



Elk-Ender News

The Prez Sez

January, 2011



On November 11th through the 14th the Elk-Enders once again descended on California City for our bi-annual "Do It in the Dirt" Campout. The Wagon Masters for this outing were Mark Mahoney and Joe Spychaj. This outing has become a very popular weekend for all those who have off-road vehicles and all those who just want to sit around a huge bonfire and visit, party, and eat with dear friends. Over 25 motor homes filled with campers showed up with all kinds of off-road vehicles such as dirt bike motorcycles, four-wheeled motorcycles called quads, dirt (dune) buggies, and golf carts.

Besides all of the fun of riding their off-road vehicles our campers enjoyed having wonderful outdoor BBQs, lots of appetizers and other snacks to eat. One thing Elk-Enders will never have to worry about at our campouts is starvation.

On Saturday we had our traditional poker run which was laid out over a 20 mile course through the hills and valleys of the beautiful desert area. We had over 55 riders compete in the poker run for first, second, and third place. In addition, we had several volunteers at five different check points where all of the contestants drew a playing card with hopes of having the best poker hand. Our first place winner was Mark & Debbie Mahoney's son Miles, who won \$95.00, second place was

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Coming Lodge Events.



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| 1/6 | PER Dinner |
| 1/13 | Old Timers Meeting |
| 1/21-23 | ER Getaway |
| 1/30 | Pizza Sunday |
| 1/31 | Dinner by PER,s |

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Minutes of the December Meeting



Date: 12/1/10

1. Call to order: 7:30 P.M.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Joanne Zapata
3. Guests Present: Bill Smith and friend.
4. Recognize – Please stand:
 - a. Past EE Presidents: Jack Hansen, Dave Skelton, Randy Eldridge, Duane Duncan, Larry Hoffman, Mark Mahoney, and Steve Pavich.
 - a. Current EE's of the Year: Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman
 - a. Past EE's of the Year: Larry Hoffman, Randy Eldridge, Eileen Rasmussen. Alex Gonzalez, Jack Hansen, Twyla Bass, and Dave Lewis.
5. Secretary's report by Jim Young:

December minutes were announced as printed in the December newsletter. It was pointed out that a correction to the minutes for the Lodge Members Christmas Party is on December 11th (not on the 10th). The minutes were approved as corrected. But the error for the date of the Christmas Party was in the newsletter not in the minutes. Therefore no correction to the minutes was needed or done.
6. Treasurer's report by Eileen Rasmussen:

Monthly report was read and approved as read or corrected
6. Vice President's report by Reggie Brown:
 - a. Reggie presented flags and decals for new member Gerry Sykes.
6. General Reports:
 - a. General Wagon Master report by Mark Mahoney:
 1. Mark let everyone know that the Do-It-In-The-Dirt at California City was AWESOME, the best weather in many a year. Everyone had fun, big bonfire, Poker Run (which Miles Mahoney won) and \$81.00 for the Purple Pig and \$50.00 to the Dirt Police. Mark also thanked all of the helping hands that made the outing a success..
 1. Mark spoke about the Christmas Camping at Emerald Desert for Bill and Sue Catlin who were already out there setting everything up along with the Hoxworths and the Moodys. John Zahn reminded those that were coming early to get there early to go see the Palm Springs Follies on Thursday at 1:00 P.M..

Linda Hansen gave more details about the EE Christmas Party at the Lodge on

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1. December 18th. Dinner will be a choice of Top Sirloin Steak, Chicken Cordon Bleu, or Halibut. In lieu of a gift exchange please bring a food item for the Hope Charity. The price is 15.00 per person, gratuity not included. Also, the Hope Charity organization is still accepting donations of diapers, food, and money.Christmas Baskets.
1. Steve Pavich announced and passed around signup sheets for the January campout at Woods Valley. Steve and Debbie are the Wagon Masters for this event with Randy and Janice assisting. Janice is going to fix a special dinner for either Friday or Saturday dinner. So far there are more than 25 rigs signed up and Steve has asked for a total 30 sites. There's going to be more rigs there than at the Halloween Rally!!
1. Reggie Brown spoke about the February campout at Lake Elsinore Marina West. He reminded everyone that the Lake Elsinore Elks have rebuilt there lodge and it is open for business. Reggie said that it is really nice and that he has already had dinner there. Too bad there is no food left for the rest of us. Reggie promised to have more information and signup sheets at the January meeting.
1. Jack Hansen invited the membership to join he and Linda at the Simi Valley Lodge campout at Lake Piru on the weekend of January 21st and 22nd. If anyone is interested, please see Jack for more information.
1. Ed Mossbrook brought up that the Riverside County Parks Rancho Jurupa Campground in Riverside has been newly refurbished with full hookups and a new clubhouse. He said it is really nice!

