

Banning-Beaumont Elks Lodge #1839



MAY 2022

A Word From Our Exalted Ruler-Carl Wolfram

We are moving into spring, and your new officers are making plans for the new year. This month will be very active, with several projects taking place. Please pay attention to your monthly calendar for activities and times. Let me highlight a few of the activities starting with Our Mother's Day breakfast on May 7 starting at 10 am, followed by Derby Day with special drinks for you to enjoy. Also, for the first time in three years, our deep pit BBQ will take place on May 14. Please ask all of your family and friends to attend. Your support is necessary for its success. Please ask Kelliey how you can help. Signup sheets and tickets are in the Lodge.

Our Officers and Trustee board meeting will be Wednesday, May 4 at 5:00. We will be setting up some goals for the year.

Three of your officers will attend the California-Hawaii Elks convention in Fresno on May 18. We will attend many of the sessions and report back on what we have learned and the changes that will take place for our new year.

For our lodge to move forward, our club needs to continue having volunteers. The same lodge members can't keep doing everything necessary to keep the lodge clean and repaired and provide activities for you to enjoy. Please take on a project or task, so your officers and trustees do not get burned out. I would like to thank Brigg for doing repairs and opening the bar on Wednesdays and his wife Kelliey for taking on the BBQ. Thanks to Greg and Delene for cleaning our lodge and opening the lodge on Thursdays. Also, Ron has been working on the outside of the lodge, eating and killing the weeds that continue growing. With the help of his wife, Vicky, Ron is the House Committee head. Many members volunteer each week and we will list some of them each month. Please think about joining them or taking on a new project.

Please take a little time to support your lodge.

Carl Wolfram ER

A Word From Esteemed Leading Knight-Delene Gonzales

On Friday, April 22nd, the Elk's presented a check to the Girls Scouts of San Geronio, Troop 64, 764, 1686, to help fund their summer camping trip. I want to thank Elk members for contributing to our charity walk. It is very rewarding to help our local community flourish and a privilege to be an Elk.

Delene Gonzales- Leading Knight



House Committee-Ron Elisalda, Chairperson

Everything around the Lodge is growing and changing. We have something happening four days a week now. Please support the lodge by coming to the dinners on Tuesday and Friday and Happy Hour on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 1 pm. We are still raising money for a commercial dishwasher at \$1700. Our goal is \$6000 as we may need to retrofit the counter and cabinets above. Thank you to so many for their generous donations,

including The Atwoods, The Schucks, The Rocks, and many others. The House Committee will purchase a new a/c unit for the dining area from their tips. Volunteers are always needed for dinner nights in the kitchen and working the door. The lodge will be closed on Friday, May 13th, to prepare for our Annual Deep Pit BBQ. If you haven't signed up, you can do so in the lodge or by contacting Kellie Matthews.

Honoring Our Own

May is a month of Memorializing those who have made the ultimate sacrifice serving our country. Please take a moment to remember those lost on the field of battle and those who lost the fight years later. Memorial Day is Monday, May 30th. We remember and will never forget. Please bring in photos of your heroes to add to our Veterans Room.

Flag Decommissioning Ceremony

We have changed plans for our Flag Decommissioning Ceremony. Flag Day is fast approaching, and we will be having a special celebration and ceremony on that day in June. Part of the service will include Flag Decommissioning. Mark your calendars.

APRIL Birthday Celebration

The last Friday of the month, we will be celebrating that month's birthdays. This month we had quite a few April babies being honored. A great time was had by all. A big thank you to Delene Gonzales, Charlotte, Beverly Rios, Bev Wolfram, and Janet Morrissey for the festive decorations.

If your birthday lands in May, please give your name to the Bartender and receive a drink on the house! Happy Birthday!

Get to Know Your Officers

Kevin Norville is new to our lodge but not new to the Pass Area. He was raised in Banning, and so was his beautiful wife, Shay. They have raised their three boys here and will welcome a new daughter-in-law in August. Kevin and Shay both work for the city of Beaumont, and Kevin brings a fresh perspective and host of knowledge to the Trustee position. He and his entire family have been a

welcomed addition to the lodge and are excited to see it grow. Welcome, Kevin Norville.



ANNUAL DEEP PIT BBQ

On **May 14, 2022**, our Lodge will hold its **Annual Deep Pit BBQ**. This big event and huge fundraiser for the Lodge and its

success are 100% dependent on all our Lodge

Members. Please consider how you can make this year's event enjoyable and profitable for all participating. Look for sign-up sheets available in the Lodge starting this week. Sign up for any part of the event, which will make it the success we want to be. Consider donating an item or gift card for our opportunity drawing. Sell or buy some tickets as we are less than 2 weeks away. If you are working the day of the event, please come by 12 noon. See you there.

BusyBees April 2022 April has brought some significant changes to our lodge. New officers, New committees, and two new days of Happy Hour are growing exponentially. Delene and Greg Gonzales make the lodge spic and span several days a week. Ron and Vicky Elisalda have done a great job continuing to grow our lounge and bar area. So many are working outside the lodge to raise its Curb Appeal. Thank you to those who have pushed a mower, whacked a weed, and cleaned out the pit and the BBQ shack, including Ron Elisalda, Brigg Matthews, Greg Gonzales, Jack Kesner, and Frank Yrungaray. A Big thanks to Brigg Matthews for working continually on the outside lights, and inside lights and salvaging/hanging the banners on the front of the building with Greg Gonzales. Both also volunteered as bartenders for Happy Hours. Those passing by will see our lodge has a heartbeat again.