

### **Elk-Ender News**

November, 2013



#### The Prez Sez

It is with great pride I start with thanking Ken Moody and his band of volunteers for their hard work at last week's California Hawaii Elks Rally in Hemet. Only positive comments were received on the fantastic breakfast served on both Friday and Saturday and the hamburgers (almost rivaling In-and-Out) and the hot dogs served at lunch time both days. Ken and all the volunteers our Lodge and the Elk-Enders received a lot of praise through your collective efforts.

We currently have 50 rigs set to attend our annual Halloween Rally at Newport Dunes and we are trying to add more spaces. Thanks to all are planning to attend and we look forward to seeing you there to share the activities and twist an arm or two to help sell raffle tickets and cook and serve breakfast. As you know your stepping up to help makes us work.

Please review the list of future camping dates and locations in our monthly newsletter and plan ahead for the November Do it in the Dirt, December outing at Emerald Dessert, our annual Christmas dinner at the Lodge December 21<sup>st</sup> (See the Christmas dinner flyer in this newsletter), and the start of the new year at Woods Valley in January.

As I mentioned at our last meeting the January Elk-Ender meeting will be conducted on January 8<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to attend.

As you all know the Elk-Enders recently lost a tremendous asset and a true gentleman, David Lewis. Our thoughts and prayers are with Yvonne and the Lewis family.

Jay

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

11/2 11/3	Breast Cancer Walk Fall Wine Tasting	**************************************			
11/10	Sunday Brunch	।। जना । रच । श्रम्			
11/14	Veteran's Day Meeting (open)				
11/24	Pizza Sunday				
11/30	Lodge Decorating with Le	ading Knight			

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#### Minutes of the October 2, 2013 Meeting

Date: 10/2/13

Call to order: <u>7:30 P.M.</u> by President Jay Morrissey

**Pledge of Allegiance was led by:** Jim Young #395

**Guests Present:** George & Debbie Wallace and Nick Paoletto

Recognize – Please stand:

<u>Past EE Presidents:</u> Martin Hoxworth, David Skelton, Randy Eldridge, Duane Duncan,

Larry Hoffman, Joe Zapata, Sherrie Larson, Steve Pavich

<u>Current EE's of the Year</u>: Joe Spychaj (absent)

Past EE's of the Year: Martin Hoxworth, Larry Hoffman, Bill Catlin, Randy Eldridge

Alex Gonzalez, Sherrie Larson, Steve Pavich, Eileen Rasmussen, and

Jim Young (356)

#### Secretary's report by Jim Young:

September's minutes were announced as printed in the October Newsletter sent out and on the web site. No additions or corrections to the minutes were brought up. The minutes were approved as written.

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

Monthly Treasurer's Report as of October 1st was read and approved as read.

#### Vice President's report by Gary Westmyer:

Gary announced he had Elk-Ender flags, badges, and decals for new members. Gary reported "progress" on the Storage Shed.

#### **General Reports:**

#### General Wagon Master report by Ken Moody:

Eileen Rasmussen reported that the September camp out at Lake Elsinore was a big success. She thanked all the campers who helped make this such a wonderful campout, especially Bernie and Nancy Caughlin. And the GIRLS beat the BOYS at Bean Bag Baseball.

Ken spoke of the CHEA Elks Rally at Hemet on October 10th-13th. Remember this event is all about raising funds for the Major Projects. See the ELKSRALLY.ORG website for more info, or click on the links on our own elk-enders.org.

Jay spoke of the annual Halloween Rally at the Newport Dunes on October 24th-27th. We will collect for Thursday, Friday, & Saturday nights. If you are coming before Thursday or staying Sunday night then make sure you call the "Dunes" to make your reservation. A parking assignment list will be provided to the "Dunes" about 2 weeks before. We also need donations for the Booze Barrels. We are also in dire need of some volunteers. See Jay for specific assignments.

