



Elk-Ender News

The Prez Sez

March, 2011



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On January 27-30th, the Garden Grove Elk-Enders traveled to the beautiful Woods Valley RV Park in San Diego County. Every year this has been a popular Elk-Ender camping trip and this year was no exception. Our campers completely filled all 35 campsites in the lower section of the RV Park with a total of 68 people. This park is so beautiful and is filled with large and beautiful Oak Trees along with a large duck pond, miniature horses, goats, chickens, and other livestock. Their large clubroom had a roaring fireplace and the room was filled with laughter and fun loving Elk-Enders having a great time. The Wagon Master for this campout was Past President Steve Pavich & Debbie and current President Randy Eldridge and Janice.

On Thursday night we all went to the local casino and enjoyed their huge buffet and enjoyed visiting the slot machine money we left there last year. Friday night's dinner was a potluck buffet with some outstanding dishes and desserts followed by a card game of Skru-Yer-Neighbor. Congratulations to our first place winner Eileen Rasmussen. Saturday the group participated in a game of Washer Boards. We had a great time playing with some excellent players who really know how to toss those washers into the washer board holes. Congratulations to our First Place winners Harold Julius and Gary Fler. Great team work !

Later in the day we had our famous Bean Bag Baseball game with the women against the men. It was an exciting game of the "Bosom Buddies"

Garden Grove Elks

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Coming Lodge Events.

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- 3/12 Swan Song Dinner Dance
- 3/13 Volunteer Breakfast
- 3/20 56th Emblem Installation
- 3/24 Initiation of Lodge Officers
- 3/27 Pizza Sunday

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"The Prez Sez"

Minutes of the February 2nd Meeting

Call to order: 7:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Carl Kellogg

Guests Present: Liz Arozco (Dave Hudock's neighbor), Ann Zwieback(?)

Recognize – Please stand:

Past EE Presidents: Jack Hansen, Dave Skelton, Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman, Mark Mahoney, Martin Hoxworth, Dan Johnson, and Steve Pavich.

Current EE's of the Year: Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman

Past EE's of the Year: Larry Hoffman, Randy Eldridge, Eileen Rasmussen. Jack Hansen, Twyla Bass, Bill Catlin, Bob Griffith, Dave Hudock, Dan & Robyn Johnson, Dave Lewis, Pete Doeringer, Alex Gonzalez, and Martin Hoxworth.

Secretary's report by Jim Young:

February minutes were announced as printed in the February newsletter. The minutes were approved as printed.

Treasurer's report by Eileen Rasmussen:

Monthly report was read and approved as read.

Vice President's report by Reggie Brown:

Reggie announced he had new member packages available for new member.

Reggie reported there was no new news on the stolen Happy Wagon. A committee will be formed to go over the replacement options when we receive the insurance settlement. The storage shed needs to be painted because of the graffiti. Randy interjected that we were waiting on the results of the trustees requesting paint from the City of Garden Grove, then possibly the Elk-Enders purchasing some anti-graffiti sealer to apply over the new paint.

General Reports:

General Wagon Master report by Mark Mahoney:

Wagon masters Steve and Debbie Pavich, along with the Assistant Wagonmasters Randy and Janice Eldridge, spoke of the good times everyone had at Woods Valley. Steve thanked everyone for their help and presented Fix-It Awards to Dave Lewis and Gerry Sykes. Janice's spaghetti dinner was superb. Janice thanked Steve and his son Matt for the wonderful job of parking the 32 rigs. The campers contributed \$94.00 to the Purple Pig.

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R.V. DUMP PROCEDURE

Effective February 12, 2011



- GARDEN GROVE ELKS #1952 MEMBERS dump free.
- PAID UP R.V. GUESTS dump free.
- GARDEN GROVE ELKS #1952 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS \$10.00 donation.
- ALL OTHERS \$10.00 donation.
- GARDEN GROVE ELKS #1952 MEMBERS proceed to R.V. Host, Lodge Office, or Bartender for key. Leave membership card that will be returned upon return of key.
- NON-GARDEN GROVE ELKS MEMBERS proceed to R.V. Host, Lodge Office or Bartender for key. Pay \$10.00 donation and leave Drivers License that will be returned upon return of key.
- Lodge Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday-Sunday Closed
- R.V. Host: Monday-Friday Varies
Saturday-Sunday Varies
- Bartender Hours: Monday-Friday 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM
Saturday-Sunday Varies
- Dump Station will be closed for Special Events.
- All R.V. Dump donations go to the Parking Lot Repair Fund, and our goal is \$200,000.00.


