



CALLING ALL

Elks

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# Riverside Elks 125th Anniversary 1901 - 2026

Open House - February 7, 2026  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

6166 Brockton Avenue, Riverside

**Fun, Food and Entertainment**  
Come see what we do for our community

Entertainment:  
Kings of Rhythm  
\$1.25 Drink Specials  
Food Available

**Elks Care Elks Share.**

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is dedicated to serving the community through various charitable programs.

- **Scholarships and Grants:**  
Supporting local youth and Veterans' Programs.
- **Community Service:**  
Engaging in fundraising and volunteer efforts to enhance community welfare.



# FROM YOUR EXALTED RULER

Greeting Riverside Lodge #643,

February is the perfect time to reflect on the spirit of fellowship and love, the key elements of the Elk’s Code of Behavior. This month please take the time to remember the obligation. It is easy to lose sight of the importance of treating each other with kindness and respect in our daily lives. I encourage all of you make a conscious effort to embrace the cardinal rules of the order:

### Fidelity

- Members pledge loyalty to the principles of the organization, to their fellow members, and to their country.
- Fidelity also includes loyal adherence to the rules, rituals, and purposes of the Order.

### Charity

- Charity is the greatest virtue of Elkdome.
- Members are expected to practice generosity — through charity work, donations, and personal compassion.
- Helping those in need (especially veterans, youth, and communities) is central to Elk philosophy.

### Justice

- Every Elk is expected to be fair, honest, and impartial, both within the organization and in daily life.
- The Elks oppose prejudice, discrimination, and unfair treatment in any form.

### Brotherly Love

- Members are expected to show kindness, respect, and compassion to one another.
- Disagreements should be handled with dignity and civility — harmony within the Lodge is a core principle.

### Respect and Conduct

- Members must maintain decorum and good conduct in all Lodge functions and in public life.
- Alcohol and social gatherings are part of the fellowship, but respectful behavior is always required.
- Members should uphold the dignity of the Order in speech, dress, and actions.

### Service and Participation

- Active involvement is encouraged — attending meetings, volunteering, and supporting Lodge initiatives.
- Members are expected to work together cooperatively for the greater good of the community

One of things I am most proud of about our lodge is our ability to come together, working to accomplish a common goal or put together an event. Together we accomplish incredible things! Thank you all for everything you do for the lodge.

Fraternally,

*Amy Torgersen*

Exalter Ruler

### Officer’s for 2025—2026

Exalted Ruler.....	Amy Torgersen
Leading Knight .....	Julie Greenberg
Loyal Knight .....	Elizabeth Prince
Lecturing Knight .....	Linda Herrera
Secretary .....	Rose Smith
Treasurer .....	Bonnie Wadley
Tiler .....	Logan Casem
Esquire .....	Pam Elias
Chaplain .....	Steve Gilson
Inner Guard .....	Tina Sydow
Organist .....	Vacant

### Trustees for 2025—2026

One Year.....	Jim Madison, COB
Two Year .....	Rob Maldonado
Three Year .....	Rich Barr
Four Year .....	James Skaggs
Five Year .....	Jacob Drake

### Committee Chairpersons for 2025—2026

<b>EXALTED RULER</b> .....	Amy Torgersen
Americanism.....	Mike Van Gorder
Auditing.....	Mona Perez, PER Liz Brown
Bulletin .....	Frances Rojas
Bulletin .....	Rose Barr
Lodge Activities.....	Julie Greenberg
Members Memorial.....	Lodge Officers
Membership .....	Rose Smith
Safety Officer .....	James Skaggs
<b>LEADING KNIGHT</b> .....	Julie Greenberg
Bingo .....	Josie White
Charity .....	Julie Greenberg
Christmas Baskets .....	Gerrie Brewington
ENF .....	Mona Perez, PER
Purple Pig/Piggy Bank .....	Kristina Wendt
Scholarship .....	Susan Straight
Sickness & Distress .....	Julie Greenberg
Youth Activities/Awards.....	Evelyn Eckroth
<b>LOYAL KNIGHT</b> .....	Saturday Prince
Drug Awareness.....	Rose Smith
Hoop Shoot .....	Saturday Prince
Public Relations .....	Pam Elias
Veteran’s Committee.....	Erik Perry Kim Perry
<b>LECTURING KNIGHT</b> .....	Linda Herrera
Flag Day.....	Erik & Kimberly Perry
New Member Orientation.....	Larry Perez
Old Timers Night .....	Tom Leslie, PER
Dart League.....	Jenna Drake
Elks of the Year .....	Carole DeLaOssa
Facebook Admin.....	Julie Greenberg Pam Elias
Golf Club.....	Terri Russell
Grants.....	Mona Perez, PER
Kamper Klub.....	Chip Davies
P.E.R. Association.....	Lilly Allala, PER
Pistol Team .....	Pat Olagues
Web Master .....	James Skaggs

### Office Staff 2025—2026

Bookkeeper.....	Kristina Wendt
Club Manager.....	Kristen Nunez
Office Assistant.....	Keilani Shoulder
Rental Coordinator.....	Gerrie Brewington



## FROM YOUR LEADING KNIGHT

Greetings Elkdom,

February may be the shortest month of the year, but it is one of the most meaningful times for our Lodge. As we look ahead to upcoming Lodge elections, this season invites each of us to reflect on how we serve, how we lead, and how we continue to strengthen the organization we are proud to call home.

