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# The Bull Sheet



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Monday	Noon-3pm
Tuesday	11am-2pm
Wednesday	11am-2pm
Thursday	11am -2pm
Friday	11am-2pm
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

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**LOUNGE**

Monday 2 pm to close  
 Tuesday– Saturday 12:00 pm– close  
 Sunday 8:30 am to close  
 website at [www.elks.org/1937](http://www.elks.org/1937)



Newsletter Editor: [dmc0526@yahoo.com](mailto:dmc0526@yahoo.com)

## LODGE OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler ~ Dick Edwards  
Leading Knight ~ Arnie Wray  
Loyal Knight ~ Ricki Daniels  
Lecturing Knight ~ Al Seaman  
Secretary ~ Tom Iverson  
Treasurer ~ Maureen Gilbert  
Esquire ~ Vacant  
Chaplain ~ Bobbie Elwood  
Inner Guard ~ Josh Westlake  
Tiler ~ Ron Robbins  
Trustee 1 Year ~ Karl Plato  
Trustee 2 Year Ray Palmer *Chairman of the board*  
Trustee 3 Year ~ Gary Hansen  
Trustee 4 Year ~ Dick Santoro  
Trustee 5 Year ~ Kathy Buhman



## ELKS CARE AND ELKS SHARE



## Meetings Schedule

Lodge Meeting:

**2nd & 4th Wednesday @ 7pm**

House Committee & Board of Directors:

**1st and 3rd Wednesday @ 10 am**

The National Donate Life Registry

Donate Life America manages the

National Donate Life Registry.

[www.donatelife.net](http://www.donatelife.net)



## INITIATION

Initiations are held on the fourth Wednesday of every month.

On the third Saturday of every odd numbered month we hold an initiation.  
2pm.

## **Children's Therapy Century Club**

John Landry	Charles Pierce
Loyal Holmes	Nancy McAllister
Dennis McWilliams	Kyle Bornstein
Cheryl Collins	Cassandra Wright
Joseph Morrison	Rebecca Lorente
Clark Grogan	Maureen Gilbert
Nicholai Hansen	Lorraine Berard
Robert Vetsch	Arnie Wray
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Randall Stoltenberg	David Gray
Joseph Cechmanek	
Greg Sprando	
Ted Stenholm	
Jay Watson	
Ben Olson	
Randall Stoltenberg	
Darsein Shull	
Shawn Wendling	
Dean Lusk	
Marvin Hall	

# Lodge Messages

## From the Desk of the Exalted Ruler



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## From the Desk of the Secretary

Happy New Year everyone!

We are grateful as always for your continued membership and we are especially grateful for all of you who have volunteered. We could not survive without you.

We have been very active this year and we welcome hearing from you with ideas on ways that we can improve. If you observe a member or an employee going above and beyond, please let us know so we can acknowledge them.

Please look for opportunities to propose friends and family for membership. We have increased membership every year since the end of Covid and we would like to be positive in membership by the end of this year as well. If you have not renewed for this year, it is not too late. Please contact me if I can help you renew.

I wish you and your family a Happy and positive year.

# Grand Exalted Ruler Message



## Final stretch of Lodge year starts in January

Wanda and I want to wish each of you a very happy new year as we welcome in 2024. New Year's Day is a time when we reflect upon the events of the past year and plan for the upcoming year. New resolutions are made to improve health, diet, and other ambitions. For us as Elks, it should be our resolution to improve our Lodge and our Order.

January is the beginning of the last quarter of the Lodge year. Get your membership retention and arrears program into full stride. Have your committee reach out to delinquent Members. This personal contact could very well bring that Member back into our folds. Remind them of why they joined and how much they mean to the Lodge. It would be great for your Lodge to

have a +1 membership gain in 2024.

You and your Lodge Officers should be reviewing how and where you stand with your Local Lodge goals for the year. Should you see you are falling short, make January, February, and March your last big push to meet those goals. Your Lodge has all the assets needed to meet those goals with the right plans. Use your Past Exalted Rulers Association, Board of Directors, and Lodge committees to analyze what is needed to declare victory.

This is also a great time to review your hard-working Members and decide who deserves an award for the great work done for your Lodge. Some of the awards you can present to a Member and Officer who has done so much to promote the Order are Elk of the Year, Officer of the Year, and Citizen of the Year. There is no better way to say **thank you** for the hard work and dedication they have demonstrated. You may involve other Members to promote the good work that your Lodge does in your community.

