



The Elks Call



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Exalted Ruler's Message

We are now in the home stretch of our fraternal year with just two short months remaining. February starts with the State Hoop Shoot competition in Grangeville on the 4th and although our local shoot was not well attended, because of all the snow days the local schools had, we are sending two winners from district to the state competition.



Both are in the 8-9 year old age group with Joslyn Rhoton representing the girls and Christian Cardona (Loren Freeman's grandson) representing the boys. I have to say I think they both have a very good chance of moving on. The competition starts at 2:00 so if you're looking for a day trip why not catch that event.

February is the month that we open nominations for the 2017-2018 officers for our Lodge. Sadly there is going to be numerous positions to fill. Tony and Sue, our Loyal and Lecturing Knights, are not continuing on, mostly for health reasons, and there will be two Trustee positions open.

There will also be openings for several Exalted Ruler appointed positions. I cannot stress enough the importance of filling these positions with members who are willing to spend the time and energy it takes to run our Lodge. Look around and I'm sure you can

find someone willing to step up and guide our Lodge forward for the coming year, and don't forget to look in the mirror. There will be plenty of help for those wanting to serve so don't feel like you will be going it alone.

February 11th is the Valentine's dinner with the menu pretty much the same as last year, Prime Rib or Crab. Tickets can be purchased from your Lodge officers at \$30 for crab and \$25 for prime rib. There are only 150 crab tickets so if that's what you have a craving for get those tickets soon you have less than 2 weeks before the dinner

Remember,

ELKS SHARE ELKS CARE

As always may God bless each and every one of you.

Exalted Ruler

*Exalted Ruler Award:
Don Bell
"Elk of the Month" Award:
Raymond Wilson*

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2016-2017 LODGE OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler	Chuck Roberts
Leading Knight	Tony Megran
Loyal Knight	Ben Schneider
Lecturing Knight	Sue Megran
Esquire	Don Bell
Chaplain	TBD
Inner Guard	TBD
Tiler	Lee McCreary
Organist	Karen Smith
Secretary	Paul Farwell
Treasurer	Archie Stradley

TRUSTEES

John Muirhead	Leonard LaTour
Deke Marmon	Joe Wittenborn
Mike Mead	

HOME ASSOCIATION

John Schneider	Hans Van denBrink
Tom Marmon	Mike Rogers
Mike Jorgensen	

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

Past Grand Exalted Ruler	James W. Damon
Special Deputy to GER	Delmar Miley
DDGER Idaho South	Lyle Gessford
Judiciary Committee	David R. Bailly
Grand Trustee	Keith Mills

IDAHO STATE OFFICERS

State President	Steve Meier
Vice President-North	Dan Tackett
Vice President-East	Dave McFarland
Vice President-South	Steve Johnson

ELKS REHABILITATION HOSPITAL

Board Chairman	Bob Shaw
Board Member Emeritus	J. Charles Blanton

COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2016-2017

Accident Prevention	Hans Van denBrink
Americanism	Todd Marshall
Annual Auction	Tony Megran & Ben Schneider
Auditing	Bob Andrews, Chuck Roberts, Tom Marmon
Baseball	Chuck Roberts
C-Note	Chuck Roberts
Call Editor	Traci Roberts Marmon
Charity Ball	Tony Megran
Children's Christmas Party	Don Bell
Chili Cook-Off	Joe Dawson
Club Manager	Traci Roberts Marmon
Custodian	Daniel Freeman
District Campout	Lynn Bittick and Darrel Moser
Drug Awareness	Ben Schneider
Elks Ladies	TBD
ENF Dinner	Sue Megran & Don Bell
Family Campout	Ben Schneider
Family Picnic	Don Bell
Fishing Derby	TBD
Fish-O-Rama	TBD
Food Caravan	Dick Winder
Gov't Relations	Chris Nielsen
Grant Chairman	Traci Roberts Marmon
Halloween Party	Julie Gillispie
Hoop Shoot	Chuck Roberts
IERH Poster Contest	Darrel Moser
Inter-lodge Relations	Lynn Bittick
Investigation	Chuck Roberts, Ben Schneider, & Sue Megran
Jr. Golf	Deke Marmon
Law Enforcement	Tom Marmon
Lapsation/Membership	Traci Roberts Marmon
Lodge Historian	Jack Raymond
Members Golf	Jon Nishioka and Steve Jones
Memorial Service	TBD
Mother's Day	TBD
National Foundation	Chuck Roberts
National Veterans	Traci Roberts Marmon
New Year's Breakfast	Officer Corps
New Year's Eve	Stephania Tuft
New Year's Tom & Jerry's	Tony Megran, Ben Schneider, & Sue Megran
Old Timer's Night	TBD
Orientation	Tony Megran and Ben Schneider
PER Association	Paul Tucker
PER Initiation Dinner	Darrel Moser
Photographer	Jon Nishioka
Public Relations	Lisa Bergstrom
Reader Board	TBA
Recreation Room	Bob Carter
Salvation Army Bell Ringing	Dick Winder
Soccer Shoot Out	Aaron Vance
Social & Community	Dallas Roberts
Teenager Program	Paul Tucker
Valentine's Dinner	Tony Megran and Ben Schneider
Veterans' Day	Archie Stradley
Visitations	Lynn Bittick
Western Night	Chuck Roberts
Youth Activities	Sue Megran
Youth Scholarship	Todd Marshall