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Ken announced there would be signup sheets passed around next meeting by Paul Pantages, Larry Mamchur, and Joyce Clausen for the December campout at Emerald Desert.

Pete Haak announced that he, Shelley, and Ed and Gloria Sauer are planning a fun and feast fest for the January 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> weekend at Woods Valley. Please see the flyer that was included in the September and October newsletters.

#### Elk-Ender Newsletter report by Gail Westmyer:

Gail asked everyone to please send pictures to her or Jim Young to post on the website and include in the newsletter.

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

Martin waved "Progress."

#### Special Activities Reports:

Saturday, October 5th—Garden Grove Lodge — 50's Dance & BBQ Buffet. Thursday, October 17th—Garden Grove Lodge — DDGER Home Coming. Saturday, November 2nd—Garden Grove Lodge — 3rd Annual Breast Cancer Fun Walk. Saturday, November 2nd—Garden Grove Lodge — Blue Grass

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

Randy & Janice Eldridge (Leading Knight & Leading Lady), thanked the Elk-Enders for all of their support on the Labor Day picnic.

#### Sickness and Distress by Linda Mosbrook:

Larry Hoffman reported that Dave Lewis' health is grave and that his passing is imminent.

#### Sunshine: Report from general membership:

Ray Rea is now home recovering from his blood clots on the brain. Jack Hansen is home healing a broken wrist. Gary Westmyer is healing from foot surgery. Gretchen Doeringer is undergoing chemo treatments as an abundance of caution for her recent breast cancer surgery.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

A motion was made "to reimburse the lodge for the purchase of 10 salad plates for a total of \$38.00". These were the last plates of the same design as was purchased some time ago. The motion was seconded and voted on. The motion was overwhelmingly passed by the membership present.

Need volunteers still for different tasks at the Halloween Rally.

The CHEA Rally at Hemet also needs volunteers

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#### **New Business:**

Jay announced that the January Elk-Enders meeting will be Wednesday, January 8th.

Jay announced that our Annual Christmas Party at the Lodge will be December 21st. The price will be \$15.00 for Elk-Enders and we will have a preselected choice of Chicken Cordon Bleu, Halibut, or Prime Rib. Jay also needs a chairperson for the event. It was brought up from the floor that the vendor that sold us the Happy Wagon Camp Kitchen will take it back on consignment. Jay asked for volunteers to transport it back to the vendor.

A motion was made from the floor to "request that the Elks block out the dates of October 23rd thru 27th, 2014 in order for the Elk-Enders to host the Halloween Rally at the Lodge in 2014". The motion was seconded and passed by a majority of the members present.

Jokes: Jokes were told by Phil Hughes, Larry Mamchur, and Steve Pavich.

#### Good of the order by Vice President Gary Westmyer:

The first tile drawn for \$31.00 was drawn for for Don Hunter, who was absent. The \$31.00 will be rolled over to the next meeting on November  $6^{th}$ .

Meeting was adjourned by President Jay Morrissey at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Jim Young, Secretary



#### On Veterans Day:

"On this Veterans Day, let us remember the service of our veterans, and let us renew our national promise to fulfill our sacred obligations to our veterans and their families who have sacrificed so much so that we can live free."

- Daniel Lipinski

"American's veterans have served their country with the belief that democracy and freedom are ideals to be upheld around the world."

- John Doolittle

"The willingness of America's veterans to sacrifice for our country has earned them our lasting gratitude."

