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West Covina Elks Lodge #1996

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



Congratulations West Covina Elks Ritual Team for winning 1st Place in the San Gabriel Valley District Ritual Competition held on Sunday April 30th





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WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE #1996

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2022-2023 HONORED ELKS

Elk of the Year ------Terry Ortega
Tall Elk --------Grace 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,



1 brothers and sisters. We had a great May and dance. Please remember it is all the hard work from our volunteers and employees along with our members support that makes us successful. The Mother's Day celebration was great, very well done. I want to congratulate our Ritual team for a job well done. I am very proud of

the work we put into the

Ritual and of the job we

did at the State competiti-

on. Congratulations to all. June can be another great month with your continuing support. We great time. The State Convention was a nice experience. It was very inspiring and makes me proud to be an Elk. It is great to see that our leaders are proud to be Elks and are continuing to move forward with what we stand for.

Seeing our Theme Child with what he has been through and how our work as Elks has helped him, makes your heart swell with pride.

Our First Lady is putting on a Brunch on July 9. This will be a fundraiser to go towards repairs to our lodge. There will be more information to come later. Just a reminder all donations are welcome.

God Bless and keep safe and well.

Dan Parker, PER Exalted Ruler 2023-2024



Leading Knights Station

Greetings to all the members at West Covina Elks Lodge Flappy June!! 1996.

At the time of the writing of this newsletter, the WC Elks Lodge Ritual team is hard at with Cinco de Mayo dinner work preparing for the state ritual contest in Palm Springs. The Ritual team had a great win tional job. at the district level and will be moving on to the state contest. The team has spent the past month hard at work preparing for the contest. We wish the Ritual team good luck and come again. Therefore, the back victorious.

There are a few maintenance issues and upgrades that are currently in the process. The Hall needs immediate repair of the main water line that brings water into the building from the Initiation Ritual at the street. We are currently waiting for the final bid to come in. The Exalted Ruler has been working diligently to finalize all the necessary bids for the have the Father's Day BBQ upgrades to all the bathrooms coming up for all to have a in the hall and lounge area. We are also looking into repairing the hall floors and possibly painting the hall. I would also like to thank Trustee Angel Vasquez and all the volunteers for painting the bathrooms.

Please review your newsletter and any E mails that are sent out to view all the upcoming events. Remember the lodge has had many sold-out events, so get your tickets early.

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 make an impact at our

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 volunteer. Many of you in the community.

In closing, please remember lies yet here you are. 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 West Covina Lodge # 1996 be what the doctor ordered to assist them in recovery.

> Fraternally, Joe Chavez Esteemed Leading Knight

Loyal Knights Station

Our District Ritual Contest has come and gone. Our corps of officers did West Covina proud! We performed an excep-Our lodge hosted the

event. We won several awards. Most importantly, our team won the First Place in the district trophy will stay in West Covina for another year! When you receive this newsletter, we will have already competed in the State level. We gave our best shot and we did a great job. Congrats to our Offi-

We have great events coming up.BINGO is in the works and planning to resume in June. Birthday Bash is on June 10th.

The pre-Father's Day event is on June 11th. Flag Day is on June 13th. No Frills Monday continues to be a success. If you haven't been, you are missing out on delicious meals. Look for the menu within the newsletter. Come enjoy Friday nights dine and dance. I hope that you can attend some events to enjoy yourself. Bring a friend!

I would like to thank every one of you who work and/or have fami-Your time is Greatly appreciated. Summer is in full swing so I wish you all a safe summertime.

Fraternally,

Trish Gonzalez Esteemed Loyal Knight

Lecturing Knights

reetings, J Summer is on its way. Hoping everyone is in the best of health and ready for this heat everybody and please stay hydrated and eat well stay healthy for the month of June. We have a lot coming up, Visiting our veterans and giving them a nice large lunch with lot's of goodies, visiting with them, and socializing with them, bring some a lot of joy and happiness. They're very happy to see us all the time. Come and join us and volunteer visiting with our veterans and see the very happy faces that they have when they see us, and to see all our new members also,

Well, coming up will be the Santa Maria Rodeo, we also have our PreFather's Day BBQ, during that same week we will have our Flag Day Ceremony's, and every Wednesday we have karaoke plus our fabulous Friday night dinners with enter-

tainment.

