



Sanford Elks Lodge #1679 The 1679'er News October 2023



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Chanda Coomer, Exalted Ruler

Elks Members and Families:

Fall is upon us. With the season of Fall, comes festivals and fun and we have plenty of both. We have the Sanford Street Fest coming up this month as well as the Havens No Scare Fair. We will have our Drug Awareness Program Trailer at both festivals. If you are looking to become more involved with our community, please let us know. We would love your help with either one of the festivals. If you are unable to volunteer, maybe you would like to help by donating a bag of candy for our Elk Members to hand out at the Havens No Scare Fair. There will be a box for you at the Lodge to make a bag of candy donation if you are interested in doing so.

Our board members are looking forward to attending the Elks Fall Conference in Charlotte NC. This is a great time for us to meet other Lodges, other members and gather new ideas to get rejuvenated in Elkdom.

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Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler.....Chanda Coomer
Leading Knight.....Randall Mattingly
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1-Year Trustee.....Scott Pace, PSP

Committees

PER President.....Addison Johnson
Elks National Foundation.....Steve Johnson
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Youth Activities.....Chris Gill
Hoop Shoot.....Gary Short
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Pool Manager.....Carolyn Lee



Elks Lodges bring so much more to their communities than just a building, golf course or pool. They are places where neighbors come together, families share meals, and children grow up.

Elks invest in their communities through programs that help children grow up healthy and drug-free, meet the needs of today's veterans, and improve the quality of life. Invite a friend to join today!

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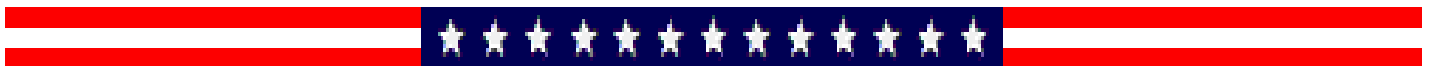
Tip of the Antlers!

A great big "hoof clappin" Tip of the Antlers to:

- Labor Day Cookout: Glen Gunter, Chanda Coomer, Jason Scheller, Alison Scheller, Kym Smith, Noah Gunter, Brian Carlyle, Randall Mattingly, Rachael Mattingly, Tim Sinnott, Brandon Craig, Shannon Macon. There were others that helped and who volunteered to man the huge water slide. We thank you all. It was a total group effort and a great day to close out our swimming pool season.
- Members that donated gift cards from our local businesses for the door prizes for our Luau. Jason Scheller, Scott Pace, Chanda Coomer, Chris Stetzer, Alex Voytik, Joe Clancy, Tom Liddy, Kym Smith, Addison Johnson, Steve Johnson, and Randall Mattingly.
- Nathan Cochrane for coordinating the cleats for kids program.
- Randal, Rachael and Logan Mattingly, Brian and Blake Carlyle, Duncan Riddle, Erica Crouch, Glen and Pam Gunter, Alex Voytik, Billy and Denise Rogers, Jason and Alison Scheller for working in the Drug Awareness Program trailer at the Lee County Fair.
- Steve Johnson and Joe Clancy for doing all the paperwork for our annually District Deputy audit.
- Thanks to all the people who made the luau a success: Angie Brown, Mark Brown, Todd Pace, Stephanie Pace, Brenda Delvechio, Tiffany Godfrey, Tim Sinnott, Chanda Coomer, Glen Gunter. Cindy Gonella, Larry and Stephanie Whitaker, Ronda Utley, Chris Black, Charlie Clark, Joe Clancy, Kaitlyn Roberts, Ray and Peggy Womble, and then entire Mattingly family (Randall, Karen, Rachael, and Logan).

This is what makes our Lodge successful!!! It takes lots and lots of volunteers. Thanks again to everyone that takes time out of their busy schedule to help our Lodge continue to demonstrate

"Elks Care-Elks Share".



ER Message continued...

In closing, I would like to mention one of our members, Gary Short. Gary has taken on the responsibility of becoming the Chairman of our Hoop Shoot. He brings much experience from his prior Lodge in Gastonia NC. He is applying those experiences here in Sanford as he is getting involved within the school systems to implement new ways of reaching our youth and to jump start our Hoop Shoot Program. When the time comes for the need of Hoop Shoot volunteers, let's all get behind Gary and on board, support our local youth and make our Hoop Shoot shine again.

