



Happy September!

First I would like to take a minute to thank Don White and Tim Twiggs for their help with cooking the pig for our annual luau. I would also like to thank Rich Stapf Sr for his diligent effort to raise money and spearhead the deck repair. I'd like to throw out an additional thanks to PER Angie Cossell and Shari Morrison for helping by volunteering with me at the Jefferson County Fair to serve BBQ beef in support of the local fire department volunteers.

We have a few events coming up for the month of September. To kick off September, join us for the annual Labor Day Picnic. This event is open to all members and families. On the 10th it's time once again for the annual First Responders Brunch. First responders eat for free! Come enjoy some great food and show your support for these hard working men and women. On the 16th, it's the Tall Elks Fundraiser Dinner with shrimp fettuccine for \$16 prepared by our very own Chef Renee. On the 23rd we have music by The Black Diamond Junction. Come enjoy this live music event and a taco bar for \$20 or skip the eats and just \$10 at the door gets you and your guests in for some great music and dancing. Look for other fun events coming up like movie night with music by DJ Dadda-Bass and \$5 burgers and popcorn with "Goonies" being shown on the screen for all ages to enjoy.

Rock & Roll Bingo is always a huge hit here at the lodge. The first Friday of each month is the best Friday to be here and take in the action. Tuesday Night Dinners, Thursday Night Fish & Ships with Joker's Wild, what don't we provide?

Coming up this fall is the Elks National Hoop Shoot and I'm looking for someone that is interested in heading it up this year. Please contact me if you're interested. We also need help with ideas to raise money for our youth activity program. If you have any ideas on a great fundraiser, contact our event coordinator or myself. I'd be remiss if I failed to mention to watch out for OktoberFest tickets. Tickets will be available soon.

As always, we need volunteers, especially now with our new cook and Tuesday Dinners back and Fish & Chips as popular as ever. Any time you have to help with meal service or any of the other projects around the lodge is always appreciated.

Sadly, I must pass on that PER Jack Gaddis has stepped down as our secretary. As most are already aware, Jack has been recovering from some major medical issues which are still ongoing. In Jack's absence, Terry Taylor was sworn in this past June to ensure the lodge's administrative functions continued without interruption. Jack is now back in the office for a few weeks to get him properly trained on the demands of the secretary's role for our lodge. Jack's daily presence in the front office will be greatly missed! Thank you Jack for all you've done and continue to do for our lodge!

Thank you for being loyal elks!

Fraternally Yours,

Jim Aman
Exalted Ruler



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday Night Dinners!
Thursday-Fish & Chips
Sunday Cornhole
Thursday-Joker's Wild
Friday, September 1st
Saturday, September 2nd
Monday, September 4th
Sunday, September 10th
Friday, September 15th

5pm - 6pm
5:00 - 6:30pm
12:00 - 6pm
6:15pm
5pm - 9pm
5pm - 8pm
11am
11am - 2pm
6pm


Monthly menu posted at the lodge.

Rock & Roll Bingo
Music by: DJ Badda-Bass & Movie Night
Labor Day Picnic
First Responders Brunch
Wii Bowling





2023

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
					1 Rock & Roll Bingo 5pm - 8:30pm	2 Music & Movie Night DJ Dadda-Bass & "The Goonies" \$5 Burgers - Bring a side dish. 5pm - 8pm
3 Cornhole 12pm-6 pm Rachel	4 Labor Day Picnic 11am Bring a side dish to share. Mobile Blood Bank 9am-4pm	5 Tuesday Dinner 5pm-6:30pm Pasta Primavera Blood Bank 8am - 2pm	6	7 Fish & Chips 5:00 - 6:30pm Joker's Wild 6:15pm Lodge Meeting 7PM	8	9
10 First Responders Brunch \$10 11am - 2pm Free to our local First Responders Greg	11 	12 Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6:30pm Dijon Pork Loin	13 Kiwanis Installation 5pm House Committee Meeting 5:30pm	14 Fish & Chips 5:00 - 6:30pm Joker's Wild 6:15pm	15 Wii Bowling 6:00pm \$5 "Shoe Rental"	16 AAUW 10am - 11:30 Tall Elks Dinner \$16 Shrimp Fettuccini 5pm - 6:30pm
17 Cornhole 12pm - 6pm Jack	18	19 Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6:30pm Meatloaf	20 Board Meeting 5:15 pm	21 Fish & Chips 5:00 - 6:30pm Joker's Wild 6:15pm Lodge Meeting 7pm	22	23 Live Band! Black Diamond Junction 5pm - 7pm Taco Bar PER Steve Spencer's B-Day Celebration
24 Cornhole 12pm - 6 PM Angie	25	26 Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6:30pm Spaghetti	27	28 Fish & Chips 5:00 - 6:30pm Joker's Wild 6:15pm	29	30

