



Happy April! As April brings flowers, rain and sunshine, it of course, brings in new officers here in the Lodge.

I would like to start my very first letter by introducing the great people that are stepping into leadership roles this year. Each one of these individuals are committed and dedicated as well as excited to be leaders of our Lodge. It is with great honor I welcome the Lodge officers for the 2025-26 year which are reflected on page 7 of this edition of *The Echo*. I am grateful to work with each one of them.

Early in the month we hosted a Mardi Gras style Tuesday dinner including shrimp po'boys, hush puppies, muffalettas and more - king cake included. Len Hodges found the baby in the cake. Thanks for coming and enjoying the evening. Good food, good friends—definitely a night to “Laissez Les bon temps rouler, “Let the Good Times Roll.” The Lodge hosted a Spring Fling, a night of music and dance as a membership drive featuring the Randall Wolf Band. A big shout out to Shari Morrison for securing the band. Thank you Bob and Lisa for the bright and colorful decorations. Donations received from the event went to Youth Activities.

April promises to be a month of starting with This Lil Piggy Bingo on April 4th. With potluck at 5 pm and game at 5:30 pm. Easter Sunday is April 20th. This year will be the 95th Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Chetzemoka Park. In a previous Lodge meeting, we voted to replace real eggs with stuffed plastic eggs. This is a great event to volunteer your time. Easter egg packing will be Friday, April 18th at 6 pm in the Ladies of the Elks Room and Saturday, April 19th, we will be putting together Easter baskets and loading them up for the next morning. As always, we are looking for donations of candy. Candy donations can be turned into any officer or at the Lodge. Hope to see everyone there Sunday morning at 6:30 am at the fireplace enter of Chetzemoka Park. There will be hot coffee, donuts and a hot fire.

On April 22nd, Port Townsend Elks Lodge #317 celebrates our 130th year birthday. Please join us for a Tuesday night dinner celebration from 5 pm—6:30 pm.

Fraternally,
Rachel Cervantes
Exalted Ruler
P.S.

As a “Members Only” club you are required to have your membership card with you at all times to gain admission to the Lodge. Please show your membership card to the bartender when you arrive.

*****PLEASE NOTE: *****

***Beginning with the June edition of the ECHO, hardcopies will no longer be mailed.
Hardcopies will be available in the Lobby of the Lodge .
Those needing a hardcopy mailed, please contact the office.***

APRIL 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
<p>CORNHOLE NOON—CLOSE</p> <p>Rachel, ER</p>		<p>1</p> <p>Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6pm</p> <p>Beef Stew \$16</p> <p>Queen of Hearts 6:15pm</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Fish & Chips or Chicken Strips & Fries 5pm - 6:30pm</p> <p>Joker's Wild 6:15pm</p> <p>Lodge Mtg 7 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>This Lil Piggy Bingo 5:30 pm</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6</p> <p>CORNHOLE NOON—CLOSE</p> <p>Tim</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6pm</p> <p>Fried Chicken \$16</p> <p>Queen of Hearts 6:15pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>House Meeting 5:15 pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Fish & Chips or Chicken Strips & Fries 5pm - 6:30pm</p> <p>Joker's Wild 6:15pm</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>11am Lincoln Day Luncheon</p>
<p>13</p> <p>CORNHOLE NOON—CLOSE</p> <p>Bob H</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6pm</p> <p>Smothered Pork Chops \$16</p> <p>Queen of Hearts 6:15pm</p> <p>Orientation 7 pm</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Fish & Chips or Chicken Strips & Fries 5pm - 6:30pm</p> <p>Joker's Wild 6:15pm</p> <p>Lodge Mtg 7 pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Plastic Easter Egg Filling 6pm-7:30pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Preparing Easter Baskets & Load Up 4pm-6pm</p>
<p>20</p> <p>8am Easter egg Hunt At Chetzemoka Park 6:30am Volunteers Meet 10am Easter Brunch</p> <p>Bob K</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6pm</p> <p>Meatloaf \$16</p> <p>Queen of Hearts 6:15pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Board Meeting 5:15 pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Fish & Chips or or Chicken Strips & Fries 5pm - 6:30pm</p> <p>Joker's Wild 6:15pm</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Bunco 5:30 pm</p> <p>Potluck 5 pm</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Wild Cards Fundraiser: Garage Sale Auction, Wine Tasting, hors d'oeuvres and "An Officer & A Gentleman" movie 4pm-8pm (see page 3)</p>
<p>27</p> <p>CORNHOLE NOON—CLOSE</p> <p>Mark B</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Tuesday Dinner 5pm - 6pm</p> <p>Baked Rigatoni \$16</p> <p>Queen of Hearts 6:15pm</p>	<p>30</p>			

SIP HAPPENS!

