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**Congratulations to
Dave Johnson PER
New Mexico Elk
of the Year**

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the Exalted Ruler
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PER'S DINNER 12 ounce Rib eye steak OR
half-chicken with potato, vegetable, salad, roll
and dessert, \$12 for steaks, \$9 for chicken. Serving
from 6-8 pm Apr. 24th. Karaoke follows at 8 pm.

Elks BINGO

Cash Raffle & Pull Tabs

**MONDAYS
AT THE MOOSE LODGE**

Early Bird: 6:30, Regular Bingo 7. Now with
bigger payouts (every regular game minimum
\$100), a winner-take-all game and a possible
\$400 progressive call game.
Smokers welcome. Door Prize on Apr. 27th.

Open to the Public!



New Officers: L-R Leading Knight Roxy Dubiskas, Trustee Rob Kirich, Lecturing Knight Trine Rodriguez, ER Mike Hedrick, Secretary Dave Johnson, Inner Guard Anna Enciso, Tiler Billy Baker and Treasurer Sue Cooper. Not pictured are Est. Loyal Knight Daniel Galvan, Organist Gene Logan, and Chaplain Stan Reid. The Esquire's position is vacant.

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

Elected Lodge Officers

EXALTED RULER - Mike Hedrick
LEADING KNIGHT - Roxy Dubiskas PER
LOYAL KNIGHT - Daniel Galvan
LECTURING KNIGHT - Trine Rodriguez
SECRETARY - Dave Johnson PER
TREASURER - Sue Cooper
TILER - Billy Baker

Appointed Lodge Officers

ESQUIRE - Vacant
INNER GUARD - Anna Enciso
CHAPLAIN - Stanley Reid
ORGANIST- Gene Logan

Board of Trustees

TRUSTEE 1 YR. (Chairman) – Fred Kent PER
TRUSTEE 2 YR. - Ollie Cooper
TRUSTEE 3 YR. – Bill Snell
TRUSTEE 4 YR.– Barb Schreiber
TRUSTEE 5 YR.– Rob Kirich

Committee Chairmen

AMERICANISM - TBA
CEREBRAL PALSY - TBA
C & B TRUST - TBA
ENF - TBA
VETERANS SERVICE - TBA
LODGE ACTIVITIES - TBA
Pool Tournament: Ollie Cooper
Karaoke: Dave Johnson PER
YOUTH ACTIVITIES - Anna Enciso
HOOP SHOOT - Javier Gallosa
SOCCER SHOOT - Javier Gallosa
PER ASSOCIATION - TBA
DRUG AWARENESS - TBA
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EDITOR/CYBER-ASST - Dave Johnson PER
MEMBERSHIP - Bill Snell
LAPSATION - Bill Snell
ADV. & PUBLICITY - Dave Johnson PER
BINGO MANAGER - Mike Hedrick
CLUB MANAGERS - Connie Mills/Phyllis Wheeler
BLDG.COMMITTEE.– Ollie Cooper

**Lodge Meetings 1st & 3rd Thursdays
at 7:30 pm (except July, Aug. & Dec.)**

Instituted February 1, 1997



Secretary's Corner

From Dave Johnson PER

We welcome seven new members this month, but even so it is not enough to show a gain in membership

for the year.

Welcome to Anita K. Gilmore, Michael D. Gottschling and Marvin Lewis who were initiated on March 19th. We also welcome four transfers: Barbara Key, Russell Albaugh, Enrique J. Zavala and William Moreland.

Four members requested Absolute Dimits: Barbara R. Schow, Richard E. Kohn, Howard R. Calkins and Merle A. Paul. In addition, 22 members were dropped for non-payment of dues.

We started the year with 198 members, and close out 2008-09 down three members at 195. We DID NOT meet the GERs goal of plus one, and we will be hearing about that all year. If you have friends or business associates, why not propose them for membership. We desperately need the numbers.

