End

Temecula Elk members pictured at right receive their certificates of completion for the Annual Elks Training program put on by PER and VP Bob Walker. The program is designed to increase your knowledge of Elkdom and your Lodge. This year the training included 20 Temecula Elk officers and members, the highest number in our Southeast District.



Lodge Reports, Activities, and Events



**Happy
May
Birthdays**

Lloyd Clough	1
Richard Miller	1
Jeannie Thompson	1
Del Estey	2
James Simones	5
Terrill Finton	7
William Watson	9
Renata Beall	14
Richard Ackerman	15
Jo Ann Flowers	15
Harlan Wilson	15
Todd Eggers	17
Marcy Ritchey	17
Ronald Anderson	21
Douglas Doane	21
Ken Nordstrom	22
Victor Whitney	24
Kenneth Coppola	25
Robert Walker	25
Wayne Bumgarner	26
Marelle P Dorsey	26
William Swanson	26
Errol T Bratley	27
Tom Jensen	27
Alan Bergstrom	30
Judith Evergin	31

first or second place in the contest. At right, ER Skip Wilkinson presents the award contest letter to Editor / Webmaster PER Paul Gonzalez. It's a team effort and cannot be done without the entire dedicated Grapevine staff.

Old Timers Pin Recognition

Tuesday April 6, 2010 was Old Timers recognition night and members reaching 5 year milestones were given their respective pins. Photos below show Secretary and PER Diane Farrens with those recipients. Congratulations to all our Old Timers for their years of dedication to Elks and the Order.



(Above) 5 year pin awards: ER Skip Wilkinson,, Susan Alpern, Major Projects Chair Linda Jones, and Trustee Walt Wilson



25 year - George DeVry



30 year - Lou Belfiore



40 year - John Drummey

Grapevine Continues to Win

The Temecula Valley Elks bulletin won another precedent honor by winning second place in the Grand Lodge Division 1 Bulletin Contest. This is the fifth year the Grapevine has won either



Yes, We Can!

2010-2011 Temecula Valley Elks Officers

On Tuesday March 16, 2010 the Temecula Valley Elks elected their new officers for the Elk year 2010-2011. Please support your new officers in this upcoming year and volunteer to help your Lodge grow in this challenging economic times. ER Skip Wilkinson and all his officers have dedicated their time and energy for the upcoming years and challenge all member to upkeep his motto: "Yes we Can!" Please get to know them personally as they are all willing to hear your positive input.

2009-10 Major Projects Contributors

By Linda Jones Major Projects Committee Chairperson

Purple Pig

Ann Mae Akerman	Frank Almazan	Jim Anderson	Marti Barraza(2)
Bill Bean	Louis Belfiore	Opal Bendikson	Ken Bodenhoefer
Bill Bright	Marilyn Broddie	Roger Chenault	Marilyn Clark
Lloyd Clough	Bonnie Collins	Barbara Conner	Ken Craig
Walter Dixon	Doug Doane	Diane Farrens	Peter Fiori(2)
Jo Ann Grant(2)	Joe Gonzales	Laurie Gonzalez	Paul Gonzalez-
Bobbie Gutshall	Jim Guiseppe(2)	Judy Hernandez(3)	Bob Herrera
Ernest Heidl	Tim Henderson(2)	Stanley Hutchinson	Debra Hosted
Owen Hyde	Emil Iwanski	Cynthia Jarvis	Tom Jensen
Linda Johnson	Stephen Jones	Linda Jones	Jack Keefer
Diane Koirth(2)	Janet Knunesh	Spike Lunn	Robert McMichael
John Merry(2)	Keith Meyer	David Mitchell	Barbara Mitchell-
Herb Nehrling(2)	Ken Nordstrom	Olga Ochoa(2)	Richard Ochoa(2)
Louis Parker(2)	Cathy Patric(2)	Ken Patric(2)	Dick Sajicek
Hallie Sebanc	Betty Schemp(2)	Jimmie Spezia	Joseph Spychaj
Angie Stevanus	Craig Stevanus	Dick Tracy	Jack Van Wey
Bob Walker	Bertha Webb	Art Marchesini	Bea Waite
Sue Wilkinson	Skip Wilkinson	Harlan Wilson	Walt Wilson
Rick Christensen	Dick Zajicek		

