



**B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION
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Larry Mazur will represent Immediate Past President.
It is with sadness to advise that Past Pres. Bob Baker has succumbed to his battle with cancer.



**B.C. ROYAL PURPLE
ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE
2010-2011**

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MINK FARMERS DONATIONS

Although the curling rink as unavailable for the annual Mink Farmers Curling this year, the Camp Society received donations. Thank you Danny Coffin (Aldergrove Elks No. 66)

We wish to thank the following:

Sheves Mink and Feeds Limited	\$1,000.00
Rippin Fur Farm Limited	\$1,000.00
Clearbook Brewing Company Limited	\$ 200.00
Engebretson Fur Farm Limited	\$ 200.00
Fraser Valley Refrigeration Limited	\$ 100.00
Dogwood Fur Farm Limited	\$ 250.00
Royal Bank of Canada	\$1,000.00

Total: \$3,750.00

Origin of The 11 O'Clock Toast

In regard to the Elks 11 O'Clock Toast and its origin, we have to go back long before the BPOE came into existence. One of the main contributions of Charles Richardson (sage name of Charles Algernon Sidney Vivian) and founder of the American branch of the Jolly Corks--was to deliver into the hands of newborn Elks the rituals and traditions of a fraternal organization started in England around 1010 A.D., The Royal and Antedeluvian Order of Buffaloes, to which he belonged prior to coming to New York.

The RAOB or Buffaloes as we shall henceforth refer to them, also practiced an 11 o'clock toast in remembrance of the Battle of Hastings in October 1066. Following his victory, William of Normandy imported a set of rules, both martial and civil in nature, to keep control of a seething Norman-Saxon population always on the edge of a revolution.

Among those rules was a curfew law requiring all watch fires, bonfires (basically all lights controlled by private citizens that could serve as signals) to be extinguished at 11 each night. From strategically placed watchtowers that also served as early fire-alarm posts, the call would go out to douse or shutter all lights and bank all fires. This also served to discourage secret and treasonous meetings, as chimney sparks stood out against the black sky. A person away from his home and out on the darkened streets, when all doors were barred for the night, risked great peril from either evildoers or patrolling militia.

The hour of 11 quickly acquired a somber meaning, and in the centuries that followed, became the synonym throughout Europe for someone on his deathbed or about to go into battle: i.e. "His family gathered about his bed at the 11th hour, "or "the troops in the trenches hastily wrote notes to their families as the 11th hour approached when they must charge over the top."

Thus, when the 15 Jolly Corks voted on February 16, 1868, to start a more formal and official organization, they were already aware of an almost universally prevalent sentiment about the mystic and haunting aura connected with the nightly hour of 11, and it took no great eloquence by Vivian to establish a ritual toast similar to that of the Buffaloes at the next-to-last hour each day.

The great variety of 11 O'Clock Toasts, including the Jolly Corks Toast, makes it clear that there was no fixed and official version until 1906-10. Given our theatrical origins, it was almost mandatory that the pre-1900 Elks would be expected to compose a beautiful toast extemporaneously at will. Regardless of the form, however, the custom is as old as the Elks.

B.C. PROVINCIAL BOWLING ROLL-OFFS 2011 REGISTRATION FORM
DEADLINE: APRIL 1, 2011

Lodge: _____ No: _____ Date: _____

Registration Fee \$200.00 per team x _____ = _____

Additional Banquet Tickets are \$15.00 per person x _____ = _____

Team Name: _____

Team Members:

1. Captain: _____ Average: _____

2. _____ Average: _____

3. _____ Average: _____

4. _____ Average: _____

Spare: _____ Average: _____

Second Team if applicable:

Team Name: _____

Team Members:

1. Captain: _____ Average: _____

2. _____ Average: _____

3. _____ Average: _____

4. _____ Average: _____

Spare: _____ Average: _____

To the best of my knowledge two of the above named persons on each team are members in good standing of the Elks or Royal Purple (as per rule no. 1) and the averages are correct.

Lodge Secretary: _____ Date: _____

Please send completed registration forms to:
 Brother Peter Klymchuk at No. 8 - 1120 - 12th Street, NE, Salmon Arm, BC, V1E 1B8

Deb Sallenback, B.C. Elks President



Brother and Sister Elks, Ladies of the Royal Purple

When I joined the Elks in 2000, being the President of the B.C. Elks Association had never crossed my mind. I had never belonged to an organization before, heck I had never really volunteered before, and now here I am doing something that I have come to love.

I have met so many wonderful people and I have made so many friends all across this great country and all I had to do was volunteer.

*I have chose the theme **"TOGETHER WE CAN"** because I believe that no one person can do all the things that we do as an Organization.*

"Together We Can" help children and families with needs to have a better life,

"Together We Can" make a difference in our communities by volunteering to assist wherever help is needed.

"Together We Can" help to make Life Sweeter, People Better and the World Happier.

We need to promote ourselves by making ourselves visible in our communities, keeping the members of our Lodges busy doing projects that they enjoy. As have heard said before you need to keep the members of your Lodge busy or you will lose them, a busy Lodge is a happy Lodge. By doing this "Together We Can" keep the membership we have and look ahead to Grow for the future.

*I would like to Thank all the members of the B.C. Elks Association for their support and for giving me the opportunity to serve as your President. I have some big shoes to fill, but I will do my best to be the leader that you can be proud of. I look forward to meeting the members that I have not already met and to getting reacquainted with the ones that I have. To the Lodges I wish you a busy, productive, **"Together We Can"** Grow for the Future successful year.*

Fraternally, Deb Sallenback

B.C. ROYAL PURPLE ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

LADY SHARRON MAKUS

Hello Royal Purple and Elk Members



It has been an honour and a pleasure to have been elected to the position of BC Royal Purple President for the 2010-2011 term. I am looking forward to meeting many of you at Lodge visits and special events. Congratulations to the Executive members on your elections, and thank you to Committee Chairmen and members for your participation. Thank you also to North Kamloops No. 277 Ladies for the excellent Conference.

Congratulations to the BC Elks President, Deb Sallenback and the new Executive. The BC Royal Purple wish you a successful year and look forward to working with you this term.

