

# Elks



# Tracks

West Covina Elks Lodge #1996

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

**WEST COVINA ELKS**  
841 W. MERCED AVE. WEST COVINA, CA 91790

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE IN THE MAIN HALL BY  
**COLD DUCK**

**2023**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**  
IN THE LOUNGE WE HAVE  
**DJ CESAR**

TICKETS \$80 PP INCLUDES DINNER RIBEYE  
STEAK OR SALMON & MIDNIGHT TOAST

**SATURDAY, 31 DECEMBER**  
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM • TICKETS \$80.00  
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**WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE**

**ANNUAL**

**CHRISTMAS TREE LANE**  
**SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2022**

EVERYONE IS INVITED BRING YOUR FRIENDS, BRING YOUR  
NEIGHBORS, CHILDREN WELCOME,  
ADULTS \$5.00 ADMISSION FEE, CHILDREN FREE

BRING YOUR OWN FOOD-BEVERAGE PURCHASES AT THE BAR  
DOORS OPEN AT 2:00 PM \* TREE RAFFLES AT 5:00 PM

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Please Notice This



## ELKS MEMORIAL SERVICE

TUESDAY DECEMBER 6TH

DINNER 6:00 PM ~ CEREMONY 7:30 PM

DINNER FOR THE EVENING IS CHICKEN FRIED STEAK \$15

**DINNER IS COMPLEMENTARY FOR  
DEPARTED MEMBER'S SPOUSES OR LIFE PARTNERS**

For dinner reservations call Lodge office (626) 962-0113

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## WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE #1996

### Committee Chairman 2022 - 2023

Accident Prevention Manager	Sandie Sesanto	626-675-6565
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Community Public Relations	Robert Leon	626-827-6726
Crab Crack	Ben Ortega, PDDGER	626-926-4046
Crab Crack	Mike Salazar, PER	626-827-6700
Cribbage Club	VACANT	
Decorating		
Drug Awareness	Nancy Lucero	323-371-2228
Elks National Foundation	Robert Hollis-Brau PDDGER	909-622-9861
Elks Memorial Service	Olivia Pompa	626-377-2767
Family Fun Night	Trish Gonzalez	909-268-4137
Flag Day	Ceci Avila	626-893-9756
Funeral Service	Michael Salazar, PER	626-827-6700
Golfing	Bill Schmko	626-862-6533
Grants Coordinators	Dee Varela	626-705-2763
Grants Coordinators	Veronica Aslan	323-646-3317
Greeters	Christina Carter	626-646-3490
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Hoop Shoot	Julie Walker	626-222-2935
House Rules	Chuck Dalool, PDDGER	626-332-6945
Indoctrination	Michael Salazar, PER	626-827-6700
Investigations/Interviews	Michael Salazar, PER	626-827-6700
Lapsation/Membership	Dee Varela	626-705-2763
Laughlin Trip	Ben Ortega, PDDGER	626-926-4046
Co-Chairman	Joanna Howard	909-392-2685
Lodge Activities	Trish Gonzalez	909-268-4137
Mail Out	Chuck Dalool, PDDGER	626-332-6945
Major Project	Dana Williams, PER	714-240-1647
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Mediator	Ben Ortega, PDDGER	626-926-4046
Membership/Lapsation	Dee Varela	626-705-2763
Mobile Pancake Maker	Vince McCauley	626-422-2812
Mothers Day	Olivia Pompa	626-377-2767
Newsletter Elks Tracks	Ben Ortega, PDDGER	626-926-4046
New Years Eve	Christina Carter	626-646-3490
PER Association Pres.	William Salinas, PER	562-298-6194
Photographer	Robert Leon	626-827-6726
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Public Relations	Carlos Virgen	626-780-5712
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Asst: Ritual Coach	Chuck Dalool PDDGER	626-332-6945
Roamin Elks	Bill Zeason	951-903-4192
Saturday Night Entertainment	Sandie Sesanto	626-675-6565
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Co-Chair	Jeannette Garcia	626-347-6144
Scholarships	Michael Salazar, PER	626-827-6700
Scouting Boys/Girls	Anthony Reymann	626-827-8102
Sickness & Distress	Dana Williams, PER	714-240-1647
Super Bowl	Trish Gonzalez	909-268-4137
Veterans	Angel Vasquez	909-210-3707
Volunteers	Carmen Gabaldon	626-264-0007
Web Site	Ben Ortega, PDDGER	626-926-4046
Youth Activities	Christina Carter	626-646-3490



