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LODGE OFFICERS 2023-2024

EXALTED RULER ~~~~~ MOLLEY BARR
LEADING KNIGHT ~~~~~ CLIFF SHOVE
LOYAL KNIGHT ~~~~~ GARY KEENER-PER
LECTURING KNIGHT ~~~~~ TOM VON KIENAST
ESQUIRE ~~~~~ JERRY ADAMSON-PER
CHAPLAIN ~~~~~ KARL FOUSEK
INNER GUARD ~~~~~ BILL WILSON
TILER ~~~~~ ART MICHAELS
SECRETARY ~~~~~ PHYLLIS EDLUND
TREASURER ~~~~~ FRAN LARA
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4 YEAR TRUSTEE ~~~~~ ROBBIN MOORE-PER
3 YEAR TRUSTEE ~~~~~ MARVIN "PAT" WHITE
2 YEAR TRUSTEE ~~~~~ BILL JOHNSON
1 YEAR TRUSTEE ~~~~~ PATRICK BRADEN-PER

LODGE HOUSE COMMITTEE

LODGE OFFICERS – MOLLEY, CLIFF, GARY, TOM,
SHAWN, ROBBIN, PAT W, BILL, PAT B.

KAMPER CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT ===== BILL CARLSON
VICE – PRESIDENT ===== DOUG HARRIS
SECRETARY ===== RON MCCRAY
TREASURER ===== TOM O'CONNOR

GUN CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT ===== JOHN KUNKLE
VICE-PRESIDENT ===== CLIFF SHOVE
SECRETARY/TREASURER ===== KACI GIBBS

OFFICE BOOKKEEPER ===== MELINDA
BARTENDERS ===== BRIDGIT, ANJI, ANGELA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

PER Meeting –
No meeting this month

House Committee Meeting –
October 4th at 4:30pm

Board of Directors Meeting –
October 4th at 5pm & 18th at
5:30pm

Lodge Meeting –
October 4th & 18th at 6:30pm

Camper Club-
October 10th at 6:30pm

Gun Club Meeting –
October 12th at 4:30pm

LODGE OFFICE
Business Hours:
Monday - Thursday
10:30am to 3:00pm
Friday
10:00am to 12:00pm

BAR/ LOUNGE
Hours:
Monday - Thursday
2:00pm to 8:00pm
Friday
2:00pm to 10:00pm
Saturday
2:00pm to 8:00pm
Sundays as noted on the calendar



FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

From the Secretary's Desk:

On September 10th we welcomed five new members to our Lodge. Pictured in the front row, from left to right, are new members Roberta (Bobbi) Thompson, Patrick Kerley, Bruce Beck, Nancy Zingheim and Regina Zehm. Standing behind the new members, from left to right, are Leading Knight Cliff Shove, Exalted Ruler Molley Barr, Esquire PER Jerry Adamson, Loyal Knight PER Gary Keener and Chaplain Karl Fousek.



We welcome all of our new members to our Elks family and look forward to seeing each of them at our meals, fundraisers and other events. Our Organization relies on our member volunteers, so please let us know any time that you are available to help or if you have any ideas for future meals or events at your Lodge.

Fraternally yours,
Phyllis Edlund
Lodge Secretary

Winner of the \$50 drawing at our September 6th Lodge meeting was: **Judy Cicanese**
Winner of the \$50 drawing at our September 20th Lodge meeting was: **Art Michaels**

Exalted Ruler – Molley Barr

Fall is upon us and what a wonderful summer we were blessed with! It started with the Idaho State Elks Association Summer convention at the Blackfoot, Idaho - Lodge #1416, and then continued to the first week of July, when I attended the Grand Lodge Annual Convention. My report is attached and the resolutions that were voted on are available in the office for your review.

Come and join me with all that is happening in October, highlighting "Find the Elk" on Tuesday's Burger Night. Our regular meetings on the first and third Wednesdays begin at 6:30 PM. Please attend our meetings as this is where decisions are made for your Lodge and you have the opportunity to give your input and vote. Oktoberfest will be celebrated on Friday the 13th, a spook-tacular night. Our Leading Knight, Cliff Shove, will be serving Bavarian style sauerkraut, roast pork and fried potatoes. Immediately following dinner will be Karaoke.

Sunday Brunch is held on the second Sunday of the month. If there are any candidates available for membership we will be performing our initiation ritual. Please come support and welcome our newest members. A tremendous fundraiser will be held on the 14th, facilitated by one of our newer members, Haley Rose. The proceeds from the Silent Auction will support District 1 Probation and Parole Officers, Pre-Sentence Investigators and Admin Specialists. These funds will provide the resources throughout the year to recognize the celebration of marriages, births and the loss of loved ones. Support is also given to local nonprofits and families/individuals in need each year. Come and be a part of this special night.

