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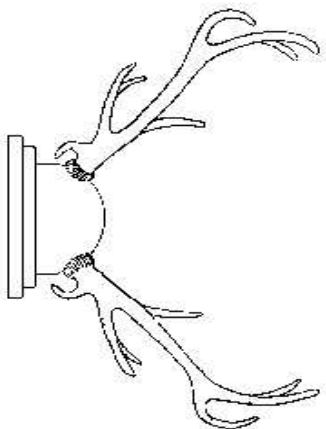


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Happy Birthday Deming Lodge #2799

Deming Lodge #2799 will celebrate nine years as a Lodge on February 1st. The PER Association will host a meal on February 11th for our anniversary and Valentines Day. It will be another "Bring your own Meat". The Grill will be fired up, and the Lodge will provide potatoes, salad and other side dishes for \$3. Serving from 6-8 pm.

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Elks BINGO

Monday Nights at the DAV Hall
Now with bigger payouts, a winner-take-all game and a possible \$400 progressive call game. Open to the public. Must be 18.

Doors Open at 6 pm Early Bird Bingo at 6:30 Regular Bingo at 7:00
Every game guaranteed \$75 payout Treats the 13th, Door Prize on the 27th.

Green Enchilada Dinner, February 18th!



There will be an enchilada dinner, with beans and rice. Donation is \$5, and takeouts will be available. Serving from 5-7 pm. Hosted by Sonia Baca and Charity Castenon. Proceeds to youth activities and the general fund!



Street Legends Basketball Fundraiser for Wildcat Basketball, February 20th.

Sponsored in part by the Elks



POOL TOURNAMENT

8 Ball Double Elimination with prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Sat. Feb. 11 at 2 pm. Entry fee is \$5. Plus there is always a drawing for a free prize. Snacks are served.

**B.P.O. Elks #2799
Officers & Committee Heads**

Elected Lodge Officers

EXALTED RULER- Dave Johnson
LEADING KNIGHT - Joe Grove PER
LOYAL KNIGHT- Roxy Dubiskas
LECTURING KNIGHT- Peggy Howe
SECRETARY- Mike Hedrick
TREASURER- Susan Burdette
TILER- JoAnn Olsen

Appointed Lodge Officers

ESQUIRE- Dave Cummings PER
INNER GUARD - Anna Enciso
CHAPLAIN- Stanley Reid
ORGANIST- Barbara Schreiber

Board of Trustees

TRUSTEE 1 YR.- Ollie Cooper
TRUSTEE 2 YR.- Harriet Kirich PER
TRUSTEE 3 YR.- Vern Schreiber
TRUSTEE 4 YR. (Chairman)- Frank Chiprich
TRUSTEE 5 YR.- Fred Kent PER

Committee Chairmen

AMERICANISM - Fred Kent PER
CEREBRAL PALSY - Harriet Kirich PER
C & B TRUST - JoAnn Olsen
NATIONAL FOUNDATION - Carl Olsen PER
VETERANS SERVICE - Everett Jones
LODGE ACTIVITIES
Meals: Roxy Dubiskas
Pool Tournament: Richard Hughes
Entertainment: Mike Hedrick /Mary Lou Carlos
YOUTH ACTIVITIES - Anna Enciso
HOOP SHOOT - Carl Olsen PER
SOCCER SHOOT - Manny Carlos
PER ASSOCIATION - Carl Olsen PER
DRUG AWARENESS - Brian Forde
RITUAL- Harriet Kirich PER
EDITOR/CYBER-ASSISTANT- Dave Johnson
MEMBERSHIP - Barbara Schreiber
LAPSATION - Vern Schreiber
ADV. & PUBLICITY- Mary Lou Carlos
BINGO MANAGER - Richard Hughes
CLUB MANAGER - Fred Kent PER
BUILDING COMMITTEE.- Richard Hughes

Lodge Meetings 1st & 3rd Thursdays

at 7:30 pm

Instituted February 1, 1997

Secretary's Corner

From Mike Hedrick- Secretary

We showed a gain of two members during January. Welcome to Gabe Dominguez and Leo Willis, who were initiated, and Robert Long on a re-statement. We were also surprised and sorrowed by the Death of Member Lorraine Bunch. Our thoughts and prayers go out to George and the family. With the loss, our current membership count is at 176.