## Elks Tracks Newsletter

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### Lodge Office Hours

Tuesday through Friday. 10:00am-5:00pm

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### Hall Rental & Lease Info:

Contact Alex at Office (626) 338-2119  
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### 2022-2023 LODGE OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler	Vivian Salinas	562-298-3247
Leading Knight	Dana Williams	714-240-1647
Loyal Knight	Christina Carter	626-646-3490
Lecturing Knight	Trish Gonzalez	909-268-4137
Treasurer	Veronica Aslan	323-646-3317
Secretary	Dee Varela	626-705-2763

### LODGE TRUSTEES

1st Year	Gerardo Pompa	626-674-7364
2nd Year	George Alcala	626-472-3485
3rd Year	Angel Vasquez	909-210-3707
4th Year	Lou Aguilar	626-404-4999
5th year	Sandie Sesanto	626-675-6565

### APPOINTED OFFICERS

Esquire	Michael Salazar	626-827-6700
Chaplain	Olivia Pompa	626-377-2767
Inner Guard	Ceci Avila	626-485-6285
Organist	VACANT	
Tiler	Charlene Rasmussen	626-622-8485

### 2021-2022 HONORED ELKS

Elk of the Year - Olivia Pompa  
Tall Elk - Terry Ortega  
Officer of the Year - Angel Vasquez  
Citizen of the Year - Robert Leon  
Spirit of Elkdon - Grace Capp, Carlos Virgen,  
Martin Resendez,  
Exalted Ruler Award - Veronica Aslan, Delia Varela







**H**ello Members

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas. May we all spend a wonderful time with our family and friends.

I would like to thank everyone for helping out the Lodge with setting up tables, clean up after events and all our volunteers who help with serving meals throughout the week and weekends.

We need your help with encouraging new members you sponsor to come out and Volunteering. Please contact Carmen Gabaldon to set up a day.

Please remember you are responsible and sponsoring for any and all guest you bring into the Lodge, all non-members must be signed in the register located at the entryway. When you leave the premises your guest must also leave. Only members can purchase drinks at the bar.

I thank you for your assistance in helping us following these rules.

Please come out and enjoy Christmas tree lane, Tom & Jerry, along with our weekly events for the month.

Thank you

Vivian Salinas  
Exalted Ruler



## Leading Knights Station

Merry Christmas to you and your family. Lots of things going on in the lodge in December. Check your calendar on all events happening. Remember these events require volunteers. If you have not signed up to help, please do so. Our current volunteers work tirelessly and deserve the help. Our lodge only grows stronger with a successful volunteer group. Lots of lodge improvements in progress and completed. New sink is kitchen, tile repair in foyer, leak repairs to our roof, special bathroom refurbish in the main hall restrooms and on to the repair of our parking lot lights. Our trustees are on overtime and deserve our praise and appreciation. In September we had our Purple Pig Fundraiser Dance, and I must say it was a success. Our lodge raised over 4,200.00 to the California Hawaii Elks Association to help children with disabilities throughout both states. A worthy cause and you all should be very proud. All made possible with generous contributions from John Hughes, Linda Ruelas, Kelli and Garrett Ishikawa, Chris and Linda Abeyta, Don and Esther Navarette, Dan and Shirley Parker and all the wonderful people who purchased purple pigs that were on the lounge mirror. Thanks to the band The Ratt Blasters for the great entertainment of the evening. Our Boys Scouts donated their time to help and did a fantastic job. Finally, special thanks to the PP committee for putting in countless hours in making this such a special event. Beth and Mike Zook, Jay and Alex Lindsey, Linda and Chris Abeyta, Joanne and Chris Guerrero, Kelli and Garrett Ishikawa, Maria Ortega, Trish Gonzales, Christina Carter and Grace Capp and Eva Majia. A special Elks thank you To my Fiancé and cochair Lucy Ibarra who put in more time than I with the determination for success. If I missed anyone, please forgive me. Please continue to turn in your Purple pigs as our donations are continuous.

Have a safe and Happy New Year,

Dana W. Williams, PER  
Esteemed Leading Knight

## Loyal Knights Station

Season greetings my sisters and brothers Elks, we have one more month for 2022. I hope everybody is staying nice and warm, looks like a very cold winter, we are all hanging in there, and would like to thank everyone for coming out to all of our events throughout the year it's great seeing everybody. Well we are all in the spirit, of Christmas season.

