



Mojave Elks Lodge #2059

The Desert Crossroads Bulletin

Happy Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 22

**The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
of the United States of America**

A Message From The Exalted Ruler Kira Wagner



John F Kennedy, a notable member of our order, is often quoted as saying "ask not what your country can do for you but what you can do for your country". While we often use this quote when we're trying to rally support for an event or a cause, however, Former President Kennedy finished his speech encouraging the world to come together to further the cause of freedom for all mankind.

When we look around at the charitable activities supported by the Elks our lodge we have been known to cite our Major Project and the support it provides for youth, the veterans, the scholarships, the sick and infirmed, and the list goes on...

I would encourage each of us to take a few minutes and recall the obligation that each of us took upon becoming a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

In order to support some cause or organization, it is necessary to understand the guiding foundation. In our case, it is the statutes, rules, and regulations of our order, along with the individual bylaws of our lodge.

During the obligation we agreed to support all of this and more both at the lodge and, as we're charged, "Nor can you lay it aside when you leave the lodge room for it must henceforth be your constant guide and faithful monitor".

Here's to supporting each other in order in a spirit of Thanksgiving that we may all be the best versions of ourselves!

Fraternally,
Kira Wagner, Exalted Ruler

Strengthening Elkdom through Communication and
Teamwork

"Gifts that last beyond Tomorrow"
Bequests & Living Trusts
*Learn how you can help the Major Project
and how the Major Project can help you!*

A Message From The Secretary Ted Hodgkinson



We have 27 delinquent members now so we are getting closer to bringing our old members back to our lodge. Please encourage those to continue their support for our lodge by renewing and sending in their dues. Remember dues are \$73.50 for a full year and \$25.25 for the second half.

Being a member of the Mojave Elks Lodge is a good deal. There are 163 Lodges in the State of California with dues ranging from \$598 in San Mateo to \$73 in Pasadena, Van Nuys-Reseda, & Trona. **We are fourth lowest in the state only separated by 50 cents.**

Hope to hear from you soon.

Please help us by paying your dues.

Fraternally
Ted Hodgkinson
Lodge Secretary

Delinquent Members

John Braucht, Sherie Buchheim, Shaunte Buck, Kyle Collier, Leanna Collier, Trent Duncan, Daniel Duquette, Richard Felter, Rudolph Herrera, Richard Keehmer, Curtis Lee Lowery, Jessica MacInnes, Michael MacInnes, Michael Maute, Robert Rush, William J Shamphan, William Slack, Leo Smith, Marc Sparks, Alexander Spencer, Michael Valadez, Joan Wane, Cynthia Watanabe, William Glenn Watts, Michael Woodson, Michael Ziemer

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SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Joe Hodgkinson
661-992-7447

Remember: reports of Sickness and Distress are always welcome! Please call Joe with any updates. Thank you!

Please keep the following members in your prayers

Becky Watts

John Meily

Donald Schultz PSP/PDDGER/DL

Dominic Rotell, PDDGER/DL

November Birthdays

04 Cook, Lynda Lou

07 Roberts, Sean G

08 Ziemer, Michael N.

09 Cook, Ronald G

09 Smith, Jessica

11 Bann, Ron

11 Stamper, Marty

11 Wingerter, Gary D

15 Rushford, Steven

15 Starkey, Marvin L

17 Gerwat, Frank R

17 Rudolf, James

20 Bryant, Timothy

20 Ikola, Eugene

21 Buisse, Bernard

21 Nault, Thomas Ryan

22 Dassie-Schneider, Renee L

23 Rogers, Alexa

25 Felter, Richard

27 Ross, Rhonda

27 Wilson, James Keith

29 Dunbar, Margie

30 Willie, Richard A



Bob Friend, sponsor to Greg Rutter, new member

Good of the Order for October

October 3

Soda: Greg Rutter

Beer: Ed Orchard

Well: Kira Wagner

Call: Greg Rutter.

Attendance \$ 29.82 Marvin Starkey

(missed out) It Pays to Attend.

October 17

No Tickets due to DD Visitation Meeting

Ruben Andrade Attendance \$ 37.02

Winner It Pays to Attend



The "new" bar was put in place at the Elks Trap Range by Todd Smith and Ed Orchard...Thanks guys!



October Elks of the Month: Warren Guest and Paul Wagner

Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler: Kira Wagner
Esteemed Leading Knight: Joe Hodgkinson
Esteemed Loyal Knight: Ruben Andrade
Esteemed Lecturing Kinight: Charlie Guest
Esquire: Paul Wagner
Inner Guard: Vacant
Tiler: Fred Hudson

1st Year Trustee: Warren Guest
2nd Year Trustee: Ryan Heller
3rd Year Trustee: Ed Orchard
4th Year Trustee: Todd Smith
5th Year: Becky Watts



Elks National Foundation - Did You Know?