Our great big thanks to all of the volunteers that help out with all the activities and events and serving with the dinners and also with our Monday night dinners No Frills, read our our Elk Tracks every month and it will give you information of all of the events and activities and things that are going on if you don't receive one contact the secretary of the lodge and give her your email. The help is very appreciated and thanks for supporting our Elks Lodge 1996.

Teamwork is a key of everybody pitching in, for all the new members don't forget every Tuesday we have our Tuesday night meetings at 7:30 if you have any questions contact our office,626-962-0331 I'll see everyone at the lodge, God bless everybody

Brotherly Love

Christina Carter Esteemed Lecturing Knight



PROGRAM NEWS CORNER

A big Thank you to all Elks members for officially recognizing our Antler program. This month we await a response from the Grand Lodge on our official charter. We are excited for the future of this program

and look forward to upcoming events.

For more information please contact us.

Carlos and Angelica Virgen cavirgen@charter.net 626-780-5712



NO FRILLS MONDAY JUNE MENU



THE COST PER PLATE IS \$8.
SERVING TIME IS 5:30 - 7PM
OR UNTIL WE RUN OUT.
INCLUDES DESSERT!
DOORS OPEN AT 4:30 PM

June 5th - Hosted by the Emblems HOT DIGGITY DOG!! - Hot Dogs, Chili Dogs, Polish Sausage, Fries

June 12th - Hosted by The Tipsy Trio
Did somebody say Pastrami?? - Pastarmi nd Fries

June 19th - Hosted by Meal Master Vicky Salazar Buan Apettito!!

Zuppa Toscana, Baked Ziti, Garlic Bread

June 26th - Hosted by your Board of Directors

Hasta La Pasta Baby!! - Spaghetti and Meatballs...

Dont forget the Garlic Bread!!



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In MEMORIUM

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

Walter W. Robinson #3071 Born: March 2, 1939

Initiated: March 27, 1973

Passed Away: July 14, 2022



WEST OVINA ELKS EXALTED RULER DANNIE PARKER PROUDLY ACKNOWLEDGES ROSIE JEON ELK OF THE MONTH FOR MAY 2023

PANCAKE BREAKFAST SCHEDULE

Scheduling Not Available at Time of Printing

CONTACT Vince Mcauley, (626) 422-2812

PAST EXALTED RULERS

Ralph Gaither* 1956-57 Hugh M. Bagley* 1957-58 William T. Tanking* 1958-59 Albert E. Lindbeck* 1959-60 Iames R. Yost*, Ir. 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 Moselev* 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)

Vivian Salinas 2022-2023

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

APPLICANT

John Chavez

Rito Guzman

Rito Guzman Cynthia Juarez William Salazar PROPOSER

Dee Varela Dee Varela Sandra Lara Chris Guerrero

Sickness and Distress

- *Ron Torres had heart surgery and is at home recovering.
- *Alex Lindsay and Lucy Ibarra's mom was in the hospital, she is getting therapy and now home.
- *Tony Pelaez's brother passed away.
- *Cesar Cazarin's step-son passed away.
- *Jill Murphy lost her voice but is better now.
- *Adrienne Zackos is having knee surgery June 7th
- *Don Naverrete has been undergoing test, he is doing well.

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

Messages from the GER

Honoring our Flag, remembering our fathers
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The Esteemed Leading Knight's charge to our new Members opens with: "The Emblem of this station is the Flag of our country; and its motto is Charity, the cornerstone of every Elk structure, the highest virtue of every Elk creed." New Members listening to this charge may gain an understanding of what the Flag means to us as Flks

Across our great country, Flag Day is observed on the 14th day of June each year to honor and commemorate the adoption of the American Flag. The Second Continental Congress adopted this date in 1777, and President Woodrow Wilson issued a presidential proclamation in 1916 establishing June 14 as national Flag Day.

In our great Order of Elks, the Grand Lodge, by Resolution, designated June 14 as Flag Day. In 1911, the Grand Lodge adopted a mandatory observance of Flag Day in all of our Lodges.