LODGE HOURS

Bar is open Tues - Fri 3 PM - 8:30 PM
 Sat 12:00pm - 8:30pm & Sun 12:00 PM - 6 PM
 Office is open Tues - Fri 9AM - 1PM



A heart felt “THANK YOU” to Rita Frangione and her group of dedicated volunteers for the countless hours of preparation and hard work setting up & staffing another top-notch Veteran’s Stand Down. With breakfast & lunch provided for all in attendance, haircuts by Debbie Hinton, medical screenings by volunteers from East Jefferson Fire & Rescue, dental screening services, veterinary services, clothing, boots and toiletries, camping supplies, legal advice from a team of local attorneys, multiple service organizations present to provide information and assistance to veteran’s, boots and much more. This truly unique annual event would never take shape without concerned volunteers like Rita leading the way.

Additional kudos go out to all of these great local and regional providers for volunteering their time to ensure our veteran’s are taken care of. Thanks to this annual event and other efforts in place, Jefferson County’s homeless veteran population is at or near zero.

Thanks again to Rita and her team of volunteers for all they do!

Jim Aman, Exalted Ruler

Current Facility Rental Rates

Rentals also require EVENT Insurance to be purchased by tenant prior to event. There is a \$100 refund for the kitchen rental if it is left clean.

	Member	Non-Member
Dining Room	\$200.00	\$275.00
Dance/Bar	\$225.00	\$375.00
Dining Room/Dance/Bar	\$350.00	\$550.00
Lodge	\$200.00	\$200.00
Dining/Dance/Lodge	\$550.00	\$775.00
Card Room	\$75	\$125
LOE	\$75	\$125
Kitchen (\$100 refund)	\$350.00	\$350.00
Steam Table	\$50	\$50



Welcome to our Lodge!



**American Legion
Post #26
Port Townsend, WA**



September Birthdays

01	Daylo, Ronald	15	Swinhoe, Michael A
02	Flowers, Joan	15	Wadkins, Ronald J
02	Page, Chris	16	Owsley, Steven A
03	Gastfield, Betty Lee	16	Owsley, Thomas S
03	Hinds, Linda	16	Quigley, Mickie H
04	Arthur, Susan	16	Stimpson, Richard
04	Granger, Stanley	18	Duff, Mary Jane
05	Lammers, Ryan E	19	Kissinger, Ron
05	Ray, William, D	20	Harrah, David C
06	Ackerman, Jeffrey A	20	Krist, Hank
06	Asbury, Michael R	20	Youtsey, Thomas H
06	Twiggs, Matthew	21	Brandt, Susan
07	Rauh, Stanley H	21	Houde, Andrew
08	Martello, Jorge R	21	Sinkula, Frank
09	Doros, James A	22	Ferguson, Michelle
09	Height, C Mike	23	Beck, Shirlee
10	Gaboury, Brian H	23	Hansen, Poul
12	Gray, Robert	24	Greenspane, Deborah
12	Hamilton, Kathie L	24	Midkiff, Bradly R
12	Meacham, Patricia	25	Burns, Frank
13	Guthrie, James F	25	Davies, William F
13	Johnson, Dean M	25	Laes, Gene
13	Makarowski, Mark	25	Spencer, Stephen
13	Myers, Shirley L	26	Tjemsland, Morgan O
13	Ruegg, Heidi	27	Hallberg, Joan M
13	Turley, Lavon	27	Madison, Bradley C
14	Brink, Ken O	27	Rogers, Debra
14	Erickson, Kathleen T	28	James, Diane M
14	Lee, Betsy McCurdy	28	Rostberg, Teri
14	Lewis, Peggy G	29	Oneida, Orville
14	Martin, Jeffery N	30	Argites, Jim
15	Atkins, Gloria	30	Hubbard, Erin
15	Flaum, Eugene G	30	Lemanski, Thomas
15	Plastow, David	30	Schwartz, Fred
15	Sather, David A		