So come on out this month and enjoy all the events we have this month, we are still holding our Monday night football, we also have our karaoke on Wednesdays, and Fridays great dinners,

We have Christmas Tree Lane on December 11th and Tom & Jerry Social on December 18th along with the PER mega raffle on that date.

Birthday bash for December We are also going to be participating in the Covina Christmas parade on December 3rd after coming in 1st Place last year the parade committee and Lodge members are going to try again to match or surpass last years float, so everyone come, say hello to all our neighbors and friends and support our Lodge float hope to see everyone there.

Speaking about another Float members I hope everyone will come and participate and decorate our New Year's day float we are participating in the Pasadena 2023 Rose parade, we need a lot of support and putting this flow together in the city of Irwindale, I hope everyone can come out and join us have some hot cocoa and goodies and have fun putting it together, Volunteering thank you everybody come on down. information is at our office at the lodge you can look at our Elks Track New letter.

Our next big event is the last dinner of the year a Christmas theme Steak and lobster on December 16th 2022

**2023 New Year's Eve** Event, information is in our Elks tracks newsletter, come and join us bringing in the new year volunteers are needed. it's been a pleasure being around everyone throughout the whole year at all at our events, stay healthy and be safe God bless you all and I will see all of you in the coming up year after our event.

Sincerely  
Christina Carter  
Loyal Knight

## Lecturing Knights Station

**H**APPY HOLIDAYS to you all.

It is officially the Christmas Season! This time of the year I am more Thankful for what I have in my life. Things like family and friends and even my Dogs (Roxee and Jolene) that love me no matter how tough times can get.

Christmas Tree Lane is on December 11th. Look for our "Tailgating" tree. The Monday Night Football Season is just about over. December 19th is Fan Appreciation Night. If you haven't already, come on down watch a game and spend time with friends.

Both Superbowl and Pork-E-Que are just around the corner. Watch for more information in this newsletter.

It has been a very busy and fun year. With a few hiccups, the lodge has been very successful. We are lucky to have great members such as yourself. Your dedication makes us who we are. I hope this Holiday Season is filled with many good moments, and that you enjoy time spent with loved ones.

On a personal level, I would like to thank each one of you for a great 2022. I appreciate all you have done this year, and I look forward to 2023 filled with determination and vigor.

In Brotherly Love,

Trish Gonzalez  
Esteemed Lecturing Knight





**ELKS MEMORIAL SERVICE**  
**WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE #1996**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022**

**DINNER 6PM - \$15**  
**SERVICE - 7:30PM**

*The faults of our Members we write upon the sand ...  
 ... their virtues upon the tablets of Love and Memory.*

*Please join us for our annual Elks Memorial Service.  
 This ceremony is open to all Elks, Elk Widows and Widowers, Families,  
 Friends, and Guests. Dinner is scheduled from 6:00pm with a Ceremony and  
 Ritual Presentation following at 7:30pm in the Main Hall.*

**MENU**

*Chicken Fried Steak, Mash Potatoes and Veggies  
 with a Roll*

<b>PHILLIP BARRAGAN</b>	<b>CHARLES AGUIRRE</b>
<b>DUANE G MARSHALL</b>	<b>WILLIAM E MILLER</b>
<b>DONALD L HOLTZ</b>	<b>BERNIE SLOAN</b>
<b>PATRICIA BRYANT</b>	<b>RICHARD L ASMUNDSON</b>
<b>RUSSELL M KOPPEL</b>	<b>ALBERT LAMMENS</b>
<b>JIM IVANS</b>	<b>FILBERT TRUJILLO</b>

**DON ROELLE**

**PLEASE RSVP THE OFFICE**

**626-962-0113**

*Dinner will be complimentary for the spouses of this year's Departed Members.*



We are excited to introduce the Antlers program for youths between ages 12 - 20. This program will be part of the West Covina Elks. Inform anyone that might be interested as we are in the infant stage and looking for members. We will be working to get our youths involved in projects of charitable acts. We are looking for respectable youths of good character to join the Antlers. Contact us for more information.