Americans celebrate Flag Day by displaying the red, white, and blue in front of homes and businesses. Flag Day events are held by Lodges all across our great country with ceremonies, parades, essay contests, and, most importantly, our Elks Flag Day Ceremony. The American Flag is the emblem of the "land that I love." Our Flag symbolizes the land of the free and home of the brave for all Americans.

June also has another special day for all of us as we honor and celebrate Father's Day. This year the holiday falls on Sunday, June 18. No matter how far away you may be, take the time to reach out and say happy Father's Day. This is not only a special day for your father but it is also special for your grandfather, your great-grandfather, your brother, and your special uncle. Happy Father's Day.

June is the beginning of our summer months. Children are home from school, graduation ceremonies are held, and families begin summer vacations. Celebrating our Flag and participating in June activities in our homes and at our Lodges truly show "Elks Care — Elks Share." I encourage each of you to continue "Promoting Elkdom With Enthusiasm" by bringing joy, happiness, love and lots of sunshine to one another.

God bless all of you. God bless our troops, past and present. Most of all, God bless America.



WEST COVINA ELKS VETERANS COMMITTEE & MEMBERS IN ACTION

Members, veterans, friends, and associates, hoping this brief narrative finds you all in good spirits and health.

The West Covina Elks Veterans Committee and support group will be extending an olive branch of friendship to another Veteran's housing complex located in Pomona. The 'Veterans Park' complex offers sixty apartment housing units for veterans and their families. I've met with the complex Veterans Affairs coordinator, Lilian Payan and the Veterans Service Coordinator, Melody Sitt, both of whom are very energetic and goal oriented. We will plan and coordinate a pancake breakfast on Friday, June 30, 2023, for the veterans and their families. It is also our intent to supply canned and dry food items to restock their food pantry as they provide food distribution on a bi-monthly basis.

I'm excited to reach out to a new group of veterans as well as continue to serve and sponsor our El Monte veterans.

Thank you for your continued support, participation, and contributions for our veterans.

Respectfully,

Angel Vasquez Veterans Committee Chairman

Reps and Deps embark on busy, rewarding summer By Hannah Graber, ENVSC Programs Coordinator

In the ENVSC office, we often talk about our "Reps and Deps"—shorthand for some of our most dedicated volunteers.

These Elks Voluntary Service Representatives and Deputy Representatives are the ones who support our veterans in VA Medical Centers, State Veterans Homes, and shelters every month, come rain, shine, or pandemic. Over the past year, Elks Representatives visited with these veterans an average of twice a month to provide entertainment, support, and essential supplies. For veterans who are struggling with health issues, living far from family, or seeking a safe place to live, these Elks aren't just friends—they are a lifeline.

Now that summer is here, these Reps and Deps are planning barbecues, fishing trips, and more to keep veterans healthy and engaged. Read about a few of our Representatives' plans for spending the summer with veterans.

George Yusko, Representative at the Lyons, New Jersey, VA Medical Center, is planning to take veterans out for a day at the ballpark to see a Somerset Patriots baseball game. After spending extended time indoors, a game and picnic will be a welcome relief for Lyons veterans. They'll get to enjoy hot dogs and hamburgers while they spend time together.

In Michigan, veterans from the Yale Community Health Center will be able to attend a pancake breakfast where they'll learn about the PACT Act and other benefits available to them. This event will be hosted by Port Huron, MI Lodge No. 343 and Representative Scott Harris. Harris hopes to connect veterans and their families with the services they need in a fun community environment.

Veterans at the Bruce McCandless Veterans Community Living Center in Florence, Colorado will be planting a raised vegetable and flower garden this year. Representative Trudy Gagas has plans to provide new raised garden boxes and repair the current ones. She reports that gardening is a popular activity at the Veterans Home because it provides outdoor time all summer and for many summers in the future.

Want to join in the fun? Connect with your local Voluntary Service Representative and offer to help out with their plans. Visit elks.org/vets/vavs for details.



