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From the Secretary's Office

Greetings!

Our lodge currently has 698 members and we have 19 candidates awaiting membership. We currently have 122 delinquent members for 2026-2027. If you have not paid your dues yet, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you once again to the members who have paid on time.

Starting in May through January 2027 the Lodge will only have one meeting a month which will be the first Tuesday of each month. Lodge meetings start at 7:30 pm and we encourage our members to attend Lodge meetings to support our Lodge and it's Officer's.

Thank you to Tye Bach and everyone that volunteered with cooking, serving and cleaning up for our Shrimp dinner. Thank you members for coming out and enjoying the evening with us.

Saturday, April 25th was the Triathlon and fun was had by all. We ended up with 9 teams with the winners being 1st - Dave & Anna Turner, 2nd - Chuck Dudrey & George Williams, 3rd - Trish Penn & Cory Kiser. Sammy Hesselgesser & Ed Smith were the winners of the Elks 520 Triathlon Loser award. Thank you to everyone who came out and participated and a special thank you to Shelley for organizing and making it a success.

Vicki

Lodge Secretary

May Lodge Dinner

Brisket Dinner with

Potato Salad, Baked Beans & Dessert
(Guest Chef: Jimmie Legerski)

Friday, May 8th

5:30 -7 pm

\$15

Congratulations Sheridan Elks Lodge #520 2026 Scholarship Recipients



Jenna Hansen, Joshua Fried & Dani Grooms

Thank you to our Scholarship Committee for all of their hard work and dedication to this great program: Dustin Shaw, Tye Bach, Jim Will, Levi Jorgensen and Matt Gale. We appreciate all you do!

Memorial Day Flags

Join us on Sunday, May 24th at 10am at the Sheridan Elks Cemetery to help place flags throughout our cemetery in celebration of Memorial Day. Any questions, please call Vicki at the Lodge.





Queen of Hearts

\$1,716

(as of 4/27/2026)

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

Cheryl Lynn Nelson
(proposed by Linda Songer)

Wade Baker
(proposed by James L. Nelson)

Thomas Barbret
(proposed by James L. Nelson)

Suzan Youngbauer
(proposed by Linda Songer)

Transfer of Membership

Adam Quist
(from Cheyenne Lodge #660)

Harry Woodruff
(from Idaho Falls Lodge #1087)

From the Exalted Ruler

Hello Elkdom,

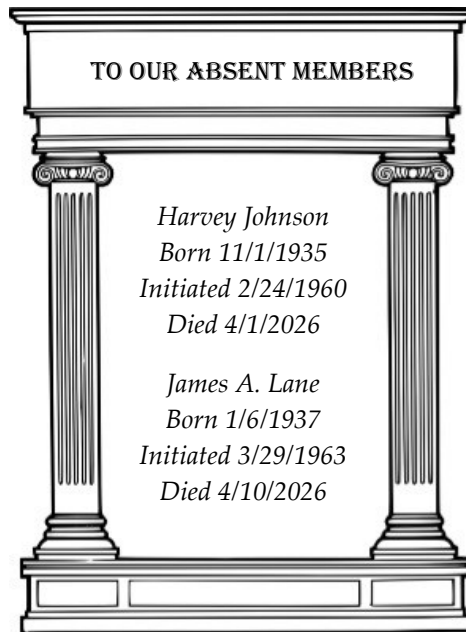
I want to thank all the new officers and committee chairs that have volunteered their time for the new year.

As we move forward into the second month of the new fiscal year, I would like to remind all the members that have not paid their dues to do so. If anyone knows of someone that has not paid, please urge them to do so.

Thanks again to all the Officers, Trustees, staff and volunteers at the Sheridan Elks Lodge for your commitment and dedication to this wonderful fraternal organization.

Fraternally,

Forrest DeBolt
Exalted Ruler



TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

Harvey Johnson
Born 11/1/1935
Initiated 2/24/1960
Died 4/1/2026

James A. Lane
Born 1/6/1937
Initiated 3/29/1963
Died 4/10/2026

Veteran's Affairs Corner

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

- Sundaes on Sunday (1st Sunday of every month) – Our launch of SoS was a huge success! We served ice cream sundaes to veterans at the Sheridan VA on Easter Sunday. After a few training months, we plan to open up signups to the Lodge.
- Victory Garden at the Veterans Home of Wyoming, in Buffalo. May 23rd is the scheduled build date. Stay tuned for more information.
- Voyage of Valor – JoAnn Barker, Brad and Fran sent off several Sheridan area Vietnam veterans, sponsored by AARP's Wish Foundation, who traveled to Washington, D.C. in early April.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday, June 27th. More info in next month's Bugle. The VA is counting on the Elks Lodge for volunteers to help! A signup sheet will be in the Lodge in early June.

Interested in helping veterans? We would love to see you at our next meeting on:

Wednesday, May 20th @ 5:00pm at the Lodge. If you are unable to attend but want more information, please email brad@thenielsens.org or call 206-914-8800.



Winter just won't let go. Hope you are all staying warm.

Come on in for some socializing and try our new unique drink specials. We have added some new items behind our bar. Monster is now available in many flavors. We also have added Hendricks gin, Orphan girl, and Hazy IPA on draft.

Don't forget about our activities here such as Pull Tabs, Pigs, and Queen of Hearts for members. Also we have Pin Ball, arcade games, pool, and darts. Bring your family in for an interactive night.

Sunshine is coming so give me a call to book your grad party, family reunion, birthday party, retirement party, or even a celebration of life. We have a great space here.

Shelley Bougie held a Bar Triathlon here at the Elks on April 25. Thank You Shelley... what a great day! For those of you who missed it, we are hoping to do it more often. Don't forget to read your Bugle and mark your calendars.

Don't miss the Brisket dinner this month on May 8th. We will be closed this May 25th for Memorial Day.

Bar is open Monday-Friday 2-9pm, Friday 5-7pm Happy Hour & Saturdays from 1-6pm. Hope to see you at your local Sheridan Elks Lodge #520 soon!!

Anna



Happy Birthday
to our members with
May birthdays





MAY

LODGE CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	2
3	4 Queen of Hearts 6pm	5 Orientation 6:30pm Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	6	7	8 Happy Hour 5-7 pm Brisket Dinner 5:30 - 7pm	9
10	11 Queen of Hearts 6pm	12 Board of Directors Trustees Meeting 6pm	13	14	15 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	16
17	18 Queen of Hearts 6pm	19	20 High School Senior Breakfast 7am Veteran's Committee Meeting 5pm	21	22 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	23
24 Flags at Cemetery 10am	25 Lodge Closed for Memorial Day	26	27	28	29 Happy Hour 5-7 pm	30
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*Sheridan Elks
Lodge 520
Welcomes our New
Members*

Mark Law
and
Caroline Wilson



Monday Night Dinners

May 4
Stroganoff

May 11
Wings

May 18
Taco Salad

*5:30pm - 7pm
\$5 per plate*

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Esteemed Lecturing Knight	Dylan Shaw
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Esquire	Kathy Bettcher
Inner Guard	Levi Jorgenson
Chaplain	Kristi Olson
Tiler	Laurie Hampton

Trustees

Dustin Shaw, Thomas Benedict & D. Lynn Roberts

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.



High School Senior Breakfast

Sheridan Elks Lodge 520 will, once again, be hosting breakfast for Sheridan County High School Seniors on Wednesday, May 20th beginning at 7am. This breakfast is open to all Sheridan County High School Seniors and is one of our Lodge's favorite traditions.

If you would like to volunteer for the breakfast: cooking, serving, cleaning, etc., please contact Vicki at the Lodge.

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