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## From the Secretary's Office

Greetings!!

Our Lodge currently has 725 members and we have 11 candidates awaiting membership. We currently have 26 delinquent members for 2025-2026 which will be dropped for non-payment at the end of March. If you have not paid your dues for 2025-2026 please do so before the end of the month. Huge thank you to all the members who have already paid their 2026-2027 dues. Remember that your 2026-2027 dues are to be paid by April 1st.

We will have 2 Lodge meetings in April – Tuesday 7th and Tuesday April 21st, both meetings will begin at 7:30 pm. Members plan on attending a Lodge Meeting to support our Lodge and it's officers.

Thank you to everyone involved in and volunteering for our Legerski's Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner!!

Tye Bach will be cooking a Shrimp Dinner (not all you can eat) on April 10th serving from 5:30pm-7:00pm. Dinner will include Shrimp, corn and potatoes.

Thank you to all the outgoing officers for a job well done!

## Veteran's Affairs Corner

The Lodge Veterans Committee and National Veterans' Service Commission are partnering on several projects/initiatives:

-- Sundaes on Sunday – Starting April 5th, and on the first Sunday of every month, we will serve ice cream sundaes to veterans at the Sheridan VA.

-- Victory Garden at the Veterans Home of Wyoming, in Buffalo. Initial planning is underway. May 23rd is the scheduled build date. Stay tuned for more information.

-- Voyage of Valor – Partnering with AARP & other community organizations. Let's send off several Sheridan area Vietnam veterans traveling to Washington, D.C.

If you're interested in participating in this event, there is a sign-up sheet at the bar.

Interested in helping veterans? We would love to see you at our next meeting on: Wednesday, April 8th @ 5:00pm at the Lodge.

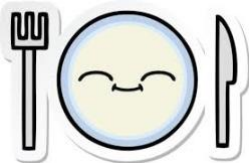
If you are unable to attend but want more information, please email [brad@thenielsens.org](mailto:brad@thenielsens.org) or call 206-914-8800.

*Brad Nielsen*

*Veteran's Affairs Voluntary Service Representative (VAVSR),  
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*Fran Bunker*

*Veteran's Affairs Voluntary Service Deputy Representative  
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## April Lodge Dinner

**Peel & Eat Shrimp  
with Corn on the Cob  
& Roasted Potatoes**

**Friday, April 10th 5:30 -7 pm**

**\$22**

## Triathlon Tournament

April 25, 2026 at the Elks Lodge

Begins at 11 AM



Pool (race to 2)

Dart Ball (6 innings)

Cornhole (1 set to 21)

\$40 per team (limited to 16 teams). Must be an Elks member to enter. Potluck, so bring a dish. 50/50, Raffle Drawings and Prizes!

Contact Shelley Bougie at 307-751-4501 prior to April 25<sup>th</sup> to sign up.



## Queen of Hearts

**\$3,766**

(as of 3/24/2026)

The drawing is held Mondays at 6:00 pm. Come early to get a seat & purchase your tickets. Tickets may also be purchased during the week and on Mondays up until the music starts.

As always, thank you to our Queen of Heart Sponsors!

### Propositions For Membership

David Oakes  
(proposed by Peter Olson)

Tessa Thomas  
(proposed by Joe Yalowizer)

Rose Burns  
(proposed by James Schellinger)

Wade Holwell  
(proposed by Jason Bare)

### Transfer of Membership

Wayne H. Klapp  
(transfer from Scottsdale AZ Lodge 2148)