Bar Hours

Tuesday - Friday
Saturday
Sunday

3:00pm - 8:30pm
12:00pm - 8:30pm
12:00pm - 6:00pm

BAR MENU

Mac & Cheese Wedges	6 for	\$5.50
Beef Taquitos	5 for \$5.25 or 10 for \$9.50	
Mozzarella Sticks	6 for \$5.25	
Burrito		\$4.25
3 PC Chicken Tenders		\$5.00
JoJo's or Onion Rings		\$ 4.50
Fries		\$ 4.50
Chicken Wings (Honey BBQ or Breaded)		\$ 6.50
Pizza (as available)		\$ 9.25
Cheese		
Pepperoni		
Pepp & Sausage		
4-Meat Supreme		
Poppers (8)		\$ 5.50
Chips		\$ 1.25
Nuts		\$1.00



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Member No.: _____

\$5.75
Corkage
Fee



**\$2.25
SODA
With FREE
Refills!**



First Responders Day
 Sunday, September 10th, 2023
 10 AM to 1 PM

\$10.00 for Members and Guests
First Responders are Free

Elks Labor Day Picnic

Monday, September 4th
 Starts at 11am

\$1 Burgers & \$1 Hotdogs
Potluck

Please bring a side dish to share or a dessert.



Glass of
 draft beer
 for \$1.00



Tuesday Night Dinners

September 5th
 Pasta Primavera

September 12th
 Dijon Pork

September 19th
 Meatloaf

September 26th
 Spaghetti

\$16

Entrees come with an assortment of side dishes. Check the bulletin board inside the main entrance for a complete list of sides. Chef Renee has been cooking with us now for a full month. Feel free to drop off any meal requests for the following months menu before the 15th of each month for her consideration.



**Bonne fête
 du Travail !
 Happy
 Labour Day!**

Garage Sale

Elks Lodge Card Room
 4pm - 7pm
 Thursday, September 7, 2023

All proceeds from sales will go to the Riding Lawnmower Fund for the purchase of a new riding mower for the lodge. Cash donations are graciously accepted.

Contact Sandy Ellis for more information.
sellis0980@gmail.com

Welcome Aboard!

Please stop by the front office and introduce yourself to Verginie our new bookkeeper. Knocking it out of the park in the kitchen for the past month or more is, Renee. Recently, she added janitorial services to her lodge duties. Again, welcome aboard!



RV PARK INFORMATION

For RV reservations & information, email the camp host at rvhostptelks317@gmail.com
 or by phone at 360-301-0728

Members of Elks Lodge #317,

The Elks National Foundation (ENF) has kicked off the 2024 scholarship year. Here are the details!

Most Valuable Student (MVS) Contest:

The 2024 MVS application is now open. Applications can be found online at enf.elks.org/MVS. The application deadline is November 13, 2023.

The Elks National Foundation (ENF) awards 500 four-year scholarships based on academics, leadership, and financial need. National awards range from \$1000 per year to \$7500 per year. The national awards will be announced in April 2024.

MVS scholarships are for students pursuing a four-year degree on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 semester hours), at a U.S. college or university next school year. Some important applicant details include:

- * Current high school seniors (or equivalent) who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.
- * Applicants do not have to be related to a member of the Elks.
- * Male and female students compete separately.

Applicants are selected from a list of the Lodges closest to their home address zip code. Please have students choose Port Townsend Lodge #317 as their sponsoring Lodge. Complete details can be found at enf.elks.org/MVS.

Legacy Awards - The Legacy Awards program begins on September 1, 2023. Legacy Awards provide \$4000 scholarships for children and grandchildren of dues-paying Elk members. The ENF offers a total of 350 national awards. The application deadline is February 5, 2024. Please visit enf.elks.org/Leg for more details and the application link.

