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West Covina Elks Lodge #1996

841 W. Merced Ave., West Covina, CA 91790





West Covina Lodge #1996

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks
Cordially invites you to attend
The Official Visitation

of

District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler
San Gabriel Valley District

Jennifer Rentschler

with her Corps of Officers

Denise Ryan, Esquire to the DDGER Richard Dana, Auditor to the DDGER

Tuesday October 10th, 2023

No-Host Cocktails~5:00 PM
Dinner~6:00 PM
Members Meeting~7:30 PM
There will be entertainment or activities
for our non-member guests

Choice of

Ribeye Steak \$25, Salmon \$20, or Rotisserie Chicken \$15 with Roasted Potatoes, Cooked Fresh Vegetables, Dinner Roll & Dessert RSVP by Thursday October 5th

RSVP by Thursday October 5th Call Lodge Office (626) 962-0113

Chairman, Ben Ortega PDDGER

Exalted Ruler Dan Parker, PER

Halloween Ticket Information Sales & Times Call (626) 324-5176 Tickets Are Not Sold Through The Lodge Office



Emblem Club 299
Fore The Kids Golf Tournament at the California Country Club
1509 South Workman Mills Road
Whittier, CA. 90601
Friday October 13th, 2023
Information Call: Dee (626) 705-2763,
Carmen (626) 264-0007, or Olivia (626) 918-1708

WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE #1996

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Crab Crack	Ben Ortega, PDDGER	626-926-4046
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Decorating	By Event Chairperson	
Drug Awareness	Maria Ortega	626-806-7003
Elks National Foundation	Robert Hollis-Brau PDDGER	909-622-9861
Elks Memorial Service	Olivia Pompa	626-377-2767
Entertainment Friday & Saturday	Alex Lindsay	626-478-4351
Family Fun Night	Christina Carter	626-646-3490
Flag Day	Ceci Avila	626-893-9756
Funeral Service	Michael Salazar, PER	626-827-6700
Golfing	Bill Schmko Dee Varela	626-862-6533
Grants Coordinators Grants Coordinators	Veronica Aslan	626-705-2763
		323-646-3317 626-646-3490
Greeters	Christina Carter	626-806-7003
Government Relations Hoop Shoot	Maria Ortega Julie Walker	626-222-2935
House Rules	VACANT	020-222-2955
Indoctrination	Michael Salazar, PER	626-827-6700
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Lapsation/Membership	Dee Varela	626-705-2763
Lodge Activities	Trish Gonzalez	909-268-4137
Mail Out	Chuck Dalool, PDDGER	626-332-6945
Major Project	Joe Chavez	213-500-3216
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Scouting Boys/Girls	Anthony Reymann	626-827-8102
Sickness & Distress	Joe Chavez	213-500-3216
Super Bowl	Trish Gonzalez	909-268-4137
Veterans	Angel Vasquez	909-210-3707
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VAVS Deputy	Veronica Aslan	323-646-3317
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ELKS TRACKS NEWSLETTER

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2023-2024 LODGE OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler	Dannie Parker	818-371-5232
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Lecturing Knight	Christina Carter	626-646-3490
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Secretary	Dee Varela	626-705-2763

LODGE TRUSTEES

1st Year	George Alcala	626-472-3485
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3rd Year	Lou Aguilar	626-404-4999
4th Year	Sandie Sesanto	626-675-6565
5th year	Gerardo Pompa	626-674-7364

APPOINTED OFFICERS

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Chaplain	Olivia Pompa	626-377-2767
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Organist	VACANT	
Tiler	Charlene Rasmu	ssen 626-622-8485

2022-2023 HONORED ELKS

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Elk of the YearTerry Ortega
Tall ElkGrace Capp
Officer of the Year Veronica Aslan
Citizen of the Year Carmen Gabaldon
Spirit of Elkdom - George Alcala, Trish Gonzalez
Carlos & Angelica Virgen, Gerardo Pompa



reetings to all my Elks brothers and sisters. I hope everyone is healthy and safe. We have lost a couple of our employees and are looking to replace them. In the meantime we are in need of volunteers to help fill in. We have some great volunteers but we need more new volunteers so we can rotate them

We have the DDGER visitation coming up on Tuesday October 10. All members are welcome to attend the meeting. We will have dinner before the meeting. We will be doing the long opening and closing for the meeting.