The mission of the ENF is to help Elks build stronger communities. ENF or Elks National Foundation fulfills this pledge by investing in communities and helping youth develop lifelong skills, sending students to college, meeting the needs of today's veterans, supporting the charitable work of our Major Project, and funding other projects in local Elks communities.

This year, the ENF allocated \$12.4 million to fund the Community Investments Program grants—which this year included 2 grants received by Mojave Elks Lodge which enabled us to make considerable donations to our local Little League and Camp Keep.

These annual grants are available once we have achieved our Lodge's Per Capita each year. This year our goal is to have a minimum of \$5 per member. As we reach the halfway mark in our year your support is greatly appreciated. You can donate online directly to ENF at <https://www.elks.org/enf/> or drop off a check or cash the next time you're at the lodge. Thanks in advance for your support!!

November IS...

Elks Veterans Remembrance Month

This November we continue to serve thousands of Veterans across the country.

Recently, Elks have pledged to help end Veteran homelessness by pledging \$4 million dollars to assist Veterans experiencing homelessness. We've since helped thousands of Veterans exit or prevent homelessness. Our Elks Lodge is one of the many focal points for supporting local military members and Veterans and meeting their needs. Last year alone, the total value of Elks' contributions to our nation's Veterans was nearly \$47 million, and our members served more than 677,000 Veterans. This Veterans Remembrance Month, we urge you to join the us in recognition of and service to the Veterans in your community. Let us also remember the words of Elk member and President John F. Kennedy who said, "As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreci-

ation is not to utter words but to live by them."

Join us on November 11 for our Veteran's BBQ at the lodge. Free to local Veteran's check the calendar for the details.



To all Members:

Pursuant to Elks Statute 16.090 which specifically addresses the closure of the Club Rooms during meeting nights and any special meetings. This statute also addresses that all non-member spouses and children can remain in the club room providing non-interference of these meetings.

To further clarify this meaning, the club room will be closed, no alcohol will be served, any members that desire not to attend the meeting will be asked to vacate the club room, period.

Any violation of this rule by members of the Mojave Elks Lodge will result in a House Committee review and a possible suspension of up to three (3) months.

The House Committee

Membership/Lapsation Report

Beginning Membership 4/1/2018: 246

Increases / Initiated: 11, Affiliated: 1,

Reinstated: 3 Subtotal: 15

Decreases Deaths: 2

CLMS Active Members: 259

Average Age: 62.00

Gain/Loss: +13

Delinquency 6 MO: 6 1 YR: 21 Total: 27

Lapsation Rate: 10.98%

Applications on Hand Total: 5

Life Members Total: 14 Percentage: 5.69%

The Club Room will be closed Thanksgiving Day

November 2018

Committees reporting to the Exalted Ruler

Accident Prevention	Rebecca Watts
Americanism	Ruben Andrade
Audit & Accounting	Gary Sampley
Bulletin (Editor)	Paul Wagner
Business Practices	Gary Sampley
Club Room Manager	Ramona Mestas
Elks Memorial Day	Susan Bunn
Elks Training	Kira Wagner
Government Relations	Gary Sampley
House Committee	Michael Mestas
Kitchen Manager	Vacant
Bar Manager	Ramona Mestas
Indoctrination/Orientation	Kira Wagner
Insurance & Safety	Trustees
Investigation	Leslie Rex-Smith
Lodge Activities	Kira Wagner
Membership	Vacant/Kira Wagner
PER Association	Ted Hodgkinson, PER
Public Relations	Paul Wagner
Ritualistic	Warren Guest PSVP, PER
Scholarship	Vacant/Ted Hodgkinson, PER
Standing Relief	Chair Officers
Visitation	Kira Wagner

Committees reporting to the Leading Knight

Bequest & Living Trust	Kira Wagner
Elks National Foundation	Joe Hodgkinson
Flag Day	Charlie Guest
Hoop Shoot	Alexa Rogers
Major Project	Joe Hodgkinson

Committees reporting to the Loyal Knight

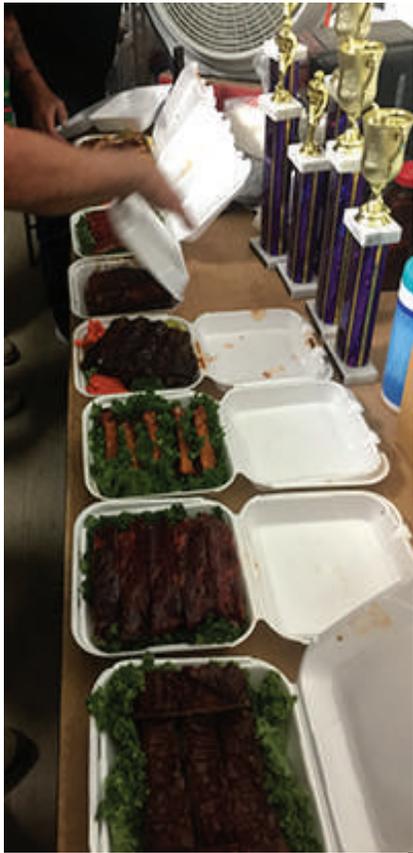
Calendar	Kira Wagner
Community Activities	Cindy Hodgkinson
Veterans Service	Gini Heller

