



THE
RAYMOND ELK
B.P.O.E. Lodge #1292



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- Exalted Ruler**
PER Susie Smith
- Leading Knight**
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Rob Brummel
- 2 Year**
PER Paul Grabski
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PER Darlene Junger
- 4 Year**
PER Mike Turner
- 5 Year**
PER Doug Smith

Exalted Ruler's Message

By PER Susie Smith



Susie Smith
Exalted Ruler

Greetings from the #1292! Although we are deep into winter, the Officers are looking at our upcoming fraternal year, starting in April. There are three meetings in February. The first meeting is our "Old Timers" night. All PER's are welcome to help run the meeting. Nominations of officers for April will be the top of agenda for the evening. The second meeting will also be nomination of Officers. The third meeting is also nominations and voting on the new officer core for 2020-2021.

If you would like to come on board as an officer or know someone who would, please come to a meeting. Before you nominate someone, be sure

you have gotten their comittment. We have fun as officers. It is a commitment, but serving as a volunteer is very rewarding. Nominations will be held for Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight, Loyal Knight, Lecturing Knight, all Trustees and Tiler.

Winter Convention was well attended by our lodge officers and Members. Classes were attended by all. It's always good to see old friends and meet new lodge officers across the state of Washington.

I want to give a big thank you to the officers that stepped in to fill our vacant chairs. Kelly Habersetzer Secretary position, Cal Bogar, Leading Knight; Ed Hensley, Loyal Knight; Ron Brummel, Trustee; Paul Grabski, COB; and Lori Benton, Tiler. I am so appreciative to have members of the lodge to fill positions.

Membership Committee Needs Your Input

Members are being asked to submit ideas for Lodge events

By Ed Hensley, Loyal Knight

Our new Membership Committee had its first meeting the other day and we had a serious discussion on why we are losing members, and how can we retain members and grow the membership better. Another part of the discussion was about why the majority of members in good standing aren't actively supporting their Lodge or attending events held by the Lodge like the Friday night dinners.

Though there are a lot of opinions why people aren't as actively engaged as they once were, we need to do something that will draw people in and make them realize the fun and benefits of belonging to such a great organization. We need to find out the things that people want to see us do that will bring them into our Lodge on a regular basis. With that in mind I want to ask you, the member who hasn't been showing up – what do you want us to do? What would make you want to get more involved.

I've been traveling around from Lodge to Lodge in Southern Washington and Northern Oregon with a couple of Membership Committee members, and

we've been finding out what works in each Lodge. I also attended the Washington State Elks Association convention recently, and I was able to talk to quite a few Washington Lodge officers and I asked them what worked in their areas. There are so many good ideas, but it takes time, money and people to implement each one of them.

At the recent Membership Committee, many things were suggested such as: Bingo, Bar Bingo, Loud Mouth Bingo, Speed Bingo; Themed dances like 50's, 60's; More special event days like Valentines Day, St Patrick's Day, Mardi Gras, Casino Night, etc.; Weekly Pool Night or Dart Night; More bar food choices like Pizza, Hot Dogs, Fries, Cheese Whiz Tater Tots, etc.

By the time I write my next article in this newsletter, I think I will be reporting on some new things we've tried or are going to try. If anybody has any ideas they would like to share with me, please call me at 253-651-9096.



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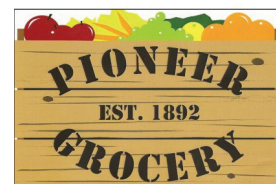
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RAYMOND ELKS

February 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<i>RSVP for Dinner 5:30 pm.</i> Elk Races 6 - 6:55 pm King of Clubs 7 pm	
					JANUARY 31 Linda's Swiss Steak, mashed potatoes and veggies \$10	1
2 SUPER BOWL LIV Open 2:30 pm - Prizes, Raffles, Fun and Games Potluck	3	4 Old Timers Lodge and Nominations for Officers & Chairs House 6:30 PM Lodge 7:30 PM	5	6	7 Officers' New You Steak Potatoes, veggies \$12 <i>RSVP 360-942-1292</i> Elk Races	8
9	10	11 Nominations for Officers & Chairs House/Board 6:30 PM	12	13	14 Valentine's Day Dinner Prime Rib, Prawns, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Asparagus, Caesar Salad, Roll, Strawberry/Chocolate Cheesecake and Champagne. \$25 MUST RSVP	
16	17	18 PER 6 PM Board 6:30 PM Lodge 7:30 PM Nominations for Officer Chair positions Elections to follow	19 LOE 5:30 PM	20	21 ER Susie's Shrimp Fettuccine, Green Salad, Garlic Bread \$10 Elk Races	22 <i>Lodge Rented</i>
23	24	25	26	27	28 Call Lodge for Menu 360-942-1292	29 <i>Lodge Rented</i>

From the Secretary

By Kelly Habersetzer, Secretary

The Board of Trustees has approved an increase in our yearly dues of \$2.50 for members. The by-laws of the Lodge must be changed to reflect this increase. By Statutes, Section 17.060 any amendments "...shall be proposed in writing, read at a regular meeting of the Lodge and laid over for a vote at a regular Lodge meeting to be held not less than two (2) weeks nor more than ten(10) weeks thereafter." Discussion and voting for this by-law change will be Tuesday, February 18th at 7:30 pm.

By-Law Change for Raymond Elks Lodge #1292

Article X: Fees and Dues, Section 2 (b) REGULAR LODGE DUES

Change from: The regular Lodge dues shall be \$50.50 per year, which shall not include the Grand Lodge per capita fee, the Grand Lodge per capita insurance assessment, and State Association dues.

Change to: The regular Lodge dues shall be \$53.00 per year, which shall not include the Grand Lodge per capita fee, the Grand Lodge per capita insurance assessment, and State Association dues.

Article X: Fees and Dues, Section 2 (c) LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Change from: In addition to the amounts set forth under (a) above, each Life Member and/or Honorary Life Member shall pay \$20.50 towards Lodge administration expense.

Change to: In addition to the amounts set forth under (a) above, each Life Member and/or Honorary Life Member shall pay \$23.00 towards Lodge administration expense.

LADIES OF THE ELKS NEWS

By Kelly Habersetzer, LOE Vice President

Your Ladies of the Elks are a great group of women always helping in the Lodge and in the Community. Come to your meetings on the third Wednesday of the Month at 5:30 pm. We would love to have all members' spouses join and have fun with us! Our big fundraiser this year is our upcoming Valentine's Day dinner.

Please get your tickets for the Valentine's Day Surf and Turf dinner served by your LOE on Friday, February 14th starting at 5:30 pm. Prime Rib and Prawns, garlic mashed potatoes, asparagus, Caesar Salad, Strawberry or Chocolate Cheesecake and Champagne and Music! Tickets are limited at \$25.

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Friday, February 14th

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Prime Rib and Prawns with Garlic Mashed Potatoes, and Asparagus

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\$25 per person

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