



GILROY ELKS LODGE #1567

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GRAND EXALTED RULER MESSAGE - Bryan R. Klatt



THANKS TO THE ELKS FOR EVERYTHING THEY DO

Happy Independence Day, the Fourth of July. Happy America 250!

We live in the greatest country on the face of the earth.

Did the last twelve months fly by for you as they did for me and First Lady Sue?

My, weren't we in Kansas our great nation and organization.

The old adage "time flies when having fun" is fitting.

The easy part of staying enthused week after week was visiting each state
and the Members thereof.

Sue and I want to thank each and every one of you for your assistance, hospitality,
and support during our year as Grand Exalted Ruler and First Lady.

Each of you are the reason we are 800,000 Members strong with more than 1,780 Local
Lodges who form the greatest charitable organization in the United States of America.

We are strong and mighty, and we are blessed to be citizens in our great country.

God bless each and every one of you. God bless the BPOE, and God bless the United
States of America. Always remember my motto, *Be The Difference*, as we are 158 years young!



A Message from Your Exalted Ruler:

Hello, Fellow Elk Members.

The warm summer months here at your Gilroy Elks Lodge are upon us so try and stay cool. Be sure to check out the enclosed monthly calendars and see what is going on.

I had the pleasure of representing our Lodge in Chicago for a Grand Lodge Convention along with 1,800 other Exalted Rulers in the country on the 4th of July week celebrating our country's 250-year Anniversary. It was a wonderful experience meeting many new people and attending many events and training sessions to enhance my understanding of Elkdom. I would be happy to share some of those experiences with you if you would join us Wednesday nights at our 6:30pm dinner hours.

We have now received Grand Lodge permission to hold our Lodge floor meetings at 7:30 pm so stay after dinner and join us for that as well.

On a business note: please welcome back Mr. Sam Bozzo as our returning Chaplain to our Officer Corps. In addition, Mr. Mitch Marinovich moves from our Esteemed Loyal Knight position to our Chairman of the Board of Trustees. We are looking now to fill his old position as Loyal Knight, so see me if interested. We thank them for their dedication to serving your Lodge.

Our successful Monday Night Football Watch Gatherings for this year needs a chairman to run the event each Monday night starting in September. If you are interested in helping continue this event, please see me. We would like more than one member to head-up this event of 16 weeks of Monday Night Football.

Continue enjoying your summer and set aside a few Wednesday evenings to join us for Elk Fellowship. I can be reached at **dm.elk1567@gmail.com** with your interest or call me at **(831) 444-1749**. Look forward to seeing you and hearing from you.

God's blessings,

Danny Mitchell ER

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In Memoriam
STEVEN G. MAYNE SR.

Born: July 27, 1948
Init: December 19, 1990
Died: July 20, 2026
37 Year Member

*The clock of their last day has stopped.
 'Tis the hour of eleven."
 Remember, the faults of our members
 we write on the sand;
 Their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory.*

I AM AN ELK

I am an Elk because an Elk saw something good in me that would allow me to be a good Elk.
 When asked I eagerly joined my local lodge and embraced its greatness. We became Elks because our organization is meaningful, powerful and Important to our country, our community our friends and our family.
 We remain Elks because we EMBRACE our mission, our duty and our members.
 We patronize our lodge because brotherhood and fellowship are a cornerstone of who Elks are.
 Working together We can accomplish great things.
 Being an Elk is not about one's self, we are a group of individuals with many ideas, countless skills and an inexhaustible desire to serve. Elks are not about what an individual can extract from membership.
 It is what needs to be done to support it We rejoice at being ELKS because we take pride in the successes of the children, our Veterans, and the communities we serve.
 We practice being ELKS by being there when needed stepping up when asked and volunteering our time and resources when necessary. I cannot be a good ELK without my fellow Elks.

*We are a Team
 (Author unknown)*

UPCOMING EVENTS

West Central District

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Directions




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AUGUST 29, 2026
4 PM - 9 PM

Doors open at 4
Dinner at 5
Band plays from 6 - 8



GILROY ELKS LODGE

Call 408-842-9397 for tickets

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Gilroy ELKS Lodge #1567

In Cooperation with Orchard Valley Youth Soccer League

Presents the

20th ANNUAL SOCCER SHOOTOUT

Where? PA Walsh School in Morgan Hill

When? Saturday, October 3, 2026

Hours: 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

Age Groups: Under 6, 8, 10 Boys & Girls

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JEFF SANCHEZ

*District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler (DDGER)
California - West Central 1200*

Biography of Jeff Sanchez District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 2026-2027



Jeff Sanchez was born in Palo Alto, California, in 1967. He attended Santa Teresa High School in San Jose and continued his education at San Jose City College. Jeff has been happily married to his wife, Marie, for more than 39 years. Together, they have raised four children – Michael, Christine, Stephanie, and Thomas – and are proud grandparents to eleven grandchildren.