Committees reporting to the Lecturing Knight

Dictionary Project	Paul Wagner/Ted Hodgkinson, PER
Drug Awareness	Vacant/Kira Wagner
Youth Activities	Vacant/Kira Wagner

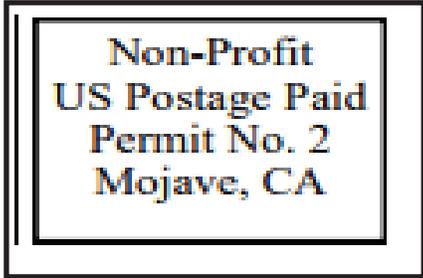
Scratch notes

LEAD Training Licensee Education on Alcohol and Drugs will be held at the Lodge in November. Check the Whiteboard for details or call Club Room Manager



Thanks to Chair Todd Smith and all of the volunteers including Dollie Cooksey, Susie Vogt, Ed Orchard, Deborah Smoot, Colleen Heller, Lynda Cook, Leslie Rex-Smith, Ashley Wussick, Ramona Mestas, Travis Behrens, Paul Wagner, Rebecca Watts, Cindy Hodgkinson, Ted Hodgkinson, Gene Ikola, Cliff Yates, Dave Cleveland, Kira Wagner, Breanna Baker, Sandra Baker, Alexa Rogers, and the local businesses that donated to the success of the event: AV Trophy, Desert Truck and Karl's Hardware.

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LOUNGE HOURS
 Mon, - Thur: 3 PM - 7 PM
 Wed, Fri: 3 PM - 9 PM
 Saturday: 1 PM - 9 PM
 Sunday: 1 PM - 6 PM



Meetings
 Lodge Meeting: 1st & 3rd Wed of the Month 7 PM
 House Committee: 2nd Saturday 11 AM
 Calendar Meeting: 2nd Saturday Noon
 Board of Directors Meeting: 1st Wed 6 PM.
 PER Meeting: 3rd Wed 6 PM
**Your input is valued. Your attendance is welcomed.
 Come for dinner and stay for the meetings.**

PAST EXALTED RULERS

1957-58 Max Carol *	1986-87 David Cleveland
1958-59 William Young	1987-88 Louie Yette
1959-60 Jake Keefer *	1988-90 Mike Dwyer ++
1960-61 Colonel Moss *	1990-91 Manny Rivera
1961-63 Louie Pulos ++	1991-92 Jim Gunter
1963-64 Colonel Moss *++	1992-93 Jake Brott
1964-66 Mick Sherwin * ++	1993-94 Jim Gunter ++
1966-67 John Riggo *	1994-95 Jake Brott ++
1967-68 Richard Willie	1995-96 Robert Gray SR.*
1968-69 Lawrence Munsch * *	1996-98 Warren Guest ++ SVP 2014-15
1969-70 Melvin G. Miller * SVP 1974-75	1998-99 Jake Brott +++
1970-71 Jack Kountz *	1999-00 Thomas Brown*
1971-72 Tip Miller*	2000-01 Linda Parker
1972-73 Charles Postle	2001-02 James Brott
1973-74 Tommy Fields	2002-03 Vickie Francois-Zellner DDGER 2015-16
1974-76 Paul Beeson * ++	PSVP 2013-2014
1976-77 Richard Bishop *	2003-04 James Brott ++
1977-78 Richard O'Neal *	2004-06 Karen Kennedy * ++
1978-79 Harold Howard *	2006-08 Jim Wachsman * ++ July 20, 2007
1979-80 James Maes	2007-08 David Cleveland ++
1980-81 Steve Martin	2008-09 Amy Cook
1981-83 Henry Parker * ++	2009-10 Charles "Eddie" Tomlin
1983-85 Jack Craig ++	2010-12 Henry "Hank" Parker++
1985-86 Ray Cramer	2012-13 Donald "Terry" Cook
	2013-14 Henry "Hank" Parker +++
	2014-15 George "Ted" Hodgkinson
	2015-17 Todd Smith
	2017-18 Warren Guest ++ SVP 2014-15

* Deceased ++ 2nd Term +++ 3rd Term

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