We do have two candidates in the hands of the Investigating Committee. They are Don Hoolan proposed by Fred Kent and Beverly A. Green proposed by Roxy Dubiskas. We hope to bring them in at the initiation on the 16th.

Now some more bad news. With only days before members become delinquent on April 1st, we still have almost half our members who have not paid their dues. Out of 195 members, approximately 90 still have not paid. There is a list at the bar. If you know any of these people, encourage them to pay now so the Great Work of Elkdome can continue. Remember, there is no grace period when it comes to dues. If dues are not paid by April 1st, these delinquent members are not allowed in the Lodge. NO EXCEPTIONS! We even have a couple of officers who have not paid. Send in your dues now.

On a personal note, thank you to State President John Holbrook for naming me the state "Elk of the Year". It was an unexpected, but sincerely appreciated honor. Thank you!

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Elk of the Year: Roger Bladow was named the Elk of the Year for his work on the Float Committee, the many meals, and volunteering at the club. Congratulations!



Officer of the Year: Treasurer Sue Cooper was named Officer of the Year. The Citizen of the Year was Mark Schultze from Pepper's Supermarket, and special certificates of Meritorious Service were presented to Ollie Cooper and Ed Mills for their work on the new Lodge. Other awards were presented to various committees.

ER Mike Hedrick was presented with gifts as the outgoing Exalted Ruler. Lodge officers and members presented Mike with five engraved wine glasses, a bottle of port, and a PER pin at the Awards Ceremony and Installation of Officers on the 22nd.



Bingo Committee

From Dave Johnson PER—Asst. Manager

There will be some changes for Bingo. At the Bingo Committee meeting on the 24th, Bingo Manager Richard Kohn turned in his keys and asked to be replaced. Not only is he stepping down as Bingo Manager, but has requested an Absolute Dimit from the Elks. Richard has served well as manager and caller and will be missed. The Bingo Committee extends their thanks for his time and effort and sage advice.

The Committee will recommend to the Lodge that Assistant Manager Mike Hedrick be named manager, and that Fred Kent be named second assistant manager. Since Gaming allows two assistant managers, Dave Johnson will continue as an assistant as well.

Managers and Callers must obtain a "permit" from Gaming, and once approved the necessary paperwork will be sent. If anyone is interested in working Bingo, please get with Mike Hedrick or Dave Johnson. The same six people are working Bingo each and every week, and some help would be appreciated. Money raised in used for the new Lodge and our Charities, including \$2000 in local scholarships.

We are still playing Bingo at the Moose Lodge on Mondays. Early bird Bingo at 6:30, and regular Bingo at 7.

The move to the new Lodge has been delayed. Building Chairman Ollie Cooper reported at the meeting on the 19th that we will not be at the new facility in April as we originally thought. He said we have a minimum of 3-6 more weeks before we can move in. A lot has to do with inspections. We are now hoping to begin Bingo at the new Lodge on Raymond Reed in May or early June.

Monthly Pool Tournament

Saturday, April 11th at 2 pm. Double Elimination 8 Ball. Entry fee is \$5. Members and guests welcome



From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our new State President Jim Larrabee's moto is "Elkdom, Enjoy the ride", and I encourage everyone to "jump on board". As with any organization you only get out what you put in. Now is the time for our members to step up to the challenge.

I still have a lot of committee assignments to make, but I am looking for members with a sincere interest in our state and national programs. Some of our committees dropped the ball last year, and the Lodge had to scramble to make our per capitass. This year I want to make sure I have the right people in the right jobs, so I have delayed making appointments. They must be made this month. Please see me if you are interested.

We are also in need of an Esquire. While work is involved, you can't beat the satisfaction of the opportunity to serve your Lodge. We need more members to take an active role as officers and committeemen. You can call me at either 544-3483 or 543-8600 if interested.