Our annual Foster Kids Fundraiser event will be on Friday, October 20th starting at 6:00pm with a fantastic dinner provided by Sandy Wessling. Sandy has a true passion for these kids and all the proceeds she raises will go to an effort that will change a life. From my personal experience I can attest to the great works Sandy has performed.

October 28th will be a frightful Halloween Night!! Don't miss out on this fun-filled time of friendship and comradery starting at 6:00pm. Watch for your reminder through our "MY Elks" app, Facebook and e-mail blast.

It is amazing to see the growth of our Lodge in the past few years. Our membership is now over 700 and second in Idaho only to the Lodge in Lewiston. Unfortunately, we are losing in our efforts to maintain this level due to a high percentage, over 12%, of members not renewing their membership. This is unacceptable for me. It is our responsibility as sponsors to mentor these members. Please do your due diligence to follow up with anyone you have sponsored and find out why they have chosen not to renew their membership. This information is vital to our future success in our community and all the great works of Elkdom. Please review the attached list of members and identify those you have sponsored. Please contact them and forward all information to me directly at my email, molleymay@yahoo.com.

I give Praise to God and thank Him every day for each and every one of you.

Fraternally,
Molley Barr
Exalted Ruler

DELINQUENT MEMBERS AS OF 9/6/2023

Matthew Abram
Rick Albaugh
Angela Alexander
Carolyn Andersen
Patrick F. Ascolese
Gregory F. Bacon, Sr.
Ronald Barto
Vertis Berwick
Larry A. Bledsoe
Patrick M. Braden
Charles E. Brennan
Durand R. Brewster
Robert Brooke
Krista B. Brown
Gabrielle Buch
Rebecca C. Buchan
Lynn Buhl
Mark F. Burgeson
Geena Burrow
Richard Campbell
Janet Louise Cason
Samuel Clark III
Timothy T. Clark
Marlene Coker
Peggy K. Coleman
Nicole Cosman
Richard Cosman
Krista Criswell
Michael E. Davis
Luke W. Durham
William C. Feely

Natalie Fernimen
Brett Fink
Paige Fink
Janis Mae Fozzard
Joseph Fredricks
Keir Gotcher
George V. Gould
Jane H. Graybill
Chris Hansen
Chase Hart
Jeff Hartkopf
Richard Haughton
Richard Hutchins
Douglas J. Jeffries, Sr.
Jennifer Jennings
James E. Johnson
Johnathan R. Johnson
Scott D. Johnson
Zachree Jones
Cher Klette
Richard E. Kreider
Erik P. Lamb
Don Larson
Gabriel O. Lawson
D. J. Lundblad
Sean B. Mahoney
Susan Manthey
David J. McGuire
Duncan W. McLeod
Thomas Messina
Ricky P. Meyer

Matthew J. Mitchell
Robert A. Neal
Kenneth W. Negaard, Sr
Nina Marie Neilsen
Ida Nichols
A. James Olmore
David K. Osborne
Janet R. Pedersen
Robert B. Prince
Constance Rathbone
Shane Rogers
Todd S. Russell
Shellie M. Schneidereit
Howard Sevdý
Jennifer L. Shaw
Sharalyn Shreve
Timothy G. Simeral
Travis Smith
Thomas S. Sudol
Dawn Terherst
Don Tuttle
Larry Van Ray
Sherry Walentiny
Russell Wallace
Thomas P. Walsh
Dava Jean Wharton
Weldon White
Miranda Wiesner
Sandee Wullenweber
Davren Zbierajewski

Exalted Ruler Grand Lodge 2023 Report

Greetings to All,

I am pleased to report my attendance in Minneapolis, Minnesota for the 158th Session of Grand Lodge Convention was as amazing as I had anticipated. After attending the opening ceremony on Sunday afternoon, the 2nd of July, I was so excited to be participating in all the upcoming business sessions for the week.

The MC for the opening session was Robert L. Duitsman, PGER. I was very impressed as he commenced with introducing all present PGER's and their wives, Bruce A. Hidley GER, now PGER, his wife Helen and then proceeded with the parade of flags. The flags represented all 50 states, the 5 branches of US Armed Forces, the POW-MIA flag and the flag of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. The Fraternal Committee then escorted the greatest symbol of freedom, the flag of the United States of America. All assembled Elks then recited the Pledge of Allegiance, It was all I could do to hold back the tears of great pride in which all of us, as Elks, represent.

A welcoming speech by Minnesota State Representative, Dave Baker, who spoke about his efforts to bring legislation regarding opioid abuse and prevention to the state of Minnesota in honor of his late son Dan. A truly moving speech.

