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DAFFODIL LODGE NEWS

PUYALLUP ELKS LODGE #1450

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Upcoming Lodge Activities

Sept. 29th Meatloaf Cook-off

**Oct. 15th Tea Party—
Tall Elks Fundraiser**
(Therapy Program)



**Oct. 20th Coin Box Dinner—
with Therapy Demo**
(See page 5 for further information)



Oct. 27th LOE—Elktoberfest (See page 7)

Oct. 31st LOE— "Trunk and Treat"
in Parking Lot 4 to 6 pm (See page 7)

Nov. 3rd Purple Bubble Ball (See page 5)
(Xmas Basket Fundraiser)

**Nov. 10th "Harmony Kings" Salutes
Veterans with Songs**
(See page 2 for further information)

Nov. 12th Deadline for Bulletin (Dec./Jan.)

Dec. 3th Elks Memorial Service
(See page 7)

**Dec. 5th Xmas Music Concert &
Sing-a-long** (See page 2)

Greet our New Cook

***She is preparing
Dinners
on
Tuesday and Friday
Nights.***



NOTE: Office Hours

10 AM to 4:00 PM
Tuesday through Friday
Closed Noon to 1:00 PM

2nd Annual Meatloaf Championship Competition

Friday, September 29th



Puyallup Elks Lodge beginning at 5:30 PM

Sign up now to be a Competitor, Judge, or
Masters of Ceremonies.

e-mail: secretary@puyallupelks.org

**Charging for the mailing of
Bulletins delayed until ??** *Editor*

Minimum donation of \$20

*Let's
Par-Tea*

Date: October 15th
Time: 1 - 4pm
Location: Puyallup Elks Lodge
RSVP: To the lodge by
October 8th

Proceeds to benefit the Washington Elks
Therapy Program for Children

KNOW YOUR CURRENT LEADERS

The three branches of an ELKS LODGE

The Lodge

Exalted Ruler **Keith Rybacki**



**Event Coordinator
Jeff Ridley**

The Board of Directors

Chairman Trustee **Steve Scholz**



The Club Operations

House Committee Chairman
Melissa Bellinger

Club Operations is handled by a committee of 5 Lodge Members (House Committee). appointed each year by the new Exalted Ruler. Those helping Melissa this year are: John Anderson, Randy Powell, Steve Scholz, Jeremie Neilsen, and ER Keith Rybacki.

Elected Officers (Officers For 2023-2024)

Exalted Ruler	Keith Rybacki	Esquire	Randy Powell
Leading Knight	John Anderson	Assistant Esquire	
Loyal Knight	Jeremie Neilsen		Del Wiggins
Lecturing Knight	Mike Nordstrom	Chaplain	Ron Gagne
Secretary	Dave Weldon	Tiler	Sue Davis
Treasurer	George Jacquish	Inner Guard	
			Melissa Bellinger

Appointed Officers

Board of Directors (Chairman Steve Scholz)

Trustees: Derek Lucas, Diana Mears, Steve Scholz
Officers: Keith Rybacki, John Anderson, Jeremie Neilsen, Mark Nordstrom, Dave Weldon, and George Jacquish

Tuesday, Dec. 5th, 2023

Puyallup Valley Community Band
Invites you to a Christmas Concert



At our Lodge

Concert: 7:00 pm.

Everyone welcome

Concert Free

Please join us for some of your
Favorite Christmas tunes and
sing-alongs!



Dinner time and menu to be announced



November 10th: Veteran's Celebration Event

You, your family, and friends are invited! Come enjoy a great dinner and musical event with the Harmony Kings, who will be sharing their patriotic medley's in celebration of our wonderful veterans. For over 55 years the Federal Way Harmony Kings have been performing tight four-part harmony throughout the South Puget Sound area. All will enjoy the rousing "Armed Forces Medley" and other great songs.

Dinner will be at 6:00 pm followed by the program at 7:00 pm.



INITIATION NIGHTS

Membership initiation night is the **third** lodge meeting (Tuesday) of each month.