The success of our Lodge has always been rooted in member involvement. While elected and appointed officers help guide our direction, the true heartbeat of the Lodge is found in its committees and volunteers. From community outreach and youth programs to social events and charitable efforts, our committees are always looking for members willing to share their time, talents, and ideas. Getting involved is not only a way to give back, it is also one of the best ways to build connections, develop leadership skills, and deepen your experience as an Elk.

As we move closer to the end of the Lodge year, February is also a time to renew our commitment to the core principles of Elkdom: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity. These values are more than words. They guide our actions, shape our culture, and define how we show up for one another and for our community. Whether it's supporting a charitable program, welcoming a new member, mentoring a fellow Elk, or simply offering a helping hand, every act of service strengthens the bonds that unite us.

We encourage each member to consider how they might become more involved in the months ahead. If you have ever thought about running for office, serving on a committee, or volunteering at an event, now is the perfect time to start that conversation. Speak with a current officer, attend a committee meeting, or step forward when opportunities arise. Your participation matters, and your voice helps shape the future of our Lodge. Nominations for the 2026-27 year will be on February 5th at 7 pm.

Let us end February strong. Grounded in service, connected through fellowship, and united by our shared commitment to Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity. Together, we continue the proud traditions of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and ensure our Lodge remains vibrant, welcoming, and impactful for years to come.

With gratitude,

*Julie Greenberg*

Esteemed Leading Knight

## FROM YOUR LOYAL KNIGHT

### Lodge Life: Frequently Asked Questions

Greetings fellow Elks. Here are some questions I have fielded since joining the **Best People On Earth** almost 4 years ago.

### Membership & Guests

**Q: How many times can a guest visit our Lodge?** **A:** We love meeting your friends! Your guests are welcome to enjoy our hospitality up to **three times**. After that, we'd love for them to join our Order and become members themselves.

### Leadership & Meetings

**Q: Who can hold a leadership position at the Lodge?** **A:** Any Elk in good standing is eligible and welcome to pursue a position of leadership. We value fresh perspectives! In fact, the first meeting in February will be the nominations meeting for the coming year.

**Q: Which meetings am I allowed to attend?** **A:** All Elks are encouraged to attend our regular **Lodge meetings**. Additionally, members are welcome at **PER (Past Exalted Rulers)**, **Governing Body**, and **Trustee** meetings. Staying informed is the best way to stay involved!

**Q: I have a great idea for a charitable project or a rule change. Where do I go?** **A:** We want to hear it! Please bring proposals regarding charities or Lodge rules to a **Governing Body meeting**.

**Q: I noticed something that needs fixing or have an idea for a building improvement. Who should I tell?** **A:** Proposals for building maintenance or physical improvements should be brought to a **Trustee meeting**. Also, the bartender has "Maintenance Request Forms".

### Lodge Logistics

**Q: What should I do if the Lodge parking lot is full?** **A:** Don't turn around! If our main lot is at capacity, members are permitted to park in the lot **directly next door at the Brockton Center**.

**Q: When is the office open?** **A:** Our office hours are **Monday through Friday, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM**.

**Q: What if I can't call or visit during office hours?** **A:** No problem! Our **bartenders** can assist you with several items during regular social hours, including:

- Making reservations for an upcoming event
- Paying your annual dues

Purchasing Lodge merchandise like shirts and pins

**Have a question not covered here? Call the office, ask an officer, ask your sponsor, or join us at the next Lodge meeting. Looking forward to seeing you here!**

*Saturday Prince*

Esteemed Loyal Knight

## FROM YOUR LECTURING KNIGHT

Hello my Sisters and Brothers in Elkdome

Love is in the air...

It's February, the Month of Love and Brotherly Love! A reminder that one kind word can make a difference in someone's life. Let's all remember to be kind to one another always. Not just on the month of brotherly love.

That also takes us closer to our new Elk year. As the dial of new chair officers turns. A new Exalted Ruler will soon take the podium. How exciting!