The 1st day of Business Session – Minutes from the previous session were read, appointments were made and the Report of the Grand Exalted Ruler was given. Reports were given by Elks National Convention Commission, Nat'l. Memorial & Publication Comm., Veterans Memorial Restoration Trust, Board of Grand Trustees (preliminary report), Committee on Judiciary and Ritual (preliminary report). This was followed with nominations and election of 2023/2024 Officers including the acceptance speech from GER-elect Randy P. Shook.

The 2nd day Business Session – We started off with the Grand Lodge Resolutions Committee followed by Reports from Registration (over 5,700 + in attendance), Board of Grand Trustees and Grand Forum/Pardon Commission, The Legislative Session then proceeded with voting on 18 Resolutions that were brought to the floor. There is a copy of the Resolutions, how I voted whether they Pass/Fail on file with this report in the office for your review. The rest of the meeting was filled with Reports from the following: Disaster Relief Fund, Government Relations Committee, Auditing & Accounting Committee, Activities Committee, Fraternal Committee, Ritualistic Committee and Chicago Headquarters. The day finished up with the proposed 2023/2024 Budget and results from the Ritualistic Contest for the final Four were announced.

The 3rd Day Business Session – Call to Order was made at 8am by Bruce A. Hidley, GER as the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance proceeded immediately. Idaho's very own Keith Mills, GPER then presided over the Memorial Service. Needless to say, a very touching and humble feeling of thankfulness to our fellow Elks who have passed this last year. The installation of this year's DDGER's commenced and filled the room with excitement for their anticipated service for Randy P. Shook, GER. The morning session would then conclude at 10:30am with several Presentations and Appointments.

Randy P. Shook, GER's theme for the year, "WE ARE THE ELKS!" Are you proud to be an Elk? I am!!!

Fraternally,
Molley Barr, Exalted Ruler
Coeur d' Alene, Idaho - Lodge #1254

CAMPER CLUB

Our monthly meeting was held at the Lodge on Tuesday, September 12th. Fifteen members and six guests were in attendance.

On Sunday, September 17th, five rigs went to our monthly campout to the Yakima Elks Lodge. It is a very nice, extremely large Lodge surrounded by a well-maintained golf course. Members enjoyed card playing, daily socials, wine tasting, visiting local gift shops and antiquing. We didn't follow our usual routine of a potluck. Instead we ventured out each evening.

Our October meeting will be held Tuesday, October 10th at 6:30pm at the Lodge. We will be discussing our Christmas party which will be held on Tuesday, December 12th. We always welcome visitors and potential members to attend.

This will be our last meeting of the year. Our first meeting in 2024 will be Tuesday, March 12th. At this meeting we will be nominating new officers for the year.

For further information, please contact our club president Bill Carlson at 509-994-4333.

Bill Carlson- Camper Club President

GUN CLUB NEWS

Autumn is in the air and many thoughts are turning to the upcoming hunting seasons as well as our shotgun shooting winter league events!

Interested parties should attend our gun club meetings held every second Thursday of the month at 4:30pm here at the Lodge to find out more. Annual membership is only \$20 and that buys a whole lot of fun shooting time with fellow marksmen.

More firearms raffles will be coming and we hope to see you at our next meeting!

John Kunkle, Gun Club President

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!

We are in desperate need of volunteers for the 4th Tuesday of the month.

We need help BBQing Burgers!

Want to help us flip our FAMOUS Tuesday night burgers?

(Or participate in any other event?)

Call or Text Janet!

916-316-4324

FOSTER FAMILY FUNDRAISER

We will be having our annual Family Fundraiser on October 20th. We need volunteers for this fabulous homemade dinner fundraiser. Our dinner will be Chicken Fried Steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, peas and a roll. Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM. The cost will be \$25.00 with \$5.00 going toward the Fundraiser. I will need volunteers to help prepare food, cook, serve and clean up. The dinner proceeds go back to the Dining Room. We also need volunteers for our 50/50 raffle, live and silent auction items plus our dessert auction. The proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward The Foster Family Thanksgiving Dinner bags that we will be handing out on November 18th. We will need volunteers to put these bags together and hand them out. More information on times will be at a later date. The proceeds also go toward our Foster Family Christmas Party. The date for this event is December 9th.

Other volunteer opportunities:

We typically hand out 100 Thanksgiving Dinner Bags to the Foster Families.

