



101st ISEA
MID WINTER TRAINING

LEWISTON, ID
OCTOBER 27-28th 2023

101st Idaho State Elks Association Mid Winter Training
October 26th – 29th 2023
Lewiston, Idaho

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Assembly and Registration of the ISEA members and guests.

October 27, 2023

State President Mike Marvin opened the 101st Idaho State Elks Association Mid-Winter Training Session at 8:00am. The following officers were appointed for the session:

- Chaplain – Lyle Gessford, Nampa Lodge #1389
- Sargent at Arms – J. Curtis Neely, Moscow Lodge #896
- Tiler – James Scully, Lewiston Lodge #896
- Photographer – Tom Winters, John Day OR Lodge #1824
- Parliamentarian – Ed Sanman III, Lewiston Lodge #896

President Marvin directed the Sergeant at Arms to invite all Elks, who desire to attend this Convention, to come within the Lodge Room.

President Marvin inquired of the Sergeant at Arms and Tiler as to their satisfaction that only qualified members remained in the Lodge room. All were qualified to remain.

President Marvin called on Past Grand Exalted Ruler and State Sponsor T. Keith Mills to introduce guests and Grand Lodge Dignitaries.

- Regional Hoop Shoot Director District 1 – Harley Birchmeir and spouse Candy Birchmeir
- Government Relations Area 8 – Steve Johnson

- Membership and Marketing Area 8 – Steve Meier
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler East – Josh Anderson
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler North – Alan Carbonero
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler South – Traci Marmon, Caldwell Lodge #1448
- District Leader East – President Mike Marvin, Blackfoot Lodge #1416
- District Leader South – Lyle Gessford, Nampa Lodge #1389
- District Leader North – Ed Sanmann II, Lewiston Lodge #896
- Past Grand Tiler – J. Curt Neely, Moscow Lodge #249

Welcome and introductions were made for visiting dignitaries of Oregon and Washington.

The Chaplain led the assembled in prayer.

Introductions were made for the Lewiston Idaho Mayor, Daniel Johnson, Lewis/Clark State College President Cynthia Pemberton and Lewiston Police Department Chief of Police Jason Kucik.

The Marine Corps League Detachment 1034 with the Honor Guard presented the colors. First Lady Lori Marvin led the assembled members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor of Lewiston, Daniel Johnson gave a welcoming speech and thanked the Elks for the support they have given to the community. Mayor Johnson encouraged all to take advantage of the opportunities that it has to offer. With the Elks we are a community of a better place.

Lewis/Clark State College President Cynthia Pemberton addressed the assembly commenting on the parallels with Lewis/Clark College and the Elks. President Pemberton provided an Economic impact study of the Lewis Clark Valley and placed it at the State Secretaries desk for members to pick up if they desire.

Lewiston Police Department Chief of Police Jason Kucik addressed the assembly.

The engagement and civic responsibilities that the Elks takes on is really appreciated and needed as we live in very challenging times.

President Marvin gave the response.

Roll Call was called for and taken by the ISEA Secretary Linda Tatlock. All ISEA elected and appointed officers were present. Roll Call of Lodges was taken and all Idaho State Lodges were present.

President Marvin requested Lyle Gessford, Chairman of the Elks Rehabilitation Board to introduce the members of the Elks Rehabilitation Board. Those introduced were, Lee Draper, David Tatlock and Grant Jones.

President Marvin recognized Past State Presidents, Past State Secretaries, Past Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Past District Deputies, Past Hall of Honor recipients, Past State Elk of the Year, and Past Volunteer Call to Service Award recipients.

President Marvin acknowledged the Veterans of our Military service and thanked them for their past service to our nation.

The Early Bird drawing was held with 3 winners.

President Marvin called upon the Sergeant at Arms for the initial credentials report.

PGER	1
DDGER	3
PDDGER	21
Members	106
Visiting Members	9
Spouses & Guests	19
Total	157

President Marvin called upon State Secretary Linda Tatlock for announcements.

- Directories are available during convention through Debra Nadrchal

- Apology from the State Secretary for not bringing new credential holders to the convention. They are available to order through the State Secretary.
- Economic impact report sitting at the State Secretaries desk
- Sera White Bosen announced Discover Elks sticks are available for purchase \$5.00 each.
- DAP chair Susie Stertz reminded all that it is Red Ribbon Week and she has red ribbons available.
- Tom Winters announced that all the photos taken during convention would be posted on his smug mug website. They can be reposted in lodge newsletters, etc.
- Alicia Neely thanked all who brought items for the silent and live auction. Live auction will take place following dinner that evening.
- President Marvin acknowledged the hat at the front podium in remembrance of a passed member.