a. Elk-Ender Newsletter report by Larry Hoffman:

1. Larry reported Progress and went on to thank all of the photographers who are sending pictures to include in the Newsletter.

a. By-laws Committee report by Martin Hoxworth:

1. Randy reported progress for the absent Martin.

a. Special Activities Reports:

1. December 11th – Lodge Membership Christmas Party.
2. December 18th – Elk-Enders Christmas Party.
3. December 4th – Lodge Memorial Service for all Elks who have passed on.

6. Communications Received / General Announcements:

- a. None.

6. Sickness and Distress by Corresponding Secretary Judy Stretcher and the Membership:

- a. Judy reported that the viewing of long time Elk-Ender, Al Lamkins will be 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the mortuary at Rose Hills Cemetery in Whittier on Sunday Dec. 4th. Graveside services will be Monday morning Dec. 5th. There will be a memorial service at the Lodge for Al on Friday, December 10th at 11:00 AM.Dave Hudock is doing better.
- b. Dave Hudock is still at the Residential Care facility with dementia.

11. Sunshine: Report from general membership:

Mark reported his son Miles was part of a team of engine rebuilders (one of the top 6 teams in the country) that competed at the SEMA Auto Specialty Products Trade Show in Las



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- a. Vegas at the beginning of November. Miles and his team came in First Place in this nationally prestigious competition! Way to go Miles!!
- b. Larry Hoffman's oldest granddaughter is two weeks away from getting her Masters degree at UNLV. It must be her great genes!!
- c. Jack Hansens daughter Christina (who had a double lung replacement about 3 years ago) had a relapse about a week ago. She was taken to UCLA Medical Center where she was diagnosed with a slight rejection. The doctors gave her a bunch of steroids and antibiotics and got it controlled. Christina is home now but tired. What caused the relapse was she was keeping up with her aerobics. The doctors told her to take it easy and treat her lungs like babies. Do as the doc's say and stay healthy!!
- d. Steve Pavich was glad his son who had been laid off from UPS got a job across the street working for FedEx. Sounds like UPS didn't realize his worth!

11. Unfinished Business:

- a. Need help for the annual Christmas Food Baskets. Friday 8:00AM, December 17th will be sorting the baskets. Saturday AM, December 18th will be the stuffing of the baskets. And Sunday 8:00AM, December 19th will be the delivery of the Food Baskets. If you can stuff it or drive it your help is greatly needed and appreciated at the Lodge.
- b. LuAnn Barrows reported that the Elks First Annual Fun Walk for Cancer netted \$10,200.00 for their charities. Good Job!

11. New Business:

- a. Randy introduced the Nominating Committee for our Elk-Enders officers for the 2011-2012 year. The committee is Mark Mahoney and Dave Skelton. Mark announced that Eileen Rasmussen has agreed to continue on as Treasurer and Jim Young has agreed to continue as Recording Secretary. Sherrie Larson stepped up to volunteer to be Corresponding Secretary for the next term. Mark asked that any volunteers for the office of President and Vice President please stand up or see him or Dave after the meeting. Randy went on to encourage all of the members to consider taking a more active role in the leadership of the Elk-Enders group.

11. Jokes:

- a. Jokes were told by Larry Hoffman, Duane Duncan, Randy Eldridge, and Ed Mosbrook.

11. Good of the order by Vice President Reggie Brown:

- a. Reggie had Gerry Sykes friend Kimberly draw the tile for the membership drawing. Jerry Austin was not present to win \$53.25. The pot will roll over to the January 5th meeting. Sorry, Jerry!!

- 11. Meeting was adjourned by President Randy Eldridge at 8:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: *Jim Young*, Secretary.