Daniel S. Rowlett, Chairman
Board of Trustees

The preceding instructions were given to me by **Dan Rowlett**, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees on Thursday night, Feb. 3rd. The new procedures and requirements listed below affect all Elk-Enders who use the lodge dump site.

I made it known to Dan Rowlett that my **personal opinion** is that it will be very impractical to have to go into the office, the bar or to the camp host to obtain a key. They are *too often not open or not available at reasonable times*. Going to the lodge to obtain a key will certainly create a line and long delay when multiple rigs are waiting on Sunday after an Elk-ENDER outing. I understand the need to charge outsiders for using the dump. But there is another practical solution proposed by **Dan Rowlett**. He will place a card reader lock, such as we use at the Lodge front door, that will unlock a key to the dump padlock, located at the dump site. All Garden Grove Elks have an entry card. This, in my opinion, will solve that problem.

My only other dissatisfaction is that all associate members whom are Elk-Enders should deserve the right to free dumping. They pay associate dues as well as Elk-ENDER dues.

Larry Hoffman

Jack Hansen reported that he, Linda, and Steve and Debbie Pavich joined the Simi Valley Elks camper group at their Lake Piru campout in January. Jack reiterated what a great bunch of people they are and that they all had a wonderful time.

Reggie Brown spoke about the February campout at Lake Elsinore Marina West. Reggie said that we have 30 plus sites reserved and he is taking names for a waiting list as so many have signed up. Reggie's Assistant Wagonmasters are Tom and Mickie Grant. He reminded everyone that the Lake Elsinore Elks have rebuilt their lodge and it is open for business. Reggie said that it is really nice and that he has already had dinner there. Too bad there is no food left for the rest of us. Reggie promised to have more information and signup sheets at the January meeting.

Mark reminded everyone that the Do-It-In-The-Dirt at California City is coming up again March 11th through 13th. Start getting your dirt toys cleaned and greased up.

John Zahn spoke about the March campout at Newport Dunes and passed around a signup sheet. John said they have 50 sites reserved and could get more if need be. John is trying to put together a 3 hour harbor dinner cruise (no, not to Gilligan's Island). The cost should be about the same as was for the Duffy boats plus dinner last year.

Pete and Gretchen Doeringer are Wagonmasters for the April 15th-17th campout at the Joshua Tree Sportsman Club where we will have a 200 person capacity clubhouse all to ourselves. Pete passed around a signup sheet and said he had a great catered dinner lined up for Saturday night. Pete also enticed everyone with the fact that camping was only \$20.00 a night.

Mark ended his report by asking for volunteer wagonmasters for the September Canyon RV Park and for the December Emerald Desert campout.

Elk-Ender Newsletter report by Larry Hoffman:

Larry reported Progress and please get all Newsletter events to him by the 10th.

By-laws Committee report by Martin Hoxworth:

Martin reported progress and that the books will be examined and signed off with the change of officers in March.

Special Activities Reports:

February 3rd, Thursday – Lodge Officer nominations.

February 10th, Thursday – Lodge Officer nominations.

February 17th, Thursday – Lodge Officer elections – very important for Elk-Enders

February 5th – South Coast Elks Follies at the Santa Ana Lodge – see Dave Skelton for details.

February 6th, Sunday – Super Bowl Party at the Lodge.

February 12th, Saturday – Sweet Heart Dance at the Lodge.

March 13th, Sunday – Wet Bus day trip to Pechanga

Communications Received / General Announcements:

None.

Sickness and Distress by Corresponding Secretary Judy Stretcher and the Membership:

Dave Hudock was at the meeting tonight with his neighbor Liz. Dave was looking good, but said he didn't want his old job back.

Sunshine: Report from general membership:

Gary & Carol Lawler are celebrating their 9th anniversary tonight. Congratulations!

John Grossman is celebrating another birthday with us tonight. He declined to specify which one, but Happy Birthday anyway.

