

CLAM DIGGER

OCEAN SHORES, NORTH BEACH LODGE #2581

JULY 2016 ISSUE

Our Motto:

"The faults of our members we write upon the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and Memory."



IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

North Beach Ocean Shores Lodge #2581 was presented the

Frank O. Garland



EXHALTED RULER = RON DEVORE

Did you notice the old worn vinyl rails at the bar have been replaced with bright new material? What was the cost to the lodge? Nothing. Donovan Scott volunteered to contribute the material and do the work as he has done in years past. For this reason, he is being named Elk of the Month. Thanks Don.

Your Officers and P.E.R.s Dan Fajardo and Tony Woodbeck just returned from the State Convention in Pasco. We attended different workshops and training sessions with up to date information to help us run our lodge.

Through your efforts and those of your 2015/2016 Officers and Board of Directors, I am very happy to report the following announcements from the State Convention:

Every Lodge in Washington made the G.E.R.s goal of \$4.65 per capita to Elks National Foundation in 2015/2016. However, our state president's goal was \$10 per capita. By your generosity we exceeded it with an ending calculation of \$11.612.

We received the most coveted of Grand Lodge awards, the All American Lodge Award. Competition for the award is based on District, State and Grand Lodge levels. Points are earned by competing Lodges based on participation in 44 categories including posting a gain in membership and participation in Grand Lodge contests and programs such as Elks National Foundation, Hoop Shoot, GER Awards and Youth Scholarship programs

More good news, our Lodge received the Frank O. Garland award for being the best overall Lodge in Washington State.

We were one of sixteen Lodges to show a gain in membership. Your support and the work of your 2015/2016 Officers and Board of Directors meant that we returned from the State Convention with two checks for the Lodge totaling \$5,500. Please help us do the same in 2016/2017.

On June 30 Lynda and I will leave for Texas where we will attend the National Convention in Houston. I will report to you about that in next month's Clam Digger.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS - DAN FAJARDO

Board of Directors Report, July 2016

What a way to start July, in April 2013 a new group of officers were installed and a new journey began. As we contemplated our current situation we made a few decisions that would transform our Lodge to what it is today; financially we were broke, very few activities in the Lodge and membership was steady but not growing much. We the new officers along with many Volunteers, too

long a list to mention, became a Team; we embarked on a journey to make our Lodge the Best in our Region. We made a few changes to improve our revenue sources, greater involvement in the community and expanded our charitable projects; also with the help of our members we have become one of the friendliest Lodges in our State. At the time we were ranked in the bottom 10 in the state, as the journey continued and we made changes and our position moved up in the state rankings, we started quarterly reviews of the overall functions of the Lodge, we made sure our reports and finances were on the right track, we increased our charitable and community projects and we finished last year from #15 to #2 overall in the State. After reading the reports we analyzed what we needed to do to make us better, you need to understand that there are about 30 categories by which the lodges are ranked, we lost by .002%; at that moment we set our goal on moving that extra step to be the best. At the Award dinner they were passing all the various award for ENF, Tall Elks, Membership etc.. we were mentioned in a few as being in the top 5 or top 3 but no award, then it was the time for the most prestigious award, the Frank O. Garland, for the best overall lodge in the State. As they started to mention how some of the lodges had done and improved their standing or went down from last year our Lodge was never mentioned, we looked at each other and we thought what did we do wrong that we are not even in the top rankings. Then Joe Basil started reading some of the accomplishments that the winning lodge had done, how like the Phoenix had come back to life stronger than ever and then he said "This Lodge moved up one place" we started jumping and celebrating before he finished the sentence, we knew it was our little Lodge from Ocean Shores. Yes it was us, Ocean Shores Lodge # 2581 the recipient of the Frank O Garland Award for the best overall lodge in the State of Washington, what a proud moment, we hugged, we cried we gave thanks to all the volunteers that help us in this journey and now it continues on a National level. We must not think of this as the end of the Journey but as the beginning of the next chapter, the next pinnacle in the never ending road to keep our Lodge as one the best in the Nation and be proud of it. Along with this award we get \$5,000.00 to beautify the Lodge, I thank every member for being part of this achievement. Our next BOD meetings will be on Monday July 11th at 4:00pm and remember is open to all Lodge Members, this is your Lodge and we are your representatives; if you have any ideas or suggestions for the Board please come to the meetings and let us know, we want to hear from you. Again thanks to all our members for their continued support and big thanks to all the Volunteers for a Fantastic Job.