One appointment that has been made is Club Managers. I welcome Connie Mills and Phyllis Wheeler to this position, and ask for your support. I am sure once they get their feet wet, they will do a great job.

I would also like to congratulate Dave Johnson who was awarded the high honor of New Mexico Elk of the Year for his work on the state website. Way to go Dave!

Again, I thank you for the privilege of serving a second term as your Exalted Ruler, and with your help we should have a great year. We have a good team of officers, and with help from our members we can continue to meet our goals and become a truly great Lodge.

Yours in Elkdom;

Mike Hedrick
Exalted Ruler

State Awards

Deming Lodge walked away with several honors at the State Convention in Farmington March 27th and 28th. Dave Johnson was honored to receive the "Elk of the Year" Award from State President John Holbrook.



Dave has been working on updating the state website at nmelks.org. The Lodge also received three other awards for third place in the Southwest District for C & B Trust and Elks National Foundations, and a Five Star rating for its own website at demingelks.org. Six members attended the convention: ER Mike Hedrick, Secretary Dave Johnson, Inner Guard Anna Enciso, PER Harriet Kirich, Trustee Fred Kent and Marleen Kent.



Raffles

From Dave Johnson PER

We are now selling tickets for a gold and diamond ring, appraised at over \$2600.




The ring, donated by member Howard Caperonis, will be raffled on the Monday before Christmas, December 23rd at Elks Bingo (by then at the new Lodge on Raymond Reed).

Tickets are available from Lodge officers, or at Bingo Monday nights. Tickets are \$10 each, and only 300 tickets will be sold.

Money raised will go into the Bingo account earmarked for lawful purposes (80% building fund, 20% charity).

Another raffle is in the works. The Lodge was given a serving set, valued at about \$250, which will also be raffled. Details on that raffle are still being worked out, but the drawing will tentatively be in August at the Duck Race.

B.P.O. Elks #2799 Calendar of Events— Apr., 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Happy Easter!			1	2 Lodge Meeting Bartenders Meeting	3	4
5	6 Elks Bingo	7	8	9 Trustees Meet- ing	10	11 Monthly Pool Tournament
12 Easter Sunday	13 Elks Bingo	14	15	16 Lodge Meeting PER Assn. Meeting	17	18
19	20 Elks Bingo	21	22	23 Governing Board Meeting	24 PER Dinner Karaoke Night	25 DD Clinic- Alamogordo
26	27 Elks Bingo	28 Bingo Commit- tee Meeting	29	30		



- 4/1 James D. Lyons
- 4/1 Howard "Rusty" Berend
- 4/1 Alexandra Gollie
- 4/2 Enrique J. Zavala
- 4/3 Carl E. Olsen PER
- 4/4 Michal Rudloff
- 4/5 Birdie Tanner
- 4/6 Bernard Rzasza
- 4/7 F. Donald Burgess
- 4/9 Danny L. Ferguson
- 4/10 Lois C. Cawfield
- 4/12 Lloyd Goode
- 4/12 Rodger R. Wedell
- 4/14 Bill Dupree
- 4/17 Ollie C. Cooper
- 4/22 Herman E. Gentry Jr.
- 4/23 Philip Orate
- 4/25 Rocky Eagle
- 4/29 James R. Sloan PER

04/02/09 Bartenders Meeting
at 3 pm for all present, past and future bartenders. Please bring your servers certificate

04/02-16/09 Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm
Red shirts on 2nd. There will be initiation on the 16th. Budgets must be presented to the Lodge for approval. White shirts.

04/06-13-20-27/09 Elks Bingo
Elks Bingo at the Moose Lodge, 110 N. Gold, Doors open at 6 pm.. Early Bird Bingo at 6:30, and Regular Bingo at 7 pm.. Now with bigger payouts. Smokers are welcome. Door Prize on the 27th.