Carlos & Angelica Virgen  
 Phone: 626-780-5712  
 E-mail: cavirgen@charter.net  
 Additional Info go to:  
<https://www.elks.org/programs/antlers.cfm>



*Volunteers are special.  
 We appreciate you and  
 everything you do!*



**MAJOR PROJECT PURPLE PIG DONORS**

Fill your Piggy banks up & bring 'em in!  
 California-Hawaii Elks - Major Project, Inc.  
 Helping Children Since 1950  
 Ask About Recurring Donations!  
 All Major Project "Purple Pig" Donations are  
 100% Tax Deductable

**Edward Mathews**  
**Irene Navarro**  
**Hank Loyola**



**A COIN A DAY SO THEY CAN WALK, TALK, SEE AND PLAY!**

**In MEMORIUM**

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

**DON C. ROELLE - Member No. 4541**  
**Born - June 7, 1930**  
**Initiated - November 24, 1981**  
**Passed Away - September 27, 2022**

**West Covina Elks**  
**PAST EXALTED RULERS' ASSOCIATION**

**Semi-Annual 50-50 Drawing**  
**December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Dear Members and Friends:

It's that time of year again when the West Covina Elks Past Exalted Rulers Association is asking for your help by purchasing the two (2) enclosed raffle tickets, for a donation of \$10.00 each for our annual 50/50 drawing to be held on Sunday December 18th, 2022 at the Tom & Jerry Christmas Social at the Lodge at 6:00 PM, Come join us, your family and friends always welcomed.

The past few years have been hard on all of us. Our Lodge had to let go of most of our employees, we cut the Lodge hours and days that we are open and with many of our members joining into help we are able to stay afloat. We have made tremendous progress but still have a long way to go.

The Lodge had a lot of unexpected repairs this year; we helped where we could. With the loss of Bingo our charity fund is down. P.E.R. funds are also getting very low.

You **DO NOT** have to be present to win. Please fill out the stubs as soon as possible and return them with your donation, make checks payable to West Covina Elks P.E.R. If you need more tickets, please see any P.E.R., or please advise the Office and they will relay the information. We are hoping you can help by selling tickets to friends and relatives, as well as Elks in other Lodges.

The breakdown of the prizes is as follows:

First Prize -----25 % of proceeds  
 Second Prize -----15 % of proceeds  
 Third Prize -----10 % of proceeds

The balance of the proceeds will go toward the purchase and/or repair of needed items for the Lodge and to assist our Youth in the community.

We thank you in advance for your support in this drawing, which in turn helps our Lodge.

Fraternally,  
 West Covina Elks P.E.R. Association



## 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  
 J. 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 Asmudson\* 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 Miller,  
 Robert Cortez\*, Joe Lozier, Frank Berry PER,  
 Jess Nelms, Charles Lein  
 (\*Deceased)

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

### APPLICANT

Steven Razo  
 Robert Castaneda  
 Martha A Saucedo  
 Lorenzo Porras  
 Chris Montoya  
 Carlos Duarte Jr  
 Charles Aguayo  
 Michael Flowers  
 Robert Loza  
 Margarito Vega

### PROPOSER

John Hughes  
 John Hughes  
 Lynda D Padilla  
 Emma Wilson  
 John Hughes  
 Ben Ortega  
 Robert Leon  
 John Hughes  
 Trish Gonzalez  
 Andres Cesar Cazarin

## Sickness and Distress

Betty Balog passed away.

Tony Reymann's wife is having difficulty with her chemo treatments.

Ron Torres was in the hospital with congestive heart failure and is back home recovering.

Lucy Ibarra's mother Connie is very ill and needs our prayers.

## Please Keep Them All In Your Prayers

### *A Special Thank you to the Volunteers of our 2022 Halloween Dinner/Dance*

I would like to personally thank each one of you for your time, energy and decorating ideas. You were all a pleasure to work with and I couldn't have asked for a better TEAM!!

I am so grateful to have so many members who time, after time, come to my aid to help out and make these events so successful for our lodge and also to some of our New Members who just jumped right in to help us this year on whatever came up.

Without ALL of you, we could not have pulled it off.

