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NUMBERS TO REMEMBER

Exalted Ruler	253-272-1117
Lodge and Lodge Secretary	253-272-1117
Membership	253-272-1117
Reservations and Banquets	253-272-1117
Golf Course (Pro-Shop)	253-627-7211
Barber Shop	253-343-6046
Fax	253-272-1303
Lodge E-Mail tacoma.elks	atacomaelks.com
Web Addressww	w.tacomaelks.com
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The Urban Elk Restaurant.. 253-343-6090

PLEASE OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING DEADLINE

"The Call"

copy deadline 20th of the month

MEMBERSHIP ROLL INFORMATION

Beginning Membership Total 04/01/2024	820
Initiated Since Then	9
Reinstatements	4
Incoming Transfers	4
REMOVED FROM ROLLS AT MEMBERS' OWN R	<u>EQUEST</u>
Dropped	4
Transferred Out	0
Absolute Dimits	0
Deceased	3

RECRUITING/LAPSATION INFORMATION

Number of Membership Applications on Hand	5
Number of Reinstatement Applications on Hand	0
Number of Transfer Applications on Hand	0

CHANGE OF ADDRESS ARE YOU MOVING?

Calculated Membership Total

Notify the Lodge Office! Call (253) 272-1117

or come by the reception desk and we will be happy to help you.



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A Message From Our Exalted Ruler

Gil Mendoza



Hello Dear Friends and Fellow Elks! Last month in my message I saluted our flag and the hundreds of thousands who put their love for such to the ultimate test. As we look directly at the anniversary of our independence on July 4, and honor the day by proudly displaying our Nation's flag, I reflect upon the multitude of generations who gave us this opportunity by simply "doing their duty." They lived their lives and put their connections to others above themselves. In describing these individuals, we have all heard others talk about character traits such as respect, commitment, perseverance, humility, honesty, and service. Undoubtedly you have or will hear about the awesome responsibility that goes with manifesting any one of these, let alone all of them in any person's character. Across our membership, we have already personified this to a great degree.

I would like to share about another character trait – HAPPINESS – our duty to it, and offer an insight as to where happiness begins, and where you might find it in yourself. The great author Robert Louis Stevenson once wrote "there is no duty we underrate so much as the duty of being happy." Now there is a bit of morality as serious as it is smiling. I never did become convinced of what I was so smugly told in childhood: "be good and you will be happy." Whereas I am quite sure that if you are happy, you will be good.

People who generate this inner sunshine make life more pleasant for those around them. Their impulses lead to correct action; their thoughts are usually true. They have their roots in some deep shining faith.

Well, anyone can be in good spirits when the luck is running their way. But happiness is not always the result of fortune. It is frequently a virtue, and a brave one. Happiness comes of the grace to accept life gratefully, and make the most of the best of it. That is not always easy, or our famous author would not elsewhere have spoken of his "Great Task of Happiness." Very naturally, we resent those tiresome Pollyanna's who foist their cheerfulness upon us regardless of our fate and feelings. Only the whiners and grumblers are harder to bear with; and those spoiled children of privilege who waste the joys they have by not knowing they have them.

But look around you at some others! Every day you meet them; men and women who you know to have such trials or disappointments, or poverty of opportunity that you marvel at their faces. They are not only brave; they are getting some joy out of life. Such people, I believe, improve the climate of our world. They put heart in others to shoulder gallantly the great duty of happiness.

Also look to yourselves... and you will see them. Reflect on why you joined the Elks. Rekindle that curiosity to seek out, within your Lodge, what it was that drew you in to it. You must have thought it would bring you some happiness. Prove it again. We have lifted each other's spirits in times of trouble. Continue to not miss the chances of pleasure in a sunset, or the face of a friend at the door, or in our Lodge. As you proceed within your membership, seek challenges, and find (or renew) relationships that make you happy. And for certain, be happy in our many accomplishments thus far, because they are yours as well.

Lastly, and most important, take the time to physically come in and take another good look around you. You will see family and friends here who support you and say "YES YOU CAN!" when others may have said you can't, or you didn't believe in yourself. Carry those loved ones in your happy hearts because they will always be a part of you and you a part of them. Your doing will be their doing as well. Only in our Great Country can we embrace this freedom with reciprocal, positive presuppositions. Happy Independence Day!



