



Dear Members,

November was a great month to start off the holiday season. We began with our first ever This Lil Piggy Bingo, raising \$239 for Major Maintenance. We had our annual Veterans Auction, and as always, this was a big success. We ended the month with our annual Bonzo's Thanksgiving Dinner which was well attended. I want to thank everyone involved with these events. It takes a lot of time and dedication to make our events a success and it is appreciated.

Queen of Hearts started on Nov 5th during Tuesday night dinner. This runs just like our Joker's Wild game.

Toys for tots Box is located in the outer lobby. Please donate a new unwrapped toy for children in our community.

We now have a smartphone app, "MyElksapp" is available for Android or Apple. Feel free to ask me for assistance in getting it set up. It provides real time notifications when events are changed or cancelled. If you need assistance setting it up, feel free to reach out to me for help.

Finally, Cookies for the Veterans' Home are again appreciated for the season. Please contact our Veterans' Chair, Rita Frangione (360-981-7668)

A shout out to all of our volunteers! Without you our Lodge could not function. If you have any free time - 1 hr, 2 hrs etc. - we welcome your help with open arms.

I have two reminders:

- 1) On April 1, 2024, I implemented a Membership Incentive program for this Elk year. Please read more about it in this issue of the *ECHO*.
- 1) As a "Members Only" Club you are required to show your membership card to gain admittance to our Lodge. ***Please show your membership card to the bartender upon entering the Lodge.***

Thank You and hope to see you all at the Lodge.

****ELKS CARE ELKS SHARE****

Fraternally,
Steve Spencer





DECEMBER

2024



<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
1 CORNHOLE NOON—CLOSE Angie		3 Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6:00pm Meatloaf \$16 Queen of Hearts 6:15pm Orientation 7 pm	4	5 Fish & Chips 5pm - 6:30pm Jokers Wild \$1 Drawing 6:15 pm Lodge Meeting 7 pm Absent Members Memoriam	6 This Lil Piggy Bingo Night 5:30- 7:30pm	7 Kids' Holiday Party 11-2 pm Satch Works Holiday Party 5-11 pm
8 CORNHOLE NOON—CLOSE Mark F	9	10 Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6:00pm Pulled Pork \$16 Queen of Hearts 6:15pm	11 Cribbage 3 pm House Mtg 5:15 pm	12 Fish & Chips 5pm - 6:30pm Joker's Wild 6:15 pm	13	14 EJF&R Holiday Party 6—11 pm
15 CORNHOLE NOON—CLOSE Greg	16	17 Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6:00pm Steak and Potatoes \$16 Queen of Hearts	18	19 Fish & Chips 5pm - 6:30pm Joker's Wild 6:15 pm	20 JC Mental Health Holiday Party 4—11 pm Cribbage 6 pm	21 Tom & Jerry Party 4-7 pm
22 CORNHOLE NOON—CLOSE Tim	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS	26 Fish & Chips 5pm - 6:30pm Joker's Wild 6:15pm	27	28
29 CORNHOLE NOON—CLOSE Bob	30	31 New Year's Eve Party & Membership Drive Stay Tuned for more info				

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!!

01 Fred Brooling	16 Bonnie Gilmore
01 Walter Konizeski	17 Lawrence Stevens
01 Don Luttrell	18 Tammy Coggins
01 Carol Shamhart	19 Ronald Brake
02 Allen Barcus	19 Leslie Weertman
02 Holly Ingham	20 Barbara Packer
02 Gerald Moch	21 Richard Stapf Jr.
02 Roland Vandervorst	22 Curtis Russ
03 David Woodruff	22 Barbara Shaw
04 Margaret Anderson	22 William Hunt
05 Ricky Myers	23 Billy Cole
07 James Avrett	23 Natasha Winslow
07 Jill Buhler Rienstra	24 Mary Allen
07 Nicky Champion	24 Kyle Jondle
07 Steve Cordz	25 Ann Marie Nelson
09 Richard Collins	25 Mark Renzi
09 Nicholas Rodrigues	26 Glen Huntingford
09 Terry Taylor	27 Randy Hathaway
10 John Garden	27 Tracy Ralls
10 Mike Mason	27 James Torres
11 Ann Hinds	27 William White
12 Walter Barrett	28 Walt Cartmel
13 Linda Eiden	28 MJ Baker
13 Ravin Patel	29 Patricia Bunz
14 Richard Gastfield	29 Ronald Peterson
14 Craig Lohner	30 David Crozier
15 Jack Hensel	31 Mark Banks
15 Gary Ortmeier	31 Tom Fairhall
15 Alec Jensen	31 Robert Such