For any question, please contact me at angiecossell@gmail.com

Sincerely,

PER Angie Cossell
Port Townsend Lodge #317



Thanks to the many major, and small dollar contributors to the deck project. "We can do it" has been our working motto and let me tell you, we've done a lot! The initial timeframe to begin was set for after Labor Day Weekend. With the large show of support in funds and volunteer labor, we jumped right in and began mid-August. By the time some of our members read this, the largest part of demolition and construction will be complete and with any luck, you'll be reading this article while relaxing in one of the lodge's deck chairs on our brand new all weather decking.

There are far too many people to list individual thank you's and I won't even try. To date, we've received donations ranging from \$1 to \$1500 and everything in between. It makes me proud to be an Elk to know this much generosity and caring exists within our membership.



Our able (and not so able) bodied working crews have done a huge amount of work in a short period of time. They've worked through some of this summers hottest days and no complaints are heard. This is *you're* A-Team at their best. With your ongoing support, we'll look into replacing some of the safety railing as funds continue to become available.

Your continued support is greatly needed and appreciated. Please forward any contributions to me, any lodge officer, or the front office. Let them know to deposit it for "The Deck Fund" and we'll use those much needed dollars to make our lodge shine! Yours in Elkdom!

Rich Stapf Sr.



Member's Suggestions
Your input is very important!

Please feel free to email any suggestions, complaints or compliments to:

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DUTY ROSTER

September

03- 9 Rachel Cervantes
10 - 16 Greg Carroll
17 - 23 Jack Gaddis
24 - 30 Angie Cossell

October

01 - 07 Lisa Mull
08 - 14 Steve Spencer
15 - 21 Shari Morrison
22 - 28 Jim Aman



Shake of the Day

Members in good standing from our lodge have 4 shakes to roll 5 of a kind. If you roll 4 of a kind you get an extra shake. If the pot reaches \$500 and hasn't been won, a new pot will be started and the first member to shake 5 of a kind will win the entire first pot! The pot will be counted daily.

FISH & CHIPS THURSDAYS 5PM - 6:30PM

2-piece fish & chips	\$12.00
3-piece fish & chips	\$15.00
1-piece Baked fish & chips	\$15.00
Shrimp dinner	\$12.00
Combo shrimp/fish (5 shrimp & 3 fish)	\$19.00



JOKER'S WILD
6:15 PM
THURSDAYS

ELK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The lodge needs help with serving the Thursday Fish & Chips and Tuesday night dinners. Once a month or as often as you wish. Please contact a member of your house committee or any lodge officer for information.

LODGE OFFICERS 2022 - 2023

Exalted Ruler	Jim Aman
Leading Knight	Shari Morrison
Loyal Knight	PER Steve Spencer
Lecturing Knight	Lisa Mull
Secretary	Terry Taylor
Treasurer	PER Angie Cossell
Esquire	Rachel Cervantes
Tiler	Deyi Noltemeier
Inner Guard	Cindy Kobetich
Chaplain	Greg Carroll

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Robert Kely Sr - Chairman, ER James Aman, Shari Morrison, PER Steve Spencer, Lisa Mull and the following trustees:

To April 2023	Sherry Moch
To April 2024	Paul Jacobsen
To April 2025	Mark Banks
To April 2026	Robert Kely Sr.
To April 2027	Grant Clemens

HOUSE COMMITTEE

James Lail- Chairman, Dave Crozier, Robert Wilkinson, Dawn Grace, Roger Dunaway, Bob Hickman, Dean Boulder & Peggy Ann Carmouche

OFFICE STAFF

Bookkeeper- Tina Burlingame
Event Coordinator - Vancant
Treasurer - PER Angie Cossell

BAR

Gretchen Van Derent - Bar Manager; Bartenders - Karen Smith & PER Shirlee Beck

PAST GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

98-99 PER, PDDGER Ron Brantner

PAST STATE OFFICERS

07-08 PER, PDDGER Ron Brantner ,
03-04 PER Linda De Leo

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Thursday of the Month at 7PM**

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Membership dues are still being collected via mail or online at
“<https://www.elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=317>”

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