



Elk-Ender News

The Prez Sez

December, 2012



In the month of October we had two spectacular campouts. First we had the Annual California-Hawaii Elks Rally at Golden Palms RV Resort in Hemet with General Wagon Master Randy Eldridge in charge. Our Elk-Ender Camping Group raised over \$3,000 for the Elk Foundation's Major Project. I want to give a special shout out to all of the wonderful Elk-Enders that volunteered to help cook and serve Friday and Saturday morning breakfasts to over two hundred hungry Elks. Also a thank you goes out to all of the volunteers that cooked and served Hamburgers and Hot Dogs for lunch to the entire crowd on both Friday and Saturday. Remember, it is all about the kids.

Our second campout was our 38th Annual Elk-Enders Halloween Rally which took place at beautiful Newport Dunes. In addition to a lot of Elk-Enders our group was joined by Saddleback/Mission Viejo and Simi-Valley Lodges. We raised lots of money for the Purple Pig and for our yearly charity donations. As a result we have already donated \$1,000.00 to the "Miss Garden Grove Pageant".

On another topic, 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. I feel confident that dozens of you will step up and volunteer to run for

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Coming Lodge Events.

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| 12/2 | Elks Memorial Service 1PM |
| 12/9 | Breakfast with Santa Kids Party |
| 12/16 | Deliver Christmas Baskets |
| 12/22 | Members Christmas Party 5PM |
| 12/30 | Pizza Sunday |
| 12/31 | New Years Eve Party |



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Minutes of the Nov. 7, 2012 Meeting



Call to order: 7:30 P.M. by President Sherrie Larson

Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Lydia Hartman
Guests Present: None announced

Recognize – Please stand:

Past EE Presidents: Martin Hoxworth, Duane Duncan, Dave Skelton, Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman, Mark Mahoney, Steve Pavich, and Joe Zapata.

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

Past EE's of the Year: Martin Hoxworth, Larry Hoffman, Bill Catlin, Randy Eldridge, Eileen Rasmussen, Mark Mahoney, and Sherrie Larson.

Secretary's report by Jim Young:

October minutes were announced as printed in the November 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. Total funds \$19,945.16. The profits from the Halloween Rally came to 6,270.61, which will be used to fund Lodge charities and functions.

Vice President's report by Curt McMillan:

For the absent Curt, Sherrie announced she had badges for Larry Mamchur and Joyce Claussen, who were also absent.

General Reports:

General Wagon Master report by Randy Eldridge:

Randy Eldridge spoke of the CAHI Elks Rally at Hemet. He thanked Mark Mahoney for all of his advice and all of the participants for their assistance. It was noted that the rally had at least 182 rigs attending. Paul Pantages reported that the rally contributed over \$30,000 to the Elks Major Project.

Randy thanked co-wagon masters, Sherrie Larson and LuAnn Barrows for successfully planning and putting on one of the most successful Halloween Rally's we've had in recent years. The caterers provided excellent food, the Friday night costumes were the best, and the camaraderie was superb. Some of the participants were overheard saying that this was the "best Elk-Enders campout they've ever been on".

Randy Eldridge reminded everyone of the coming up Do It In the Dirt in November and the Emerald Desert campout in December. Wagon Masters are Paul Hartman, Jay Morrissey, and Bob Crews.

Randy also said to keep the Dec. 15th open for the 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 25th to the 27th 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.

Elk-Ender Newsletter report by Larry Hoffman:

Larry submitted his resignation as Newsletter Editor and Publisher effective at the end of the Elk-Ender year in March 2013. He was looking for possible volunteer replacements to train until then. He said all it takes is the most basic of computer skills.



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By-laws Committee report by Martin Hoxworth:

Martin reported progress.

Special Activities Reports:

- Thursday, November 8th – Open Meeting to honor Veterans.
- Saturday, November 17th – Orientation of New Members.
- Thanksgiving Day – Lodge Closed.
- Pizza Sunday – November 25th.



Communications Received / General Announcements:

None

Sickness and Distress by Elissa Hammonds:

No major illnesses or surgeries reported.

Sunshine: Report from general membership:

None reported.

Unfinished Business:

Last month's motion made by Dave Skelton (and seconded) to donate \$1,000.00 to the Miss Garden Grove Pageant Scholarship Fund was brought to a vote. The membership overwhelmingly passed the motion to donate to the scholarship fund.

New Business:

Sherrie announced she had a nominating committee of Steve Pavich and John Zahn looking for candidates for President and Vice President next year. If anyone is interested please contact one of those individuals.