June

Arthur R Munoz	1
William Salinas	1
Marisa Montenegro	2
Rosalind Espinosa	3
Delia Chavez-Varela	4
Desiree Marinelarena	4
Elenore Rojas	4
David Burton	5
Joseph Cruz	5
Sandra Duarte	5
Henry Roseli	6
Steve Sesanto	6
Antonio Cortez	7
Douglas Johnson	7
Robert Ramos	7
Angel Urueta	8
Donald Best	9
Gustavo Juarez	9
Joseph Martinez	9
Robert Mitchell	9
Steve Weisberg	9
Nickolas Ramirez	10
Lyndale Hadden	11
Michelle Zelada	12
Valentine Rosario	13
Mary Ruiz	13
Javier Urueta	13
Edward Fierro	14
Helen Genis	14
Matthew Gomez	14
Joe Quintana	15
Roy Kneale	17
Michael Luna	17
Gilberto Zambrano	17
Gema Quinn	18
James Gilbert	19
Paul Liput	19
Martin Salinas	20
Jennifer Garcia	22
Alan Mendez	22
Luis Tony Hernandez	23
Scott Montoya	23
Ralph Garica	24
Celia Martinez	24
Fernando Torres	24
Chuck Kantrim	25
John McMillen	25
Anthony Varela	25
Fernando Maese	27
Frank Ferrero	28
Charlene Rasmussen	29
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WEST COVINA LODGE LET'S GET TOGETHER & CELEBRATE EVENTS

WEST COVINA ELKS LODGE #1996

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*PRESENTS-

"The Flashback Cowboys"

Friday, June 2, 2023 Doors Open 4:00 pm *** * Music - 7pm - 11pm



Dinner from 5 pm - 7pm

Dinner RSVP - Call (626) 962-0113 By Wednesday, May 31st before 5pm this RSVP Guarantees Table Seat NO COVER

Non-ELK Members must be Signed-in by ELK Member



Y JUNE

DOORS OPEN 4 PM / DINNER 5-7 PM

DINNER RESERVATION 626.962.0113 MADE BY WED PRIOR TO EVENT

WEST COVINA EMBLEM CLUB 299

Fundraiser Tardeada Sunday July 2nd, 2023

Doors open at 2:30 PM Dance 3:00 to 7:00 PM

Entertainment by:

NIGHT GROOVE

Hors d'oeuvres 3:00 to 4:00 PM Bring your own snacks and Goodies

\$25.00 Per Ticket

For Ticket Info Call: Nina (626) 224-6294 Ceci Avila (626) 485-6285

Tickets On Sale Now! 841 W. Merced Ave. West Covina, CA.

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West Covina Elks PRE-FATHER'S DAY **SUNDAY JUNE 11TH**



JUNE

DJ DANA

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

For Ticket information call Ben Ortega at (626) 324-5176 no refunds or exchanges www.westcovinaelks.org

WEST COVINA ELKS PRESENTS

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

IT'S TIME FOR OUR

BREAKFAST CATCH-UP!

OVER 10
CALL ALEX (626) 338-8111

\$14 ADULTS \$8 KIDS (UNDER 12) PAY AT THE BAR

9 AM TO 12 PM
ENTERTAINMENT BY
DAVID JARAMILLO

WELCOMING OUR ELK SISTERS & BROTHERS FROM THE FULLERTON LODGE



Emblem Club #299 Corner

June! A time for Graduations, Weddings and Summer Vacations. I hope that we all will be able to enjoy our summer this year

June 14th is Flag Day. Flag Day is celebrated on June 14th to commemorate the adoption of the Flag of the United States on June 14, 1777 by resolution of the 2nd Continental Congress. True or not, Betsy Ross has always been credited with making the first flag. Flag Day is special to Emblem. In our Initiation Ritual the words "I recognize and respect the American Flag, which is the Emblem of our Country and of Our Order" are pledged by our new member. Emblem will be celebrating Flag Day with the Elks on Tuesday, June 13th.

Father's Day is June 18th. Let's remember our Fathers this year, maybe with a BBQ or a prayer.

Members! We need Members. Bring in a new Member.