Our State President visitation will be on Friday November 17 which is Steak and Lobster night. Please come in for great food, music, and meet Ted Talbot (CHEA President).

We are cutting down to 2 Fridays and 2 Saturdays which will be alternating. That means Friday one week and Saturday the next. Check the Elk's Track for schedule and meals. There will be great bands for each Friday and Saturday.

We have a great Halloween party coming up. Check bulletin for times of ticket sales and prices. I am looking forward to a great October, but remember it can only happen with the support and participation of our members.

God Bless All

Dan Parker, PER Exalted Ruler

Leading Knights Station

reetings to all the members at West Covina Elks Lodge 1996.

The hall plumbing issue has been resolved. Thanks to Trustee Angel Vasquez for getting the needed tiles to replace the tiles that were removed during the repairs.

The BOD has reviewed the lodge finances and it has not been very positive. It is time to tighten our belts to save money and get our finances back into fighting shape. This has led the BOD to implement 2 Fridays a month and 2 Saturdays per month for entertainment and food. The high cost of operating ber 9th. the lodge has caused us to save money wherever possible. Due to the loss of various employees, we are also in the process of hiring new employees to replace them. We are alsolooking into expanding the cleaning service to four times a

The BOD has decided to let go Thank you again. of the current gardening service and we are looking to replace them with a more dependable

There are many events happening at the lodge, great bands on Fridays and Saturdays and fabulous meals during the week. Karaoke brings in a large crowd with wonderful singers.

Please review your newsletter and any E mails that are sent out towards the Ronald McDonald to view all the upcoming events. Remember the lodge has had many sold-out events, so get is just a couple of months your tickets early.

Remember Elks support the lodge by attending the events. We have a great core of volunteers, but we are always in search of new volunteers to assist in the many events. This is a great way to meet other Elks and off to a great start! Come on make an impact at our lodge.

PURPLE PIGS are available in the office for members. Fill the piggy bank and get them back to continue the great charity work this organization does in the

Please remember to check in on your fellow Elks members that may be fighting an illness, or you have not seen at the lodge in a few months. A phone call or a visit may be what the doctor ordered to assist them in recovery.

Fraternally,

community.

Joe Chavez Esteemed Leading Knight

Loyal Knights Station

Happy October!!
This is my favorite time of year.

On behalf of Nadine and Tony Avila and I, thank you to those of you that have supported our strive for the Ronald Mc-Donald House Meal of Love project the West Covina Elks Lodge is hosting. Let me say, the love and support we are receiving is beyond what we had hoped for. There will be a Halloween themed party on November 4 th and a Christmas themed Party on Decem-

We are still receiving donations. Everyday items that you can think of the families can use. If you need more information, or if you would like to donate, please call Nadine Avila 626-899-5028 or myself 909-268-4137.

On October 11 th, we are having a Salsa contest (put your dancing shoes away, it's not that kind of Salsa contest.) The contest is on October 11 th. The flyer within this newsletter will explain the cost to enter the contest as well as the cost to taste and vote. All proceeds will go House Project.

The New Year's Eve Party away. The flyer within this newsletter will have ticket sales and general information. Spend Midnight in Paris with us.

Monday night football is down, have dinner and enjoy the game.

Finally, let us remember to respect one another. We may not agree with other member's decisions, their actions, what they say or what they believe in.

If you feel at any time, your rights have been invaded, please let an officer know. At the end of the day, we are Elks, and as our creed states, Believe in the goodness in thyself as well as others. Have a great month brothers and sisters.

Fraternally, Trish Gonzalez Esteem Loyal Knight

Lecturing Knights

reetings, everyone Wow, it's been cloudy and hot and sticky for the month of September plus the humidity, I hope everybody staying hydrated and eating healthy, it's great to see everybody still coming in to our Lodge to watch baseball and football and soccer great sports and socializing. .

We've had a small setback right now with our volunteers and employees that are here at the Lodge. We appreciate everyone that has stepped up and helped out by volunteering in the kitchen, as a barback, cooking, and or cleaning. You are all so appreciated

and thank you.