We have three candidates awaiting initiation. They are Will McGuire, James Flores and Mike Marruffo. We are still trying to determine the status of Betty Fritz, who has not been initiated, and has since moved. And two candidates are in the hands of the investigating committee, with a report expected on February 2nd. They are Emmitt Curry proposed by Carl Olsen PER, and Edward Kohl proposed by Dave Johnson. Barbara and Gary May proposed by Vern Schreiber are also still awaiting investigation.

In most cases you will find your dues notice enclosed in this newsletter. If you receive your newsletter electronically, a separate dues notice will be sent. Please pay promptly. Remember, you must pay on or before April 1st. There is a \$1 increase this year in Grand Lodge fees to support the National Retirement Home. That means most dues are now \$62.25 including assessments. The increase was approved by Grand Lodge in July.

Three members paid their 2005-06 dues in January, and we are now down to 12 members who have not paid. They are: Christopher P. Rossman PER; William Boomhower, Jr.; Thomas E. Tucker; Wayne Ball; Maryellen Jankel; Robert R. Kammarcal; Mary Irene Mitchell; Jerry Thomas; Arnold Lively; Curt L. Russell; Dianna Molina Russell; and Kari Strabley. Drop notices have been sent, and they will be dropped for non-payment of dues prior to April 1st. Please Pay now!

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Bingo Report

From Rich Hughes—Bingo Manager

Just wanted to let everyone know that Bingo is still holding up. We had another split this month and that gives us a handsome amount for both the building fund and monies for disbursements to our charitable contributions.

Monday, January 30th we will be calling 55 numbers for the top 3 lines and someone will be the lucky winner of yet another \$400!! Also we will be giving out the door prizes that we normally give on the last Monday of every month.

Next month there will be goodies for Valentines Day on January 13th, the Monday before Valentines Day. Also there will be door prizes given out on the last Monday of the month. Of course anyone can win \$400 at anytime on the top 3 lines.

There was a Bingo committee meeting held on January 24th and a lot was accomplished. The results will be read at the next lodge meeting.

We also had a Bingo worker meeting on the 12th of January. I was very disappointed to see only eight people there. These meetings are very important to keep everyone updated on new laws and procedures.

We desperately need more help, our usual workers are getting very tired. This is a very important activity of the lodge, so please help if you can.

Thank you, to all the workers and players. Without you this just wouldn't happen. And remember, it doesn't matter if you help or play, come on down

Monday nights and we'll all have fun!! I thank everyone for your support of ELKS BINGO.

By-law Changes

Proposed changes to Lodge By-laws will be initially read at the meeting on February 2nd. The changes will then be published in the March newsletter, and come up for a vote at the second meeting in March. Once approved by the Lodge, the changes must be sent to Grand Lodge Judiciary for final approval.

Hoop Shoot

The Local Hoop Shoot, the Elks Free Throw Contest, was held on January 21st after a dismal turnout during the first go-around in December.

Three local kids qualified to go to the District Hoop Shoot on January 28th in Alamogordo. They were: Female, 12-13, Jessica Dominguez from Deming Middle School; Male 12-13, Abelardo Ponce from Deming Middle School; and Male 10-11, Orlando Ortiz from Memorial Elementary. Only one, however, was able to travel to Alamogordo. That person did not advance.

Thanks to Hoop Shoot Chairman Kenny Stailey, and PER Carl Olsen for organizing this year's Hoop Shoot. We appreciate your hard work.



Karaoke

Two weekends in February!
February 11th & 18th at 8 pm



On left: First Annual Elks Christmas Party for Kids. The party was open to children and grandchildren of Elks members, and was held at the Lodge on December 17th. An Adult party and Karaoke was held that night.



From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

February is an important month for Elks, and I encourage everyone to become involved in the process. The leadership for the next year will be decided with the annual election at the second meeting in February. Nominations for office will be at the first and second meeting. If you would like to become an officer, please let either myself or the PER Association know. It appears we will especially be needing an Esquire. If you can memorize, you could be part of our 2006-07 slate of officers. While Chaplain, Esquire and Inner Guard are appointed offices, the incoming ER could use any suggestions. Also, if you are interested in serving on any of our Lodge committees, let us know.

