

“The Antlers”

Willows Elks Lodge #1786

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Exalted Ruler's Message



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

If you were not aware the message from your ER has to be submitted by the 15th of the month prior to the Antlers being produced and mailed. Today being the 12th of May I'm currently at the C.H.E.A. annual convention in San Diego representing our Lodge.

The ritual competition this year was at the Chico Lodge. I was proud of the performance and effort put forth by our ritual team.

Also special thanks to PER's Rich Warren, who stepped in at the last minute to take my place, Larry Olsen, for coaching, Dave Arbsland, candidate, and George and Cherylle Waters for assisting with practices.

I'm going to miss the Mexican Dinner this week the food sounded excellent, but I will be back in time for Bill Feeney's Lamb Feed.

The Mother's Day luncheon had a good turn out. At my last count 79 meals were served. The House Committee did another excellent job and the BBQ chicken was excellent. All the mothers received a flower. It was a pleasure to be there to hand out the flowers and the mothers were all pleased.

Remember Brothers and Sisters Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity are the foundations of our order and as American citizens we should guide our course in life by those cardinal principles of our Order. Fraternally Yours, Harold White, Exalted Ruler

Elks Care - Elks Share

Sickness And Distress By Milt Gordon



It is our sad duty to announce the death of our long time member, Brother George D. "Dan" Ellis. Graveside services have been held at our local cemetery. Our sincere condolences are extended to his family.

Also, Ora Argo, widow of our late Brother, Harry Argo and the mother of Brother Frank Argo, of Princeton, passed away late in April in Chico. Ora will be remembered by many for having attended every one of our memorial services, until last December, since the death of her husband. More recently, we were saddened to hear of the death of Eleanore Ward, the wife of Brother Buck Ward, following a short illness. The sympathy of our officers and members is extended to the families of both Ora and Eleanor.

Brother Joe Hinton recently had surgery and is now home and doing very well. We wish him the best and hope for a full and complete recovery.

We reported in one of our recent Antlers that Brother Joe Bach, of Princeton, had undergone inner ear surgery. After a series of follow-up treatments in Sacramento, he is now home and will have future treatments with his primary care physician in Woodland. We wish the best for him.

By the time this issue reaches you, Brother Ed Owens should be home fol-

lowing an extended stay in the U.C. Davis hospital in Sacramento, where he has undergone two neck surgeries. We hope he will have a complete recovery.

Bernice Hiller has been in the hospital for surgery and is now home recovering. We wish her well.

In Memoriam

George "Dan" Ellis

Born: May 30, 1923

Initiated: August 4, 1987

Died: April 25, 2010

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Major Project By Bud Bernard



Our main fund raiser for the year is over and considering everything was very successful—thanks to all of you generous people. We only had 51 people for dinner but those people were great. Thank you to all who attended, donated items, purchased raffle tickets, purchased auction items, turned in piggy banks (Neoma Bailey, Arta Davis, Kaitlin, Marissa & Michael Flowerdew, Richard Gilmore, Robert Mann, Carlene Morgan, Leroy & Barbara Robinette, Mary Lu Walker, Kerri Warren & Harold White) and donated for Century Club certificates (Alan Barceloux, Arta Davis and Bernice Hiller). Also to Kris Wallis for her donations in memory of friends. Again I would like to thank the House Committee for preparing and serving the dinner. The total for the evening (excluding the dinner) was \$2,749.72. Again a big THANK YOU.

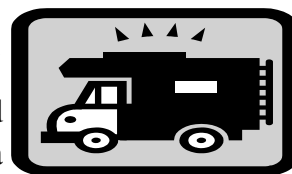
The bar pigs were fed \$31.35 in April and the “No Swear” pigs collected \$40.00 for the same period. Thanks also to Dick Pence for his donation (Dick has been giving a donation every month—really appreciate that Dick).

NOTE: - for those of you that have donated with your dues, thank you and if it was enough for a Century Club Certificate those will be issued soon.



