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### **JANUARY**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	2	3	4 Elks/DOES Meeting	5 Louis Shea	6
7	8 Brett Dockery Jeff Wasserburger Dan Bauer	9	10 Dusty Clark	11 Lenore Hankins ELKS Mid-Winter State Meeting	12 State meeting	13 State Meeting
14 Keith Lemons	15	16 Karen Bruce	17 Robert Brown Barb Frye	18 Elks/Does Meeting PER/Trustee	19	20 Fred Walker Pat Russell DOES Installation & Birthday Party
21	22 Tabitha Nelson	23	24 Linda Binkley	25	26	27 Dennis Green
28 Val Wasserburger	29 Carol Swartz	30	31 Dennis Gulley			

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY ELKS AND DOESCOME UP TO THE LODGE THE MONTH OF YOUR BIRTHDAY FOR A FREE REFRESHMENT! FEBRUARY

				1 Ed DeCastro Elks/DOES Meeting	2 Amanda Dawson	3 Dawn Scott
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15 Elks/DOES Meeting PER, Trustee	16 Aaron Tollman	17 Dennis Green
18	19	20	21	22 Deb Girone	23	24 Ron Meier
25 Harold Miller	26 Dennis Meier	27 Bill Graves	28	29		

# FROM THE DESK OF J DUCK!



Happy New Year 2024!!

2023 has come and gone. We are looking forward to a great year in Elkdom as well as the Lusk Community. Don't forget your 2024 DUES are due by April 1, 2024. Dues for regular members are \$100 with Life Member dues being \$80. All Lodges had to raise dues this year due to Grand Lodge raising fees. There are still 7 members in arrears for paying dues for 2023. Please get them in-we do not want to lose your membership. Don't forget your DONATIONS help promote several programs that benefit the Community and Country. Come to the Lodge and Club and see the improvements and happenings that have been done during this past year.

We would like to see more attendance at meetings. Meetings are where voting on important issues and election of officers takes place. As a member your voice and vote counts. Remember the membership is the backbone of the Lodge. If you would like to propose a person for membership-applications are available at the Lodge or you may obtain one online @ Elks.org. There are awards available from Grand Lodge for procuring new members. If you would consider an office or be included on a committee in the Lodge-please contact me or ER Heth as soon as possible. We need help from all members. Some of us wear 3 or 4 hats and are wearing out. Member participation is welcomed.

## THIS LODGE IS WHAT THE MEMBERS MAKE IT. BE PROUD TO BE AN ELK! WE ARE ELKS FOREVER!

The Lodge's Thanksgiving and Christmas activities were celebrated with dinners and camaraderie.

The Lodge initiated 3 new members-Dakota Clark, Tracy Schulz and Terry Owens this year. 3 Transfers were added to our roster. The Lodge lost deceased member Butch Hogan. He will be greatly missed by the community and Lodge.

Stay warm and healthy. Keep the heart of ELKDOM beating strong. ELKS CARE-ELKS SHARE! God Bless America and Our Troops! Several members are having major health issues-pray for their recovery.

The Lodge wishes you all a Safe and Healthy New Year!

Fraternally,

Jessie Walduck, Secretary, PER

# EXALTED RULER'S REPORT



The Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners were (as always) great, thanks to all the helpers, you made everything easy.

We performed the Memorial service as proscribed and then had a nice meal afterward.

Hopefully 2024 will be a year that we can grow the Lodge membership, encourage members to participate in our activities and attend meetings.

Jim Tangney for Loren Heth ER

## DOES

TALK



### Merry Christmas!

As always, I hope this finds you all well and ready for the New Year. We had a wonderful Christmas tree auction this year. Thanks to everyone who donated items, bought items and helped with the auction we were able to raise over \$2200!!! It was a great time thanks to everyone, and we really appreciate all that was done! The Does will have our Installation of Officers and our birthday party on January the 20<sup>th</sup>. Installation will be at be at 4:00pm with the party following. Does please let me know if you will be attending the birthday party.

As this year comes to an end, I would like to say thank you to all of the Does and the Elks for the wonderful year. Our organizations would not be able to do what we do without all of you. I have enjoyed my time as president and would like to thank all the officers and fellow Does for your time and commitment to our organization. Life seems to be getting busier as we go along and finding extra time to share is harder and harder. Please know how much you all are appreciated and thank you.

Amanda

Happy New Year, Everyone! I just wanted to give a little update on DOES 2024 Grand Lodge in Loveland, CO. Our Drove has been busy raising funds to help with expenses of our DOES who want to attend this GL (my thanks to Jan Green, who has headed a lot of the fund raising), as it is not inexpensive to attend.

On June 6, 2024, I will have the honor of being installed as Supreme President of the Grand Lodge, BPO DOES. I would also be honored by the attendance of any of you who can possibly come. Installation is at 7:00 p.m., followed by a reception at 9. These are both open to the public.

My wonderful, supportive husband, Jim, will also be installed as "my" Bullshipper President during this GL. For any interested in attending, there are registration forms for both DOES and Bullshippers in the club at the Elks Lodge.

Scatter kindness ~ it will change someone's life!

**Sheila Tangney** 

Club

Manager's

Corner



Howdy All, hoping all your Christmas' were Merry and Bright and looking forward to a Happy New Year. The Queen of Hearts is still in hiding with a large pot and just a few cards left so come on up Jan drawings will be 13th and 27th you just might get lucky. Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners went well but attendance is again down from normal. We enjoy and appreciate everyone attending and thanks to the volunteer cooks and clean-up crews! Still and always looking for bartenders to help. Again, hoping to see you all soon

Rex Tollman, Bar Manager, Past Everything



**VETERANS REPORT** 

Merry Christmas and Happy New Years We are hoping you had a great Christmas and that we have a good new year.

We watch the children and hope our families are in good health.

The 20th of November Steve, Rex, and Dave took a load of items to the VA Hospital in Hot Springs South Dakota. Please remember all the Men, and Women in the Military that can't be home.

Veterans Committee Dave Crofutt Lusk Elks Lodge 1797





We served 30 families with food boxes and toys for the kids. Another good year.