Unfinished Business:

Linda Hansen reported on the Elk-Enders Christmas party at the lodge. She thanked all of those that helped make it a success. The food was good, Santa Nelson Burke helped distribute door prizes, and Great camaraderie for all. Project Hope was so grateful for all of the donations of food and paper goods.

New Business:

Nominating Committee Chairman Mark Mahoney announced the following nominations for officers: Corresponding Secretary – Sherrie Larson, Treasurer – Eileen Rasmussen, Recording Secretary – Jim Young (the younger), Vice President – Carl Kellogg, and President - Joe Zapata. As all of the aforementioned candidates are running uncontested, Randy declared the slate of officers as duly elected.

Randy announced that there was a conflict at the Lodge over the dates we had selected for the Halloween Rally (Oct 28th – 30th) Through a series of unfortunate events and several changes in Catering Managers for the Lodge, a binding contract was signed for outside organization to use the Lodge room for the same weekend. Through much discussion it was learned that the following weekend, November 4th through 6th was open. A motion was made and seconded to go ahead and RESERVE that weekend for an Elk-Ender activity. It was brought up that the same weekend is for the Second Annual Breast Cancer Walk. Several of the members thought it might be a great idea to combine the walk with the annual camper rally and make it a fall charity event. (May I suggest we call it the “Fun Fall Filanthropy Festival and Charity Camper Rally”) (I know I switched an F for the PH) Robyn Johnson pointed out that the original Halloween Rally theme was only thought to be good for about 20 years. Further discussions revealed that attendance has been declining at the rallies over the last several years. More discussions are slated to be continued at the March 2nd meeting.

Jokes:

Jokes were told by Conner Smorick, Larry Hoffman, and Ed Mossbrook.

Good of the order by Vice President Reggie Brown:

Reggie had incoming President Joe Zapata draw the tile for the membership drawing. Ray Rea was present to win the \$128.50 pot. The pot will start over again at the March 2nd meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by President Randy Eldridge at 9:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: *Jim Young*, Secretary.

Birthdays

2 Mar. Dick Mitchell
 4 Mar. Michelle Gualtieri
 9 Mar. Sharon Parsons
 9 Mar. Bob Wood
 11 Mar. Jane Stewart
 12 Mar. Cathy Van Bruggen
 12 Mar. Gary Fleer
 12 Mar. Tom Mackay
 16 Mar. Linda Mackay
 18 Mar. Norm Nolte
 21 Mar. Placido Rea
 22 Mar. Sandra Eng



Anniversaries

2 Mar. Dave & Fran Struthers
 7 Mar. Dave & Sharon Fridley
 22 Mar. Donald & Vera Jones
 23 Mar. Tom & Mickie Grant
 25 Mar. Al & Joy Johnson
 27 Mar. Placido & Bea Rea

Pearls of Wisdom



Life is like a jar of Jalapeno peppers; What you do today, might burn your ass tomorrow



I have an HP Officejet Pro 8000 Printer. I paid nearly \$100. for it 6 months ago. I replaced the practice cartridges with the XP long life ink cartridges and have used less than half of them.

Gretchen had an old printer that she used for years and loved it. When she got a new computer with Windows 7 she was told the old printer would not install so we bought this new one. We were able to install the old printer so we do not need this one. It is in perfect condition. We would like \$45.00 for it.

Thanks, Pete Doeringer 714-557-6998

Coming Deadlines


Deadline	<i>Issue</i>
March 14	Apr. Issue
April 12	May Issue

Points to Ponder ?????

If Con is the opposite of Pro, is Congress the opposite of Progress?

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against the “Bat Boys”. The women insisted that their pitching mound be closer than that of the men, so we relented to the pressure. For a while it looked like a bad decision for the Bat Boys as the women started scoring one right after another and before we knew it, they were 10 runs ahead of us. But, alas, the Gods were watching over us and we came back the victors with a final score of 22 to 19. It was a lot of laughs and a great time was had by all.

We all got a laugh when Larry Hoffman’s dog, Maxina, a Vizsla (Hungarian Pointer) decided to try and eat out of a trash can. Larry gave a tug on the leash. Maxina responded with her own tug and Larry ended up with both his legs dangling in the air and his head inside the trash can. It would have made a great America’s Funniest Home Video or YouTube video. Darn, missed it ! 