Birthdays

- 1 Jan. Chris Bakke
- 5 Jan. Twyla Bass
- 8 Jan. Sean Smorick
- 11 Jan. Ken Charity
- 11 Jan. Carol Lawler
- 13 Jan. Channing Tucker
- 17 Jan. David Coombs
- 18 Jan. Nelson Burke
- 18 Jan. Curtis Smith
- 19 Jan. Judy Strecker
- 20 Jan. Sharon Fridley
- 21 Jan. Donna Scott
- 27 Jan. Joseph Beauchamp
- 28 Jan. Keith Whitfield
- 30 Jan. Pauline Hoffman



Anniversaries

- 2. Jan Ken & Glenda Duke
- 16-Jan. Irv & Twyla Bass
- 18 Jan. Lance & Sherrie Larson
- 27-Jan. Bill & Linda Canavier

New Members

Christopher Mearill & Joanne Galvin **#410**
 12791 El Rey Place, Garden Grove, 92840
 Hm. 714-530-4346; 714-539-5937 Cell 714-296-9715
JoanneLGC@AOL.com CofCALIF@AOL.com

George Olideira & Pauline Polygrean **#411**
 2131 Minerva Ave., Anaheim 92804
 Hm. 714-772-8566 Cell 714-262-2024

Correction to Address Book

Jim & Cecile Young have a new Telephone number and new email address., as follows:
 New Phone 714-392-2713
 New Email idahojimck@yahoo.com



Pearls of Wisdom



You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.

Points to Ponder ??????

The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese!

Coming Deadlines

| Deadline | Issue |
|----------|------------|
| Jan . 12 | Feb. Issue |
| Feb. 10 | Mar. Issue |
| March 14 | Apr. Issue |



"ELK-ENDERS" ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES



ALL DUES MUST BE PAID BEFORE MARCH 1, 2011.

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Please completely fill in the information requested below and return before March 1 or your name will not be printed in the Roster. This information will help us make corrections to the membership database before we print the 2011 Elk Ender Membership Roster. Also, we need this form to help us know who has paid their dues.

Attach your check of \$15.00, payable to the *GARDEN GROVE ELK-ENDERS* and mail to: Eileen Rasmussen, 5301 W. Lucky Way, Santa Ana, CA 92704, or bring it to the next meeting.

NAME: _____ SPOUSE/Significant Other: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

TELEPHONE NOS: HOME () _____ ELK ENDER NO: _____

WORK: (Yours) () _____ (Spouse) () _____

CELL: (Yours) () _____ (Spouse) () _____

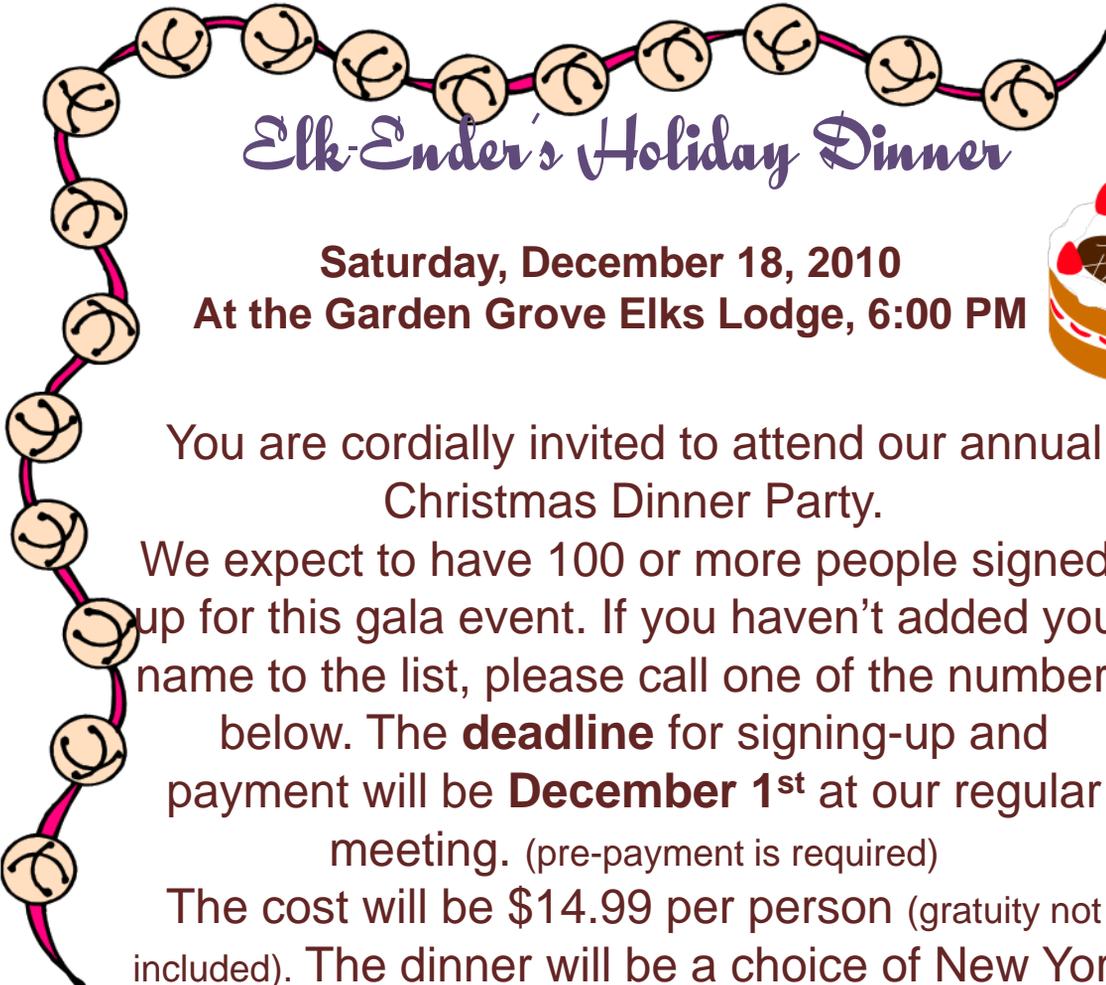
E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

