

# The Temple Chimes

May 2020

**Boise Elks Lodge #310**  
**Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks**

## Exalted Ruler's Corner

Dear Lodge Members,

As we enter a new month, and a new stage of the COVID-19 pandemic experience, I must unfortunately report that Boise Elks Lodge #310 remains closed. In compliance with Governor Little's Guidelines for Opening Up Idaho, the March 19, 2020 directive of our Idaho State Sponsor, and consistent with the direction provided by the Idaho State Elks Association Business Practice Committee, the Lodge will remain closed until at least June 13, 2020. The closure affects all Lodge activities and meetings. Although the Lodge is closed, the Officers and Trustees continue to communicate to assure that the maintenance and financial needs of the Lodge are addressed and the Lodge bills are timely paid.

As you are likely aware, the success of Governor Little's staged re-opening is dependent on the observed trends of new reported COVID-19 cases. If criteria are not met, the progression of the staged re-opening will be delayed and along with it the re-opening of the Boise Lodge. It is important that each of us do our part to adhere to community intervention protocols (physical distancing, washing hands, wear masks in public) to protect ourselves and each other. In doing so, we can each help assure that our Lodge is opened as soon as possible.

Given the challenge that these times present and the social isolation which we are experiencing, it is important that we stay connected with one another. Let me ask that each of us take the time to reach out to our Lodge friends to assure that they are well and to say "hello." A phone call takes little effort and will bring a smile to both your faces! As you do so, please let me or any Lodge Officer know of any unmet needs of which you learn. Perhaps we can help by picking up a medication, arranging delivery of groceries, or providing some other assistance.

Stay safe and stay well. Please contact me by email or phone with any questions, concerns or ideas you may have. Together, we will get through these difficult times.

Fraternally yours, John J. Burke Exalted Ruler Boise Elks Lodge No. 310

## IDAHO STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION

Dear Members,

I, along with all of you, am social distancing and staying safe. I did not imagine at the end of my presidency to be unable to visit lodges and see members. The pandemic was not in my plans when I started this journey as your president. I am going to be forever grateful that I and my secretary, David George, visited all the lodges in Idaho by the end of February. And all the lodges were great hosts to us. Thank you to everyone who made our visits a success.

Our summer convention as planned in June has been cancel . Information will be sent out to the Exalted rules and Lodge Secretary.

Now more than ever we need to reach out to our friends who are members and remind them that our lodges have weathered many events including wars, depressions, recessions, and local disasters caused by weather, fires and floods. We will still be here when the spread of the virus is controlled. Please remind all members that our lodge is first and foremost a charitable organization. Should we have members, particularly our elderly members, who need assistance to get to doctors, pick up medication, pick up their mail, shop for food, etc., maybe we can help. As we all know by now, the COVID virus is most dangerous for people over the age of 65.

Elderly members may also need social engagement at this time. Just someone to call and talk to them can have great benefit. Many people who live alone think of their shopping, weekly errands and church services as their social time. Particularly those members who do not engage with others on social media may feel the effects of not being able to see anyone on a regular basis. This is the time to call them on a telephone.

If you have neighbors in your community who are alone, this is a good time to get their phone number and find out if they need anything or just need someone to talk to for a few minutes. We all are going slightly stir crazy with the stay at home orders. A friendly reminder to someone that there are others out there who are thinking of them will improve their spirits.

Remember ELKS CARE – ELKS (do not) SHARE (the COVID virus).

Stay Safe and Healthy, IDAHO STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION Dan Tackett President 208-451-0909

H A P P Y  
*Mother's Day*

**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](mailto: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

THANK YOU, Hal Davis Jewelers,

Hal Davis and his namesake jewelry company have provided years of support with many door prizes items for Old Timers, the PER Association and Christmas functions, and support for this publication.

Hal Davis Jewelers had paid for ads for most of the 14 years that I published the Chimes. There were pictures of Hal with Coach Rice (BSU Basketball) and a variety of unnamed products. When a postal worker opened one of the Chimes mailings and determined that having a watch with a name on it, inferred that they were selling a product not just supporting the Elks and our Bulletin, we ended up paying 1st class postage as opposed to our normal bulk mail rate. This rate for one month was more than the ad revenue for the year.

For this reason, we do not been running ads for some time. Postal regulations are ambiguous, and any item could be considered an ad or not. Curiously, a towing service with the name in the ad is not advertising but a piece of jewelry indicates that something that could be for sale is advertising. The Boise Bulk Mail facility is probably scrutinized more than say the Preston or Wallace or Mountain Home Post Offices.

The gap between contributions and expenses is widening and it may be that in the future this publication will have to be solely electronic, except for some copies at the Lodge.

Jerry Ransom Secretary and former Chimes editor.

**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.”*

William Harrison born 09-07-1937 and passed on 03-19-2020 age 82 and a 36 year Elk member.

Russell Ward born 02-18-1925 and passed on 03-25-2020 age 95 and a 70 year Elk member.

Marvin Wright born 05-15-1929 and passed on 04-24-2020 age 90 and a 54 year Elk member. A Covid-19 victim..

John Herman passed on 04-24-2020. John was a PER from Mtn Home Lodge PDDGER, PSP of ISEA.

**Sickness and Distress**

Randy McFalls is a resident at Overland Court in the Memory Care Unit .

Stay Safe , It is physical distancing not Social distancing , Call, text or facetime and friend today.

**Officers and other Notables**

- Exalted Ruler** John Burke
- Leading Knight** Jeff Colaric
- Loyal Knight**
- Lecturing Knight** Barb Martin
- Secretary/Bookkeeper** Jerry Ransom
- Treasurer** Nathan Suelk
- Tiler** Michael Hebert
- Chaplain** Rob France
- Esquire** Joel Mills
- Inner Guard** Kim Miller
- 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
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- 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

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

03	Alan	Fox	22	Rob	Durrer
03	Michael	Knickerbocker	23	William	Woods
03	Mace	Pecora	24	Danny	Jensen
05	Ronald	Byron	24	Charles	McDonald
07	Carol	Van Dam	25	Joseph	Caroselli
09	Steve	Sertz	25	Robert	Stevenson
12	D Shane	Compton	26	Ronald	Laursen
14	Ray	Martin	28	Dan	Cox
14	Daryl	Sallaz	28	Scott	Harris
15	Marvin	Wright	29	Alan	Saso
18	Randy	Schrader	30	John	Connors
21	James	Curtis	30	Craig	Marcus
21	Orville	Hanna	31	Glen	Linder
21	Paul	Kohout			