We also laughed when Ed Mosbrook was observed using a blow dryer on his RV headlights. He told everyone he was just drying them off after washing them but we found out that he had a small hole in the lens from a stone chip and he was trying to get the moisture out of the inside of the lens. Very funny Ed, everybody that passed by thought you were crazy and needed to be evaluated by a professional.

Saturday Night’s dinner was incredible. My wife, Elk-Ender First Lady Janice made Spaghetti with her mother’s special sauce made from scratch along with salad, garlic bread, etc. It received lots of raves from everyone there. Nobody ever starves at an Elk-Ender Campout.

The February meeting highlighted the election of our new slate of officers for Lodge Year 2011-2012. **The new officers are: President Joe Zapata, Vice President Carl Kellogg, Recording Secretary Jim Young(#356), Corresponding Secretary Sherri Larson and Treasurer Eileen Rasmussen. Congratulations to all.**

President *Randy Eldridge*

A website of interest to all Elk families

I found this site by accident, but found it very interesting with all the special discounts Elk members can get. We printed out the prescription card and will be eager to see how much of a discount we will get.

But the cell phone section was particularly interesting, as I have been mind boggled with what service to go with and what type of phone I needed to get. This site really clears it all up with prices, and services and even recommended light, medium, or heavy Internet usage! It helped me to decide which company to go with.

<http://www.elksbenefits.com/>

Thanks to Orville and Mary McGee

I thought it would be a great link to include in the next newsletter for anyone interested

LAKE ELSINORE MARINA & RV RESORT
Feb 24-Feb 26, 2011

Campground: 32700 Riverside drive

Lake Elsinore, Ca 92530

Wagon Master: Reggie & Sunshine Brown
714-539-5321
Asst Wagon Masters: Tom & Mickie Grant
951-244-9486

Location of spaces reserved: 30 (207-216) (218-233) (242-246)

Full Hookups \$35.00 per night. Cancellations must be made prior to 7days before campout date .Anyone cancelling after that will be charged for one night.

Check in time is 2:00pm (if space is available early check-in is available, the night before or after \$30.00 per night)

Elk- Enders who wish to arrive before the scheduled campout, Must make own reservations.. pay per day at office. Pets must be on a max 6' leach at all times. No Rottweiler's, Pit Bulls, Chows or German Shepherds are allowed in the park.

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MENU'S

Bring your own place setting, for all meals.

Friday Pavilion hours 6-9 pm

Dinner 6:00 pm, Italian Lasagna, salad, Garlic toast, A-M Brings dessert
7:30 pm Skru your neighbor.

Saturday Pavilion hours all day

Breakfast: 10:00 AM Potluck Breakfast, Coffee and Orange juice provided

Dinner: 6:00 pm Bring your own meat to BBQ,
Salad, Beans and rolls provided. N-Z brings Dessert.

Note: Elk Enders are responsible for all their guests meal costs.

Meeting after dinner

Sunday: Coffee, Orange Juice and pastries 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM

Planned Activities:

Friday: "Scru Your Neighbor"

Saturday Baseball and cards



Please Bring:

- Dessert A-M Friday
- Dessert N-Z Saturday
- Potluck breakfast item
- Meat to BBQ
- Plates & utensils
- wood
- Appetite and desire to have a good time



Directions from 1-15 & Hwy 74 (Riverside drive) SW 3.5 miles on hwy 74

Do It In The Dirt

Mar. 11-13 2011

California City

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



By the Garden Grove Elks

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

POKER RUN on Saturday 11:00 AM \$2.00 per hand. All profit to the Purple Pig, and \$1.00 6th card donation to the DIRT Police

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

Saturday afternoon Happy Hour or Two and appetizers-bring 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 it!



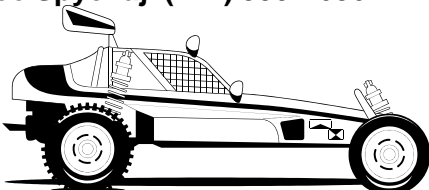
Getting There

Notice!

See attached fee info for off road vehicles-\$8.00 per vehicle is good until July 2011. No fee for just camping.

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

Joe Spychaj (714) 350-2636



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 sign.

If you need a map: send an eMail request to Mark Mahoney (TPrez1923@aol.com) prior to Mar 10 and a Jpeg of the map will be sent to your eMail address.

