



A busy time for Lodge Secretaries

Secretaries received the 2026-27 Lodge Committee Chairpersons Worksheet in January. Use it as a guide to fill positions and report them to Grand Lodge via CLMS2WEB by April 15, 2026. Mailed reports are not accepted.

GRAND SECRETARY
Carl T. Seibert

Remember: Lodge year-ending membership numbers are locked at midnight (Central Time) on March 31.

Ensure all additions and losses are entered correctly before then. Missing updates will trigger the dreaded “out of balance” notification.

Officer Elections Prep—before elections, review procedures for Local Lodge Nominations (Section 3.080) and Elections (Section 3.090) of the Laws of the Order.

BE THE DIFFERENCE

ELKS
Join Us!

Wed. February 4th 7:30 pm

N O M I N A T E

Officer Nominations

Community • Friendship • Charity
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ELECTED POSITIONS FOR NOMINATIONS

- Exalted Ruler
- Leading Knight
- Loyal Knight
- Lecturing Knight
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- 5 Year Trustee

PERS RUN THE MEETING
Appointed Positions by ER Elect

- Esquire
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2025-2026



February 2026

Members of Corona Elks Lodge No. 2045,

First Lady, Melinda McDowell, & I want to wish you all a happy new year!

Because some members made it to midnight, we'll start January right at the beginning—with a reminder of what an outstanding New Year's Eve Ball we had. The turnout was strong, several members truly dressed to the nines, and the live music made it a night to remember. A great way to ring in the new year.

Our first gathering of January was Italian Night, which was very successful and well attended. On January 10, we were honored to welcome California-Hawaii Elks Association State President Scott Stephens, his wife Mary Kay, and his officers for lunch at our Lodge. It was a privilege to host them.

That was followed by one of the best Steak Nights we've had in a long time, complete with a 1970s-themed party. Many members came dressed in full '70s flair, which made the night even more enjoyable. Bunco returned on January 23 with a solid kickoff, hot dogs, and members ready to play.

Several officers, including myself, attended the California-Hawaii Elks Association Learning Seminars in Vista, California. I'm especially proud to note that two of our officers, Patrick Akes and Patrick McDowell, participated as presenters, representing Corona Lodge with professionalism and pride.

We'll be closing out the month with our first-ever Crockpot Contest. Let's see who can bring the best meal that fits inside a crockpot—bragging rights included.

Corona Lodge number 2045 along with the leadership of Bob Young hosted the local scouts to their pinewood Derby races where a room with about 80 Parents and children had the time of their lives. Congratulations to the winners.

Behind the scenes, a small but dedicated crew of Elks put in serious work on Saturday the 24th, sanding down the lodge floor in preparation for the final steps scheduled for February. Once completed, the social room floor will officially be finished. A special thank-you to Mike Ransbury and Brad Area for leading this project and keeping it moving forward.

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Our Elk of the Month is Rob Draper. Rob was recently diagnosed as cancer-free and, throughout his health challenges, continued to attend Lodge functions with a smile and a positive attitude. That is true Elkdom in action.

Please join me in congratulating both gentlemen. They are true survivors and an inspiration to us all.

As my term as your Exalted Ruler comes closer to an end, my focus remains simple: complete the projects we've started, keep the Lodge moving forward, and make sure everyone continues to enjoy the fellowship and events we share. I am confident that our next Exalted Ruler will do an outstanding job.

Nominations and elections are coming up in the next several weeks. Your participation matters. Be engaged. Be involved. This Lodge is strongest when its members step up.

God bless you, God bless Corona Elks Lodge No. 2045, and God bless America.

