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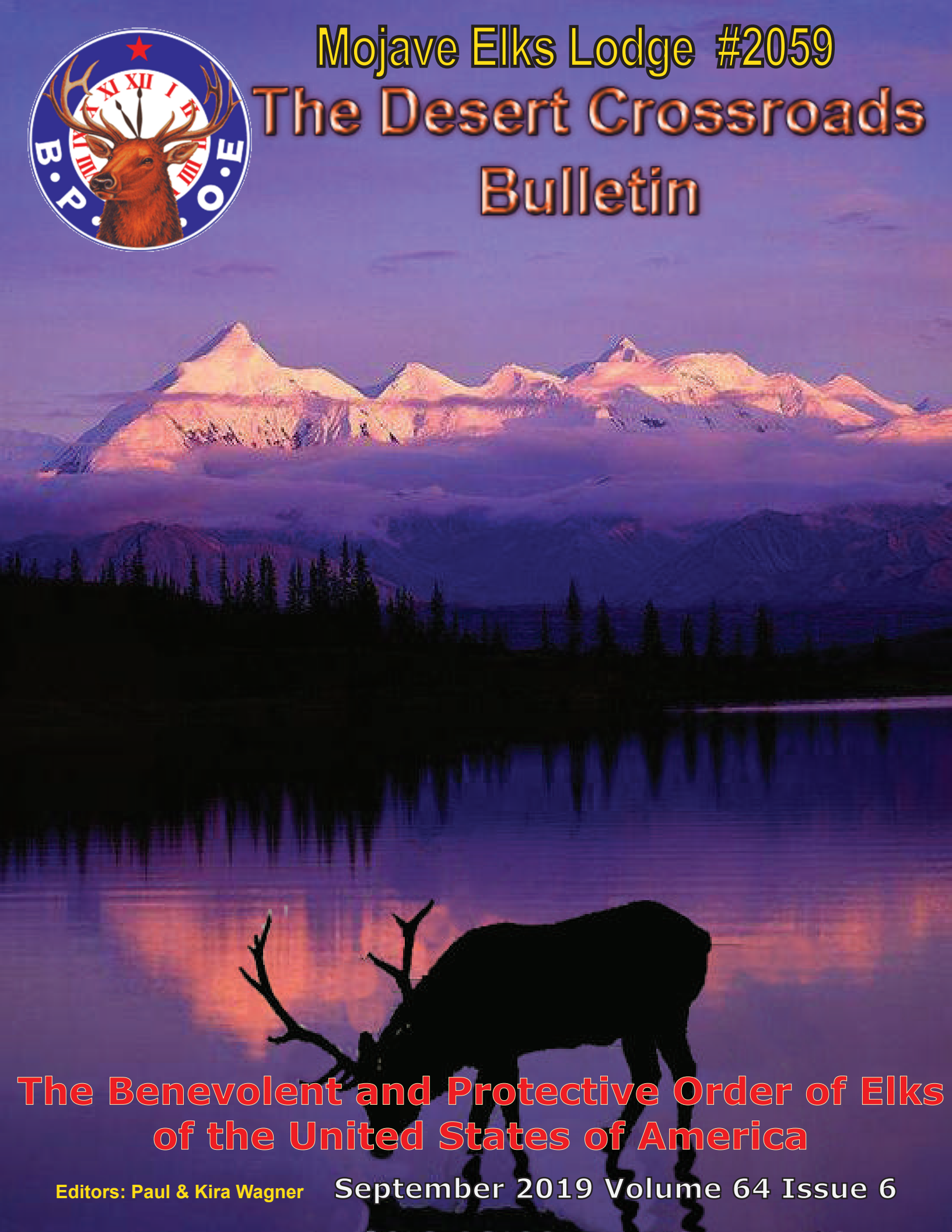

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A Message From The Exalted Ruler
Kira Wagner

I have been blessed to serve in the Elks in several different lodges and most of the chair positions and while I hope to continue to find new ways to continue and grow I am still in awe of the obligation and what we promise to ourselves and each other when we join.

