Mojave Elks Lodge #2059

The Desert Crossroads Bulletin

St Louis: Elks were there.

Elks National Convention

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A Message From The Exalted Ruler
Kira Wagner

A shout out to Scott & Sandra Baker, David & Travis Behrens, and Jessica Rogers, Clifford Yates, and Ed Orchard for all of the help over the past few weeks. The toilet in the ladies bathroom is working, the cakes and meals have been wonderful and things are getting fixed! Ted and Cindy have been working diligently to make sure we stay on top of the changes and demands on the business side of things so when you see ANY of these folks - PLEASE SAY THANKS.

Thank you to the members that stepped up to become part of the Officer Corps, we still are in need of an Esquire and 1 Year Trustee but we have the following changes:

- Lecturing Knight - Paul Wagner
- Inner Guard - Travis Behrens
- Tiler - John Ashcraft

We are honored to have Warren Guest as our new District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler and I encourage all of our members and their families who live in the area to join us on August 10 for his dinner. Additionally, any member is welcome and encouraged to attend the clinic that same afternoon. You'll find more details on the calendar and on the website.

Members that attended the lodge meeting on 7/17 heard the report from the Grand Lodge Convention, all members may view the daily newsletters available at the lodge. We're including the results from the proposed resolutions and you'll note the ones that passed in bold.

Again, thank you to each and every one of you for all you do for the lodge!

Sincerely,
Kira Wagner, PER
Finding The Gold In Our Members

A Message From The Secretary
Ted Hodgkinson

We appreciate your efforts to support us. However, we do have 38 of you who are now deliinquent so we want to take a moment to request you to address this. We've included this list to remind you that we really need your help.We are now entering into the 5th month of the 2019-2020 year. At this point I would like to give a gentle reminder to our delinquent members to please update your membership.

Each year the Lodge is required to pay Grand Lodge, State, & District fees on or near April 01 for our active members. These fees total $25 per member. At present we have 38 delinquent members which means we have payed out some $950. We realize most will be renewing their membership in the near future and we look forward to hearing from them....soon.

Fraternally
Secretary
Ted Hodgkinson

Delinquent Members

Aday, Guy R
Carter, Mr Brandon Riley
Cook, Lynda Lou
Cook, Patricia
Cook, Ronald E
Cook, Travis W
Dunbar, Margie
Floyd, Joseph Dee
Goff, Joshua Paul
Gunnell, Byron Gary
Hardy, David H
Heller, Virginia Ann
Hudson, Fred
Johnson, Braxton Wesley
Johnson, Edward A
Lethcoe, Gary LeRoy
Lilly, Shane Ryan
Matzinger, Sybil
Maute, Michael
Nove, Walter
Osmond, Blaine Leslie
Peery, Robert Jw
Perez Jr, Enrique
Potter, William H
Rex-Smith, Leslie
Rogers, Diane L
Ruff, Mick
Rushford, Steven
Sanchez, Hector R
Smith, Connie Lee
Smith, Leo V
Smith, Richard A
Sorensen, Nathan Burtan
Stamper, Marty
Startup, Renee
Taylor, Raymond
Valadez, Michael
Wussick, Ashley

Membership/Lapsation Report
Mojave, CA Lodge 2059

Beginning Membership Total 4/1/2019: 247
Increases - Subtotal: 3
Decreases - Subtotal: 1
Calculated Membership Total: 249
Average Age: 62.75
Gain/Loss: 2
Delinquency - Total: 37
Six Months: 37
One Year: 1
Lapsation Rate: 15.38%
Applications on Hand - Total: 3
Life Members - Total: 11
Life Percentage: 5.26%

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Ruben Andrade, Leading Knight
661-805-4309

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

Prayers for Recoveries

Fred Whitnack recovering from surgery.
Contact Warren for details

August Birthdays

05	Cook, Ronald E
06	Stone, Robert
08	Baggett, Michael Dean
10	Arnold, Drew
10	O'Brien, Harold
11	Mestas, Ramona
12	Bailey, Ervin G
12	Gunnell, Byron Gary
13	Rest, Edward F
16	Oliver, Steve
17	Fimbres, Julio
17	Pierce, Robbie G
17	Valadez, Jesse
19	Ruff, Mick
20	Cleveland, David L
20	Green, Thomas N
22	Morris, Ray B
23	Bixby, Robert
23	Skinner, Curtis L
25	Gollner, William
26	Fortier, Jacob Anthony
26	Weaver, Henry Vestal
29	Barrett, Bryan
30	Brooks, Linda Joyce
31	Carter, Brandon Riley
31	Pierce, Grady