R.V. Roamers

By Judi LaBarbera



At the April and May Meetings, a number of members volunteered to do Trail Boss Duties. The following trips have been planned:

June: Shingletown—contact Ray Crabtree

July 23-24: McCloud Lumber Jack Days—contact Joe Hinton

August 5-8: Rogue River Jet Boat trip: contact Jim LaBarbera

Sept. 10-12: Hat Creek—contact Jim LaBarbera

November: Bandon, OR—contact Jim Weathers

December: Grass Valley—contact Dan Schuller

We had a hamburger BBQ at the lodge for our May meeting. There was a very good turn out. Our next meeting will be on June 16th at 6:00pm, we encourage all members to be present.

Flag Day

By Margaret Albiston

The annual Flag Day ceremonies will be held on Sunday, June 13th at 1:00pm in the Lodge Room. Student winners of the annual Essay Contest will be special guests. Glenn County 4-H All-Stars will serve as the flag presenters. Bring family and friends to learn the history of each flag that has flown to represent the United States. See you there.

**BIOGRAPHY OF
STEVE R. MARADA
STATE VICE PRESIDENT
NORTH DISTRICT
2010-2011
CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS ASSOCIATION**

Steve Marada was invited to join the Elks by his father Richard Marada and was initiated into the Paradise Elks Lodge No.2026 in January of 2000. Steve served on various committees including Veterans Van Driver, Greeter, before becoming, an Officer of the Lodge in 2002-2003. He held various Offices until becoming Exalted Ruler in 2005-2006. He has served as Lodge Secretary since 2008. In addition to serving as North District State Vice President this year, Steve will continue as Paradise Lodge Secretary until next year when he will give it up.

Steve has chaired several committees in his Lodge including three years as Bingo Chairman, two years ENF, Indoctrination, two years Elk Training, two years Old Timers Night. Steve served as District ENF Chairman 2006-2007 and 2007-2008, District Piggy Bank Chairman 2008-2009 and 2009-2010. Steve is proud to be an Honorary Founder of the ENF and holds multiple Century and 52-Clubs in CHEMPI.

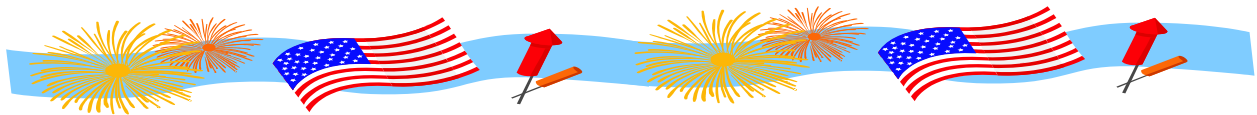
Steve was born in Glendale, California and raised in the Panorama City area. Steve served in the US Navy attending Electronic Schools before serving aboard the USS Bennington CVS-20 and the USS Oriskany CVA-34 in Vietnam. Steve attended college-studying Geology before traveling extensively in Europe. He ended up in Colorado where he worked on the crash crew as an EMT, at the Eisenhower Memorial Tunnel as well as operating the tunnel control systems. Steve then took a position as a Senior Observer on a seismic geophysical exploration crew working the overthrust belt project in Wyoming and various other locations in the western United States. His last location was working in Sudan North Africa. Steve went to work for the IBM Corp. becoming a Systems Engineer. He later worked as a System Consultant and went to work for Safeway Stores as Lead System Programmer. He later worked for Wells Fargo Bank as Consulting Systems Programmer. In 1999, Steve was published in 'Who's Who in Information Technology' and retired in 2000. He then became a licensed Insurance Agent and pursued his own Agency.

In 1993, Steve purchased a home in Paradise where he met his wife Kristin. They have been married for 16 years and they are still speaking to each other.

Steve is a Member of the NaSPA, American Legion, Sons of the American Revolution, Native Sons of the Golden West, Life Member of the VFW, Life Member/ Chief Range Safety Officer/ Certified Instructor in the NRA, Charter and Life Member Beer Drinkers of America. In addition, he is a past member of IEEE.

Steve volunteers with the Butte County Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association where has served on the Board of Directors for ten years. He participates in the Western Reenactment group -'Law Dawgs and Pistoleros of the Olde West' and volunteers in the Community.

Steve and Kristin enjoy traveling, fine wine and good food, and an occasional game of golf.