We have so many great events coming up this month we have a Halloween dance. Also a Veterans Dance in the worksfans we have still our birthday bash is plus one night Saturday night entertainment. Don't forget we have the Monday night football and especially every Wednesday our karaoke. Coming up is going to be our October 15 midmorning brunch it'll be from 11 to 2 we have flyers out. I hope to see everyone there plus we're going to have great entertainment. The Carnival Family Fun Night was a great success and was a fun night. I would love to extend a great big Thank You out to all the volunteers that helped make it a great evening. Thank you to the Antlers and their families who put a lot of time and helping out the members also thank you goes out to the Boy Scouts and the Girls Scouts who helped out very much. Everybody had a great time. Thank you everybody for making that possible and having fun. Hope to see you all at the next one. I would like to thank everyone for supporting West Covina Elks at our in our events.

God bless you and see you all soon

Christina Carter Esteemed Lecturing Knight



PROGRAM NEWS CORNER

reetings to all. A few note-J worthy announcements to share. We are excited to announce that our West Covina Antlers will have the distinct opportunity to ride on the 2024 ELKS Rose Parade float.

We regard this an honor and are humbled to be selected and provided this opportunity. Three, Antlers will ride alongside our Military Veterans and ELKS officials. More details will follow as 2023 comes to an end.

Did you receive your Autumn 2023 California--Hawaii Elks (CHEA)magazine? You will find that our Antlers were featured celebrating West Covina Arbor Day alongside West Covina Beautiful. Thank you to everyone who made this possible. The Antlers wish to express their gratitude to the ELKS for your ongoing support. In addition, a special thank you goes out to Grace Capp and Cynthia Alday for their generous donation to our program, donated in memory of their beloved pet, Chewbaca.

As our program continues to grow, we appreciate all the encouragement we receive from all ELKS members.

Feel free to contact us with any questions.

Fraternally,

Carlos & Angelica Virgen 626-780-5712



IMPORTANT NEWS FROM YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Regarding Friday and Saturday Lounge Events The BOD has voted to charge Non-Members \$10 Cover Charge to enter Lounge events.

- 1. Members can bring in 1 Non-Member quest at no charge.
- 2. The \$10 cover charge will be waived with the purchase of a meal if a meal is being served on that particular night. BOD

MAJOR PROJECT PURPLE PIG DONORS

Fill your Piggy banks up & bring 'em in! California-Hawaii Elks - Major Project, Inc. Helping Children Since 1050 Ask About Reccuring Donations! All Major Project "Purple Pig" Donations are 100% Tax Deductable

> Christina Carter Grace Capp Angel Vasquez Manny Urbina

Martín Espínosa Carlos Perez Linda Ruelas

We also would like to thank all our recurring donors.



In MEMORIUM

The Faults Of Our Members We Write Upon The Sands, Their Virtues Upon The Tablets Of Love And Memory....

> None to Report at Time of Printing



West Covina Elks EXALTED RULER Proudly Acknowledges Elk of the Month For SEPTEMBER 2023