Patrick McDowell

Exalted Ruler

Corona Elks Lodge No. 2045



FEBRUARY 2026

CORONA ELKS #2045*CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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- 02/01/2026 PER BREAKFAST \$10 INC. TAX – 9AM EGGS, SAUSAGE, BACON, BUSCUITS & GRAVY, PANCAKES, OJ & COFFEE**
- 02/03/2026 TACO TUESDAY Doors open @ 4:30 pm, dinner service 5:30pm -**
- 02/04/2026 WEDNESDAY MEETING – Lodge Opens at 4:30 pm Dinner Served from 6-7 or until gone, Meeting at 7:30 – Lodge of Sorrow for Maureen Calsing before the opening of the meeting. Officer Nominations for 26-27 Elk Year.**
- 02/06/2026 FRI – FISH FRY LODGE OPENS AT 4:30 PM DINNER SERVICE STARTS AT 5:30 PM : PLEASE RSVP TO ELKS2045@DSLEXTREME.COM**
- 02/07/2026 RENTAL**
- 02/08/2026 SUN – SUPER BOWL SUNDAY – LODGE OPENS AT NOON – KICK OFF 3:30 PM SEAHAWKS VS PATRIOTS**
- 02/10//2026 TACO TUESDAY Doors open @ 4:30 pm, dinner service 5:30pm INVESTIGATION**
- 02/11/2026 WEDNESDAY MEETING – HOUSE COMMITTEE – BRAD GRILLING UP HAMBURGERS**
- 02/13/2026 FRI – CHILI COOKOUT CONTEST – \$5 DONATION * MOVIE NIGHT – BRING SNACKS**
- 02/14/2026 SAT – VALENTINE'S DINNER AND DANCE * LODGE OPENS AT 5:00 PM, DINNER AT 6:00 PM, ENTERTAINMENT 7:00 PM RICK HILDEBRANDT**
- 02/15/2026 DISTRICT PER WINTER DINNER – 3 PM – 5 PM REDLANDS RSVP SEE FLYER**
- 02/16/2026 MON - PER MEETING 7PM**
- 02/17/2026 TACO TUESDAY Doors open @ 4:30 pm, dinner service 5:30pm**
- 02/18/2026 WEDNESDAY MEETING – Lodge Opens at 4:30 pm Dinner Served from 6-7 or until gone, Meeting at 7:30 BALLOTING – 2nd Round of Nominations**
- 02/20/2026 FRI - STEAK NIGHT 80'S NIGHT – REPRESENT YOUR BEST 80'S ATTIRE. BEST DRESSED CONTEST – INDIVIDUAL AND COUPLE - PLEASE RSVP BY THURSDAY NOON TO: ELKS2045@DSLEXTREME.COM**
- 02/24/2026 TACO TUESDAY Doors open @ 4:30 pm, dinner service 5:30pm**
- 02/25/2026 WEDNESDAY MEETING – Lodge Opens at 4:30 pm Dinner Served from 6-7 or until gone, Meeting at 7:30 INITIATION and ELECTIONS unless on 2/18 ended in a unanimous vote cast by acclimation**
- 02/27/2026 FRI – HOTDOGS & BUNCO - LODGE OPENS AT 4:30 THE SIGN UP FOR THE GAME BEGINS AT 6 PM – GAME STARTS BETWEEN 6:45-7:00**
- 2/28/2026 SAT – 10AM – 2PM FLOOR MAT PAINTING & DESIGN YOU BRING HOME YOUR MAT \$20 (limited to the first 20 sign-ups) * BRING BRUNCH TYPE APPETIZERS TO SHARE – FRENCH TOAST CASSEROLE WILL BE SUPPLIED * SIGN UP WITH FIRST LADY MELINDA SEE FLYER. CLUB OPEN TO ALL ELK MEMBERS BRING AN APPETIZER TO SHARE – ENJOY A DELICIOUS BEVERAGE AND FRIENDS**

SAVE THE DATE – MARCH - APRIL & MAY 2026

- FRI – 3/6 ITALIAN – SAT 3/7 WINE EVENT – TUE – 3/10 CALENDAR MEETING – SAT 3/14 LEADING KNIGHT'S CASINO NIGHT FUNDRAISER RIVERSIDE – TUE – 3/17 ST. PATRICKS DAY FUN – SAT 3/28 GOING AWAY PARTY FOR ER**
- WED 4/1 INSTALLATION – SAT/SUN 4/25 & 4/26 DISTRICT RITUAL CONTEST ONTARIO – ****MAY 2nd INAUGRAL BALL CORONA******