CB HANDLE (if any): HIS: _____ HERS: _____

BIRTHDAY: HIS: _____ HERS: _____

ANNIVERSARY DATE: _____

Please complete **ALL** information that has any changes otherwise the Roster cannot be updated.



Elk-Ender's Holiday Dinner

Saturday, December 18, 2010
At the Garden Grove Elks Lodge, 6:00 PM



You are cordially invited to attend our annual
Christmas Dinner Party.

We expect to have 100 or more people signed-up for this gala event. If you haven't added your name to the list, please call one of the numbers below. The **deadline** for signing-up and payment will be **December 1st** at our regular meeting. (pre-payment is required)

The cost will be \$14.99 per person (gratuity not included). The dinner will be a choice of New York Sirloin, Chicken Cordon Bleu, or Haibut.

After the dinner, there will be door prizes and dancing.

In lieu of a gift exchange, please make a donation of a gift or gift card to the HOPE Organization



We look forward to seeing all of you there!

Randy & Janice Eldridge

Linda Hansen

Hm. 714-554-4363 Cell 714-273-3970



Elk-Ender's January 2011 Campout

Woods Valley Campground

15236 Woods Valley Rd., Valley Center, CA 92082

(760) 749-2905

Thursday – Sunday, January 27 -30

Steve & Debbie Pavich

H - (714) 963-2633

Wagon Masters: AND

C - (714) 322-7561

Randy & Janice Eldridge

H - (951) 354-7733

C - (714) 501-0247

** Early Birds need only arrive and pay for the extra nights with the Park Manager.

We have 25 camp sites reserved. More are available if more campers sign up. They have electric, water. No extra charge for pets. Dump station at the park. Check-in time is 12:00 Noon. Our special rate for GG Elk Enders is \$29.00 per night.

Activities at or near Woods Valley Campground:

- Large Game room with beautiful fireplace reserved for all days. Free firewood provided for game room fireplace!
- Outdoor Fire pits provided, bring your own firewood for outdoor fire pits.
- Bates Nut Farm about 1 mile east. Excellent nuts, dates, craft items, etc.
- Lake Wolford just over the ridge to the south. About 4 miles by road. Good fishing.
- Four Casinos within 20 miles: Valley View, Rincon, Pauma, and Pala Casinos.
- Just 40 miles to San Diego or Temecula "Old Town" and antique shops.
- Sky Diving at Lake Otay!! "You gotta be nuts!"



Friday, January 28th

Pot Luck Dinner - 5:30 P.M.

A-L Bring dessert

M-Z Bring main dish

Skrü Yer Neighbor Card Game

7:00 P.M.

Things to Bring

- Bring your own plates, silverware service, and beverages to each meal.
- Bring a Pot Luck Dish for Friday Dinner and Saturday Morning Breakfast.
- Bring Washer Boards.

Saturday, January 29th

Coffee & Juice 7:00 A.M.