My theme this term is "BELIEVE WE CAN" Believe We Can increase membership, make our organization stronger, make a difference for the children, help the less fortunate and the community at large, and work together in harmony to accomplish these goals.

I had the pleasure of attending the National Convention in Yellowknife in July. At this convention, an Ad Hoc Committee was formed to determine "Where Will We Be in 2014" which will be the 100th Anniversary of the Royal Purple. I was appointed to be a part of this committee and look forward to your ideas. Hopefully, they will NOT be to hand in your Lodge Charter, but to forge with positivity, courage and confidence at building our membership. Like a marriage, we have to work at it to keep it going. It does not JUST HAPPEN.

The BC Royal Purple Association is committed to assisting the BC Elks Children's Camps, the BC Family Hearing Resource Centre and the BC Division of the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children. The can tabs, foil, Campbell Soup labels, pennies and Canadian Tire money which we collect all help these worthwhile charities.

**B.C. ELKS 2011 PROVINCIAL DARTS
HOSTED BY: COURTENAY ELKS NO. 60
MARCH 17, 18, 19 AND 20, 2011**

Thursday, March 17th: Meet and Greet with registrations and then Blind Draw Mixed Doubles at 7:30 p.m. (approx). Those not participating can enjoy an evening of Jazz in the Lounge.

Friday, March 18th: Registrations continue followed by the Opening Ceremonies. Play will commence at 10:00 a.m.; Ladies Doubles and Men's Singles, followed by the Men's Singles and Ladies Singles. ***Note:** if these events run too long, they will be cut off at an **agreed time** and will continue on Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m., after the General meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Mixed Doubles will follow any unfinished games from Friday, then, it will be **Mixed Quads** (Mixed Triples) has been eliminated.)

Sunday, March 20th: At 10:00 a.m. Men's and Ladies teams events will be played. Awards will follow. Breakfast will be available Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Lunches will be available Friday and Saturday at a reasonable price.

Accommodations:

Comox Valley Inn - 1190 Cliffe Avenue (1/2 kilo to Lodge) Telephone: 1-800-811-5955
E-Mail: comoxvalleyinn.com Eateries close by: Fluid (Pub Style), Dynasty Chinese Restaurant, Tulios and the Atlas Cafe. **Rates:** \$65.00 (plus taxes) per person and up

Anco Motel - 1885 Cliffe Avenue (1.25 kilo from Lodge) Telephone 1-877-393-2200 E-mail: ancomotelbc.com/
Eateries close by: Pizza Hut and old House Restaurant . **Rates:** \$65.00 (plus taxes) per person and up

Travelodge - 2605 Cliffe Avenue (2 kilo from Lodge) Telephone: 1-800-795-9486
E-Mail: info@travelodgecourtenay.com Eateries: close by: Plates Restaurant and Boston Pizza **Rates:** \$63.00 (plus taxes) per person and up

Transportation: will be available for pickup at the Comox Airport, participants are to advise of their flights and arrival times, etc, when sending in their registrations. Vehicles will also be available if needed for pick up at accommodation and taken to the Lodge and back only.

Registrations: should be addressed to the Courtenay Elks Lodge No. 60, Provincial Darts, attention Gwen Johnston. Deadlines for registrations is March 11th, please try and comply with this. Players will be asked to show a current 2011 Membership card.

To the Lodge holding the Doug Manson Trophy, please make sure this is at hand at the tournament.

Any Questions contact: David C Willington, Chairman and M/C at:
willington@shaw.ca or
Telephone: (250) 339-9592

Deadlines for registrations is March 11th, 2011

Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society Donations continued from page 25

	Elks	Royal Purple	Total Donations
REGION NO. 6			
McBride	0.00	0.00	0.00
MacKenzie	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prince George	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
Queensel	0.00	0.00	500.00
Prince Rupert	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00
Smithers	500.00	100.00	600.00
Terrace	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vanderhoof	2,000.00	N/A	2,000.00
			Region Total: \$16,600.00
REGION DONATIONS			
Elks Region No. 6	507.90	Elks Region 3	178.72
Dream Region 5	65.63	Cash Donations - Elks Lodges	92.75
BC Royal Purple Association	1,524.91		
Total Donations Elks:	\$84,755.26	Total Donations Royal Purple:	\$22,212.00
Total Donations Elks and Royal Purple to Camp Society: \$106,967.26			

**DONATIONS TO THE B.C. FAMILY HEARING RESOURCE CENTRE
APRIL 1, 2010 TO NOVEMBER 30, 2010**

Elks and Royal Purple Fund For Children BC Division	\$120,000.00		\$120,000.00 (Annually)
Elks	16,000.00		
Royal Purple	15,851.86		
Elks Walkaton	10,535.02		
Total Donations to Date:	\$162,386.88		
Elks Donations:			
Agassiz	100.00	Burnaby	2,500.00
Cloverdale	1,200.00	Delta	1,500.00
Oliver	1,000.00	Parksville/Qualicum	3,000.00
Smithers	1,500.00	White Rock	1,000.00
		Chilliwack	300.00
		Langley	1,800.00
		Prince Rupert	2,000.00
		Westside	100.00
Royal Purple Donations:			
District One	281.11	Past Presidents	50.00
Courtenay	500.00	Kamloops	1,000.00
Merritt	500.00	North Surrey	2,000.00
Osoyoos	250.00	Port Coquitlam	1,000.00
Salmon Arm	2,000.00	Smithers	50.00
Vancouver	500.00	Victoria	100.00
BCRPA	183.63		
		Aldergrove	1,000.00
		Kelowna	1,500.00
		Oliver	500.00
		Prince Rupert	2,000.00
		Terrace	2,000.00
		Westbank	437.12

B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2010-2011

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Don Kidd, Chairman	Penticton	No. 51	(250) 496-5125
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CAMP COMMITTEE 2010 - 2011

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 Arnie Zimmerman Cariboo No. 239 (250) 392-5451

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Coordinator	Lodge	Camp	Caretakers
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Laurie Meier	Prince George No. 122	Elkness	Martin and Lydian Schmiderer
Ole Cumming	Salmon Arm No 455	Elkcanoe	Jack and Sheila Bibby
Gordon Piket	Courtenay No. 60	Elkhaven	Stan Perry

