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B.P.O.E. Lodge #1292



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PER Doug Smith

Exalted Ruler's Message

By PER Susie Smith



Susie Smith
Exalted Ruler

So ends another wonderful year at the Raymond Elks Lodge #1292, and my time as your Exalted Ruler. Thank you all for allowing me this opportunity to serve you. It was my pleasure to be your ER and work on the many different Lodge affairs.

I will have to admit it was a wild ride, but a great one at that. Thanks to all the officers who continued on and the many new ones who joined us when we needed it most. It has been a privilege to serve with such a dedicated and giving

group of men and women. We did a lot together, and we did it well. I wish all the Officers and members a great 2020-2021 Elk Year. Your commitment to next year is already appreciated.

In closing, I have to say that our Lodge has an Elks-knowledgeable and vivacious Exalted Ruler waiting in the wings. Virginia has my strong support and I have full faith and confidence in her abilities to make things happen and pull people together in a way that will make our Lodge grow and thrive. We are fortunate to have her step up and volunteer for this very important position.

Existing Members Are The Key To New Members

By Ed Hensley, Loyal Knight

The slight member increase we are going through as a Lodge makes me think that people are starting to realize that joining the Raymond Elks is a great thing to do. I'm also thinking that members are starting to reach out to people and asking them if they might be interested in joining.

As the Loyal Knight, I have been performing orientations for the new members before they go through the ritual and officially become Elks, and I was impressed with everyone who came to learn about our wonderful organization. I feel good that our Lodge is actively engaging in the recruitment of new members who are excited to join us in our mission.

Though the number of new members offsets those members who have passed on or withdrawn from membership for personal reasons, it really isn't enough. In order to keep functioning and to keep it together as a Lodge going forward, we need to be more inspired to reach out to those who may be good prospects. We also need to constantly communicate within our structure a little more to let our

current members know how we are always looking for people to welcome into the fold.

As this will be my final article for the Bulletin as your Loyal Knight, I have to say I have enjoyed every day of it. I especially liked working with the officers and staff. We are lucky to have such quality people involved, and many of them have been active for decades. Please remember that your Lodge depends on a strong foundation on which to build upon, and you the members, are that foundation. See you around the Lodge!

Thank You For The Help!

The Elks would like to thank the volunteers from the Raymond Fire Department and the local PUD when we unexpectedly received our new three door cooler two days early.



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RAYMOND ELKS

MARCH 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri <i>RSVP for Dinner 5:30 pm.</i> <i>Elk Races 6 - 6:55 pm</i> <i>King of Clubs 7 pm</i>	Sat
1	2	3 House 6:30 PM Lodge 7:30 PM	4	5	6 Officers' New York Steak Potatoes, Veggies \$12 RSVP 360-942-1292	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 LOE Linda's Corned Beef and Cabbage Soda Bread, Bailey Irish Cream Cake \$12 <i>Elk Races</i>	14 GUNS & HOSES Koplitz Field House
15	16	17 Board 6:30 PM Lodge 7:30 PM	18 LOE 5:30 PM	19	20 Chicken Enchilada verde, Black Bean Salad, Rice Mexicali Dessert - Tres Leeches Cake \$10	21 ENF Grant READING FOR ALL Lunch Provided
22	23	24	25	26	27 Kyla and Nita's Pot Roast, Mashed Potatoes,- Gravey, Roasted Veggies, Salad, and Dessert \$12 <i>Elk Races</i>	28
29 Officer Installation 4 PM Lite Dinner	30	31				

From the Secretary

By Kelly Habersetzer, Secretary

It's been a pleasure serving as your Secretary these past few months. Chuck Gurr is excited to be the new Secretary, he will be starting April 1st.

We are down to 30 delinquent members. We need you to please remit your dues as soon as possible because the Lodge has already paid your portion to the Grand Lodge last April. If you don't pay by the end of March we will have to drop you.

We always try to keep our costs to a minimum, but with the cost of everything going up and our ongoing maintenance of the facilities, the Lodge voted to increase dues by \$2.50. The Grand Lodge also increase \$2.00 to cover insurance. Hence your dues will increase to \$80 for Members and \$50 for Life Members. Notices will be mailed out the 1st of March.

I truly appreciate the confidence and trust ER Susie and the Board has in me to fulfill this important position. I know Chuck will do a fantastic job as Secretary for the Lodge!

LADIES OF THE ELKS NEWS

By Kelly Habersetzer, LOE Vice President

On behalf of the Ladies of the Elks, I would like to thank everybody who attended our successful Valentine's dinner. I want to thank Jan Norman and Trudy Glazier for coordinating and preparing the food with ER Susie, as well as Cal Bogar for the wonderful prime rib. We hope to be doing more of these larger events in the future.

On Friday, March 13th, Linda Stepp and crew will be cooking a wonderful St. Patrick's Corned Beef and Cabbage, Carrots, along with Jan's soda bread and a delicious Baileys Irish Creme cake, for only \$12

I am happy our incoming President, Linda Steep, will be there lead the LOE to another successful year! Thank you for allowing me to be THE acting President of this wonderful group of people for the past two years. It was an honor.

READING FOR ALL

A community "shower" Saturday, March 21st from 11 to 2

Join the Raymond Elks for an afternoon of **READING** circles for ages 0 to 100 to encourage reading at all ages. **FREE** new and used books, audio books, DVDs, school supplies, diapers, baby supplies available. Teachers and parents available to assist. Lunch and snacks provided.

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Raymond Elks

INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

SUNDAY MARCH 29, 2020

4:00PM

Everyone is invited to our installation of new Officers. Sunday March 29, 2020 at 4:00pm at the Lodge. Annual awards will be presented. We will be hosting a lite dinner following the ritual. Plenty of time afterwards to share your thoughts and ideas for your lodge with your new officers.

Your 2020-2021 Officers are: Exalted Ruler, Virginia Basil; Loyal Knight, Lori Benton; Lecturing Knight, Josh Peterson; 5-year Trustee, Ron Brummel; Secretary Chuck Gurr; Treasurer, Randy Flemetis.

RSVP requested, but not required.
Call the lodge at: 360-942-1292

WANTED

Good quality, Slightly Used Books for our upcoming **READING FOR ALL** event on March 21st.

Books all ages and all languages, DVDs, audiobooks etc. No Junk Please.

You can drop off items at Pedigree Cats from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. or at the Lodge after 2 p.m. each day except Sunday.

WE ALSO NEED

Volunteers for reading circles on March 21st from 11 to 2.