Valentine Dinner

Okay all of you hopeless romantics, mark Saturday, February 11th as the day to celebrate with your significant other, and your closest friends during a very special time of year. We will have an excellent dinner of prime rib or crab and a live band to dance the night away. The Country Sunshine Band will be performing and bringing the great dancing tunes to make this night so special.

We will be serving prime rib for \$25 or crab for \$30, along with baked potatoes, green salad, rolls and dessert. You can buy your tickets from any of the officers in the lodge, or the usual ticket sellers, and of course, tickets are available at the bar.

As usual, we will also be offering raffle tickets, \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The more you buy the better your chances are to win two beautiful baskets especially made for this occasion. Bring your family and friends and enjoy a very special event. Hope to see you there. Remember, your participation is essential in order to make these events a success.

Membership Dues

Some members have not paid their 2016/2017 membership dues. Please make sure your dues are current by March 31, 2017. Those members who have not paid their dues by March 31, 2017, will be dropped from our roster. Statements for the 2017/2018 year will be mailed soon. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Fraternally,
Paul Farwell, Secretary.



If you find a mistake in this publication, please know that I fully recognize that I am a work in progress and that I appreciate your caring feedback.

FIND YOUR HIDDEN MEMBERSHIP NUMBER

Find your hidden membership number anywhere inside the Elk Call and receive one of the following prizes. A Gift Certificate to our restaurant; Two tickets to one of our Elks Functions; or, One of our Elks Shirts.

How it works:

1. Your membership number will be hidden in the Call and will appear in the following format: (#####).
2. To Redeem your prize, you must attend one Lodge Meeting during the month your number appears in the Call.
3. Notify the Leading Knight during Good of the Order to draw your prize.
4. Only the member whose number appears in the Call can collect the prize.
5. If the member does not collect their prize by the last meeting of the month the prize will be forfeited.

Knight's Corner

From the Station of Justice

The end of our Elk's year is rapidly approaching so I encourage everyone to attend our lodge meetings as we have a lot to discuss over the next couple of weeks. We have plenty of events happening at the lodge that you can read about elsewhere in the Call, I want to focus on the business and future of the lodge. We will be having nominations for new officers during the first few meetings in February.

I hope within our enormous membership there are enough dedicated Elks to step in and start the process of becoming an officer, not only for the upcoming year, but for the foreseeable future as well. Please come and participate in one of the greatest privileges that membership provides. Along those same lines, we will have two very important policy changes to vote on in the near future.

The first one is to change our lodge meetings to two meetings a month and the second is to change from a smoking lodge, to a non-smoking lodge. As you can clearly see, we have very important business to conduct. Join us at our lodge meetings so you can become informed and your opinions heard. It really is as easy as just making it down to the lodge for the meeting and letting your voice be heard. Fraternaly yours,

Ben Schneider, Esteemed Loyal Knight

From the Station of Brotherly Love

This year has been great for the Caldwell Elks Lodge 1448 and members. I have met some great friends and renewed some past friends that adds to this unique year. As being an officer of the lodge there have been experiences I wouldn't trade for a minute.

