



# January 2008

In January, Lodge representatives attended the DD clinic in Truth or Consequences, elected our new officers and started on the new budget. At the same time the Hoop Shoot program was resurrected, producing a state champion in Lorena Martinez.



### Dictionary Distribution

The Lordsburg Elks Lodge distributed dictionaries to third graders at Animas Elementary School and at Southside Elementary School in Lordsburg. At left, Elks member W.H. Adams does his part at Animas Elementary School.

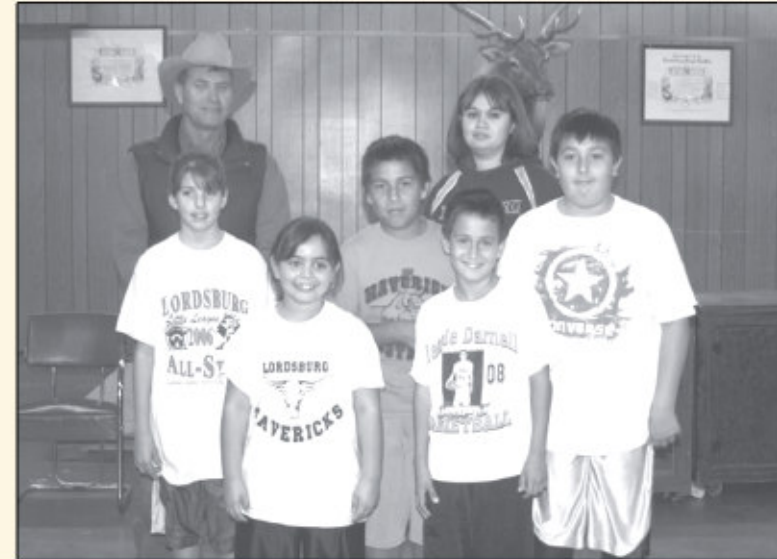


### Hoop Shoot Resurrected

The Lordsburg Elks Lodge has re-instated the annual Hoop Shoot. This year's event was held at the Special Events Center on December 22. Pictured above are winners (front) Cameron DeFoor, Kaitlyn Hackworth, Tyler DeFoor, Lorena Martinez, Johnny Plowman, Elks members (back) SueHaye Marquez, Rick Galvan (Las Cruces), ER Bill Fraley and Marc Gomez. The winners traveled to Las Cruces in January. Lorena Martinez and Johnny Plowman won their age divisions and will be competing in Rio Rancho February 16 at State Competition.

# November 2008

The Lordsburg Lodge held our second Hoop Shoot in two years on November 8, 2008. The event went off without a hitch and five kids have advanced to the District Hoop Shoot, which we will host on February 7, 2009. The Hoop Shoot banquet was held in conjunction with Veteran's Appreciation Day. The shooters and the veterans enjoyed a hamburger dinner. Bingo gave away several turkeys in honor of the Thanksgiving Holiday.



## VETERAN'S DAY

Nov. 11  
Honoring  
our heroes



### Hoop Shoot Winners

The winners of the 2008 Lordsburg Elks Lodge Hoop Shoot were Lorena Martinez, Anieca Plowman, Jacob Esquivel, Joseph Gonzalez and Tyler DeFoor. They are pictured above with Exalted Ruler Bill Fraley and Lodge Secretary and Hoop Shoot Chairman SueHaye Marquez. The Lordsburg Lodge will host the District Hoop Shoot on February 7, 2009.

# February 2008

February was a busy month for us. Not only did Lorena Martinez come home as the 2008 New Mexico Hoop Shoot champion, but we also inducted six new members. Election of officers was also held in preparation for our new year.



### New members initiated Feb. 23

Our Lodge held an Initiation Ceremony on Saturday, February 23, 2008, adding six new members to our Lodge. Those being initiated were Clarence Rudiger, Victoria Ausbern, Diane Bailey, Alex Nava, Maggie Verdugo and Jacob Marquez.