"We should give as we would receive, cheerfully, quickly, and without hesitation; for there is no grace in a benefit that sticks to the fingers" -Seneca

Do not forget "ELKS CARE- ELKS SHARE"

Fraternally yours, Dan Fajardo, Chairman, PER



ESTEEMED LEADING KNIGHT – KAREN WOODBECK

What an exciting month for our Elks Lodge! We had fun and showed the Elks Spirit at the Flag Day Parade then followed that with a moving Flag Retirement Ceremony. You really missed out if you didn't attend! The ER, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Secretary and I all have returned from the summer conference in Pasco. It is great to get input from so many other lodges and know the true spirit of Elksdom is alive and growing. Our lodge made major strides during the past year, thanks to all of you!

We Received commendations for Tall Elks donations, ENF donations and a plus 1 in membership (it doesn't hurt that the Membership recognition comes with a 500.00 check for our Lodge). Also the West District (that's us) is the only district in the state that had a plus 1! Yeah Team!!!!

If that wasn't great for us then we also got **NUMBER 1 LODGE IN THE STATE**. That is quite an accomplishment since we were towards the bottom of the list 4 years ago! Thank you to all members, volunteers, officers and the DD team. Without all of you this would not be possible! The award for this honor is \$5000.00 for Lodge Beautification. So obviously your Officers and members at this convention were stoked!!!

Finally on Sunday afternoon there was the wine raffle of the Grand Exalted Ruler Ron Hicks. \$5.00 a ticket. I bought one as it supports ENF. I won!!! Not only did I receive the wine and GER autographed bottles (these will be auctioned at a later date to raise ENF donations) I found out afterwards that the \$1470 that was raised selling tickets for this raffle will be donated to ENF in the Lodge and State name. That adds another \$3.70 ENF per capita for our Lodge. I am so proud of our Lodge and Our Members!!!

Leading Knight, Karen Woodbeck



ESTEEMED LOYAL KNIGHT - KATHY MILLER

Getting Ideas? By the time you read this we will have completed the Family Feud night and a Line Dancing class. Did you like it and did you have fun? If these ideas triggered some event you think would be fun for the lodge please let me know. I am especially interested in adding something on Saturday nights very few members come in over the weekend. We are still looking for people interested in volunteering to Bar tend, cook a meal on Thursday, help with Paddle wheel, assist or lead the effort to manage the Scholarship program for the lodge or assist with repairs on the lodge. If we get several people we reduce the frequency they need to volunteer.

Serenity
As I look. Beyond the ripples of my reflections
To examine my inner self. The ripples begin to fade.....
As the reflection lays beside me. Grasping my hand, the inner warmth shields me.
And the vision of my reflection appears. I see you. My Friend. By Dena Martin

Kathy Miller, Loyal Knight



OPEN TUESDAY - SATURDAY at 4:00 PM
Closed Sunday & Monday

Your Jolly Cork Bartenders have accepted the challenge of having a summer signature cocktail! So every time you see one of the bartenders behind the bar, their specialty drink will be available for a very special price!

Jimmy - Mojito - refreshing and wonderfully minty! Jimmy will muddle one right up for you!

Joan - Joan's Especial Margarita - if you have ever had one of Joan's margaritas, then you know this handmade margarita is especially delicious!

Arlene - Jazzy Blue Cocktail - Arlene's blend is not only refreshing and tasty, but beautiful in the glass!

Forrest - Paloma - Once again, Forrest, The man with the tequila know how, brings on a wonderful summer tequila concoction!

Diana - Coffee Confections! Hot or iced, Diane I'll whip you up a coffee beverage that I'll make you love coffee, even if you're not a coffee lover!

So when you see our wonderful volunteer bartenders behind the bar, have one of their signature cocktails to make your evening perfect! Watch for other fun specials too! They are always creating something new and fun!

Thursday Night Joker's Wild

Rules of the Game

1. Open to Ocean Shores Lodge members in good standing and their spouses.
2. Tickets will be available at the bar - \$1.00 per ticket.
3. Ticket drawings will be held every Thursday at 7:00 PM.
4. All tickets must have first and last name of the ticket holder.
5. Tickets will be drawn until the holder of a drawn ticket is present. Tickets that are drawn but the ticket holder is not present will be discarded.
6. All remaining tickets will be discarded after each week's drawing. The next week will begin with an empty ticket drum and the jackpot will continue building from the previous week.

YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

**THE OCEAN SHORES ELKS LODGE
INVITES YOU TO THE 5TH ANNUAL
HAVANA NIGHTS DINNER/DANCE**

SATURDAY JULY 2ND



**DANCE TO THE RHYTHM OF LATIN MUSIC
ENJOY ORIGINAL CUBAN FOOD
TUERCO ASAJO, ARECZY TRUJILES,
PLATANOS FRITO**



Welcome JULY

FRIDAY NIGHT MUSIC AND DANCING



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Lodge Office Hours 4:00 pm Lounge Open 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Dinner is Served	2 4:00 pm Lounge Open 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Havana Nights Party
3 12:00 pm - 1:29 pm Lunch 1:30 pm Bingo 8:30 pm Elks 2581 Notice Lodge Events For Next Week	4 Independence Day 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm Lodge Office Hours- Lodge Office Closed Today 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm Veterans Lunch Moved @ VFW	5 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm Lodge Office Hours 4:00 pm Lounge Open 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm Dinner Menu: Fish and Chips 6:30 pm Paddlewheel Game Night	6 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Answers For All 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Lodge Office Hours 4:00 pm Lounge Open 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm Lodge New Member Initiation 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Regular Lodge Meeting-NO REGULAR MEETING THIS Wednesday	7 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Lodge Office Hours 4:00 pm Lounge Open 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm Special Thursday Meal 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Toastmasters 7:00 pm Wild Joker	8 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Lodge Office Hours 4:00 pm Lounge Open 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Dinner is Served	9 4:00 pm Lounge Open
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Legend:

- Games
- NonElkEvent
- WeeklyAnnounce

- Lounge Status
- Office Status
- Future

- Meetings
- Regular Events

- Menus
- Special



NON - LODGE MEETING WEDNESDAYS



BINGO EVERY SUNDAY

Lunch at Noon. Bingo Starts at 1:30

TUESDAY



Paddlewheel

Come in and Play. \$1.00 gives you two chances to win a fantastic bottle of wine or liquor. All proceeds benefit our Charities. In May \$452. was donated to Tall Elks. June's Charity is ENF. July is Scholarship. Come in and play

2016 ELK'S GOLF TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT NBHS SCHOLARSHIP FUND



Join us on Saturday August 20th at 10:00am
Ocean Shores Golf Club

\$65.00 Per Person, OSGC members \$50.00

Price includes: Green Fees & Lunch at Ocean Shores Elks Lodge.

Prizes will be awarded for First, Second & Third place teams, KPs, and Long Drive

Mulligans will be available at \$5.00 apiece, max two per golfer. There will be a special door prize drawing just for the golfers who have mulligan tickets

All net proceeds from this tournament go to the North Beach High School Scholarship Fund to benefit our Local High School children.

To register please contact the Ocean Shores Elks Lodge or Ocean Shores Golf Club, bring your friends and have fun. If you need a Golf Cart please contact OSGC for reservation.

If you are interested in sponsoring a hole please contact our Lodge for Sponsor Registration Form, forms also available at OSGC.

For information contact Dan Fajardo @ 206-817-7358 or the Elks Lodge @ 360-289-2581

MONTHLY EVENT CALENDAR

1 ST Monday	Veteran's Lunch	Noon
1 st & 3 rd Wed.	Regular Lodge Meeting	7:00 pm
2nd Monday	Lodge Board Meeting	3:00 pm
2 nd , 4 th & 5 th Wed	Texas Hold'Em	6:00 pm
2 nd Wed.	Park Board Meeting	1:00 pm
Last Friday	Bunco	1:00 pm
Every Wed.	Answers For All	10-Noon
Every Thurs.	Toastmaster	6:30
pm		
Every Friday	Music	6:30pm
Every Sunday	Lunch Noon-Bingo	1:30
PM		

JOLLY CORKS LOUNGE

SUNDAYS	Bar Closed need Bartender
MONDAY	Bar Closed
TUES-SAT	BAR OPENS 4:00 PM

LODGE KITCHEN

Sundays	Lunch	Noon
Mondays	Kitchen Closed	-----
Tuesdays	Fish & Chips 1 st & 3 rd	5:30pm
	Monster Burgers 2 nd & 4 th	
Wednesdays	Kitchen Closed	
Thursday	Guest Chefs	5:30pm
	Menu Varies	
Fridays	Steak & Chicken	5:30 pm



Over \$1500 has
been raised for
ENF.

Our Lodge Goal
is \$8,000



ESTEEMED LECTURING KNIGHT - NANCY OAKES

MEMBERSHIP – OWNERSHIP.....when it comes to being an Elk, those two words mean the same thing. When you pay your annual dues, those monies go towards programs and Elk's fundamentals. But, that doesn't mean membership should be the end with the mere payment of dues. When you own a home, you don't just pay the mortgage every month, you must maintain the home, improve the structure, and eventually you turn your house into home for your family.

