



Raccoon Club



# THE ROYAL ORDER OF THE RACCOONS

**Tuesday, September 24, 2013**

5:30 pm — 7:00 pm

**Nickels Gaming Parlour**

2100 N. Last Chance Gulch

Helena, MT 59601

406-443-5554

Tonight's snacks provided by

**THE RIB SHACK**

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## THE ROYAL ORDER OF THE RACCOONS



### A Message from The Grand Poo-Pah

We start another year of meetings tonight for THE ROYAL ORDER OF THE RACCOONS as we move into the fall.

Check with Mama Raccoon Susie Proul about your current membership status.

For \$25 annually you receive:

- A Royal Order hat or leather wrap with Raccoon tails
- The grand Royal Order of the Raccoons banquet held in May, complete with HAPPY HOURS and a prime rib dinner
- Discounted drinks during our meetings (5:30 pm – 7:00 pm)
- 50–50 drawing with all the money

returned to members (except drawings prior to Christmas when half the pot is donated to some worthy cause or person in need)

- a guessing game with prizes awarded
- One meeting per month with snack food

All that for twenty five bucks.

Nickels hosts our meetings and happily discounts the beverages as "Fun is still legal". HAMMS beer is now on tap. Try the beer "*From the land of sky blue waters*". Look at the tap handles for other offerings from our club room.

Enjoy the evening of visiting and fun.

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## MONTANA POKER RULES CHANGE OCT 1<sup>ST</sup>

Beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>, poker limits will rise to \$800. That puts more skill into the game rather than just meeting each rise in a bet hoping to draw out a winning hand. 7 card Texas hold-em for sure relies on luck, but also knowledge of the game which puts skill into the gaming experience. Another change is that instead of only 12 poker tournaments a year, casinos who put up more money to the state can have

tournaments whenever they wish. Tournaments set a "buy in" amount, and that "buy in" is all you will lose until the tournament is complete. That aspect appeals to those wanting to learn the game.

Nickels Poker room has been freshly painted, carpets cleaned and the Poker room will have more tournaments. Join Kristi, Mark, Kevin, and welcome our newest dealer Laura.

**BOARD ELECTIONS at the next  
Raccoon Club Meeting  
Tuesday, October 8, 2013**

# NEWS

*Our annual banquet* was held on Thursday, May 30, 2013 at the Loyal Order of Moose. There were speeches, more speeches plus good eating and lots of drinking thanks to the open bar paid for by **Bob Gilbert and Susie Rebeck**.



Special thanks to **Hal Johnson** who demonstrated the dangers of speaking while being under the influence of alcohol a la Foster Brooks. And he did it without being able to read his notes! Incredible.

**Brother Larry Sem** has spent many hours producing a video of the banquet. It is showing tonight on one of the televisions in the Raccoon Club room, i.e. Nickels. Thanks Larry for saving (and sharing) our memories.

**Hey Raccoon Sows!!!** Give a big sloppy raccoon kiss to **Jeff Diehl** for his outstanding re-design of the Ladies' Bathroom.

Bartender **Michelle Young** hosted a bachelorette party for her identical twin Michelle at Nickels on Saturday September 21<sup>st</sup>. Driven by teetotalers, the entourage used the Official Nickels Van and Limousine to travel to other fun places such as HAPS Bar on Railroad Street, GOLD Bar downtown, and the VFW in East Helena. Revelers were out until 4am and somehow evaded troubles with the police.

**DID YOU KNOW?** Wednesdays @ 6 pm, **Hutterite Farmers** end their workday at Nickels. Fresh produce, eggs, breads and cakes are for sale.

Happy Birthday Today to  
**Susie Proul**  
And  
All You September Babies

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Best Wishes to newlyweds  
**Bartender Ron and**  
**Josie McGroarty**

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Congratulations to  
**Patty & Dale Flinders**  
on their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding  
Anniversary September 28<sup>th</sup>

**Shakin'it...** Congratulations to **Hal & Maxine Johnson** and **Pete Brazier & Gloria Doyle** on their recent Shake-A-Days wins.



Special thanks to this evenings  
bartenders, **Terri & Ron**.



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# THE ROYAL ORDER OF THE RACCOONS Nickels Chapter

## OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL ORDER

*(Effective September 23, 2013)*

**Grand Poo-Pah**

*Brother Bob Gilbert*

**Grand Raccoonette**

*Susie Rebeck*

**Assistant Raccoon Director**

*Nick Thomas*

**Meeting Co-Ordinator**

*Ma Ma Coon – Susie Proul*

**Publicity Director**

*Ed Mannix*

**Libation Director**

*Brother Al Stenjum*

**Quality Control**

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**Gentlemen's Lounge Director**

*Brother Pete Brazier*

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