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ELKS RECREATION CHILDREN'S CAMP SOCIETY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society is the PROVINCIAL CHARITY of the B.C. Elks
 All donors will receive a tax receipt.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province _____ Postal Code: _____

Designate your donation:

General Elkgrove Elkhaven Elkness Elkcanoe

Payment Information:

Credit Card Information: Type of Card VISA _____ Master Card _____

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Cheque: _____

**DONATIONS TO THE ELKS RECREATION CHILDREN'S CAMP SOCIETY
 APRIL 1, 2009 TO November 30, 2011**

	Elks	Royal Purple	Total Donations
REGION NO. 1			
Agassiz	0.00	N/A	0.00
Burnaby	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Mission	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Port Coquitlam	0.00	5,050.00	5,050.00
South Vancouver	0.00	N/A	0.00
Squamish	0.00	N/A	0.00
Vancouver	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
			Region Total: \$10,050.00
REGION NO. 2			
Alberni Valley	0.00	N/A	0.00
Campbell River	0.00	0.00	0.00
Courtenay	11,748.00	500.00	12,248.00
Duncan	0.00	N/A	0.00
Lake Cowichan	750.00	N/A	750.00
Nanaimo	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Parksville-Qualicum	0.00	N/A	0.00
Victoria	1,600.00	100.00	1,700.00
			Region Total: \$16,698.00
REGION NO. 3			
Aldergrove	15,000.00	1,000.00	16,000.00
Chilliwack	8,050.00	0.00	8,050.00
Cloverdale	1,000.00	N/A	4,000.00
Delta	2,500.00	N/A	5,000.00
Langley	4,449.00	N/A	2,000.00
North Surrey	N/A	2,000.00	2,000.00
White Rock	4,000.00	N/A	2,000.00
			Region Total: \$37,999.00
REGION NO. 4			
Grand Forks	0.00	N/A	0.00
Keremeos	100.00	500.00	600.00
Oliver	2,200.00	0.00	2,200.00
Osoyoos	0.00	0.00	0.00
Penticton	4,526.00	N/A	4,526.00
Princeton	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trail	0.00	N/A	0.00
Kelowna	3,000.00	2,437.13	5,437.13
Vernon	0.00	0.00	0.00
Westside	1,000.00	N/A	1,000.00
			Region Total: \$13,763.13
DISTRICT NO. 5			
Cache Creek/Ashcroft	0.00	0.00	0.00
Clearwater	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Kamloops	391.66	N/A	391.66
Lillooet	0.00	0.00	0.00
Merritt	0.00	0.00	0.00
North Kamloops	51.50	5,000.00	5,051.50
Cariboo	0.00	0.00	0.00
Houston	0.00	N/A	0.00
Revelstoke	1,000.00	N/A	1,000.00
Salmon Arm	44.10	3,000.00	3,044.10
			Region Total: \$10,487.26

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Letters from Campers

Eureka Clubhouse - Christopher Bate Executive Director

I would like to take a moment of time to let you know how much the members of the Eureka Support Society appreciated their vacation at Camp Elkhaven in late August. Eureka Support Society provides the only resource program for adults with mental illness in the Comox Valley. Though individual needs and circumstances vary there are common denominators among many of Eureka's members. Most are quite debilitated by their illness, making some levels of long term support a necessity. Due to the nature and extent of their illness, many live in extreme poverty. Finally, the majority of Eureka's members have few changes for purely recreational and relaxing opportunities in their lives.

For Eureka members, Camp Elkhaven provides a vacation in the truest sense. Each year, Eureka's members look forward to the trip to Camp Elkhaven as much as three months in advance. Typically, upon return from the camp, people begin planning the next year's trip.

The three days spent at Elkhaven this August brought people back feeling refreshed, relaxed and like they had traveled to a faraway deserted island. The opportunity to visit with friends, walk on the beach, nap, attend a market, stroll through a forest, see an eagle, and simply be somewhere different provided the best break possible for the people attending.

From a strictly therapeutic point of view, for all people, vacations provide the chance to reframe perspectives on life's happenings, to explore a new part of the world and to embark on an adventure. The same holds true for Eureka's members and, perhaps, because of such prevalent, severely limited incomes the impact of such a break is magnified. Thank you again for providing the opportunity for our members to attend Elkhaven. We look forward to visiting again next year.

City of Campbell River, Summerside Express- Mark Lerner, Recreation Supervisor

On behalf of the Summerside Express Teen group, I would like to thank the Elks Society for your wonderful hospitality at the Elkhaven Lodge on Denman Island. Our group of Special Needs teenagers had an amazing time and your accommodations were very adequate. For 23 years, our group has had the pleasure of staying at your lodge, and each year our expectations are greatly surpassed.

The experiences that our teenagers have at Elkhaven are ones they will remember forever. The teens arrived home with smiles on their faces. In addition to providing a fun environment for our camps, I would also like to mention how great the Lodge was for accommodating all of the various special needs of the children in our camp. The large eating area was a perfect place for all of the children to gather and socialize, the covered patio out back was perfect for our evening barbecue, the wheelchair access at the rear of the lodge was great for those children using wheelchairs, and the large fields were excellent for providing the kids with a space of play games and run around. Not only were your facilities great for the campers, they were also greatly appreciated by our staff. The kitchen was perfect for all of our cooking needs and the cleaning at the end of our stay was very manageable due to the great organization of the facility.

Thanks again for allow us to use your beautiful facilities. We hop to have the pleasure of returning again in the summer of 2011.

1st Komox Brownies - Deb Snyder and Daphne Albert

Our Brownie Unit recently held our camp at Elkhaven. We would like to thank you for the opportunity to camp at such a remarkable facility for such a reasonable price. The availability of a facility of this type makes it possible for so many children to get a camp experience they would likely not be able to afford otherwise.

Thank you for sponsoring such a worthwhile facility, we hope to use it again in the future.

