

# Elk-Ender News

The Prez Sez

January, 2013

In the month of November we had our semiannual "Do-It-In-The-Dirt" campout at sunny California City. Our Wagon Masters again were Mark Mahoney and Joe Spychaj. If you have never been to this outing you are really missing a great time. This campout had a large turn-out and the "Poker Run" made a lot of money for the riders and the Purple Pig. If you do not have to have an "off road vehicle," come and join us to have some fun. For more details make sure you read your Elk Call Article "The Rear View Mirror" by Past President Steve Pavich.

In the month of December we are camping at beautiful Emerald Desert RV Resort. Our Co-Wagon Masters are Tina & Bob Crews, John & Evelyn Morrissey, and Paul & Lydia Hartman. This is the first time all three couples have been Wagon Masters in charge of a campout and we are so delighted that they have stepped up and taken charge.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our annual Elk-Ender Christmas Party at our Lodge on the evening of December 15<sup>th</sup>.

As I mentioned in my last article, I have formed a Committee per our By-Laws to seek out prospects for nomination to your 2013-2014 Elk-Ender Officer Corps. They will take over running our group in April, 2013. At the January, 2013 meeting my committee will be announcing the nominations of some of the candidates

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#### **Coming Lodge Events.**

1/12	Car Cruise 11 – 2 PM
1/13	Sunday Breakfast
1/26	<b>Texas Hold-em Tournament</b>
1/27	Pizza Sunday
1/31	Old Timers Night





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## Minutes of the Dec. 5, 2012 Meeting

Call to order: <u>7:30 P.M</u>. by President Sherrie Larson

Pledge of Allegiance was led by:

Bill Catlin

Guests Present: Conrad & Charlene Banks

Recognize – Please stand:

<u>Past EE Presidents:</u> Martin Hoxworth, Dave Skelton, Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman,

Mark Mahoney, Steve Pavich, and Joe Zapata.

Current EE's of the Year: Steve Pavich & Jim Young.

<u>Past EE's of the Year</u>: Martin Hoxworth, Larry Hoffman, Bill Catlin, Randy Eldridge, Eileen Rasmussen, Mark Mahoney, Alex Gonzalez, Dave Lewis, Pete Doeringer, and Sherrie Larson.

Secretary's report by Jim Young:

November minutes were announced as printed in the December newsletter sent out. No additions or corrections to the minutes were brought up. The minutes were approved as written.

#### Treasurer's report by Eileen Rasmussen:

Monthly report was read and approved as read.

#### Vice President's report by Curt McMillan:

Curt handed out badges for Ed and Gloria Sauer.

#### **General Reports:**

#### **General Wagon Master report by Randy Eldridge:**

Mark Mahoney talked about the Do It In The Dirt Campout at California City. A lot of fun and the Purple Pig got \$250.00.

Jay Morrissey told about the upcoming December outing at Emerald Desert. He reminded everyone to bring toys for the kids and then said for those not going to the Palm Springs Follies to bring a bottle of wine for a blind wine tasting on Friday.

Randy reminded everyone about the Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party at the Lodge which will be 13.00 per person. Gifts will be given to local charities. JoAnn Zapata is collecting the money and needs it ASAP.

Randy noted that the campout for January 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> is coming up soon. Wagon Masters for this trip will be Pavich, Hammonds, and Haak. Steve said we had reserved

20 spaces plus 10 more if needed. One of the meals is to be an Awesome Baked Potato with all the toppings.

Lake Elsinore is coming up for February and a signup sheet was passed around. The wagon masters are Jim & Nancy Young with Don & Eleanor Quijada.

#### **Elk-Ender Newsletter report by Larry Hoffman:**

Larry admonished everyone to get their documents to him early for the newsletter.

#### By-laws Committee report by Martin Hoxworth:

Martin reported progress.

#### **Special Activities Reports:**

- •Saturday, December 8th Lodge Christmas Party.
- •Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> Dues Increase Voting & Proposal to Amend By-Laws.
- •Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> Elk-Enders Christmas Party Cocktails at 5, Dinner at 6.
- •Wednesday, December 19th Emblem Christmas Party.
- •30th.



