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A Message from your Exalted Ruler

Members All,

During the past year the lodge has seen positive changes and I hope that we can continue down this path. It's a new year for the Elks and we have a new batch of officers. I encourage you to please take the time to get to know them, as they are great people. The following are a few thoughts that came to me when I was writing this article.

Sometimes when I sit through a meeting, I think back to my initiation, which was just a few years ago, and ask myself why did I become an Elk? Back then, all I wanted to do was get on the bowling league, play in the Elks tournament, and enjoy the benefits of the Club. Initiation was a blur, and I didn't take the time to really listen to the oath and the rest of the rituals. Then when I became an officer, I was able to listen to the ritual closely and it was only then that I realized what the Elks are about.... Brotherly Love, Justice, Charity, and Fidelity; not just bowling and having fun at the club.

The moto of the station of the Exalted Ruler is Fidelity. I thought I knew what this word meant, still, I had to look it up in the dictionary. The Oxford Dictionary defines fidelity as: "faithfulness to a person, cause, or belief, by continuing loyalty and support...". How do we as Elks exemplify Fidelity? By being faithful to our fellow man, to our oath as Elks, and to the lodge itself. I hope to exemplify fidelity in my life, from day to day, and I would encourage each of you, as fellow Elks, to strive to do so as well. We can all show fidelity to our oath by donating or volunteering for fundraising, community activities or lodge activities.

There are people that are stepping away and will no longer be helping with fundraisers or cook teams. If you are not already helping with the various fundraisers or cook teams, I would highly encourage you to volunteer for one of these causes. Also, if you have any ideas for fundraisers or public events, please feel free to contact one of the officers, club or kitchen managers, or myself.

Thank you for your support, and remember, each one of us, as Elks, make a difference!

Fraternally Yours,

Oma Gilbreth IV - Exalted Ruler



From Desk of Secretary

Happy Spring everyone,

Hope you all made it through another winter and are looking forward to a great Spring. Thanks to all that have paid their 24-25 dues already and the rest of you please consider getting that done asap. So, you aren't confused by the 2nd billing notice you will receive shortly. Grand Lodge and State account for \$40 of the \$80, Life & \$120 Regular dues that you are asked to pay. We use our portion to help different charities around town and to keep things running at the Lodge.

Please watch the bulletins, Facebook, Website, and the Elks App for the many events we have coming up in the next 2 months.

As usual you may contact me at any of these: 307-421-4173, Cheyenneelks0660@gmail.com

And thanks for your continued support,

Always an Elk, Ron your Secretary

Notes...

LOOKING AHEAD...

Lots of events are coming up over the next few months. Keep an eye out for details on Facebook, website, the app and the weekly Elks Happenings!

- Queen of Hearts every Tuesday at 7 pm, Karaoke every Friday at 8 pm, Sunday Funday Breakfast every Sunday 8:30-11:30 am, all dinners start at 6 pm unless noted otherwise.
- Cards every Monday night except Monday, May 27, to observe Memorial Day.
- New 100 Club Year Starts April 6th with Pork Katsu & Fried Rice for Dinner. We will have the Birthday Month celebration. Shaggy & Grape Ape entertainment.
- Staff Appreciation Day – April 20th, 4-8 pm. Come thank our folks for their dedication and help. Margaritas & Tacos will be served.
- Bingo - April 20th - Burgers/Chicken sandwiches & Hot Dogs will be available.
May 11th - Food choice to be determined.
- Derby Daze – Saturday, May 4th, come down to the Lodge as 660 is transformed into “Elk Hill Downs” for our version of the 150th running of the Kentucky Derby! Sponsor a horse for \$20 and cheer them on to victory. Bet on your favorites as six horses in each of six races compete for the blanket of roses and the chance to be the Grand Champion in the 7th and final race. Ladies bring out your fancy hats and spring dresses, while the gentleman don their top hats and bow ties! Lots of yummy food and drink specials. Watch Elks Weekly Happenings and Facebook for more details.
- Also, on May 4th -100 Club & Birthday Month Dinner at 6 pm by Trujillo Brothers. Normal 100 Club drawings at 7 pm. Sunday Funday big raffle drawing. Live music.
- Mother’s Day Brunch – Celebrate Moms, Grandmothers, Sisters, and Daughters on Sunday, May 12th with a special Brunch. All Moms’ meals are complimentary, and they receive a special gift. “Mom-mosas” and delicious food offerings to celebrate these lovely ladies! Keep an eye out for more details!
- Teacup Races June 1st – We will have a team to support a fund raiser happening right in front of our Lodge. Please look for details as we receive them.
- Got a business? Think about advertising in our bulletin, website and/or Elks Application. Cost: \$100 a year in any of the three above medias.