President Marvin called upon Past Grand Exalted Ruler and State Sponsor, T. Keith Mills to address those assembled. Mr. Mills acknowledged all members of the Lewiston Lodge for all their hard work in get things ready for this convention, from new signage, to roof issues, etc.

President Marvin called upon the East District Deputy, Josh Anderson regarding his acquisition of another cardboard cutout which will be set up on the stage. If you feel so inclined, please sign the back of that cardboard cutout.

The session was recessed until 8:00am October 28th.

State President Marvin reconvened the 101st ISEA Mid-Winter Training Session at 8:00am October 28, 2023.

President Marvin directed the Sergeant at Arms to invite all Elks, who desire to attend this Convention, to come within the Lodge Room.

President Marvin directed the Sergeant at Arms to invite our special guest to the front of the convention hall.

Sergeant at Arms introduced our special guest, Buzz Nanninga, Lewiston Lodge #896, Exalted Ruler 1962/63, ISEA State President 1980/81, Grand Lodge Inner Guard 1977, Honorary life member Lewiston Lodge 75 years, past District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler North District, Grand Lodge Ritual Judge, Dallas Texas, and World War II Navy Veteran.

The Chaplain led the assembled in prayer.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler T. Keith Mills led the assembled members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call was called for and taken by the ISEA Secretary Linda Tatlock. All ISEA elected and appointed officers were present with the exception of Terri Tackett, Trustee North. Roll Call of Lodges was taken and all Idaho State Lodges were present.

President Marvin recognized Past State President Buzz Nanninga who was not present the prior day. President Marvin also recognized past State Secretaries, Past Chairman of the Board of Trustees, past District Deputies, Past Hall of Honor recipients, Past State Elks of the Year, and Past Volunteer and Call to Service Award recipients that were not introduced the prior day.

The Early Bird drawing was held with 3 winners.

President Marvin called upon the Sergeant at Arms for the final credentials report.

PGER	1
DDGER	3
PDDGER	22
Members	106
Visiting Members	9
Spouses & Guests	19
Total	160

President Marvin called upon our Past Grand Exalted Ruler and State Sponsor T. Keith Mills to address the assembly.

Mr. Mills reminded all about the silent auction items in support of our State Project, the Rehabilitation System. The Rehabilitation System is going to produce a newer up to date video regarding our new project, to be used during the indoctrination/orientation at each Lodge. The 25th Anniversary of the Snake River Lodge is coming up November 4th in Snake River.

Mr. Mills touched on the insurance issues that are facing the Lodges. Liquor liability and property plus insurance. Nov 1st is the cut off to contact the insurance company regarding any changes. Mr. Mills will keep us apprised as this develops.

Mr. Mills announced that we are a growing organization, and Idaho is the only State who had an increase in membership, 5 years in a row.

Mr. Mills discussed the conflicts in some of the lodges. We all are American citizens, ladies and gentlemen, members of the greatest organization in the world and it is time we started acting like it. You are a volunteer officer in an organization. You are part of the wheels that make everything turn. The PERs role in the Lodge are in an advisory role only. You are a mentor, but you have no power. If the officers won't take your advice that is on them.

We must all remember... at the end of the day, we are all human beings, we all care for one another and we all should be getting along. Treat people the way you want to be treated. This starts at the top. Each and everyone of us can do a little bit better and can give a little more kindness and a little bit more thoughtfulness.

Regarding communication, we all need to communicate better. We need to let our membership know what we are doing and what is going on within our Lodges as well on the state level.

President Marvin called upon State Secretary Linda Tatlock for announcements.

- Directories are still available for purchase from Debra Nadrchal
- Credential holders are available for order through the State Secretary.
- Economic Impact reports are at the State Secretary's desk.
- Harley Birchmier reported on Hoop Shoot. The State Hoop shoot will take place in Blackfoot on Feb 3rd. Regional Hoop Shoot is set for March 16th in Pasco Washington 9am.
- Lyle Gessford reported on the charity auction live auction \$1,675.00 Cnote program \$3,445.00. Donations on the floor of the lodge yesterday and today equal \$5,524.23.
- Alicia Neely announced that the silent auction was closing at noon.

The Chaplain led the assembled in prayer.

President Marvin thanked all for attending and closed the session.