



Elk-ENDER News

May, 2013



The Prez Sez

It was a distinct pleasure to present the Past Elk-ENDER President badge and plaque to Sherrie Larson for her dedication and tireless efforts for the Elk-Enders. Again thanks Sherrie and Lance. She has set a standard that will be hard to meet.

As anticipated, the Do-It-In-The-Dirt outing was a large success. Thanks to Mark Mahoney and Joe Spychaj for hosting this outing at California City. I am sure there were plenty of volunteers to ensure a fun weekend on the poker run and raging campfires. Mark and Joe, your fellow Elk-Enders and I look forward to your future efforts in November.

The official March outing at East Shore RV Park at Puddingstone Lake was an enjoyable success. The Zahns and Moodys did a tremendous job providing for the 23 rigs. Ken and John provided an excellent time at a RV park the Elk-Enders have not visited in a long time. The park is well maintained and nearby, two good features. We are looking into this park for future visits as it is well within our reasonable 100 mile limit.

During the spring and summer seasons we will once again be called upon to volunteer to support our Lodge special activities. The Memorial Day weekend will require support at the Strawberry Festival possibly selling raffle tickets or assisting the Emblem Club as cooks at their booth.

As in our past the Elk-Enders will both clean and sell corn-on-the-cob on July 4th celebration at the Lodge. I will be asking for one of our members to lead and coordinate this effort. If interested please contact me or one of the other officers.

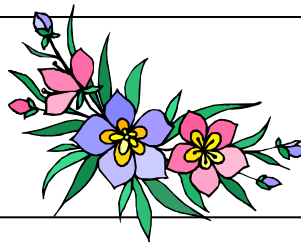
A special thanks to Jim Young, our secretary, for placing photos of the new Elk-ENDER "Camping Kitchen" on our web site. I am sure this BBQ/Oven/Mobile Kitchen will serve us for many years. Thanks to all who assisted in the purchase, Larry Hoffman, Sherrie Larson, Randy Eldridge, and Jack Hansen.

Our next project is to obtain a trailer to house and carry the Camping Kitchen on our outings. A package of options will be developed and presented to our membership at the May meeting to include trailer cost, license, insurance, security, and parking location. We will work with the Lodge to ensure all areas of interest are coordinated. In addition, the current Elk-ENDER By-Laws will be modified to incorporate the use of the trailer and Camping Kitchen similar to the previous "Happy Wagon".

Jay

Coming Lodge Events.

5/4-5/5	Ritual Contest
5/9	Mothers' Day Meeting
5/12	Mothers' Day Brunch
5/24-27	Strawberry Festival!



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Minutes of the April 3, 2013 Meeting

Call to order: 7:30 P.M. by President Jay Morrisey

Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Sherrie Larson

Guests Present: David Krause, Lynn (Jim (395) Young's friend), and (not really guests but) Dan & Robyn Johnson (all the way from Arkansas!)

Recognize – Please stand:

Past EE Presidents: Jack Hansen, Martin Hoxworth, Dan Johnson, Duane Duncan, Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman, Mark Mahoney, Steve Pavich, Joe Zapata, and Sherrie Larson

Current EE's of the Year: Steve Pavich & Jim Young

Past EE's of the Year: Jo Darrow, Martin Hoxworth, Dan & Robyn Johnson, Larry Hoffman, Dave Lewis, Randy Eldridge, Pete Doeringer, Jack Hansen, Eileen Rasmussen, Alex Gonzalez, Mark Mahoney, Sherrie Larson, Steve Pavich, and Jim Young (356)

Secretary's report by Jim Young:

March's minutes were announced as printed in the April Newsletter sent out and on the web site. No additions or corrections to the minutes were brought up. The minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's report by Eileen Rasmussen:

Monthly Treasurer's Report as of April 1st was read and approved as read.

Vice President's report by Gary Westmyer:

Gary handed out badges and flags for John & Bonnie Poat. Badges and flags are also ready for Tom & Norma Sperl and Conrad & Kate Banks, who were absent.

General Reports:

General Wagon Master report by Ken Moody:

Mark Mahoney spoke about the March Do-It-In-The-Dirt on March 7-10th. Mark said everyone had a GREAT time and that there were between 30 and 50 rigs in attendance. And there was still room for more! They had a few snow flurries Friday morning, but that didn't dampen anybody's enthusiasm. The Poker Run on Saturday had 4 checkpoints with between 80 to 85 riders. Sean & Trina Smorick's other camper club, The Adventurers, held a 50/50 drawing, a Chile Cook-Off, and a Sunday morning Omelettes in a Bag breakfast. \$100.00 was collected for the Purple Pig and \$30.00 was collected to give to the Desert Police, Fire, & Rescue.

