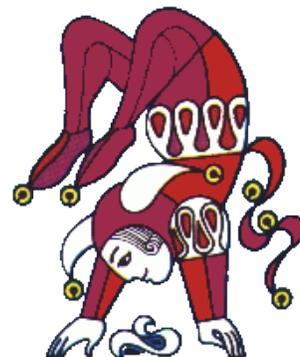




HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!

I hope your holidays were fun and full of joy and family. 2023 was a trying and busy year. I'm sad to say that we've lost one of our dear members and the queen of our Joker's Wild game. Sherry Moch, you will be greatly missed by all. Thank you to everyone for the help and support. The Joker's Wild pot is growing. We will be starting out 2024 with the pot well exceeding \$17,000 so please come out and play. While you're here, enjoy an amazing fish & chips dinner. Thank you to all who baked for the veteran's who reside at the RETSIL veteran's home and our local care centers. We are starting out our year with a quiet January which includes a few days away for the lodge officers to attend the winter convention at SeaTac mid-month. When they return, it will be all hands on deck to prepare for the February 10th Valentine's Dinner and Dance hosted by Mr. Richard Stapf Sr. Members with high school seniors or grandchildren nearing high school completion, the scholarship cutoff is fast approaching. Please have all the proper documents submitted no later than February 5th. Joint us here at the lodge on January 5th for Rock & Roll Bingo. Please keep in mind, volunteers are always greatly appreciated at all lodge events. Hoping everyone has an awesome 2024!

Sincerely,
Jim Aman, Exalted Ruler



JOKER'S WILD!
THURSDAYS
6:15 PM

VACANT CHAIR

Name: **SHERRY MOCH**
Born: 11/08/1946
Initiated: 09/21/2006
Died: 12/09/2023



Name: **DICK GASTFIELD**
Born: 12/03/1927
Initiated: 03/25/1965
Died: 12/17/1923

FISH & CHIPS
Thursdays - 5PM - 6:30 PM

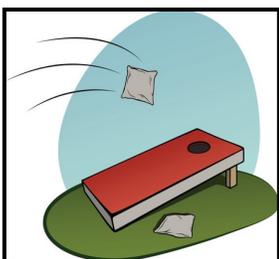
2-piece fish & chips	\$12.00
3-piece fish & chips	\$15.00
1-piece Baked fish & chips	\$15.00
Shrimp dinner	\$12.00
Combo shrimp/fish	\$19.00
(5 shrimp & 3 fish)	

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tuesday Night Dinners Every Tuesday from 5PM - 6:30PM
- Taco Wednesday - January 10th from 5PM - 6:30PM
- Fish & Chips Every Thursday from 5PM - 6:30PM with Joker's Wild at 6:15PM.
- Blood Works - January 15th & 22nd from 9am - 4pm
- Blood Works - January 16th & 23rd from 8:30am - 2pm



<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
	1	2 Tuesday Dinner 5PM - 6:30 Tacos /Burritos	3	4 Fish & Chips 5 - 6:30 PM Jokers Wild 6:15 PM Lodge Meeting 7 PM	5 Rock & Roll Bingo 5PM - 8:30PM Burgers & Fries \$12	6
Terry						
7 Cornhole Noon - Closing Angie	8	9 Tuesday Dinner 5PM - 6:30PM BBQ Pork Ribs	10 Taco Wednesday 5PM - 6:30PM House Committee 5:30 PM	11 Fish & Chips 5 - 6:30 PM Jokers Wild 6:15 PM	12	13
14 Cornhole Noon - Closing Lisa	15 BLOOD DRIVE 8AM - 4PM	16 Tuesday Dinner 5PM - 6:30PM Steak W/Mushroom Sauce Indoctrination 7 PM BLOOD DRIVE 8AM - 2:30PM	17 Board Meeting 5:15 PM	18 Convention Fish & Chips 5 - 6:30 PM Jokers Wild 6:15 PM Lodge 7 PM Initiation	19 Convention	20 Convention AAUW 10AM - Noon
21 Cornhole Noon - Closing Steve	22 BLOOD DRIVE 8AM - 4PM	23 Tuesday Dinner 5PM - 6:30PM Ceasar Chicken Salad BLOOD DRIVE 8AM - 2:30PM	24	25 Fish & Chips 5 - 6:30 PM Jokers Wild 6:15 PM	26	27 Dick Gastfield's Memorial Noon - 3pm G.A.L. Event Rental 5PM - 7PM Dance Floor &
25 Cornhole Noon - Closing Shari	29	30 Tuesday Dinner 5PM - 6:30PM Pork Loin	31			