Jannette Garcia  
 Angel Vasquez  
 Alan Mendez  
 Steve Sesanto  
 George Alcala  
 Ida Lancaster  
 Janine Lancaster  
 Eva Becerra  
 Olivia Pompa  
 Ben Ortega  
 Robert Leon  
 Tony Palaez  
 Peggy Roman  
 Johnny Briones  
 Esther Sapien  
 Christina Carter  
 Tony Salcido  
 Yolanda Einstein  
 The Soto Band  
 GS Troop 10344 & Araceli Galvez

Grace Silva  
 Lou Aguilar  
 Carmen Gabaldon  
 Steve Robles  
 Ceci Avila  
 Rudy Lancaster  
 Emily Lancaster  
 Charlene Rasmussen  
 Gerado Pompa  
 Terry Ortega  
 Rosalie Leon  
 Yolanda Palaez  
 Grace Capp  
 Becky Duran  
 William Garcia  
 Trish Gonzales  
 Ron Torres  
 Vince McCauley  
 DJ Felix  
 David, Alfonso & Darren

Last but not least, a very special Thank You to our ER Vivian Salinas for allowing us to use her office to store the Centerpieces and for supplying the Green Room with Soda, Water and Goodies for the band.

Once again, thank you to everyone for making this Event a very successful and FUN Event.

**Sandie Sesanto  
 5th Year Trustee  
 Saturday Night Entertainment Committee**

**\*\*If I missed your name, I sincerely apologize**

## New Year's Eve Party Volunteers Needed

My Fellow members, we are looking for approximately 12 -15 volunteers to assist with the New Years party. Some of the jobs are to set up and break down and work the food serving line, Direct guest to the food serving line, pick-up dishes and silverware. Dinner serve time is from 7:00-8:30 PM so we're looking for about 3-4 hours of your time, but we will take whatever you can give us. We will be serving approximately 370 guest. Once serving gets started it goes rather quickly and before you know it, its over. If you feel you can help your Lodge call NYE Chairperson Christina Carter directly at (626) 646-3490 or Ben Ortega at (626) 926-4046.

Christina Carter  
 Loyal Knight



West Covina Elks Float  
1st Place Winner 2021

Come out to Covina on Saturday December 3, 2022 and watch the Christmas parade. This will be our 2nd year participating in the Parade. We did win a 1st place trophy last year. The Float is again riding down the streets of Covina with our officers dressed in costume. Our newly formed Elks youth group "ANTLERS" will be participating. Our Boy Scouts will be carrying our Banner. Elroy (Mike Salazar) our Drug Awareness mascot will be heading the float. We look forward to seeing you for a nice family night watching the parade. Parade starts at 6:30 P.M. on Second St. & Badillo heading west on Badillo St. Dress warm and see you there.

Robert Leon  
Public Relations Chairman,  
San Gabriel Valley District



David T Clinkaberry	1
Diane Stevens	1
Carole C Limon	2
James D Galbraith	3
Robert Leon	3
Lorraine D O'Brien	3
Albert M Polehonki	3
Peter D Castor	4
Fernando Ramirez	6
Darryl J Muckala	7
Arturo Sanchez	9
Melissa Victoria	9
Thomas R Kirsch	10
Danny Ray Lawhorn	11
Rosalie Leon	12
Lionel G Moreno	12
Nicholas A Urueta	12
Jaime J Camacho	14
Robert Lepins	14
Robert D Lindner	14
Jerardo Uriarte	14
Becky J VanCura	15
John C King	17
Jill Murphy	18
Roger A Clarke	19
Paul M Gastelum	20
Isabel Martinez	20
Thomas Sandoval III	21
Don Gacevich	22
Ken Madrid	22
James V Agostino	23
Victor Cuevas	23
Suzanne Escalante	23
Georgina G Sevillano	23
Arnold Varela	24
Dennis D Whitman	24
Manuel Barajas	25
Larry W Peterson	25
Margaret F Gonzalez	26
Edward M Diaz	27
Henry Hank Loyola	27
Maria E Mejia	27
Richard Fleig	28
Terry Cairy	29
Richard M Dana, PER	29
Anthony Meadows	29
Bill Dennis	30
Jess R Munoz	30
Joe Martinez	31



## 2022 West Covina Elks Christmas Community Fund Raiser

*Join us Elks in contributing funds to give Christmas Gift Cards to families in the community. Let us bring Joy and happiness to the children and families in our community for the Christmas season. We plan to give each family \$200.00 in Gift Cards.*

*Help a family by donating \$200.00 and we will put your name/s on a small 10" X 10" model home and it will be hanging on display in our Lodge Lounge. Contact your friends, group, family and pull together to help a family during this Christmas season.*

*Donations of any amount can be given to the Lodge office or the committee members.*



### Committee Members:

Olivia Pompa, Gerardo Pompa, Robert Leon, Angel Vasquez, Carmen Gabaldon, Angel & Lisa Urueta, George Alcala, Ceci Avila