This past Elk year has been great. As your Lecturing Knight I've learned quite a bit about Elkdome. I've met a lot of wonderful people, from members, titled officers up the chain of command to our President. And we all have one goal! Share the news of what Elkdome is all about. And let's grow our lodge.

God Bless.

Linda Herrera

Your Esteemed Lecturing Knight

# Lodge Meetings



**Thursday February 5th  
PER Fun Night Meeting - 7:00 pm  
Balloting/Nomination of Officers**

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**Thursday February 19th  
Meeting - 7:00pm  
Initiation/Voting of Officers**

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*Please  
welcome our  
Newest Members!*



# February Birthdays

Paul	Ybarra	01	Patricia	Hammond	07	Richard	Huerta	21
Joshua	Brownson	02	Michael	Patterson	07	David	Canup	22
Troy	Butler, II	02	Bruce	Todd	07	Angel	Gusman	22
Ronald	Fleming	02	Steve	Borden	08	Charles (Carl)	Turner	22
Daniella	Raven	02	Donald	Chartier	08	Joshua	Felegy	23
Georganne	Beers	03	Paul	Moureaux	08	Amie	Fernandez	23
Nicole	Godfrey	04	Maria	Perkins	08	Christopher	Griffith	23
Isaac	Guzman	04	Jaushua	Luna	09	Kenneth	Kelley	23
Joe	Ramos	04	Darlene	Good	14	Ronald	Rector	23
Mike	Sepulveda	04	Donald	Sutton	15	Ray	Mathe	25
Janet	D'Afflitto	05	David	Terrell	15	Derrick	Takano	25
Mona	Perez	05	Robert	Bennett	16	Nathan	Bragg	26
Daniel	Garcia	06	Ronald	Berenschot	17	Michael	Fedor	26
Jerry	Goffman	06	Christian	Harder	17	Cain	Jimenez	26
Paul	Grewal	06	Juanita	Martinez	17	Paul	Mason	26
Patricia	Meraz	06	Xavier	Ramirez	17	Keith	Siegle	26
Heather	Morris	06	Peggy	Brauner	19	Cynthia	Sjogren	27
Frederick	Radle	06	Ruben	Bustos	19	Yvonne	Wilczynski	27
Terry	Taylor	06	Manuel	Guerrero	19	Gregory	Barrett	28
Michael	Van Gorder	06	Theresa	Delaney	20	Robert	Diaz	28
William	Clawson	07	Monty	Clark	21	Blake	Mitchell	28

Happy Birthday Member! Bring this with you on the 1st Friday of the month for **HALF OFF** your birthday dinner!



Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Elks Card # \_\_\_\_\_

*Redeemable on Birthday Friday Night Only*

## Good For Birthday Drink!

Present this filled out coupon to the bar for a "Free Well Drink."



Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Elks Card # \_\_\_\_\_

*Redeemable During Birthday Month Only*



JOIN US FOR



# *Birthd<sup>a</sup>y* *Friday*



**February 6, 2026**

At the Riverside Elks Lodge #643

STEAK, CHICKEN OR FISH DINNER : 6:00-7:00 PM



LIVE MUSIC TO FOLLOW : 7:00-10:00PM

AMERICAN MADE



**6166 Brockton Ave,  
Riverside, CA 92506**

**RIVERSIDE  
ELKS #643 P.E.R.  
FUN NIGHT/LODGE MEETING**

Thursday February 5, 2026 @ 7:00pm  
(Lounge will be closed during meeting)



**Officer Nominations! Raffles! Prizes!**

Nominations will be open for the 2026-2027 term.

If you know someone who would be a great officer of the lodge, please join us !!

All members in good standing are eligible to nominate and vote!



**Officer Positions:**

**Exalted Ruler / Leading Knight / Loyal Knight /  
Lecturing Knight / Secretary / Treasurer  
& 5 Year Trustee**





# Americanism and Veterans

## *A Shared Heart of Service*

*Submitted by Tina Sydow  
PIO Veterans Committee*

Americanism isn't something that magically appears in adulthood. It starts young when children stand for the flag, learn our country's history, and see service modeled by parents, teachers, and community groups like the Elks. Those early lessons plant the idea that freedom isn't free and that citizenship comes with responsibility. As the youth grow, Americanism becomes more than words, it becomes action.

For many, that sense of duty leads straight to military service. Our veterans are Americanism in action. They took the values we talk about, service, sacrifice, loyalty and lived them when it mattered most. Their commitment doesn't end when the uniform comes off. Veterans continue to strengthen our communities as leaders, mentors, and neighbors who understand firsthand the cost of the freedoms we enjoy.

That's where we come in. Supporting veterans is one of the most meaningful ways we keep Americanism alive across generations. When we rally around them, we're not just honoring the past we're teaching today's youth what real patriotism looks like. It's showing up, pitching in, and taking care of our own.