Charlene Rasmussen West Covina Emblem 299. President "Come Fly With Me"



West Ovina Jodge Saturday Nights Menu & Entertainment

BIRTHDAY BASH SATURDAY, JUNE 10

ENTERTAINMENT: YESTERDAYS DREAM

RIBEYE STEAK \$25.00
HONEY GARLIC CHICKEN BREAST \$17.00
SALMON SALAD \$18.00
ASIAN CHICKEN BREAST SALAD \$16.00

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

WEST OVINA ELKS JODGE JUNE FRIDAY NIGHTS





&
SNTERTAINMENT
JUNE 2023

JUNE 2
ENTERTAINMENT: FLASHBACK COWBOYS
RIBS - BRISKET - BBQ CHICKEN \$24.95
INCLUDE ALL THE FIXINGS
(YES YOU GET ALL THREE)

NO SHARING PLATES

JUNE 9

ENTERTAINMENT: LANCE & GARY SHOW
PRIME RIB \$26.00
PRIME RIB SALAD \$18.00
LEMON CHICKEN BREAST (80Z) \$17.00

JUNE 16

ENTERTAINMENT: (RHYTHM JUKE BOX
RIB EYE STEAK \$25.00
STUFF CHICKEN BREAST \$17.50
RIB EYE STEAK SALAD \$18.00
SALMON (8 0Z) \$18.00

JUNE 23

ENTERTAINMENT: (LOU& LILLIAN)

NEW YORK STEAK \$25.00 STUFF CHICKEN BREAST \$17.50 ALASKA COD \$16.00 STEAK SALAD \$18.00

JUNE 30

ENTERTAINMENT: (BOBBY Z)
NEW YORK STEAK & LOBSTER \$40.00
LOBSTER \$29.00
NEW YORK STEAK \$25.00

HERB CHICKEN BREAST \$17.00 MAHI MAHI \$17.00

Call (626) 962-0113
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Pre-Paid Friday Dinner Reservations

SHARING A PLATE \$10.00 CHARGE



San Gabriel Valley District PER Association

BASEBALL GAME FUNDRAISER

Rancho Cucamonga QUAKES
VS

San Jose GIANTS

July 29, 2023 | 6:30PM

Help support SGV District sponsored activities that include District Hoop Shoot, Ritual Contest, Youth Activities Awards, and CHEA President Visitation.

Tickets - \$20 *does not include parking*

Food voucher also available \$10 - includes a hot dog, chips, and drink

For tickets contact Mike Salazar 626.827.6700 by Monday, July 10, 2023

Quakes Stadium 8408 Rochester Ave, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

GRAND LODGE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Antlers provides teens an outlet for community service

By RONALD A. MANGONE

Committee Member

As Elks Members, we need to stand with the members of all of our youth programs and provide guidance and encouragement. April brought with it the start of a new Elks year and new leadership in your Lodge. Encourage your Members to check out our Lodge Activities website elks.org/grandlodge/activities/. Here, you will find the necessary groundwork to apply for an Antlers charter, as well as manuals and information for all of our Grand Lodge Activities. The information on this website is very useful and can be shared with newly initiated Members.

Interest to start an Antlers Lodge is at an all-time high. I have spoken to many different Elks Lodges in a variety of states wishing to bring an Antlers Program to their Lodge. I am happy to report five more Antlers Lodges have been issued charters as of this writing. Congratulations to the following new Antlers Programs: Watertown, NY No. NY No. 2073; Red Oak, IA No. 1304; wonderful way to show what our youth

and Lubbock, TX No. 1348. Across America, we have also seen an increase in membership to existing Antlers Lodges. Your enthusiasm to share the values instilled in our youth is outstanding.

To keep updating our booth at Grand Lodge, I have asked for pictures to be sent to me.

showing an institution of a new Antlers Lodge as well as pictures showing the installation of officers and projects. Please keep them coming.

used to show community service. Stu- easily recognized when they are assisting dents can share their work with their at Lodge, district, or community events. guidance counselors and share it when support to their local communities through their fundraising efforts. Setting them to form new friendships.

496; Old Bridge, NJ No. 2229; Rensselaer, up a table during a community event is a

are involved in and how they support their community. In addition, information about your Lodge and events is a way to show possible new Members that we work to involve the whole family. Involving the family is an important link to the future of our Order.