I, in the presence of God and this Lodge of Elks, do solemnly promise and swear that I will never reveal any of the confidential matters of this Order which have been, or may hereafter be, committed to my charge and keeping.
I will support the Constitution, and obey the Statutes, rules and regulations of this Order, and the By-Laws of Mojave Lodge, No. 2059, and those of any other Lodge of which I may hereafter become a Member.
I will uphold the Constitution and laws of the United States of America.
I will propose no one for membership in this Order whom I do not sincerely believe to be worthy thereof. I will ballot for a worthy candidate and against an unworthy candidate when proposed by another.
I will not permit any political, sectarian or personal prejudice to influence me in the slightest degree in the exercise of my right of franchise in the Order.
I will obey any lawful summons sent me by any competent authority of the Order.
I will never apply to the courts for redress in any matter concerning the Order, without first appealing to the councils of the Order.
I will never reveal to anyone, not an Elk, the name of a Member asking or receiving aid or relief from the Order.
I will not, directly or indirectly, use my membership in this Order, nor any emblem, insignia or sign thereof, for business or commercial purposes.
I will never introduce into the Order anything of a political or sectarian character, nor in any way by my conduct bring reproach upon it.
I will always protect our Members, their good names and their families; and I will always respect and defend the purity and sanctity of their homes and firesides.
If I break this Obligation, may I wander through the world forsaken; may I be pointed out as a being bereft of decency, unfit to hold communion with true and upright Members.
And may God help me, and keep me steadfast in this my solemn and binding Obligation in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America.. Amen

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New Member Terriy Wilgus

A Message From The Secretary
Ted Hodgkinson

We appreciate your efforts to support us. However, we do have 44 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 4th month of the 2019-2020 year. At this point I would like to give a gentle reminder to our delinquent members (below) to please re-subscribe 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 35 delinquent members which means we have payed out some $875. 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
Barrett, Martin
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
Michel, Michael Julian
Monahan, Shawn P
Nove, Walter
Osmond, Blaine Leslie
Peery, Robert Jw
Perez Jr, Enrique
Potter William H
Rogers, Diane L
Ruff, Mick
Rushford, Steven
Sanchez, Hector R
Smith, Connie Lee
Smith, Richard A
Sorensen, Nathan Burtan
Stamper, Marty
Startup, Renee
Taylor, Raymond
Valadez, Michael

Membership/Lapsation Report
Mojave, CA Lodge 2059

Beginning Membership Total 4/1/2019: **247**
Increases - Subtotal: 9
Decreases - Subtotal: 2
Calculated Membership Total: 254
Average Age: 62.69
Gain/Loss: 7
Delinquency - Total: 35
Six Months: 33
One Year: 0
Lapsation Rate: 14.17%
Applications on Hand - Total: 4
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

John Meily,
Cindy Hodgkinson for newly diagnosed diabetes
Linda Brooks Granddaugher Hope for juvenile arthritis
Becky Watts

September Birthdays

02	Rex-Smith, Leslie
04	Brueggeman, Walter
04	Friend, Jeffery
09	Crothers, Frank J
11	Parker III, Henry H
12	Seykora, Benjamin R
12	Wirth, Gordon
13	Ernst, John Charles
13	Grimes, Luther A
16	Behrendt, David Karl
18	Rutter, Gregory
21	Cook, Patricia
22	Elrod, James R
26	Penick, Ge
28	Starrett, Charles D

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Then from the station of Fidelity we are reminded…

I trust that you may continue to merit their approval, and become a true and faithful Member among us. To accomplish this, you must at all times have in mind the solemn and binding Obligation which you have so recently assumed, and I charge you that your highest duty as an Elk is to keep it inviolate. Conscience will not permit you to expunge a paragraph, eliminate a sentence, or evade a responsibility; nor can you lay it aside when you leave the Lodge room, for it must henceforth be your constant guide and faithful monitor.
Fidelity implies strict adherence to our Obligation and faithfulness in the discharge of our duty as members of society.