BAR MENU
MAKES A GREAT DINNER!
 Tuesday - Saturday 3pm - 8:30pm
 Sunday - Noon - 6:00pm

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
Burritos	\$4.25
3 PC Chicken Tenders	\$5.00
JoJos 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	
Pepperoni & Sausage	
Supreme	
Poppers (8)	\$5.50
Chips	\$1.25
Hotdog	\$6.00
Chilidog	\$7.00
Corn Dog	\$1.50
\$3.00 SODA	
With 3 FREE REFILLS	

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.: _____



Echo Article Deadline:
 12th of each month. ptelks317@gmail.com

Bar Update

As of October 1st these were the price changes.

Premium Wine: \$8.00
 Top Shelf Wine: \$9.00
 Well Alcohol \$5.00
 Premium Alcohol: \$7.00
 Fries: \$5.00



Shake of the Day!
 (One shake per day)

- ◆ Members in good standing from PT Lodge #317 only have 4 shakes to roll 5 of a kind. If you roll 4 of a kind you get an extra shake.
- ◆ If pot reaches \$500 and hasn't been won, a new pot will be started and the first member to shake 5 of a kind wins the entire first pot!

While it worked, it looked great!

WORK HAPPENING AROUND THE LODGE



New Hwy 20 signs are installed.
Thank You Mel Medford!

Parking Lot: The parking lot has been graded with rock brought in and compacted. Thank you to members Rob and Trisha Miller and Duke Shold of Shold Excavating for supplying the rock. Also a big thank you to members Randy Hathaway, Eric Arnston and our new member Ryan Roach. There is still more work to be done on the parking blocks.

The can crusher is up and running. We managed to crush all the cans making a full load. They were transported to Navy Yard Metals in Bremerton. \$600 was deposited to the Can Money Account. Thank you to Freddy Martin, Tom Myers, and Sharon Petersen for the crushing. Freddy Martin, Jason Franklin, John Franklin and I transported the cans to Bremerton.

The Neon Light has failed again and we are in the process of fixing the last piece of glass. When it comes back, Stuart Duff has volunteered to rewire the whole sign. Hopefully it will be the last time. Thank you to Carol Wise and Ron Melheim for being so patient and providing their lift for us to use when needed.

Mel Medford ask me to do something about the Hwy 20 Elks road signs. I contacted the Sign Shop and was able to get two replacement signs for \$600 for which Mel Medford paid. Thank you Mel for this generous donation.

Bar Plaques: I have sold about 60 bar plaques that are in the works of being printed and poured. Another list for a new pour will be started soon.

Thank you to all of you.

Rich Stapf, Sr



Three of our Veteran Lodge members were recently honored with receipt of a Quilt of Valor in appreciation for their service to our country.

Congratulations and thank you for your service to our country!

Glenn Brink, Gary Joniętz and Muyo Swanson.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Jordan Cossell
Christie Apker

THURSDAY FISH & CHIPS 5 - 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

VACANT CHAIR

Name: Peter Cannon
Born: 1943
Initiated: 3-18-2004
Died: 10-13-2024



Name: William Coulter
Born: 1945
Initiated: 2-20-2003
Died: 10-22-2024

MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE

Port Townsend Elks Lodge

#317

Goal: Membership Growth

Starting April 1st 2024, there will be a black box with Membership Incentive cards next to it. It will be located by the sign in sheet as you enter the Lodge. Members that bring a guest and fill out the Membership Incentive card will be entered in a monthly drawing for one 2 pc. fish and chips dinner paid for by the Exalted Ruler. Drawings will take place 1st Thursday of every month. (And must be claimed that month.)