Sponsored by National Family Partnership www.redribbon.org

PAST EXALTED RULERS

Ralph Gaither* 1956-57 Hugh M. Bagley* 1957-58 William T. Tanking* 1958-59 Albert E. Lindbeck* 1959-60 James R. Yost*, Jr. 1960-61 James L. Morgan* 1961-62 Harold Z. Dobbs* 1962-63 Laurence R. Tillman* 1963-64 Enrico (Hank) Salvo* 1964-65 Thomas E. Curtis 1965-66 Jack Cleveland* 1966-67 I. Paul Studer* 1967-68 Roy Williams, Jr.* 1968-69 Raiden V. Peterson* 1969-70 Donald M. Huff 1970-71 Albert D. Davis* 1971-72 Milo G. Summerhays* 1972-73 Robert E. Carlson *1973-74 H. Richard Harbert* 1974-75 James J. Andert* 1975-76 Anthony R. Mickols* 1976-77 John Asmundson* 1977-78 James E. Smith* 1978-79 Larry Henderson* 1979-80 Frank Rehor* 1980-81 Carl Mou 1981-82 Richard Marble* 1981-82 Robert E. Gubrud 1982-83 James Moseley* 1982-83 Al Putman* 1983-84 Dick Delauder *1983-84 Manny Zamudio* 1984-85 William Heller* 1984-85 Art Willard* 1985-86 Renee LaRose* 1986-87 Fidel Nieto Jr.* 1986-87 Charles Dalool 1987-88, 2011-12 Michael Sirchia 1987-88 Walt Doran* 1988-89 David La Sage* 1988-89 Bob Hollis-Brau 1989-90 Jerry Kober 1989-90 Ernie Gilbert 1990-91 Pat Shea* 1990-91 Ron Conger* 1991-92 Dave Southard* 1991-92 Gary Holmes* 1992-93 Roy Simes 1992-93 Bob Schachner* 1993-94 WM Ziegenbein *1993-94 Rick Dana 1994-95 Matt Jessup 1994-95 Roy Long* 1995-96 Tim LaMarca 1995-96 Ed Lima* 1996-97 Bernie Auld* 1997-98 Benjamin L. Ortega 1998-99, 2012-13, 13-14 Vern Campion* 1999-00 George Lunsford *2000-01 Phil Hawkins 2001-02 Don McMahon* 2002-03 Scott Matthews 2003-04 Ralph Garcia 2004-05 Willie Koskela 2005-06 Juan Diaz* 2006-07 Lisa Ryken* 2007-08 Patricia Gilliland 2008-09 Michael J. Salazar, Jr. PER 2009-10-11,18-19 Judith Lumbreras 2014-15 Mario Arellano* 2016-2017 Dana Williams 2015-16, 17-18, 19-20 Sandra Mendoza* 2018-19 William Salinas 2020-2021 Dannie Parker 2021-2022

By Affiliation: Judge Al Miller*, Orville Robert Cortez*, Joe Lozier, Frank Berry Jess Nelms, Charles Lein (*Deceased)

Vivian Salinas 2022-2023

Propositions For Membership / Affiliation / Transfers Demits / Reinstatements / Life Membership

APPLICANT **Edward Perez** Sherry Fischer Luis Rev

PROPOSER Jill Murphy Kelli Ishikawa Dan Parker

REINSTATEMENT:

Dorie Bradford Thomas E. Gonzalez William Rios

Eric J. Grijalva Carmen Moore

TRANSFER:

Hector Alatorre from Ontario Lodge #1419 to West Covina #1996

Sickness and Distress

David Loera's mother inlaw passed away at the age of 101. Gerardo Pompa (Trustee) is very ill, keep him in your prayers. Our Chef Jesse's wife is very ill, keep her in your pryaers. Angel Urueta's Mother passed away Friday, September 22.

> Please report any sickness & distress to the Lodge Office. Keep the above members and their families in your prayers.

MESSAGE FROM THE (36°

ENF grants allow Lodges to boost their

October is the birth month of the greatest program of our Order: The Elks National Foundation (ENF), known as the "Great Heart of Elkdom." Established in 1928, the Foundation helps build stronger communities through programs that support youth, serve veterans, and meet the needs in areas where Elks live and work. The best source for the most current information about the ENF is the Foundation's website at elks.org/enf. Spend some time there. You'll be amazed by what the Foundation is doing.

I especially want to call your attention to the Foundation's Community Investments Program. The Foundation has allocated nearly \$16 million for Lodge community service grants. This grant program allows your Lodge to complete more for your communities.

I urge all Lodges to take the time to educate yourselves about these grant programs. The Beacon, Gratitude, Spotlight, Impact, and Freedom Grants could be very helpful to your community. Each grant has a specific deadline to apply for funding. Find that need in your community and get it done with one of these grants. This will ensure people in your community know that "We Are THE Elks." Other programs that ENF funds include: Scholarships, youth activities, veterans service and remembrance, Elks Veterans Memorial maintenance, and much more. It is very important to let our Members know about the great work ENF does.

I challenge every Member of Elkdom to support the ENF. Be sure to tell new Members about all the incredible things the ENF makes possible on a local, state, and national level. The charitable, educational, and benevolent causes supported by the ENF are the most important financial contributions made by our Order and deserve the continued support of every Member.

Red Ribbon Week is the nation's oldest and largest drug prevention program. Red Ribbon Week is celebrated from October 23-31. There are many ways to celebrate. Have your local elected officials issue a proclamation, have your Members distribute red ribbons to schools, and encourage Members and friends to wear red ribbons.

The struggle to educate our youth about drugs and assist them in making informed decisions must be advanced at the community level. Our national, state, and Local Lodge Drug Awareness Programs encourage volunteers to listen, educate, and mentor, thereby letting our communities know that "We Are THE Elks."