B.C. FAMILY HEARING RESOURCE SOCIETY

Thank you for your wonderful support and invitation to continue to work with our founder and partners throughout B.C. Our annual light display highlights the generosity of the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children, local lodge donations and our walkathon annual supporters. For those who have memorial tribute gifts, we light your stars in perpetuity. We are touched by your generosity towards our Centre through legacy giving. We are offering a fundraising planning evening on February 3, 2011 and invite all of you to attend. Thank you for making futures bright.

Our staff were very pleased to attend the Langley 75th Anniversary dinner and we enjoyed the Vancouver No. 1 Christmas dinner. We were also proud to host the Grand Exalted Ruler at our Centre during his visit last month. If you have not had a chance to visit our Centre or to attend our annual Elks and Royal Purple appreciation day, please contact me, we'd be happy to show you around the state of the art hearing loss centre that you made possible.

Written by Ellen Peterson, Director of Administration

HISTORY OF THE ORDER OF THE ROYAL PURPLE OF CANADA

In 1913 several of the wives of members of the first B.P.O. Elks Lodge, established in Vancouver, in 1912, created an informal group for the purpose of assisting their husbands with their benevolent, charitable and social work.

The Brother Elks realized that the assistance of the ladies was of great value to them so the Order of the Royal Purple was duly recognized and incorporated by a Special Act of parliament and Senate on September 11, 1914, thus creating the Supreme Lodge of the Order of the Royal Purple, which in turn creates the local Lodges. These lodges form a counterpart to the B.P.O. Elks. The initial membership totalled a handful of women.

Since the first lodge of the Order of the Royal Purple was organized in 1914 in Vancouver, the Order has expanded to include lodges across Canada from Vancouver to Newfoundland, the Northwest Territories and the Yukon.

The national governing body of the Royal Purple of Canada is known as the Supreme Lodge, Order of the Royal Purple. The national head of the Order carries the title of Supreme Honored Royal Lady who is elected annually at the Supreme Lodge National convention.

Until the first meeting of the Supreme Lodge was held in Vancouver, June 1915, with 20 ladies present, the full powers of the Order of the Royal Purple were, by and with the authority of the Grand Lodge of the Protective Order of Elks of Canada, on the 11th day of September, 1914, vested in designated Officers.

The second convention was held six years later, September 1921 in Victoria, with 38 ladies present.

At the convention held in Prince Rupert, in July, 1929, it was reported that the Grand Lodge of the B.P.O. Elks had authorized a charter to be issued to their auxiliary.

On September 26, 1975, the 63rd Anniversary date of the Elks origin, in keeping with the evolution of changes with respect to women, the charter was re-issued granting the Order of the Royal Purple the power and authority to direct, determine and control all matters relating to the Royal Purple and any Lodge of the Order within its jurisdiction. The charter bears the signature of Dr. N.J. Kuzyk, Grand Exalted Ruler and Robert K. Coulling, Grand Secretary Treasurer

Elks Celebrate its 75th Anniversary

By: Heather Colpitts, Langley Advance, November 16, 2010



William Lion McKenzie King had just been elected prime minister and people could pick up a gallon of gas for about 10 cents. The world didn't know it yet but 1935 was halfway through a decade-long Depression. In the midst of this difficult time came a group of Langley men who decided to start something no one at the time knew would be still vibrant in 2010.

The Langley Elks was created on October 21, 1935. At its start, the Elks Lodge No. 259 was an all male fraternal charitable organization. From the start, there has been an emphasis on helping the community but what has changed is the structure over the past 75 years. Women are now members and in the 1960's, the Elks decided to focus on efforts to helping children and families.

The Elks Lodge celebrated its 75 Anniversary with a gathering on November 13th. The celebration included long-service awards for several members: Marjorie Keeper (45 years), Barb Gee (35 years), Steve Clark (15 years), Eileen Wojtas (5 years) Dave Sallenback (10 years), Debbie Paddon (5 years), Graham Towes (5 years) Wayne Hansen (5 years) and Ron Monro (5 years). The special guest was Dave Hurley, the National Leader of the Elks of Canada.

Obviously after 75 years Langley has a rich history as a lodge and it is made possible by the past members and the members who make up the lodge today. Langley has a very stable lodge and a great group of members who are dedicated to making the community a better place to live.

Langley's lodge at 75 is not unique within the Elks, which has 20,000 members across Canada. There are several lodges in the 50-75 age range and some are nearing the century mark as the Elks was created in Canada in 1912. The group will mark that milestone with a celebration in Chilliwack in 2012. The local Elks started out meeting in various locations before buying the old YMCA property on Old Yale Road in 1985. In 2009, the group sold the site to the Harvest Baptist Church and purchased a strip mall in Brookswood, where it occupies some of the space.

The focus of the Elks, and its related organization the Royal Purple, remains on helping others. The Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society of BC presently operates four camps for children at no cost to families. About 30 years ago the Elks started the BC Family Hearing Resource Centre to help deaf and hard of hearing children to age five and their families. The local Elks also provide scholarships.

People may not realize that the local chapter is also involved in making sure the community has fun, having supported Canada Day, International Festival, Christmas in Williams Park and the Abbotsford Air Show, Langley Days Parade, Langley Good Times Cruise In and the Community Children's Christmas Party.

The group meets on the second and forth Tuesday of the month at 7:0 p.m. in Unit 6-4044-200B Street. People wanting more information can contact langleyelks@gmail.com.

LETTERS FROM CAMPERS

D.A.W.N. (Delta Alliance for Wellness and Networking Society) - Jennifer Childs, Director

On behalf of the DAWN Society, I would like to thank the Elks Society for once again, providing us with the opportunity to attend Camp Elkgrove.

In September 2010, eight of our clients went for a four day experience at Elkgrove. Everyone had a wonderful time, and really enjoyed themselves. For all of them, this is a time to have some fun and leisure time. As well, for several of our folks, this is their first vacation in quite some time.

All our clients have a mental illness and all have to deal with financial issues. Thanks to the kindness and generosity of the Elks Society, they are able to take a break from their daily stressors and just have a 4 day holiday. This year, we planned day trips from Elkgrove to Minter Gardens, Harrison Hot Springs and Apple Farm to name a few. Everyone was kept busy and it was always great to come back to the camp.