For more than 30 years, Jeff has built a successful career in the security industry. Throughout his career, he has been actively involved in numerous security industry business groups and trade organizations. In 2015, he was recognized by the California State Senate upon graduating from Leadership Sunnyvale. Today, Jeff serves as President and CEO of Foster Brothers Security Systems, where he leads a team of more than 15 employees.

Jeff joined the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in 2013 and has been a dedicated and active member ever since. He has served in numerous lodge leadership positions, including Inner Guard, Lecturing Knight, Loyal Knight, Leading Knight, and Exalted Ruler, a position he has held five times. He currently serves as a Lodge Advisor for Sunnyvale Lodge No. 2128.

Beyond the lodge, Jeff has also been actively involved at the district level. A lifelong supporter of Scouting, beginning in his youth, he has served as the district's Scouting Vice Chairman or Chairman since 2019. His continued dedication to both Scouting and the Elks reflects his longstanding commitment to leadership, community service, and the values of the Order.

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2026 SCOUTING NEWS

During the June Rib Night Dinner, **Exalted Ruler Danny Mitchell** presented a \$3,000 check to Brian Shorey, Scout Leader of Troop 711, in recognition of the troop's volunteer service at our Rib Night dinners. Troop 711, which meets weekly in the Phil Quast Room, will use the funds to help Scouts attend and experience summer camp at Camp Hi-Sierra.

The Lodge obtained an Elks National Foundation (ENF) Gratitude Grant and proudly reinvests the funds back into the youth and future leaders of our community.

Mitch Marinovich PER



Pictured (L to R) Todd Bruce, John Fancher, Brian Shorey, Scouts, Pierce Wong, Dhruval Ammepalli, Reno Brensch, Ethan Wong, Colin Wong, Steve McGinnis, and Danny Mitchell



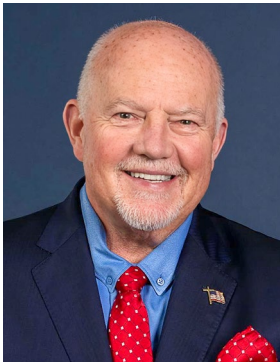
Resolutions presented and the voting outcome at the 2026 Grand Lodge Convention in Chicago, Illinois

2026-01—To clarify that members of the Elks National Drug Awareness Commission are to be appointed in the same or similar manner as other national foundation boards and commissions. 2,585 YES, 30 NO. **PASSED.**

2026-02—To clarify the Grand Forum does not have jurisdiction over a matter if the Appellant does not timely appeal and pay the required fees. 2,533 YES, 70 NO. **PASSED.**

2026-03—To allow appeals of decisions of the Lodge's supervising or managing body to also be heard at a special meeting of the Lodge. 2,505 YES, 104 NO. **PASSED.**

2026-04—To allow a hearing on a request for a pardon or commutation to also be heard at a special meeting of the Lodge. 2,496 YES, 105 NO. **PASSED.**



BIOGRAPHY OF TIMOTHY F. JAEGER GRAND EXALTED RULER 2026-2027

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the U.S.A.

Timothy Francis Jaeger was born in Pierre, South Dakota, and grew up in Geddes, South Dakota, where he attended elementary, junior high, and high school all in one building. Tim attended the University of South Dakota in Vermillion, earning a bachelor's degree in Business Administration in 1980 and a Master of Professional Accountancy in 1982.

For more than forty years, Tim has worked in the finance profession as a CPA and in various industries performing permanent and interim executive roles. Tim serves on corporate boards as an independent director. He is the President of CXO Consulting Group and a Director at BPM LLP in the CFO Advisory practice.

Tim's journey with the Elks began when he was initiated into Sioux Falls, SD Lodge No. 262 in 1985. After moving to California, Tim transferred to Petaluma, CA Lodge No. 901, serving in several roles, including Exalted Ruler in 2007-2008. He served as an appointed advisor to Napa, CA Lodge No. 832 from 2011 -2013 and ultimately transferred there.

He began his tenure with the California-Hawaii Elks Association in 2010-2011 by serving as Vice President. He has served on several district committees and as the CHEA Drug Awareness Chair from 2011-2013. He served on the CHEA Board of Trustees from 2014-2017 and as the CHEA First Vice President in 2018-2019. Tim then acted as CHEA President from 2019 -2021. He has served as the CHEA Northwest District Leader since 2020 and served as a board member of the California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, Inc. from 2022 until 2025.