Bar Hours
Tuesday - Friday
3PM - 8:30PM

Saturday 3pm - 8:30pm
Sunday Noon - 8:30pm



Elks Care - Elks Share

To: Deck Fund Donors
From: Rich Stapf Sr.

I would like to reach out and thank all of those who dedicated their time, funds or both to the deck rebuild this past summer. We estimated the cost to be somewhere near \$10,000 and we weren't too far off when the project was complete.

Through your generous donations we were able to raise approximately \$14,000. With around \$4000 remaining I'd like to ask those who donated cash to comment with your thoughts on closing out the "deck fund" and reallocating those monies to a new line item in the budget to be called, "Special Projects Fund."

Potential uses would go toward a roof over the unfinished BBQ area, cleaning or painting of the lodge, or other construction or maintenance needs.

Please contact me if you have any questions or other ideas so this can be presented to the board for approval.

Thanks,
Rich Stapf Sr.



FISH & CHIPS

Thursdays 5PM - 6:30 PM

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| 2 piece fish n' chips | \$12.00 |
| 3 piece fish n' chips | \$15.00 |
| 1 piece baked fish n' chips | \$15.00 |
| Shrimp dinner | \$12.00 |
| Combo shrimp & fish
(3 pieces fish, 5 shrimp) | \$19.00 |



JOKER'S WILD!
THURSDAYS
6:15 PM



\$3.00 with refill!

JOB OPENING

Janitorial/Custodial
Part-Time

Contact any member of the House
Committee for more information
or the Lodge Secretary for more
details.

3-4 days per week, 2-3 hours per day.



Thank you Santa's
Helper's

A great time was shared by all at this year's Kids Christmas event. A huge thanks to Santa and Mrs. Clause for coming and making this event a huge success.

To the lodge officers and members who spent their time wrapping gifts and decorating, THANK YOU!



Shake of the Day!
(One shake per 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 and posted at the Bar.

ELK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The lodge needs help with serving the Tuesday night dinners and Thursday Fish & Chips. Once a month or as often as you wish. Please contact any House Committee member or lodge officer to find out more info.

Your help would be greatly appreciated!



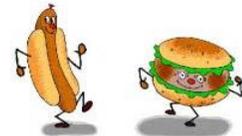
JANUARY BIRTHDAYS !!!

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 01 Madison, Chuck G | 16 Stapf, Richard A |
| 02 Charles, Chuck | 17 Beckman, John A |
| 02 Homes, Kurt | 19 Paine, John D |
| 02 Sweat, David | 20 Haunreiter, Melody M. |
| 03 Linday, David R | 20 Hilton, Bill R |
| 03 Miller, David | 20 Scott, Thysen J |
| 04 Noll, Joseph, A | 21 Hodges, Leonard |
| 04 Pivarnik, Jim | 21 Kamp II, J Bill W |
| 06 Gauer, Larry R | 21 Watson, Ralph E |
| 06 Meiner, Camron A | 22 Bumgarner, James |
| 06 Ott, Spencer | 22 Kolsky, Gary W |
| 07 Carmody, Gene | 23 Jovag, Karen D |
| 07 Iardella, Lawrence A | 23 Shold, Kenneth, M |
| 07 Solie, James L | 24 Greenwood, Larry P |
| 09 Baxley, James H | 24 Meehan, Shannon |
| 09 Hero, David | 24 White, Douglas |
| 09 Spindor, Brian | 25 Khile, Terry |
| 09 Vezie, Robert E | 25 Larson, Jeff |
| 10 Brown, Barry | 26 Pernsteiner, Andrew W |
| 10 Fultz., James I | 26 Quandt, James G |
| 10 McDermott, John | 27 Spencer, Dawn D |
| 10 Sather JR, Arnold A | 27 Thompson, Dennis |
| 11 Cervantes, Rachel | 28 Bertin, Georgia Lee |
| 12 Miller, Jerry | 28 Nesbitt, Robert G |
| 13 Arnett, Donald | 29 Cannon, Pete |
| 13 Fredericks, Laurie B. | 29 Mc Carthey, Dennis |
| 13 Good Sherman | 29 Smith, Connie |
| 13 Mardis, Samuel | 30 Button, Ronald |
| 14 Cahan, Ryan | 30 Gordon, Barb |
| 14 Oien, Conrad | 30 Thomas, George |
| 14 Seabaugh, Charles | 31 Michelle Christiansen |
| 15 Jones, Timothy | 31 Rutkowski, Charlie |

