



# Elk Ender News

November, 2008

The Prez Sez



## Garden Grove Elks Do It Up Big At Hemet

By Larry Hoffman      Sept. 24 -28, 2008

The California-Hawaii Elks Association (CHEA) started-up with a bang sporting a larger than usual Wednesday attendance. The rigs started coming in the late morning, joining a few of the **GG Elks** that were already there and by Thursday evening an estimated 75% – 80% of our GG attendees had arrived, parked and were getting in the celebratory mood. Let the parties begin. We naturally wished to help support the Hemet Lodge and some of us did just that.

The weather was in a word, scorching. The temperatures were very high, but the huge rec rooms were nice and cool, making it tolerable, even fun.

As the late afternoon came about on Friday, most of our contingent had arrived and the last few made it by Saturday Morning. On Friday afternoon was the annual pig raffle to determine who would be the temporary owners of one of the six racing pigs. The Garden Grove Elks, led by **Don Hunter** and the pooled money from the **Elk Enders**, were able to cast the winning bid for horse number six, a pink beauty that looked sleeker and faster than the others.      **See CHEA Page 7**

### Coming Lodge Events.

Elk Enders Halloween Rally	Oct. 30-Nov. 2
Sunday Brunch	Nov. 9
Veteran's Day Open Meeting	Nov. 13
Thanksgiving; Lodge Dark	Nov. 27

**Garden Grove Elks**

**Lodge**

**BPOE 1952**

**11551 Trask Ave.**

**Garden Grove, CA**

**92843**

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**Web Site Addresses**

**Elk Enders**

[www.elk-enders.org](http://www.elk-enders.org)

**Garden Grove Elks**

[www.elks1952.org](http://www.elks1952.org)

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# Minutes of the Previous Meeting

**Elk-Enders Meeting, October 1st, 2008**



1. **Call to order:** 7:30 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Joe Spychaj
3. **Guests:** none
4. **New Members:** none
5. **Current Elk-Ender of the Year:** Jack Hansen  
**Past Elk-Enders of the Year in attendance:** Twyla Bass, Martin Hoxworth, Dave Hudock, Dave Lewis, Randy Eldridge, Jack Hansen, Pete Doeringer, Bill Catlin, Larry Hoffman  
**Past Presidents of Elk-Enders in attendance:** Larry Hoffman, Duane Duncan, Randy Eldridge, David Skelton, Martin Hoxworth, Jack Hansen
6. **Secretary's Report by Dave Hudock:** Read and approved.
7. **Treasurer's Report – Eileen Rasmussen:** Read and approved.
8. **Vice President's Report:** Steve Pavich spoke about new members not receiving their flags because they don't come to the meetings.
9. **General Report**  
General Wagonmaster – *Alex Gonz'alez*
  1. We need voluntary help for 'Do It In The Dirt' campout in November.
  2. The Christmas Rally will be at Emerald Desert in Palm Springs, December 5-7, 2008.
  3. Xmas dinner will be held in the Lodge on Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>.
10. **Unfinished Business --** none at this time.  
**New Business --** none at this time.
11. **General Announcements**
  - a. **SUNSHINE:** Steve Pavich's daughter got married on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008!!!
  - b. **SICKNESS & DISTRESS:** none at this time.

We received a 'Thank You' card for the flowers we sent to the funeral of Al Lamkins' wife, Barbara.

Debbie Mahoney sent us a 'Thank You' card for the flowers we sent while she was in the hospital for hip replacement surgery.

Jokes by Jack Hansen and Larry Hoffman.
12. **50/50 Drawing:** no winner

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.MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:30 pm

## Birthdays

- 11 Nov. Doris Strong
- 13 Nov. Mary Rich
- 18 Nov. Kathy Crane
- 21 Nov. Joan Wise
- 22 Nov. Pat Spychaj
- 24 Nov. Arthur Eng
- 24 Nov. Corky Maywhort
- 25 Nov. Pete Doeringer
- 28 Nov. Henry Banuelos
- 30 Nov. Duane Duncan

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## Anniversaries

- 3 Nov. Bob & Sharon Parsons
- 4 Nov. Nels & Joan Hansen
- 6 Nov. Bill & Sue Catlin
- 7 Nov. Leonard & Evelyn Selover
- 12 Nov. Richard & Sandra Murg
- 23 Nov. Harold & Soledad Julius
- 24 Nov. Martin & Marcia Hoxworth

**Sickness  
& Distress**

None  
Reported



**Sunshine,**  
None Reported

### Pearls of Wisdom



“His mother should have thrown him away and kept the stork!”