➔ To celebrate and support our shared mission, the Americanism Committee and Veterans Committee are joining forces for a combined fundraiser. This event will bring our members together for a group call. Please join us on Friday, February 13, 2026, from 6:00–10:00 PM for a relaxed evening featuring a Baked Potato Bar Dinner with all the fixings for \$12, music by DJ Chuckie, and a Bake Sale/Auction. Come hungry, bring a friend, and be part of something that will make a difference. This is Americanism served warm, shared generously, and passed forward.



Americanism and veterans matter here at our lodge. We don't just say "thank you" we complete the circle of what we teach. Americanism begins with education, is proven through service, and continues through gratitude and care for those who served.

*Together  
We Make a Difference*



# Riverside Elks

## AMERICANISM AND VETERANS FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026

6:00 PM-10:00 PM

MUSIC BY DJ CHUCKIE



POTATO BAR DINNER WITH ALL THE FIXINS



BAKE SALE/AUCTION



### SPONSOR A VET FOR TUESDAY STEAK DINNER

Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Elks Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Donation amount \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Veteran Dinner Donations

Steve Borden, Hubie Shipley

THANK YOU!

# CONGRATULATIONS



FOP—Brian Fountain presents ER, Amy Torgersen and Treasurer/PER, Bonnie Wadley with certificates in appreciation for all the good work and deeds they've done for the Fraternal Order of Police



We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #8 for their generous \$250 donation to the Riverside Elks Lodge #643 Veterans Committee!



**Will**  
**2025**  
**Theme Child**



PER, Larry Perez, installs Rose Smith as Secretary of our Lodge.



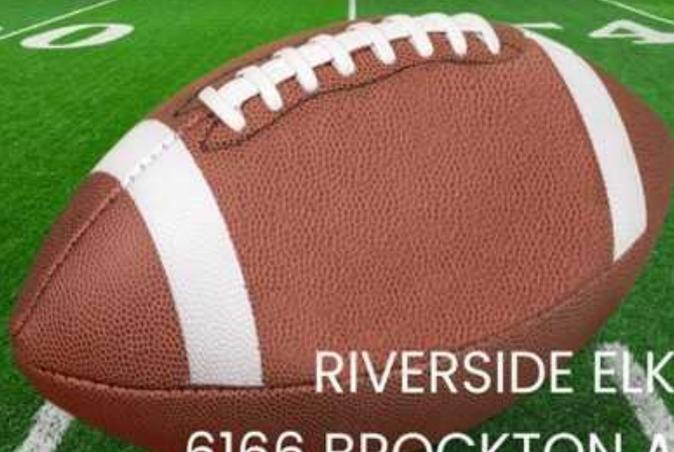
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## **POTLUCK**

**WATCH THE GAME ON SEVERAL SCREENS  
LOTS OF FUN ACTIVITIES**

**FEBRUARY 8, 2026 @ 12:00 PM**



RIVERSIDE ELKS LODGE  
6166 BROCKTON AVE. RIVERSIDE

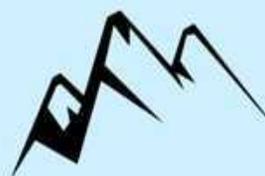
# PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

An invitation to join the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Riverside Lodge #643, has been extended to the following:

NAME	PROPOSER NAME
Becky Casem	Logan Casem
Debbie Clark	Rose Smith
Alan Cobb	George Swift
Cheryl Gutierrez	Mona Perez
Gilbert Gutierrez	Mona Perez
Rachel Preston	Brian Fountain
Brandi Temple	Amanda Ortiz
Paula Vasquez	Amanda Ortiz

## TRANSFER

Michael Morrissey---Beaumont  
Sean Morrissey----Beaumont



# Riverside Elks Kamper Klub

*Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7:30 pm*

## FUTURE TRIPS

- Vista Elks RV - February 19-23, 2026
- Happy Camp (Canyon Lake) - March 19-21, 2026
- Newport Dunes - April 16-19, 2026
- Campland on the Bay - May 14-17, 2026
- Elks Rally - Golden Village Palms - October 8-11, 2026

If you are interested in joining the Kamper Klub,

Contact  
Chip Davies  
(951) 733-5195



# JANUARY IN PICTURES

**Birthday Friday**  
**Visit from State President,**  
**Scott Stephens**



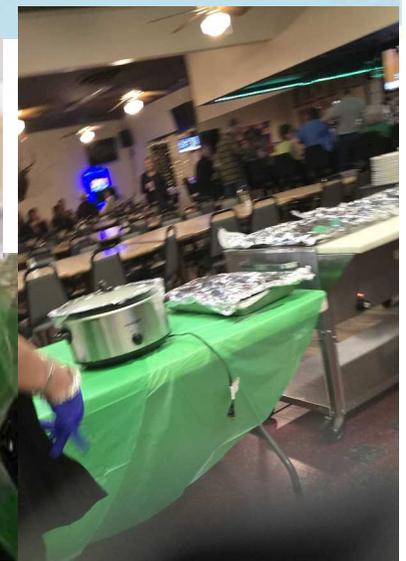
# HOOP SHOOT



# CHILI COOK-OFF



# Breakfast for Dinner



# QUESADILLA NIGHT

February 20, 2026



Steak or Chicken

Salad Bar

RIVERSIDE ELKS LODGE #643  
6166 BROCKTON AVE.



**FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY 27**

*Homemade  
TV Dinners*



**CHOICE OF:  
TURKEY BREAST  
OR  
SALISBURY STEAK**



**SERVED W/ MASHED POTATOES,  
GRAVY, CORN, ROLL & DESSERT**

**\$15/TRAY, PRICE INCLUDES TAX**





## SCHOLARSHIP NEWS BY SUSAN STRAIGHT

I'm happy to announce our Most Valuable Scholar Awards for the national competition, and our Lodge Awards as well, for Lodge 643! Our new judges were Lorna Deremiah and Steve Gilson, and for the Carol Tong Award, Evelyn Eckroth, Geri Murillo, and Sandy Ruyle. We had a high level of applicants, and amazing levels of academics and community service by students. Thanks to everyone at our generous lodge, to those who've donated to the Carol Tong Scholarship, and to Josie White, the Governing Body, and all those who serve, work and play Bingo Night every Wednesday. The utmost thanks to the patient Kristina Wendt, who receives endless emails as she helps sort out the award funding.

We look forward to the Youth Awards Banquet on April 23, 2026, which is always planned to perfection by Evelyn Eckroth and her committee. More details on the banquet soon.

Awardees:

**1st Prize/\$3,250**      Isaac Elias, Ramona HS  
Yaretzy Evidarte De La Rosa, Norte Vista HS

**2nd Prize/\$2,500**      Tracy Tran, Ramona HS  
Blake Thompson, Woodcrest Christian HS

**3rd Prize/\$2,000**      Abraham Saldana, Norte Vista HS  
Arianna Mata, La Sierra HS

### **Carol Tong Memorial Scholarship Award/\$2,000**

Yasly Gomez Macario, Ramona HS; Rihanna Buenrostro, Ramona HS

### **Lodge Award/Honorable Mention/\$1,500**

Elsa Mendoza, Ramona HS  
Scarlette Rose Valdez, Norte Vista HS  
Rachel Haynes, Poly HS  
Iris Orendain, Ramona HS  
Nila McCuien, Colony HS  
Addisyn Sharpe, Martin Luther King HS  
Danica Baeza, Ramona HS  
Augustina Alfaro, Ramona HS  
Grettely Martinez Avila, Ramona HS  
Alana Niermann, Woodcrest Christian HS

Susan Straight  
Scholarship Chair

## DRUG AWARENESS

*Our Lodge Drug Awareness Program's Mission is to inspire, to educate,  
to support and to assist our schools and community.*

WELCOME FEBRUARY. Where did January go? On January 30, we are hosting the American Bandstand fundraiser for Drug Awareness, and I will talk and share photos in next month's article.

As I mentioned in my monthly articles, the Elks National Drug Awareness Program is the largest volunteer drug awareness program in the United States. We are proud of our dedicated army of volunteers who freely give their time and talents to this noble cause. The Elks are committed to eliminating the use and abuse of illegal drugs by all members of society and believe that to ensure a bright future for our country, it is essential that our children be raised in a drug-free environment.

Last year, I wrote about a drug that I feel is very important for the public to hear about. The name of this drug is **KRATOM**. Kratom, scientifically known as **Mitragyna speciosa**, is a tree native to Southeast Asia. Its leaves contain psychoactive compounds, primarily **mitragynine** and **7-hydroxymitragynine**, which can produce both stimulant effects at low doses and sedative effects at higher doses. Kratom is commonly consumed in various forms, including capsules, powders, teas, and extracts.

**Stimulant Effects:** At low doses, kratom can increase alertness, energy, and sociability. Users often report feeling more energetic and talkative. **Sedative Effects:** At higher doses, it may induce relaxation, pain relief, and a sense of calm, similar to opioids. **Withdrawal Aid:** Some individuals use kratom to alleviate withdrawal symptoms from opioids, although there is no scientific evidence supporting its effectiveness for this purpose. As I researched further, I discovered that not only can young adults purchase kratom at gas stations and corner convenience stores, they can purchase Kratom on-line, and sadly even on Amazon.