Finally, the Auditing and Accounting Committee should review Lodge books and report at the last meeting of the month. Remember "**Elks Care — Elks Share**" and "**We Are THE Elks.**" God Bless our great Order, our troops, and the United States of America



# Propositions For Membership

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The following candidates were elected on December 13, 2023:

Logan Large      Michelle Gallo      Pamela Jones      Brittany Metzler      Tim Sharkey

The following candidates will be balloted on January 10, 2023:

Kyle Wirkkala      Jeffrey Waite      Mark Blake      Douglas O'Brien

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Breakfast is served every  
Sunday

8:30-11:00 am

## Weekly Events

### MONDAY

The Lounge is open at 2 pm  
on Mondays

Elk Races 4-6 pm

### TUESDAY

Loud Mouth Bingo

4-6 pm



### WEDNESDAY

Lodge and Board Meetings.

See the calendar for dates and  
time

### THURSDAY

LOUD MOUTH BINGO

4-6 pm !



### FRIDAY



#### Pinochle

Every Friday  
11:30 to 3:30



#### Queen of Hearts Drawing

#### Ticket Sales

4 pm—6 pm

#### FRIDAY ONLY

**Drawing at 6 pm** Open to All Elks Members  
and Spouses (including Visiting Members). **Must  
be present to win.**

### SUNDAY



#### Sunday Breakfast

8:30-11

**Karaoke 3:30— 6**

# VETERANS NEWS

Ron Robbins, Veterans Chair

*The Following information is from **MyArmyBenefits**, the official military benefits website of the U.S. Army.*

## All WWII Veterans are now eligible for no-cost VA health care and nursing home services

WASHINGTON, November 10, 2023 - Today, the Department of Veterans Affairs announced that all World War II Veterans are now eligible for no-cost VA health care, medical services, and nursing home care.

All WWII Veterans who served between Dec. 7, 1941, and Dec. 31, 1946, are eligible under this expansion, regardless of their length of service or financial status. These Veterans will not have to pay copays, enrollment fees or monthly premiums.

VA is reaching out by phone and mail to encourage WWII Veterans who are not currently enrolled in VA care to apply today. Veterans who enroll may also keep their private providers, Medicare, and most other insurance to meet their health care needs.

"These members of Greatest Generation answered the call to serve when our nation – and the world – needed them most. Now, it's our job to serve them in every way that we can," said **VA Under Secretary for Health, Dr. Shereef Elnahal**. "We are proud to provide world-class, no-cost health care to these heroes at VA, and we encourage all of them to enroll today."

All WWII Veterans are encouraged to enroll in VA health care – the best, most affordable health care in America for Veterans. Veterans who are enrolled in VA health care are proven to have better health outcomes than non-enrolled Veterans, and VA hospitals have dramatically outperformed non-VA hospitals in overall quality ratings and patient satisfaction ratings.

Veterans who were not approved for VA health care in the past due to income limits should apply again; income levels no longer apply due to this expansion. VA cannot automatically enroll these Veterans in health care; WWII Veterans must apply for VA health care if they are not currently enrolled.