From the Desk of . . . Lodge Secretary **Lee Frankie**



We are currently in our Summer Lodge Meeting schedule, having meetings in July and August on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. The plan is to start the Barbeques before the Lodge meetings again. This is an activity that has always been important to our Members, so we want to continue the tradition. At this time the Barbeques will take place on Meeting nights between 4:30 PM & 6 PM. Remember to bring your family and friends to our Barbeques as you don't have to be an Elk to have a burger.

If you haven't paid this years dues, this is the perfect time to get this accomplished. Our reminder phone calls will be starting in the near future. Remember our Members are what make this Lodge great. This is an excellent time to sponsor a New Member into our Lodge, all Members need to get an application and find someone special to share it with.

Have a GREAT Summer and we hope to see you at the Lodge soon.

Fraternally & Respectfully,

Lee



If you are currently Serving in the military, or a Veteran we would like your information for a slideshow to honor them,

Please send your:

(Name / Years as a an Elk Member / Branch of Service / Picture)

Email their info to : buddyaladino@gmail.com

Tacoma Elks 15TH ANNUAL GARLAND FAMILY CHARITY



TOURNAMENT

JULY 27,2024

\$500 Entry Fee Per Team

Entry Fee Includes:

Green Fees & Cart

Refreshments on the course

Complimentary Lunch

Awards, Prizes, and Auction

ALLENMORE GOLF COURSE TACOMA, WA

7:30AM CHECK-IN
9AM SHOTGUN START
1:30PM BBQ LUNCH,
AWARDS, & AUCTION

COMPETITION
4 PLAYER SCRAMBLE
BOGEY MAX SCORE PER HOLE
HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST
PUTTING CONTEST
CLOSEST TO THE PIN & LONG DRIVE

LIMITED TO THE FIRST 25 TEAMS ENTRY DEADLINE - JULY 22ND, 2024

Registration online will open April 15th Signups/details can be found at Allenmoregolfcourse.com under the events calendar

Proceeds
Support the WA
Elks Therapy
Program for
Children

Sign upatoday, single players welcome.



July 27th, 2024

Allenmore Golf Course - 2013 S Cedar St, Tacoma, WA 9AM Shotgun start

Sponsorships

Join Allenmore Golf Course and the Washington State Elks Association in support of the Therapy Program for Children, providing free support to families with developmentally delayed or physically disabled children.

Don't miss your opportunity to advertise your products and services while changing the lives of children all across Washington State.

Sign up below or contact craig@tacomaelks.com for more information.

Birdie Sponsor \$1000

Entry for team of 4 Logo and name featured on each tee box

Food Sponsor \$750

Logo and name on buffet tables

Cart Sponsor \$500

Logo and name featured on all golf carts

Hole Sponsor \$200

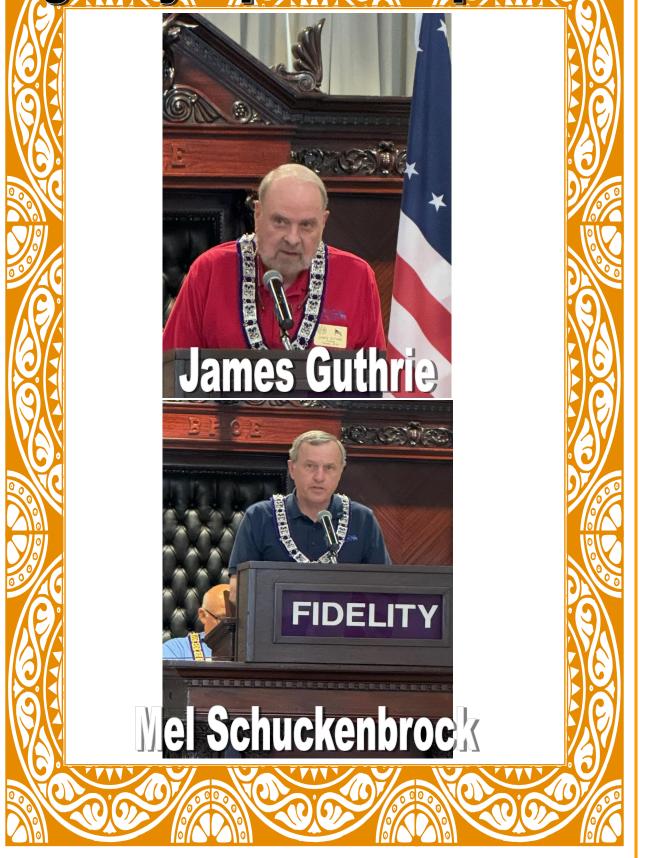
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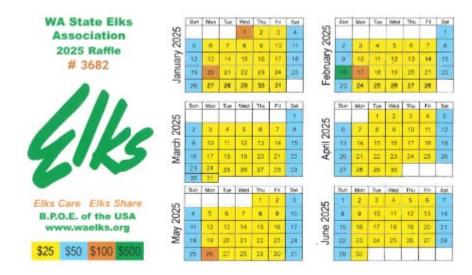
YES, sign me up for a sponsorship:		
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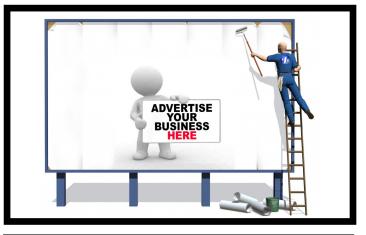
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OUR KIDS