Sherrie reminded all that wished to attend the Elk-Enders Christmas Party to see JoAnn Zapata to declare their entrée choice and to pay the \$13 per Elk-Ender meal cost. \$18 for non Elk-Enders.

Larry Lamkins announced and displayed some new leather crafted name badges he is now doing for the Elk-Enders. They are really quality badges with the Elk-Enders pin embedded in the leather and a leather neck strap. Larry will make the badges for \$10 dollars each, keeping \$7 to defray expenses and giving \$3 back to the Purple Pig.

Jokes:

Jokes were told by Linda Mosbrook, Ed Mosbrook, & Randy Eldridge.

Good of the order by Vice President Curt McMillan:

There was no membership drawing as Curt was absent. The funds will be rolled over to the December 5th meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by President Sherrie Larson at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted: by Jim Young, Secretary.

Proposed Government Alcohol Warning Labels

Warning: The consumption of alcohol may have you wondering what happened to your bra and panties.

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Birthdays

2 Dec.	Fran Struthers
3 Dec.	Linda Hansen
3 Dec.	Martin Hoxworth
4 Dec.	Joe Rabon
5 Dec.	Eleanor Quijada
6 Dec.	Lorraine Downing
6 Dec.	Sjanie Holm
7 Dec.	Dave Bakke
10 Dec.	Cora Byrd
10 Dec.	Eileen Rasmussen
10 Dec.	Janice Skelton
20 Dec.	David Hudock
22 Dec.	Drew Gardner
24 Dec.	Pete Weidner
25 Dec.	Jerry Austin
25 Dec.	Joe Zapata
27 Dec.	Robyn Johnson
28 Dec.	Bob Clemenson
28 Dec.	Tina Crews
28 Dec.	Dutch Schultz
31 Dec.	Joe DeFort

Anniversaries



13 Dec.	David & Winnie Coombs
15 Dec.	Bill & Debbie Zahn
18 Dec.	Larry & Pauline Hoffman
18 Dec.	Bill & Joan Wise
22 Dec.	Dutch & Dottie Schultz

Pearls of Wisdom



The irony of life is that, by the time your old enough to know your way around, you're not going anywhere!

About Deadlines.....

Please note that deadlines are about 14 days prior to meeting day. However; because of Holidays, campouts, or weekends this varies a little. If it is past deadline and you have something that you feel should be printed, I will try to accommodate you if it is possible, but can't guarantee it will be able to be printed.

Directory Corrections

Chuck & I have discontinued our home phone service. The phone number, 714/961-1184, is no longer valid. Please use our cell phones... 714/328-3586 (Lorraine) or 714/742-1184 (Chuck) or our e-mail addresses... rainedyl@sbcglobal.net (Lorraine) or chuckdyl@sbcglobal.net (Chuck).

Coming Deadlines

Deadline	Issue
Dec. 10	Jan. Issue
Jan. 14	Feb. Issue

2012-2013 Campout Schedule

Updated 11/7/2012

MONTH	DATES	CAMPGROUND	# SITES	WM & ASST. WM	\$ SITE	CONFIRM	FACILITIES	DEPOSIT	DISTANCE
2012									
March	23-25	Newport Dunes	50	McMillan & Hammonds	\$36.30	10 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	15
April	27-29	Lilac Oaks	18	Young & Spychaj	\$30.00	10 Days	W & 30A	1st Night	80
May	18-20	Oceanside RV Resort	25	Eldridge & Larson	\$41.00	15 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	55
June	22-24	Tucalota Springs	20	Barrows & Lawler	\$35.00	30 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	81
July	27-29	Vista Elks Lodge	24	Spychaj-McGee-Ratiff	\$20.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$100	60
August	9-12	Oceano	30	Skelton & Barrows	\$25.00	30 Days	W & 30A		220
August	17-19	Chula Vista Elks Lodge	18	McMillan & Hammonds	\$23.00	30	FH & 30/50A	\$100	100
September	28-30	Lake Elsinore	30	Pavich-Haak-Rasmussen	\$35.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
October	11-14	CA Rally - Hemet	Open	Eldridge-Mahoney-Spychaj	TBD	Individually	FH & 30/50A	None	75
October	26-28	Newport Dunes - Halloween	50	President Larson & Young	\$36.30	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	15
November	8-11	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
December	7-9	Emerald Desert	30	Crews-Morrisey-Hartman	\$43.60	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$300	105
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

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."

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I will be standing by my phone 24/7 awaiting your phone calls.

I hope to see you all at our December Christmas Campout at Emerald Desert on December 7-9th. Make sure you bring a gift for a boy or girl so that we can help a needy child to have a happy holiday season.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our Annual Christmas Party at our Lodge on December 15th. This celebration and party will be hosted by our Past Elk-Ender First-Lady JoAnn Zapata.

