

The Temple Chimes

June 2020

Boise Elks Lodge #310
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

Dear Lodge Members,

I hope this finds you safe and well. It is hard to believe that this is my third monthly letter to the members and we have yet to hold a Lodge meeting or be able to visit with each other at the Lodge. Fortunately, that is about to change as Governor Little is permitting Idaho's phased re-opening (Idaho Rebounds) to advance to Stage 3 effective Saturday, May 30, 2020.

Please know that the Lodge Officers and Trustees place the highest priority on the health and safety of our members and our community. As we look to re-open, we will follow recommended guidelines to help assure everyone's well-being. These measures will include reduced seating capacity to allow physical distancing within the Lodge, enhanced cleaning, and disinfecting procedures, and recommended use of masks (required for Lodge meetings). Initially, the total capacity of the Lodge building will be limited to 34 persons. Please be patient with the health protocols as we navigate through these crazy and challenging times. We will monitor and adjust the protocols as new information and recommendations become available. We anticipate the bar re-opening the first week of June. I hope to see you there soon! In the meantime, please stay safe and take care of yourselves and each other.

Fraternally yours, John J. Burke

Exalted Ruler Boise Elks Lodge No. 310

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler ROBERT L. DUTSMAN

The past few months have been a chaotic time in the life of our Order and our nation. There has been an unprecedented amount of suffering, deprivation, hardship, fear, and for some even the loss of life as we collectively deal with the scourge of the COVID-19 pandemic. But through this and other trials we as a nation have faced over the years, we as Elks and as Americans have always stood strong. It is times like these that we should be all the more mindful of the cardinal principles on which our Order was founded. Our Lodges have been closed and activities have been suspended, but we would do well to focus our thoughts and look for ways to help others get through these times. While the typical focus of newsletter messages is to address business and operational matters within our Lodges, it bears repeating that under our cardinal principle of Brotherly Love we should be looking after our fellow Members and those in our communities who are disadvantaged. Some likely don't have family or support and may need our help. Consider setting up a phone tree so that your officers can make personal contact with Members, especially those who are alone or may need some help with even routine tasks like shopping. A little attention may go a very long way. It has been fully recognized that we can't do the work of our Lodges in traditional ways, and flexibility and creativity have been encouraged to take care of Lodge matters the best we can. Hopefully you are finding ways to keep moving until things can return to normal, or at least improve. This is a time for Elks to do what Elks have always done better than anyone else: Help others, as best we can. On a more mundane note, remember to submit your Lodge Audit Report by the end of June. It is important information, and timely submission will avoid a \$100.00 fine. If there are problems, talk with your Sponsor to see how they can be addressed. Also, for Members who are eligible for GER membership pins, you need to get your request in by June 15. May God bless you all as together we move forward to better times.

How is the Elks National Foundation Helping Idaho?

When you give to the Elks National Foundation, you're doing more than funding the Elks National Drug Awareness and "Hoop Shoot" programs. You're doing more than supporting the Community Investments Program and providing Emergency Educational Grants to the children of deceased or totally disabled Elks. You're doing more than meeting the needs of today's veterans and maintaining the Elks National Memorial.

You're doing all that, and you're supporting Elkdom in your state.

During the 2019-20 Lodge year, the Elks of Idaho donated \$44,097.91 to the Elks National Foundation. This year, the Foundation will give back the following:

These grants support your state's major charitable project, as well as other philanthropic projects. Portions of these grants will also support your state's Drug Awareness Program, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot and educational programs.

State Charities Grant: \$30,490.00
 Special Projects Grant: \$20,230.00
 Bonus Grant: \$5,840.00

We will award a total of 3 Most Valuable Student scholarships to high school seniors from your state. In addition, we will award up to 3 Legacy scholarships to children, grandchildren and stepchildren of Elks.

Most Valuable Student: \$12,000.00
 Legacy Award: \$12,000.00

We also provide the Elks National Veterans Service Commission with funding to support its volunteers working in veterans hospitals and medical centers.

Funding for VAVS Volunteers: \$7,200.00

Grand Total: \$87,760.00

That's a ratio of 1.990 for every dollar the Foundation received from your state last year. And that doesn't even include the money Lodges in your state will get back through our Community Investments Program.

For the 2019-20 fiscal year, for example, we awarded a total of \$71,500.00 to 16 Idaho Lodges.

For more information about the Elks National Foundation, contact your local chairman or write us at Elks National Foundation, 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614, enf@elks.org.