## WEST COVINA LODGE LET'S CELEBRATE EVENTS

*West Covina Elks*  
*Celebration*

*Tom & Jerry*  
*Holiday Social*

**WHITE ELEPHANT & POTLUCK**  
BRING A WHITE ELEPHANT WRAPPED GIFT  
NEW OR USED IN WORKING CONDITION VALUED AT  
\$10.00 OR MORE

**DECEMBER 18TH, 2022 4:00 PM**

CONTACT CLUB MANAGER ALEX FOR POTLUCK DONATIONS  
CALL: (626) 338-2119  
841 W. MERCED AVE, WEST COVINA CA. 91790

COMPLIMENTARY TOM & JERRY SPECIAL EGG NOG BEVERAGE  
TIME PERMITTING WE WILL PLAY LCR LEFT-CENTER-RIGHT  
PAST EXALTED RULERS 50/50 RAFFLE AT 6:00 PM

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**West Covina Elks Lodge**

**December Birthday Bash**



**The Impulse Band**

Band plays from 7pm - 11pm  
Dinner Menu for this event, Ribs,  
Mashed Potatoes, Veggies & Roll. Dinner  
only \$16. Reservations must be made by  
Thursday December 8th.

**SATURDAY 10 DEC** **BEST MUSIC VENUES IN WEST COVINA**  
\$10 Cover for Non Members  
\*\*\*IT PAYS TO BE A MEMBER\*\*\*  
NO COVER FOR MEMBERS AND THEIR IMMEDIATE FAMILY

Reservations: Sandie (626) 675-6565 or Ester (626) 589-2620

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**WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE INVITES YOU TO**  
**SUPERBOWL WITH US!!**  
**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2023**

\$15 ADMISSION FEE / \$10 CHILD UNDER 8  
ADMISSION FEE INCLUDES "TACO MAN" FOR  
THE FIRST 200 PEOPLE  
OK TO BRING YOUR OWN FOOD AND SNACKS  
NO OUTSIDE BEVERAGES ALLOWED.



**SUPER BOWL XLVIII**  
DOORS OPEN AT 11:30 AM  
PRE-GAME ENTERTAINMENT BY DJ CESAR  
TICKET SALE INFORMATION WILL BE ADVERTISED AT A LATER DATE

WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE  
INVITES YOU TO  
**THURSDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL**  
**DECEMBER 8, 2022**



**RAIDER NATION or RAMS HOUSE??**

Watch the game on the **BIG**  
**SCREEN** in the hall

**Margarita Special TACO Thursday**  
DOORS OPEN AT 4PM  
GAME STARTS AT 5:20

**DON'T MISS THE KICK OFF!!!**





**Christmas Tree Lane**  
**Tree Sponsors Meeting**

**DECEMBER 5th, 6:00 PM**

If you or your Group are sponsoring a Tree please attend or send a representative to this important TREE Sponsor meeting on Monday DECEMBER 5th, at 6:00 PM. in the Conference Room.

All Final details will be given and questions answered. We look forward to having another successful event. At present we have 13 Trees

Please contact Christmas Tree Chairperson Ben Ortega at eMail: [garfieldbulldog@gmail.com](mailto:garfieldbulldog@gmail.com) or Cell at (626) 926-4046



**Drug Awareness Program 2022**

The theme for this year's 2022-2023 poster contest was "One Pill Can Kill" The contest was open to all 3rd, 4th, 5th grade students and at this time we are waiting for last minute submissions.

Establishing a strong foundation is crucial to the success of any program. This year a major accomplishment was to meet with the West Covina School District Administration. Their endorsement is crucial in order to receive program support from principals and teachers.

John McEntire, CHEA Drug Awareness Chairman and Donna McEntire were instrumental in establishing this collaboration with the district.