\$\$\$ Elks Scholarship Opportunities for College or Vocational Training \$\$\$

The Elks organization cares for the future of our young people. There are several scholarship opportunities available through the Elks at the National, State, and Local levels.

For example:

Elks National Foundation – Most Valuable Student contest will award 500 four-year scholarships to the highest-rated applicants in the 2024 competition. *(Additional benefit to applying to this scholarship is it also puts you in the running for a Washington State Elks Scholarship and for our Puyallup Elks: Floyd Dawson Scholarship.)*

Application deadline: November 13, 2023

Legacy Awards – This scholarship is open to any child or grandchild of a living Elk who is still active in the organization.

Application deadline: February 5, 2024.

WSEA Vocational Grant – a Washington State Elks Scholarship. It is a Grant for graduating high school seniors who plan to pursue a vocational education.
Due: March 1, 2024

Joseph Darimont Vocational Award – a Washington State Elks Scholarship for any individual 18 years to 50 years of age who is preparing to enter or return to the workforce on a Vocational/Technical path.
Award: \$1,000. **Due: March 1, 2024**

Second Chances – a Washington State Elks Scholarship. For women seeking vocational education in the State of Washington. Scholarship for up to \$1,000 per quarter based on financial need. Renewable up to completion of the course based on a GPA of 3.0.
Due: May 15, 2024

To find out eligibility and how to apply, along with some other scholarship opportunities, please visit our website: www.puyallupelks.org

Jessie Finley, Puyallup Elks Scholarship Committee,
Chairman Scholarship@puyallupelks.org

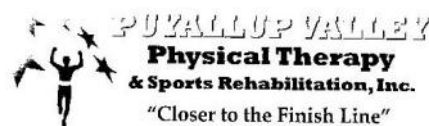
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Night
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7 PM



To check for the ***latest*** information on **Lodge activities** (continual updates and new items since the Bulletin was published), visit the **PUYALLUP ELKS WEB SITE**
www.puyallupelks.org

The latest published Lodge Bulletin is also on that website.




October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Kitchen open until 7:00 PM Lodge 7:30 PM	4	5 Food & Bar Open 5-8 PM	6 Pizza Night	7 Lodge Closed Except for LOE 10:30 am
8 Lodge Closed	9 Lodge Closed	10 Kitchen open until 7:00 PM Lodge 7:30 PM	11	12 Food & Bar Open 5-8 PM	13 Taco Night	14 Lodge Closed
15 Tea Party Therapy Fundraiser 	16 Lodge Closed	17 Kitchen open until 7:00 PM Lodge 7:30 PM <i>Initiation</i>	18	19 Food & Bar Open 5-8 PM	20 Coin Box Therapy Fund Spaghetti Dinner 	21 Lodge Closed
22 Lodge Closed	23 Lodge Closed	24 Kitchen open until 7:00 PM Lodge 7:30 PM	25	26	27 Elktoberfest	28 Lodge Closed
29	30 Lodge Closed	31 Kitchen until 7:00 Lodge 7:30 PM Truck or Treat Parking Lot 4-6 PM			TEXAS HOLD'EM Fridays 7:00PM	



November 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		TEXAS HOLD'EM Fridays 7:00PM	1	2	3 Purple Bubble Ball 	4 Lodge Closed
5 Lodge Closed	6 Lodge Closed	7 Kitchen open until 7:00 PM Lodge 7:30 PM	8	9	10 Veterans Evening with "Harmony Kings" 	11 Lodge Closed
12 Lodge Closed Bulletin Deadline	13 Lodge Closed	14 Kitchen open until 7:00 PM Lodge 7:30 PM	15	16	17 Chef's Choice	18 Lodge Closed
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26 Lodge Closed	27 Lodge Closed	28 Kitchen open until 7:00 PM Lodge 7:30 PM	29	30		

**Support the Washington
ElksTherapy Program for Children
by coming to our
Coin Box Dinner
Friday October 20th**



**There will be a demonstration of the
therapy program with a family member
at 5:45 p.m.,**

Followed by a Spaghetti Dinner.