To Our Absent Members In Memoriam

*"The
 Faults of
 our
 members,
 We write
 upon
 the
 sand,"*



*"Their
 Virtues
 upon the
 tablets of
 Love
 and
 Memory."*

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| E Dwight Snodgrass PER | born 03-15-1925 and passed on 05-10-2020 age 95 and a 63 year Elk |
| Donald Hutchinson | born 06-22-1938 and passed on 02-19-2020 age 81 and a 39 year Elk |
| Paul P King PER | born 03-22-1936 and passed on 03-05-2020 age 85 and a 60 year Elk |

Officers and other Notables

Exalted Ruler	John Burke	
Leading Knight	Jeff Colaric	Boise Elks Lodge # 310
Loyal Knight		6608 W Fairview Ave.
Lecturing Knight	Barb Martin	83704
Secretary/Bookkeeper	Jerry Ransom	208-377-2763
Treasurer	Nathan Suekel	Office - Weekdays
Tiler	Michael Hebert	11 AM to 3 PM
Chaplain	Rob France	
Esquire	Joel Mills	Bar Hours
Inner Guard	Kim Miller	3 PM to 7 PM
Trustees Chairman	Robert Apa	1 yr
	Gary Hoesing	2 yr
	Geri Scaglione	3 yr
	Carlos Jury Jr	4 yr
	John Ponton	5 yr
G E R	Robert L. Duitsman	
DDGER ID South	Mike D Stagner	
PGER Sponsor	James Damon, Roger R. True	
I S E A President	Dan Tackett	
Lady Elk of the Year	Virginia Stagner	
Elk of the Year	Bob Warren	
Officer of the Year	Geri Scaglione	
PER Association Pres.	Susie Stertz	
Elkette President	Sceone Sorneson	
Chimes Editor	Mike Stagner	chimes@boiseelks.org

Elkette News

Join us for the Elkette Meeting Monday, March 9, 2020
7:00 pm

Lodge Maintenance

During our time away from the Lodge, the outside of the building has been repainted as far as the paint that we had lasted. The Eaves have all been repainted white, the brown under the eaves and around the windows has been repainted. Inside the lodge, the baseboards have been repainted in the entire lodge and touched up where needed. The cupboards behind the bar have all been repainted and look nice and fresh. The front door has been sanded, caulked and repainted inside and outside.

The floors have been deep cleaned (the brick only) and the kitchen and dishwasher area have had a seal put on the floor.

The bushes have been trimmed. Weeds have been sprayed and pulled.

Some electronics has been put in or updated.

All of this has been done by, Sue Apa, Jim Herrick, Gary Hoelsing, Michael Hebert, Bill Washam and Bob Apa

Bob Apa

Americanism Essay Contest/Most Valuable Student Awards:

We have mailed out the Americanism Essay Contest winner's their checks from our Lodge instead of having a BBQ to award the money. We did not receive the District or State winner's checks.

Gary Hoelsing has awarded the Most Valuable Student Awards checks to Erin Luong of Borah High School and Paul Shutt of Capital High School by mail in lieu of awarding at the BBQ.

We want to thank everyone who has supported our youth by your generous contributions through the postal mailing and we will still have that special Youth Dinner fundraiser as soon as we can schedule it with the Lodge open again.

Sue Apa

Sickness and Distress

We hope all are happy and safe.

Barbara J. Brookover- wife of J Gordon Brookover on 3-19-2020, age 96.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

01	Michael Fennessy	05	Gary Hoelsing	13	Walter Dunajski	24	Charles Green
02	Jesus Chairez	06	Betty Applegate	13	Grant Jones	25	Donald Weilmunster
02	Anthony Megran	06	Jim Chrisman	17	Norman Toombs	27	Victoria Gentleman
04	Richard Collins	07	Kim Miller	18	Patrick McTigue	28	Walter Moden III
04	Sue Megran	10	John Burke	21	Lance Anderson	30	Joel Anderson
04	Kendra Radosevich	12	Don Cantrell	22	Larry Foster		

Boise Elks Lodge #310 June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 House Committee 5:00 pm	12	13
14	15	16 Gem State Arms – No Kitchen – 6pm	17 Kitchen Open 5:30 pm Trustee 6:30 Lodge 7:30 pm	18	19	20
21	22 LEOY/EOY – 7:15PM	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	July 1	July 2	July 3	July 4

REMINDER

From the Secretary

If you have CHANGED your address, telephone numbers or email addresses, please send these changes to us so that we may make the appropriate changes in the lodge records, and save on returned postage at \$.56 per item.

Please email your Changes to boiseelkslodge@gmail.com.

Dues Notices for the 2020-2021 Lodge Year were mailed February 20th, and if the notice is returned, we have to wait for you to contact us before your notice will be resent.

DID YOUR MAIL GO TO THE WRONG ADDRESS???

If you have sent in your dues, be assured that your new card will be on its way. Temporary lodge closure and other brief information will be available on the lodge phone recording.

Thank you - **Be SAFE** and get through the current health issues – Your Lodge Secretary – Jerry

