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From the Secretary's Office

Happy Fall!!

Our lodge currently has 714 active members and have 17 candidates awaiting membership. We currently have 53 delinquent members for 2026-2027. If you have not paid your dues yet, please do so as soon as possible.

Thank you to Shelley Bougie for attempting to have a Corn Hole Tournament on September 19th. The weather did not turn out as hoped. She will be scheduling another one which we will let everyone know of the date and time.

Thank you also to Mary Kay Liggett and her group of volunteers for putting together the Elks Golf Scramble on September 26th. The weather cooperated and sounds like everyone had a great time.

Our next Lodge meeting will be held on October 6th at 7:30 pm with initiations and also our District Deputy will be visiting our Lodge that evening. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend our Lodge meetings, so if you haven't been for a while please feel free to join us. Our next Governing Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday October 13th at 6:00 pm at the Lodge.

Vicki

Lodge Secretary

Thanksgiving Basket Program Food Drive

Once again, Sheridan Elks Lodge is partnering with Real Life Church to provide Thanksgiving Food Baskets to needy families in our community. We are able to do this through the Elks National Foundation's (ENF) Beacon and Gratitude Grants.

Our Lodge is hosting a FOOD DRIVE for CANS OF CORN, CANS OF CRANBERRY SAUCE to be included in the Thanksgiving Food Baskets. Our goal is to collect enough to fill 100+ thanksgiving baskets. Please bring your food donations to the Lodge the next time you stop in. The items can be left with in the Secretary's office, Manager's office or at the bar. Your donations need to be delivered to the lodge by November 20th. Mark your calendar to be at the lodge on Sunday November 22nd to help put the baskets together and to deliver them to local families.

SHERIDAN ELKS LODGE 520 GOLF SCRAMBLE

The Sheridan Elks Lodge Golf Scramble was held at Kendrick Golf Course on Saturday, September 26th. A total of \$6,685 was raised for the Lodge and is going towards installation of new windows in the Lodge Lobby and Card Room. Congratulations to the winners: 1st place team of Matt Parker, Randy Warnke, Mark Bell and Glen Wright. 2nd place team of Jared Long, Hannah Barnes, Tim Barnes and Drew Jones. 3rd place team of Chuck Hutton, Wayne Hall, Mike Groshart and Mike Masters.

There were 16 pin prizes were awarded and the UW game board winners were Davis Alden, Carol Reed and Mary Kay Liggett.

Thanks to the committee members, Mary Kay Liggett, Jared Long, Caroline Wilson, Cory Kiser and Nikkita Long. Thank you to Theresa Bonett-Nelson, Stacey Staben, Layne Liggett and Matt Parker for helping as well.

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TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

Ronald Prestfeldt

Born 7/27/1948

Initiated 10/5/1974

Died 8/25/2026

Weldon V. Brouillette

Born 11/19/1933

Initiated 5/1/1956

Died 9/17/2026

*We shall meet, but we shall miss him,
There will be the vacant chair,
But though we no more possess him,
Still our hearts his memory bears.
But a while ago we gathered,
Friendship beaming in each eye,
Now the golden cord is severed,
He has passed to realms on high.*

Propositions For Membership

Bradley Nash

(proposed by Greg Greenough)

Bridger Gransbery

(proposed by Davis Alden)

Darrell Keill

(proposed by Ray Rodriguez)

Eric Pletcher

(proposed by Michael Koepf)

Reinstatement of Membership

Randolph S. Warnke

(proposed by Matt Parker)

Monday Night Dinners Are Back!

October 5th

Cheese Potato Soup

October 12th

Chicken & Noodles

October 19th

Spaghetti

October 26th

Tater Tote Casserole

5pm - 7pm

(or until we run out!)

\$7 per plate

Veteran's Affairs Corner

Veterans Day Drive – Our Lodge is holding its 4th annual drive to help veterans served by the VA. Once again, luggage, duffel/sea bags and backpacks are priority needs in addition to NEW men's underwear. Donations accepted 10/26 – 11/11 and can be left in the Lodge Lobby.