Washington Elks Therapy Program for Children, Inc. Our State Major Project



Lucas, a resilient soul born on December 6th, 2005, has defied the odds stacked against him since his first breath. Diagnosed with arthrogryposis and multiple orthopedic disabilities, his path seemed fraught with challenges from the very beginning. Yet, amidst the uncertainty, there emerged a beacon of hope in the form of the Washington Elks Therapy Program for Children.

Since Lucas was a mere 3 months old, he has received consistent and compassionate care from his occupational therapist provided by the Elks community. Lucas's journey has been marked by approximately 11 surgeries, including two major hip procedures. In the face of medical prognoses that painted a bleak picture of immobility, Lucas's strides toward mobility stand as a testament to the transformative power of therapy and perseverance.

The doctors' initial verdict was disheartening - Lucas would never walk. However, through sheer determination and the collaboration of his family, therapist, and the Elk community, Lucas not only walks but strides confidently towards his dreams. His therapist's expertise, coupled with Lucas's indomitable spirit, has paved the way for numerous milestones and successes.

As Lucas prepares to embark on his adult journey at the University of Oregon this fall, his trajectory is a testament to the profound impact of community support. The Elks community, in particular, has played a pivotal role in shaping Lucas's life. Their unwavering dedication to making a difference in the lives of children like Lucas reverberates through every step he takes.

Reflecting on the invaluable contributions of the Elks community, Lucas's family expresses profound gratitude. Their collective efforts have not only improved Lucas's quality of life but have instilled hope and inspiration in countless others facing similar challenges.

Lucas himself attests to the transformative nature of therapy provided by the Elks and the support of the community. Despite grappling with arthrogryposis, scoliosis, and a myriad of other impairments, Lucas acknowledges the significant improvement in his range of motion and functional abilities. For Lucas, the Elks community is more than just a support system—they are beacons of light illuminating the path to a brighter future.

In celebrating Lucas's journey, we also celebrate the resilience of the human spirit and the power of community. His story serves as a poignant reminder that with unwavering support and determination, the impossible can indeed become possible. As Lucas continues

to defy expectations and chart his course, he embodies the essence of perseverance, courage, and hope.

THANK YOU FLKS!!!!







Elks Care - Elks Share



June's Initiation Class
New Members
Robert Coleman, John Finnila, Marvin Cummins
& Carey Ferguson

This is where you should be Wednesday Nights.



PM Lodge Meeting Have fun with all your Elk friends



Return of the Crying Towel Members names drawn for the Jackpot Not Present to win \$100.00

6/12/2024 Harry Harnmish 6/26/2024 Michael Kheriaty



Wanted

Pool Players for the Tuesday Pool League
Men and Women all levels of ability
Come and have fun

Contact: Wayne Leslie 253-370-5162

Bob Warren 253-564-7899

Saturday Game Night

Remember to come to the Tacoma Lodge's Sports Bar on Saturday evenings. There are various things for you to do and play. We are here to have fun.





Check out the Allenmore
PRO SHOP

Many items to look at.

Schedule a round of golf and Enjoy talking to the professionals.

Need a Good Book to Read?



Need a Good Book to Read?

Members, don't forget the Elks have a small collection of books to borrow for your reading pleasure. The bookcases full of books can be found downstairs in the Club area. Donations of books are always welcome.

One Day a Month Join the Funtimers for Lunch and Cards

We are the Funtimers, seniors who meet for lunch and card playing in the Urban Elk Restaurant once a month. We meet the first Wednesday of the month. If you are interested in joining us, Wednesday, July 3rd is our next luncheon. Come join us and introduce yourself. We meet at 11:30 to beat the lunch crowd. Enjoy a good lunch and then play the card game "31" if you want to stay. It costs 3 quarters to play in the game and you might go home with everyone else's quarters! It's a fun way to spend an hour or two.