See you at the lodge,

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Membership Drive Oyster Roast

Save the Date - Wednesday, November 1st



Sanford Elks Lodge # 1679 will have its annual Membership Drive Oyster Roast on Wednesday, November 1st. ***Please invite potential new members and encourage them to fill out an application that night.*** If you can help volunteer for this event, please contact Chanda Coomer at er@sanfordelks1679.org.
NOTE: This event is for members in good standing with the Elks.



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Most Valuable Student

The 2024 application will open on August 1, 2023.
Applicants will be judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need.
The 2024 application deadline is November 13, 2023

Eligibility:

- Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.
- Applicants **do not** need to be related to a member of the Elks.
- High school graduates are not eligible to apply.
- Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are submitted; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.

More details about MVS and other Scholarships can be found at <https://www.elks.org/scholars/default.cfm>



Legacy Awards

Legacy Awards are \$4,000 scholarships available to children and grandchildren of Elks members. Eligibility requirements are outlined below.

The 2024 application closes on **February 5, 2024 at 11:59 a.m. PST.**

More details about the Legacy Awards can be found at
<https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/Legacy.cfm>

Nursing Scholarship Information

<https://ncelks.org/programs/nursing-scholarship/>





Downtown Sanford StreetFest & Fireworks is a signature event for Sanford that draws thousands to downtown to celebrate with music, performances, vendors, brews, and food.

The Sanford Elks Lodge will have our Drug Awareness Trailer set up at Sanford's Downtown Street Fest on **Saturday, October 14th**. This is a great way to support our community and get the word out about the Elks Drug Awareness program. If you can help out with this event, please contact Chanda Coomer at er@sanfordelks1679.org

The Sanford Elks Lodge will have our Drug Awareness Trailer set up at the No Scare Fair on Saturday, October 28th. This event will be held at the Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center. Our trailer will be setup from 11 am - 5 pm. If you can help out, please contact Chanda Coomer at email er@sanfordelks1679.org.

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Enrique (Kiki) Camarena was born on July 26, 1947 in Mexicali, Mexico. He graduated from Calexico High School in Calexico, Calif., in 1966. After graduation he joined the U.S. Marines where he served for two years. After his military service, Kiki joined the Calexico Police Department and later moved to the El Centro Police Department. In 1974, he became part of the Drug Enforcement Administration. Seven years later he was assigned to the resident office in Guadalajara. He worked out of this office for four and a half years and was close to exposing a major drug trafficking operation. On February 7, 1985 Kiki was kidnapped. That was the last time he was seen alive. He was 37 years of age.


Shortly after Kiki's death, U.S. Congressman Duncan Hunter; his wife Lynne Hunter; Calexico High School classmate, Henry Lozano; and Calexico City Councilman and educator, David Dillon launched the Calexico High School Kiki Camarena Club in Kiki's hometown of Calexico, Calif. On April 20, 1985 over one hundred Kiki Camarena Club members pledged to lead drug free lives.

Interest from school districts in other cities in California's Imperial Valley afforded Henry Lozano, then-Executive Director of Imperial Valley Teen Challenge, to create Kiki Camarena Clubs in Holtville, Brawley, and El Centro, California with the support of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks.

In 1988, the National Federation of Parents for Drug-Free Youth championed the first national Red Ribbon Week campaign with Honorary Chairman President Ronald Reagan and First Lady Nancy Reagan. That same year, congress officially established Red Ribbon Week.

Now, at the end of every October, millions of Americans dawn red ribbons in memory of Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena. (More at: <https://www.elks.org/dap/resources/redribbonweek.cfm>)

Celebrating Red Ribbon Week



Honoring
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to say no to drugs,

to provide support to
others who use drugs,
to help them learn
to say no to drugs,

to become educated on
the dangers of drugs
and provide this
information to
my community.

Copy of the original Calexico High School Kiki Camarena club pledge in 1985.

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Help Elks build stronger communities with a tax-deductible donation to the Elks National Foundation, a public, non-profit, tax-exempt corporation as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Tax Reform Act of 1959. Donations are payable by check, Visa, MasterCard, Discover Card or American Express. You can also make a pledge to donate to the ENF on an annual basis.