**Outreach Opportunities:**

- \*Grove Center Elementary School Fall Festival over 200 people attended.
- \*West Covina Elks Hoop Shoot
- \*West Covina Sports Field

Nancy Lucero  
West Covina Lodge Drug Awareness Chairperson

WEST COVINA ELKS #1996  
EXALTED RULER  
VIVIAN SALINAS  
PROUDLY ACKNOWLEDGES  
TONY PELAEZ  
ELK OF THE MONTH FOR  
NOVEMBER 2022

**IMPORTANT RV INFORMATION  
FOR New Years Eve.**

**RV SPOT RESERVATIONS FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE**

The Elks' Rose Parade float decorating has increased interest in the Lodge's RV spots. To ensure that our Members and Associate Members are first afforded the use of these spots for Lodge New Year's Eve festivities, the Lodge is implementing the following reservation process:

*From November 1, 2022, through December 15, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., West Covina Lodge Members and Associate Members may reserve one RV spot in their name for arrival dates of on or after December 27, 2022, and which includes staying December 30, 31<sup>st</sup> 2022, and January 1, 2023. In accordance with the Lodge's longstanding practice, only Members and Associate Members who have purchased a ticket to the Lodge's New Year's Eve party can make a reservation. Reservations must be made and pre-paid by contacting the Lodge Office at (626) 962-0113. **Only the Lodge office is authorized to take and make reservations. RV spot "holds" and refunds will not be allowed. On December 15, 2022, at 5:01 p.m., the reservation process will open to all Elks members who have purchased a ticket to the Lodge's New Year's Eve party.***



Support our Foundation by donating online. You could give through the Lodge, but the *only* difference when you donate online is how quickly your gift helps others.

Donate to the Elks National Foundation online at

**[enf.elks.org/MyLodge](https://enf.elks.org/MyLodge)**



## Emblem Club #299 Corner

Dear Elk Sisters and Brothers,

DECEMBER, the most wonderful time of the year! Festivities abound! With all of the festivities to attend and shopping to do let us not forget the Reason for the Season. Luke 2:11-14 For unto you is born this day in the City of David, a Savior, Who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a Sign unto you.

Nov 21 st was the annual Charity Bingo, and as always, our members and friends gave generously. The Shepherd's Pantry was the recipient of all the can goods and non-perishable food.

Emblem Club is dark in December: however, with Emblem and Elk Christmas Activities, Christmas Parties and Christmas Tree Lane, we shall meet up with friends.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Emblem Love,  
Maureen Miles,  
President, West Covina Club

Emblem and Angels Serving our Community

It's What We Do



### DO WE HAVE A GIFT IDEA FOR YOU!

Do you know an Elk who spends a lot of time at the Lodge and you don't know what to get them as a holiday gift? How about a West Covina Elks Lodge Gift Certificate? Your Elk can use it at the bar or to purchase meals offered by the Lodge, including Karaoke night meals and our famous Steak & Lobster Friday dinners! Contact the Lodge Office at (626) 962-0113 for information.



### Per capita and fees set for 2023-2024

For the 2023-2024 fraternal year, on April 1, 2023, the following per capita and fees will be due from each Member: Grand Lodge per capita-\$6.50; Insurance assessment-\$17.00\*; and the Elks Magazine assessment-\$5.50, for a total of \$29.00.

*\*This amount represents a \$5.00 per Member increase from last year.*

Attention must continue to be given to retaining our delinquent Members as well as attracting new or reinstated Members. Involvement in Lodge activities should be encouraged to help keep Members interested.

**GRAND SECRETARY**  
Bryan R. Klatt

If you, or someone you know, plan to visit Chicago over the winter, call the Grand Secretary's office to set-up a time, and staff can give you your own personal tour of the National Headquarters.

*Season's Greetings and Happy Holidays from your Grand Lodge staff.*

## WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE DECEMBER FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS



# Menu

&  
ENTERTAINMENT  
DECEMBER 2022



### ENTERTAINMENT - DJ CESAR

FRIDAY DECEMBER 2	MEMBERSHIP
BABY BACK RIBS	\$20.00
SALMON	\$20.00
ROTISSERIE CHICKEN	\$16.00
CRISPY CHICKEN SALAD	\$16.00

### ENTERTAINMENT - HIGHER POWER

FRIDAY DECEMBER 9	
PRIME RIB	\$26.00
MAHI - MAHI	\$20.00
PESTO CHICKEN BRUSCHETTA	\$16.00

### ENTERTAINMENT - IMPULSE BAND

SATURDAY DECEMBER 10 (BIRTHDAY BASH)
BABY BACK RIBS, MASHED POTATOES, VEGGIES
\$15.00

### ENTERTAINMENT - BOBBY Z

FRIDAY DECEMBER 16
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS STEAK @ LOBSTER EVENING
(SOLD OUT)