I thought I would get more questions and interest from the public and members about this drug from my previous article, but unfortunately, I did not. It wasn't until last week that I attended a City Council breakfast, and City Councilman Sean Mills talked about a City Ordinance that he is working on with the City Attorney that would ban the sale of Kratom and Nitrous oxide within the City of Riverside. "YAY, I thought to myself, the word Kratom is finally being heard".

For more information on Kratom: <https://www.drugs.com/kratom.html>; [DEA.gov: https://www.dea.gov](https://www.dea.gov)

Submitted By: Rose Smith, DAP Chair, [rosemariesmith1960@gmail.com](mailto:rosemariesmith1960@gmail.com) or 951-892-5373



Do you know someone who would be a great Elk? Register on-line at [elks.org](http://elks.org), then invite them to apply on-line using this link:  
<https://www.elks.org/emas/prosper.cfm?>

# FRIENDLY REMINDER

Don't forget to pay your 2026-2027 membership dues, or you will not be able to enjoy the benefits of the lodge, especially all the meals and special events.

Make sure you sign in your guest upon entering the building.

Thank you.



Riverside Elks Lodge #643

It's your Lucky Day!  
"Elks of the Year" Host  
St. Patrick's Day

March 17<sup>th</sup>

6:00 to 7:00 PM

Corned Beef & Cabbage  
& Irish Beef Stew  
\$18.00

6:15 PM UCR Bagpipers

First come First serve



## PURPLE PIG DONATIONS

Kimberly/Erik Perry, John Gilevich, Mike Morris, Janna Prewitt, Schola Yip, Tom White, Kenn Cox, Dick Haines, Rob Maldonado, and Bingo



Recurring Donors: Michelle Eckroth, Pam Elias, Julie Greenberg, Chuck Hall, Theresa Kokot, James Skaggs, Rose Smith, Cliff Wadley, Rose Barr, Rich Barr, Saturday Prince, Tina Sydow

## GOT DRINK CHIPS?

We have sold out!

Please come in to the lounge and spend them.



## Margarita Mondays

\$3 Well Margaritas  
\$5 Cadillac Margaritas

Lounge Opens at 4:00pm

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# THROWBACK THURSDAY

THROWBACK PRICES AVAILABLE TIL CLOSE

### DRINK SPECIALS

- \$3 DOMESTIC - \$4 IMPORTS
- \$3.25 WELLS - \$3.25 WINES
- \$5 MYSTERY COCKTAIL

4TH THURSDAY EVERY MONTH

A vibrant, retro-themed graphic for 'Throwback Thursday'. It features a purple and orange color palette. The text 'THROWBACK THURSDAY' is written in large, bold, stylized letters. Below it, a list of drink specials is presented in a white, rounded box. The background is decorated with vinyl records, a boombox, and a cassette tape. At the bottom, there are two sets of small, colorful squares arranged in a grid pattern.

*Riverside Elk's*  
**PAINT NIGHT**

\$35

A colorful painting of a serene lake scene. In the foreground, a small white boat is on the water. The lake is surrounded by lush greenery and vibrant pink and purple flowers. In the background, there are rolling hills under a blue sky. The entire scene is framed by a decorative border.

FEBRUARY 23<sup>RD</sup> - 6:30PM

Call 714-393-2501 for reservations

6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside CA

RIVERSIDE LODGE #643

# GRILL Night

TUESDAY NIGHTERS

Steaks, Chicken, Hamburgers, and Hotdogs

Lounge Opens at 4:00 pm  
Dinner service 6:00pm to 7:00pm

A close-up photograph of a grill with bright orange and yellow flames. The grill is made of metal bars, and the flames are rising from the bottom. The background is dark, making the fire stand out.

# TACOS & KARAOKE

\$2 Each  
\*Taxes included in price



Thursday - 2/12 @ 6:00 (Bonnie & Cliff)  
Tuesday - 2/24 @ 6:00 (Chris & Rob)

# HOTDOG MONDAYS

## SPECIAL HOTDOG

Hot Dog	\$5.00
Hot Dog with Chips	\$6.00
Add Cheese	\$.50
Add Chilli	\$.75



*Special*

Hotdogs will be available on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month



**Game Night Riverside Elks Lodge**

**Third Monday of every Month**

★ **5:30 Social 6:00 Games** ★



Games are very easy and a lot of fun  
Elk Races, Left Center Right, Cards

**Come on down and play**

Most bring a snack or munchie to share

Riverside Elks Lodge #643

DATES  
MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- January 19
- February 16
- March 16
- April 20
- May 18
- June 15
- July 20
- August 17
- September 21

Support our School Children ext



RIVERSIDE ELKS LODGE



# THE BLACK

# HOODIE PROJECT

Bring your New Black Hoodies  
Zip or Pullover to the Lodge

[Donate Now](#)