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John Zahn (Juan, The Magnificent) spoke about the campout at Eastshore RV Park at Puddingstone Reservoir. He especially thanked Ken Moody for being his number two and setting the whole weekend up on such short notice, and Howard Whittaker for all his assistance. Everyone had a great time on the green belt between the rigs which included a catered Teriyaki Chicken dinner cooked by our Lodges own "Pineapple". There was a lot of entertainment in the evenings watching the raccoons and skunks (which were well behaved), and the geese roaming around during the day. \$117 was collected from the combination of Buzzy's Bar and the sheriff's fines.

Steve Pavich spoke of the upcoming campout on April 26th to the 28th at the Valencia Travel Village in Castaic. Steve suggested that we might make a trip to the Nethercutt Collection of rare automobiles, mechanical musical instruments, antique furniture, and trains in Sylmar. (According to their website there is no dress code for this venue.) Is looking for suggestions for entertainment and side trips. I totally recommend you visit their web site www.nethercuttcollection.org. A signup sheet was passed

Sherrie Larson said the Oceanside RV park on May 16th thru 19th will be hosted by McGee's and Larson's. It will be catered dinners both Friday and Saturday nights with Saturday breakfast will be on your own. There will be an opportunity for Saturday afternoon hors d'oeuvres and appetizers. A signup sheet was passed around.

LuAnn Barrows reminded everyone that in June the campout will be at Tocalota Springs. The menu is planned to be hamburgers on Friday night with spaghetti slated for Saturday night. A signup sheet was also passed around.

Ed Mosbrook said he has some suggestions for possible new camping venues. It was suggested that he forward them to Ken Moody, our General Wagon

Elk-Ender Newsletter report by Gail Westmyer:

Gail solicited any materials you wish to have included in the Newsletter be sent to her at happyours88@aol.com.

By-laws Committee report by Martin Hoxworth:

Martin reported progress.

Special Activities Reports:

- Thursday, April 4th – Installation of 2013-2014 Lodge Officers (Open Meeting).
- Saturday, April 6th – Garden Grove Lodge - Inaugural Ball.
- Pizza Sunday – April 28th.
- May 24th – May 27th – Memorial Day Weekend – Need lots of volunteers!

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Communications Received / General Announcements: None

Sickness and Distress by Linda Mossbrook:

Pete Weidner was reported in the hospital with serious diabetic complications. He is now better and was grateful to be in attendance at the meeting tonight. It was announced that Carl Brewner passed away in February and a memorial service was held at the Newport Harbor Elks Lodge on March 24th. Jack Hansen spoke of what an honor it was to have known such a fine Elk

Sunshine Report from General Membership: Everybody was happy.

Unfinished Business:

- The Camping Travel Grill-Kitchen (for the Happy Wagon) has been purchased and is temporarily stored in a shed at the back of the Lodge.
- A potential Happy Wagon trailer has been selected. It is an 8' x 10' class enclosed trailer with a ramp back entrance. Randy Barrows brought up that we first need to find out if and where we would be able to park the trailer. Others brought up that the cost of insurance and licensing will be. And one individual suggested that we get something like a Denver Boot lock to secure the trailer once we get it. Further discussion was tabled until the next meeting.
- Electrical lighting in our Elk-Enders shed should be back hooked up after the new asphalt is put in at the construction site next

New Business:

Randy Eldrige put a plug in for the 21st Annual Klamath River Salmon Fishing Expedition on September 5th to the 8th.

There is a flyer in the lobby for bus trip to the San Manuel Casino for \$20.

Randy mentioned that he knows of an individual who is collecting old Halloween Rally pins, so if you have any old pins you do not want to collect, let Randy know.

Randy presented a calendar book to Jay to keep all of his obligations straight.

Jokes:

Jokes were told by Larry Hoffman

Good of the order by Gary Westmyer:

The first tile drawn for \$138 was for Ray Rea, who was there but hadn't put in the pot. Joe Zapata was present to take home the \$38 consolation price. The remaining \$100 will be rolled over to the May 1st meeting.