Finally, the Auditing and Accounting Committee should review Lodge books and report at the last meeting of the month.

October has the fall holidays of Columbus Day and Halloween. Trick or Treat. Please be safe.

Remember "Elks Care — Elks Share" and "We Are THE Elks." God bless our great Order, our troops, and the United States of America.



WEST COVINA ELKS VETERANS DAY DINNER DANCE NOVEMBER 11TH



X Jow, again another year has passed so quickly. I hope this entry finds you well and in good spirits. Yes, again we are promoting our annual Veterans Day Dinner Dance, scheduled for November 11, 2023. The activity will provide a scrumptious dinner, recognition of our veteran members, music by the Cauldron Band and our very own DJ Cesar, and a fun and memorable evening. The dinner/dance ticket cost is \$45 per person (half price for veterans). Ticket sales will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 27, in the lounge area of the Lodge. We acknowledge and are greatful for your continued support of our veterans. Please contact Angel Vasquez or Sandie Sesanto for ticket information. Respectfully,

Angel Vasquez Veteran's Committee Chairman

THE LODGE
OFFICE WILL
BE CLOSED
ON FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 13,
2023, TO HELP
WITH THE
EMBLEMS
GOLF
TOURNAMENT

From the Inner Guard, Ceci Avila

As you may all know at this present time we are unable to hire personnel. So therefore we need volunteers to help us out. Servers, Dishwashers, and Bar-backs will assist the needs of bartenders. If interested, please contact me Ceci Avila at 626-485-6285.

Thank you.

Enjoy your month of October.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY OCTOBER!

Sam Jones	1
Eddie Ramirez	2
Juan Torres	3
Chris Guerrero	4
Michael Bahra	6
William Koskela	6
John De La Bretoniere	7
Carlos Virgen	7
Lucille Orozco	9
Rebecca Rodriguez	9
Gina Soriano-Pena	9
Rosa Duran	10
Gary George	10
George Oakes	10
Julie Garcia Walker	11
Danny Janelli	11
Edward Mathews	11
Michael McKenzie	11
Peter Aranda	13
Frank Colucci	13
Ronald Grey	13
Manuel Ruesga	13
Rose Sauceda	13
Arvon Wolverton`	13
Edward M Broomfield	13
Sandra Lara	15
Terry Glisson	15
Lydia Mangaroni	15
Hector Perez	15
Eugene Holcomb	16
Corine Rodriguez	16
Sherry Borden	17
John Eng	17
Cynthia Juarez	17
Frances Manqueros	17
Teresa Rojas Aguilera	17
Mark Hernandez	18
David Tardivel	18
Louis Torrez Jr.	18
Jenny Hernandez	19
Morgan Todd Muncie	19
John Uhlman	19
Louie Wagner	21
Sally Callaway	24
Robert Fry	24
Jayn Ruesch	25
Regina Griffith	27
Gil Fernandez	28
B J McKinney	29
Robert Baker	30
Linda Takahashi	30
William Garcia	31
Anthony Melei	31





CAN YOU SHOOT?

West Covina Elks Lodge

ANNOUNCES

'HOOP SHOOT' COMPETITION

FREE Throw Competition for Youth Ages 8-13

WHEN: SATURDAY, Oct. 21, 2023 CAMERON COMMUNITY CENTER

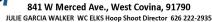
@ CAMERON PARK 1305 East Cameron Avenue

Sign-ups @ 8AM

SHOOT TIME at 9:30AM-12:30PM



WEST COVINA ELKS





CHEA State & District Drug Awareness Chairman John McEntire, PDDGER,

T Te hope that your educational year is off to a great start. We can't believe that it is already close to the end of September. As you are aware, October is right around the corner...and with that comes National Drug Awareness Month, which includes Red Ribbon Week (Oct. 23-31st). Remember that Duarte Elks are sponsoring their annual Drug Awareness Poster (Grades 3-5), Essay (Grades 6-8) and Video (Middle School/High School) Contests for students. Please encourage your students to participate in these contests. Earlier this year, I brought by folders for you containing information on these contests. If you would like to have the contest rules and entry forms sent to you electronically for distribution to your teachers, please let us know.