1. Fill out all the info required on the Incentive Card (Must have Member Contact info to win)
2. Place Card in the black box to Be Eligible

First Incentive Drawing will be May 2nd, 2024

Last Incentive Drawing will be March 7th 2025, to be claimed by March 27th, 2025



Membership makes the Lodge successful



VETERANS' DINNER & AUCTION

A BIG Thank You to all who attended, donated and participated as volunteers at the 13th Annual Veterans' Dinner and Auction! There were some great items on the auction block this year and once again the evening was filled with fun and excitement. At this writing we are estimating a total of over \$14,000 raised for Veterans Relief - a substantial increase over the past few years.

Thank you All, For All you Do!
Rita Frangione

TOYS FOR TOTS

The Toys for Tots campaign has started.

The collection box is in the outside entryway for your convenience.

You may bring unwrapped toys for donation when you attend Bonzo's Thanksgiving Dinner as well.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.
Thank you for all you do.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE!

As the end of the year draws to a close, I'd like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all our patrons and all the amazing volunteers who have helped me behind the bar. A special thank you goes to Jim, Vicki, Peggy Ann and Robert for your dedication and support throughout the year.

An extra note of gratitude to Rich Stapf, Sr and Mark Banks for always being there whenever I needed help.

Your contributions have made a tremendous difference and I am incredibly grateful to each and everyone of you.

Thank you all.

Gretchen
Bar Manager

DUTY ROSTER

DECEMBER

01-07 **Angie Cossell**
 08-14 **Mark Fritz**
 15-21 **Greg Carrol**
 22-28 **Tim Thomas**
 29-1/4 **Bob Kelvy**

JANUARY

05-11 **Grant Clemens**
 12-18 **Mark Banks**
 19-25 **Greg Carrol**
 26-2/1 **Tim Thomas**

Facility Rental Rates

	<u>Member</u>	<u>Non-Member</u>
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/ Lodge	\$550.00	\$775.00
Card Room	\$75	\$125
LOE	\$75	\$125
Kitchen (\$100 refund)	\$350.00	\$350.00
Steam Table	\$50	\$50

Rentals also require EVENT Insurance to be purchased by tenant with proof of insurance provided to Lodge prior to event.

There is a \$100 refundable fee for the kitchen rental if it is left clean.



WE NEED YOU!



ELKS COIN BOX CHILDRENS THERAPY PROGRAM

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

LODGE OFFICERS 2024 - 2025

Exalted Ruler PER Steve Spencer
 Leading Knight Rachel Cervantes
 Loyal Knight Lisa Mull
 Lecturing Knight Peter Chaffee
 Secretary Rose Ann Carroll
 Treasurer PER Angie Cossell
 Esquire PER Mark Fritts
 Tiler Shari Morrison
 Inner Guard Cindy Kobetich
 Chaplain Greg Carroll

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PER Steve Spencer, Rachel Cervantes, Lisa Mull, Peter Chaffee, PER Angie Cossell, Rose Ann Carroll and the following Trustees:

To April 2025 Paul Jacobsen
 To April 2026 Mark Banks
 To April 2027 Bob Kelvy
 To April 2028 Grant Clemens
 To April 2029 Tim Thomas

OFFICE STAFF

Bookkeeper - Ben Falge
 Event Coordinator - Renee Hammond
 Lodge Auditor - PER David Harrah

BAR

Manager: Gretchen VanDerent
 Bartender: Karen Smith
 Bar Volunteers: Jim, Vicki, Robert & Peggy

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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Call the RV HOST 360-301-0728

EFFECTIVE 1-1-2025
RV CAMP RATES CHANGE
Member \$30 per Night
Member Guest \$35 per Night

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The ECHO

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LODGE BAR HOURS

Tuesday - Saturday 3PM - 8:30 PM
Sunday - Noon - 6pm

OFFICE HOURS

9:00am-1:00pm Tuesday-Friday
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**Please join us for Lodge Meetings
On the 1st & 3rd
Thursday of the Month at 7PM**



Elks Care - Elks Share