The Elk's Lodge #317 Wyldecards (lady cardplayers) are having a Membership Drive Event, raising money for Major Maintenance on April 26, 4-8 pm. Winetasting table and hors d'oeuvres, in the dining room starting at 4 pm, called SIP Happens!

At 5:15 pm the movie "Officer & Gentlemen" on stage with tables set up on the dance floor. The movie shows beautiful Fort Worden and other popular sites around Port Townsend. Two of our Wyldecards members were in the movie, rented to the movie people or have other Officer & Gentlemen stories. We hope to attract those that were in the movie or just want to see it. The mill shown in the movie wasn't PTPC as they were too busy to stop production for filming.

A garage sale of Home and Garden finds will be in the card room, as well as shoes and clothing. Wyldecards always have many beautiful items for our garage sales.

This is a fundraiser for a good cause. We will be auctioning off a few beautiful baskets, one garden and the other lovely wine and chocolate basket. These baskets are from our Wyldecards Sherry Moch who passed away last year.

The \$25 price of a ticket includes (3) wine tastings, hors d'oeuvres, and movie.

Please try to attend and bring your friends and neighbors. It should be fun and interesting!

Wyldecards,
Sandy Ellis

Things Happening Around the Lodge

First off, the bar plaques are printed and ready to go. They may be poured by the time you get this edition of *The ECHO*.

Second thing, I received the parts for the Elks neon sign and, weather permitting and help scheduled, we will be working on that in the near future.

Third thing is the parking lot sidewalks. That is going to be a fairly big job to form them and get ready to pour, therefore, I am reaching out for some help on this project. If you would like to help, my number is 360 301-1199. My fourth item is a Car Show and Shine in our parking lot on May 17 after the Grand Rhododendron Parade. I have Mark Banks, myself and the Raker's Car Club spearheading this event and would like to have this as the First Annual Show. We want to include hot rods, classic cars, pickups and motorcycles. I am going to reach out to Forks, Sequim, Bremerton, Port Angeles Elks Clubs and other Hot Rod Clubs in the area. So, if everything works out well, it should be a great show.

We are still having our annual spaghetti feed after the parade, and possibly hamburgers, hotdogs and some music. Hope to see you all there and let me know if you would like to volunteer on any of these events.

Valentine Dinner & Dance

Sorry this is getting to you so late, but we had a little glitch in the computer and it didn't get in *The ECHO* last month. I would like to take the time to thank everyone again for the fine job with all of the help cooking, decorating, clean up, etc. Thanks to a team effort, it was a very successful party.

Rich Stapf Sr

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Jason Crawford
Jan Housden
Vaughn Kline
Kelly Malloy

735 Active Members

VACANT CHAIR

Name: Gene D. Yantz
Born: 1941
Initiated: 12/18/1980
Died: 2/16/2025



Port Townsend Elks Lodge #317
Members and Guests Only

☆ THIS LIL PIGGY ☆



BINGO NIGHT

APRIL 4TH
5:30-7:30PM

POTLUCK, BRING SOMETHING TO SHARE

COST: BY DONATION 5 CARDS MAX

50/50 RAFFLE AFTER BINGO

PROCEEDS TO MAJOR

MAINTENANCE ☆

BUNGO NIGHT!

POTLUCK 5:00

APRIL 25TH

5:30 PM - 8:00 P.M

\$5 DONATION PER PLAYER

Port Townsend Elks Lodge
#317



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO PREPARE FOR THIS EVENT

With the price of eggs, our Lodge membership voted to use plastic eggs and place candy in them.