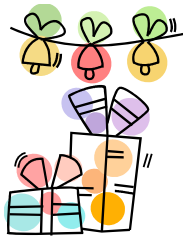
Meeting was adjourned by President Jay Morrissey at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: *Jim Young*, Secretary.



Birthdays

May 2	Judy Webb
May 2	Jim Young (356)
May 5	Nancy Young
May 8	Marvin Holm
May 8	Hank Poorthan
May 8	Nancy Saunders
May 10	Gary Lawler
May 11	Tom Grant
May 12	Alex Gonz'alez
May 13	Robert Taylor
May 14	Donna Rauls
May 15	Cornelia Tucker
May 20	Don Hunter
May 21	Debbie Zahn
May 25	David Skelton
May 27	Pete Haak

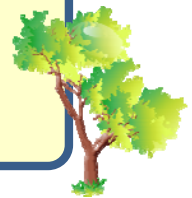


Anniversaries

May 1	Dan & Robyn Johnson
May 3	William & Patty Davis
May 4	Ben & Karen Diaz
May 5	Jim & Donna Rauls
May 8	Tony & Michelle Gaultieri
May 12	Pete & Shelley Haak
May 13	David & Yvonne Lewis
May 19	Mark & Debbie Mahoney
May 21	Jack & Donna Scott
May 21	Martin & Jackie Rice
May 25	Randy & Janice Eldridge
May 27	Pete & Elaine Weidner



***You can't stay in your corner
of the forest waiting for
others to come to you. You
have to go to them
sometimes – Winnie the Pooh***



***I believe that if life gives you
lemons, you should make
lemonade . . . And try to find
somebody whose life has
given them vodka, and have a
party – Ron White***



Coming Deadlines

June Newsletter	May 13
July Newsletter	June 15

2013-2014 Campout Schedule

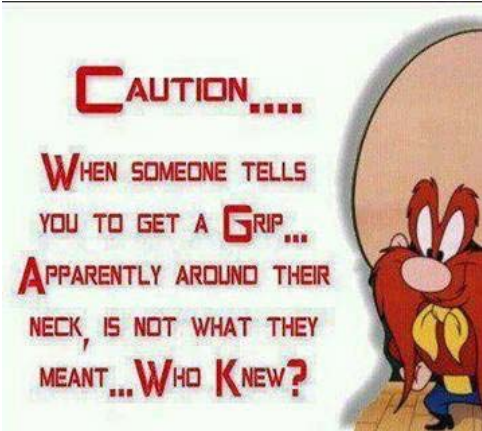
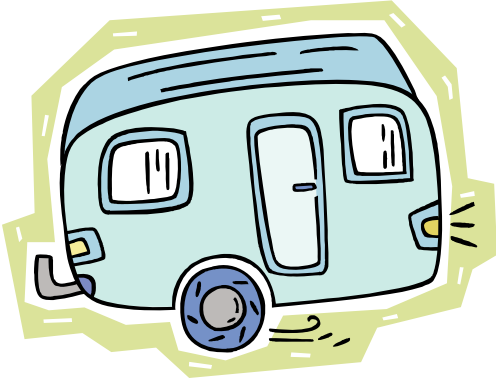
Garden Grove Elk-Elders
Camp Out Calendar 2013-2014
Updated 04-05-13

MONTH	DATES	CAMPGROUND	# SITES	WM & ASST. WM	\$ SITE	CONFIRM	FACILITIES	DEPOSIT	DISTANCE
2013									
January	25-27	Woods Valley	30	Pavich-Hammonds-Haak	\$29.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$150	90
February	22-24	Lake Elsinore	30	Young & Quijada	\$35.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
March	7-10	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
March	22-24	East Shore - Pomona	25	Zahn	\$35.00	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	1st Night	15
April	26-28	Valencia Travel Village		Pavich & Young					
May	17-19	Oceanside RV Resort	25	Eldridge & Larson	\$41.00	15 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	55
June	21-23	Tucalota Springs	20	Barrows	\$35.00	30 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	81
July	26-28	Vista Elks Lodge	24	Mosberg	\$20.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$100	60
August	9-11	Oceano	30	Skelton & Barrows	\$25.00	30 Days	W & 30A		220
August	23-25	TBA							
September	20-22	Lake Elsinore	30	Rasmussen	\$35.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
October	10-13	CA Rally - Hemet	Open	General Wagon Master	TBD	Individually	FH & 30/50A	None	75
October	24-27	Newport Dunes - Halloween	50	Morrissey	\$36.30	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	15
November	7-10	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
December	6-8	Emerald Desert	30	Claussen/Mamchur/Pantages	\$43.60	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$300	105
2014									
January	24-26	Woods Valley	30	Haak & Sauer	\$29.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$150	90
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Please VOLUNTARILY sign up to be a Wagonmaster
By-Laws Article V, Section 3: "Each member is expected to VOLUNTARILY serve as Wagonmaster before anyone is required to serve a second time."