Good of the Order		
	17-Jul	
Soda	Ed Orchard	
Beer	Linda Brooks	
Well	Ed Orchard	
Call	Linda Btooks	
Attendance		
	$114.79 - #1349	
	Not Present	
	It Pays to Attend!	

Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler: Kira Wagner
Esteemed Leading Knight: Ruben Andrade
Esteemed Loyal Knight: Joe Hodgkinson
Esteemed Lecturing Kinight: Paul Wagner
Esquire: Vacant
Chaplain: Linda Brooks
Inner Guard: Travis Behrens
Tiler:John Ashcroft
Secretary: Ted Hodgkinson
Treasurer: Cynthia Hodgkinson
1 Year Trustee: Vacant
2Year Trustee: Ed Orchard
3 Year: David Behrens
4 Year Trustee: Becky Watts
5 Year: Clifford Yates

Charlie Guest is resigning as our Esquire and moving to Moriaty, New Mexico.

Charlie Guest giving Warren Guest a gavel for Warren's new DD position.

Newly installed Officers (L/R): Warren Guest., DD; Travis Behrens, Inner Guard, Paul Wagner, Lecturing Knight (Center, sitting) John Ashcroft, Tiler

Our Lodge took this award at Grand Lodge Convention – 2019! Mojave Elks #2059 was Awarded in the top 12 out of nearly 2,000 Websites around the country.

Committees reporting to the Exalted Ruler

Accident Prevention	Ed Orchard
Americanism	Ruben Andrade
Audit & Accounting	Vacant
Bulletin (Editor)	Paul Wagner
Business Practices	Clifford Yates
Club Room Manager	Ramona Mestas
Elks Memorial Day	Lynda Cook
Elks Training	Kira Wagner
Government Relations	Ted Hodgkinson
House Committee	Michael Mestas
Kitchen Manager	Jessica Rogers
Bar Manager	Ramona Mestas
Indoctrination/Orientation	Kira Wagner
Insurance & Safety	Trustees
Investigation	Paul Wagner
Lodge Activities	Kira Wagner
Membership	Jessica Rogers
	Ted Hodgkinson, PER
PER Association	Ted Hodgkinson, PER
Public Relations	Paul Wagner
Ritualistic	Warren Guest PSVP, PER
Scholarship	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	Vacant
Hoop Shoot	Alexa Rogers
Major Project	Joe Hodgkinson

Committees reporting to the Loyal Knight

Calendar	Kira Wagner
Community Activities	Cindy Hodgkinson
Veterans Service	Ruben Andrade

Committees reporting to the Lecturing Knight

Dictionary Project	Ted Hodgkinson, PER
	Paul Wagner
Drug Awareness	Vacant
Youth Activities	Alexa Rogers

In the Hands of the Investigating Committee

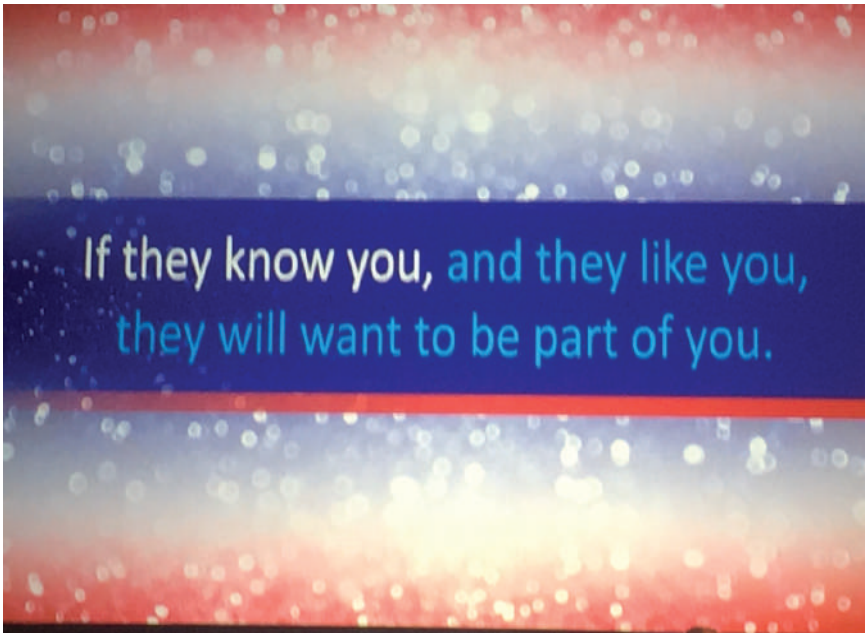
1. Lolita Emma Crowhurst
2. James Franklin
3. Floyd W. VanWey

