



## MESSAGE FROM YOUR EXALTED RULER

Hello,

As always I am so proud to be your Exalted Ruler. As I am writing this letter in my best penmanship, so my niece Nikki can interpret it. I am scrubbing the building with your officers. Nothing says Christmas like the smell of bleach and Comet.

If anyone is interested I will be here Saturday, December 2nd at 12 p.m. to flip the ballroom between events. It would be a great time to get to know your Exalted Ruler.

So many events coming up in December. If you would like to volunteer, please get a hold of Jessica Johnson, our Events Coordinator.

As for the gym. I have heard your concerns. We are working on it, I appreciate your patience. As for the two days the gym wasn't open on time, that would be my fault. I slept in on a Sunday and forgot I was covering on a Monday. Please remember, your Exalted Ruler is not on social media. I was on SpaceBook, but had no friends. So if you have something to be addressed, please come to a meeting.

December 7th will be our next Lodge meeting. December goes fast, then January. The officers will be going to Convention. Then February and March, and then I am done! Who's counting?

In all sincerity, I wish you and your family the best of holidays.

That reminds me of a very influential quote. You can choose your friends but not your family. Choose wisely!

John E Pearce, Exalted Ruler, PER

# **MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY**

## **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!**

Holidays are in full swing! We have many events happening in the ballroom and we love our volunteers.

More members have been initiated and/or reinstated which is very wonderful.

Some of the officers have been busy deep cleaning the lodge. We welcome any others that would love to see our amazing building spic & span.

Be on the lookout for visiting Elks – they may want to take stuff!

If you have anyone that would like to be a member, please have them call the office, come in during business hours, or pick up an application in the lobby.

Yours in Elkdom,  
Bonnie Childers, Secretary

## **VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH**

### **THOR GUNDERSON**

Thank you so much for taking the time out of your busy schedule to make the beautiful new bar tables and other furniture in the Lodge. We appreciate your hard work and we are enjoying your craftsmanship.

### **JIM BREZINSKI**

Thank you for all the hard work in the kitchen! The meals are delicious and you helped the kitchen look amazing. We are lucky to have you!

# ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

ELKS CARE, ELKS SHARE!

Elks Beacon Grant \$2000

Awarded to 4PA

"A clean & safe community for all"

Our Lodge awarded a community grant of \$2000 to 4PA. We presented the check to their Founder, Joe Descala at their 2 year Anniversary event held in our Ballroom on November 4th, 2023.

Started in November 2021, 4PA operates a full-time crew to clean-up abandoned homeless encampments and illegal dump sites. They also monitor these areas weekly, so they don't get utilized again. This work is done in conjunction with a variety of other city agencies that they've established relationships with and within the parameters of the law.

To date so far, they've removed over 145,000 pounds of material from our public spaces, natural areas and surrounding properties. They've removed debris from Peabody Creek, Tumwater Creek, Olympic Discovery Trail, Cherry Hill, land near the fairgrounds, 8th Street Bridge areas and even downtown Port Angeles. They were even awarded the 2022 "Organization of the Year" for their accomplishments.

For more information and to learn about their newly announced "Touchstone" Project, please go to [4pa.org](http://4pa.org). Consider signing up to donate \$10 monthly.

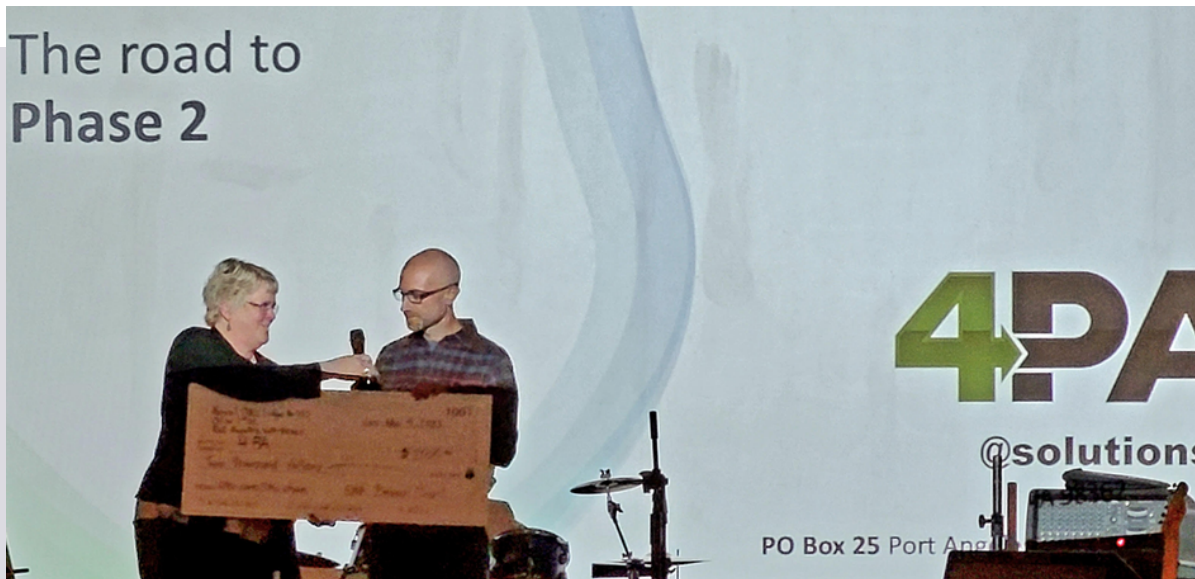
This grant really shows your Elks National Foundation donations at work in our very own community.