### *Monday Night Dinners*

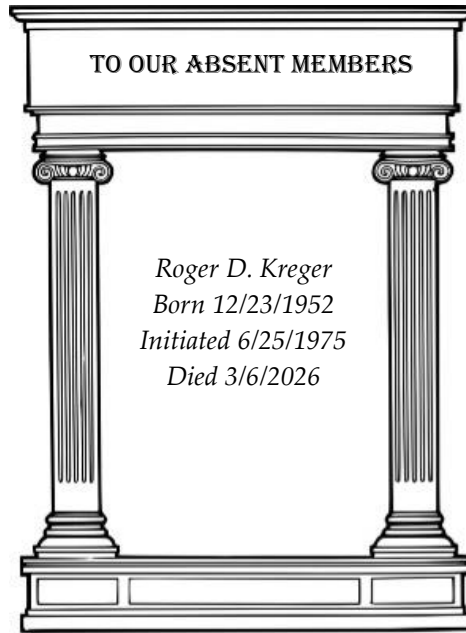
April 6  
Sloppy Joes

April 13  
Croissant Sandwich

April 20  
Chicken Pull Apart

April 27  
Enchiladas

**5:30pm – 7pm**  
**\$5 per plate**



TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

*Roger D. Kreger*  
*Born 12/23/1952*  
*Initiated 6/25/1975*  
*Died 3/6/2026*

### Sheridan Elks Lodge 520 2026 – 2027 Officers

Congratulations to our 2026 – 2027  
Officers of Sheridan Elks Lodge 520.

Exalted Ruler: Forrest DeBolt,  
Est. Leading Knight: Tammie LaVoice  
Est. Loyal Knight: Sara P. Mefford  
Est. Lecturing Knight: Dylan Shaw  
Secretary: Vicki Benedict  
Treasurer: H. Jay Knipple  
Inner Guard: Levi Jorgenson  
Chaplain: Kristi Olson  
Esquire: Kathy Bettcher  
Tiler: Laurie A. Hampton  
1 Year Trustee: Dustin Shaw  
2 Year Trustee: Thomas Benedict  
3 Year Trustee: Dorel Lynn Roberts



### VETERAN'S COMMITTEE IN ACTION

4/5: VA – Sundaes on Sunday  
4/6: 6:45am: Hub: Voyage to Valor  
4/8: 5:00 pm - Veteran's Committee Meeting  
5/3: VA Sundaes on Sunday  
5/23: Victory Garden (Buffalo) build  
6/7: Sundaes on Sunday  
6/27: KARZ Show – Volunteers needed



Happy Spring to you all.

April is here, time to get those gardens cleaned out and then afterward come on by for an ice cold beverage.

We are open Monday-Friday 2-9pm and Saturday 1-6pm. Don't forget our Happy Hour on Friday from 5-7pm.

Have a grad party, family reunion, birthday, or just a get together give me a call and book your space - Anna Turner (307) 413-3807.

Don't forget about our Shrimp Feed on April 10<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:30pm. Tye Bach will be our guest chef.

Monday night's Queen of Hearts is still on so come on down! While you are here, get yourself a \$5 dinner from Shelley Bougie. The drawing is held at 6pm so make sure you give yourself enough time to get your drink and tickets before then.

Hope to see you at your local Sheridan Elks Lodge #520 soon!!

Anna



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Happy Birthday  
to our members with  
April birthdays





# APRIL LODGE CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	4
5	6 Queen of Hearts 6pm	7 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	8 Veteran's Committee Meeting 5pm	9	10 Happy Hour 5-7 pm <b>Shrimp Dinner 5:30 - 7 pm</b>	11
12	13 Queen of Hearts 6pm	14 Board of Directors Trustees Meeting 6pm	15	16	17 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	18
19	20 Queen of Hearts 6pm	21 Orientation 6:30pm Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	22	23	24 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	25 <i>Triathlon Tournament 11am</i>
26	27 Queen of Hearts 6pm	28	29	30	31 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	



## *Sheridan Elks Lodge 520 Welcomes our New Members*

Adam Ritterbush, Linda Songer,  
Gary Johnson, Trana Johnson, TC Allen Arzy,  
Candrice Sweem, Logan Bishop,  
Virginia Fraser, Kyle Fraser and Levi Jensen



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**Trustees**

Dorel L. Roberts    Dustin Shaw    Thomas Benedict

**THANK YOU!**

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.



Check out our new Lodge Pin commemorating our Lodge's 125 Anniversary. They are available for purchase at the bar for \$5. Be sure to stop in and get one!

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