Garden Grove Elk-Elders
Camp Out Calendar 2010-2011
Updated 01-11-11

2011-2012 Campout Schedule

MONTH	DATES	CAMPGROUND	# SITES	WM & ASST. WM	\$ SITE	CONFIRM	FACILITIES	DEPOSIT	DISTANCE
2011									
January	28-30	Woods Valley	35	Pavich & Eldridge	\$29.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$150	96
February	25-27	Lake Elsinore	30	Brown & Grant	\$35.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
March	10-13	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
March	25-27	Newport Dunes	35	Zahn & McMillan	\$35.00	10 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	15
April	15-17	Sportsman Club-Joshua Tree	35		\$20.00		FH & 30/50A	\$250	105
May	20-22	Oceanside RV Resort	20		\$41.00	30 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	55
June	17-19	Tucalota Springs	20		\$30.00	30 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	81
July	29-31	Vista Elks Lodge	24	Austin		30 Days	W & 30A	\$100	60
August	11-14	Oceano	30	Rasmussen	\$20.00	30 Days	W & 30A		
August	26-28	TBD							
September	23-25	TBD							
October	6-9	CA Rally - Hemet	Open	Mahoney & Spychaj		Individually	FH & 30/50A	None	75
October	28-30	Halloween Rally	Open	President	TBD	None	W,30A/Dry	None	
November	10-13	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
December	2-4	Emerald Desert	30		\$43.60	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$300	
2012									
January		Woods Valley	35		\$29.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$150	96
February		Lake Elsinore	30		\$35.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
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Please **VOLUNTARILY** sign up to be a Wagonmaster

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



EDITORIAL

Halloween Rally – YES, Halloween Rally – NO. There has been much debate about this question lately. The future will bring the answer. BUT, even though we Elk- Enders feel the Elks Lodge has done us dirty, there is another fact. YOU, the Elk- Ender members have also dealt a death blow to the Rally. How? By a lack of participation and involvement. Isn't it strange that 32 Elk-Ender rigs could make the January outing in Woods Valley, but less than half that number could attend our October Rally in 2010. You didn't feel the Rally important enough to travel 10 to 15 miles to bring your rig to the lodge and contribute your bodies to support the few Elk-Enders who worked their butts off to make it a success. Yes, we only cleared about \$3500.00 but it is more than we can earn sitting on our butts in some campground.

Joe & I have been members of the Elk-Enders for over 25 years and we're proud to say so, but we also put our money where our mouth is; we supported the rally in the past as always. So don't be an Elk-Ender when it suits you; put yourself out and join in. Help support our organization. Not only at the rally but also as wagon masters and officers. Join in the work and the fun, it's always worth it!!!

JoAnn Zapata



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[Photos: Dave Lewis.](#)



Sheriff Robyn meting out the fines or is catching bugs.