Again, our sincere thanks for continuing to enable us to take our clients to such a lovely site each year. We are truly grateful for being able to have this experience and for all the work done by the Elks Society.

Sooke Options for Community Living Association - Natasha Reznechenko, Program Manager

Remarks from clients attending camp:

On behalf of all the participants of the Coastal Reflections Adult Day Program, and the staff who accompanied them at Camp Elkhaven, thank you so very much for making the opportunity possible for our group to enjoy an affordable and wonderful vacation.

From Diane

1. The Lodge
2. The view
3. The sunsets
4. The flowers
5. Playing music and singing with my friends

From Bonnie

1. The relaxing atmosphere
2. The chance to go on vacation with my friends
3. The fresh air and sunshine
4. Dancing on the patio under the stars
5. Staying up late playing instruments with my friends

I liked EVERYTHING - Kristen

1. The cat
2. Stan's Jokes
3. The Wildlife
4. Being able to cook
5. Staying up late jamming

What I liked about Elkhaven - David

1. It is a beautiful place
2. Hanging out with Stan. He is very helpful and I like his jokes.
3. I really enjoy the Elkhaven Camp so much.

From Matthew

1. Ferry boat ride
2. Being away with my friends
3. Sitting outside in the sun with my friends



From Lisa

1. Stan's jokes and his help
2. A beautiful place
3. The view at Elkhaven and Denman Island

Aerial of Camp Elkgrove

MORE LODGE NEWS

MCBRIDE ELKS NO. 247 AND ROYAL PURPLE NO. 112

It gave members of the McBride Elks and Royal Purple great pleasure to assist the Shawara family of McBride by giving their 5 year old daughter, Chayse, a cheque to purchase a much needed hearing aid.

My husband and I found out that our daughter Chayse had a major hearing problem. We took her to Prince George (four hours travel time) where they discovered that she had hearing loss in her right ear and would need a hearing aid.

A member of the Elks and Royal Purple approached us with information of a funding possibility for people with situations like ours.

We cannot thank you enough for your help and support for our daughter. Thanks to you she can hear better and we do not have the stress of finding the finances necessary to pay for the hearing aid.

Once again, thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Mitch and Jerry Shawara



PARKSVILLE-QUALICUM ELKS NO. 589

In early May a young family of four lost the contents and personal belongings of their home due to a fire. The family was assisted with clothing, food and shelter by the Salvation Army and the Society of Organized Services (S.O.S.). The Parksville/Qualicum Elks Lodge No. 589, along with the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children aided the family with a cheque for \$1,000.00

Photo: Left to right: Don Walker, Secretary, Toryn Davies, Sarah Davies, Ambrose Chorney and Exalted Ruler George Shipley.

TERRACE ELKS NO. 425

Exalted Ruler Cy Renney presents George Haugland with a pin to Celebrate his 50 Years in the Terrace Lodge. Joining on February 18, 1959. Over the years he has served as ER three times and has been involved in many projects such as building four Little League diamonds on Agar Avenue, the yearly Kiddies Day at the Park, served as Chairman of the Elks Fund For Children supplying transportation to larger medical centers for those in need. George has been involved in many more Terrace events to numerous to mention since becoming an Elk member.



Grand Forks No. 493

Peter Chursinoff receiving his 25 Year Pin from Clark Kilburn
Cliff Schuh receiving his 35 Year Pin (below)



COURTENAY ELKS NO. 60

On April 10th Pin and Appreciation night-not all pin recipients were present.

Receiving 5 year pins-Wayne Jardine, Peter Greaves, Toni Lamb, James McNamara, Tom Woolman, Ryan Liebert, Caludette Pavan and Lisa Woolman

10 year pin recipients- Bill Glowasky, Tom Webber Sr, Ed Klassen, Paul Love, Donald Hilchey



15 year pin recipients-David Willigton and 20 years to Marvin Mithoslim Myron White and Mose Duval.

No 25 year pins recipients were in attendance

30 year pin recipients:

Bud Haywood
Arne Anderson
Lars Larsen
Robert Oglvie
Casey VanVelzem



35 Year Pins to:
Erin Ellis
Alan Magee
John Marinus
Glen Poje

50 year pin - Alan Thompson Sr
55 Year pin - Harry Squire
60 Year pin- unable to attend Alfred Pisto, Ernest Pisto and Alfred Roan



40 year pins to:
Gordon Cochran
John McMurtrie
Bob Dargie
Skip Blaine
Gerald Grant
Bill McConochie
Joe Zaleski

45 year pin:
John Stockland



MEMBERSHIP PIN PRESENTATIONS - CONTINUED

SOUTH



Malcolm Stevenson - 40 and 45 Year Pin



Ken MacLean - 30 Year Pin

Dave Elgin - 5 Year and 10 Year Pin



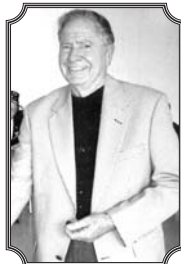
Sam Oben - 5 Year Pin



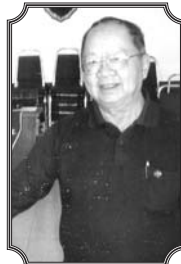
Harold Hinson - 65 Year Pin



VANCOUVER



Mike Murrell - 5 Year and 10 Year Pin



Wingkie Av - 20 Year Pin

CHILLIWACK ELKS NO. 48



Winners High Pins over Average Aldergrove Barracudas-May Acton, Veld Gould, Norm Elliot, Ann Elliot, Ron Acton



Men's High Single Terry Rollier, Prince George



Chilliwack Elks Annual Youth Soccer Tournament August 28/10 Inner Guard, Ken Sision presents Elks Soccer Ball to Ruskar, Player of the GAm, Girls ages 11-12.