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- •Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> Delivery of Christmas Baskets.
- Christmas Day Lodge Closed.
- •Pizza Sunday December 30th.

#### **Communications Received / General Announcements:**

None

Sickness and Distress by Elissa Hammonds:

Al Johnson passed away.

Sunshine: Report from general membership:

Bernie & Nancy Caughlin's son is doing well after 9 surgeries within 9 months. He is confident he can now live on his own now after his horrific boating accident. Miles Mahoney made the Dean's List. Jim Rauls daughter is pregnant. Channing & Cornelia Tucker's daughter is graduating with her Masters Degree in December in Michigan.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Larry Lamkins announced he has already donated \$72 to the Purple Pig from the sale of his leather Elk-Enders badges. He also let the members know he is now making badges for the canine members of the group.

#### **New Business:**

Martin Hoxworth announced that the Major Projects total for the CAHI Rally at Hemet was \$30,000.

#### Jokes:

No jokes were told.

#### Good of the order by Vice President Curt McMillan:

Conner Smorick drew Chile Bob Griffith's name for \$130.50. No he wasn't there. Carol Lamkins was there to collect the \$30.50 consolation prize. The remaining \$100 will be rolled over to the January 2nd meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by President Sherrie Larson at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted: by Jim Young, Secretary.

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that they have located that are willing to step forward and fill these important positions. So, if you are interested or know members that are interested in competing for these positions, please bring their names to the floor at our meeting. Nominations will also be open at our February meeting followed by an election of officers. Those voted into office will be sworn in at our March 2013 meeting and will take charge in our April 2013 meeting.

I want to wish all of you a very Happy and Successful New Year.

Madam Erez Oherrie Larson

# **Quotable Quotes**

"Much of the social history of the Western world, over the past three decades, has been a history of replacing what worked with what sounded good." Thomas Sowell





# **Birthdays**

1 Jan. Chris Bakke

8 Jan. Sean Smorick

9 Jan. James Duffy

11 Jan. Carol Lawler

13 Jan. Toni Krino

13 Jan. Channing Tucker

17 Jan. David Coombs

18 Jan. Nelson Burke

19 Jan. Judy Strecker

20 Jan. Sharon Fridley

21 Jan. Donna Scott

22 Jan. Margo Dobbs

26 Jan. Gail Westmyer

27 Jan. Ron Pryor

28 Jan. Keith Whitfield

30 Jan. Pauline Hoffman

#### **New Members**

Conrad & Kate Banks #437 3372 Gilbert Dr.. Huntington Bch. 92649 562-592-4257 Cell 562-254-1200 conrad@longbeachroofing.com

#### **Coming Deadlines**

<u>Deadline</u> <u>Issue</u>

Jan.14 Feb. Issue

Feb. 11 Mar. Issue

#### **Anniversaries**

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### Poetic Masterpieces

Jack and Jill Went up the hill to have a little fun.

Stupid Jill forgot the pill and now they have a son

#### 2013-2014 Campout Schedule

**Updated 12/15/2012** 

MONTH	DATES	CAMPGROUND	# SITES	WM & ASST. WM	\$ SITE	CONFIRM	FACILITIES	DEPOSIT	DISTANCE
2013									
January	25-27	Woods Valley	30	Pavich-Hammonds-Haak	\$29.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$150	90
February	22-24	Lake Elsinore	30	Young & Quijada	\$35.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
March	7-10	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
March	22-24	Canyon RV Park	25	Zahn	\$35.00	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	1st Night	15
April	26-28	Valencia Travel Village							
May	17-19	Oceanside RV Resort	25		\$41.00	15 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	55
June	21-23	Tucalota Springs	20		\$35.00	30 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	81
July	26-28	Vista Elks Lodge	24		\$20.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$100	60
August	9-11	Oceano	30	Skelton & Barrows	\$25.00	30 Days	W & 30A		220
August	23-25	TBA							
September	20-22	Lake Elisinore	30		\$35.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
October	10-13	CA Rally - Hemet	Open		TBD	Individually	FH & 30/50A	None	75
October	24-27	Newport Dunes - Halloween	50		\$36.30	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	15
November	7-10	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
December	6-8	Emerald Desert	30		\$43.60	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$300	105
2014									
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Please VOL	UNTARILY	' sign up to be a Wagonmaste	er						

By-Laws Article V, Section 3: "Each member is expected to VOLUNTARILY serve as Wagonmaster before anyone is required to serve a second time."