- Jeff Miller

#### **Birthdays**

November 2 Glenda Duke
November 3 Gary Westmyer
November 5 Kathy Tretter
November 6 Corky Elliott
November 8 Gerry Sykes
November 16 David Krause
November 11 Doris Strong
November 13 Mary Rich

November 14 Howard Whittaker

November 21 Joan wise November 22 Shari Bourke November 22 Pat Spychak November 25 Pete Doeringer November 28 Henry Banuelos

November 29 Bill Zahn

November 30 Duane Duncan



#### **Anniversaries**

November 1 Ed & Gloria Sauer
November 3 John & Toni Krino
November 3 Bob & Sharon Parsons
November 4 David & Sharon Krause
November 6 Bill & Sue Catlin
November 7 Leonard & Eleanor Selover

November 16 Bernard & Nancy Caughlin November 23 Martin & Marcia Hoxworth



#### **Coming Deadlines**

December Newsletter November 15

January Newsletter December 15

#### **Recipes for RVers**

#### Syrupy Banana-Nut Overnight French Toast

6 tablespoon(s) butter or margarine

1 1/2 cup(s) packed brown sugar

5 large ripe bananas, cut diagonally into 1/2-inch-thick slices

1 (12-ounce) long loaf French or Italian bread, cut crosswise into 1-inch-thick slices

6 large eggs

2 cup(s) milk

2 teaspoon(s) vanilla extract

1 teaspoon(s) ground cinnamon

1/2 cup(s) sliced almonds or coarsely chopped walnuts or pecans

In microwave-safe small bowl, heat butter in microwave oven on High 1 minute or until melted. Stir sugar into butter until moistened. With fingertips, press sugar mixture onto bottom of 13-inch by 9-inch glass baking dish. (It's okay if mixture does not cover bottom.) Spread fresh or dried fruit over sugar mixture; top with bread slices, cut sides down.

In medium bowl, with whisk, beat eggs; whisk in milk, vanilla, and cinnamon. Slowly pour milk mixture over bread; press bread down to absorb egg mixture. Sprinkle with nuts. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate at least 2 hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Remove plastic wrap from baking dish. Bake, uncovered, 45 to 50 minutes or until bread is golden brown and knife inserted in center comes out clean. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

Substitutions: 3 to 4 very ripe pears or peaches (about 1-1/2 pounds), sliced; or 1 cup dried cherries, cranberries, or raisins.

Evelyn Morrissey

#### 2013-2014 Campout Schedule

Garden Grove Elk-Elders Camp Out Calendar 2013-2014 Updated 09-06-13

MONTH	DATES	CAMPGROUND	# SITES	WM & ASST. WM	\$ SITE	CONFIRM	FACILITIES	DEPOSIT	DISTANCE
2013	1								
September	20-22	Lake Elisinore	30	Rasmussen	\$35.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
October	10-13	CA Rally - Hemet	Open	General Wagon Master	TBD	Individually	FH & 30/50A	None	75
October	24-27	Newport Dunes - Halloween	50	Morrissey	\$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	Claussen/Mamchur/Pantages	\$43.60	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$300	105
2014	1								
January	24-26	Woods Valley	30	Haak & Sauer	\$29.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$150	90
February	21-23	Lake Elsinore	30	Pantages/Claussen/Mamchur	\$35.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
March	13-16	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
March	28-30	Newport Dunes	50	, , , ,		30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	15
April	25-27	East Shore	25	Hoffman & Mahoney					
May	16-18	Yucaipa Regional Park		Vasteen & Moody		No. of the last tree	V210.011.02		
June	27-29	Tucalota Springs	20	Lambkins & Young	\$35.00	30 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	81
July	25-27	Vista Elks Lodge	25			30 Days	FH & 30/50A	1st Night	15
August	7-10	Oceano	30	Skelton	\$25.00	30 Days	W & 30A		220
Sept.	26-28	Chula Vista	25						
October	9-12	CA Rally	Open	General Wagon Master	TBD	Individually	FH & 30/50A	None	75
October	23-27	Newport Dunes - Halloween	50	President	\$36.30	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	15
November	13-16	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
December	5-7	Emerald Desert	30			30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$300	105
2015	1								
January		Woods Valley	30						
February		Lake Elsinore	30						
March		Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000						
March		Newport Dunes	50						
April									
May		Chula Vista	25						

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."