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Clubroom Menu

Club Room Hours
Monday thru Thursday 3-11pm, Friday 3-12pm • Saturday 12-11pm • Sunday 1-8pm

Monday Night Sandwiches

(Served 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)

- Grilled Salmon - \$11
 - Ribeye Steak - \$10
 - Marinated Chicken - \$8
 - Marinated Grilled Chicken Salad - \$8
- All served with home fries



Every Day & Night

(Served 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)
(4 - 6 pm on Saturdays)

- Pizza - \$8
- Soft Pretzel - \$3.25



Fryer Foods

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| Chicken Wings (18 oz.) | \$8.50 |
| Chicken Tenders (10 oz.) | \$8.00 |
| Black Bean Spring Rolls | \$5.50 |
| Homemade Potato Chips | \$4.50 |
| Mozzarella Sticks (5) | \$5.50 |
| Crinkle Cut Fries (10 oz) | \$2.25 |
| Pickle Chips (basket) | \$4.00 |
| Onion Rings (8 oz.) | \$4.25 |
| Jalapeno Poppers (5) | \$4.00 |
| Fried Green Beans (8 oz.) | \$4.50 |
| Fried Mushrooms | \$4.00 |
| Soft Pretzel w/ Beer Cheese | \$3.50 |
| Pizza: Supreme, Pepperoni, 4 Meat | \$8.50 |

October 2023

6TH - REUBEN WITH CHIPS \$12.00

Toasted marble rye bread piled high with corned beef, Swiss cheese, sauerkraut, and thousand island dressing baked to a wonderfully gooey hot mess and served with chips and Aju sauce.

13TH - CAROLINA BURGERS \$11.00

Hand patted Angus burgers grilled and topped with cheese, chopped onions, mustard, slaw and chili atop a toasted bun. Served with fries.

20TH - SQUAWKING BARNYARD BISCUIT \$13.00

Melissa's big fluffy scratch made biscuit with a Crispy Cajun fried chicken breast, Applewood bacon strips, fried eggs, sharp cheddar cheese, and homemade sausage gravy. Served with grits.

27th - PORK CHOP DINNER \$14.00

Two hand-cut grilled pork chops grilled with that secret seasoning that makes you beckon for more, paired with stick to your rib's cheesy potatoes and a slice of garlic bread.

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Order meals online (at least 24hrs in advance) at: <https://sanfordelks1679.org/monthly-menu>

Reminders: Families can eat in ladies lounge!

NOTE: Menu and prices subject to change.

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Dates to Remember

Oct 4

PER meeting at 6:30

Oct 11

Lodge Meeting 7:00

Oct 18

House Committee Meeting at 6:30

Oct 25

Lodge Meeting w / initiation at 7:00

Oct 23 - 31

Red Ribbon Week

Happy Birthday October

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| 01 Duncan Riddle | 08 Matt Inman | 16 Diane Moore |
| 02 Thomas Haeck | 09 Nathaniel Cochrane | 17 Paul Raaf |
| 02 Clyde Nicholson | 09 Crystal Elliott | 19 Daniel Dileva |
| 02 David Wicker | 09 Margaret Straight | 19 Arthur Doucette |
| 04 Wayne Freeman Jr | 11 Carson Cameron | 20 Kenneth Diaz |
| 05 Mahayla Coomer | 11 Greg Patterson | 21 Edwin Foushee |
| 05 John Crumpton | 12 Wayne St Louis | 21 James Stone |
| 05 D Gunter II | 13 Brandon Cook | 22 Rhonda Utley |
| 05 Adam O'Quinn | 13 Carter Keller | 24 Christopher Hickman |
| 05 Carl Rode | 14 Nathan Brannan | 25 Alex Ulloa |
| 05 Michael Smith | 14 Brian Godfrey | 26 Chris Gaddy |
| 05 John Ulam | 14 Richard Porter | 27 Paul Dickens |
| 06 Matthew Eldridge | 14 Jeremy Stack | 27 William Sturkie |
| 06 Doug Underwood | 14 Misty Williams | 27 Larry Whitaker |
| 07 William Pickard Jr | 15 Ken Abbott | 28 Alan Schlitz |
| 08 Randy Baker | 15 Harold Oldham Jr | 30 Daniel Woodard |
| 08 Greg Gautier | 16 Billy Davis | 31 Nick Jones |