BAR MENU MAKES FOR A GREAT DINNER!!

BAR MENU

Taquitos	5 for \$5.25 or 10 for \$9.50
Mac & Cheese Wedge	6 for \$5.50
Mozzarella Sticks	6 for \$5.25
Burrito's	\$4.25
3 PC Chicken Tenders	\$5.00
JoJo's or Onion Rings	\$4.50
Fries	\$4.50
Chicken Wings (Honey BBQ or Breaded and fried)	\$6.50
Pizza (as available)	\$ 10.00
Cheese	
Pepperoni	
Meat Supreme	
Chicken Wings	\$6.50
Poppers (8)	\$ 5.50
Chips	\$ 1.25
Hotdog	\$6.00
Chilidog	\$7.00



This **COUPON** entitles bearer to a Complimentary House Pour, Beer or Wine in the lounge during their **birthday** month. Clip this coupon and present at the bar.



Name: _____
 Port Townsend #317 Member No.: _____

\$5.75
 Corkage
 Fee



**\$3.00
 SODA
 With
 FREE
 REFILLS**



The Can Company

For those who aren't aware, here on the lodge grounds and hidden behind the RV Park's cabana is the lodge's very own aluminum can recycling center.

Around 1995, the recycling station was constructed and entered into service under the management of the RV Club, also known as the Wapiti Nomads. At that time, there were about 20 members.

The first can crushing machine put into service was built by Ed Stuck which worked well until about 2003 when Gary Jondle stepped up and built a new and improved crusher which is still in use today.

In the beginning, the can recycling brought in around \$1000 annually to the lodge's general fund. Anything above the \$1000 went to the direct use by the RV club for their activities.

To date, the machine is working like a fine clock! Only a few minor adjustments from time to time are needed and the machine remains ready for action whenever enough aluminum cans and manpower can be assembled to warrant its use.

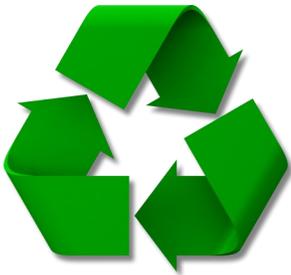
Our very small group of loyal volunteers collect cans not only from this lodge, but from several local businesses who appreciate our help in lessening their need to haul cans at their personal time and expense to the county. Once a large enough pile exists here at the lodge, we get a team together and crush, then load them into trucks and trailers and head off to Tacoma or other collection points to cash them in.

Although the extreme fluctuations in the value of aluminum is hard to predict, we have been able to make a tidy little profit to help fund special projects, like the vintage Elks sign mounted on the front of our lodge. Bringing this old beauty back to life has been our focus with the funds we are able to collect by aluminum recycling.

Please, save your bagged aluminum cans and consider dropping them here at the lodge, behind the cabana in the back of the RV park any time. We'll put them to good use for the enjoyment of all of our members.

Most Respectfully,

Richard Stapf Sr.



Ask Rich or others on the "Can Crew" for a tour of the facility in action!

SAVE THE DATE

VALENTINE'S DAY
DINNER & DANCE

SATURDAY FEB 10TH, 2024

* COCKTAILS 6PM.
* DINNER 7PM.
* LIVE MUSIC WITH THE BUCK
ELLARD BAND FROM
8PM-CLOSING.
* PHOTOS WITH
YOUR SWEET
HEART.