Do you have a gripe, suggestion, or kudos for the Elks, the Lodge or the Elk-Enders? We would love to hear from you! Please keep it non-personal and non-political, and send it to me via Email or Snail mail. Gail Westmyer

(aka happyours88@aol.com)



"It doesn't take a hero to order men into battle. It takes a hero to be one of those men who goes into battle."

- Norman Schwarzkopf

"Some people live an entire lifetime and wonder if they have ever made a difference in the world, but the Marines don't have that problem."

- Ronald Reagan

#### **NOVEMBER CAMPOUT**

#### Do It In The Dirt

Nov. 7-10 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 6th 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 5:30. 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-\$15.00 per vehicle is good until July 2014. No fee for 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 sign.

If you need a map: send an eMail request to Mark Mahoney (TPrez1923@aol.com) prior to Nov 6 and a Jpeg of the map will be sent to your eMail address.



#### ANNUAL ELK ENDERS CHRISTMAS OUTING

#### <u>Decorate your rig!! A prize will be given for the best Christmas</u> <u>decorated rig/space.</u>

DATE: December 5, 6 & 7<sup>th</sup>

PLACE: Emerald Desert Resort

7600 Frank Sinatra Dr., Palm Desert, CA

(760) 345-4770

COST: T.B.A.

THURSDAY: Dinner on your own

FRIDAY MORNING: Breakfast on your own

FRIDAY AFTERNOON: Palm Spring Follies (For those interested)

Christmas Bingo (2 – 4 pm)

FRIDAY EVENING: Cocktail Hour - 5:00pm

Dinner - 6:00 pm

Stay around for Christmas games after dinner.

SATURDAY MORNING: Potluck Breakfast - 9:00 am

SATURDAY AFTERNOON: Games (1 – 3 pm)

SATURDAY EVENING: Christmas Dinner – 6:00 pm

Ladies or gentlemen bring your favorite

homemade Christmas cookie or dessert to share.

Make it Festive! Wear your favorite Christmas

apparel.

Official Elk Enders Meeting



#### Elk-Ender Holiday Dinner



# Saturday, December 21, 2013 At the Garden Grove Elks Lodge, 6:00 PM Please join us at our annual Christmas Dinner Party

Sign-up by December 4 our regular meeting (prepayment is required)

The cost is \$15.00 per person with a choice of Prime Rib, Halibut,

or Chicken Cordon Bleu

Contact Gerry Sykes with your payment and choice of entrée

After dinner there will be door prizes and entertainment in the Lodge

In lieu of a gift exchange, please make a donation to the Wounded Warrior Program

We look forward to seeing all of you there!



Gerry Sykes (562) 431-3894 Cell (310) 505-5100



#### **JANUARY CAMPOUT**

#### WOODS VALLEY CAMPOUT

Date: JANUARY 24-26, 2014

Location: Woods Valley Campground- 15236 Woods Valley Rd., Valley Center, Ca. 92082

Phone: (760) 749-2905 <u>WWW.WOODSVALLEY.COM</u>

Wagon Masters: Gloria & Ed Sauer- 714) 864-9670 Shelley & Pete Haak- 714) 839-4212

714) 943-4365 ©

#### \*\* All reservations will be made through the wagon masters.

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 fees for pets.** Check-in time is noon. Our special rate for GG Elk-Enders is \$29.00- (must have at least 10 reservations, otherwise \$33.00 per night) No TV hookup, trees may prevent satellite TV reception.

Activities at or near Woods Valley Campground;

Large game room with huge fireplace reserved for all days. Free firewood for game room.

Outdoor fire pits provided- bring your own firewood.

Bates Nut Farm just down the street- animal farm, crafts, etc.

Four casino's within 20 miles- Valley View, Rincon, Pauma and Pala casino's.

THURSDAY, January 23th	SATURDAY, January 25 <sup>th</sup>	SUNDAY, 26 <sup>th</sup>		
Happy hour- 4:00P.M.	7:00 A.M Coffee & Juice	7:30 A.M- Coffee,		
All meals on your own.	9:00 A.M Potluck Breakfast juice and muffins			
	A - G Brings meat (bacon.	ham, etc.)		

