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"A Fraternal Organization"



VISIT THE ELKS FOOD BOOTH AT HOMER DAVENPORT DAYS in Silverton's Coolidge & McClaine Park AUG. 7, 8 & 9

We still need volunteers to staff the booth so come join in the fun! This is a major money raiser for our charity fund. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board at the lodge!

Calling All Elks!

Come To Caldwell Lake for the All American Family Picnic

Be Sure To Save Saturday, Aug. 22 for the Elk Lodge #2210 picnic .

Fun Begins At 11 a.m.

The Loren Caldwells are once again hosting the festivities
at Caldwell Lake in Victor Point.

You Bring The Family And The Side Dishes.....

The Lodge Will Provide Meat And Drinks.

**Games And Activities For Folks Of All Ages
See Ya' There!**

The lodge will be open from 5pm on that Saturday



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 Tuesday - Saturday**

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E.R.'s Message



The hottest time of year is upon us and that brings our annual family picnic. As usual, it's going to be fun event for all the family. It's the event where we all relax and enjoy a summer afternoon amongst friends we may not have seen for a while. I hope to see everyone there and afterwards we'll continue the fun at the lodge. This year we are opening the lodge at 5 p.m. so our staff can join us at the afternoon festivities.

Another important event happening this month is Homer Davenport Days. As tradition has it we are running our food booth once again. We still need volunteers to staff the booth and help with the tear down and clean up. This event is a great revenue generator for the lodge and honestly we can use all the help possible to make it success. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board at the lodge and will be there 'til Aug. 4. I am aware that there is a good possibility that you may not read this until its too late to sign up, however, you still can come down to the booth and offer your help. We would really appreciate it.

The following month, September, we have another food booth event, Oktoberfest. We are going to need help staffing that booth also, so if you can't make it to the Homer Days you still have an opportunity to help at Oktoberfest. Remember without volunteers -- you -- Silverton Elks Lodge doesn't function as well as it can.

July was a hard month to draw people to the lodge. One idea that I came up with went down in a blaze of glory. Movie night didn't work. No matter what we tried no one was interested in watching a free movie. Well, time for a new idea. We are thinking about a variety of card games, non-profit type games which would be a big draw. I'll need help in running these games, so if you can help with ideas or running the games please contact me at the lodge. We're thinking of blackjack or bunko or Uno for that matter. The point is to bring members into the lodge for a good time with fellow members. So please, help.

My goal for this year is and will continue to be to make Silverton lodge the best little lodge in all Elkdom, a place where members come for a fun evening to meet friends and bring their guests. We are starting to head that way, but we have a long way to go. We recently cleaned the kitchen to a condition it hasn't seen for a long time, and we are still working on making improvements to it. Unfortunately due to the economy and a general lack of funds the upgrades will take time. If you can help us in any way to update our kitchen please join in the project. We need new stoves and shelves, new or redone cooking surfaces and heating lamps. If you can help with donations or have the knowhow, please get involved.

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Birthday Bash!

Were you an August baby?

There will be a dinner for all with August birthdays Saturday, Aug. 29. Birthday celebrants will be given a free dinner that evening as well as one free drink. At the end of dinner, those a year older will be recognized with a toast from the Exalted Ruler. There will then be a drawing for a coupon good for a dinner for two within 60 days.

AUG 1

BRENDA NORRIS

AUG 2

LEON TOM MCKEE

AUG 3

DALE BRUNNELL

BRADLEY SPEIER

AUG 4

JOHN STEVENS

AUG 5

JON TUCKER

AUG 6

JERRY EARLS

AUG 7

ROBERT LANDERS

AUG 8

ROBERT BUCHHEIT

DONALD EARL

SUZANNE NEWELL

AUG 10

BRUCE EICH

AUG 11

JIM McBRIDE

RAYMOND PRIES

AUG 12

STEVE QUALEY

DENNIS ROGERS

AUG 14

CLYDE KUENZI

DENISE SPEIER

AUG 15

DAVID McCOLLY

AUG 17

BRUCE CARNINE

AUG 18

DARREL BROWN

THOMAS COURSON

AUG 19

WARD FREDERICK

AUG 20

GERALD BROWN

DWIGHT RAY

STEVEN ZOLOTOFF

AUG 21

DAN GRILLI

AUG 22

ROBERT WALLACE

AUG 25

WAYNE HURLBUTT

JACKIE LOWE

AUG 26

CINDY AGEE

AUG 27

ROBERT GRAISBERY

CYNTHIA KIMMEL

AUG 28

WILLIAM KUCHAN

AUG 29

RICHARD LEWIS

AUG 30

JOHN BARON

AUG 31

LESLIE ELLING

Please RSVP at the bar



Happily holding their free lodge dinner tickets are July birthday celebrants Steve May, Shevaun Gutridge and Frank Bartruff.