Bring a coin box **filled** with your spare change (not all pennies) and dinner is FREE. Without a coin box, the charge for dinner is \$10.00. **PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS SO THAT WE KNOW HOW MUCH DINNER TO COOK.** If you cannot attend the dinner, we would still appreciate your donations.

Edie Shook, Children's Therapy Chairman
(ie. Tall Elks)

Fall is here, and the year is flying by. We ended the summer with a very enjoyable BBQ at the pool: If you did not make it, there is always next summer and hope to see you at that BBQ. Fall is going to be incredibly busy; we just had outside PER night and it was a blast. Our new roof should be getting started any day now; WOW the amount of paperwork just to reroof and bring it up to code !! Thanks to Steve and Dave for all the work they are putting in. October 15th we will have our first Tea party to support the Children's Therapy Program followed on Friday the 20th with the spaghetti dinner Fundraiser and demonstration for the Children's Therapy Program. I encourage everyone to come, learn more and support our state major program. November 3rd is the Purple Bubble Ball to help raise funds for the Christmas Basket program and that is happening the week of December 11-16. So yes, your lodge is a very busy place and we hope to see you at any of the above events or Friday dinners. Remember every Tuesday is lodge meeting night starting at 7:30 and we would love to see you! **Fraternally, ER Keith Rybacki**



**Long Live the Queen of
Hearts!**

The drawing is held every
Friday Night at 7:00 PM.

Tickets cost \$1 each and are available
in the office or during Lodge events
(meetings, dinners, etc.).

LODGE RENTALS

The lodge has rooms for rent for almost any occasion: weddings, birthday parties, retirement parties, anniversaries, swimming pool parties, etc. Check with Jeff Ridley (253-459-4900) for availability and prices.

FRIDAY NIGHTS

Chef's Choice/Comfort Food

6:00 to 7:30 PM

Tuesday Nights: Bar Open and Bar Menu

Selected Thursday Nights: Bar Open and Food

Call the Lodge at 253-845-9515 for Friday

Dinner Reservations and What is being served.

*You can also check the lodges Facebook page for
what is being served.*

Purple Bubble Ball!

Friday, November 3rd, 2023

**Join us for dinner, music,
dessert and gift auction,
and more!**

**5:30 Social Hour Begins
6:00 Dinner**

This is a fundraiser for the Christmas Baskets Program.

Minimum donation of \$20



Here is another installment of “Our Kids”. This one is a bit different in that it isn’t focused on a child, it actually focuses on how the State Major Project bridges the gaps between therapy and families. Regards, *Tammy Klein* Administrative Assistant, Washington State Elks Assn. Washington Elks Therapy Program for Children, Inc tammy@waelks.net

Our Kids: Bridging the Gap

The Elks Therapy Program has existed since its inception to provide therapy services to children who might otherwise fall through the cracks. These might be related to insurance or transportation or limitations in access.

Elks therapists often find themselves as a part of “Team Suzy”, working to find the best solutions for their clients. Frequently these teams may be looking at how to bridge the gap between home and school; two of the places children spend most of their day. The team is helping to analyze the resources available in each location, evaluating what is working well and what improvements can be made to smooth the daily transition between the home and school environments.

A solution could be as simple as a communication journal, or it might be a collaborative approach to ordering equipment such as a wheelchair or activity chair, or a synchronization of one or more communication devices, such that the menus available to the child are the same between devices.

Time spent collaborating is frequently a win for everyone involved. Different members of the team are able to share not only their goals for the child, but the activities that have been successful in working towards that goal. Sometimes it is eye opening to see that what is working in one setting is falling apart in another setting, through no fault of anyone.

Elks Therapists are uniquely poised to help bridge the gaps and can play a valuable role when advocating for Suzy. We have the unique perspective to see the physical layout of the child’s environment, the interpersonal relationships, and dynamics of the family, and we are not limited by the “educational relevance” of an issue. We can pick up where another service leaves off. And as outside eyes, we can attempt to articulate why an intervention which may work in one setting, may not be as effective in another.

It is this individualized approach that families appreciate the most and is the gift that is Elks Therapy.

Thank You Elks Members and Friends!