Thanksgiving Bag Dinners:

- ☐ Turkey (Lodge Buys)
- ☐ Box Stuffing
- ☐ Box Potatoes
- ☐ Butter & Milk (Lodge Buys)
- ☐ Canned Yams
- ☐ Canned Vegetables
- ☐ Canned Cranberries
- ☐ Rolls (Lodge Buys)
- ☐ Pies (Lodge Buys)

Our annual Foster Family Christmas Party is a way for these families to have a fun, relaxing day. We have crafts for the kids to take home or do at the Lodge. We provide lunch for the families, and wagon rides. The kids get to pick presents plus Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus show up. We typically have approximately 150 kids ranging from 0 months to 18 years old. The donations we need for the kids' Christmas bags include books for all ages, toys for all ages, hats, gloves and socks. These kids can also use personal hygiene items.

Thank you,
Foster Family Fundraiser Chairperson
Sandy Wessling
208-691-4365
sandywessling@gmail.com

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ENJOY A DRINK ON THE LODGE

October 1– Jerry Griffin, Rue Keim, Fran Metcalf, Fred Weiss

October 2- Holly Thompson, Dennis Wilson

October 4 - Leslie Anderson, Walter Downey, Karen Magner, Jay Thompson, Richard Turner

October 5- Larry Clem

October 6- John Hight, Debra Pytel

October 7- Jeff Correll, Todd Kaufman, Victor Livengood, Nina Neilsen, Frank Riem

October 8- Donald Olander, Leslie Streeter

October 9- Susan Markham

October 10- Roger Aga, John Leoncavallo, Patricia Myers

October 11- Krista Brown

October 12- Joseph Ornelas, Richard Peery

October 13- Terry Heistuman, Joyce Prout, Frank Trutton

October 14- Frances Lara, Arthur Myers, Jeri Wass

October 15- Phyllis Edlund, Vernon Rodriguez

October 17- Larry Brandenburg, James Hudec

October 18- Melissa Baar

October 19- George Carter

October 21- Gabrielle Buch

October 22- Carl Johnson, John Simons

October 24- James Dorney, James Gaily, Sandee Wullenweber

October 25- Roy Reel

October 26- Robert Young

October 27- Diane Eborall, Dava Wharton

October 28- Justin Rupinski

October 29- James Johnson

October 30- Marcus Box, Matthew Gibbs, Dale Orth

MEMBERS OF BPOE #1254





This coupon is worth one free well drink of your choice for members only, during the month of your birthday.

BIRTHDAY ____/____/____

Your Signature _____





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
10/1 LODGE CLOSED	10/2 Card Games 1pm BAR OPENS 2:00	10/3 BAR OPENS 2:00 Hamburgers 5pm 	10/4 BAR OPENS 2:00 House Committee Mtg 4:30pm BOD Mtg 5pm LODGE MTG 6:30PM	10/5 BAR OPENS 2:00	10/6 BAR OPENS 2:00 Potato Bar 6pm \$8	10/7 BAR OPENS 2:00 Dinner 5pm \$12 & Movie 6pm "Woodlawn"
10/8 Brunch @ 11am	10/9 Card Games 1pm BAR OPENS 2:00	10/10 BAR OPENS 2:00 Hamburgers 5pm Camper Club 6:30pm 	10/11 3c's Luncheon BAR OPENS 2:00	10/12 BAR OPENS 2:00 Gun Club MTG 4:30pm Pizza 5pm Marine Corp Mtg 6pm 	10/13 BAR OPENS 2:00 Oktoberfest 6pm \$12 & Karaoke 7pm	10/14 BAR OPENS 2:00 Haley Rose PD Fundraiser
10/15 LODGE CLOSED	10/16 Card Games 1pm BAR OPENS 2:00	10/17 BAR OPENS 2:00 Hamburgers 5pm 	10/18 BAR OPENS 2:00 BOD Mtg 5:30pm LODGE MTG 6:30PM	10/19 BAR OPENS 2:00 Pizza 5pm 	10/20 BAR OPENS 2:00 Foster Kids Fundraiser 6pm \$25	10/21 BAR OPENS 2:00 Private B-day Party 5pm
10/22 LODGE CLOSED	10/23 Card Games 1pm BAR OPENS 2:00	10/24 BAR OPENS 2:00 Hamburgers 5pm 	10/25 BAR OPENS 2:00 Wine-O @5:30 \$15	10/26 BAR OPENS 2:00 Team Trivia 6pm	10/27 BAR OPENS 2:00 Meatloaf & Mashed Taters \$12 6pm	10/28 BAR OPENS 2:00 Halloween Party 6pm
10/29 LODGE CLOSED	10/30 Card Games 1pm BAR OPENS 2:00	10/31 BAR OPENS 2:00 Hamburgers 5pm  Halloween				

\$2.00 Coors Light Drafts Every Saturday!!!!