



Raccoon Club



Like every-day since last year?



Hey Norton! How's 'bout I save some money and just give you a headache for Christmas?

# THE ROYAL ORDER OF THE RACCOONS

Tuesday, December 10, 2013

5:30 pm — 7:00 pm

**Nickels Gaming Parlour**

2100 N. Last Chance Gulch

Helena, MT 59601

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## ADVERTISEMENT

MEET THE AUTHOR & BOOK SIGNING

Edward Norton IV

Tuesday, December 10th

2:45 — 3:30 PM

Nickels Gaming Parlour Helena, MT

The Complete History of the Royal Order of the Raccoons: Volume III by Edward Norton IV.

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(\$105.00 Canada, €75.25 )

# THE ROYAL ORDER OF THE RACCOONS



## Messages from The Grand Poo-Pah

The meeting tonight is the last meeting of the Royal Order of the Raccoons for this year, 2013. The fourth Tuesday would be Christmas Eve and most want to spend time with family. Nickels will be open normal hours for both Christmas eve and Christmas day.

Susie Proul does one outstanding job of getting a theme picked for each raccoon night. It takes talent to come up with ideas twice each month. I and all the members appreciate the fun she presents via her 'Guessing game', the 50-50, and food for some meetings. Nickels has a special gift for Susie tonight.

Nickels had a poker tournament Saturday with 40 participants (it was limited to 40). However, one of the players was taken off to jail by the Helena police department shortly after the game started. The player apparently was on probation and part of probation was that he not go to bars or casino's. Judges in Helena put that stipulation on just about anyone who has problems with the law. The top winner of the poker tournament won \$7,114, 2nd place \$4118, third \$2808 and on down to sixth place with a payout of \$1123. Nickels hosted the first ever legal poker game with a high buy in of \$500. \$18,720 was paid out to the top six players

Christmas is but a few days away and I wish all of you a happy holiday season and Merry Christmas.

### THE GRIZ-THE SAINTS

The Grizzlies lost their game on Saturday and thus their bid to go further in the final games. Carroll also lost their game on Saturday, and both teams are done for the season. Thanks to the qualifications of Ed Mannix those at Nickels could watch both games via the internet.

### HOLIDAY BEVERAGES

Nickels will soon have (or possibly already has by the time you get this newsletter) Tom and Jerry's. We already have hot buttered rum. Tom and Jerry at one time was the top drink of the season. The spirits that go into a Tom and Jerry are Rum and Brandy mixed in with the batter and topped with nutmeg.

### BRING IN THE NEW YEAR

Bring in the new year at Nickels. We will celebrate at ten o'clock when the ball is dropped in New York. Free champagne, hats and other trinkets to usher in the new year---2014. We will have a driver in case you are worried about your alcohol level and most certainly we will call a cab for you.

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**Happy Birthday  
All You Santa Babies!!!**

*(Poo-Pah from page 2)*

#### NEXT MEETING DATE

The first meeting of 2014 will be January 14, the second Tuesday of the month. The fourth Tuesday in January is the 28th, just ahead of Super Bowl week-end. Be sure and sign your name on the many Super Bowl boards available at Nickels. Higher pay-outs are allowed since October 1. Squares can be valued at \$25 per square with a maximum but boards can not have a payout of more than \$2,500. Nickels will have several \$5 boards (25

squares) and a number of \$2 and \$3 boards. New gaming rules also allow the boards to pay off by the quarter, half AND FINAL. There must be a final payout that matches the highest payout of the board. 100% of the money placed on sports pool boards go back to the players who signed up.

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## BOOK REVIEW

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**The Complete History of the Royal Order of the Raccoons: Volume III** by Edward Norton IV. 1,303 pages. Published by Random Alley Press \$99.95 (\$105.00 Canada, €75.25 )

(Brooklyn, NY)  
Alice Trixie Kramden III, UC

The heartbreaking conclusion of The Complete History of the Royal Order of the Raccoons Volume II left me weeping. Two love-struck raccoons from the relentlessly embattled gazes of Brooklyn's Bensonhurst and Long Island's Valley Stream escaping on a plane leaving JFK headed to some unknown destination. At last I can stop my crying. All is well in the world of raccoons.

This hefty tome is really a detective story. Only Edward Norton IV has the sewer rat instincts to flush out the facts while simultaneously restoring harmony to all the gazes world-wide. Working undercover, the author goes to far-flung cities in North Dakota, Central California, and other places I never knew existed, following the scent of those young raccoons who spread their love across the continent, establishing gazes in remote corners.

My personal favorite is Helena, Montana - about which the author includes nearly 600 pages. Expressing the finest of details, this compelling read made me feel as if I was there meeting the kindly barkeeper, cuddly libation servers, and a host of characters. In truth, I found some of the raccoons to be so peculiar that they could be mistaken for strays lifted directly from a science fiction novel. For instance, there is the wild one who

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