Feb. Officer of the Month

Spotlight

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Jared Calsing

February Officer of the Month

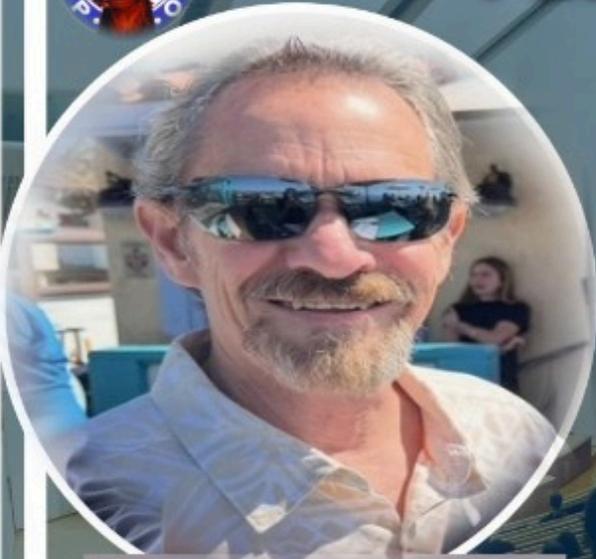
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Happy Birthday Drink Voucher
 Good for 1 of the following
 Well, Beer or House Wine
 during your Birthday Month

Name Date



Patricia	McCoy	02	01
Jessica	McDonald	02	02
Steven E	Zavislak	02	02
Daniel	Fernandez	02	03
Irene	Cohn	02	05
Don	Gilpin	02	05
Nan	Lewis	02	06
Jason	Calsing	02	07
Amy	Coriddi	02	07
Lory	Calsing	02	08
RaeAnn	Kaliher	02	08
Richard W	Ammerman	02	09
Steven	Cramer	02	09
Ronald	Schmer	02	10
John H	Cleghorn	02	11
Brian	Shutt	02	11
Kenneth	Pollich	02	15
Dani	Schlarmann	02	15
John	Modena	02	16
Joyce	Nohavec	02	16
Joseph	Santoro	02	16
Karen	Vargas	02	17
Carolyn	Conway	02	18
Douglas	Osadchuk	02	18
William	Knight	02	19
Joseph	Lloyd	02	20
Brian	Governor	02	21
George	Rife	02	24
David	Schneider	02	24
Doug	Thompson	02	24
Chase	Duplesse	02	25
Michael	Wuflestad	02	25
James	McCoy	02	26
Amanda	Worley	02	27
Joan	Marin	02	28
Cindy	Moore	02	28
Donald	Costello	02	29



Lodges elect new Officers, honor PERs in February

Happy birthday to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America! On February 16, we celebrate 158 years of our great organization. On a personal note, I wish everyone a happy Valentine's Day, especially to my wife, Susan.

This month is important for Elkdom as new Officer elections should be held at your last monthly meeting. Every Officer should be dedicated to making the Lodge active and effective, both internally and in the community. Also, the current Exalted Ruler and Secretary should recognize any Member who sponsored or reinstated three Members by awarding them the Grand Exalted Ruler Award Pin. The request form is available on elks.org. Go to the Grand Exalted Ruler page within



**Message from
the Grand
Exalted Ruler
BRYAN R.
KLATT**

the Members Only section, then click on Grand Exalted Ruler Award Forms.

It's time to recognize and encourage a group of Members who have shown a great deal of effort and dedication to what we do as Elks, the Past Exalted Rulers. Ask them to perform the ritual during the Past Exalted Rulers Night. PERs deserve to be thanked for all they have done and for what

they continue to do for your Lodge.