*Mae West*

## Coming Deadlines

Issue	
<b>October 27</b>	<b>Nov. Issue</b>
<b>November 24</b>	<b>Dec. Issue</b>
<b>December 24</b>	<b>Jan. Issue</b>
<b>January 25</b>	<b>Feb. Issue</b>

#### About Deadlines.....

Please note that deadlines are about 10 days prior to meeting day. However; because of Holidays, campouts, or weekends this varies a little. If it is past deadline and you have something to you feel should be printed, I will try to accommodate you if it is possible, but can't guarantee it will be able to be printed.

# Elk Enders 2009 Campout Schedule

Mo.	Dates	Campground	#Sites	Wagon Masters	\$Cost	Confirm	Facilities	Dep.	Bal	Distance Miles ***
Jan	23-25	Woods Valley	20	Smith/Downing	\$29	30 days	W&30A	\$150	\$505	96
Feb	27-01	Lake Elsinore	30	Open	\$30	14 days	FH, 30/50A	\$100		51
Mar	27-29	Newport Dunes	33	Open	\$35	10 days	FH, 30/50A	\$100	\$1090	14
Apr	24-26	Lancaster BPOE #1625	30	Open	\$17	30 days	W& 30A	\$100	\$410	106
May	29-31	Chula Vista *	20	Open	\$37	30 days	FH, 30/50A	\$100	\$740	102
June	28-30	Tucalota Springs	20	Open	\$27	30 days	FH, 30/50A	\$100		81
July	31-02	Oceanside BPOE 1561	20	Open	\$18	30 days	W& 30A	None	\$360	57
Aug	21-23	Pechanga RV Resort	30	Open	\$42	30 days	FH, 30/50A	\$100	\$800	69
Sept	25-28	CA-HI , Hemet		2009 Wgn. Master	\$95+		FH, 30/50A			67
Oct	22-24	Halloween-GG Lodge	Open	Appointed by Pres.	{\$110}	None	W/30A/dry			0
Nov	20-22	Do It In The Dirt	Open		None		Dry CO			{60?}
Dec	04-06	Emerald Desert **	20	Open	\$36	30 days	FH, 30/50A	\$300		105

Notes: \* Chula Vista providing a covered area w/tables, chairs & electric pwr. No club room available.

\*\* Proposed only, not yet under contract.

\*\*\* Mileage from Garden Grove Lodge

## The Prez Sez

Thanks to all of you who came out and supported the CA Elks Rally in Hemet. All the help from the Elk-Enders is greatly appreciated. Alex Gonzalez and his crews did an outstanding job getting the job done, even in the extreme heat.

The Halloween Rally is fast approaching. As always, we need lots of help for this one, and I do appreciate all who have signed up to volunteer their time to help make this event a huge success! Also, we need your donations for the booze wagon raffles ASAP. We have some already, but this is not quite enough to fill one wagon. We have some that will bring their donation to the rally, which is good, but we need more. This is one of our best fundraisers, so please step up and bring in the booze (and a snack too if you think of it). As of this writing, Terri Renish (our registration guru) tells me we have a few more than 50 rigs registered. So, it sounds like a great weekend coming up quickly!

Pete Doeringer was able to secure 2 Southwest Airlines tickets for a huge raffle. Pete had special tickets printed for these, and they will need to be sold in order to get as much for our coffers as possible. Many Elk-Enders took these with them at the last meeting- thank you so much for your support! David Skelton stepped up to hawk this raffle at the Lodge during the time leading up to the rally-Thanks David! Of course, these tickets will be available during the rally weekend, with the lucky winner being drawn after dinner on Sat., Nov. 1. Good luck to you all!

Coming on Nov. 14-16, we will be "Doing It In The Dirt" once again at CA City. Be sure to catch the flyer included in this month's newsletter. Tell your family and friends to join in!

