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From the
Desk of
JDuck

by Jessie Walduck



HAPPY NEW YEAR 2018!!!

2017 has come and gone. We are looking forward to a great year in Elks as well as the Lusk community. Don't forget that your 2018 dues are due by April 1, 2018.

Dues will be \$65-Regular members and \$45-Life Members. There are still 21 members on the delinquent list who have not paid dues from 2017. Please send them in! **DO NOT LET YOUR MEMBERSHIP LAPSE!!!!** We would like to see more of you at meetings. Get out of your comfort zone and come to Lodge or the Club for fraternization and enjoy the new upgrades, friends and activities. Lusk Lodge appreciates you and your membership and does not want to drop anyone. If you have someone in mind that would like to become an ELK- please acquire the application from the Lodge or go online and apply at Elks.org. If you would like to volunteer to be on any committee, seek an office or volunteer services-please contact me or the Exalted Ruler. There are awards for the most new members sponsored by Elks members. December 3rd we initiated JayLynn and Stephen Gisi, Artie Rosas, Etta Patterson and Tony Murdza. Welcome—you will be fabulous Elks! Dec. 3rd we held the annual Elks Memorial Service. Recently deceased members Mark Johnson and Patrick Miller were remembered. The community holiday dinners and activities have been greatly attended by the community. Lusk Lodge is sponsoring a Boy Scout troop again this year. The Veteran's committee has been very successful with lots of donations to VA Hot Springs and monies for indigent Vets sent to various WY and SD VAMC's. A BIG THANK YOU to all who have DONATED funds, time and blood, sweat and tears this year. Dave Crofutt, Veteran's chair, had successful fundraisers throughout the year and made three trips to VAMC Hot Springs to deliver coffee, comfort care kits and goods to the Veterans. In these trying days of a struggling economy-get a tax donation break and make a difference in your community and State by volunteering your time, funds and thoughts to the Elks programs that provide assistance for Americanism, Drug Awareness, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot and Scholarship Programs, Easter Egg Hunt, Holiday Dinners, Veterans Dinners and Elks sponsored community dinners and activities. Especially do not forget the Needy Youth Program that provides monies for school/winter clothing for children to age 18 or medical assistance for wheelchairs, glasses, etc. I am the District Chair for Needy Youth. Contact me if you need to take advantage of the Needy Youth Program. This year this program served 25 needy youth with clothing and medical assistance needs in Lusk district. If you know someone who could use this program for assistance please have them contact me. Stay warm! Make sure the great heart of Elkdome beats strong by not forgetting you are the strength of the Lodge-its members!! Remember ELKS CARE—ELKS SHARE!! God Bless America and Our Troops! 2018 will be ELKS 150th Anniversary. The Lodge will be having activities throughout the year celebrating this. Leading Knight Larry Pavone, Sr. is the chair for these events.

Duckie is looking for her long underwear to stay toasty thru the winter! Quackity, Quack!

Fraternally,

Jessie Walduck, Secretary, PER

EXALTED RULER'S REPORT



Howdy All,

Hope All had a Merry Christmas. And here's to a Happy and Prosperous New Year!!

Thanksgiving Dinner went well with around 80 Members and guests attending Thanks Officers for cooking and for the side dishes brought by all.

December 3rd the officers held a special Initiation and Initiated 5 new members Congratulations and welcome Etta Patterson, Steve & Jaylynn Gisi, Tony Murdza and Artie Rosas. Following the initiation, the DOE's and Elks held our annual Memorial Services honoring our Departed Members. Followed by soup & salad supper furnished by Julie Tollman and Sheila Tangney. Thanks girls.

I would like to thank Dave & Barb Crofutt and Gayle Johnson for representing the Elks and DOE's in Wreaths Across America Dec 16th. We should work on turning this into an organized event for our Members in the future. We will be getting info on how to donate to this cause.

Dec 17th Elks Annual Christmas Dinner and Santa Visit was well attended serving over 100 meals with 20 boys and girls visiting with Santa. Thanks Larry Sr., Jessie Walduck, for your help along with the cooks and cleaning crews. The Christmas Village was great again this year thanks to the Pavone Family. The Elks are teaming this year with Santa's Helpers to provide presents and meals for less fortunate families. The plan is to continue this in the years to come.

Our local Hoop Shoot contest will be scheduled for Jan 7th with regional in Casper in Feb. Mid-Winter Meeting and Convention will be held in Cody this year Jan 12th-14th.

Note date change on Club 50 Dinner, tentative date was set as Jan 14th which is Mid-Winter meeting in Cody so will go with Jan 21st.

The first meeting in February (Feb 1st) is PER meeting and selection and nomination of new officers with election of officers to be held Feb 15th. All PER's will be ask to join us in a meeting prior to the Regular Meeting on the 1st.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will be celebrating its 150th Anniversary in February 2018. This should result in our Lodge recruiting additional members, enhancing our community image, and increasing our Lodge charitable donations. We are scheduling a Lodge 150th Celebration party for Feb 16th. We will be looking for help and asking for your ideas to make this Celebration successful.

Until next Time I remain Fraternally, Your ER

RexTollman

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

If you know of any member who is sick or in distress, please notify one of the following so that the lodge can take appropriate action. Thank you. Larry Pavone 334-4003

Rod Jones 334-2518; or Jessie Walduck 334-3733

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LET'S TALK, DOES

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all!

We would like to thank everyone who donated, helped and purchased trees, wreaths, center pieces and stockings at the Christmas Tree Auction this year. We were able to donate \$500 each to our two organizations this year. One is the Niobrara County School Lunch Program and the other is the Infinite Hero Foundation. Each and every one of you made these donation possible, thank you.