On the Grand Lodge level, Tim was District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler in 2013-2014. He served as an Assistant Director of the Elks National Drug Awareness Program from 2014 through 2021. Tim acted as a member of the Board of Grand Trustees from 2021 until

2025, including serving as Chairman during his final year.

Tim has received several accolades in Elksdom. He was named an Honorary Life Member by the Napa Lodge and was named Elk of the Year and Officer of the Year by the Petaluma Lodge. He was recognized by the CHEA Elks Luncheon Club as the 2023 recipient of the Roses for the Living Award.

Tim met the love of his life, Sandy, in 1981, and they married in 1984. They have three children: Ben, his wife Whitney, and their two children Logan and Conner, who live in Moraga, California; Brittany, her husband Tyler, and their two children Jameson and Trace, who live in Tampa, Florida; and Lizzie, a proud Napa Lodge Member, her husband Bob, a proud Walnut Creek Lodge Member, and their two children Reese and Avery, who live in Walnut Creek, California.

Tim is a member of the Knights of Columbus and a past member of the Petaluma Chamber of Commerce. He coached teams in Little League baseball and Boys & Girls Club basketball. He was a Casa Grande High School Basketball Program Fundraising Chair, a Casa Grande High School Boosters Club member, and a St. James Catholic Church Fundraising and "Giving Tree" Vice Chair. Tim founded the Northbay Chapter of Parrot Heads in Paradise in 2013.

Sandy's love for children led to a 25-year elementary school teaching career, including 10 years as an administrator working with the California Beginning Teacher program.

Tim and Sandy are honored and humbled to be chosen as the ambassadors to represent our great Order as the Grand Exalted Ruler and First Lady of Elksdom. They are excited for the opportunity to promote the Elks while visiting communities throughout America, sharing the theme:

"READY ELKS - LET'S GO"

Is your name or an Elk Brother or Sister on the Triple D List? Here is the list of members whose dues for 2026-2027 are delinquent as of June 30, 2026. Please review this list, if your name should not be included on this list as your dues payment could have crossed in the mail, please let me know. We do not want you to lose your membership and miss out on all the camaraderie of our Elks Lodge offers – fellowship, events and dinners with some of the **B**.est **P**.eople **O**.n **E**.arth.

A quick reminder if you know a member who has not received the monthly Garlic Press newsletter electronically or via USPS, the newsletter is available on the Gilroy Elks Lodge website.

Fraternally, Steven G. Mayne PDDGER & Lodge Secretary

David Abbott	Michael Bernal	Joe Cornaggia	Werner Gartner	Remo Lundergnani	Nidia Rodriguez	James Suner
Irene Altamirano	John Borofka	Edward Delgado	Gordon Hanson	Jose Montes	Gregory Roos	Carl Swank
Peter Armendariz	Dave Bozzo	Earl Eubanks	James Holgersson	William Moore	Sergio Sanchez	Janet Thompson
Lorenzo Ayala	John Carolan	Dean Filice	Zachary Johnson	Thomas Mozzone Jr.	Anthony Shebib	Carlos Tovar
Vicki Sakamoto	Daniel Chole	George Ford	James Krause	David Orr	Brian Shorey	Luisito Tubera
Rico Bermudez	Victoria Christopher	Gilbert Gallo	Lawrence Larsen	Matthew Reinhardt	Kay Spencer	Travis Weiler

THE GARLIC PRESS - AUGUST CALENDAR

AUGUST 2026

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
JULY 26	27	28	29	30	31	AUGUST 1
2	3	4 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT US COAST GUARD BIRTHDAY	5 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: STEAK NATIONAL ROOTBEER FLOAT DAY	6 SCOUTS MEETING GAVILAN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS	7	8 DDGER CLINIC AT SAN JOSE LODGE 9:00AM
9 SMOKEY THE BEAR BIRTHDAY 	10	11 OFFICER, HOUSE & TRUSTEE MEETING 6PM	12 LODGE MEETING MENU: ITALIAN STYLE RIBS	13 SCOUTS MEETING	14	15 MANDATORY SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION CLASS @ SAN JOSE LODGE 9AM TO 3PM
16	17	18	19 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU CALAMARI	20 SCOUTS MEETING	21	22
23 WCO FAMILY PICNIC @ MONTEREY LODGE	24	25 NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION	26 LODGE MEETING & ORIENTATION (TUXEDO) MENU: TACO SALAD BAR RIB NIGHT RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM	27 SCOUTS MEETING	28 GILROY LODGE 97 YRS. CHARTERED RIB NIGHT NEW DINNER SERVICE TIME 6:30PM 	29 CHICO BAVARIAN BAND CONCERT 

WEEKLY DUTY OFFICERS:

8/2 TO 8/8 - DANNY MITCHELL
 8/9 TO 8/15 - DANNY MITCHELL
 8/16 TO 8/22 - STEVE MCGINNIS
 8/23 TO 8/29 - LORRAINE MCCLANE
 8/30 TO 9/5 - JOHN FANCHER & TODD BRUCE (TRAINING)

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3. Duty Officers are responsible to find replacement officer if you cannot cover your week.