President, Deb Sallenback has to climb a ladder to install new Exalted Ruler, Ron Molnar



Ron Molnar, Exalted Ruler of Chilliwack Elks presents Major Larry Farley with \$2,000.00 for the Salvation Army Food Bank, June 30, 2010



GRAND FORKS NO. 493 - more news

The monthly meeting of Grand Forks Elks held on October 5th, Installed the following:

Installing Officer: Dina Wolansky

Others present:
Mike Wolansky, ER Kamloops 44

Larry Jmaiff, President
Roy Stevenson, 2nd V President

Shirley Schuh, Secretary

Cliff Schuh, Treasurer

Shawna Schuh, Membership & Publicity Director

Milton Wright and Nick Novokshonoff



Dina Wolansky, BC Elks 1st Vice President presents T-shirt, hat and pin for a Membership Award to Cliff Schuh for signing up five new members in the past year.



Dina Wolansky, performs Installation Ceremony including Larry Jmaiff during the October 5, 2010 meeting at the Seniors Hall in Grand Forks.

In photo: (L TO R) Steve Babakaiff, Ian Taylor, Nick Novokshonoff, Milton Wright



Grand Forks Elks meetings the first Tuesday of each month 7:30 p.m. at the Seniors Hall at City Park.

If you would like to attend as a guest or want further information contact:

Larry Jmaiff at (250) 442-2856
Roy Stevenson at (250) 442-5260
Shawna Schuh at (250) 442-4276



Brother William Christy, Loyal Knight of Terrace Elks No. 425 presents a cheque to Dina Wolansky, 1st Vice President to the Camp Society for \$4,000.00 and Fund For Children for \$6,000.00 on October, 2009.



To Elks and Royal Purple:

I am writing this letter to thank you very much for helping me when I was in need of getting my grandson hearing aids. Now hopefully, he will get his life back on track and do better in school.

Again, I thank you for all your help and concern for needy families

Sincerely, Norma Martin

TERRACE ELKS NO 425

**PAST PRESIDENTS HONOUR
PGER
BRO. VERN HOFF**



Past President Bro. Jim Hurst presents an Olympic Cowichan sweater to Past Grand Exalted Ruler Vern Hoff in appreciation of Bro. Hoff's many contributions to the Past Presidents Association

SALMON ARM ELKS NO. 455:

Pictures are Juniors who participated in the Salmon Arm Junior 2010 Bonspiel that the Salmon Arm Elks Lodge donated \$250.00 towards.



PRINCE GEORGE ELKS NO 122:

On September 25, 2010 seven members of Prince George Elks left to pick up fruit from St. Vincent De Paul. Members were Harold Hartshorne, Laurie Meier, Carl Benson, Howard Lloyd, Wayne Scoville, Jim Krotenko and Ted Range.



As previous runs, members met up with Osoyoos Elks members at Donna and Larry Mazur's home in Kamloops. This is where we transferred 8880 lbs of apples and pears to our two trailers and trucks to be taken to St. Vincent De Paul Society in Prince George

This year we stopped at McBride on the way and gave fruit to be distributed to their town. McBride Lodge very kindly made us lunch.

This fruit is donated by Ken and Mel Thibault of Casa De Mar Orchard and friends Joe and Very Hilario of Lighthouse Orchard.



CARIBOO ELKS NO 239
 Tuesday, October 6th was a big night for the Cariboo Elks Lodge No. 249 membership. Three new members Sam and Randy Schellenberg and Ron Malmas were initiated. One of the unique and most interesting aspects of the evening saws long term Elk member, Brother Art Schellenberg, Randy and Sam's father, conduct the initiation ceremony and run the regular meeting.

Sam, Randy and Ron along with Art Schellenberg's 3rd son, Joe who as initiated earlier this year are the new and younger members on the scene to provide renewed energy to the Lodge.

QUESNEL ELKS NO 298



1. Immediate Past Exalted Ruler Brother Ralph Scott, Treasurer Brother Gordon Morrow, Kim Chukra and Exalted Ruler Brother Richard Bergeron presenting 1st and 3rd prize winners of our Fuel Card Raffle with their prizes.
2. Brother Paul Nolan (from Prince George) and Brother Richard Bergeron present Maureen Wheeldon (Prince George) with the 2nd prize of our Fuel Card Raffle. Brother Paul kindly sold some tickets for us - Thank You Brother Paul.
3. Brothers Ralph Scott and Richard presenting "My Personal Identification Kits: the Quesnel Elks purchased to Cynthia Bernier of Quesnel School District, each Child entering Kindergarten this fall in Quesnel will receive a Kit, little girls receiving Kits in the picture are Mary-Joe Anderson, Madison Nixon, Jessica Klies and Natalie Bergeron
4. Exalted Ruler Brother Richard Bergeron presenting a \$500.00 cheque for Children's Camp Society and fund For Children to Dina Wolansky, 1st Vice President
5. BC Past President Larry Mazur (who was President at the time) and Exalted Ruler Brother Richard Bergeron present Sister Anne Sales with her 55 year pin and Brother Duncan Patterson with his 20 year pin.

GRAND FORKS ELKS NO. 493



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Canada Day Pancake Breakfast



Grand Forks Elks served up 400 meals in front of Overwaitea. Tom Reichelt (Sausage Cook), Markus Reichelt (Fried Egg chef), Gordie Taylor (Pancake King)

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Members of Grand Forks Elk from (left to right) Cliff Schuh, Sarge Konkin, Peter Chursinoff, President Al Kneeland, Clark Kilburn, (Past Grand Exalted Ruler), Steve Babakaiff, Nick Novokshonoff and Milton Wright, absent from picture is Larry Jmaiff

New members initiated: (left to right) Shirley Schuh, Marsha McGregor and Shawna Schuh
 Invited Guests (5th from right) Grand Forks Mayor, Brian Taylor

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On Saturday, April 4, 2009, the first shovel of sod was turned by Shuswap M.L.A. George Abbott starting the construction of their new hall.

In attendance: (l to r) Ken Hawrys, Peter Klymchuk, Neil Turner, Gordon Dale, George Abbott, Lorraine Vaugeois, Ron Reddcliff, Ernie Webster, Ray Clifford, Tom Jackson and Duff Turner



Official Opening: Saturday, October 17, 2009 when the Mayor of Salmon Arm, Marty Boostma cut the ribbon.