No Logos, All sizes

Hoodies go directly to our schools

Call for more info  
951-683-0370

On November 1, 2025 Exalted Rulers and Leading Knights participated in the annual Calso Elks Pistol Team ER Shoot. Those in attendance included the following:

Riverside

ER Amy Torgeson (2<sup>nd</sup> Highest Score)  
LK Julie Greenberg

Yucaipa

ER Will Canizales  
LK Steve Rhodd (Match Winner)

Redlands

ER Thomas Gates  
LK Carl Keiser (Top Speed Shooter)

San Bernardino

ER Ralph Rangel (3<sup>rd</sup> Highest Score)  
First Lady Sarah Rangel

Fontana

ER Mike Messmer  
First Lady Kat Messmer  
LK Nubia Diaz



Special thanks to Rangemaster Chris Phelps (Riverside), Steve Arbelbide, PER and SED Chairperson (Yucaipa), as well as Chaun Goldberg and Dani Goldberg (Redlands) for their assistance with safety training during the event.



**CALSO ELKS PISTOL CLUB**

Calso Elks Pistol Match Results for December, 2025:

Ed Weese Trophy	Chris Phelps	Riverside	290
Chuck Grano Trophy	Dani Goldberg	Redlands	287
Judy Thomas Trophy	Shari Paisley	Riverside	270
Judy Thomas Trophy 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jeff Duncan	Redlands	251
Sharpshooter	Millie Olagues	Riverside	274
Marksman A	Pat Olagues	Riverside	258
Marksman A 2nd	Laura Bennett	Riverside	223
Marksman B	Rob Bennett	Riverside	204

December Team Scores and Cudy Human Trophy Team Points:

Redlands/Riverside Lodges	1199	5	45
Yucaipa Lodge	793	4	36
Ontario Lodge	0	0	0
Fontana-Rialto/San Bernardino Lodges	0	0	0

For the December matches, there were 13 Elks, spouses, and guests that participated at a Private Gun Club.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW CLUB MEMBERS, please call Pat Olagues at 909-997-1203. Please leave a message and phone number.

The December, 2025 monthly awards were presented at the January monthly meeting. The next meeting will be on February 14, 2026 at 11:00 am at the Mi Cocina Restaurant in Highland.

Chris Phelps, Range Master: Riverside Lodge  
Shari Paisley, Club President: Riverside Lodge  
Steve Arbelbide, SED Pistol Shoot Chairman and CEPC Publisher: Yucaipa Lodge

**Riverside Elks Golf Club**

Golf once or twice a month with our club and once a month with the District Golf Club

If you have any questions, contact Terri (951) 205-4725

**Golf Club Meeting**  
First Wednesday of each month  
6:00 PM in the lounge

Southern California Golf Assoc.  
Instructions to join the SCGA  
Sign on to [SCGA.ORG](http://SCGA.ORG)  
Scroll down to: "Find a Golf Group that plays near you"  
Type in "Riverside" then click on the "Search button"  
Scroll down to the names of the clubs  
Click on "Riverside Elks Golf Club" and join, easy.

**Meeting**  
**Wednesday**  
**February 4, 2026**

# BINGO Night

ELKS LODGE #643

**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS**

**DOORS OPEN @ 4PM**

EARLY BIRD - 6:00 PM

REGULAR - 6:30 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON VOLUNTEERING - 951-683-0370

**Riverside Elks Swag**

- Black or Red T-Shirts \$15
- Custom Black Lodge Shirt \$49 - \$55 (Embroidered Elk on Back \$44 xtra)
- Baseball Hat \$20

For Information, please call the Lodge Office 951-683-0370

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# ELKS

Grand Exalted Ruler Goal

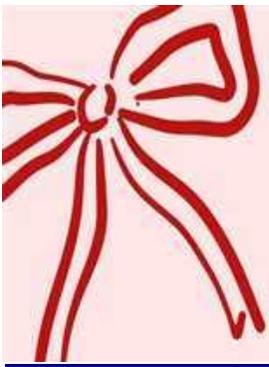
**100,000**  
New Members!

Be the Difference! Think membership. Every day. Every minute.