For the first time in many years, Deming will compete in District Ritual Competition on February 4th in Las Cruces. While we haven't had as much practice as I hoped, we will do our best to represent the Lodge. At this time it appears the District Competition will be between Deming and Alamogordo. Other Lodges in the District will apparently not compete. The competition is scheduled for 1 pm, and members are welcome to attend. Proceeds from both meals in January were earmarked for Ritual.

The Lodge is also investigating the possibility of a Hospitality Room at the State Convention in Roswell at the end of March, beginning of April. Carl Olsen

PER is getting cost estimates for the Hospitality Room, and should report to the Lodge on February 2nd. Since Deming is the home of the Great American Duck Race, the proposal is that our special "drinks" should be duck farts, a mixture of Kailua, Crown Royal and other liquors. The drinks are traditionally served in small yellow ducks. Other beverages would also be available. If you plan to attend the state convention, which is open to any Elk in good standing, volunteer to help in the Hospitality Room. Contact any officer if interested.

We have not given up on our new Lodge. Money has already been approved to go back to the Extra Territorial Zoning Authority for another hearing on rezoning our property on Tapia Road from residential to commercial. We are holding off until after the March municipal election. Since the zoning board is made up of the three county commissioners and two from the city council, it is possible two new members could be seated. We are hoping these new members will be more sympathetic to our mission. If the rezoning is turned down again, then we will begin looking at other options.

We would also like to get your input on Karaoke. We currently run Karaoke at least twice a month, beginning at 8 pm, and continuing until closing. It has been suggested we start earlier. Let us know your opinion.

Yours in Elkdom,
Dave Johnson



Hot Dogs, Sausage & Hamburgers served daily!

Lodge Lounge Hours



Monday-Friday 11:30 am-7 pm; Saturday 1 pm-close
Broadband & WiFi Internet Access - Video Game

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Snacks by Pat on Wednesdays**

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B.P.O. Elks #2799 Calendar of Events— February, 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Lodge Birthday 2/1/97 Birthday of the Order 2/16/1868		1 Lodge Anniversary	2 Lodge Meeting Trustees Meeting	3	4 SW District Ritual Competition
5	6 Elks Bingo	7	8	9 PER Association Meeting	10	11 Birthday/ Valentines Grill Your Own Meat Monthly Pool Tournament Karaoke Night
12	13 Elks Bingo	14 Ritual Practice Indocrinaton	15	16 Lodge Meeting Anniversary of the Order	17	18 Chicken Enchilada Dinner Karaoke Night
19	20 Elks Bingo	21	22	23 Governing Board Meeting	24	25
26	27 Elks Bingo	28 Bingo Committee Meeting		Happy Valentines Day		Free Birthday Drink At the Lounge



2/1 Mathew Rudiger
2/8 Mike Hedrick
2/10 Mary Irene Mitchell
2/12 Barbara Schreiber
2/15 Sam D. Baca
2/16 Headlee L. Burdette
2/16 Anthony Moreno
2/16 Ethan Holly
2/20 LeRoy Schimming
2/21 Aurel (Ed) Brewer
2/22 Fred C. Kroemer
2/24 Richard Hughes
2/25 Roderick J. Kennedy
2/29 Stephen J. Eberhard

02/01/06 Lodge Anniversary
Deming Lodge #2799 was formed Feb. 1st, 1997.

02/02-16/06 Lodge Meeting
Regular Lodge Meeting at 7:30 pm at the Lodge, 311 E. Maple. PER Night on the 2nd. Initiation on the 16th.

02/02/06 Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm

02/04/06 SW District Ritual Competition
1 pm. Las Cruces Lodge #1119

02/06-13-20-27/06 Elks Bingo
Elks Bingo at the DAV Hall. Doors open at 6 pm.. Early Bird at 6:30, and Regular Bingo at 7 pm. Food is served. Treats for Valentines Day on the 13th. Door Prize on the 27th.

02/09/06 PER Association Meeting 7 pm

02/11/06 Monthly Pool Tournament
Double Elimination 8 Ball Tournament. Entry fee is \$5. No advance sign up needed. Tournament begins at 2 pm. Members and guests. Contact Richard Hughes at 494-5303. Finger foods available.

02/11/06 Birthday/Valentines Grill Your Own
The Lodge will host bring your own meat from 6-8 pm (note time). The Lodge will supply potato, vegetable and salads, plus cake to Celebrate nine years as a Lodge. Donation is \$3. The combination Valentines/Birthday dinner is hosted by the PER Assn.