At the end of the day, when we remember our agreement and focus on the good we do for the community and our fellow Elks, we make a great team and I want to say thank you. May you and yours be blessed! See you at the lodge.
Sincerely,
Kira Wagner, PER
Finding The Gold In Our Members

Good of the Order		
	7-Aug	21-Aug
Soda	Warren Guest	Susie Vogt
Beer	Ted Hodgkinson	Ed Orchard
Well	Paul Wagner	Ted Hodgkinson
Call	Lynda Brooks	Monte Meeks
Attendance		
8/7/2019 Attendance loser of $118.54 Edward Rest # 1480		
8/21/2019 Attendance loser of $ 122.54 Darrell Brown # 1568		
	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: Charlie Guest
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

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

New Members initiated August 11.

David Behredt, Steve Swindell, Jeff James

Warren Guest DD Clinic & Dinner

Coming in October!

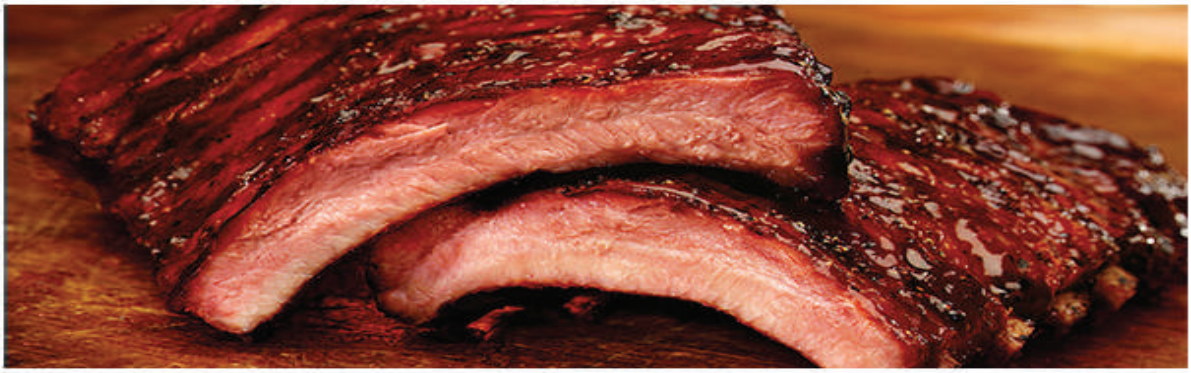
2019 Annual Rib Cookoff

October 19th-21st

Band: Breakfast with Barbie

Contest fee: $25
Dinner: $10

Members & Guests



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Giving Feels Good

CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS MAJOR PROJECT, INC
Legacy Giving
Bequests & Living Trusts

Find out how you can support the work of the Major Project by making a gift in memory of a loved one. Please contact our lodge BLT Legacy Giving Chairperson lodge BLT Legacy Giving Chairperson, Kira Wagner.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	7 PM Lodge Meeting 4	5	6	7
				Thursday Night Football	Karaoke with Mr. Ed	
				Club Room 3-7PM	Club Room 3-9PM	
Open Pool Table 8	*7-9:30 AM Senior Sack* 9	10	11	12	13	14
						11 AM House Committee
						Initiation 1:30 PM
	Monday Night Football			Thursday Night Football	Karaoke with Mr. Ed	
	6 PM 12 Step Program					
Club Room 1-6PM	Club Room 3-7PM	Club Room 3-7PM	Club Room 3-9PM	Club Room 3-7PM	Club Room 3-9PM	Club Room 1-9PM
Open Pool Table 15	16	17	7 PM Lodge Meeting 18	19	20	21
	Bulletin Articles Due				Pin Night	
					Dinner Menu TBA	
	Monday Night Football			Thursday Night Football	Karaoke with Mr. Ed	
	6 PM 12 Step Program					
Club Room 1-6PM	Club Room 3-7PM	Club Room 3-7PM		Club Room 3-7PM	Club Room 3-9PM	Club Room 1-9PM
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
			7:00 PM Board of Directors			
	Monday Night Football			Thursday Night Football	Karaoke with Mr. Ed	
		Club Room 3-7PM	Club Room 3-9PM	Club Room 3-7PM	Club Room 3-9PM	Club Room 1-9PM
Open Pool Table 29	30					
	Monday Night Football					
	6 PM 12 Step Program					
Club Room 1-6PM	Club Room 3-7PM					

Coming SOON- October 19 is the Annual Rib Cook-off - Mr. Ed is the chair so let him know if you can help!

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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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