



The Bugle



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The Hole Story of the Jackson Hole Elks

Meet The Bugle

Anyone who lives in Jackson Hole knows the sound of an elk bugle. And anyone who lives in Jackson has likely met an Elk from our Lodge — be it at one of our many fundraisers, at the annual Thanksgiving Day dinner or at bingo. An elk bugle and a member of the Jackson Hole Elks Lodge 1713 are both are incredibly distinct.

As such, it was hard not to draw on that name when working on a redesign of our Lodge newsletter with my colleague, Jackson Hole News&Guide chief designer Andy Edwards (who graciously donated his time and creativity to this project). But though the name has changed and the design has been updated, much of what is inside is still what you know and love. You'll hear from Lodge leadership, and you'll learn going on inside and outside of our Lodge doors. (Spoiler alert: Nothing is going on inside right now.)

I'm also hoping The Bugle will be a place to share "the Hole Story" of our Lodge (longtime members will recall the former newsletter was titled "The Hole Story"), which means I need your help. Send me your news. Send me pictures. Tell me story. Brag on the good deeds of the other Elks in our herd.

You can reach me, or our new public relations guru, Amy Jones, at jacksonholeelks@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

*Melissa Cassutt,
Newsletter Committee*

Our Grand Exalted Ruler, Paul R. Ryan, has designated the National Elks Lodge theme for 2020 as "Creating Momentum for the Future of Elkdom."

"The primary focus is to continue to build the Elks in our communities to keep our Lodges successful," GER Ryan said. "By letting our communities know who we are, what we do and how we are helping our communities, we gain community awareness, along with a possible gain in membership. This foundation will lead us to successful Lodges, helping make successful communities."



**Georgia H. Ligori,
Exalted Ruler
Jackson Hole Elks
Lodge No. 1713**

As your Exalted Ruler, my vision this year is to not only continue to increase our membership, but most importantly, to get all new members involved in our Lodge and our many programs. Everyone has special gifts to bring to the table. We need as many hands as possible to continue the good works being done in our community. I highly encourage new members to ask questions and reach out — we'll find the perfect fit for your interests and skillset. By participating in Lodge activities, you will gain an increased sense of belonging and connectedness to who we are and what we do, as well as the beautiful community we call home. We are anxious to hear from you — and to see you once the Lodge reopens.

As we await the next directives on COVID-19 social distancing and sheltering-at-home recommendations, remember many of our members are still continuing to volunteer their time and efforts behind the scenes in our community. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Stay safe out there!

Yours in Elkdom,
Georgia H. Ligori, Exalted Ruler
Jackson Elks Lodge #1713

Lodge of Sorrow

Send information on Elks who have passed away or those in sickness or distress to jacksonholeelks@gmail.com.



Temporary Closure

The Jackson Hole Elks are committed to “flattening the curve” and have closed the lodge until further notice.

As such, regular activities like Queen of Hearts, Shake a Day and bowling are also suspended until further notice.

The Mother’s Day Brunch has also been canceled.

You may have noticed road construction on Jackson Street. Unless any issues arise, the construction should be completed by mid-May, which will be a huge upgrade to our property.

Stay healthy — we hope we’ll be able to see you at the Lodge soon!

Good News: Joy & Celebration

• **Augusta Friendsmith** was prompted to start the Facebook group Teton County CAREmongering because “I knew members of our community would need assistance through the pandemic, but might not know where to look or ask for help,” she said. “I also knew that there were countless volunteers across the county eager to lend a hand. I wanted to create a free and accessible forum where community members could both seek and offer help.”

She didn’t realize how quickly the group would grow (over 1,200 people have joined the group), and “just how generous this community would be,” she said.

“Within the first week, people were offering free services for everything — childcare, grocery shopping, yoga, counseling, dog walking, art classes, web design and so much more,” she said. “When the hospital asked the group for tailors to make masks, it seemed like every person with a sewing machine jumped at the chance to help.”

You can check out the page by visiting **Facebook.com** and searching for “**Teton County CAREmongering**” or by visiting **TinyURL.com/tetoncountycaremongering**.

“More than anything,” Friendsmith said, “CAREmongering serves to share vital information about essential (free) services and connect neighbors in a positive way. I hope you all join!”

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What have you been up to? Got a new job? Become an uncle or a granddad? Let us know what you’re up to or brag on other Elks in our Lodge.

Email your news (no good news is too small) to jacksonholeelks@gmail.com. You can also keep up with the Lodge at [Facebook.com/jacksonholeelks](https://www.facebook.com/jacksonholeelks).