One Liners from the

old comedians

My wife and I went back to the hotel where we spent our wedding night; only this time I stayed in the bathroom and cried With Age comes skills
It's called MultiTasking
I CAN
LAUGH, COUGH,
SNEEZE, AND PEE ALL
AT THE SAME TIME.



# **Quotable Quotes**

"I believe that sex is one of the most beautiful, natural, wholesome things that money can buy."

Tom Clancy

#### Elk-Ender's January 24-26, 2013 Campout

#### **Woods Valley Campground**

15236 Woods Valley Rd., Valley Center, CA 92082

(760) 749-2905 <u>www.woodsvalley.com</u> (New Managers: Pete & Michael)

Thursday–Sunday, January 24 - 26 Steve & Debbie Pavich H 714 963-2633, C 714 322-7561

<u>Wagon Masters:</u> Pete & Shelley Haak H 714 839-4212, C 714 943-4365

John & Elissa Hammonds C 909 633-2319, C 909 633-2053

\* Campsite reservations will be made through the wagon masters. Please do not call the campground for reservations.

We have 20 camp sites reserved with an additional 10 available. Campsites have 30 amp electric and water. Dump station at the park. No extra charge for pets. Check-in time is 12:00 Noon. Our special rate for GG Elk Enders is \$29.00 per night. No TV hookup. Trees may prevent satellite TV reception.

Activities at or near Woods Valley Campground:

- Large Game room with beautiful fireplace reserved for all days. Free firewood provided for game room fireplace!
- Outdoor Fire pits provided, bring your own firewood for outdoor fire pits.
- Bates Nut Farm about 1 mile east. Excellent nuts, dates, craft items, etc.
- Lake Wolford just over the ridge to the south. About 4 miles by road. Good fishing.
- Four Casinos within 20 miles: Valley View, Rincon, Pauma, and Pala Casinos.
- Just 40 miles to San Diego or Temecula "Old Town" and antique shops.
- Sky Diving at Lake Otay!! "You gotta be nuts!"



#### Thursday, January 24th

Happy Hour 4:00 P.M. All meals on your own.

# Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup> 4:00 P.M. Happy Hour Clubhouse

**BYOB** 

Italian Dinner Night - 5:30 P.M.
Bring your favorite Italian Dish
A-L Bring Main Dish
M-R Italian side Salad
S-Z Dessert

Skru Yer Neighbor/LRC Dice Game 7:00 P.M. - ?

#### **Things to Bring**

- Bring your own plates, silverware service, and beverages to each meal.
- Bring a Pot Luck Dish for Friday Dinner and Saturday Morning Breakfast. (see above)
- Friday A-L Italian Main Dish M-R Italian Side Salad S-Z Dessert

#### Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>

Coffee & Juice 7:30 A.M.

Potluck Breakfast - 9:00 to 10:00

Bring your favorite side dish

\*Blueberry and Reg. Pancakes provided

Lunch - On your own

**Washer Board Game** – 2:00P.M. (Or some fun game)

Happy Hour 4:30 in Clubhouse BYOB

**Dinner -** 5:30 to 6:30 P.M.

Loaded Baked Potato and Salad Bar and ALL the Fixins!

Dessert Provided

7:00 P.M.
Evening Meeting & Fireside Chat
with EE President

\* Special Guest - Sheriff Bart \*

#### Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>

Coffee, Juice & Muffins - 7:30A.M. Enjoy the day with friends. Drive home safely. Pizza Sunday.