July

Ed Cramblit
Gloria McCue



August

Kevin Clawson
Tim Caine
Aaron Labiosa

Notice: Please submit articles by the 12th of November to get articles into the December/January Bulletin. Anyone can submit articles as long as they pertain to Elkdom in general or the Puyallup Elks Lodge. They will be used as space allows.

The Christmas Basket program is almost here, Mark your calendar: Sorting December 11-15, Putting the basket together Friday starting about 4:30 and Distribution Saturday the 16th. Help is needed every day, especially Friday and Saturday. More info to follow so check our website, the Elks app. Or the next bulletin. We hope to see you soon. **ER Keith Rybacki**

Ladies of Elks (LOE) At the September 5th meeting we voted to make donations to seven worthy causes in the Puyallup area. They include the tiny homes for vets, Homeless at New Hope, Ranch 12, FOB, school supplies, scholarships, Tall Elks, and ENF.

We have a few items that we are doing this fall. Elktoberfest on October 27th. There will be dinner, raffle baskets and auction. Social hour is 5 - 6, dinner 6 - 7 and then the fun begins! We will be auctioning off 3 major trips and tickets for Wheel of Fortune. The LOE is also providing home made desserts. Tickets are \$15.00 per adult and \$7.50 for children under 12. Cash or checks only.

October 31st we are having a "Trunk or Treat" in the parking lot from 4 - 6 PM. We did this last year and had a great time. We are hoping that we can have more people participate. One of the car clubs is considering joining us. More is always better.

We are doing the Christmas giving tree again this year. It is so great to see the look on the kids faces when they get something from the tree. We will accept any donations.

The LOE Christmas party this year will be held on December 16th at 502 43rd Avenue SE., Puyallup. It will be a pot luck.

Dime bingo will be on September 30th at 502 43rd Ave SE and this is also a pot luck. Should start at 1:00 PM.

The next LOE meeting will be at the lodge at 10:30 AM on Saturday October 7th. We are changing the date and time to the winter hours so we are not driving in the dark. Please check out the posters for all the details of the activities.
LOE President, Lori Tibbs

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mark the hour of eleven, our period
of recollections.



Spencer C. Myers 05/19/23

Pay tribute to the memory of those who have passed into the realm of everlasting peace.

May they look down upon us and behold that, true to the motto of our order, we have kept faith and inscribed their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory.



MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sunday, December 3rd there will be a Memorial Service for Puyallup Elks members who passed away during this year.

The service, open to the public, will be conducted by our Lodge Officers.

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Thanks

“ Discover Elks “

This year the [Washington State Elks Association](#) is making an unprecedented investment in promoting Elks Lodges across Washington State.

Starting September 1st, we're going to have a streaming advertising campaign called Discover Elks that will run for 7 months. These ads will be 15 or 30 seconds and they'll be on streaming video platforms such as Hulu, Paramount plus, and others, so you'll see streaming ads about the Elks in your community.

These ads are going to be targeted to the areas around every single Lodge in our state, so North, East, West, Central and South, everybody will get a chance to see these ads. We even included cities we think a lodge may form.

We themed these ads Discover Elks because we're inviting people in communities across Washington to discover the Elks and what we do for our communities for the very first time. We're also extending an invitation for those who might have heard about us to Re-Discover the Elks, who we are and to consider joining us again.

In addition to our streaming ads we have launched three new platforms to coordinate with this campaign. One is on Facebook under [Discover Elks](#), the second is our [YouTube channel for Discover Elks](#), there you can find our streaming ads as well as additional ad content that we've created specifically for social media.

These videos, as well as our streaming ads, will invite people to visit our third platform, [discoverelks.org](#). This is our brand-new area 8 membership portal that people who see our ads, want to learn more and even join our order, can go to, [discoverelks.org](#), and pull up the state of their choice, any of the area 8 States, and submit a membership interest form. This form will then be taken by our Discover Elks team, get populated into a membership application and forwarded to the appropriate Lodge for further follow-up to bring these individuals into our order. The area 8 States are Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, and North and South Dakota.

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