Until next month,  
Mark

# HALLOWEEN RALLY Garden Grove



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Elk-Enders

Oct. 31 - Nov. 2, 2008



**Cost: \$110.00 per couple**  
**\$ 55.00 per single (1/2 packet)**

### Cost of the packet includes the following:

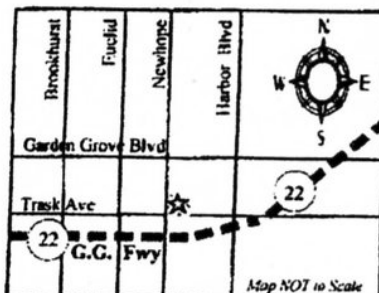
- ♦ 2 Nights - 3 Days Camping, (Fri, Sat, Sun.)
- ♦ 2 Rally Pins
- ♦ 2 Friday Night Dinner & Costume Party tickets
- ♦ 2 Saturday Champagne Brunch tickets
- ♦ 2 Saturday Night Dinner & Variety Show tickets
- ♦ 2 Sunday Continental Breakfast tickets
- ♦ 2 Sunday Morning Bloody (or Virgin) Mary's
- ♦ Great Entertainment Both Nights



### Prepaid Reservations Only

(Registration & Information Form Attached)

- ⚡ **Additional Nights Parking:** Prices vary-See prepay Registration Form enclosed
- ⚡ **Friday Night Costume Party:** Be creative Big Prizes are at stake. **GO BEYOND** your comfort zone! *You'll laugh till you cry!*
- ⚡ **Activities, Games & Entertainment:** Washers, Skru Your Neighbor Game, Country Store (crafts), Silent Auction, Horse Races, Ice Cream in the Park, Horseshoes, Great Lunches Available and so on, too many to mention.
- ⚡ **Raffles** - Booze Barrel, **TONS** of Gift Certificates, 50/50s, plus many others



### RALLY SITE:

Garden Grove Elks  
Lodge #1952  
11551 Trask Ave.  
Garden Grove, CA 92843

Located between Euclid and  
Harbor Blvd off the 22 FWY.

### Contacts:

#### Wagon Masters:

Mark, Debbie & Miles Mahoney  
714-638-3233 or 714-715-6255

#### Registration:

Terri Renish  
714-957-0148

Please do not call the Lodge office  
with questions.



## Schedule of Events

### MORNING



### Thursday, October 30

#### AFTERNOON

11:30- 1:45 Lunch available in the Club Room

2:30 Horse race board game on the park patio.

#### NIGHT - Lodge Night

6:00- 8:00 Dinner available in the Lodge!

8:00 East room available for card players, visiting, etc.

### Friday, October 31 - Halloween!

#### MORNING

8:00 - 9:00 Coffee & Donuts on the patio

10:00 Registration opens  
Craft Faire/Bake Sale

10:00 Washer Board Game in the Park

#### AFTERNOON

11:30- 1:00 Lunch available in the Club Room

1:00 Bunko dice game on the park patio

2:30 Skru Yer Neighbor game On the park patio

4:30-6:00 No activities scheduled  
Time to get ready for tonight!

#### NIGHT - Costume Party!

6:00- Come in your costume!

8:00 Dinner Buffet-ORANGE ticket  
Turkey, Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potato & Gravy, Vegetables & Salad Bar, Pumpkin Pie

8:00- Costume contest  
???? Raffles, prizes

Dance to the music



### Saturday, November 1

#### MORNING

7:00-8:30 Bring your items to the Main Lodge Room for the auction

8:00-9:30 Champagne Breakfast In the park-BLUE ticket

10:00 Silent Auction starts Main Lodge room

10:00 Craft Fair/Bake Sale On the patio

#### NOON

11:00- 1:00 Lunch on your own. Burgers & dogs may be offered for sale by the lodge.

2:00 **Horse Races!**  
**A MUST!**

In the park (weather permitting)

2:00 Ice Cream in the Park

4:30-6:00 Get ready for a GREAT evening!!



#### NIGHT - Floor Show!

6:00- Dinner Buffet-  
8:00 YELLOW ticket

Roast Beef, Roast Pork, Twice Baked Potato, Vegetables & Salad Bar, Special Cake

8:00- Dancing!

???? Floor Show Entertainment and Raffles

### Sunday, November 2

#### MORNING

6:30 Bloody Mary's by Lodge Officers

7:00-9:00 Patio: Continental Breakfast



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Friday morning our illustrious crew led by our wagon master, **Alex Gonzalez**, served about 150 fabulous, a few even called them gourmet, breakfasts cooked by PER **Dave Skelton & volunteers**. The hungry participant eaters were contributing money for the Purple Pig. At 10 AM the booths for the crafts, foods and games were opened. Our Garden Grove Elks prepared: quesadillas, funnel cakes, and cheese nachos as part of our contribution. The breakfasts and lunch items including bottled water were sold both Friday and Saturday. Let's give a huge pat on the back to all of the Garden Grove Elks that helped. It was a hot and tiring job; but, it was for the kids/

Some of the organized games for Friday and Saturday included "Skru Your Neighbor" and "Bingo" in addition to some of the card games out in the food court.