"SUBJECT TO CHANGE"

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Shelly Canario and Darlene Drace are the newest members initiated into Gilroy Elks Lodge, on Wednesday, June 24. When you see these new members at the Lodge, please take a moment to introduce yourself and give our new members a warm welcome to Gilroy Lodge and encourage her to participate in Lodge events.

Pictured (L to R) Back Row: Patrick Psaila, Esquire, Danny Mitchell, ER. Alex Hernandez, PER Treasurer, Larry Brager Inner Guard, Shelly Canario and Darlene Drace, new members, Steve McGinnis Lecturing Knight, Todd Bruce, Tiler, Julia Jones, Trustee, Lorraine McLane, Trustee, Walter Martinez, Trustee.



THE GARLIC PRESS - SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
AUGUST 31	31	SEPTEMBER 1	2 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: STEAK	3 SCOUTS MEETING	4	5
6	7 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED	8 OFFICER, HOUSE & TRUSTEE MEETING 6PM	9 LODGE MEETING MENU: CHILI COLORADO	10 SCOUTS MEETING	11 PATRIOTS DAY OBSERVANCE	12
13 NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY	14	15	16 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: CALAMARI DDGER JEFF SANCHEZ VISIT	17 SCOUTS MEETING	18 NATIONAL POW/MIA DAY US AIR FORCE BIRTHDAY	19
20	21	22 NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION FALL EQUINOX	23 LODGE MEETING & INITIATION (TUXEDO) MENU: TOP SIRLOIN RIB NIGHT RESERVATION CUTOFF 2:00PM	24 SCOUTS MEETING	25 RIB NIGHT NEW DINNER SERVICE TIME 6:30PM 	26
27 GOOD STAR MOM'S & FAMILY'S DAY PICNIC AT ONE STEP CLOSER	28	29	30 SOCIAL NIGHT MENU: MEAT LASAGNA	OCT. 1 SCOUTS MEETING	2	3

WEEKLY DUTY OFFICERS:

9/6 TO 9/12 - ALEX HERNANDEZ
 9/13 TO 9/19 - ANGELA MOORE
 7/19 TO 7/25 - TODD BRUCE
 7/26 TO 8/1 - JOHN FANCHER &
 WALTER MARTINEZ
 (TRAINING)

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HIDDEN
NUMBER

If you find your membership number hidden somewhere in this issue of the Garlic Press, you will receive one free dinner during the month. It is identified by the # sign. May hidden number reveal is #3971 - John Gormley. See the Lodge Secretary for your dinner ticket.

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The Best of Gilroy 2025 survey by the Gilroy Dispatch, The Lodge on the Hill, Home of the Gilroy Elks Lodge was named as one of the top venues in Gilroy to hold weddings.



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Announcement



August 5. Social Night
 August 11. Officer, House and
 Trustee Meetings
 August 12. Lodge Meeting
 August 19. Social Night
 August 25. New Member Orientation
 August 26. Lodge Meeting & Initiation (Tuxedo)
 August 28. Rib Night

Planning A Party, Reunion, Anniversary, Wedding or Special Event?

Our Lodge has so many possibilities. From weddings, to conferences, to luncheons, our facility can be perfect for you. Renting our venue will not only give you outstanding food and excellent service, but also memorable views for miles. We will make your event a lasting memory for everyone to treasure.

PLANNING A PARTY...

**For more information call our Event Coordinator,
 at (408) 842-9397,
 Monday through Friday, 10:00am - 3:00pm.
 See you at your next event!!!**

REMINDER:

Reservations are requested: Call (408) 842-9397

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10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Calls after 3:00 PM will
 be returned the next
 business day.



GILROY ELKS LODGE

Presents

End of Summer Rib Night Dinner at the Lodge on the Hill

Want a great BBQ Rib Dinner with Salad, Baked Potato,
 Baked Beans, Roll and Ice Cream for dessert prepared by the
 World Renown Gilroy Elks Lodge Rib Night Cooking Crew?

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2026

2765 Hecker Pass Highway, Gilroy, CA

Doors Open at 5:00pm **Dinner Served NEW TIME 6:30pm**

Rib or Chicken Dinner price \$30.00 per person

Reservations are required by Wed., Aug. 26 at 2:00 pm

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so, the rib crew can purchase & prepare enough dinners
 Chicken is available by special pre-order request.

Open to Elk Members and their Guests