The Echo Needs You!

The Echo is without an editor and local staff. Without a group of dedicated volunteers, the Echo will cease to be the vital link between our lodge and its members. Please reach out to ER Jim Aman or our great team of officers to find out more information.

Thank You!

Valentines tickets will be available beginning mid-January at the bar or office at the cost of \$25 per person. Price includes an amazing dinner with choice of Barron Beef or Salmon with green beans, potatoes, salad & dessert.

Joining us for the bar and dancing only? A \$10 cover at the door will be collected for non-dinner guests.



HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY ♥



Elks 317 Veterans Committee is eager to help!

If you know of a Veteran, Veteran family or Military family in need, please let us know or refer them to us.

Contact: Rita Frangione
rita.frangione@gmail.com
or 360-981-7668

Please submit your photo with a short story if you or another member would like recognition in the ECHO to:
ptelks317@gmail.com

Echo Deadline:
The 15th of each month. If you would like to submit an article or picture, please drop them off or email them to
ptelks317@gmail.com
Thank you.

"EMAIL ADDRESS"

ANYONE WHO IS NOT RECEIVING THE ECHO OR OUR EMAIL BLASTS IN THEIR EMAIL ACCOUNT, PLEASE SEND A MESSAGE TO THE LODGE SECRETARY @
ptbpoe317@yahoo.com)

DUTY ROSTER

JANUARY

31 - 06 Terry Taylor
 07 - 13 Angie Cossell
 14 - 20 Lisa Mull
 21 - 27 Steve Spencer
 28 - 03 Shari Morrison

FEBRUARY

04 - 10 Jim Aman
 11 - 17 Jim Aman
 18 - 24 Deyi Noltemeier
 25 - 02 Grant Clemens

Facility Rental Rates

	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	\$550.00	\$775.00
Card Room	\$75	\$125
LOE	\$75	\$125
Kitchen (\$100 re- fund)	\$350.00	\$350.00
Steam Table	\$50	\$50

Rentals also require EVENT Insurance to be purchased by tenant prior to event.
 There is no use of the kitchen, except the walk-in for cold food storage, without kitchen rental inclusion in your contract.

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LODGE OFFICERS 2023 - 2024

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

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jim Aman, Shari Morrison, PER Steve Spencer, Lisa Mull, PER Angie Cossell and the following Trustees:

To April 2023	Vacant
To April 2024	Paul Jacobsen
To April 2025	Mark Banks
To April 2026	Bob Kelyv Sr.
To April 2027	Grant Clemens

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Chairman: Jimmy Lail, Roger Dunaway, Rachel Cervantes, Peggy Ann Carmouche, Robert Wilkinson, Dawn Grace, Bob Hickman.

OFFICE STAFF

Bookkeeper- Vacant
 Event Coordinator - Renee Hammond
 Lodge Auditor - PER Angie Cossell

BAR

Manager: Gretchen VanDerent, Karen Smith, Vicki Talley with volunteers Peggy Ann Carmouche & Grant Clemens.

PAST GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

98-99 Ron Brantner, PER, PDDGER

PAST STATE OFFICERS

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

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RV Reservations Call the lodge 360-385-0317



ELKS COIN BOX CHILDRENS THERAPY PROGRAM

Hello Members. Please remember our coin boxes for the Washington Elks Therapy Program for Children (Tall Elks). Fill a coin box and return it.

Thank you,
Tall Elks Chairman

Member's Suggestions Your input is very important!

Please feel free to email any suggestions,
 complaints or compliments to: ptelks317@gmail.com.
 They will be shared with the House Committee.

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Tuesday-Friday 3PM - 8:30PM
Saturday 3PM - 8:30PM
Sunday Noon - 8:30PM

OFFICE HOURS

9:00am-1:00pm Tuesday-Friday
Secretary: Rose Ann Carroll **email:** ptbpoe317@yahoo.com
Events Coordinator: Renee Hammond
email: ptelks317@gmail.com
phone: (360) 385-0317

**Join us for Lodge
On the 1st & 3rd
Thursday of the Month at 7PM**



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