Finally, don't forget that the Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship Applications are now open and are due November 13th. To apply for the MVS Scholarship, students do not need to be related to Elks. Legacy Scholarships for students who may have a relative who is an Elks are also available. These scholarship opportunities are open to Seniors in High School. If you need more information on these scholarships and others, please reach out to us.

For those of you who are new to your Districts this year and/or for those of you who would like an update on what the Elks can do for your District and Lodge, feel free to contact us. We would enjoy talking with you and explaining our youth programs.

Thank you for you continued valuable partnership with Duarte Elks #1427. Together we are making a difference in students' lives.

Sincerely,

John D. McEntire, Jr., PDDGER CHEA Drug Awareness Program Chairman District Drug Awareness Program Chairman San Gabriel Valley District Duarte Elks #1427 -DAP/Youth Activities Chairman

626-961-5069 626-252-8037 (cell)



Emblem Club #299 Corner

Dear Sisters and Brother Elks
September! Sure to be hotter than ever, but this too
shall pass. There are fun things coming in
September. Maybe they will help us to forget the
heat Sunday, September 24, West Covina Emblem is
planning a Tea/Fashion Show! On Monday, October
23, West Covina Emblem will be celebrating our 67
th birthday, honoring our Past Presidents and the
Appointed Supreme Officers for 2023-2024. Be sure
to watch for more details.

The Golf Tournament is in full swing (pardon the pun) Need a registration form or a sponsor letter, we have it. Dee Varela or Olivia Pompa will be happy to provide. We also need you! Golfers, Sponsors donations and silent auction gifts. Please give us a call, let us know how you can help.

September, kids back in school, Parents, Grandpa-

rents, and caretakers can take break.

Keep Cool

Emblem Love,

Charlene Rasmussen
President, West Covina Emblem Club
Emblem and Angels – Serving our Community
It's What We Do!



ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD

THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

MEAL OF LOVE EVENT

SPONSORED BY

THE WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE
ON NOVEMBER 4TH AND ON DECEMBER 9TH

Trish Gonzalez 909-268-4137

RMHC For more information or to sign up. please contact

841 West Merced Ave - West Coving

WEST QVINA ELKS LODGE OCTOBER FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS



9.5% TAX INCLUDED SERVE TIME 5 - 7 MM

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7 (BRITISH INVASION) BIRTHDAY BASH

N.Y. STEAK	\$25
SALMON	\$20
ROTISSERIE CHICKEN	\$15

TUESDAY OCTOBER 10 (DDGER VISITATION)

RIBEYE STEAK	\$25
SALMON	\$20
ROTISSERIE CHICKEN	\$15

FRIDAY OCTOBER 13TH (LANCE & GARY SHOW

T-BONE STEAK	\$22
SALMON	\$20
ROTISSERIE CHICKEN	\$15

SATURDAY OCTOBER 21 (RHYTHM JUKEBOXX)

ITS BRING YOUR OWN FOOD NIGHT

FRIDAY OCTOBER 27 (BOBBY Z)

NEW YORK STEAK & LOBSTER	\$44
LOBSTER	\$33
NEW YORK STEAK	\$25
SALMON	\$20
ROTISSERIE CHICKEN	\$16
	7.0

Call (626) 962-0113 by Wednesday for Pre-Paid Friday or Saturday Dinner Reservations

> My favorite thing to make for dinner is

RESERVATIONS

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE LODGE PROJECT IS FULL SPEED AHEAD!

Preparations for our November 4 (Halloween Themed) and December 9, 2023 (Holiday Themed) Meals of Love are picking up speed. We are excited about supporting the Ronald McDonald House families by supplying them with various items to help them through their experience. If you're looking for a way to get involved, how about bringing the following items on the designated Tuesdays? Members can bring them to the meeting or drop off at the Lodge Office:

October 3, 2023 – Diapers & Wipes Tuesday: Diapers & wipes in various sizes and brands.

October 10, 2023- Smelling Good Tuesday: Baby wash and lotions, family body wash and lotions, shampoos & conditioners, and antibacterial liquid hand soaps.

October 17, 2023 – Games, and Coloring and Reading Books Tuesday: Think various age levels.

October 24, 2023 – It's Laundry and Cleaning Time Tuesday: Sponges, wipes, house cleaning supplies and laundry items.