Become a Fidelity member to ENF by donating (even \$5) monthly at [elks.org/ENF](http://elks.org/ENF) Donation

Elks Care, Elks Share!

PER Rhonda Rose, Naval Lodge #353 Grant chairperson

The road to  
Phase 2



# THE ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION IN OUR COMMUNITY

Naval Lodge 353  
(Lodge Name)

## INVESTMENT IN THE ENF

Donations this year: \$ 7,085.00

Updated through: 18 Nov 2023

Fundraising Goal: \$ 4.80 per mem

Per-member-giving  
total: \$ 13.547

13.38 %

of our members who  
supported the ENF.

75 %

of our Lodge Officers  
who supported the ENF.

13.38 %

of nationwide members  
who supported the ENF.

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of our members support  
the ENF through  
sustaining gifts.

## THE ENF'S INVESTMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY

### ENF Grants Funding We've Received

Lodge: \$ 8,500.00

District: \$ 41,000.00

State: \$ 170,000.00

Washington  
(State)

has received

\$ 409,288.00

in ENF state grants to  
sponsor our state major  
project and ENF programs.

\$ 1.885

for every \$1 our state  
donated last year.

Questions? See

**DID YOU KNOW?** Each year, the Elks National Foundation strives to grant more money back to each state than it received from that state in donations.



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Foundation, Inc.

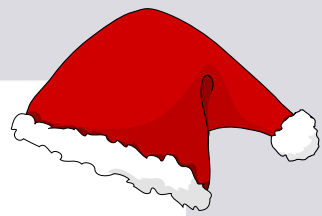
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## ELKS RIDERS



Hello Elks,

Another quiet month for the Elks Riders. We had nominations for officers and will have elections at the regular meeting in December. With the weather change comes an opportunity to take care of maintenance items and upgrades to your ride. Make sure your fuel tank is full and the battery is on a tender. For those that don't ride, your vehicle needs to be ready for the winter too. Remember, at intersections and before making turns check for cars and motorcycles.

No Welcome Home kits were delivered this past month. We did receive a grant to help us when the requests roll in. Our fundraising event, Mardi Gras, in February is shaping up with music, games and dancing.

If you like to ride consider joining the Elks Riders. You can meet us the second Thursday of the month in the Butler room. Elks Riders next regular meeting is December 14th. Text or Call the President Michael Jay Sickles with any questions about the club or joining: 360-775-9525.

Have a great month,  
Your fellow Elks Riders #353

## VISITING OTHER ELK LODGES

As an Elks member, your membership card welcomes you to Elks Lodges all over the country. In the past few years, I have been doing just that!

So, when you get out of town, you should too! Visit the Port Townsend Lodge, Forks Lodge, Sequim Lodge, Ocean Shores Lodge, Long Beach Lodge, Oak Harbor Lodge and others. Just show your membership card and you are then among Elk friends. You already have something in common; your Elkdom.

You can find other Elks Lodges at <https://www.elks.org/lodges/> Many lodges even have RV sites. I have stayed this past year in my RV at the Sequim, Forks, Ocean Shores, Florence OR and Tilamook OR Lodge RV parks. Most are super affordable at \$20 - \$40 per night. Find Lodges with RV Sites at [Elks.org/RV](https://www.elks.org/RV) Challenge yourself in 2024 to visit other Elk Lodges.

Hope to see you around "here" and "there".  
PER Rhonda Rose



# **Pancakes with Santa**

**December 2nd, 2023**

**At the Port Angeles Elks Naval Lodge**

## **Full Pancake Breakfast**

w/eggs, sausage and fruit

## **Pictures with Santa**

## **Door Prizes**

## **Coloring Sheets**

## **Music Performances**



\$15 Adult Ticket (age 17 and up)

\$10 Child's Ticket (age 3-16)