Join the Bingo Players on Monday Nights

Enjoy hot summer evenings in the cool, air-conditioned Elks' Lodge Room playing Bingo. Bring your family and friends and spend a couple of hours having fun, and maybe winning money! The number of players has grown so the winning pots are bigger.

You can purchase your Bingo cards starting at 6 pm with Bingo starting at 7 pm, and ending by 9 pm. Each strip contains 3 Bingo cards and each strip costs \$2.00. By playing Bingo, you help our lodge and our charities such as ENF, Tall Elks, Veterans, and other local causes. Thanks to all who play and volunteer their time to help out. By playing Bingo you can help us continue our donations for charity. One of our recent donations made was to assist in the purchase of Parkland School. It helped the Parkland Community Assn. make the first payment for the purchase.





Do you have a plant problem?

Summer time is here and that sometimes means plant issues. Do you have pests that you can't identify and treat? Have plants that should have bloomed by now and haven't? Can't determine if something growing in your yard is something you want or a weed? You have sickly looking plants? You may find the help you need at one of the following websites.

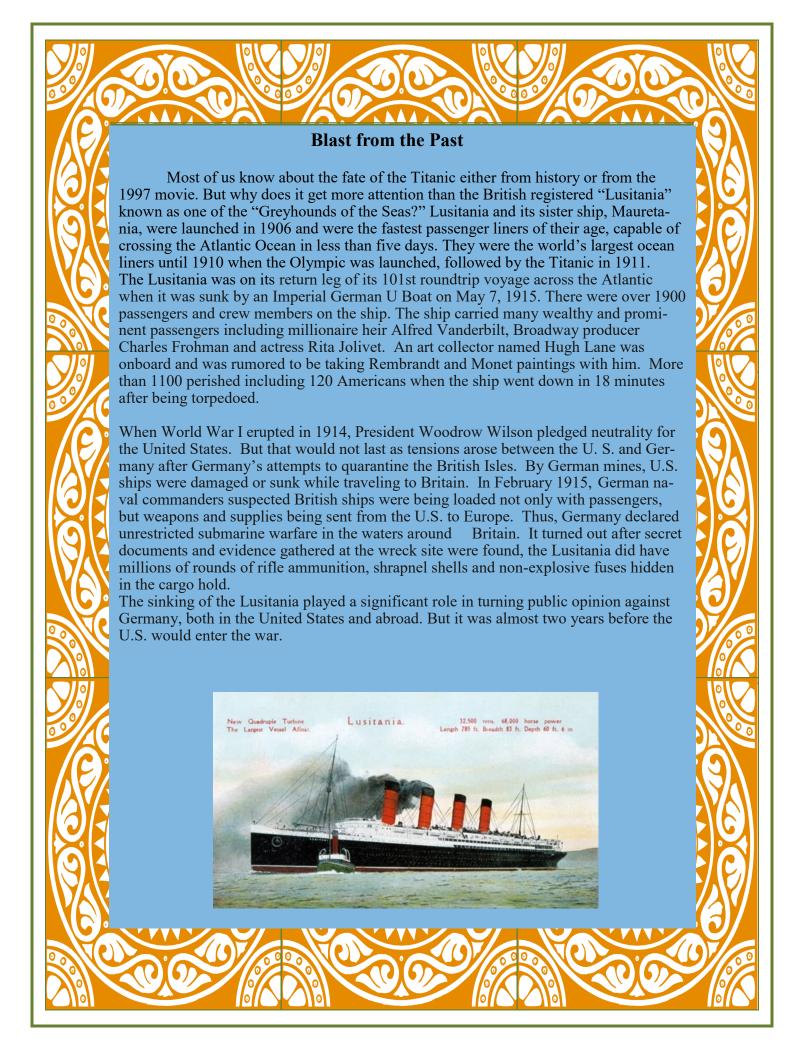
For general gardening questions go to Gardening.wsu.edu.