Ready for Orientation

1. David Karl Behrendt
2. Jeffrey P. Jones
3. Steve Swindle

Elks National Convention Highlights

Robert Duitsman being installed and Jeweled as the new Grand Exalted Ruler



Bob Duitsman's Message for his year to all Elks

Warren Guest, our new District Deputy (Welcome him.)

The Elks National Convention Instllattion Rally Over 6,000 Members showed up!

Kira Wagner, ER, with Rick Gathen, National Public Relations Chairman

BPO Elks Grand Lodge Resolution, Voting Results 2019 St Louis, MO Ballots Cast 2989

2019-01 To authorize the merger of two or more State Associations. 83% PASS
2019-02 To provide a procedure for the merger of State Associations. 81% PASS
2019-03 To require the Officers of the Lodge to perform the Ritual during the official visit of the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler. 39% FAIL
2019-04 To make sure that no jewels or regalia are worn outside the Lodge room except during special ceremonies. 83% PASS
2019-05 To allow Lodges to amend their By-Laws to provide for a different rate of dues for married couples residing at the same address 28% FAIL
2019-06 To add the Secretary and Treasurer to the Board of Directors. 46% FAIL
2019-07 To allow caregivers and/or drivers of disabled Members to remain in the Social Quarters during a meeting. 85% PASS
2019-08 To define a Member in Good Standing and confirm that an Elk who is suspended from Club privileges is still a Member in Good Standing 72% PASS
2019-09 To move the definition of an Unaffiliated Elk to the Definition Chapter and confirm that an Elk whose Membership is suspended in any manner is an Unaffiliated Elk 90% PASS
2019-10 To transfer the responsibilities for membership marketing from the Fraternal Committee to the Committee on Public Relations and Membership Marketing. 90% PASS
2019-11 To codify that an Executive Order issued by the Grand Exalted Ruler may suspend a Member's social privileges in the Order. 90% PASS
2019-12 To require Lodges to meet at least twice in February, March and April and to provide an alternative method of Notice for special meetings called for the sole purpose of Initiation.
61% PASS
2019-13 To allow District Deputies to be appointed to Districts other than their home District. 47% FAIL
2019-14 To replace the requirement of an Annual Financial Report (audit, review or compilation) with a standardized on-line financial reporting system. 60% PASS
2019-15 To provide how the Board of Director positions in a for profit corporation shall be constituted. 74% PASS

Remember The Charitable Work of The Elks in Your Estate Plan

A recent newspaper article reports that 50% of Americans do not have an estate plan and at their deaths their assets pass according to state law. Wouldn't you prefer to decide what happens to your assets? If so, consider creating an estate plan. When you do so, please also consider including a gift to support children served by the California Hawaii Elks Association Major Project, Inc. If you need help getting started, contact our lodge BLT Legacy Giving Chairperson, Kira Wagner. Wagner.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
Mojave Elks Lodge #2059
Mojave, California