New Members

*David and Sharon Krause, #443
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 driverdave@msn.com*



Do you have a gripe, suggestion, or kudos for the Elks, the Lodge or the Elk-Enders? We would love to hear from you! Please keep it non-personal and non-political, and send it to me via Email or Snail mail.
Gail Westmyer

Recipes for RVers



Cranberry, Bleu Cheese & Walnut Cheese Ball

Makes 1 ball (approximately 4" diameter)

- 12 ounces cream cheese, at room temperature
- 1 tablespoon mayonnaise
- 1/3 cup dried cranberries (not orange flavored), divided to save 1 tablespoon for garnish
- 1/3 cup chopped walnuts, divided to save 1 tablespoon for garnish
- 1/3 cup crumbled bleu cheese or crumbled gorgonzola cheese (milder flavor)
- Crackers

Combine cream cheese and mayonnaise in a medium bowl. Add cranberries, walnuts and blue cheese and mix to combine well. Place a square of plastic wrap on a flat surface. Put the reserved tablespoons of cranberries and walnuts in the center. Form the mixture in the bowl into a rough ball. Wrap the cheese ball in the plastic wrap and "perfect" the shape. Refrigerate overnight. Just before serving, reshape the ball and remove the plastic wrap. Position ball on a serving plate. Serve with crackers

Nancy Parsons, Home & Community

New Orleans Mississippi Mud Cake

Makes one 9"x 13" sheet cake or approximately 18 servings

Cake:

- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup butter
- 1-1/4 cup flour
- 1/3 cup cocoa (may substitute 6 ounces melted unsweetened baking chocolate squares*)
- 4 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup chopped pecans or walnuts
- Non-stick spray
- 1 (7 ounce) jar of marshmallow cream

Icing:

- 2/3 cup cocoa (may substitute 3 ounces of melted unsweetened baking chocolate*)
- 2-3 cups powdered sugar
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 6 tablespoons milk or cream
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 350° F. Spray 9"x13" pan with non-stick spray.

In a large bowl, cream together sugar and butter.

In a medium bowl, mix together flour and cocoa.

Add eggs, one at a time, to creamed mixture. Mix in vanilla. Add dry ingredients. Stir in nuts. Pour into the prepared pan and bake for 30 minutes. Remove from oven and immediately spread the marshmallow cream over the cake. Let cake cool.

In a medium bowl, combine all icing ingredients to desired consistency. Beat until smooth. Ice cooled cake.

*If substituting chocolate baking squares, add melted and room-temperature unsweetened baking chocolate with liquid ingredients.

Adapted from www.cooking.com

MAY CAMPOUT



ELK ENDERS AT Oceanside RV RESORT

1510 South Coast Highway
Oceanside, CA 92054
760-722-4404

Wagon Masters

Orville McGee & Mary Ann Ratliff
714-815-2516

Sherrie & Lance Larson

C: 714-315-4598 H: 714 730-2546

May 17th – 19th, 2013

Park has Wi-Fi service, Cable TV, Pool and Spa, Game Room, 4 showers, and a TV Lounge. Visit The nearby Farmer's Market on Thursday 9am to 1pm and 5pm till 9pm or the Surf Museum.

DIRECTIONS:

Take I-5 south to Oceanside
Exit Oceanside Blvd., continue South to
Coast Highway then left to address on
left. Look carefully for the entrance.

THINGS TO BRING:

All utensils, plates, and
beverages for each meal.



ACTIVITIES:

Bean-Bag Baseball,
Left, Right, Center
Game, Washer
Boards, Swimming



FRIDAY MENU:

Lunch: On Your Own

Dinner: 6:00p.m. – Catered Mexican Food Dinner, Taco
& Enchilada, Rice & Beans, Chips and Salsa
Dessert Provided



SATURDAY MENU:

Breakfast: On your own or sleep late and lose weight.

