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Exalted Ruler's Message

Richard Morales, Exalted Ruler



June was a busy month!

Our rejuvenated House Committee (HC) has been hard at work. The HC has hired a new bartender. HC and ER cleaned out the old club manger office and relocated the club manager office to the back room. The old club manager office vision is to convert into a new bar. The new bar is to serve the dining room members and guests without to go through the kitchen hall for a drink. The HC has decided to be the club manager until a qualified applicant turns up. Our house committee members are Belinda Morales, committee chairperson, Marie Phillips, Rose Anderson, Richard Rutksoki, and Lance Gunderson. The house committee can always use your help. If you would like to run an event or create an event contact your house committee.

Our Flag Day ceremony had a great turn out. It was successful because of the help of Jack Huggins, putting the event together, Frank Arechiga for getting the Boy Scouts to participate in the Flag Day ceremony, Veterans from the Villa Serena Psychosocial Resource Center, Julian Cruz congregation, Church of God San Antonio, for spiritual services and providing hamburgers and drinks to our veterans, and lastly the ladies of the house committee for cooking the hamburgers.

Community Project: Elks Food Drive in partnership with Julian Cruz' congregation, the Church of God San Antonio, to give out to those who need a helping hand. The Church of God has already donated \$700 worth of food and is stored in the new house committee room. I'm asking of our members to donate any non-perishable foods or donate monies to our cause, accepting donations until July 7. I will be looking for volunteers to sort and bag and/or distribute food bags to those in need, meeting time Saturday, July 9 at 9:30 a.m. Food bags are to be distributed to anyone in need, not just poor people but those who are in financial need who are trying to stretch their monies, job layoff. If you know of someone or family who could use a hand, come by and pickup a bag(s).

Come join us July 23 for a 40's Night of Swing, music, dinner and one drink for \$15.00. Contact Larry Brown for tickets at bmiltonj@sbcglobal.net.

Come enjoy your lodge and bring a friend.

40's Night of Swing!
Saturday, July 23, 2011

Elks Care - Elks Share

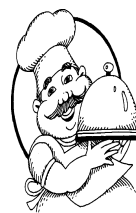
LODGE OFFICERS 2011-2012

Exalted Ruler	Richard Morales
Esteemed Leading Knight	Robert Parker
Esteemed Loyal Knight	Belinda Morales
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	Larry Brown
Esquire	Don Roberson, PDDGER
Chaplain	Dave Anderson
Secretary	Lee Hincer, PDDGER
Treasurer	Mary Parker
Inner Guard	
Tiler	Tommy Wolfe
Organist	Jack Huggins, PER
Trustee 1 year	Coy Christmas, PER
Trustee 2 year	Bruce Pinnell
Trustee 3 year	Tom Hopper
Trustee 4 year	Frank Arechiga, PER
Trustee 5 year	Paul Hughes, PER
Presiding Justice	
Club Manager	House Committee

Your officers are here to serve you. They will keep you advised of the functions and activities of the Lodge. If you have questions or comments they are the ones who can help you.

Steak Night & More

Friday
July 15th
6:00 - 7:30



Want more information
about the Elks ?

Go on line - Log on to:

sanantonioelks.com

elks.org

texaselks.org



Wednesday
&
Friday
Night
Meals
At
The Lodge

6:00— 7:30 pm

House Committee News

By Marie Phillips

The House committee would like to send out a great big THANK YOU to Ron and Rose Ann Arteaga for all their hard work and organization of the Lodge's first attempt at a major event. It was a huge success!! The event was back in May in celebration of Cinco de Mayo. The Lodge was transformed! The dining room was decked out in bright colored tablecloths, ribbons, candles, and flowers.

There was good food, great desserts, and wonderful music. Everyone attending had a grand time. Even the club manager's office was changed; it was repurposed into a mini bar!

This leads me to the other changes happening at the Lodge. The House Committee has permanently repurposed the Club Manager's office. The back smoking / storage room is now an office / storage room. The Lodge has gone non-smoking throughout. So, come on down, come help out and come see what other exciting improvements are being made!!

Starting this July, we will be having Movie Nights by Lance. Movie night will be held on the last Thursday of the Month; our first movie night will be Thursday, July 28th. We will be showing the movie "Red" starring Bruce Willis, Morgan Freeman, and Helen Mirren. Let's get together!

We have hired a new bartender, Rey, to cover the club Tuesday – Friday nights. With our new bartender, we have new club hours, which have already gone into effect. They are: Tues & Thurs, 4 p.m. – 9 p.m.; Wed, Fri, & Sat, 4 p.m. – 11 p.m. On Lodge meeting nights, club hours will be extended to 11 p.m.

Our next big event is coming up this month on Saturday, July 23rd. Be ready for a night of fun and frolic – we are going back to the 40's!! See the flyers and posters in this newsletter and around the Lodge. Each ticket costs \$15 for dinner and a drink. Tickets are on sale now!! See Larry Brown for more details.

As of right now, the House Committee is working as the Club Manager while we continue to look for a qualified replacement. The House Committee welcomes any suggestions for additional improvements, thoughts, and ideas. This is your lodge, so come and check things out. If there are any comments, questions, or concerns, please refer them to the House Committee.



Elks National Foundation — Your gifts keep on giving!

Veteran's Activities set for July at Audie Murphy

By Jack Huggins
NVSC Chairman

On Saturday, June 11th we had 22 Veterans and Staff from the V A Hospital for a musical program and hamburger lunch hosted by Julian Cruz and his congregation. They stayed for the Flag Day Ceremony. Thank you to all who made this a special day for our Veterans.