What it takes to be a volunteer...






Commitment: As a volunteer, you need to be able to commit to your cause or charity. Choose to volunteer for something you truly care about. In order for our Lodge to survive, many times you will receive requests to help out for events, meals, special causes and community efforts, just to name a few. You need to have the ability to plan around and honor these commitments.

Compassion: Helping others or supporting a cause is the foundation of volunteering. You need to have compassion when serving others by considering their perspectives and situations. Your compassion can help you realize that everyone has different opportunities and that you can make a difference in their lives.

Teamwork: Collaborating with others is a large part of volunteering. Many of your tasks require you to work with others, so it's important that you have the teamwork skills to be able to cooperate with a group. Make an effort to get to know fellow volunteers and learn why they support the same cause.

Fullfillment: Volunteering makes you happy. By measuring hormones and brain activity, researchers have discovered that being helpful to others delivers immense pleasure. Human beings are hard-wired to give to others. The more we give, the happier we feel. Thank you to ALL the volunteers--past, present and future.

APRIL 2024 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1  DUES WERE DUE NO APRIL FOOLS!	2 BURGER NIGHT EXTREME SOFTBALL 6 pm ♠♥	3 PER MEETING 6:30 pm REGULAR LODGE MEETING 7 pm	4 OPERATION BROTHERLY LOVE LUNCH 11:30 am -1 pm	5 CHICKEN FRIED STEAK by TEAM OMA 6 pm	6 100 CLUB & BIRTHDAY DINNER TBA 6 pm DRAWINGS 7 pm
7 SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	8  BUDGET MEETING 6 pm	9 BURGER NIGHT SOFTBALL CREW 6 pm ♠♥	10 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 6 pm	11 OPERATION BROTHERLY LOVE LUNCH 11:30 am -1 pm	12 660 STEAK NIGHT TRUSTEES 6 pm	13
14 SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	15  SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	16 BURGER NIGHT BOY SCOUTS 6 pm ♠♥	17 LODGE MEETING 7 pm	18 OPERATION BROTHERLY LOVE LUNCH 11:30 am -1 pm	19 DINNER TBD 6 pm MEAT THE GAME 7pm	20 STAFF APPRECIATION DAY 4-8 pm B I N G O 6 pm
21 SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	22  SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	23 BURGER NIGHT FRIENDS CREW 6 pm ♠♥	24	25 OPERATION BROTHERLY LOVE LUNCH 11:30 am -1 pm	26 DINNER TBD 6 pm	27
28 SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	29  SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	30 BURGER NIGHT COUPLES CREW 6 pm ♠♥				

MAY 2024 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 PER MEETING 6:30 pm REGULAR LODGE MEETING 7 pm	2	3 CHICKEN FRIED STEAK by TEAM OMA 6 pm	4 DERBY DAYS (see Notes) 100 CLUB 6 pm DRAWINGS 7 pm
5 SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	6  SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	7 BURGER NIGHT EXTREME SOFTBALL 6 pm ♠♥	8 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 6 pm	9 OPERATION BROTHERLY LOVE LUNCH 11:30 am -1 pm	10 660 STEAK NIGHT TRUSTEES 6 pm	11 B I N G O 6 pm
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26 SUNDAY FUN-DAY BREAKFAST 8 - 11:30 am	27 ★ ★ MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBER & HONOR ★ ★	28 BURGER NIGHT COUPLES CREW 6 pm ♠♥	29	30 OPERATION BROTHERLY LOVE LUNCH 11:30 am -1 pm	31 DINNER TBD 6 pm TRIVIA NIGHT 7 pm	1 JUNE TEACUP RACES <i>more info to follow</i>

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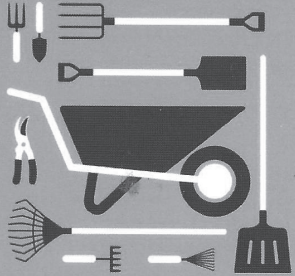
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