04/09/09 Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm
04/11/09 Monthly Pool Tournament
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. Finger foods available

04/12/09 Easter Sunday
04/16/09 PER Assn. Meeting 7 pm
04/23/09 Governing Board Meeting 6:30 pm
04/24/09 PER Dinner
A 12 oz. Rib eye Steak dinner or half chicken dinner, with potato, vegetable, roll and salad. Donation for steak is \$12, \$9 for chicken. Serving from 6-8 pm. Proceeds for PER projects.

04/24/09 Karaoke Night 8 pm till close
04/25/09 DD Clinic-Alamogordo
ALL officers are required to attend unless excused
04/28/09 Bingo Committee Meeting 6:30 pm



BRATS & KRAUT
(or other delicious lunches)
Every Friday at Noon!
Enjoy Lunch at the Lodge

Sickness & Distress: Jack Dubiskas, husband of Leading Knight Roxy Dubiskas PER, has had his surgery rescheduled. Evelyn Eberhard, wife of member Steve Eberhard, is doing better. They are putting in a pace maker. Edna Baker, wife of Tiler Billy Baker, is now home. And Treasurer Sue Cooper's mother is home from the hospital and has tumors in the stomach.

Visiting Elks: The following Elks made a visit to Deming in the Past Month: 3/3 Fred Shanks, #413 Silver City; Char Luce, #413 Silver City; 3/5 Phyllis Wilson, #2592 Green Valley, AZ; 3/6 Arturo Gabaldon, #2592 Green Valley, AZ; 3/10 Roy Day, #413 Silver City; 3/11 Ken Campbell, #1812 El Cajon, CA; 3/12 John Lareno, #1003 Virginia, MN; 3/12 Nick Angrobelle, #1402 McAllen, TX; 3/12 John Louis, #2518 Lacey, NJ; 3/14 Les Whalen, #2532 Tucson, AZ; 3/14 Ronald Burgess, #2065 Sierra Vista, AZ; 3/14 Gene Downs, #2750 T or C; 3/14 Barney Rodriguez, #1425 Orange, CA; 3/17 Mike Creevan Sr. PER, #287 Wallawalla, WA; 3/17 Bruce Nickson, #2733 Atascadero, CA; 3/20 Bob Burns, #2426 Jackson, CA; 3/20 Tom Lewis, #15765 Ajo, AZ; 3/20 Joanne Norvid, #1583 Ajo, AZ; 3/20 Maxine Nix, #978 Gulfport, MS; 3/24 Neil Kaylor, #1621 Allegan, MI; 3/25 Frank & Bobbie Logan, #413 Silver City; 3/27 Warner Nelson, #309 Colorado Springs, CO; 3/28 Tom Markle, #2026 Paradise, CO

Notes from the Club

From Connie Mills & Phyllis Wheeler – Club Managers

As of April 1st the two of us accepted the position of Bar Managers.

With your help and cooperation, we hope to keep the bar thriving and a happy, cheerful place to come to.

On Thursday, April 2nd at 3 pm there will be a meeting for all present, past and hopefully future bartenders. Please bring your servers certificate with you.

Building Report

From Trustee Ollie Cooper—Bldg. Chairman

My how time flies when you're having fun. Seems like I turn around twice and it's time to write another letter.

We're moving right along. The dry-wall is hung. Taping is probably about 3/4's done. We'll have to sand which will take a couple of days before texturing. The rusted metal on the side of the building and the big air conditioner hole have been patched and looking good. The electrician will not come finish his job until we get done with everything, then he will hook up the electricity.

I'm probably going to have to get someone out of Cruces to do the drop ceiling. I will have to talk to him because all we need is his labor and

expertise, as we will furnish the materials. Hopefully we will be playing bingo by the first of May. That's what we are shooting for.



March Pool Tournament Winners: First Place Bob Bean, Second Place Gene Downs. The next pool tournament will be on Sat. April 11th at 2 pm. Members and guests welcome!

Lodge Lounge Hours

Mon-Fri 11:30 -7; Sat 1- close

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