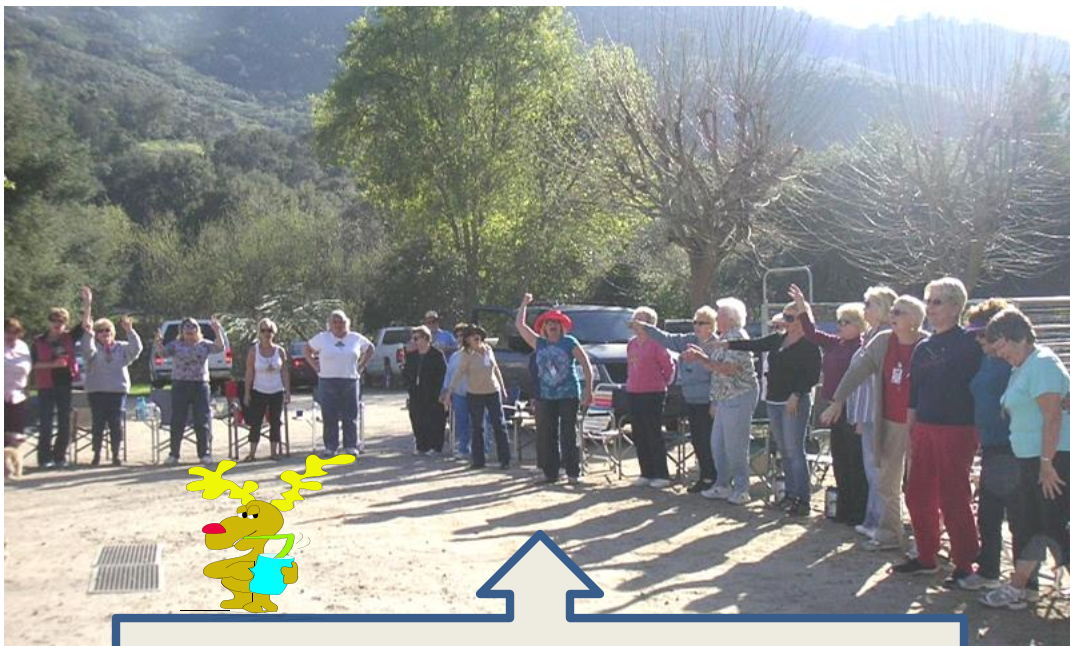


Big "Skrú Yur Neighbor" winner Eileen ready to count her winnings.,

**This definitely
doesn't taste like a
chocolate Banana
cake!**

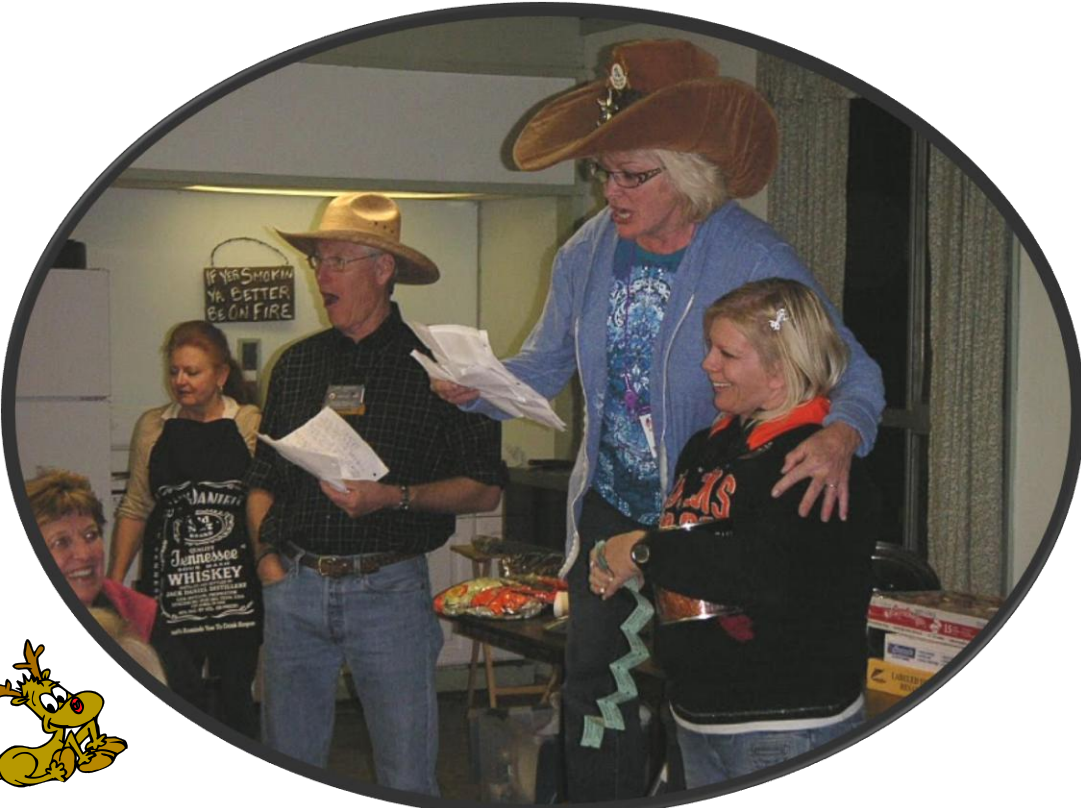


**Wagon
Master Steve
surrendering
or is he ready
to shoot his
finger....Hmm**



The 7th Inning Stretch

The Sheriff gets a little help from Kimberly with the fines.



**It looks like
"Chili Bob"
is happy
with his
brew.**



**Twyla at the
bat or is it at
the bean
bag?**