The new hall is comprised of the main hall with seating for 150-170, a meeting room with seating for 30, a full kitchen, office and washrooms. This is a level entry building, wheel chair friendly, with no stairs and a state in the main hall. The hall is geothermal heated and is available for weddings, banquets, etc.



ALDERGROVE ELKS NO. 66

Aldergrove Elks No. 66 presented the Elks Children's Camp Society with a cheque for \$15,000.00 at Camp Elkgrove

Left to Right: Brother Archie Ratowits, Secretary; BC Elks President Deb Sallenback; Exalted Ruler Gary King and Norm Elliot, Executive Administrator

Grand Forks No. 493

On Nov 30, 2010 President, Larry Jmaiff presented a cheque to Boundary food Bank President, Deb Billwiller. The Grand Forks Elks members personally donated \$300.00. Billwiller has been volunteering with this organization for 5 years, since retiring from working at the library. She and other volunteers work many hours to make sure the shelves are stocked with food for those who need assistance. There are many struggling with unemployment, disabilities, health issues, rising children, seniors some who may be working but their income isn't quite enough to meet the needs of their family. The Boundary area is fortunate to have such caring volunteers and generous donors who want to make a difference in the lives of others. The Elks appreciates this organization and encourages others to give time, money or contribute however they can.



Cloverdale Elks No. 335

Cloverdale Elks presenting a cheque to Mrs. S. Basra of Surrey for the purchase of a special needs stroller, for her daughter Javeen sitting in the stroller. Javeen has many health problems since birth and now has difficulty keeping up with the family walking, hiking and general outdoor activities. This stroller is designed to last Javeen into her early teens.



Shown are Henry Aldridge, Gerry Peterson, Sarb Baasra and daughter Javeen

THE FORMATION OF THE B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION

Sunday, May 27, 1923 marked the first meeting of the B.C. Elks in Chilliwack, B.C. Lodge No. 48. The purpose of the meeting was to organize the Association.

District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Brother A. A. Davis of Nanaimo, was in the chair accompanied by Grand Exalted Ruler Brother W.A. Cantelon of Vancouver No. 1. There were more than 150 members at this meeting.

Subsequent meetings were held in Nanaimo, Penticton and Vernon when on June 27, 1925 with 54 delegates present, a decision was reached to have the B.C. Provincial Elks Association duly constituted, with a full complement of officers, subject authority from Grand Lodge.

The first President of the Association was Brother J.P. McMurphy, elected at Fernie on June 18, 1928. The first annual conference was held in Duncan on June 17 and 18, 1929 with 35 delegates present and Brother George Roadnight of Vancouver No. 1 elected President.

ELKS RECREATION CHILDREN'S CAMP SOCIETY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

From the early beginning there seemed to be a great deal of dissension when the Brother Elks decided that they would like to establish a home for Elderly Elks and their wives. After much searching, the area on Denman Island was chosen mainly because of its size, 35 acres: good beach, 875 feet of water frontage: and a large U-shaped lodge set well back, with 12 large rooms. Besides this, well water was plentiful, there was a chicken house, fruit trees and another cottage with five rooms. Minor repairs and painting would bring it up to good sound condition - and the price was right.

Unfortunately, not all members of the BC Elks Association were ready to allow Denman Island to be the designated area. Some felt that Elkhaven, while a worthy venture, should be established nearer their own home lodge. The idea itself nearly died and Elkhaven in general was being threatened in B.C. Finally at the 31st Annual Conference in 1959 the motion was put, properly seconded and carried. Since the idea of Elkhaven was first proposed in the 1950's, it was finally an actuality. The property was purchased and work began. Debentures were made available but without any great success, so to help finance Elkhaven, there was a notice of motion to the Meeting in 1960 at Prince George to increase the per capita tax from .50 cents to \$1.50 per year per member the \$1.00 increase to go to the Elkhaven project. This was carried but it became the source of hard feelings for many years.

Several years passed, but not without disagreement and heated debates at each Provincial Conference, and in 1966 in Kamloops, the BC Association Executive received instruction to sell Elkhaven. A price of \$100,000.00 was agreed upon and the property put in the hands of a REaI Estate firm in Victoria. There were no takers, so the agency was changed and the price dropped to \$65,000.00. Still no takers. Later, in 1967, a letter was received from a firm of Realtors stating that this price was also too high and suggesting a price of \$38,000.00 which put the Association on the defensive causing everyone to realize that this was still a very fine venture which must be completed rather than selling at a sacrifice figure. A new plan was formulated in 1969 which created deeper involvement of all the members in the BC Association. A complete set of recommendations was presented to the 41st Annual Conference and although it was hard-line and demanded sacrifices and hard work by all concerned, the recommendations were accepted.

Elkhaven was being used by the Elks on their holidays. Soon underprivileged children were enjoying a summer holiday in this beautiful setting, with help from the Federal Government. The first summer, 329 children had their first summer holiday. In 1975 they had formed the Recreation Children's Camps Society and their own Charitable Society. At the Conference in 1976, a resolution was presented authorizing the leasing of Camp Kogee on Okanagan Lake. The resolution carried and the Elks of B.C. now had two camps operating. In 1977 two more camps were purchased, one at Sanca Park Resort on Kootenay Lake (and the other on Ness lake, known as Rye property, northwest of Prince George.)

BC Elks Camps now operate under the name of "The Elks Recreation Children's Camp Society", Camp Elkhaven on Denman Island, Camp Elkness in Northern BC near Prince George, Camp Elkgrove in Abbotsford and Camp Elkcanoe in Salmon Arm.

The founders and subsequent steadfast Brothers who kept the project alive through their physical and financial efforts include such names as such as: Hank Geddes, SE Cameron, Alex Matthew, Bruce Weese, Gus Gergh, Ken Riley, George Schisler, D. Moores, Bill Adolph, Pat Smith, Walter Barber, RA White, Art Van, Len Jones, EL Crowe, Martin Pederson, Brother McKinnon, Reg. Conn, Neil McKerracher, Bill Cousins, RE Gunderson, Cookey Ryan, Sam Dare, Cece Wright, George Henry, Ted Carnegie, Car Bruce, Carl Sundin, Vern Hoff, Bill O'Connor, Malcolm Pearce, Vic Dyck, and all of those whose names never appear, but who nonetheless are the backbone of society.