**DECEMBER 23 & DECEMBER 30 (LODGED CLOSED)**

**FOR DINNERS PRE-PAID  
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED  
CALL: (626) 962-0113  
BY WEDNESDAY**

# PORK-E-QUE

**Sunday**

**March 12th, 2023**

**12 - 6 pm**

**\$25**

**Entertainment by:**

**Whiskey Hayride**

**and**

**DJ Cesar.**

**LIQUOR WHEEL BARREL RAFFLE**

**50/50**

## SAVE THE DATE

WEST COVINA ELKS and Diane Gleason

the Elks Social Media Network



Elroy the Elk reminds young kids that hugs are better than drugs

**ASK HOW YOU CAN JOIN  
A NATIONWIDE FORCE FOR GOOD**

Become a  
Recurring  
Donor to the  
Major Project  
ask me how!

### DRUG AWARENESS PROGRAM

## Recent news reports show dangers of drugs and firearms

By **WILLIAM J. BRYAN**

Assistant National Director

Drugs and firearms seem to be going hand-in-hand these days, as these news reports from October can attest.

In Rutland, Vermont, a 31-year-old man and a 34-year-old man were arrested and charged by criminal complaint. Both men were charged with possessing with the intent to distribute cocaine, cocaine base, and fentanyl, and for carrying and using firearms during and in relation to a drug trafficking crime.

In Rockland, Illinois, a 28-year-old man was sentenced to an aggregate 10 years in prison for possession with intent to distribute cocaine base ("crack") and tetrahydrocannabinol ("THC"); possession of a firearm as a

felon; and possession of a firearm in furtherance of drug trafficking crime. The sentence consists of concurrent 60-month terms of imprisonment for the drug trafficking and possession of a firearm as a felon convictions, to be followed by a consecutive 60 months for possession of a firearm in furtherance of drug trafficking crime conviction.

And in New Hampshire, a 36-year-old man was sentenced to 72 months in federal prison for possession with intent to distribute controlled substances, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, and carrying a firearm in furtherance of drug trafficking.

The list goes on. It is proof that drugs and violence are related.

Despite this disturbing trend, there is good news as we enter the Christmas

season. Evidence suggests that the Elks Drug Awareness Program's efforts are having a positive effect on young people and that drug abuse among our targeted population is trending downwards. This is no time to rest or think that our work is over. Far from it! Our children need us now more than ever.

Have you seen our latest videos, *Awkward Conversations* season 2? These podcasts are setting records for viewership. If you haven't seen any of them, please check them out on YouTube. While you're there, subscribe to our channel.

On behalf of the entire Elks Drug Awareness Program, we wish all Elks, their families, and communities a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.






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Ron Torres,  
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to?**

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 Find an affordable solution to keep your  
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qualify, Medicare will provide "Extra  
Help" that may cover 85% to 100% of  
prescription costs

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## December 2022 Elktivities



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 <b>Dine &amp; Dance</b> DJ Cesar	3
4	5 <b>Monday Night Football</b> <b>Investigations</b> Christmas Tree Lane Sponsor Meeting 6 PM	6 Elks Memorial Service 7:30 PM. Dinner available 6:00 PM \$15	7 Karaoke 6-10P Kitchen Open	8 Thursday Night Football Special Raiders-Rams 4:00 PM	9 <b>Dine &amp; Dance</b> <b>Higher Power</b>	10 <b>Birthday Bash</b> <b>Impulse Band</b> <b>Advance Pre-Paid Dinner</b> <b>Available \$16</b>
11 <b>CHRISTMAS TREE LANE DOORS OPEN</b> 2:00 PM Adults \$5	12 <b>Monday Night Football</b>	13 Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM BALLOTING	14 Karaoke 6-10P Kitchen Open BOD 6:30 PM	15	16 <b>Christmas Dance Steak &amp; Lobster</b> <b>Bobby Z</b> <b>SOLD OUT!</b>	17
18 <b>Tom &amp; Jerry</b> 4:00 PM White Elephant PER Raffle POTLUCK	19 <b>Monday Night Football</b> <b>Indoctrination</b>	20 Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	21 Karaoke 6-10P Kitchen Open	22	23 LODGE CLOSED	24 LODGE CLOSED
25 <b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	26	27 Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM INITIATION	28 Karaoke 6-10P Kitchen Open	29	30 LODGE CLOSED	31 <b>NEW YEARS EVE PARTY</b> <b>TICKET HOLDERS ONLY</b>