The same is true for the Elks. As a member, we need to maintain the Lodge and the foundation of what we represent. No one has to do all the work on their own. We are a team, and as such, if we each take one small part of maintaining, improving, and structuring our home, we can get the job done. The larger the membership, the easier the team's tasks are.

Think about supporting your "home" by giving some time to cook a meal, do some dishes, help with an event, SIGN UP NEW MEMBERS. Surely you can find a couple of hours every month, or every two months to work on your ownership.

Invite a friend to the Lodge for a Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday dinner. Let them see the friendship, the fun, and learn about the charities and programs we work to support. You won't regret your investment in the ownership of your Lodge and Elkdom.

For God and Country, I remain,

Nancy M Oakes
Lecturing Knight 2016-2017

\$1,090 has been raised

for Tall Elks.

Our Lodge Goal is

\$10,000



SECRETARY – TERRY SMITH

BECAUSE YOU VOLUTEERED to help with renovations, wash dishes, take pictures, help serve the Veterans lunch, cooked a meal, decorated for events, and much more. **BECAUSE YOU PARTICIPATED** in Paddlewheel, Joker's Wild, Lodge activities, and Bingo. **BECAUSE YOU SHARED** your time, a story, a laugh, a meal, and tipped a glass. **BECAUSE YOU CONTRIBUTED** to ENF, Tall Elks,

Veterans, and Scholarships. **BECAUSE YOU CARE** we are able to make things better for children and Veterans. **BECAUSE OF YOU** we are the #1 Lodge in Washington. **KEEP BEING YOU.** You are doing great things. I am very honored to be part of such a wonderful organization with caring and giving people.

2016-2017 LODGE OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler	Ron Devore
Leading Knight	Karen Woodbeck
Loyal Knight	Kathy Miller
Lecturing Knight	Nancy Oakes
Secretary	Terry Smith
Treasurer	Vicki Storment
Esquire	Vicky Roberts
Chaplin	Linda Devore
Tiler	Don Ross
Inner Guard	Rich Smith

DIRECTORS

Dave Hill	1 year
Robert "Bob" Howe	2 years
Daniel Fajardo	3 years
David Brandt	4 years
Lee Schuster	5 years

PER ASSOCIATION

President	Bob Howe
Secretary	Hal Gunn
Treasurer	Bob Manko

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Activities Committee	Kathy Miller
Scholarship Committee	Mary Kozlowski

We would like to acknowledge your spouse's birthday and your Anniversary. Please either email or call the office and informs us of the dates.



Nonni VanDalen	Carmella Wilson
Earl Henshaw	Tony Woodbeck, PER
True Peavey	Virginia McCaughan
Russell Weis	Jeane Myers-Murray
Keith Follstad	Christopher Marshall
Lowe ll Inboden	Lois Schuster
Mark Sherman	Dayna Stelling
Vickie Young	Harry Buckman
Allyson McGuire	Lamont Kotila
Keith Megargle	Melanie Rice
Paul Bouma	Charles Hall
Dennis Brandt	Brad Davis
Susan Conniry	Mark Swanson, PER
Steve Reedy	Donald Toon
Jacalyn Bakker	Twaunnie Busse
Willie Baugas	James Paulus
Patricia Swanson	Gary Bercot
Dennis Nielson	John Pennington
George Timme	Donald Price
Lester Josephson	



PER CORNER

By
Bob Howe

THE PER CORNER

I am back for the most part and it feels good to participate once again. I want to thank all of my friends who sent prayers or good thoughts my way. I'm sure it helped. We held our PER meeting Tues. June 14, five PER's were present and several of our PERs were not in attendance. (Where were you?) Maybe in August our attendance will be better. The Flag Day Parade and the Flag Retirement Ceremony were discussed and all of us present gave a thumbs up to all who helped. The possibility of hosting the PER association was discussed and we feel that our venue is not able to handle the 125 to 150 people for three days. By 7:30 pm we were all back at the bar. See you in August guys!

"The sun does not shine for a few trees and flowers, but for the wide world's joy."
Henry Ward Beecher

OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Tuesday 12:00 – 3:00

Wednesday - Friday 10:00 – 1:00

Saturday & Sunday CLOSED

OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

MONDAY JULY 4th.



Over \$200 has been
raised for
Scholarship.

The Lodge goal is
\$6,000

DID YOU EMAIL OR LODGE NOTICES?

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