We will have Installation of Officers on January 7th at 5:00 p.m. This a public installation and we welcome all of you who would like to come up for it. Following the ceremony we will have a cocktail hour then the Does Birthday Party and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will be served, please let Julie Tollman or myself know if you will be attending the dinner and if you will be bringing a plus one by no later than Tuesday, January 2, 2018. Dinner will be steak, pasta with alfredo sauce, a vegetable and of course dessert! If you would like to participate in the gift exchange please bring a gift. Just a little something under \$20 is all you need to bring for the gift exchange with your sister Does.

Thank you all for another great year! Enjoy your holidays with your families, loved ones and friends.

Live your life with patriotism, charity, loyalty and love,

Amanda Dawson



VETERANS COMMITTEE

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR

Well the Veterans Committee has been busy this month. I want to thank the Elks for all the coffee, T- shirts, comfort kits, socks and miscellaneous items for the Vets. I want to thank Jim Kremers and the DOES for each donating \$50 to buy more coffee, and Walt and Sean Wasserburger for their donation of a dozen pair of heavy duty socks, and 40 stocking caps. Also everyone who donated, like the Senior Center for the coats and sweaters etc ., and Theresa for all the help she put in. There were checks sent to Hot Springs, Cheyenne, Buffalo, and Sheridan VA Centers.

Thanks to everyone who helped or donated to the Veterans Christmas this year. I will let you know who won the Veterans raffle in my next report.

Lawrence Crofutt
Veterans Committee Chairman.



Happy Holidays Gang!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and you got to spend some quality time with your friends and family.

Queen of Hearts now sits at over \$1,300 and continues to grow. One ace has been drawn and 2 duces have been drawn, with a total of 9 cards out, but the jokers remain.

I'm gearing up for Superbowl. I have a big board for \$10 a square. If you come up to the Club, for \$1 you can roll dice for a chance to win a square on the \$10 board. This board will pay \$45 for every score change, \$75 for each quarter and \$100 for final. That means a 19 total of payouts, so the odds are pretty good.

I also have a \$25 board, but there are just 25 squares, so your chance to get on that one will be limited. As we near the Superbowl, I will have more smaller boards.

Superbowl LII will be on Sunday, February 4th and held in Minneapolis. Justin and Janet will be performing the halftime show again, let's just hope there won't be a wardrobe malfunction this time. Sorry Bronco fans, maybe next year.

The Club will open at 4:00 pm for the big game and I will take \$1 off all beer and drinks during the game only. Remember to bring snacks. Hope to see you there.

We will have a New Year's Eve party and we will pop open some champagne to celebrate the new year. Bring snacks for that party, too.

Peace and Happy New Year

Sean Wasserburger, Club Manager

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT



We are proud to announce the 150th Anniversary of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The 150th anniversary celebration will focus visibility on our accomplishments and goals. This should result in additional members, enhancing our community image, and increase our charitable donations.

Queen of Hearts

Drawing Every Other Saturday

Tickets \$1 - Be a Winner!

Karaoke after Queen of Hearts

by Larry Pavone, Jr.



January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 New Year's Day	2	3	4 Club Open 5 PM Regular Meeting Elks & Does 7 PM	5 Louis Shea Club Open 5 PM	6 Club Open 5 PM Queen of Hearts
7 Hoop Shoot Club Open 5 PM DOES Installation of Officers 6 PM	8 Brett Dockery Jeff Wasserburger Dan Bauer	9	10 Marvin Miller Dusty Clark	11	12 Club Open 5 PM Midwinter Meeting - Cody	13 Jim Smolik Club Open 5 PM Midwinter - Cody
14 Club Open 5 PM Neil Graves Keith Lemons Midwinter - Cody	15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16 Karen Bruce	17 Christopher Pavone Robert Brown Barb Frye Dan Sisson	18 Ed Boner Club Open 5 PM Regular Meeting Elks & Does 7 PM	19 Jack Garner Club Open 5 PM	20 Fred Walker Pat Russell Club Open 5 PM Queen of Hearts
21 Club Open 5 PM Club 50 Dinner 6 PM	22	23	24	25	26 Club Open 5 PM	27 Joe McDaniel Club Open 5 PM
28 Val Wasserburger Club Open 5 PM	29 Carol Swartz	30 William Seib	31 Dennis Gulley			



Happy Birthday Elks and Does! Come on up to the lodge during the month of your birthday for a free adult beverage or refreshment!

February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Ed Decastro Club Open 5 PM Regular Meeting Elks & Does 7 PM PER Night	2 Brian Brost Larry Pavone, Sr. Club Open 5 PM	3 Dawn Scott Club Open 5 PM Queen of Hearts
4 Club Open 5 PM	5	6	7	8 Gordon Berg Cathy Fliris	9 Club Open 5 PM	10 Club Open 5 PM
11 Club Open 5 PM	12	13	14 Kendall Retzlaff Valentine's Day	15 Club Open 5 PM Regular Meeting Elks & Does 7 PM Election	16 Aaron Tollman Club Open 5 PM 150 th Anniversary Celebration	17 Club Open 5 PM Regional Hoop Shoot Queen of Hearts
18 Club Open 5 PM	19 Presidents' Day	20	21 Jim Thorbjornsen Moose Thompson	22	23 Dorothy Jordan Club Open 5 PM	24 Ron Meier Club Open 5 PM Leading Knight Seminar Casper
25 Harold Miller Steve Bauersachs Club Open 5 PM	26 Dennis Meier	27 Bill Graves	28			