The Contest "A" - All American Lodge Contest certification forms are due soon. It takes teamwork to achieve this very prestigious award. Honestly, most Lodges would qualify but don't fill out the form properly. It is important to score your efforts on the form provided. It's a great way for your Lodge to keep track of what you need to do.

If you need assistance, contact your Grand Lodge Area Fraternal Committee member. There are first, second and third place winners for each of the six membership divisions. Why not take the time to submit your form before the deadline?

Continue to demonstrate that you can *Be The Difference* by promoting "*Elks Care—Elks Share.*"



ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

ENF launches new management system

To enhance the donor and volunteer experience, the Elks National Foundation is migrating to a new constituent relationship management system, leaving the platform it has used for the past 24 years.

The new system will reduce donation processing time, improve processes for recognizing and acknowledging donors, and expand the ways the Foundation supports its volunteers. The migration is set to take place in mid-March during the busiest gift processing month of the fiscal year.

The ENF team is excited to share the new possibilities with you, but they will experience some delays during the transition, and they expect the close of the 2025-26 fiscal

year to be delayed until mid-May. This means that the numbers for all fundraising metrics you see online, including Lodge per-Member giving and Gratitude Grant eligibility and bonuses, will not be finalized until mid-May. If your Lodge plans to apply for a Gratitude Grant, please wait until these numbers are finalized to ensure that you are utilizing all the funds available to you.

For details about what this transition entails and how it might impact you, visit elks.org/ENF/news.cfm?StoryID=146366.



Your commemorative donations support the Veterans Memorial Restoration Trust

For a full century, the Elks National Memorial has stood as a powerful symbol of patriotism, service, and peace. As we look toward the building's 100th Anniversary on July 4, 2026, Members are invited to support the Elks Veterans Memorial Restoration Trust with a commemorative donation.

Your contribution supports the Elks Veterans Memorial Restoration Trust and the continued care and upkeep of this historic building. You may give in honor of Grand Exalted Ruler Bryan R. Klatt, or choose to honor a veteran who made a lasting impact on your life.

Donations of \$100 or more honoring a veteran will be displayed on the Veterans Video Tribute wall at the Elks National Convention. Members who make a dedication honoring a veteran at the \$500 level or above will have the veteran's photo added



to the Tribute Video Wall.

Join fellow Elks in preserving this landmark. Donate at elks.org/donate100 and share on social media using hashtags such as #ElksUSA, #ElksMemorial100, and #ElksCareElksShare.



The Corona Elks Lodge #2045 has taken a commendable step in supporting Scouts Troop 421 by contributing to their Pinewood Derby event. This engaging and educational event is a staple in the scouting community, providing scouts with an opportunity to design, build, and race their own handcrafted wooden cars. The support from the Elks Lodge not only aids in the logistical aspects of the derby but also fosters a spirit of community involvement and mentorship. By assisting Troop 421, the lodge encourages the values of creativity, teamwork, and friendly competition among the young participants, ensuring a memorable experience that aligns with the scouts' mission of personal development and community service.



The generous donation of \$3,000 by Corona Elks Lodge # 2045 to the Victress Bower School for Exceptional Students underscores the community's commitment to supporting inclusive education. The Victress Bower School, renowned for its tailored educational programs, plays a vital role in empowering students with disabilities to reach their full potential. This contribution will likely aid in enhancing the school's resources, enabling it to offer even more personalized and effective education experiences. Such acts of kindness not only benefit the immediate recipients but also inspire a broader societal commitment to inclusivity and support for individuals with disabilities.