### Martinez wins State Hoop Shoot

The Lordsburg Lodge recently re-instated their participation in the National Hoop Shoot Competition. After a local and district competition, local shooters Lorena Martinez and Johnny Plowman advanced to the State Competition. The two youth and Elks sponsors traveled to Rio Rancho February 16 where Martinez earned first place in her age group and took third place in his age group. Lorena Martinez is pictured above with New Mexico Elks Association President Bob Guillen, guest speaker Nick Aranda, Miss New Mexico Jenny Marlowe and New Mexico Elks Association President Elect John Hollbrook. Lorena, 9, will travel to Plano, Texas, on March 29, to participate in the regional competition. She is the daughter of Melanie Martinez and the grand daughter of Rey and Lorrie Martinez, all of Lordsburg.

# December 2008

In December, we welcomed the holidays in full force, first with our participation in the Moonlight Madness Christmas Light Parade on December 5. We followed up the festivities by holding our annual Christmas party on Saturday, December 13. The Christmas party was held in conjunction with Veteran's Appreciation Day. We enjoyed a Christmas dinner with all the fixings. The Lordsburg Lodge #1813 is looking forward to a prosperous and event-filled 2009.

### Moonlight Madness

The Lodge got into the Christmas Spirit in December when we entered a float in the 2008 Moonlight Madness Christmas Light Parade. Riding on the float were Ralph Young and River Vasquez. Lodge members decorated the float at the home of Joe and Annette George several days before the big event.



# May 2008

In addition to scholarship presentations and the cemetery flag project, our Lodge hosted the 3rd Annual Elks Memorial Day 3-on-3 Volleyball Tournament. The winning team was made up of Anthony Madrid, Marc Gomez, Crystal Plowman and Nathaniel Palomarez.



Our Lodge was out in force during Memorial Day Weekend placing American flags on the final resting places of our fallen veterans. Above, Manuel Renteria does his part in the worthy community



The Lordsburg Lodge presented three Hidalgo County graduates with scholarships in May. Above, David Waites, LHS recipient Joseph Acosta and SueHaya Marquez



Duane Brojer, Juanita Luera and Animas recipient Bianca Ramirez.

# June 2008

During the month of June the Lodge was able to move our city water meter onto Lodge property, in addition to installing a new water line to the building. A new air conditioning system was approved by the Board of Trustees and Bingo continued to be a huge success for the Lodge.



Wine was added to the list of available beverages in the Lounge.

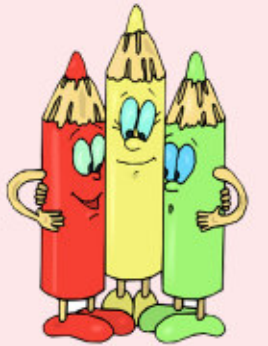


In recognition of Flag Day, Lodge members presented a special Flag Program to residents at Sunshine Haven Nursing Home in Lordsburg. Pictured above are Exalted Ruler Bill Fraley, Nick Paulos, David Waites and Kelly Gomez. Mary Livingston helped the Lodge out by playing patriotic tunes on the piano.



# July 2008

July was a quiet month for the Lodge, with Bingo crews taking a break and no bingo held throughout the month. The one exception, however, was a new program, Kids Bingo, held at the end of the month. The purpose was to give local youth the opportunity to win school supplies. Nearly 100 students participated and all were able to take home much-needed school supplies, thanks in part to the donations of local citizens and businesses.



At left, just a few of the kids who took part in Kids Bingo. It was standing room only in the Lodge.



At right, Nati Gomez was the big winner of the night, taking home a \$100 gift certificate. She is pictured with Irene Galvan and SueHaya Marquez.

# August 2008

August saw the return of our very-well received Veteran's Appreciation Day dinner, held the second Saturday of each month. The program took a break in July to give volunteers time off. The August menu consisted of homemade spaghetti and meatballs, courtesy of Annette George. Our Lodge participated in a District Deputy Clinic in Silver City on August 9. DD Jack Cook updated members on new Elks issues. Cerebral Palsy ticket sales kicked off this month.