Just as we as Elks Members To date, I have received a few pictures wear shirts with our Lodge name on them, so should your Antlers. The Antlers emblem is perfect to add to any shirt you may be ordering for your Antlers to wear. Simply add the name of the Antlers Remember that Antlers' work can be Lodge and its number and they will be

Finally, encourage your Antlers to reach applying to a college or trade school. out to other Antlers Lodges in your dis-Antlers are also providing additional trict or neighboring district. Sharing their beliefs and accomplishments will enable

G/L PR AND MEMBERSHIP MARKETING COMMITTEE

A playbook for adding new Members

By RICK GATHEN

Membership Marketing Manager

- 1. Ask every Member to submit three prospects to the membership chair and receive the GER Award Pin.
- 2. Assign every Chair Officer to a five-person recruitment team, and each team brings in at least five new Members.
- 3. Pass out M&M candy to remind Members that "Membership Matters' and that we need "More Members."
- 4. Distribute extra copies of The Elks Magazine to waiting rooms, etc.
- 5. Hold wine and cheese receptions for prospective Members.
- 6. Build a Lodge website and social media page.
 - 7. Create more fun at your Lodge.
- 8. Lead by example. How many Members have you recruited?
- 9. Hold recruiting events with the entire district.
- 10. Place an invitation card in the hand of every Member to remind them to bring a guest.
- 11. Produce Lodge flyers and have available in the Lodge. Hand to nonmembers during community events.
- 12. In your Exalted Ruler message, every month.
- 13. Ask your Lodge Secretary to run a list of all former Members dropped for non-payment over the past five years.
- 14. Give guests Lodge pins and make them feel welcome.

- 15. Approach corporations and businesses. Some businesses look for community involvement opportunities.
- 16. Place pamphlets in doctors' offices, hospitals, cafeterias, libraries, etc.
- 17. Send letters to people in the news with an invitation to visit the Lodge.
- 18. Have a special guest day. Free food always works!
- 19. Write letters to the newspaper about the campaigns your Lodge is working on.
- 20. Honor outstanding community members with awards.
- 21. Wear your Lodge's pin in public, and people will ask you questions.
 - 22. Send the Lodge newsletter to guests.
- 23. Contact your chamber of commerce to help you advertise your events.
- 24. Rent out your Lodge to civic, benevolent and fraternal groups such as Rotary International, Lions Club, and Knights of Columbus.
- 25. Open your Lodge to community organizations that need a place to meet.
- 26. Encourage your Members to "just ask" friends, family, neighbors, business associates, etc. to join the Order.
 - 27. Sponsor a community work day.
- 28. Ask to be invited into a local school. encourage Members to bring guests Parents and teachers are the prospects. Sponsor a presentation.
 - Arrange to speak at homeowners association meetings and give a presentation about the Elks.
 - 30. Use the reinstatement letter from the Membership Manual.



House Rule Addition Vote June 20th, 2023

The below has been proposed to be added to our House Rules in accorgance with Grand Lodge Statutes 17.052. A vote of the membership will be taken at the Tuesday June 20th regular Lodge meeting.

Grand Lodge Statutes (GLS) Reads:

Section 17.052. Each Lodge shall enact and have in force a House Rule prohibiting the over service of alcohol as defined by local law or ordinance

The addition will read:

West Covina Elks Lodge strickly prohibits the over service of alcohol to our members and guests as defined by local law or ordinances.

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June 2023 Elktivities



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				BINGO 6:00 PM	2 Dine & Dance Flashback Cowboys Menu Pg. 9	3
4	NO FRILLS MONDAY SPECIAL Menu Pg. 4 Lounge Open 4:00 PM Investigations	6 Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	7 Karaoke with KJ Don 6-10 PM Food Available PER Meeting 7P	8 BINGO 6:00 PM	9 Dine & Dance Lance & Gary Menu Pg. 9	10 Birthday Bash Yesterday's Dream Menu Pg. 9
11 Pre-Father's Day BBQ with SUAVE & DJ Dana	NO FRILLS MONDAY SPECIAL Menu Pg. 4 Lounge Open 4:00 PM	Flag Day Ceremony All Invited Open Ceremony	14 Karaoke with KJ Don 6-10 PM Food Available BOD Meeting	BINGO 6:00 PM	16 Dine & Dance Rythm Jukeboxx Menu Pg. 9	17
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Karaoke Sunday w/ DJ Dana 12 - 6 PM Food Available	26 NO FRILLS MONDAY SPECIAL Menu Pg. 4 Lounge Open 4:00 PM	Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM Initiation	28 Karaoke with KJ Don 6-10 PM Food Available	BINGO 6:00 PM	30 Dine & Dance Steak & Lobster Bobby Z Menu Pg. 9	