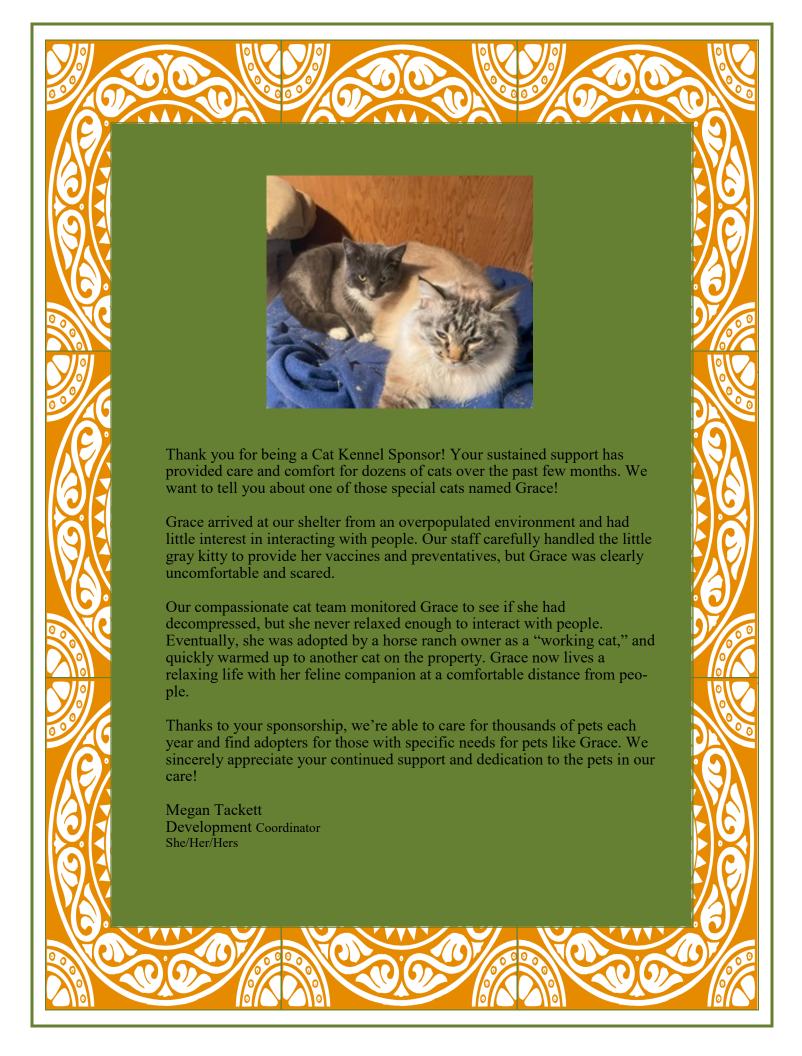
For plant pest/disease solutions go to hortsense.cahnrs.wsu.edu or pestense.cahnrs.wsu.edu. If you can't find the answer to your issue, you can email Master Gardeners at pierce.mg@wsu.edu or call 253-798-7170