*Bryan R. Klatt*  
BRYAN KLATT  
GRAND EXALTED RULER  
2025-2026

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# February 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1  <b>LOUNGE OPEN</b> 11 - 9	2 <b>Activities Meeting</b> 6:00 pm <b>DAP Meeting 5:30</b> <b>Margarita Monday</b> Hot Dogs Available  Food Available 5-7 <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4-10</b>	3 <b>Tuesday Niters</b> 6:00 PM  <b>Vets Dinner 5:30</b> PER Meeting 6:30  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4-10</b>	4 <b>BINGO</b>  <b>Bingo Menu Available</b> 6:00—7:00  <b>Golf Club Meeting</b> 6:00 pm  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 -10</b>	5  <b>LODGE MEETING</b> PER Fun Night Balloting/ Nominations 7:00 PM  <b>LOUNGE CLOSED</b> DURING MEETING	6  <b>Birthday Dinner</b> 6:00 - 7:00 PM <b>ENTERTAINMENT BY</b> <b>AMERICAN MADE</b>  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 - 10</b>	7  <b>125TH ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE</b> 1:00 - 5:00  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 12 -?</b>
8  <b>SUPER BOWL POTLUCK</b>  <b>LOUNGE OPEN</b> 11 - 9	9 <b>Gov. Body and Trustee Meeting</b> 6:30 PM <b>Margarita Monday</b> Hot Dogs Available  Food Available 5-7 <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4-10</b>	10 <b>Tuesday Niters Dinner - 6:00 PM</b> Vets Committee Mtg 6:00 PM  <b>Kamper Klub Meeting -7:30 pm</b>  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4-10</b>	11 <b>BINGO</b>  <b>Bingo Menu Available</b> 6:00—7:00  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 -10</b>	12  <b>Taco Night (Bonnie &amp; Cliff)</b> 6:00 PM <b>KARAOKE</b>   <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 -10</b>	13  <b>Baked Potato Bar</b> Vets/Americanism <b>Fundraiser</b> 6:00 - 7:00 PM <b>ENTERTAINMENT BY</b> <b>DJ CHUCKIE</b>  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 - 10</b>	14  <b>Valentine's Dinner</b> 5:00 - 10:00 PM  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 - 10</b>
15  <b>LOUNGE OPEN</b> 11 - 9	16 <b>Game Night – 6:00</b> <b>Margarita Monday</b> Hot Dogs Available  Food Available 5-7 <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4-10</b>	17 <b>Tuesday Niters Dinner - 6:00 PM</b>  <b>ORIENTATION</b>  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4-10</b>	18 <b>BINGO</b>  <b>Bingo Menu Available</b> 6:00—7:00  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 -10</b>	19  <b>LODGE MEETING INITIATION/ VOTING OF OFFICERS</b> 7:00 PM  <b>LOUNGE CLOSED</b> DURING MEETING	20  <b>Quesadilla Dinner</b> 6:00 - 7:00 PM  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 - 10</b>	21  <b>Lounge Closed</b>
22  <b>LOUNGE OPEN</b> 11 - 9	23 <b>Paint Night – 6:30</b>  <b>Wing Night</b> <b>Margarita Monday</b> Hot Dogs Available  Food Available 5-7 <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4-10</b>	24  <b>Taco Night (Chris and Rob)</b> 6:00 PM <b>KARAOKE</b>   <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4-10</b>	25 <b>BINGO</b>  <b>Bingo Menu Available</b> 6:00—7:00  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 -10</b>	26  <b>Throwback Thursday</b> <b>Dancing with Dawna</b> Food Avail 5-7  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 -10</b>	27  <b>Homemade TV Dinner</b> 6:00 - 7:00 PM  <b>LOUNGE OPEN 4 - 10</b>	28  <b>Lounge Closed</b>

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**LOUNGE HOURS**  
MONDAY - FRIDAY  
4:00 PM - 10:00 PM  
SUNDAY  
9:30 AM - 9:00 PM  
**CLOSING HOURS**  
SUBJECT TO CHANGE

**OFFICE HOURS**  
MONDAY - FRIDAY  
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM



**HOW ARE WE DOING?**  
Membership Monthly Report:  
**We have 896 members**  
**We are NUMBER ONE in**  
**Membership in our District!**



**Deadline for March Bulletin is**  
**February 15th.**

### **ACTIVITIES MEETING**

Conducted the 1st Monday of the month in the member room at 6:00 pm

### **PER MEETING**

Conducted the 1st Tuesday of the month in the member room at 6:00 p.m.

## **Upcoming Events**

PER Fun Night - 2/5/26  
Birthday Friday - 2/6/26  
125th Lodge Anniversary - 2/7/26  
Super Bowl Party - 2/8/26  
Taco Thursday - 2/12/26  
Vets/Americanism Fundraiser - 2/13/26  
Valentine's Dinner - 2/14/26  
Game Night - 2/16/26  
Quesadilla Dinner - 2/20/26  
Paint Night - 2/23/26  
Taco Tuesday - 2/24/26  
TV Dinner Night - 2/27/26

## **RENTALS AT THE ELKS LODGE**

Banquet Hall - Lounge - Chapel  
FOR ANY OCCASION



Contact Gerrie Brewington,  
Rental Coordinator  
at (951) 605-6800  
for prices and availability