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Loyal Knight

**Homer Davenport Days are coming!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Aug. 7, 8, &9.**

The success of our lodge functions and our ability to continue to sponsor the many charities and organizations that we do are intricately linked to volunteerism. I urge each and every one who can to sign up and sign up early so that we may better plan this major fund raiser. Remember, you don't have to do it alone, there are many who have experience who are more than willing to share their knowledge. Why, it's so easy a caveman can do it. Hey, it's so easy I can do it, and I have, and it is fun, really. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board waiting for your signature.

We are getting great crowds for First Friday food booth. Come on down for the best deal in town for burgers and fries and root beer floats.

Even though we are in the midst of summer there are still events to be aware of:

1. Charcoal grilled steakout (or chicken for the beef challenged)
2. Family breakfast
3. Broasted chicken (yes it is back and good as ever)

Check the Elk Tracks calendar for dates.

Special thanks to all those who so painstakingly, meticulously, consciously, and thoroughly cleaned the entire kitchen area from top to bottom.

Fraternally submitted, July 20, 2009,

Phillip B. Pimental
Loyal Knight

In order to succeed, at times you have to make something form nothing. - *Ruth Mickelby-Land*

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A Special Thank You

I would like to thank **Charlie Hibbets** for all the tireless work she has done in kitchen of Lodge #2210 for the past several years.

Charlie orders the groceries and with the help of Frank Bartruff picks them up. She regularly cooks the Tuesday chicken and some weekends cooks entire meals. She does this all without making a big deal or asking for anything. She has come to our rescue and cooked when it was a real inconvenience to her, just so she could help the lodge. She at one time was our Leading Knight and she would've made a great Exalted Ruler.

Charlie, from all of us at Silverton Elks Lodge #2210 and me, Khody Sirossi, a big thank you.

Planning a Special Event?

Call FRANK to schedule your special event! Silverton Elks Lodge has space to rent and a choice of menus available for weddings, birthdays, class reunions, anniversaries or any other function that needs a large room. The lodge has a full bar to meet your needs. **503-873-4567.**

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TED HELMER
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Lecturing Knight

Hello to all my Elk friends from the station of the Lecturing Knight.

I hope your July went well; ours certainly did. We had some really great meals at the lodge, with more to come in August. Many thanks to all who helped with the meals.

August brings Homer Davenport Days and our food booth will be in its regular spot. Fortunately for you there are still some spots left on the sign up sheets to help in the booth. The opportunity to do something to help your lodge raise money (plus some fine food) always leaves a good taste in your mouth.

There is currently a committee working on cleaning and renovating our kitchen. It's a big task and labor and funds are always needed. Work is under way to update our sound system and hopefully that will be completed soon.

Please come down and enjoy the hospitality of our lodge and bring a friend who might like to become a member.

Sincerely,

Milt Kintzley

Lecturing Knight

From the Lodge Kitchen



- Aug. 1 - Chef Salad
- Aug. 4 - Family Night - Chef's Choice
- Aug. 5 - Taco Bar
- Aug. 7-3 - Item Menu
- Aug. 8 - Steak Out
- Aug. 9 - Family Breakfast
- Aug. 11 - Broasted Chicken
- Aug. 14 - Chicken Fried Steak
- Aug. 15 - Tri Tips
- Aug. 18 - Broasted Chicken
- Aug. 19 - Taco Bar
- Aug. 21 - Lasagna
- Aug. 22 - Picnic @ Caldwell Lake
- Aug. 25 - Broasted Chicken
- Aug. 26 - Taco Bar
- Aug. 28 - Taco Salad
- Aug. 29 - Cheap Steak

Sickness & Distress



- **Gerald Ridings** passed away.
- **Donna DeGuire** is feeling better.
- **Fred Werner** had some medical testing done.
- **Stuart Ferguson** announced that test results indicate he does not have macular degeneration.
- **Al Thomas** was hospitalized. He is now at the assisted care center in Mt. Angel.
- **Bill Duncan** was hospitalized for stroke and heart attack.

Rose Tracy has taken on the job of sickness and distress chair. Anyone with news, please call her at 503-873-2271.

Attention Lodge Members

Anyone planning to go to the Fall Seminar in Bend on Oct. 15, 16, and 17, 2009, please let me know before Sept. 1, 2009 or you will be responsible for your own room.

Marlene Cowlshaw
Lodge Secretary

Crying Towel



JUNE 17, 2009

BOB LEIKEM	\$100
GARY KURK	\$100
CHERYL FARRELL	\$ 30

JUNE 24, 2009

KELLY MIX	\$100
CECIL BARNES	\$100
LLOYD PATTERSON	\$ 40

Don't miss out! Be there when your name is called!

IN MEMORIUM

GERALD A. RIDINGS.

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Lobster

at the Lodge

A great tradition and a good time!