02/11-18/06 Karaoke Night
Karaoke from 8 pm till closing at the Lodge.

02/14/06 Indocrinaton 6:15 pm

02/14/06 Ritual Practice 6:30 pm

02/16/06 Anniversary of the Order
The Order of Elks were founded on this day 1868.

02/18/06 Chicken Enchilada Dinner
Enjoy Green Chicken Enchilada Casserole with beans, rice and dessert. Serving from 5-7 pm. Donation is \$5. Hosted by Sonia Baca and Charity Castenon. Proceeds to youth activities and the general fund.

02/23/06 Governing Board Meeting 6:30 pm

02/28/06 Bingo Committee Meeting 6:30 pm

Sickness & Distress: Member Lorraine Bunch passed away in a vehicle accident on January 9th. She will be missed. A Lodge of Sorrows was held on January 19th. Also, trustee Vern Schreiber is continuing chemotherapy and radiation for cancer, Joe Grove PER is still not feeling well, and Barb Schreiber is feeling better. Contact Leading Knight Joe Grove PER or the Secretary with additional names.

Visiting Elks: The following Elks made a recent visit to Deming: 1/4 Loren Sorheim, #1003 Virginia, MN; 1/13 Bruce Palmer, #2065 Sierra Vista, AZ; 1/13 Ray King, #402 Eau Claire, WI; 1/14 Dick Wellmeth, #2197 Superior, NE; 1/14 Robert Sorg, #1685 Lancaster, CA; 1/16 Gerry W. Fried, #218 Stockton, CA; 1/16 Dennis Kerr, #1813 Lordsburg; 1/21 Ed Baker, #2206 Kokomo, IN; 1/20 George & Leanna Wyatt, #2131 Willcox, AZ; 1/21 Lloyd Myers, #2504 Oceano/ Five Cities, CA; 1/24 Bruce Nickson, #2733 Atascadero, CA



From the Bar

From Fred Kent PER— Club Manager

Another Holiday Season is history and I hope everyone had a great time. The business at the bar is picking up, and I hope it will continue. The Saturday evening meals and Karaoke are bringing in quite a few but there is still more room for more. Come in and bring your best singing voice and have a great time.

Quite a few members are not collecting their Birthday drink at the bar. This is a freebie and I encourage you to come in and collect. You don't have to wait until your birthday to collect, we will serve it anytime during the month. You can order anything you want (within reason). See you in the Clubroom.

Also, Friday bartender Erik Scot is back with his delicious Friday noon meals. February's theme is Old English Pub Food. Come on down Fridays at noon. It's free! Friday, February 3rd, *Toad in the Hole*.

Volunteer Meals

From Dave Johnson- Exalted Ruler

Thanks go out to the many volunteers who have helped make our regular dinners a success.

During February Harriet Kirch PER hosted a rolled cabbage dinner, and Pat Johnson and Peggy Howe prepared a roast beef dinner. Thanks to all three for a great job. The monies raised from the two meals were earmarked for Ritual.

For the first time in several years, Deming will participate in district ritual

competition in Las Cruces on February 4th, and at the State Convention in Roswell.

Also, special thanks to the many who volunteered to bring in desserts. We had a great selection on the 21st. Desserts are traditionally donated by our members, which means less cost, and more profit for the Lodge. Thanks to everyone!

Remember, if you would like to put on a meal, just contact Meals Chairman Roxy Dubiskas, or leave a message at the Lodge. We would like to see more people involved, and not just the same volunteers month after month. The Lodge will supply the food. All you have to do is prepare and help serve. If you put on the meal, you can decide on how to earmark the money raised.

In February, the PER Association will host a "Bring your own Meat" dinner on the 11th, and Sonia Baca and Charity Castenon will put on a green enchilada dinner on the 18th.

As an experiment, the meal on the 11th will be served from 6-8 pm. Some people have asked for meal to be open later, so we will try it. Traditionally meals have been served from 5-7 pm.

February Bartenders

Mon: Susan Burdette - Rob Kirich
Tue: Steve Dunning - Harold Hood
Wed: Pat Johnson - Fred Kent
Thu: Steve Eberhard - Fred Kent
Fri: Erik Scot - Bill Snell
Sat: Dave Johnson
(Phyllis Wheeler Feb 4th)

Schedule subject to change