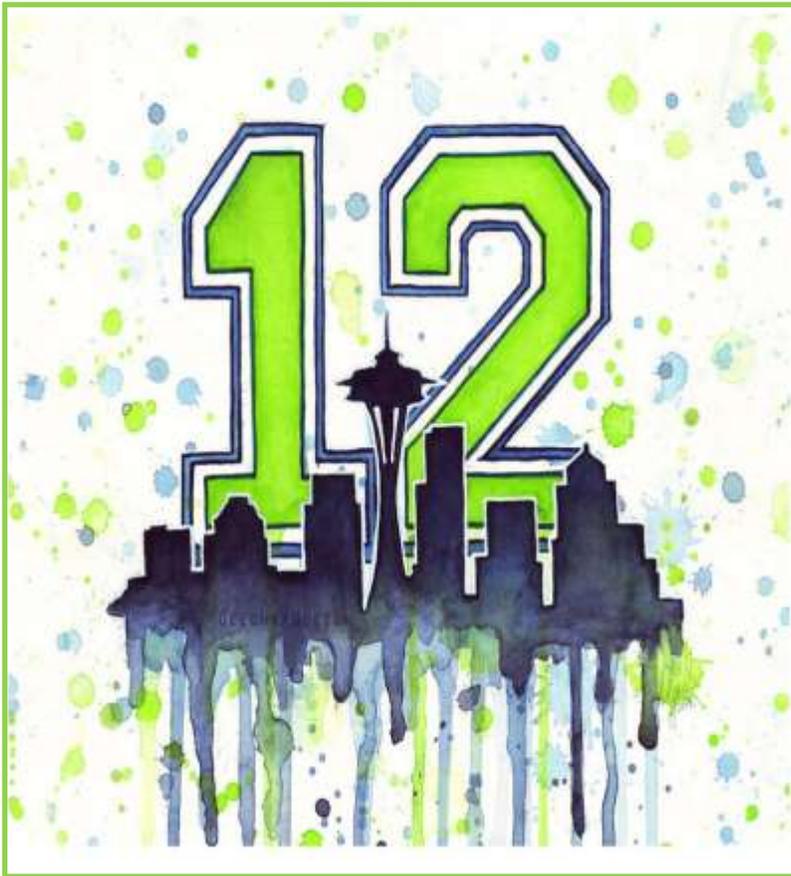
FOR THE  
GOOD  
OF THE  
ORDER

At every lodge meeting we draw three names to win the GOOD OF THE ORDER drawing.

If you were not present you **MUST** attend a lodge meeting and request your name be returned to the drum.

When the Loyal Knight or the Lecturing Knight checks your membership card at entry to the lodge room they will ask you if you would like to contribute \$1 to the drawing.

YOU  
MAKE THE  
DIFFERENCE



## **SEAHAWKS CLUB**

### **Come join us for the Seahawk Sunday Club**

Come join us for the Seahawk Sunday Club

There will be potluck, raffle, 50/50 pots and if enough people are there, score pay off cards. Drink tickets awarded when the Seahawks score a touchdown - a \$3.75 value. Tickets are redeemable during the Seahawks game and club in game mode. Should the other team score a touchdown a \$1.00 is donated to the pot.

\$30.00 per person for the whole season or \$10.00 per person for the day.

Elks club not responsible for redemption of drink ticket when Seahawks club has ended for the day or season.

Would love to have you join us!!

More information call Gary 360-749-6879

FOOD4KIDS BACKPACK PROGRAM PRESENTS

# Crockpot Cook-Off

\$10 All you can eat! Proceeds benefit the  
Food4Kids Backpack Program

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

1 to 3 PM

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⇒ **Wanted:** An experienced marketing volunteer professional to create a multi-media ad campaign for rental of our ballroom. Email interest to [bpoe1937@hotmail.com](mailto:bpoe1937@hotmail.com).

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**LOUD MOUTH  
 BINGO**

**TUESDAY & THURSDAY**  
**4-6 pm**



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**ELKS**  
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**FOOD 4 KIDS**  
 BACKPACK PROGRAM



**Volunteers needed every Thursday at 8AM to pack food bags for students. Meet at the Elks lodge.**

**Joins us for Darts**  
**First and Third Wednesday**  
**Potluck, fun and Prizes**  
**Potluck 5:30 Darts 6:00 pm**



Every Monday  
4-6 pm

Lounge opens at 2  
pm

Members and Guest  
welcome

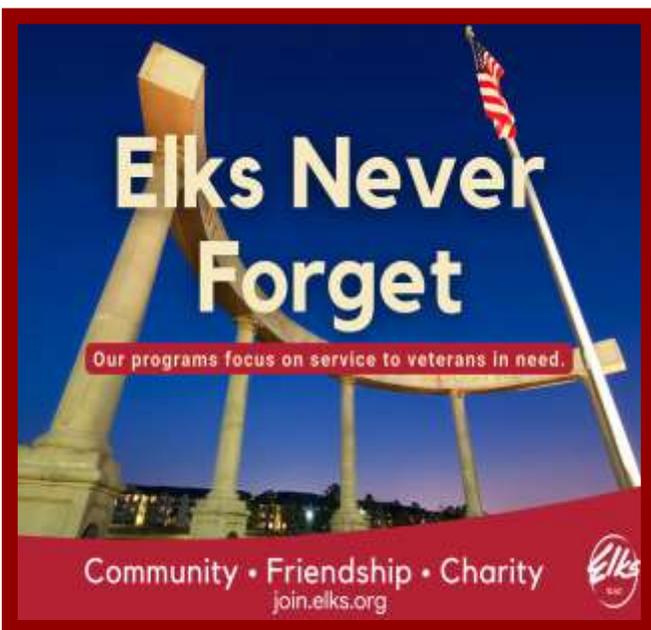


## *Crockpot Cook-off!!!*

January 27th 1-3pm

Tickets \$10/each— All you can eat!

Proceeds benefit **Food4Kids Backpack Program**





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# January 2024

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1 Lounge open at 2 pm Elk Races 4-6	2 Loud Mouth Bingo 4-6pm	3 Board Meeting 10 am Potluck 5:30 Darts 6:00	4 Loud Mouth Bingo 4-6 pm	5 Queen of Hearts/ Bottle Raffles/50-50 4-6pm Karaoke 630-?	6 Bingo 12 -3pm
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