November 1, 2023 - I Love Snacks Wednesday: Individually packed snacks and juices, microwaveable popcorn.

Thank you, Members, for your continued generosity.







ELKS 2024 ROSE PARADE COLLECTORS FLOAT PINS

Fundraising Pins are now available for sale at \$10.00 each.

This year 3 of THE West Covina Antlers will be riding on the float.

We Thank you for your support

Please contact Vivian Salinas (562) 298-3247

NATIONAL RED RIBBON WEEK OCTOBER 23 - 31

Enrique "Kiki" Camarena and National Red Ribbon Campaign ™



Enrique (Kiki) S. Camarena was born on July 26, 1947, in Mexicali, Mexico. He graduated from Calexico High School in Calexico, California in 1966, and in 1968 he joined the U.S. Marine Corps. After serving in the Marine Corps for two years, Kiki was a Calexico fireman, Calexico police officer, and an Imperial County Deputy Sheriff. Kiki joined the Drug Enforcement Administration in June of 1974. His first assignment as a Special Agent with DEA was in a familiar place - Calexico, California.

In 1977, after three years in Calexico, 37-year-old Kiki was reassigned to the Fresno District Office in Northern California. Four years later, Kiki received transfer orders to Mexico, where he would work out of the Guadalajara Resident Office. For more than four years in Mexico, Kiki remained on the trail of the

country's biggest marijuana and cocaine traffickers. In early 1985, he was extremely close to unlocking a multi-billion-dollar drug pipeline. However, before he was able to expose the drug trafficking operations to the public, he was kidnapped on February 7, 1985. On that fateful day, while headed to a luncheon with his wife, Mika, Kiki was surrounded by five armed men who threw him into a car and sped away. That was the last time anyone, but his kidnappers would see him alive.

In honor of Camarena's memory and his battle against illegal drugs, friends and neighbors began to wear red badges of satin. Parents, sick of the destruction of alcohol and other drugs, had begun forming coalitions. Some of these new coalitions embraced Camarena's belief that one person can make a difference. These coalitions also adopted the symbol of Camarena's memory, the red ribbon. During his 11 years with DEA, Kiki received two Sustained Superior Performance Awards, a Special Achievement Award and, posthumously, the Administrator's Award of Honor, the highest award granted by DEA.

In 1988, NFP sponsored the first National Red Ribbon Celebration. Today, the Red Ribbon serves as a catalyst to mobilize communities to educate youth and encourage participation in drug prevention activities. Since that time, the campaign has reached millions of U.S. children and families. The National Family Partnership (NFP) and its network of individuals and organizations continue to deliver his message of hope to millions of people every year, through the National Red Ribbon Campaign™.







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October 2023 Elktivities



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 CLOSED	2 Monday Night Football 4PM Kitchen Open INVESTIGATION 7:00PM	3 Lounge Open 4:00 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	Karaoke 6-10PM Kitchen Open PER Mtg. 7PM	5 CLOSED	6 CLOSED	7 DDGER AUDIT Birthday Bash British Invasion Dinner Available MENU PG.9
8 CLOSED	9 Monday Night Football 4PM Kitchen Open	10 Lounge Open 4:00 PM DDGER VISIT Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM MENU PG.9	11 Karaoke 6-10PM Kitchen Open BOD Mtg. 6:30P Salsa Contest	12 CLOSED	13 Lance & Gary Show Dinner Available MENU PG.9 OFFICE CLOSED	14 CLOSED
15 BRUNCH \$20 in advance ENTERTAINMENT	16 Monday Night Football 4P Kitchen Open INDOCTRINATION 7:00 PM	17 Lounge Open 4:00 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	18 Karaoke 6-10PM Kitchen Open	19 CLOSED	CLOSED	21 RHYTM JUKEBOXX Bring Your Own Food
22 CLOSED	23 Monday Night Football 4PM Kitchen Open	24 Lounge Open 4:00 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM INITIATION	25 Karaoke 6-10PM Kitchen Open	26 CLOSED	27 Bobby Z Steak & Lobster MENU PG.9	28 CLOSED
29 CLOSED	30 Monday Night Football 4PM Kitchen Open	31 Happy Halloween LODGE CLOSED			Lodge Office Open Tuesday to Friday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Unless Otherwise Noted	WHITE OF US FREE DE US