August 2019

Up-to-date Calendar - http://mojaveelks.com/calendar-of-events/

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16200 K St Mojave, CA 93501

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Looking Ahead September 6-7 President's Visitation to Inland District (Hesperia) September - Monday & Thursday Night Football Begins October 19 Rib Cook Off (w/Other Meats) November 8 Meatload Cook-off At Lodge (Veterans Eat Free) **Note: New Saturday Regular Club Room Hours 3-11 PM**				1 Club Room 3-7PM	2 5-? Set Up for "Yard Sale" **Karaoke by Mr. Ed** Club Room 3-9PM	3 **Yard Sale 8-5** **Lodge Room** Club Room 3-11 PM
Open Pool Table 4 Club Room 1-6PM	5 6 PM 12 Step Program Club Room 3-7PM	6 Club Room 3-7PM	**7 PM Lodge Meeting** 7 P.E.R. Meeting 6 PM Club Room 3-9PM	8 Club Room 3-7PM	9 **Karaoke by Ted** Club Room 3-9PM	10 10:30 AM Early Bird Coffee & Donuts 11:30 Lunch - $ Donation **1 PM DD Clinic** 6 PM Dinner $15, Jeweling and Band
Open Pool Table 11 Special Meeting Initiation 1 PM (See details in bulletin) Potluck Immediately Following Club Room 1-6PM	12 6 PM 12 Step Program Club Room 3-7PM	13 Club Room 3-7PM	14 DD Visitation KRV Club Room 3-9PM	15 Club Room 3-7PM	16 **Karaoke by Mr. Ed** Club Room 3-9PM	17 11 AM House Committee (date change due to clinic) Club Room 3-11 PM
Open Pool Table 18 Club Room 1-6PM	19 6 PM 12 Step Program Club Room 3-7PM	20 Club Room 3-7PM	**7 PM Lodge Meeting** 21 Dinner - Pizza by the Slice $2 **Bulletin Articles Due** Club Room 3-9PM	22 Club Room 3-7PM	23 **Karaoke by Ted** Club Room 3-9PM	24 Club Room 3-11 PM
Open Pool Table 25 Club Room 1-6PM	26 6 PM 12 Step Program Club Room 3-7PM	27 DD Visitation Hesperia Club Room 3-7PM	**7 PM BOD Meeting** 28 Club Room 3-9PM	29 Club Room 3-7PM	30 **Karaoke by Mr. Ed** Club Room 3-9PM	31 **End of Summer Party** BBQ (4-6 PM), Horse shoes, Hoops and Karaoke by Ted Club Room 3-11 PM

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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: 4th Wed 7 PM.
PER Meeting: 1st Wed 6:15 PM

Your input is valued. Your attendance is welcomed. Come for dinner and stay for the meetings.

PAST EXALTED RULERS

1957-58 Max Carol *
1958-59 William Young
1959-60 Jake Keefer *
1960-61 Colonel Moss *
1961-63 Louie Pulos ++
1963-64 Colonel Moss *++
1964-66 Mick Sherwin * ++
1966-67 John Riggo *
1967-68 Richard Willie
1968-69 Lawrence Munschy *
1969-70 Melvin G. Miller * SVP 1974-75
1970-71 Jack Kountz *
1971-72 Tip Miller*
1972-73 Charles Postle
1973-74 Tommy Fields
1974-76 Paul Beeson * ++
1976-77 Richard Bishop *
1977-78 Richard O'Neal *
1978-79 Harold Howard *
1979-80 James Maes
1980-81 Steve Martin
1981-83 Henry Parker * ++
1983-85 Jack Craig ++
1985-86 Ray Cramer
1986-87 David Cleveland
1987-88 Louie Yette
1988-90 Mike Dwyer ++
1990-91 Manny Rivera
1991-92 Jim Gunter
1992-93 Jake Brott
1993-94 Jim Gunter ++
1994-95 Jake Brott ++
1995-96 Robert Gray SR.*
1996-98 Warren Guest ++ SVP 2014-15
1998-99 Jake Brott +++
1999-00 Thomas Brown*
2000-01 Linda Parker
2001-02 James Brott
2002-03 Vickie Francois-Zellner
DDGER 2015-16
PSVP 2013-2014
2003-04 James Brott ++
2004-06 Karen Kennedy * ++
2006-08 Jim Wachsman * ++ July 20, 2007
2007-08 David Cleveland ++
2008-09 Amy Cook
2009-10 Charles "Eddie" Tomlin
2010-12 Henry "Hank" Parker++
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
2018-19 Kira Wagner

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

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