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A Message from your Exalted Ruler

Members All,

I hope all of you and your families are well. In the middle of the holiday season, let us remember why we joined the Elks. I am hoping it was to help our fellow man. Let us also remember the spirit and meaning of Christmas. Let us rejoice at the festivals of all of God's children.

The calendar year is drawing to an end, but adversity and need know no dates. The last year has been challenging for many people. We were fortunate to be able a help a some of them. However, assisting those in our community has caused our coffers to run low. On that sentiment I charge all of you to put on your thinking caps and come up with fundraising and other ideas to help us and our community. I would also ask that anyone able, open your wallets and donate to the Friends of 660 or one of our many charities.

Also, remember all the many volunteer activities available and get involved. We will need help with the fundraisers, workdays, and other events. There is always room on the calendar for more cook teams. The Friday steak night in the past has had only officer teams cooking but going forward we are expanding the cooking crews to any of our members willing to help. So we are looking for others that I am sure are more capable of cooking a steak than I am to help out. As always, I wish you and your families a safe and joyous holiday season, health, happiness, and a prosperous new year.

Yours in Brotherhood, *Exalted Ruler Perry Helgeson*



A Chukkle or Two from McGoo

While up at the mailboxes checking our mail, I ran into our rancher friend from up South of Buford, ole Brandin Hipps. His son Skinny, just graduated from the Engineering School at the University in Laramie and was interviewing for a job with General Electric Co. The Human Resources Officer asked him "What starting salary might you be looking for?" Skinny replied, "In the region of \$125,000 a year, depending on the benefits package." The interviewer inquires, "Well, what would you say to a hundred and twenty-five grand and a package that included five weeks vacation, fourteen paid holidays, full Medical and dental insurance, company matching retirement fund up to 50% of salary and a company car leased every two years, say, a red Corvette?" Skinny sat right up and says, "Wow! Are you kidding?" The interviewer replies, "Well, yeah, but you started it."

We also ran into ole Cookie Baker, our kindly Grandmother friend at the Wally World Store and she told us about getting into using her cell phone. She said she texted up her Grandson, Kurt N. Klimber, and asked him, "Hi Dear, can you tell me what, IDK, LY and TTYL means?" Kurt texted back, "I Don't Know, Love You & Talk To You Later." She texted him back, "It's OK, don't worry about it. I'll ask the Kid at the Starbuck's store."

I reckon what with all the Covid 19 stuff and other problems and business for you to read about in this here publication, I probably ought to close this for now. I'll leave you this time with this thought, "I'm not saying let's go kill all the stupid people. I'm just saying let's remove all the warning labels and let the problem work itself out."

From Desk of Secretary

Wow! Almost the end of another year and what a strange year it has been. Tagging on to Perry's note I would like to thank all of those that have donated to different causes we have had in the last 9 months. Did you know that the Cheyenne Elks have, or will soon, donate over \$13,000.00 to various agencies or people around town. Our relief group has given out over \$1,000.00 alone. Then we have given to veterans, the COMEA Shelter, St. Joseph's Food Pantry, as well as several other agencies around town. And this is in spite of our own issues we are dealing with.

I want to, and hope you will, welcome our new members initiated in October:

Wyatt Campbell, Hugh Baggs, Ken Fletcher, Rebecca Smetana, Missi Spier, Jeramiah Spier, Helen Tapia, Robert Smetana and Heath Kingham

Lastly, please remember that we have a Memorial Ceremony at 9 a.m., December 6th, at the Lodge to honor all our members that have passed away this year. All members and their families are invited to attend.

I look forward to seeing all of you soon, *Secretary Ron*



From Trustees

As current health situation continues to grow, and with the Covid-19 rules that are currently in place, we would urge everyone to comply with the current rules for wearing of a mask when visiting the Lodge/Club. We would also ask that you wear a mask anytime while moving about the building. Once you are at your seat feel free to remove your mask and enjoy a drink or meal with others in your company. Hopefully by doing this we can see all your smiling faces without masks in the future.

Board Chairman, Bob Fisch



In the Spotlight...

- Big shout out and thank you to Murdoch's Ranch and Home Supply and Brown's Shoe Fit for helping us reach our Freedom Grant goal to provide 30 winter jackets and 40 pairs of boots to the VA to distribute to homeless Veterans. Also, many thanks to those of you who donated winter hats, gloves, and monetary donations for this project. Elks Care Elks Share!
- Children's Christmas Party, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 12
- New Year's Eve Party Dec. 31
- New Year's Day Party Jan. 1 T&T as usual Open till close Mexican Food and Champagne
- Reminder that 2021 100 Club Dues are due by first drawing January 9th, 2021
- Mark your Calendar for the Elk's Bowling Tournament January 30/31 & February 6/7. Here is hoping we can have it.
- Feb. 2 Burgers by Team #2; Feb. 3 PER Meeting 6:30 pm & PER Lodge Meeting 7 pm; Nominations of 2021-2022 Officers
- Super Bowl Party Sunday Feb. 7. Keep an eye out for details going forward.

Queen of Heart drawings every Tuesday night at 7 pm Bowling League at 6 pm every Thursday except Christmas & New Year's Eve All Dinners start at 6 pm unless otherwise noted

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY						
		1 BURGER NIGHT BOY SCOUTS 6 pm Q♥	2 PER MEETING 6:30 pm LODGE MEETING 7 pm	3	4 CHICKEN/BEEF FRIED STEAK 6 pm	5 100 CLUB DINNER TBD 6 pm DRAWING 7 pm
6 MEMORIAL SERVICE 9 am	7	8 BURGER NIGHT TEAM #1 6 pm Q¥	9 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 7 pm	10	11 660 STEAK NIGHT TEAM #3 6 pm	12 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY 1:30-3:30 pm
13	14	15 BURGER NIGHT FRESH FRIES ^{6 pm} Q♥	16 NO LODGE MEETING	17	18 ENCHILADAS RICE & BEANS 6 pm MEAT THE GAME 7 pm	19
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17	18	19 BURGER NIGHT TEAM #1 6 pm Q¥	20 REGULAR LODGE MEETING 7 pm	21	22 DINNER TBD 6 pm	23
24	25	26 BURGER NIGHT	27	28	29 BEEF STEW & BISCUITS	30 BOWLING



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