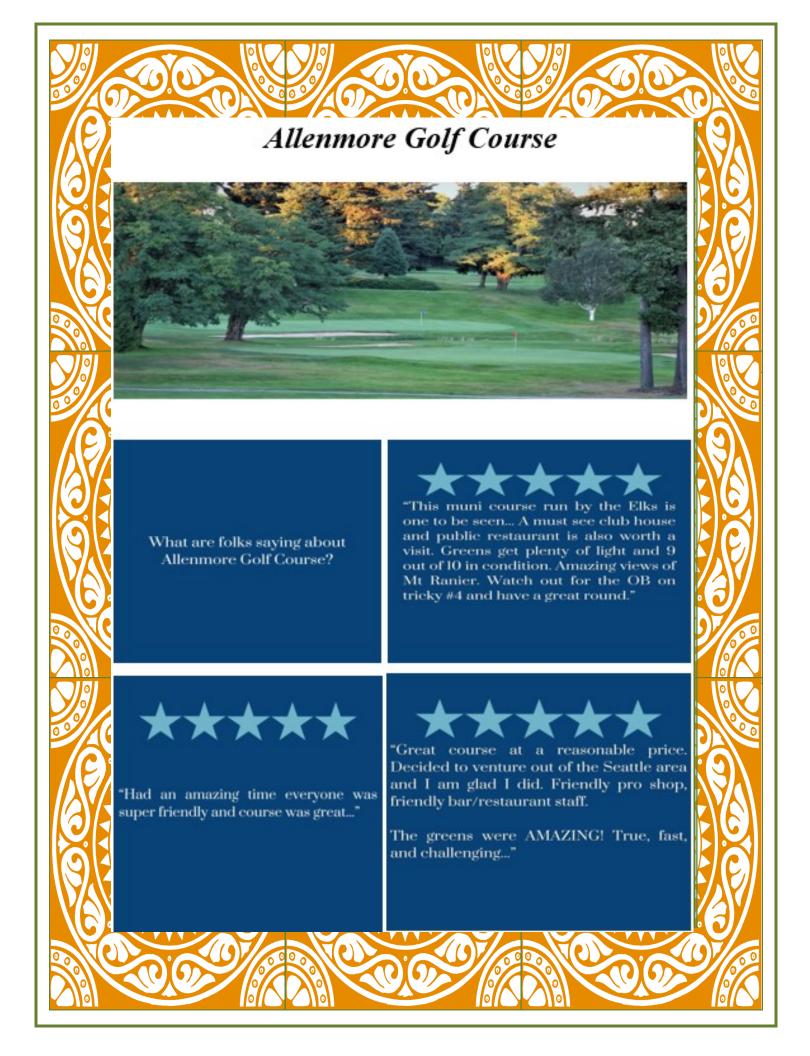


Please don't litter. Help keep the Tacoma Elks Lodge's grounds free of cans, bottles, cigar and cigarette butts, loose paper, etc. by placing your waste in one of our disposal receptacles. If you see trash on the ground, please help us by picking it up and placing it in one of the disposal receptacles. Your cooperation is sincerely appreciated.











Get your junior involved with golf! We offer a 3-day Operation 36 camp, where you'll junior will learn the fundamentals of golf and get out on the course to play 9 holes. Our expert golf coaches are dedicated to helping young golfers of all skill levels to improve their golf game!

Each Camp \$325 (\$50 OP36 Family discount) 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Camp #1 - June 26-28 (Wed-Fri)

Camp #2 - July 10-12 (Wed-Fri)

Camp #3 - July 23-25 (Tues-Thurs)

Camp #4 - August 6-8 (Tues-Thurs)

CAMP INCLUDES

- On-course play time the last day of camp to put your new skills to the test
- Opportunity to earn poker chips to spend at the end of camp on toys, candy, etc.
- Engaging games designed to help your child have a blast, make new friends, and develop healthy competitiveness.
- Up to 12 juniors ages 6-14 6:1 student to coach ratio.





Allenmore Golf Course
Email sara@teamgriffingolf.com for more









Join us at the Wednesday night Barbeques.





Sports Bar Hours

Monday

Closed

Tuesday

11am - 7pm

Wednesday

Closed

Thursday

10am - 3pm

Friday

5pm - 9pm

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Saturday

5pm - 9pm

Sunday

Closed

Please call office M-F for holiday hours 253 272-1117



July 2024

Lodge Meetings on Wednesdays

Tacoma Elks Lodge

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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		NO BINGO	Z Taco Tuesday	3 Urban Elk Steaks NO Lodge Meeting	4	5 Lodge Office Closed	6 Urban Elk Music 4-7 PM
	7	Bingo 7 PM	9 Taco Tuesday	Urban Elk Steaks Lodge Meeting 7 PM	11	12	13 Urban Elk Music 4-7 PM
	14	Bingo 7 PM	16 Taco Tuesday	Urban Elk Steaks NO Lodge Meeting	18	19	Urban Elk Music 4-7 PM
	21	Bingo 7 PM	Z3 Taco Tuesday	Urban Elk Steaks Lodge Meeting 7 PM	25	26	27 Urban Elk Music 4-7 PM
	28	Bingo 7 PM 29	30 Taco Tuesday	31 Urban Elk Steaks NO Lodge Meeting			
	June	30 th - J	July 3 rd	Grand	Lodge	Conve	ntion

Support Your Lodge Come to July's Lodge Meetings

Elks Care - Elks Share





Support our Foundation by donating online. You could give through the Lodge, but the *only* difference when you donate online is how quickly your gift helps others.

Donate to the Elks National Foundation online at enf.elks.org/MyLodge

MAKE GIVING EASY & JOIN THE CLUB!

Sign up for our monthly, sustaining giving program—the ENF Fidelity Club!

- Give automatic, regularly scheduled donations each month from your credit card or bank account.
- Receive special membership benefits and recognition pieces.
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- Sign up by scanning the QR code and make a sustaining difference in Elks communities today!





Use the QR code to sign up today.



TACOMA ELKS LODGE #174 P. O. Box 11008 Tacoma, Washington 98411-0015

Come play Bingo every Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Lodge! *The more people*, *The bigger the pot!*



Cash prizes for every game! *Card sales begin at 6:00 p.m.* Come have some fun!