As our Elk year is coming to an end, you have the opportunity to serve and contribute your talents if you desire. We have nom-

inations and election of officers this month. Maybe you would be interested in joining the officer team. Look over the many committee and events throughout the year to find your niche that will enlighten your membership in the Caldwell Elks Lodge 1448. The benefit of your stewardship is friendship, positive involvement and a sense of family

The Valentines Dinner and Dancing is Saturday February 11. Check the article in the Call for full details. Bring your family and friends for some great fun. There will be a raffle that evening with tickets being sold the night of the event. I look forward to seeing you at the lodge. God Bless

A creative man is motivated by the desire to achieve, not by the desire to beat others.
-Ayn Rand-

Sue Megram - Lecturing Knight

From the Station of Charity

Our lodge to very unique in that it gives of its time and money to support the many charities in our lodge. We serve our veterans throughout the year, our youth through scouting, Foster Children's program, the adoption program and so much more.

We are getting grants to help with the Seniors within our district. And it goes on and on and on. We are a giving community of members and our members can't be thanked enough for all you do. Charity isn't only monetary, it is giving of your time and your talents.

There are many functions within the lodge where your talents are needed. Along with participating in functions, the nominations of officers are this month. Think of becoming an officer of the lodge. All of this is Charity...giving of your time.

As we start to approach spring and a change of weather (I'm sure everyone is looking forward to that change) I wish everyone safety and good health. God Bless

The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing. -Walt Disney-

Tony Megran - Leading Knight

Recipe of the Month

Submitted by MaryJane Raymond
FIESTSA CASSEROLE

- 4-5 Flour Tortillas
- 1 lb. Ground Beef
- 1 pkg. Velveeta Cheese slices
- 3 - 4 cup cooked rice, wild or long grain
- 1 sm. Can Nacho-cheese Soup
- 1 can Cream of mushroom Soup
- 2 7 oz. cans diced green chilies
- 2 - 3 cups grated cheddar cheese

Line bottom of greased, deep 9X13 pan with torn tortilla bits. Cover with Velveeta slices. In large skillet, brown ground beef. Add soups and green chilies. Spread over tortillas. Cover with grated cheddar cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 20-25 minutes.

Call Deadline

The March 2017 Call deadline for articles will be Wednesday, Feb 17th, 2017 at 5:00PM. You can also send them via email to elks@copycatcopies.net.

Thank you,
Traci Roberts Marmon

News from the Kitchen

So it seems that another month has rolled around and we are now planning for activities for February. The staff is staying busy with parties and meetings but we always have room for more. If you are considering a party or event, please keep us in mind.

Mixed Club for the month of February will be held on February 9th and February 23rd. Don't forget we will have a Superbowl Party here at the lodge on Sunday February 5, 2017. We will have Chili Dogs available and if you wish to bring down a munchie please feel free.

Hopefully we will get a great turnout for this year's Superbowl. We will run several drink specials and some give aways, and remember, you don't have to pick up the dishes here!!!! Paint Nite will be held on February 10th and of course check with the bar to get your tickets for the Valentine's Dinner for Saturday, February 11th. Wii games will be held on the 25th so come on down and enjoy some drinks and companionship.

We would like to thank everyone for being considerate during the few closures we've had due to weather, staff safety is of the utmost importance and we appreciate your understanding. Don't forget to come join us for lunch during the week and of course drop by for dinner and beverages on Friday nights. We look forward to seeing you.

Traci and Staff

Bell Ringing Results

Thank you to each member who rang the bells or donated their money during our December campaign to raise money for our Caldwell Salvation Army. This was our Lodge's 16th consecutive year of bell ringing and the 10th year in a row that our Lodge has won the traveling bell ringers trophy awarded by the the Salvation Army to the organization that raised the most money among Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, or Elks bell ringers.

Your Caldwell Elks Lodge has raised more than \$138,000 to help the Salvation Army to provide assistance to those people in our 3034 community who need assistance with food, clothing, toys, ect. A special thank you to Gene Baxter who has rang all 16 years, Chuck Roberts 15 years, and Leonard La Tour Jr; our bigger than life Santa Clause who has rang for 14 years.

We can be proud that more than 200 members and member of their families have cared enough to donate their time and money to help make this project a huge success.

This was my last year to serve as Chairman of this wonderful project. My personal gratitude to all who practiced our Elk's motto. Elks Care and Elks share.

Dick Winder, Chairman

*The Caldwell Elks Lodge #1448
holds their lodge meetings every Thursday.
(Except the last Thursday of the month)*

The Thursday night Lodge meetings start at 7:00 PM.