CORONA ELKS LODGE #2045



PER

Delightful Breakfast

Sunday February 1st

served from

9am-10:30am

\$10 p/p incl. taxes

*** LODGE OPENS AT
9AM for BREAKFAST
which will be cooked
by our Past Exalted
Rulers**



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In Loving Memory of
Maureen Calsing Nerio

December 26, 2025

*We Shall Meet but We shall miss them, there will be
one vacant chair. Elks are never forgotten, never
forsaken.*

**LODGE OF SORROW WILL BE HELD AT 7:30 PM
WED. FEB. 4TH BEFORE THE MEETING STARTS**

SUPERBOWL

SEAHAWKS & PATRIOTS



SUNDAY ❖ FEBRUARY 08 ❖ 2026

DOORS OPEN AT NOON

Join Us

CORONA ELKS LODGE #2045

SUPER POTLUCK BRING YOUR
FAVORITE DISH
5 TVS IN CLUB & 3 IN LODGE



TACO

TUESDAY

EVERY TUESDAY
TACOS, BURRITOS, TACO SALADS,
TOSTADAS, TACO BOATS
LODGE OPENS 4:30
FOOD SERVICE 5:30PM-7:00PM



BURGER NIGHT

Wed. 2/11/26

Lodge Opens at 4:30pm

Burger orders start at

5:00pm

Brad on the Grill

House Committee

6:15pm





Valentine's

- PARTY -

Corona Elks Lodge
2045

LIVE MUSIC AND ITALIAN DINNER

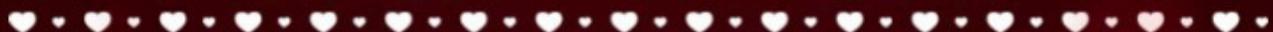
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14 FEB

LODGE OPENS AT 5PM
FOOD STARTS AT 6PM
MUSIC STARTS AT 7PM

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SPECIAL GUEST

Rick Hildebrandt

\$20 pp incl. tax



Valentine's, Gal-entine's or Pal-entine's
Come down to the Lodge and join your friends for a great time
RSVP TO: ELKS2045@DSLEXTREME.COM



Past Exalted Ruler 's Association
Southeast District Winter Dinner

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026

Redlands Elks Lodge 583

663 New York St., Redlands

3:00pm - 5:00pm

PER Members: Free with 2025-2026 Paid Annual Dues
Spouses and Guests: \$22

MAIN MENU

Grilled chicken breast w/Mushroom Marsala Sauce,
Wild Rice Pilaf, California Blend Veggies, Salad
w/chopped Romaine, dried cranberries, Feta Cheese
and vinaigrette dressing, and peach cobbler for dessert

**We are asking for Raffle items or a basket from all the
Lodges. We are hoping each lodge's PER Association will
approve a donation up to \$50.00 to make a basket to donate.**

The treasure chest will be offered again this year.
25 keys will be for \$10 each

Come on out and share in the fun with fellow SED PERs
and their guests.

**Please RSVP by February 6, 2026 to:
Judy Golding-Feeley 909-645-0762 or 4perelks@gmail.com**

DRESS 80'S OPTIONAL

80'S

NIGHT

FRI. STEAK NIGHT 2/20

DJ/KJ JAKE LATIN CROONER

**FRIDAY FEB. 20 STEAK NIGHT
RSVP BY THURSDAY 2/19/26**

ELKS2045@DSLEXTREME.COM

LODGE OPENS 4:30 GRILLING AT 6:00

**STEAK \$25
CHICKEN \$15
SPLIT \$35
POTATO/SALAD \$10**

Contest*Prizes



Corona Elks Lodge

#2045

HOTDOGS & BUNCO



Friday February 27

Lodge opens at 4:30,

hotdogs 5:30

sign ups at 6. Game at 7

\$20 PER PERSON

FUN & PRIZES

(PROCEEDS GO TO CHARITY)

CHAIR IS CAROL CONWAY



**CORONA ELKS' FIRST LADY
MELINDA INVITES YOU TO
BRUNCH & DOOR MAT DESIGN**

\$20 FOR MAT & SUPPLIES LIMITED TO THE FIRST 20 PPL

SAT. FEB. 28 10AM - 2PM

**BRING A BRUNCH APPETIZER TO SHARE -
FRENCH TOAST CASSEROLE WILL BE PROVIDED**

**LODGE IS OPEN FOR ALL ELK MEMBERS AND THEIR
GUESTS IN GOOD STANDING.**

**YOU DO NOT NEED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CRAFT TO
ENJOY A COCKTAIL OR PARTICIPATE IN BRUNCH,
BRING AN APPETIZER TO SHARE * MUST SIGN UP WITH
MELINDA FOR DOOR MAT DESIGN
EMAIL: MEL49ERFAN@YAHOO.COM**



JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF WINE TASTING FROM AROUND WORLD

Sip, Taste and Celebrate wines from Spain,
France, Germany, Argentina, Italy, and Australia

Corona Elks Lodge 2045, 912 E. 6th Street, Corona, CA



March 7, 2026, 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Cocktail Attire

Tickets \$35.00 Includes Wine Tasting and Light Food Pairing



Reserve your spot today, limited seating

Call Teri: 760 484-7843

Indio Elks Lodge #1643

Invites you to a BBQ Feast

Friday May 15, 2026

5 P.M.

**Country Singer, Brian Scott,
will have you singing and dancing !**

\$28 (tax included)

\$30 at the door

Reservations

Requested

760-347-1643

Seating is Limited



Ribs, Chicken, Combo Plate,

Baked Potato,

Buttered Corn,

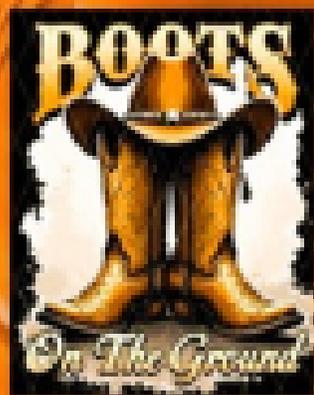
Coleslaw, Corn Bread,

Cobbler Dessert

Dress in your favorite

country/western attire

Drawing to benefit Elks Charities





CHEA ANNUAL CONVENTION 2026 PALM SPRINGS, CA

GOLF

MAY 12, 2026

TOURNAMENT

**TEE TIME 1PM
SHOT GUN START**

**\$110/PLAYER
ENTRY, CART
RANGE BALLS
BOX LUNCH**



**CIMARRON GOLF RESORT
67603 30TH AVE
CATHEDRAL CITY,**

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MAN
SCRAMBLE**

**QUESTIONS:
CONTACT LISA WINKLER
(760)960-4246**

**LOW GROSS
LOW NET**



**PICK YOUR OWN
THREESOME OR WE CAN
LACE YOU. STROKE PLAY,
80% OF HANDICAP**

**CLOSEST
TO THE PIN
LONGEST
DRIVE**



Membership/Lapsation Report Corona, CA Lodge 2045

Beginning Membership Total 4/1/2025: 402

Increases

Initiated	29
Affiliated:	1
Reinstated:	3
Subtotal:	33

Decreases

Dropped:	0
Transferred Out:	4
Absolute Dimit:	0
Deaths:	4
Expelled:	0
Subtotal:	8

Calculated Membership Total:	427
CLMS Active Members:	427
Average Age:	66.32
Gain/Loss:	25

Delinquency

Six Months:	0
One Year:	37
Over One Year:	0
Total:	37
Lapsation Rate:	9.20%

Elk Members, there are usually a few ways to submit your payments. You can mail a check for \$138, which covers the total dues. Additionally, there are options to contribute to various causes like the Major Project, ENF (Elks National Foundation), Veterans, Scholarships, and Lodge Improvement, which are optional but appreciated donations. Alternatively, you can pay online for convenience by visiting elks.com/payonline. Make sure to check for any specific instructions or deadlines to ensure your membership remains in good standing.

Search for Corona Elks Lodge

**Go to Quick Pay no need to register a user name
If you are delinquent, you can pay both years together**



Elks Lodge

Please **Search Your Property Name** to Make Payment

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Corona, CA No. 2045

912 E. 6th Street, Corona, CA, 92879

Phone: (310) 990-7667

Did you already register? Click [Forgot your Password](#) below or go [Here](#) for instructions.

Username

Password (as at registration)

Registration

Login

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