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS!!

02 Franklin, Jason E	18 Hathaway, Jeffrey
02 Jacobsen, Karl J	18 Olson, Rene
02 Lechtenberg, Gregory C	18 Cruver, Carolyn
02 Swindler, Jason	19 Palmer, Richard
02 Wojcik, Adam	19 Peterson, Brian
04 Eilert, John M	19 Steben, Seth
04 Florence, Leland	21 Hild, Rihard
04 Lefebvre, Patrick	21 Landry, Leo H
05 Daubenberger, Joseph	21 Nisbet, Charles D
05 Reiersen, Alfred	22 McGinty, Jeff
05 Thompson, Joe S	22 Simcoe, Charles F
06 Burns, Steven R	22 Young, Charles R
06 Greenspane, Jason L	24 Inman, Lavall Carson
06 O'Meara, John A	24 Sukert, Henry A
07 Fitzpatrick, Sean	25 Martin, Fred
08 Fourmont, Richard	25 Stowell, Charles R
08 Mallory, David M	26 Campbell, Lawrence R
09 MacDonald, Jason	26 Vigeant, Monique
10 Schryver, Gary	27 Driver, Dick
11 Hammond, Renee	27 Moss, Jerome A
12 Laplume, Christie	27 Przygocki, Kenneth
13 De Leo, James W	28 Crozier, Michael
14 Escene, Carl S	28 Eustis, Mitzi
15 Myers, Donald L	28 Fore Jr, Joseph O
15 Nockleby, Dick	28 Haak, John David
15 VanDeremt. Gretchen	28 Parker, James G
16 Zormeir, Robert	28 Poplin, William
17 Brink, Glenn O	28 Robinson, Wendi
17 Bronson, Jeffrey	28 Sahlinger, Patti
17 Laird, William H	29 Lucas, Victor J
17 Riggle, Don	29 Vacca, Nick
17 `Riggle, Ron	30 Linder, Brent

BAR MENU MAKES A GREAT DINNER!

Tuesday - Saturday
3pm - 8:30pm

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	\$5.00
Chicken Wings (Honey BBQ or Breaded and fried)	\$6.50
Pizza (as available)	\$10.00
Cheese	
Pepperoni	
Pepperoni & Sausage	
Supreme	

\$3.00 SODA

With 3 FREE REFILLS

Bar Update

As of October 1st, here are the current prices:

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



This **COUPON** entitles bearer
to a Complimentary
House Pour, Beer or Wine
in the lounge during their **birthday** month.

THURSDAY

FISH or CHICKEN & 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
(3 pieces fish, 5 shrimp)	
3 pieces chicken & fries	\$10.00

DUTY ROSTER

APRIL

30-05 ER Rachel Cervantes
 06-12 Tim Thomas
 13-19 Bob Hickman
 20-26 Bob Kelyv
 27-03 Mark Banks

MAY

04-10 Robert Wilkinson
 11-17 Lisa Mull
 18-24 PER Linda De Leo
 25-31 PER Mark Fritts

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 2025 - 2026

Exalted Ruler Rachel Cervantes
 Leading Knight Lisa Mull
 Loyal Knight PER Linda De Leo
 Lecturing Knight PER Mark Fritts
 Secretary Rose Ann Carroll
 Treasurer PER Angie Cossell
 Esquire PER Shirlee Beck
 Tiler Greg Carroll
 Inner Guard Vicki Talley
 Chaplain Dale Kelley

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Rachel Cervantes, Lisa Mull, PER Linda De Leo, PER Mark Fritts, PER Angie Cossell, Rose Ann Carroll and the following Trustees:

To April 2026 Mark Banks
 To April 2027 Bob Kelyv
 To April 2028 Bob Hickman
 To April 2029 Tim Thomas
 To April 2030 Robert Wilkinson

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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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
Rose Ann Carroll, Secretary **email:** ptbpoe317@yahoo.com
Renee Hammond, Event Coordinator
email: ptelks317@gmail.com
phone: (360) 385-0317

**Please join us for Lodge Meetings
On the 1st & 3rd
Thursday of the Month at 7PM**



Elks Care - Elks Share