May Birthdays

1 Celeste Governale	11 Robert V. Shervin	21 Matthew Herron
1 J. Keith Hall	12 Todd Williams	22 Richard Burnham
1 Maxmillian Pelosi	13 Amy Jones	24 Russell Thompson
1 Valerie Peterson	14 Robert McLaurin	25 Katherine Wilson
2 Matthew Belford	16 Rick Johnson	26 Stephen Byrum
2 Jerry Bell	16 James Wilson	26 Gregory Wallace
3 Albert Etcheverry	19 JD Dutro	27 Cynthia Bardman
3 Slade Ross	19 Dave Loy	27 Cherene Vanian
4 Sarah Knobe	19 Terry Merritt	28 Fernando Escobedo
5 William Weiss	20 Andrew Hoover	28 Tim Lucht
6 Amanda Soliday	20 Loyd Laker	29 Bart Churches
8 Kyle Geffre	20 Steven Lancaster	30 Sandra Sandberg
8 Maureen McNulty	20 Molly Long	31 Blake Clark
8 Adrienne Merrifield	21 Erik Feuz	

Lodge Leadership 2020-2021

Exalted Ruler	Georgia Ligori
Leading Knight.....	Jessica Schiers
Loyal Knight.....	Marc Malone
Lecturing Knight	Trip Barden
Secretary	Fernando Escobedo
Treasurer	Brad Abrams
Esquire	Ciara Thomas
Chaplain.....	Brennan McFarlane
Inner Guard.....	Rusty Hall, Les Davidson
Tiler.....	Kevin Ertle
5 Year Trustee.....	Pete Kendzior
4 Year Trustee.....	Robbi Farrow
3 Year Trustee.....	Valerie Peterson
2 Year Trustee.....	Kelly Champlain (lead trustee)
1 Year Trustee.....	Tony Ligori
Investigations Committee	Donnie Rodgers, Les Davidson
House Committee	Valerie Peterson
Public Relations Committee.....	Amy Jones
Bulletin (Newsletter) Committee	Melissa Cassutt
Government Relations.....	Fernando Escobedo
W.E.S.T. Committee	Christine Benuzzi
ENF Committee	Robbi Farrow, Christine Benuzzi
Scholarships.....	Robbi Farrow
Veteran’s Committee.....	Donnie Rodgers

Committee Corner

This effort was highlighted in April, and it’s still ongoing.

• Jackson Hole Community Mask Project

St. John’s Health Foundation has also organized the Jackson Hole Community Mask Project, a group effort to sew masks for St. John’s Health employees. The Jackson Hole Elks have already delivered over 50 homemade masks to the hospital! But the work isn’t done — for hospital employees or the public.

“With public health encouraging everyone to wear them out in public, we will need more,” Leading Knight Jessica Schiers said.

Volunteers are needed to sew standard masks, donate unused personal protective equipment (like masks, gloves and face shields) and donate materials like cotton fabric and sewing supplies. Interested? Check out StJohnsFoundation.health/programs/jhcommunitymask for more information.

Have supplies but no time to sew? Have the skills to sew but no supplies? Jessica is matchmaking seamsters with supplies. She’s also picking up finished products from those whose masks need transport to St. John’s. Questions? You can reach Jessica at jlschiers@gmail.com or (406) 546-6565.

2020 Elks scholarship winners

The Jackson Elks Lodge awarded scholarships to seven high school school seniors:

- Perla Martinez, **Elks Lodge #1713 Scholarship**
- Mila “Miles” Berry, **Fred Houchens Sr Memorial Scholarship**
- America Martinez, **Fred Houchens Jr Memorial Scholarship**
- Hailey Hardeman, **Jim Taylor Memorial Scholarship**
- Sterling Smith, **Jim Taylor Memorial Scholarship**
- Jeremiah Burch, **Gabriel Schiers Music and Arts Scholarship**
- Brian Beccera Montiel, **Fernando Escobedo Career and Technical Scholarship**

Friendly Reminder: Dues are due

There are still a few members who are delinquent on their dues. Please pay as soon as you can. To the members who have paid their dues: Thank you!

— *Fernando Escobedo, Secretary*

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WyoElks.org/lodges/jackson

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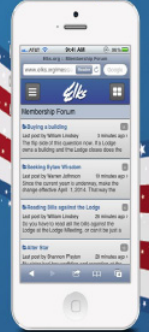
Coming Soon: Virtual Happy Hour

While we can't cheers in person, the Jackson Hole Elks are working hard to arrange a virtual Happy Hour to socialize, bid farewell to the 2019-20 officers, welcome the 2020-21 officers and, most importantly, create a virtual tip jar for our beloved Elks bartenders.

Stay tuned for more information as the details come together.

Elks Care — Elks Share

Elks
ONLINE



Join in the conversation.

Register online
www.elks.org/register

May 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
As recommendations and health orders adjust, so will we. Check out our Facebook page — Facebook.com/jacksonholeelks — for the latest.					1	2
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