Have a blessed holiday season.

Madam Prez Sherrie Larson



Announcing!

At the November meeting I announced that we needed to have another person take over the Elk-Ender Newsletter Committee because I could not be here during our planned travel periods.

Thanks to Gail Westmyer for stepping-up to lead this committee and the Newsletter production and to Larry Lamkins for his offer to help when it was needed.. Gail will take over duties beginning with the April, 2012 Issue.

I am asking that all of the Elk-Enders get behind Gail and help her by keeping her informed of pertinent information in a timely manner after she takes over.

Larry Hoffman,

Quotable Quotes

“Keep away from people who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you feel that, you, too, can become great.”

Mark Twain

ANNUAL ELK ENDERS CHRISTMAS OUTING

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- DATE:** December 7, 8, & 9
- PLACE:** Emerald Desert Resort,
76000 Frank Sinatra Dr., Palm Desert, CA
(tel # 760-345-4770)
- COST:** \$45/night per RV Rig
- THURSDAY:** Dinner..... on your own
- FRIDAY MORNING:** Breakfast.... on your own
- FRIDAY AFTERNOON:** Wine tasting— Time TBD (2-3 pm)
Each couple wishing to attend this event should bring a bottle of wine, unopened and wrapped in a brown paper bag. Cheese and crackers will be provided
- FRIDAY EVENING:** Dinner— 6 pm
Everyone bring an appetizer to share
Sandwich will be provided
- Each lady will bring her favorite Christmas cookie or candy to share.
- Games
- SATURDAY MORNING:** Pot Luck Breakfast — 9 am
- SATURDAY AFTERNOON:** Games
- SATURDAY EVENING:** Mystery Dinner
- Wear your Christmas Apparel, because prizes will be given out for the Funniest, Ugliest, and Classiest
- Official Elk Enders Meeting
- SUNDAY MORNING:** Coffee and pastries— 8 am

Additionally, a prize will be given to the best Christmas-theme decorated rig/space

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

Woods Valley Campground

15236 Woods Valley Rd., Valley Center, CA 92082

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

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

Wagon Masters: 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 Otoy!! "You gotta be nuts!"



Thursday, January 24th

Happy Hour 4:00 P.M.

All meals on your own.

Friday, January 25th

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

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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
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Saturday, January 26th

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 27th

Coffee, Juice & Muffins - 7:30A.M.

Enjoy the day with friends.

Drive home safely. Pizza Sunday.

Directions

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



Best Group Costume... "The Blackjack Pit"



Elk-Enders Christmas Party

- **Dec. 15th**, 6 pm at the Elks Lodge,
- Garden Grove 1952
- Dinner choice of: Prime Rib, Halibut or Chicken Cordon Bleu
- Your Elk-Ender President, Sherrie Larson, is donating \$5.00 for each member, total due: \$13.00 each plus gratuity.
- **MUST COLLECT THE MONEY *NO LATER THEN NOVEMBER 26th*** along with your choice. See **JoAnn Zapata**, Chairperson.



In lieu of gifts we are collecting for the troops.

Playing cards – Travel size
Checkers/Chess Sets

Word Search/Suduko – Pop Tarts – Toilet Paper (2 ply) – Red or Black
Licorice – Granola Bars – Beef Jerky – Hotel size shampoos/soaps – Disposable razors – Toothpaste & toothbrushes – Cookies – Chapsticks w/sunscreen – Comic Books

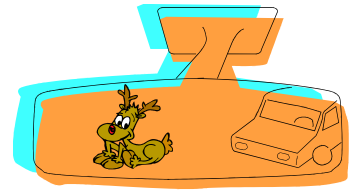
Sample size foot powders & eye wash- Individual size cereal boxes

If you wish, please donate towards the \$13.00 cost for shipping each box.

THE TROOPS THANK YOU!!!!

The Rear-View Mirror

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



2012 CALIFORNIA - HAWAII ELKS RALLY

HEMET, CALIFORNIA OCTOBER 11 – 14

In past years, the California Elks Rally in Hemet, CA has been very warm and some would say.... “hot as Hades!” Three years ago the event was pushed back from September to October which attributed to the cooler and far more comfortable weather. As usual, there were several food booths including our Elk-Enders hamburger & hotdogs booth, a taco bar, a beer and beverage bar and a tritip sandwich stand. Friday’s dinner included German food and we were entertained by an authentic Um Pa Pa band. Saturday’s dinner was a western BBQ with a cowboy singer and plenty of dancing. We came through once again with delicious breakfasts served on Friday and Saturday mornings prepared and served by our Elk-Enders kitchen crew.