VOLUNTEERS WORKING AT YOUR ELKS CAMPS

ELKGROVE

WHITE ROCK ELKS NO. 431

White Rock Elks members Tony Crowther, Graham Wilson, Pete Allard, Albert Bueckert and Ray Francoeur have been working at Elkgrove to reconstruct the boat in the playground and the greenhouse.

They budgeted \$1,000.00 and were on tract with their projects



ELKNESS

PRINCE GEORGE ELKS NO. 122 "WORK CREW" on June 15, 2010, paint and cement sidewalk.

"Work Crew Members" Laurie Meier, Euc Goyer, Roy Green, Wayne Scoville, Paul Nolan, Sister Kathy Haynes and Caretaker Martin Schmiderer



CONFERENCE 2010 - CRUISE TO ALASKA



Cruise ship in Vancouver Harbour



Tracey Arm Iceberg



Albert's Birthday Party
Deb Sallenback



Social Events



Glacier in Glacier Bay Jerry & Bev Wernicke



President, Bob Baker



Installation of Officers



Mystery man or beast?



Cocktail Party



Could be Mystery Man or relative!!!!



Photographer: Larry Mazur and buddy Joe W



Jacqueline Allain and Gary Gee

**B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION 83RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2011
and B.C. ROYAL PURPLE ASSOCIATION 17TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

"A Little Bit of Heaven in Twenty Eleven"

HOSTED BY: Pentiction Elks No. 51

FRIDAY, MAY 27 TO SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2010

Interim Schedule (subject to change):

Thursday	May 26, 2011	for Early Arrivals Meet and Greet
Friday,	May 27, 2011	Executive Meetings -Golf - BBQ and Social
Saturday	May 28, 2011	Conference Meetings - Elections, Presidents Reception and Evening Dinner/Social
Sunday	May 29, 2011	Meetings Continue - Installation of Officers and President's Ball

Complete details including Registration Forms for Conference and Golf will be submitted to all Lodges in early 2011.

REGISTRATION FEES (not including golf)

Due to dramatic increase in virtually all areas, including the HST, leaves no choice but to increase the previous nominal fees we enjoyed in the past. (Last year was \$85.00).

DELEGATES (Elks and Royal Purple) \$95.00

(Includes Saturday night social and dance; President's Ball, morning and afternoon coffee and snacks. DOES NOT INCLUDE Friday night BBQ and Social).

NON-DELEGATES AND GUESTS (option to pay full registration or separate tickets as follows:

Friday night BBQ, etc	\$15.00
Saturday Night Social/Dance	\$20.00
President's Ball	\$55.00
Lunches--sandwiches and soup	\$ 6.00 each day

GOLFERS Information and registration form to follow in New Year to Lodges
(Requires separate registration)

*Includes BBQ, Green Fee, Prizes, Beverage DOES NOT INCLUDE CART which can be booked in advance. Details will be on registration form
Course is 9 holes, 2435 yards, par 35. Just the right size for duffers-Best Ball- is licensed right in town (next to airport)*

ACCOMMODATION

Penticton is a tourist mecca with literally dozens of motels/hotels/trailer parks, etc. (too numerous to list) but include:

- Sandman Inn (Conference Hotel)
- Coast Hotel
- Days Inn
- Ramada Hotel
- Best Western

Lakeside Resort Hotel (Casino on site)

plus many others listed on the tourist information website. End of May is before tourist season begins -- rate will be good.

ACCESS (good road access via Hwy 3/97 (Hope Princeton), Hwy 5/97C/97 (Coquihalla and Connector).

Daily flights to Penticton via Jazz Air (can arrange pickup), as well as numerous flights to Kelowna (80 kms north) no pickup but regular shuttle service available

Further Information and Registration Forms Available Early 2011

Current Contact person Lodge Secretary as listed below:

Penticton Elks No. 51
343 Ellis Street
Penticton, BC, V2Z 4L8

Phone: (250) 492-6183 Office
(250) 492-2949 Lounge
E-mail: penelks51@shaw.ca

REMEMBER: "A LITTLE BIT OF HEAVEN IN TWENTY ELEVEN"

**B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION
VISION STATEMENT**

The Planning Committee of the BC Elks Association has been working on a vision statement for the B.C. Elks Association and would like your feedback.

Here are the notes from their meeting on development of the Vision Statement - "recognition, community minded Lodges, family focused, focus on children, viable organization, unity, common goal, fraternal, meet members needs, social atmosphere, regalia, parades, increase visibility. After lengthy discussion and many revisions with great input from all present, the following was agreed by consensus to the proposed Vision Statement.

"To be a Recognizable, Volunteer Organization Focusing on helping Children, Communities, and Families, and Meeting Members Needs through Fraternal and Social Activities."

B.C. ELKS ASSOCIATION 83RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE
SATURDAY, MAY 28 AND SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2011
HOSTED BY PENTICTON ELKS NO. 51
B.C. Elks Delegate/Visitor Registration Form

"A Little Bit Of Heaven In 2011"

Name: _____ Elk ____ Visitor ____

Lodge Name and Number: _____ Region: _____

Residential Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Current Office: _____

Highest Office Held: _____

REGISTRATION FEES: (Please check items you wish to purchase)

Elks Delegate or Visitor.....\$95.00
(includes Thursday Night Meet and Greet, Saturday Night Supper and Social, four Coffee breaks and snacks, Sunday Night President's Ball)

Does not include:
Lunches
Friday Night BBQ and Dance (except for registered golfers and paid guests.)

Separate or extra tickets Non-Delegates (check appropriate items and quantity)

- Friday night BBQ and Dance.....\$15.00
- Saturday Night Social and Dance (Roaring 20's Theme).....\$25.00
- Lunches - Sandwiches and Soup.....\$ 6.00 per day
- President's Ball.....\$55.00

Total: Registration Fee.....\$ 95.00
Extra Tickets.....\$ _____

Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make cheques payable to Penticton Elks Conference and mail to Elks Lodge at:
343 Ellis Street, Penticton, BC, V2A 4L8

Refund deadline date: May 20, 2011