Lunch: "*Drinks & Winks*", Hearty Hors d'oeuvres, while
playing Bean Bag Baseball.

Dinner: 6:00p.m. – Catered Italian Dinner from the
Restaurant - Buca Di Beppo; Dessert provided.



Sunday Morning: Fresh Juice and Sweet Rolls, Coffee

Wagon Masters will collect for anyone wanting to come in on Thursday in addition to Friday and Saturday (charges will be at Club rate: \$41 per night.)

NOTE: Pets are no charge but must be leashed.



JUNE CAMPOUT



June 21-23rd 2013

Tucalota Springs Campout
41601 Benton Rd
Sage, CA 92544
Barrows/Lawlers Wagonmasters

Join us for a fun campout featuring Hamburgers & Cheeseburgers, Baked Beans and Chips Friday Night, **Saturday Morning Potluck**, and Spaghetti & Garlic Bread on Saturday Night, Who will be the mystery Sheriff?

Washers anyone? Skru yer neighbor? The Horse Game? Beanbag Baseball....Ladies can you even the score!!!!!!!!!!!!

Friday **A-F** Please bring a **Salad** **G-K** Please Bring a **Dessert**

Saturday **L-M** Please bring a **Salad** **N-Z** Please Bring a **Dessert**

Coffee every morning and Sunday pastries to get you on your way home.

Dinner will be at 6pm each evening, *Please remember to bring your own place settings and beverage of choice.*

Saturday Morning Potluck at 9am so we can go wine tasting.

(maybe we can carpool in groups to your favorite wineries or Casino) lunch is on your own.

Campfires and tall tales.....Please bring firewood.

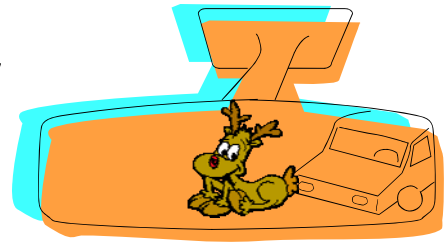
Driving Directions are :

Highway 15 to Rancho California Rd. East 7 miles to Glen Oaks Rd. Right on Glen Oaks Rd. 2 miles to Mesa Rd. Left on Mesa Rd. 5 miles to Sage Rd. (Mesa Rd. changes its name to E. Benton Rd. at De Portola) Cross Sage Rd to TUCALOTA SPRINGS.

OR

Drive 14 miles south of Hemet on State Street (Highway R-3) to Sage

The Rear-View Mirror



By: Larry Lamkins

March 22, 23, & 24 Campout - **East Shore RV Park @ Puddingstone Lake in San Dimas**
Wagon Masters: John & Annette Zahn. Assistant Wagon Masters: Ken & Karen Moody

Guests circled up the RV's around a beautiful grass area where they enjoyed wonderful temperatures light breezes and several kinds of wild life. All 23 rigs and most of the 46 people, including over 10 new members, found Friday night's brat, salad, and desert feast outstanding,



INCLUDING ROCKY RACCOON AND PEPE THE SKUNK!!!!!!



Yep, some time late Friday night Rocky and Pepe could be heard saying the food was grilled to perfection as they nibbled away at the left over buns and coffee grounds sitting next to Ken's rig. Larry Lamkins was blamed for the lost food as he failed in his guard duty. Larry was heard to say "my old gun just miss fired again!"

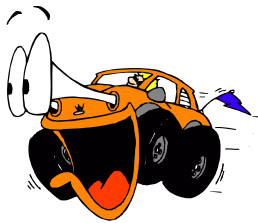
Thanks to Buzz Dobbs and Howard Whittaker, the Saturday morning tomato juice and orange juice raised a lot of camper spirits and some \$45 for the purple pig. Buzz is still not telling what he put in his Bloody Mary, but Howard admitted hitting the OJ with large amounts of Champagne. Oh well, what ever it takes to "float your boat", right Buzz?