Americanism

By Margaret Albiston

The Candidates Forum held on Monday, May 10th was a huge success. The Social Hall had a full house (128 attendees) plus 12 candidates running in the upcoming election. The Forum began sharply at 6:00pm and was adjourned a few minutes before 10:00pm.

Orland Supervisor District 2 had 4 of the 5 candidates attending, both candidates for Willows District 4 attended, as well as the 2 candidates for District Attorney, 2 candidates for Assessor-Recorder, and 2 candidates for Superintendent of Schools.

Dr. Bill Brown served as Moderator accepting questions from the floor besides taking written questions.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

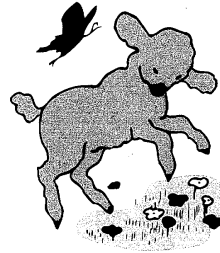


Richard Stafford
Dave Connelly
Michael Obrien
Sean Long
Dick Bennett
Les Bagby
Dave Arbsland



Ray Crabtree	1
Ronald Simson	1
George Bailey	2
William Rogers	2
John McCracken	4
Stephen Rahlfs	4
Darrell Wilson	6
Randy Hands	7
Robert Kennedy	8
James Callahan	10
Luke Weinrich	11
Timothy Azevedo	20
Robert Shadley	20
Robert White	20
Joe E. Rogers	22
Paul De Carlo	26
Peter Towne	27

Bill Feeney's SPRING LAMB FEED



Friday, May 28, 2010
Willows Elks Lodge
Social Hour: 6:00 pm
Dinner: 7:00 pm
Donation: \$10.00

Please Make Reservations 934-4797



FLAG DAY CEREMONY

Sunday, June 13, 2010
1:00 PM



Flags to be Displayed by Glenn County 4-H

**Presentations by Essay
Contest Winners**

**LIGHT
REFRESHMENTS
WILL BE
SERVED**



WILLOWS ELKS LODGE
#1786

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Officers and Committee Chairpersons 2010/2011

Exalted Ruler	Harold White
Esteemed Leading Knight	Jeff Cobb
Esteemed Loyal Knight	Mike Butler
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	Andres Tovar
Secretary	Bruce McLeod
Treasurer	Paul Niehues
Esquire	Josh Brazzi
Chaplain	Lecia Quinn
Inner Guard	Rodney Pozzi
Tiler	Ralph Smith
Organist	Vacant
	<u>Trustees</u>
Chairman	Ray Crabtree
Secretary	Larry Olsen (PER)
	Ed Owens
	Rich Warren (PER)
	Barry Corbin (PER)
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Accident Prevention/Safety	Ray Crabtree
Americanism	Margaret Albiston
Antler Editor	Verlene Schuller/Bruce McLeod
Auditing & Accounting	Joe Sites (PER)
Bequests & Living Trusts	Gary Krup
Business Practices	Gary Krup
Drug Awareness	Rich Warren (PER)
Elks National Foundation	George Hansen/ (PER) /Harold White
Elks Training	George Hansen (PER)
Flag Day	Margaret Albiston
Government Relations	Brandon Thompson
Hoop Shoot	Mike Butler
Indoctrination/Orientation	David Arbsland (PER)
Insurance	Ray Crabtree
Investigation/Interview	George Hansen (PER)
Lapsation	Al Frank (PER)
Lodge Activities	Vacant
Membership	George Corbin
Memorial Day	Al Frank (PER)
National Veterans Service	Gary Ponciano
Per Association President	David Arbsland (PER)
Piggy Bank	Bud Bernard
Public Relations	Brandon Thompson
Scholarship	Margaret Albiston
Scouting	Steve Bailey (PER)
Youth Activities	Barry Corbin (PER)
Crab Feed	Chuck Ramsey (PER)

June 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Dinner Meeting/Initiation	2	3	4	5 Rental
6	7 Hunter Safety Class	8 Trustee's/ House Comm. Meetings	9 Hunter Safety Class	10	11	12 Rental
13 Flag Day at Lodge 1:00 pm	14 Elk's Auxiliary Meeting	15 Dinner Meeting	16 R V Roamers Meeting	17	18	19 Rental
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Rental
27	28	29	30	