Sundaes on Sunday is our monthly event at the VA eagerly awaited by veterans and staff! Mark Bagley, Fran Bunker, Glenn Fairbank, JoAnn Barker, Brad Nielsen and Bill Szatmary participated.

VA Food Pantry–Did you know our fellow Elk, Bill Szatmary, launched a food pantry at the VA? Tammie LaVoice, Bill and Chelsey Roberts submitted an application to the Elks National Foundation (ENF) for the Elks' \$1,000 Freedom Grant to help stock the pantry over the holidays. The Grant was awarded to Sheridan Elks Lodge 520 and we're so pleased to be able help stock the pantry!

Hides for Vets – Our 4th annual hides collection begins at the end of the month! Preparations are underway to meet or exceed last year's proceeds of \$751. We are expanding to collect deer and elk hides from individual hunters. Spread the word to all the hunters you know.

Welcome Home Kit – We helped another veteran this month transitioning from the VA to the community. We met the social worker and veteran at Walmart to shop for household goods and order a bed for delivery.

Interested in helping veterans?

We would love to see you

at our next meeting on:

Wednesday, October 28th

@ 5:00pm at the Lodge

Check the bulletin board at the Lodge for photos and more information about Veterans Committee activities.

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Elks Lodge #520 Veterans Committee



Happy fall and hunting season to all of you. Hope you all had a great summer.

We are getting busier now that everybody's back and the games have begun. So come on in and see Sadie, Trish, Shelley, Michelle and Caroline and get yourself a cold beverage.

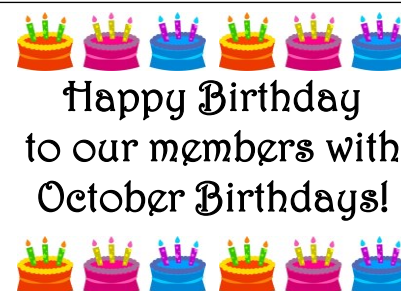
We've got pool leagues on Monday and Thursday nights, and Fantasy football on Wednesdays. Soon we will have dart ball on Wednesdays. Shelley Bougie will be starting the Monday Night Dinners again in October.

The holiday season is coming up so if you are looking for a space to book a party, give me a call as I am starting to get lots of inquiries.

The Lodge is open Monday-Friday 2-9pm and Saturdays from 1-6pm. We may close earlier if we don't have customers. Don't forget Happy Hour is Friday from 5-7pm.

Hope to see you at your local Sheridan Elks Lodge soon!!

Anna





OCTOBER

LODGE CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	3
4 Sundays on Sunday at the Vet	5	6 Orientation 6:45pm Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	7	8	9 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	10
11	12	13 Board of Directors Trustees Meeting 6pm	14	15	16 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	24
					WEA Fall Convention - Jackson, WY	
25	26	27	28 Veteran's Committee Meeting 5pm	29	30 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	31



Sheridan Elks Lodge 520 Welcomes our New Members

Benton Johnson, Wendy Jaqua,
Debra DeWitt & Jacob Kendrick



SAVE THE DATE

10/4 @ 11:45 am SUNDAES on SUNDAY (SoS)

10/28 @ 5:00 pm VETERANS' COMMITTEE MEETING

TBD ANNUAL "DRIVE" VA FOR VETERANS DAY

11/1 - 12/11 HIDES FOR VETS COLLECTION

11/1 @ 11:45 am SUNDAES on SUNDAY (SoS)

11/18 @ 5:00 pm VETERANS' COMMITTEE MEETING

1st Sunday of Month: Sundaes on Sunday (occasional exceptions)
3rd Wednesday of the month: Veterans' Committee Meeting

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THANK YOU to all of our volunteers who help keep our Lodge running smoothly! It truly takes a village... from the general maintenance, to cleaning, to helping with events, the Bugle, and much much more... we appreciate everyone who steps up to help.

THANK YOU to our members for your continued support to our General, Scholarship, Building, Cemetery and Veteran’s funds, as well as WEST and ENF.



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