#### **Directions**

- . Take I-5 South to Oceanside
- •
- Take 78 Fwy East 'till it ends at Broadway in Escondido.
- •
- Turn right / south, go to the second light, which is Washington. Turn left on to Washington. Go about 2 miles to El Norte Pkwy.
- Turn right and go about 1/2 mile to Valley Parkway.
- Turn left / north, go 4.2 miles.
   Up a grade then down into the valley. The first right is Woods Valley Rd.
- Turn right / east, go 2.2 miles and look for the Woods Valley Camp sign camp on the left!

# Elk-Ender's Campout February, 2013

#### Lake Elsinore West Marina, Lake Elsinore, California



32700 Riverside Dr, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530 800-328-6844

# Friday, February 22 thru Sunday noon, February 24, 2013

\$35.00 per night. 81 miles from the lodge

Your Wagonmasters: Jim & Nancy Young

Cell: 714-926-5386

Co Wagonmasters: Don & Eleanor Quijada

Cell: 714-420-3144

We have 30 spaces. All of these 30 sites have Electric (50/30 amp), Water, and Sewer.

#### **Fun and Games:**

Friday: All day -Cards, Socializing,

Boating?

Evening: SKRU Yer Neighbor. Campfire following.

Saturday:

2:00 PM: Bean Bag Baseball Game.

All Day: Spectating, Cards, and Tall Tales.

7:30 PM: Meeting

Post Meeting: Campfire w Tall Tales

#### Food: ©

Friday:

Breakfast: I'll have the coffee pots a-brewing.

Lunch: On your own. Go wine tasting, visit outlet mall..

Dinner: 6:00 Hot Dogs, All the Fixin's, Chips, Potato Salad, Cake or Pie.

SKRU UR NEIGHBOR: 7:30

Saturday:

Breakfast: 9:00 Pot Luck.

Lunch: On your own. Go wine tasting, visit outlet mall.

Dinner: 6:00 Bring your own meat BBQ plus.

A-G: Please bring Hot or Cold Side Dish

H-R: Please bring Desserts S-Z: Please bring Salads

Meeting: 7:30

Sunday:

If there is any coffee left over from Friday and day old pastries.

#### **Bring:**

Plates, utensils, and beverages for all meals. And FIREWOOD.

#### **Directions:**

Take I-15 North from San Diego, or South from Los Angeles, to the Highway 74 / Central Avenue Exit. Then follow 74 West for 3.5 miles to our entrance, on the Left.

Please Note: From I-15, Highway 74 West follows Central Ave, then Right onto Collier Ave, then Left onto Riverside Drive. Our entrance is exactly 2.8 miles from the intersection of Collier & Riverside at 32700 Riverside Drive.

# Do It In The Dirt

March 9-11, 2013

## **California City**

Come on & Enjoy the Fun. You don't have to own an off-road toy.

POKER RUN on Saturday 11:30 AM \$2.00 per hand. 30% to the Purple Pig, and \$1.00 6<sup>th</sup> card donation to the DIRT Police



# By the Garden Grove Elks

Anything Goes: Dirt Bike, Mountain Bicycle, Dune Buggy, Quad, Golf Cart, Model T, 4X4 or......

> BRING: Lotsa Fire wood, Tables, Extension cords. Portable lights.

Saturday afternoon Happy Hour or Two and appetizersbring what you have to share; 3:00-5:00.

# Saturday Eve. Big BBQ grill provided at 5:00. Bring what you want to BBQ and cook





Mark Mahoney (714) 638-3233 or 714-715-6255

Joe Spychaj (714) 350-2636



#### Notice!

See attached fee info for off road vehicles-\$8.00 per vehicle is good until July 2013. No fee for just camping.

Hwy 15 North to Hwy. 395, go North to Hwy 58.then turn West (left) to California City Blvd. go North (right turn) to 20 Mule Team Road follow it right and stay on the paved road. Look for the GG Elks signs after you pass the prison. Turn South (right) on Rudnick Rd.. And look for the GG Elks arrow signs.