Potluck Breakfast - 9:00 to 10:00

Bring your favorite dish

Washer Board Game - 10:30 A.M.

Lunch - On your own

Baseball Board Game – 2:00P.M.

Happy Hour 4:30 in lodge BYOB

Dinner - 5:30 to 6:30 P.M.

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce

Garlic Bread

Green Salad

Dessert

Evening Meeting & Fireside Chat with Mr. President - 7:00 P.M.

* **Special Guest** – Sheriff Bart *

Sunday, January 30th

Coffee, Juice & Danish - 7:00A.M.

Eat leaves, bark, or anything in your RV.

Drive home safely.

Directions

- Take I-5 South to Oceanside
- Take 78 Fwy East till it ends at a stop light in Escondido.
- Turn right / south, go to the second light, which is Washington.
- Turn left / east, go about 3.7 miles to Valley Parkway. There is a light at this intersection.
- Turn left / north, go 4.2 miles. Up a grade then down the other side into the valley. The first right is Woods Valley Rd. You're almost there.
- Turn right / east, go 2.2 miles and look for the sign on the left!

| MONTH | DATES | CAMPGROUND | # SITES | WM & ASST. WM | \$ SITE | CONFIRM | FACILITIES | DEPOSIT | DISTANCE |
|-----------|----------|-----------------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------|--------------|-------------|---------|----------|
| April | 16-18 | Lancaster Elks Lodge | 30 | Zapata & Hoffman | \$17.00 | 30 Days | W & 30A | \$100 | 106 |
| May | 21-23 | Oceanside RV Resort | 20 | Larson & Eldridge | \$31.00 | 30 Days | FH & 30A | \$100 | 55 |
| June | 18-20 | Tucalota Springs | 20 | Jim & Nancy Young | \$30.00 | 30 Days | FH & 30A | \$100 | 81 |
| July | 30-08/01 | Vista Elks Lodge | 20 | Eileen Rasmussen | \$18.00 | 30 Days | W & 30A | None | 57 |
| August | 12-15 | Oceano Elks Lodge | 30 | David & Janice Skelton | \$20.00 | | W & 30A | | 200 |
| August | 27-29 | Pechanga RV Resort | 30 | Carl & Charlene Kellogg | \$42.00 | 30 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$100 | 69 |
| September | 23-26 | CA Rally - Hemet | Open | Mark & Debbie Mahoney | TBD | Individually | FH & 30/50A | None | 67 |
| October | 21-24 | Halloween Rally | Open | Randy & Janice Eldridge | TBD | None | W,30A/Dry | None | |
| November | 11-14 | Do It In The Dirt - CA City | 5,000 | Mahoney & Spychaj | Free | None | Dry C/O | None | 150 |
| December | 03-05 | Emerald Desert | 25 | | \$36.00 | 30 Days | FH & 30/50A | TBD | 105 |
| January | 28-30 | Woods Valley | 20 | Pavich & Eldridge | \$29.00 | 30 Days | W & 30A | \$150 | 96 |
| February | 25-27 | Lake Elsinore | 30 | Reggie & Sunshine Brown | \$30.00 | 14 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$100 | 51 |
| March | 10-13 | Do It In The Dirt - CA City | 5,000 | Mahoney & Spychaj | Free | None | Dry C/O | None | 150 |
| March | 25-27 | Newport Dunes | 35 | Zahn & McMillan | \$35.00 | 10 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$100 | 15 |

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."

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Larry and Pauline Hoffman's daughter Bonnie who won \$60.00 and third place was Randy & Janice Eldridge's daughter Tricia who won \$38.00.

The poker run brought in \$81.00 for the Purple Pig and an additional \$53.00 donation to the California City Police and Fire/Paramedic Station located near our campsite.

If you attended this outing you already know how much fun it was with or without an off-road vehicle. If you didn't attend this outing, you may want to consider our next California City trip on March 10th through 13th, 2011.

Our next Elk-Enders Campout will be at beautiful Emerald Desert RV Park in Palm Desert on December 3rd, 4th, and 5th. It will be our annual Christmas Campout and it is guaranteed to be a lot of fun.

Also, don't forget to join us for our annual Christmas Party in the East Room of our Lodge on Saturday, December 18th at 5:00pm. Make sure you bring a gift for Project Hope. If you need suggestions on what to bring, call Linda Hansen. *Randy Eldridge*

About Deadlines.....