Bingo Manager Joe George reported that after the July break, Bingo was a big hit in August. Bingo players were treated to all-new cushioned chairs, which were very well received by the players. All were looking forward to winning the big \$1000 jackpot!



# September 2008



District Deputy Jack Cook visited our Lodge in September for the Grand Lodge Official Visit. The indications were that our Lodge did very well on the business audit and all seemed to be in order according to rules of order. It was during this Official Visit that we initiated the five new members at right.



### Meet our new members

The Lordsborg Lodge held initiation of new members earlier in September in conjunction with our official visit. Pictured above after participating in the official initiation ceremony are Rory McCalmon, Roberta "Bobbie" McCalmon, Canon Stevens, Stephanie Unruh and Dana Arredondo. Lordsborg Lodge #1813 welcomes these new members to our club and encourage their participation in various events.

Veteran's Appreciation Day was a huge hit, with Maggie Marquez and Julie Montenegro presenting their homemade tamales.

We were able to purchase two new barbecue grills for the lodge, thanks to the generous donation of Annette George after winning the attendance jackpot.



# October 2008



The Lordsborg Lodge attended the fall workshop in Albuquerque, where old and new business was taken care of. According to ER Fraley, the best part of these meetings "is to see old friends from around the state and make new friends." The Cerebral Palsy drawing was held in Albuquerque during the workshop and the Lordsborg Lodge won \$500. The annual Rummage Sale was held this month and it was very successful, as usual.

The Veteran's Appreciation Day was well-attended, with VFW members from Deming making the trip to have dinner with us. Homemade fried chicken, courtesy of Julie, topped the menu at this very successful monthly event.



### Big Winners

Flora Thompson and Elva Gandara split the \$1000 Bingo Jackpot last month. Picture with the two winners is Bingo Manager Joe George.



# March 2008



With March rolling in, so did a new fiscal year for the Lodge. New officers were installed to their new positions. The Lodge hosted Silver City Lodge #413 on March 12, whose officers were gracious enough to come down to help install our new officers.

Anticipation was growing this month with the Regional Hoop Shoot scheduled for March 29 in Plano, Texas. Lorena did well at Regionals, but was unable to advance to the National Competition. The Lodge was very proud of her efforts and plans were already underway for next year's Hoop Shoot.

Lodge members were looking forward to attending the Spring Convention in April in Alamogordo.



Treasurer Annette George reported that the Lodge has developed a new way to track income and expenses for the upcoming fiscal year. It is anticipated that the system will make managing the finances of the Lodge much easier.



Hoop Shoot winner Lorena Martinez, in conjunction with the Lordsborg Elks Lodge, held an Easter Raffle to help raise money for her trip to Plano, Texas. Easter Raffle 1st Place winner was Lori McCain. Pictured above are Racine McCain and Lorena Martinez



Second Place went to Sonia Estrada.



Lorena Marquez was the third place winner.

# April 2008



During the month of April a group of Lodge representatives attended the 2008 Spring Convention in Alamogordo. Twenty-two NM lodges attended the Spring Convention. Exalted Ruler Bill Fraley, who was in attendance, said he felt the leadership at the state level was very positive. The state motto for the upcoming year was "On Track for Tomorrow". Lodge #1813 completed and submitted its 2007-2008 annual report. Fraley reported in his message to

members that the Lodge is becoming very organized on all fronts.



Pictured above with ER Fraley at the Spring Convention are 2008-2009 Grand Exalted Ruler Lou Sulsberger and State Sponsor Charles "Chuck" Williams.



Above: Lorena Martinez at the Dallas Regional Hoop Shoot Competition with Lowell Stephens, past Grand Trustee, and Robert Guillen, State President. Martinez took fourth place at the Regional Competition and is planning to compete again next year.



Left: At the 2008 Spring Convention, Lordsborg Exalted Ruler Bill Fraley visits with John Holbrook, 2008-2009 State President.