2yrs and under are free

Tickets available at the YMCA, Angeles Electric, The Play Café

and at the door

**8:30am to 12:00pm 131 East 1st Street**

8:30am 1st seating or 10:00am 2nd seating

Hosted by Port Angeles Elks Club and PA Lions Club

as a fundraiser for the

YMCA Youth and Government Program





# DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

*Happy birthday to you!*

02	Bradshaw, Brady	26	Bovee, Brian R
03	Johnson, Richard	26	Muggia, Armando
03	Muller, Ramona D	27	Johnson, Greg
03	Roberts, Amie M		
04	Halsey, Keith	28	Baertschiger, Jim
04	Meyer, Brent E	28	Funk, Roland D
05	Curto, Daniel		
06	Clark, Jesse	29	Helpenstel, John
06	Fredrickson, Cassie	31	Boyd, Evan
06	Kidd, Gary R	31	Johnson, Douglas
07	Hawkins, Marissa	31	Sickles, Michael Jay
07	Oppelt, Jacob		
09	Birney, C W		
09	Hassel, David		
10	Williams, Shannon		
11	Rayner, Alan F		
11	Shapiro, Jacob		
12	Morris, Vickie		
13	Gossage, Terrance L		
13	Otis, Edward		
14	Coventon, Kathy		
14	Gray, Harvey		
15	Fairshter, Michael		
16	Amiot, Ryan		
16	Jusko, Michael B		
18	Collins, Deanna		
19	Bies, Brett		
19	Konopaski, Kevin Warren		
21	Larsen, Jacqueline		
21	Richardson, Randy		
22	Rusk, Dick		
23	Bruce, Randall		
24	Chamberlin, Clyde C		
25	Russell, Kevin		

!It's!  
Party  
time

## MESSAGE FROM THE BAR MANAGER

WINTER IS HERE

Hey Elks!

Tis the season! December is here. I really hope we all have an easy winter this year. We're starting off the month with a couple Christmas parties, the ballroom bar will be poppin! If you're in attendance, tip those girls well! They work hard behind that bar.

Along with Christmas parties, we also have winter flavors. Eggnog, ciders, all things spiced, and keep your eyes out for a yummy mulled wine we will be serving up soon.

On that note, what do you call a slow skier? A slope-poke!

I'll see you here! Laura



**JOKER'S WILD: \$4,189**

**MEMBERSHIP DRAWING: \$566**

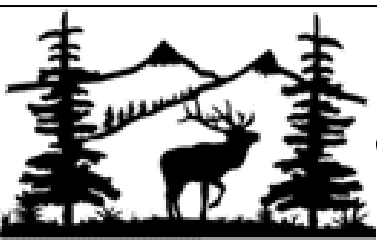
**SHAKE OF THE DAY: \$82**

**SEE SEPARATE ATTACHEMENT FOR  
DECEMBER CALENDAR!**

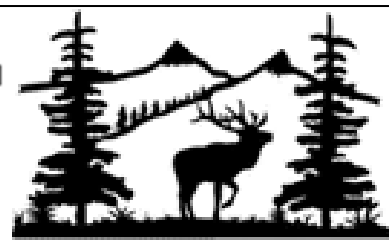




NAVAL ELKS LODGE #353  
PORT ANGELES, WA



# QUADRANT



## LODGE INFORMATION

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**NAVAL ELKS LODGE #353**  
[facebook.com/groups/naval353](https://facebook.com/groups/naval353)

## OFFICERS

**EXALTED RULER:** PER JOHN E PEARCE  
**LEADING KNIGHT:** AMIE ROBERTS  
**LOYAL KNIGHT:** TIM AMIOT  
**LECTURING KNIGHT:** MICHAEL SICKLES  
**ESQUIRE:** JENA STAMPER  
**SECRETARY:** BONNIE CHILDERS  
**TREASURER:** PER RHONDA ROSE  
**INNER GUARD:** RAMAN RICHARDSON  
**CHAPLAIN:** TOM CLARK  
**TILER:** PER BRUCE LOMAX  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**5TH YEAR:** TIM DAVIS  
**4TH YEAR:** JASMEEN SANDHU  
**3RD YEAR:** ROD CHILDERS  
**2ND YEAR:** BOB COONS  
**1ST YEAR:** AUNIE GUNDERSON

## FRONT OFFICE

Monday: Closed  
Tuesday-Friday: 10am - 2pm

## ATHLETIC FACILITY

Monday-Friday: 5:30am - 9pm  
Saturday-Sunday: 7am- 6pm  
ATHLETIC FACILITY WILL BE CLOSED  
ON MAJOR HOLIDAYS

## LOUNGE

Tuesday-Thursday: 4pm - 9pm  
Friday: 4pm - 10pm  
Saturday: 4pm - 9pm

## PAID STAFF

**EVENT COORDINATOR:** JESSICA JOHNSON  
**BAR MANAGER:** LAURA JOHNSON  
**CUSTODIAN:** MARIO SCOTT

## VOLUNTEER STAFF

AMIE ROBERTS  
STEPHANIE GUNN  
ROB GUNN  
TONJA LINSON  
DAYSHA CAMPBELL  
JIM

## MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

ACTIVE MEMBERS: 589  
LIFE MEMBERS: 65  
HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS: 4  
LAPSED MEMBERSHIPS: 57