52 Club

Howard Atkins	Jim Anderson	Marti Barraza	James Beall
Renata Beall	Michele Benis	Opal Bendikson(2)	Ken Bodenhoeffer
Marilyn Broddie	Bill Bright	Lloyd Clough(2)	Barbara Conner
Rick Christenson	Walter Dixon	Diane Farrens	Bob Farrens
Joe Gonzales	Laurie Gonzalez(2)	Paul Gonzalez(2)	Jim Guiseppe
John Hammond	Sally Hammond(2)	Larry Hannon	Judy Hernandez(4)
Bob Herrera	Cynthia Jarvis	Tom Jensen	Linda Jones(2)
Stephan Jones	Jack Keefer	Ed Kunesh	Janet Kunesh
Spike Lunn	Barbara Mitchell	David Mitchell	Keith Meyer
Ken Nordstrom	Richard Ochoa	Kim Orona	Cathy Patric
Ken Patric	Chuck Perrot	Bill VanMeter	Hallie Sebanc(2)
Ralph Souza	Margie Souza	Angie Stevanus	Dick Tracy
Bob Walker	Bertha Webb	Skip Wilkinson	SueWilkinson(2)
Marian Jones	Richard Higl	Cindy Higl	

Century Club:

Frank Almazan	Susan Alpern	Jim Anderson	Marti Barraza
Jim Beall	Renate Beall	Lyn Benanti	Gary Benanti
Opal Bendikson(2)	Ken Bodenhoefer	Errol Bratley(2)	Chuck Broddie
Marilyn Broddie	Jay Coyne(2)	Lloyd Clough	Barbara Conner
Walt Dixon(2)	Diane Farrens(2)	Robert Farrens	Peter Fiori(2)
Joe Gonzales	Laurie Gonzalez	Paul Gonzalez	GaryGunn
Bobbie Gutshall	Henry Hein(2)	Judy Hernandez	Bob Herrera
Jerlyn Herrera	Stanley Hutchinson(2)	Lonnie Jenkins	Tom Jensen
Linda Jones(2)	Stephen Jones(2)	Betty Loomis	Ron Loomis
Jennie Lowe	Spike Lunn	Keith Meyer	John Merry
Barbara Mitchell	David Mitchell	KenNordstrom(2)	Olga Ochoa
Ken Perez	Vicki Puterbaugh	Peter Recatto	HalleSebanc(2)
Margie Souza	Ralph Souza	Jimmie Spezia	AngieStevanus
CraigStevanus(2)	Doug Stuhr	DickTracy	Jerry Throckmorton
Diana Walker	RobertWalker(5)	SkipWilkinson(2)	Walt WilsonTerry
Zimmerman(2)	Dick Zajicek	Sue Wilkinson	


Millennium Club:

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

Crying Towel

Crying Towel 2009-2010

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.
- ✦ July 28, #194 Donald Shaw- not present.
- ✦ August 4, #338, Peter Recatto- not present.
- ✦ August 18, #569, Susan Wilkinson- PRESENT!
- ✦ August 25, #53, Peter Le Comp- not present.
- ✦ September 1, #486, Walter Gusky- not present.
- ✦ September 15, #206, Diane Farrens- PRESENT!
- ✦ September 22, #546, Earl Mefford- not present.
- ✦ October 6, #580, Bill Van Meter- PRESENT!
- ✦ October 20, #561, John Ruocco- not present
- ✦ October 27, #52, Richard Miller-not present
- ✦ November 3,#434, Bill Watson-not present.
- ✦ November 17, #473, Skip Wilkinson-PRESENT
- ✦ November 24, #435, Dino Maff- not present.
- ✦ December 1, #473, Skip Wilkinson- PRESENT!
- ✦ December 15, #479, Richard Ackerman- not present
- ✦ December 22, #14, James Hundley- not present.
- ✦ January 5, #503, William Nietsch- not present.
- ✦ January 19, #586, Mary Lucchesi- not present.
- ✦ January 26, #606, Victor Whitney- not present.
- ✦ February 2, #161, Robert Farrens- not present.
- ✦ February 16, #582, Eugene Marenga- PRESENT!
- ✦ February 23, #337, Julian Booth- not present.
- ✦ March 2, #552, Olga Ochoa- not present.
- March 23, #544 - Richard Ochoa- not present.
- April 6, #577 - Lonnie Jenkins not present.
- ✦ April 20, #510 - Michael Calagna not present

Building Committee *By Paul Gonzalez. PER*

The Building Committee continues to meet the last Monday of each month and will meet next on May 31, 2010 at 5 pm at the Lodge. Come join us for updates or to give any input you might have. Remember, each and all members are our eyes and ears in the community. If you hear or see and possible candidate for a new facility let a committee member know. We have an established 10 point criteria list when reviewing a property so you can also help by screening any candidates first.