Friday afternoon pig races were the highlight of the Rally for the approximately 20 Garden Grove Elks temporary owners of Racing Pig Number Six. Six races were held and cash prizes were awarded to those pigs who won the most races (25% of purse) and for the winner of the sixth race, 50% of the purse. It was destined to be a nail biting afternoon. Piggy Six won the first race.....whoopee! But the cheering became loud and furious when Piggy Six won the second race. Piggy Six lost the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> races by only a ~~nose~~ snout. The tension was thick enough to cut with a knife after we were told by the race master that if we lose race six, we would be guaranteed **\$250**, but if we won race six the prize would be much higher.

We whispered in Piggy's ear (the others claim we doped her) and in this race 4 pigs came into the home stretch at the same time but Piggy Six led the way across the finish line and our payoff was **\$2500. Celebrate!!!!**

The **Marine Corp. band** from 29 Palms performed the Saturday afternoon Military program. All in attendance loved it. Saturday dinner was a BBQ beef delight by RJ Jones caterers. They have been doing this for a few years now and it is a highlight of the Rally. Saturday night allowed time for parties at the RVs (actually there were also impromptu parties every night), lots of laughs, food and beverages.

Sunday, time to go home for some. The Golden Sands Resort made the \$25 rate available to any RVer that wanted to go home on Monday and some stayed to party on.

A big Hooray for **Alex Gonzalez** and the entire crew, a very difficult job, well done.

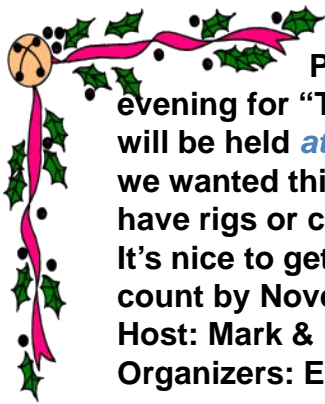


Miss Piggy “6” and the winning Team behind her.

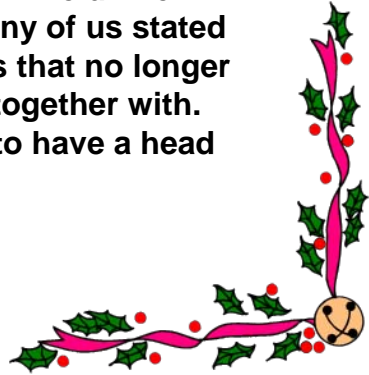
**Pearls of Wisdom**  
Lettin the cat outta the bag is a lot easier than puttin it back in!  
*Anon*



**Mark It on Your Calendar or Get Coal in Your Stocking for Christmas**



Please mark your calendars and reserve your evening for “The Elk Ender’s Christmas Dinner.” The dinner will be held *at our Lodge on December 20th*. Many of us stated we wanted this because there are so many of us that no longer have rigs or can’t get away, who we wish to be together with. It’s nice to get everyone together. We will need to have a head count by November.  
Host: Mark & Debbie Mahoney  
Organizers: Eddie & Ralph Thomas.





## Classified Ads


**30 foot 5<sup>th</sup> Wheel, 2000**, w/everything (truck, 99 Dodge 2500) not included in price but can be purchased for \$8500) Hitch, wiring all ready to go. 2 slide-outs, \$17,000. Call (714) 539-3904 for complete list of features and appliances or email to [bsmiths8@aol.com](mailto:bsmiths8@aol.com). 5<sup>th</sup> wheel Coach & Truck are located near Disneyland.

**CTM Mobility Scooter**, Model HS-580, w/basket front & back, cup holder, light, horn. Battery charger included. Good condition, one owner. Price \$900 OBO Call Pat John, 951-244-4654

## How to put your ad in the Newsletter

It's very easy to put your ad in this newsletter. Any camping or RV item or items are OK. Please write a description of the item, including its condition and any defects along with the price, your name & phone number, and city. If possible, include one or two photos (in the Jpeg format please) or mail a photo and I'll scan it).

## General Wagon Master 2008 Schedule

<b>Oct. 30 – Nov. 2</b>	Elk Enders Halloween Rally at Garden Grove, Lodge	
Nov. 14 – Nov, 16	Do-it-in-the-Dirt California City	
Dec. 5 – 7	Christmas Party at Emerald Desert, Palm Desert, CA	
Dec. 20 <sup>th</sup>	Elk Enders Christmas Dinner at the Garden Grove Lodge.	



**Hemet 2008,**  
**Photos by:**

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**Dave Lewis**



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