FRIDAY, January 24<sup>th</sup> H - R Brings fruit

S - Z Brings potatoes or egg dish
Clubhouse We'll supply orange juice and champagne

3:00P.M.- HAPPY HOUR -Clubhouse 5:30P.M.-Bring your own meat to BBQ We'll provide salad, rolls, dessert. 7:00 P.M.- Play Skru yer neighbor game

LUNCH- on your own

2:00 P.M.- Washer board game- Clubhouse

#### THINGS TO BRING

Bring your own plates, silverware and Beverages for each meal.

Bring your own meat for Friday's dinner. Bring your assigned dish for Saturday's

Breakfast.

**BRING A HAPPY ATTITUDE!** 

4:00 P.M.- HAPPY HOUR- Clubhouse

5:30 P.M.- DINNER- We'll do the cooking! Loaded baked potatoes, with all the trimmings,

Salad, rolls

7:00 P.M. Evening meeting

## The Rear-View Mirror



LOCATION: LAKE ELSINORE

WAGONMASTER: EILEEN RASMUSSEN

ASSISTANT WAGONMASTERS: BERNIE & NANCY CAUGHLIN

Did you know that Lake Elsinore history dates back 125 years! Pictured to the right is one of the Lakes first recreational vehicles. Funny, this looks just like some of the RV's that we saw at our campout! Elk-enders NOT included.



Episode 9: In this region of California there are numerous historical sites and many are in historical downtown Lake Elsinore. But according to many Elk-enders, some of the real attractions are the "Outlet", local restaurants, antique shops, and naturally the Costco. All of these destinations became day trip locations for several campers. Some thirty six Elk-Ender members roamed the park with their dogs in tow and enjoyed a beautiful view of the lake from their perch under lovely shade trees.

Lake Elsinore lodge served as an outstanding place to socialize. Under the awnings we saw birthday celebrations, napping, and even some RV repairs. The familiar pairing of food and drink was once again seen at Friday night's "Taco Salad Bar". Wow! "Heap it high" was the call throughout the evening. To work off the new fat cells, many individuals partook of the ever popular "SKU your Neighbor". Four happy campers took home a few pennies and a huge smile.

One of our largest rigs to ever join the group rolled in at a colossal 45 feet long. It had so many lug nuts that you could not count them all in one breath. The lady from this coach and several others joined a newly formed group calling themselves the "Walker Talkers". The Walker Talkers first group movement was to venture out into the never-never lands around the lake. Several hours later they came back with reports of beautiful beaches and multiple camping locations with lake front views. No tipsy walkers were observed.

Saturday was a big day for the group as the highly anticipated baseball rivalry ramped up. This game was one of the liveliest that this reporter has ever witnessed. Individual players were tossing strong, accurate and point-making pitches. They were running the bases with walkers and canes in-hand to finish with a win for the ladies. Yeah ladies! Men, you need to work on your team spirit, because the ladies out yelled you.

Lake Elsinore recently installed a splendid new outdoor grill upon which the Elks placed multiple Saturday night main course items including steaks, sausage, swordfish, scallops, and yep, LOBSTER! All of these tender morsels were paired with superior accompaniments as well as some fine desserts. After a satisfying meal, a quick meeting was called to discuss business. Then along came that nasty intruder, the Sheriff. He was dragging along a very hungry purple pig. The final contribution was some 47 dollars which fed a very contented pig.

Once again, everyone enjoyed the social atmosphere of another well-presented Elk-ender outing. Thank you wagon master Eileen and assistant wagon masters Bernie and Nancy.





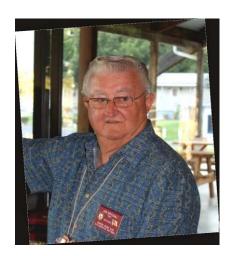




























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