Temecula Elks Donors

Donations to ENF

Howard Adkins
Marti Barraza
Ken Bodenhofer
Walter Dixon
Peter Fiori
Gary Gunn
Lee Hodges
Emil Iwansky
Linda Johnson
Jack Van Wey
Bob Walker
Dick Zajicek
Ken Nordstrom

Donations to Drug Awareness Program

Marti Barraza
Peter Fiori
Lee Hodges
Jack Van Wey
Dick Zajicek

Donations to Building Fund

Howard Adkins
Ken Bodenhofer
Peter Fiori
Laurie Gonzalez
Paul Gonzalez
JoAnn Grant
Lee Hodges
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Family Nights

At our upcoming Family Night on May 11th, the PERs will be recognizing our local Peace and Safety Officers. It is anticipated that we will have Police, CHP, Fire, and Border Patrol officers who have outstanding performance this last year as recognized by their commanders and peers. This event always proves to be a satisfying and rewarding family night. Please sign up in advance and contact the Lodge if you plan on attending.

On Tuesday April 16th Family night, the Temecula Elks had a guest speaker from the Animal Friends of the Valleys. Our speaker, Kirsti Peffers spoke of the upcoming opening of AFVs new facility in Wildomar and all the good work that organization is doing for the stray animals in our local communities.



Animal Friends of the Valleys presentation by Kirsti Peffers

Veterans Affairs

By Chairman 1-SG Steven Nunez and Co-Chair Laurie Gonzalez



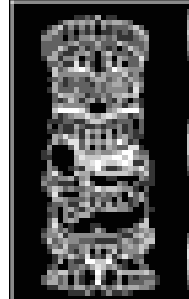
Temecula Valley Elks Veterans Committee continues their monthly visits to our adopted ward at 1-SE at the Jerry Pettis Veteran Memorial Hospital in Loma Linda. Our visits would not be successful without the continued support of Elk member and their friends who continue to donate personal care products, t shirts, blankets, hand sewn / crocheted lap robes and throws, and so much more. This month, we especially want to thank the ladies from Heritage Mobile Home park who donated several hand knitted colorful throws and stump covers. Sally and John Hammond were the liaison and they also donate many useful item that the Veterans love to receive. Thank you all again and we will announce our next upcoming visit at a Lodge meeting.

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						1 RV Club at Emerald Desert
2 RV Club at Emerald Desert	3 10am-2pm Office Hours 5pm Social Night	4 5pm Doors Open 6pm Dinner Sandwiches \$5 7pm Lodge Meeting Officer-Michelle Bartender-Spike Food-Anais	5	6 10am-2pm Office Hours 5:30 Trustee Mtg 7pm House Mtg	7 5pm Doors Open 6pm Dinner Spaghetti/M'balls \$6 Officer-Eugene Bartender-BobF/ CynthiaH Food-Susan Portera	8 Mother's Day Breakfast ----- --- 7pm Dance Night \$5 cover
9	10 10am-2pm Office Hours 5pm Social Night	11 5pm Doors Open 6pm Family Night \$6 Officer-Joni Bartender-Paul/ Laurie Food-Team 3 Cynthia	12 State Convention At San Diego 7pm RV club mtg	13 State Conv Office Closed 7pm Indoctrination	14 State Conv 5pm Doors Open 6pm Dinner Burgers \$6 Officer-Cynthia Bartender-Spike/ Joni Food-Gary Benanti	15 State Conv
16	17 10am-2pm Office Hours 5pm Social Night	18 6pm State VP Visit Chicken Rolutini \$12 Officer-Bill VanMeter Bartender-Angela/ Michelle Food-Susan Portera	19	20 10am-2pm Office Hours	21 5pm Doors Open 6pm Dinner Lasagna \$8 Officer-Howard Adkins Bartender-Steve/ Linda Food-Angela	22
23	24 10am-2pm Office Hours 5pm Social Night 5pm Building mtg	25 5pm Doors Open 6pm Dinner Hot Dogs \$5 7pm Lodge Meeting Officer-Walt Wilson Bartender-Paul/ Laurie Food-Anais	26	27 10am-2pm Office Hours	28 6pm Steak/B'day Night \$14 \$12 if paid in advance Officer-Steve Bartender-Angela/ Joni Food-Team 4 Steve Jones	29
30	31 10am-2pm Office Hours 5pm Social Night					

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