The number of attendees was up from last year. About 120 RV’s showed up last year and this year the number of RV’s was about 180. Last year’s donation to CHEA (California-Hawaii Elks Association) was \$22,500 and this year it was \$30,000. Our lodge raised \$1,695 last year and \$3,288 this year. All of the money raised is used to help children who otherwise would not get needed medical treatment. *A job well done by all who participated!* Members from our lodge who attended included: Bill O’Hern & Shirley, Martin & Marcia Hoxworth, Dave & Janice Skelton, Randy & Janice Eldridge, Dave & Chris Bakke, Bill & Sue Catlin, Don & Bridget Hunter, Gary & Carol Lawler, Lance & Sherrie Larson, Mark & Debbie Mahoney, Ken & Karen Moody, Jay & Evelyn Morrissey, Chuck O’Dey & Virginia Grunauer, Steve & Debbie Pavich, Eileen Rasmussen, Joe & Pat Spsychaj, Dave & Marsha Stamper, Channing & Cornelia Tucker, Gary & Gail Westmyer, Paul Pantages, and John & Annette Zahn. We had two special guests and long-time Elk-Enders, Jim & Barbara Perdue who live in the area.

Pictured below: (1) Martin Hoxworth, Sharrie Larson & Paul Pantages, (2)Cooks: Steve Pavich & Randy Eldridge, (3) Cooks: Ken Moody, Bill Catlin, Lance & Sherrie Larson & Jay Morrissey

Garden Grove Elk-Enders Halloween Campout

Newport Dunes RV Resort October 25 – 28, 2012

Elk-Enders and guests started arriving on Thursday, October 25 and many enjoyed a fine steak or chicken dinner at the Newport Elks Lodge. By Friday afternoon all forty-three RV’s were parked and over one-hundred people were ready to party. President Sherrie Larson had a lot of help decorating the club house with lots of homemade Halloween items she provided. Sherrie also raffled a beautiful quilt she handmade. The proceeds went to our club general fund and will enhance the charitable work we do.

Friday afternoon, we played skru-yer-neighbor and the winners were: 1st place Pete Weidner, 2nd place Bonnie Vasquez, 3rd place Sherrie Larson. Dinner was Mexican tacos and activities included a Halloween costume contest with many innovative, clever, funny and beautiful creations. The winners, after judging by our panel of five fine dignitaries, were: best couple Bill & Sue Catlin, most creative: Kurt & Anita McMillan, funniest: Larry Mamchur & Joyce Claussen, ridiculous: Steve Pavich, scariest: Debbie Pavich, and best foursome: Larry & Pauline Hoffman, Bonnie Vasquez & Chris Rigney.

The "Rear View Mirror" Cont'd

Saturday morning breakfast was provided by Randy & LuAnn Barrows with the help of the wagonmaster crew, who did an outstanding job of cooking scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy and fruit.

After breakfast a silent auction was conducted by Anita McMillan and Annette Zahn. More than \$500.00 was collected on the donated items.

At 2:00 p.m. Dave Skelton conducted horse races in the clubhouse. Horse #1 won the most races, garnering prize money of over \$500 for its owners.

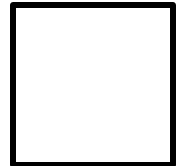
Dinner Saturday was a hearty BBQ beef and chicken combination catered by Richard Jones BBQ. Desserts included pumpkin pie and cake. Entertainment was a parody of 60's and 70's tunes by Jim Young, Debbie Pavich, Pete Haak and Connor Smorick.

The weekend activities also included raffle drawings for two booze wagons put together by Gary & Gail Westmyer and a plethora of donated prizes collected by Pete Doeringer. Pete spent months contacting restaurants, comedy clubs, sport clubs, hotels, museums, Santa Ana Zoo and many other organizations to provide fifty or more raffle prizes.

Our Halloween campout is one of our largest events and is our best fundraiser for our camping club. All who attended had a great time thanks to those who volunteered to make this a successful event. Special thanks to Wagon Masters and Assistants, Lance & Sherrie Larson, Randy & Janice Eldridge, Randy & LuAnn Barrows and the committee members.

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[Photos: by Dave Lewis and Debbie & Steve Pavich](#)

Additional photos on the Elk-Ender Website: www.elk-enders.org



**Above: The Booze Wagon awaiting a new home!
Below: Bill & Sue Catlin, creators of the fabulous back drops each year.**





Halloween Campout & Rally 2012

Great Costumes





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