Please note that deadlines are about 14 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 that 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.

Pearls of Wisdom



It's never too late to become what you might have been!

Anagrams When you re-arrange the letters:...



desperation; It
can spell "a rope
ends it"





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Fall 2010 “Do-it-In-the-Dirt”

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[Photos: Dave Lewis.](#)



Wagon Master Mark Mahoney leading the "Rider's Meeting."

One of our Junior Desert Warriors stands ready to go.



Bi-annual
Elk-Enders
"Do-it-in-the-dirt"



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Everyone
is ready,
willing &
anxious to
go





A "Picture Perfect" day in the Mojave Desert; a slight wind & not a cloud in the sky made it great riding for 2 wheels or quads during the Poker Run!





Hey
Guys... Where's the
6th Tee?



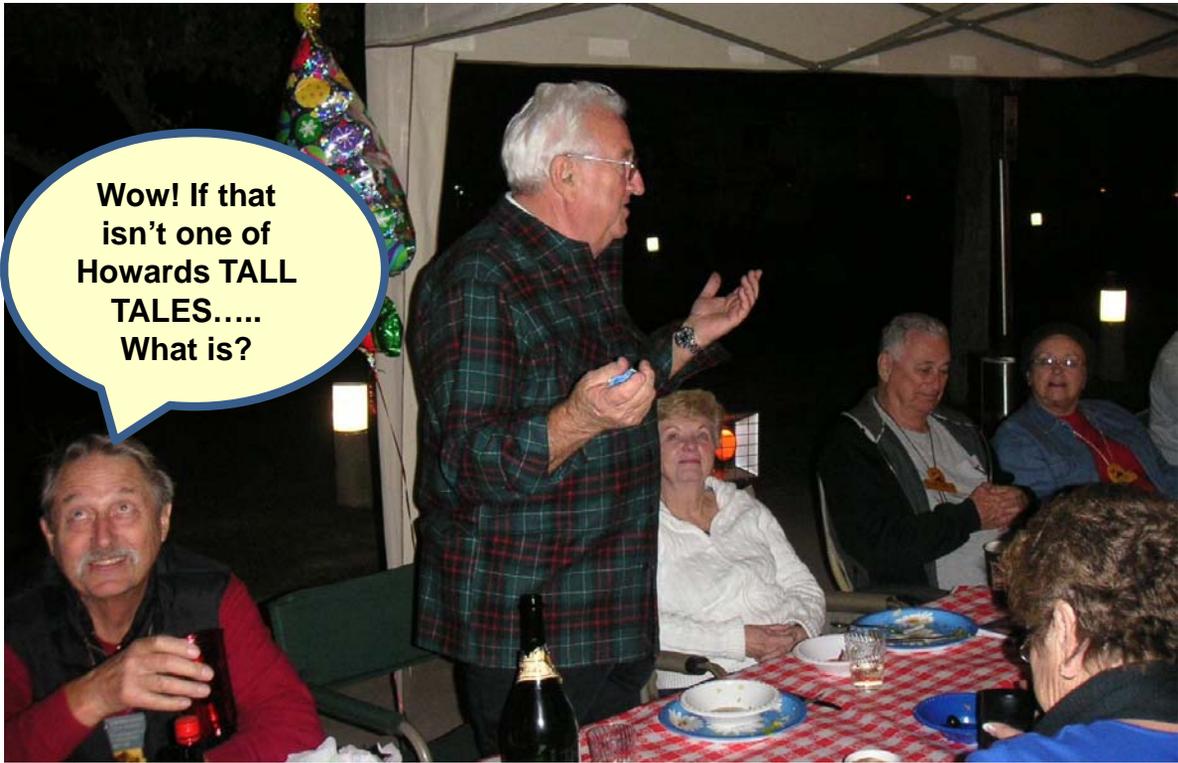
1st Over All
Winner of the
2025 "Baja 1000"



Lining-up to draw the fifth card and turn-in the “Poker Hand” check cards at the finish.



Scenes from the "Christmas Campout"



Feeding time for a bunch of "Wild Elks"





Above: Sunshine looks like she just come back from a visit with Santa at the North Pole.

Below: Jim surveys his loot from the gift exchange.





Above: Bill finally ,makes a hit, but it looks like he missed the plate.

Below: I don't know how much they drank, but it looks as though they're trying to hold up the tree.