We hope to see you there.

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	1	2 Lodge Nominations (casual)	3 Dinner	4
5 Super Bowl	6	7	8	9 Mixed Club Lodge Nominations	10 Paint Nite Dinner	11 Valentine's Dinner
12	13	14 House Committee/ Trustee Mtg./ Home Association Mtg @ 6:30PM	15 Orientation	16 Lodge Night Initiation	17 Dinner	18 Chili Cook-Off
19	20	21	22	23 No Lodge Mixed Club	24 Dinner	25 Wii Games
26	27	28	1	2	3	4

Daily Lunches: 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM • Friday Night Dinners: 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Chili Cookoff

February 18th

Annual Caldwell Elk's Chili Cook-off.

Entry Fee: \$15.00 Judging will start at 5:00 pm.

Following the Judging and awards, all will be welcome to sample the entries to see if you agree with our judges.

Hope to see you all there..

George Wolfkiel, Chili Cook-off Chairman..

Fish-O-Rama

Please mark your calendars for March 18, 2017 for our world famous Fish-O-Rama. More details will be available in next month's Call.

Another Great Adventure

Well another function under our belts. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who attended the PER Prime Rib Dinner this year.

We had a great turn out and the food was wonderful!!!!!! It truly takes a lot of hands to make one of these events a success and we had a lot of very busy hands. I will not attempt to mention all the helpers but you all know who they are.

Give yourselves a big hand for a successful event. Give a hand to those who sell tickets as well, they are the unsung heroes in a lot of these functions.

If we don't have the bodies, we don't have a successful event. And of course, those who buy the tickets and come down to participate. It takes us ALL, so thank you, thank you, thank you, one and all.

Traci Roberts Marmon,
PER Association Chairman



The
Caldwell Elks Lodge

Presents:

Valentine's Dinner

Saturday



February 11, 2017 at the Lodge

Dinner: 5:30pm - 7:30pm



**Dancing to Follow*

*Fresh Packed Dungeness
Crab Meat - \$30.00/person*

OR

Prime Rib - \$25.00/person

- Tickets are Limited -

For more information call 454-1448.



February Birthdays

01 Englehorn, Robert W
 03 Hubler, William F
 03 VanDenbrink, Johannes N
 04 Byrne, Tina
 04 Ruehl, Curt
 05 Bourlas, Kathleen
 06 Andrade, Jesse
 06 Weatherspoon, Ernest A
 08 Pool, Candice
 09 Marmon, Traci Roberts-
 09 Nuxoll, Ron J
 10 Eisberg, Keith W
 10 Johnson, E G
 10 Nourse, George W
 11 Ballantyne, William J
 11 Freeman, Donald O
 11 Fullerton, Greg
 11 Jacoby, Mitchel L
 14 Hulme, Edward G
 15 Brown, Carlos E

15 Uranga, Danny A
 16 Cossel, Tim W
 17 Klahr, Russell
 18 Ferguson, Clarence
 18 Gotsch, William P
 18 Gregory, Keith L
 21 Van Auker, Ron W
 21 Veenstra, J John
 22 Borron, Kenneth
 22 Cooper, Boyd G
 22 Edmark, Thomas L
 23 Mayer, Jack
 23 Pilote, Guy R
 24 Grim /TSA, Robert
 25 Baum, Dave
 25 Oswald, Clyde
 25 Peterson, Bruce Rutledge
 25 Shaffer, Raymond
 26 Hobdey, Anne Eastepp-
 26 Humphrey, James C

26 Schneider, Ben B
 27 Hunter, Michael James
 28 Kimsey, L Mark
 28 Kingslien, Kenneth W
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Picture of the Month



A Motley group of PERS, Keith Mills, Jim Goodell and Tom Marmon

SAVE THE DATE

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| 2/2 | Officer Nominations |
| 2/5 | Superbowl Party |
| 2/9 | Officer Nominations |
| 2/9 | Mixed Club |
| 2/10 | Paint Nite |
| 2/11 | Valentine Dinner |
| 2/18 | Chili Cookoff |
| 2/23 | Mixed Club |
| 2/25 | Wii Games |
| 3/9 | Mixed Club |
| 3/10 | Paint Nite |
| 3/18 | Fish O Rama |
| 3/23 | Mixed Club |
| 3/24 | Paint Nite |
| 3/25 | Officer Installation |
| 3/30 | Old Timers |

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