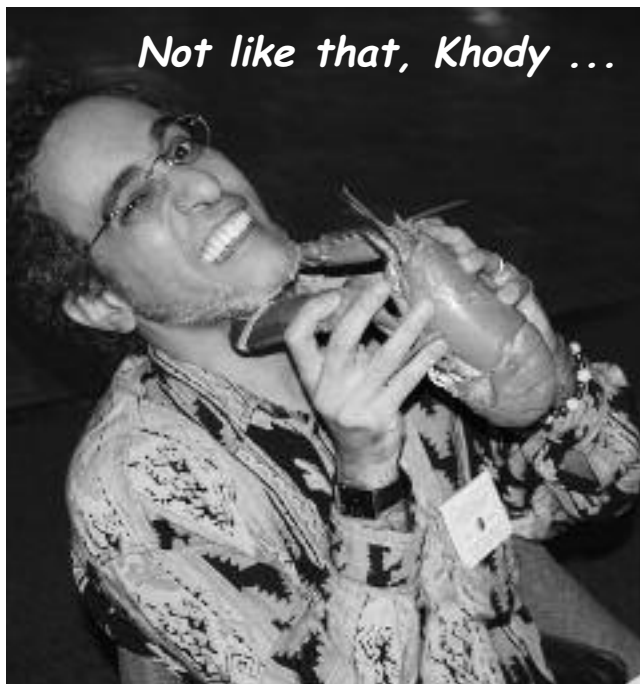


*Serving 'em up
with a smile ...*



*Getting
a hand
on the
action*

Above:
Chuck
DeGuire
Left:
Gary
Jones,
Norm
Barnett
and Don
Roth
Below:
Khody
Sirossi
and
Darrell
Brown



Not like that, Khody ...



... Like this!

Photos by Tom Smith

E.R.'s Message

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Getting back to what we as Elks do best, and that is helping people in our community, we once again are going to support the Apple Tree Drive for school supplies for needy kids in our community. We should have the tree up the first or second week in August. Come down, take an apple from the tree and see what you can buy/donate for tomorrow's leaders of the community.

We also are supporting the Cub Scouts this year. For the last two First Fridays we have had the scouts man our parking lot. Although they didn't make a lot of money people got to see them. It got them out in the public's view. We are also going to try to help them with their Homer booth this year, so if the food booth isn't your cup of tea, stop by their booth and volunteer to help them.

Before I end I want to thank the volunteer crew which cleaned our kitchen to its amazing, shiny state. They worked tirelessly for two days, cleaning, scrubbing, washing and reaching into places that no one had reached before. The walk-in cooler is exceptional and kitchen itself shines. **Linda Andres** and the crew of volunteers she gathered truly exemplify the meaning of what an Elk is. Someone that saw a need, didn't just talk about it or give ideas on how to fix it, but did the job far beyond what others would do. Thank you **Linda, Mike, Rose, Phil, Steve, Kat, Terry, Sandy, Milt, Allen, Mike G.** and anyone else I forgot to mention.

This is your lodge, be a part of it. Make it what you want it to be.

Khody

"why are people asking me to raise the fine amount" Sirassi

Exalted Ruler

TRACKING THE MEMBERSHIP

No. of Members as of 6-30-2009	414
INITIATED	0
TRANSFERRED IN	0
REINSTATEMENTS	1
TRANSFER OUT	0
ABSOLUTE DIMIT	0
DECEASED	0
DROPPED/NPD	0
NO. MEMBERS AS OF 7-31-09	415
HIDDEN NUMBER FOR August 2009...	3246

2009 – 2010

PRESIDENT'S PROGRAM

When I ran for vice president, I ran on the platform that our lodges and the Oregon State Elks Association need to be run as a single business. The continued success of our program is based on the concept that the members will utilize the lodges and thus our business will grow and show a profit. The profit of our business, of course, is charity.

With today's economy being weak, money is tight and jobs are being lost. This presents a challenge to our Lodges. However, with this challenge comes opportunity. Now is the time for our Lodges to market themselves as the hub of their community. People will be looking for inexpensive entertainment, a place they can bring their family and enjoy the company of their friends.

Remember, people draw people!

A profitable business analyzes its strengths and weaknesses and will make adjustments to more fully utilize what it does well and to change what it does not. This brings us to this year's theme, **ELKS PRIDE**. With all of our accomplishments and the successes we have with our programs, one of our weaknesses is the lack of letting the public and our communities know what we are doing. We need our chairpersons to market their programs, publicize the results and advertise their successes. Our officers need to market our lodges and to show the community that we are not some bar down the street, but a lodge that offers charitable programs and helps those in need. It offers youth programs to help them grow into productive leaders of the future. It also offers veterans the feeling that there are people out there that thank them for the service and sacrifice that they have given to their country and for the freedom we all enjoy.

We have asked the state trustees to budget a significant amount for public relations this year. If we have to buy publicity then we will. We need to get the word out about what we are doing. With the Elks National Convention in Oregon this year, we have an excellent opportunity to let our communities see what we have done in the past and what we are planning for the future. One of our best marketing tools is our members. We have over 35,000 Elks in the State of Oregon. We all have Elk shirts, hats and coats, but the only time we wear them is at lodge, conventions or other Elk activities. As we go out in your communities, let's wear our Elk clothing, show that we are proud of what Elks do and we are proud to be an Elk. Remember, **ELKS PRIDE**.

Fraternally,
Tim Deseve
OSEA President