On Friday, June 24th we hosted 12 Veterans and Staff from the V A Hospital for dinner at the Lodge. What a great time we had. This will be a monthly event. To all who helped make this a special night for our Veterans **THANK YOU!**

I had the honor of presenting a grant from the Elks National Foundation to the Audie Murphy V A Hospital in the amount of \$1,000.00. This money will be used to purchase recreational items for the Veterans. We sincerely thank the Elks for supporting our Veterans.

The activities at the V A Hospital for July 2011 – Monday July 11th Horse Racing, July 18th Bingo and July 28th Patient Visitation on the 4th Floor.

Mark your calendars for the Annual Veteran's Bar-B-Que on Friday, August 12th at the Lodge.

Do you have an hour or two a month for our Veterans? Help us keep our Elks motto, **"As long as there are Veterans in our hospitals they shall never be forgotten."**



**We Proudly
Support Our
Troops**

FROM THE LODGE SECRETARY

By Lee Hinch



The regular membership meetings for July will be on the 5th and 19th at 8 p.m.

The PER Association meets July 5th at 7:30 p.m., and the Trustees meet July 19th at 7 p.m.

Edward Scolforo, a member in good standing of Pittsfield, Mass. Lodge No. 272 has applied for affiliation in our Lodge by transfer dimit. He resides at 9426 Wildstone Place, San Antonio, 78254.

Sickness and Distress: A Lodge of Sorrow was held June 21 for Robert Aguilera.

Good of the Order:

In the Pot of Gold drawing, Leroy Warfield's name was called June 7th for \$65. He was not present. John Duld's name was called June 21st for \$82. He was not present.



The following members are celebrating birthdays in July:

David Blatt, 3
Leon Brown, 5
Wilfred J. Biron and Bobby Rogers, 10
Patrick Seaworth, 11
Sharyl Madison, 14
Dr. Di Kahn, 15
Arthur X. Joseph, 16
Ewell E. McCallum, 19
Jesse Durazo, 21
Richard V. Harris, 22
Richard J. Buckalew, 23
Lucille Mitrane, 24
Woodrow C. Schmidt and Linda Woodruff, 26
Jack R. Bowden, 29
Coy Christmas, PER, 31

Above members can bring in this bulletin to claim a free dinner anytime during the month.

To Our Absent Member



Robert Aguilera



July 2011

Lodge Hours

Tuesday & Thursday 4:00—9:00 p.m.
 (Lodge Meeting Night open till 11:00 p.m.)
 Wednesday & Friday 4:00—11:00 p.m.
 Saturday 4:00— 11:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday & Monday

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Friday Night Dinner 6:00—7:30	2 <i>4:00—11:00 pm Open Saturday Evening</i>
3		5 Lodge Meeting 8:00 pm PER Mtg 7:30 pm	6 Wednesday Night Dinner	7	8 Friday Night Dinner 6:00—7:30	9 <i>4:00—11:00 pm Open Saturday Evening</i>
10	12 Horse Racing V A Hospital 7:00 pm	12	13 Wednesday Night Dinner	14	15 Friday Night Dinner 6:00—7:30	16 <i>4:00—11:00 pm Open Saturday Evening</i>
17	18 BINGO V A Hospital 7:00 pm	19 No Lodge Meeting due to Grand Lodge Session	20 Wednesday Night Dinner	21	22 Friday Night Veteran's Dinner 6:00—7:30	23 USO 40's Dance & Dinner (see insert)
Grand Lodge Convention, Phoenix, Arizona July 17—21						
24	25	26	27 Wednesday Night Dinner	28 Movie Night Visitation V A Hospital 7:00 pm	29 Friday Night Dinner 6:00—7:30	30
31		Wednesday and Friday Night Meals Served 6:00—7:30 p.m.		Movie Night Thursday, July 28th		

July 2011

Benevolent And Protective Order of Elks
 San Antonio Lodge No. 216
 15650 Market Hill
 San Antonio, Texas 78256



Flag Day 2011



Boy Scout Troop 814
presenting the Colors



The U S Flags were waving high during
the Flag Day Ceremony



The Lodge Officer's
assisted by the Boy
Scout Troop 814
presented the History of
the Flag at the annual
Flag Day Ceremony.

Members, guest and
Veterans from Audie
Murphy V A Hospital
were present to pay
tribute to the symbol of
our country.



The history of the Flag



40's Night of Swing!

Lodge Fundraiser at Elks Lodge 216
15650 Market Hill, San Antonio, Tx 78256

July 23, 2011

Door Opens 5:30pm, Dinner 6:30pm

Music 7:30pm to 11:30pm



Ticket Price: \$15.00, Dinner and One Drink

Contact: Larry Brown at bmiltonj@sbcglobal.net

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**Need a place for a party or reception
The Elks Lodge has a very nice facility
Contact the House Committee
for more information**



Food Drive



The Church of God San Antonio

and the

Benevolent Protective Order of Elks

Lodge #216

Combine efforts to help create a better future for our City by providing groceries to those in need to show that you are not alone and that somebody cares

Church of God San Antonio

Pointing our City towards God by sharing His love through small acts of kindness. Our desire is to help create a better future for our City by seeking the spiritual and societal transformation of our communities....one life, one family, one neighborhood at a time. (Small acts of kindness done with great love can change the world)

Visitors Are Welcomed

"We are a small band of Christ followers who believe that lives can be changed and families strengthened through the power of God's word."

Saturday Worship: 11:00 a.m.

Comfort Inn Fiesta

6755 N Loop 1604 West

210-696-4766 (hotel phone)

www.churchofgodsa.com

The Elks #216

Investing in our communities through programs that help children grow up healthy and drug-free, by undertaking projects that help address unmet needs, and by honoring the service and sacrifice of our veterans. (Charity – Justice – Brotherhood Love – Fidelity)

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