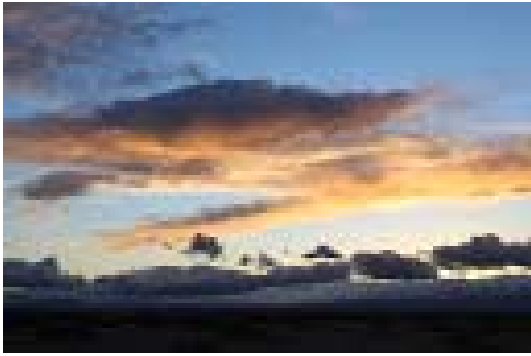
Marcia Hoxworth organized the famous "Sku-yer-neighbor" card game. Winners; Curt McMillan, Luann Barrows, and Anita McMillan were announced Saturday, but the Sheriff (Martin Hoxworth) was seen scratching his head while wondering how Luann got caught in between two McMillian's. Winnings from the game were donated to the Purple Pig.

Saturday morning pot luck was so big that we had to have the park bring in 13 more picnic tables for the food, boy!, was it all tasting delightful. After a breakfast like that there are a couple different things you can do, exercise or sleep. Many decided to take a nap so they could rise just in time for the one o'clock baseball game. It turns out that an "elite group of women walkers" decided to exercise, so they asked the ex-Marine (excuse me Mr. Zahn "former Marine") where they could walk. This turned out to be a BIG mistake. John, being that he did not have his k-bar with the compass on the handle, sent them to "take the path around the lake". Over four hours later, after fighting off the "attack geese at the lake", they returned from their 8 mile walk, "dead on their feet". They were all seen later drinking wine and eating chocolate cookies! Exercise!!! Since the bulk of the group was either napping or walking their legs off, the ball game was never played. John did announce at the Saturday meeting that the women forfeit the game since they did not have enough women to field a team.

"The Prez" aka Jay Morrissey started his first Saturday campout meeting with pledge of allegiance, thanked the wagon masters, announce lodge events and then turned it over to John Zahn and Ken Moody. They roused a giant applause for the professional chef that cooked the on site restaurant quality chicken dinner with all of its trimmings. In addition, the members out did themselves with what seemed to be several hundred deserts. The "Sheriff" performed his duties swiftly and decisively, generating several dollars for the "Purple Pig". In fact he did it so well the new members were starting to hide as he proceeded through his lengthy list of offenders. Please join us for as many outings as you can. The fellowship, food and entertainment are always the BEST.

Do-It-In-The-Dirt California City





East Shore RV Park, Puddingstone Lake - San Dimas





ELK-ENDER SHED UPDATE



CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ELKENDER SHED

We are in the process of restocking our utensils and equipment in the new storage bins. A BIG thank you goes to our first generous supporters:

- **Howard Whittaker:** new can opener, new bottle opener and a supply of paper towels
- **Larry Lamkins:** new security lock (same brand, same model, same combination) that works easily, cutting knives and table trivets

As we use the bins, we will discover what is needed. Please let me know if you contribute to the bins or plan on contributing any needed new or used utensils and/or equipment.

Carol Lamkins
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clamkins@usa.net

Carol Lamkins

Points to Ponder ??????



If everything seems under control, you're just not going fast enough – *Mario Andretti*

The one thing you shouldn't do is try to tell a cabdriver how to get somewhere – *Jimmy Fallon*

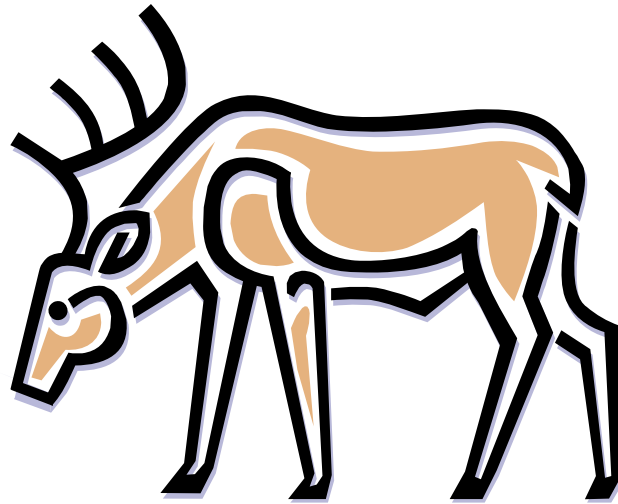


Where are we going and why am I in this handbasket?



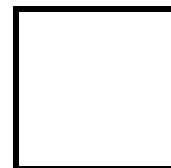
Have you ever just looked at someone and knew the wheel was turnin' but the hamster was dead?





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[Photos: by Dave Lewis and Debbie & Steve Pavich](#)

Additional photos on the Elk-Ender Website: www.elk-enders.org