If you need a map: send an eMail request to Mark Mahoney (TPrez1923@aol.com) prior to Nov 7 and a Jpeg of the map will be sent to your eMail address.

#### The Rear-View Mirror

# By Steve Pavich, Elk Ender Of The Year & Past EE President



# Christmas Campout at Emerald Desert RV Resort December 7-9

**Wagon Masters:** Jay & Evelyn Morrisey, Paul & Lydia Hartman and Bob & Tina Crews. Palm Springs can be chilly this time of year but our weekend was sunny with temperatures in the 80's. The Emerald Desert RV Resort is appreciated by RV'ers because of its spacious sites, swimming pools and spas, abundant trees and manicured grass areas.

On Friday afternoon the Palm Springs Follies was the place to go for many of our members. Those who attended were pleased with the show and returned to the RV resort just in time for dinner.

Those who did not attend the follies enjoyed a fun filled wine tasting party hosted by the wagonmasters Jay and Paul. Wine provided by Nancy Saunders was the all around favorite. Members provided light hors d'oeuvres and delicious sandwiches were provided. Skru-yer-neighbor card game concluded the evening activities.

Saturday morning breakfast was a pot-luck feast with a variety of tasty selections. About half of the members in attendance on Saturday visited the College Of The Desert swap meet and purchased jewelry and items targeted to catch the eye of the female gender. Sorry guys.....the swap meet we knew years ago loaded with "guy stuff" like tools and car stuff has vanished forever. All but one of the swap meet attendees returned to their campsites unscathed by the rigors of shopping.

Marcia Hoxworth sustained a broken hip after falling over a curb in the swapmeet parking lot and is recovering from surgery at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital. Please keep Marcia in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

A ruckus game of bean-bag baseball ensued Saturday afternoon resulting in a victory for the men's team. As the game concluded, EE President Sherrie had a wardrobe malfunction. Sherrie's bracelet caught on her belt and a search for the detached charms lasted the better part on an hour. Sherrie wanted to especially recover an engraved gold heart so a metal detector was pressed into service. The heart was found by Sherrie several hours later in the waist band of her pants. OMG Sherrie gasped!

Dinner Saturday featured a catered turkey feast with all the fixings. After dinner our usual meeting was held. Sheriff Bart aka Santa Bart levied fines to members and all proceeds were donated to the Purple Pig.

Our wagon masters did an outstanding job and their efforts were recognized by all who attended. Kudos to Wagon Masters Bob & Tina Crews who were instrumental in much of the planning and could not attend because their RV was damaged while being serviced. Thanks to all who brought unwrapped toys for children who might not otherwise get presents on Christmas.



Pat Spychaj with her winning prize at the 2012 Cg\hristmas Dinner Party.



#### **Elk-Enders**

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Photos: by Dave Lewis and Debbie & Steve Pavich

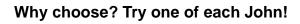


# **Decisions, Decisions.....it's tough!**





Hmmm..a little bit of fudging shall we say?







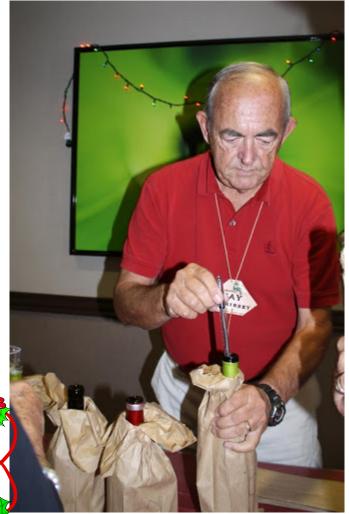
Paul's job it to hold the ceiling up

Gretchen plays the "goodie Fairy!"











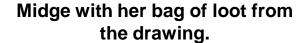
Joe and JoAnn along with their crew did an outstanding job of bringing us the "Annual **Christmas Dinner** Party."







Pauline; Kissing-up to Santa for a better gift!







Pittsburg Steeler cheerleader Anderson with prospective fan Alex.

Scenes from the 2012 Christmas Dinner Party.

Remember.... Dynamite comes in a small package!



