



# Calling all Elks

Hastings Lodge  
#159



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A Fraternal Organization

Hastings, NE

## Casino Night: A Huge Success by: PER Jackie Norris, Youth chairman



Volunteers shown: Front Row Jan Mooney, Jackie Norris, Nancy Horsham, Ronda Johnson, Margo Woolman, Ed Johnson. Back Row Dick and Nancy Freeling, Darren Hofmann, Mike Norton, Jim Horsham, and John Folcik  
Not shown: Jimmie and Shirley Meers, Bill Mooney and Mariah and Gary Burham



On Thursday March 10<sup>th</sup> Volunteers hosted a Casino Fun Night for Hastings High School teachers  
 On March 12<sup>th</sup>, volunteers from Hastings Elks #159 hosted the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Casino Night. There were many familiar faces that come every year to support our cause. We owe you big thanks for not only coming, but bringing guests! We were excited to also see new faces in the crowd, and trust everyone had a great evening.

Our Lodge was able to raise over \$1000 for Scholarship money for students in our community. Over the past few years, the budget for scholarships has needed to be cut back, so this event is crucial to the success of our Scholarship program.

This group deserves a special thanks for many hours donated towards meetings, seeking donations from local businesses, attending to endless details, and of course working as dealers. Not only that, they also volunteered to entertain teachers from Hastings High with a Casino fun night! I am so grateful to their dedication and hard work to help raise money to offset the upcoming expenses of going to college. This year Trint Bottolfson was our auctioneer from Bidden Time Auctions, and he did a great job entertaining the crowd.

We also owe a debt of gratitude to all of the local businesses who are so generous with their donations. We would not be able to do this without their help.

### Save the Dates

- Tuesday April 5, 6:00pm: Instillation of officers
  - Thursday, April 7, 7:00pm: Men's Golf League Meeting
  - Monday, April 11, 6:00pm: Monday Night 2 person Golf Mixed League Meeting
  - Saturday, April 12, 6:00pm: Exalted Rulers Ball
  - Wednesday, April 20, 1:00pm: Senior Golf League
  - Saturday, April 23, 6:00pm: Scavenger Hunt
  - Saturday, April 30, 9:30am Ladies Golf Association Opening Brunch
- CLUBHOUSE OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK, STARTING APRIL 7  
9:00AM-SUNDOWN**

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**Lodge Meetings:**

Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month  
 except July and August (fourth Tuesday only)  
 and December (second Tuesday only)

Lodge Meeting time: 7:00pm November-February;  
 8:00pm March-October

**DICK'S MESSAGE.....ER Dick Hansen**

Hello everyone I am Dick Hansen and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all to the new Elks Year. I am honored and excited to be given the opportunity to by your Exalted Ruler for the 2016-2017 year. Our past Exalted Rulers have left me with large shoes to fill, but I will do everything in my power to prove that your trust and confidence is well placed. If I can receive as much help and support as Mike received last year I am sure that this year will be a great success.

My main goals this year will be to retain members, increase membership, and to increase member participation in our lodge, community, and golf events. In an effort to retain members I will be sure to make myself available to hear any suggestions from our members and do everything that I can to address these in a reasonable manner. In order to increase membership I encourage everyone, including myself, to bring new people to the Lodge activities and to a fun time on the golf course. In the goal I have in mind to get more members of the Lodge involved in the member participation of the activities and wonderful giving aspect to our Veterans and Youth, I encourage all members to read the calendar in the newsletter, make sure all your contact information is up to date, and then get involved with any activities and events that appeal to you.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our officers, members, and non-members who give so much of themselves to make our Lodge as amazing as it is. Without these individuals it would be impossible for us to accomplish all that we do each year. THANK YOU!

Please feel free to contact me anytime with suggestions, questions or concerns. My number is 402-469-9272. My email is [tbhansen@charter.net](mailto:tbhansen@charter.net). Thank you all again and I wish us a wonderful year.

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

01.....Preston Davis 21...Kenneth C Froschheuser  
 01.....Richard D Gion 22.....Matthew R Friend  
 02.....Gayle C Johnson 22.....Jim Holmes  
 03.....James Shaw 22.....Robb Woodward  
 04.....Vernon L Dubois 23.....Dave Helmick  
 05.....L F Anderson 23.....Donald Johnson  
 05.....Richard Freeling 23.....Harry Nicolai  
 08.....Leslie J Lawless 23.....Bradley J Novich  
 09.....Robert W Ackles 24.....Jimmie L Meers  
 09 ...Dennis R McPherson 24.....Michele Sedersten  
 11.....Brian Gaviette 26.....Tom Ackles  
 11.....Douglas M Snow 27.....Larry Choate  
 12.....Richard M Freeman 27.....Daniel Manfasi  
 14.....Steve Brouillette 28.....Richard D Heinrich  
 19.....Lloyd Muhle 29.....Greg A Gundersen  
 21.....John F Farrell 29...Francis J Shaughnessy

**BIRTHDAY PARTY COUPON**

We congratulate all Elks who have birthdays in April. We invite you and your family to celebrate with us!  
 Just present this coupon and a paid-up Membership card. \$5.00 will be DEDUCTED from your evening meal ticket as well as the ticket of one guest.  
 (Any night food is served)

**Instillation of Elks Lodge Officers**

**April 5, 2016**

**6:00PM**

**Followed by the Last Stag/Staghette of the Season**

**Hastings Elks Lodge**

# March Student of the Month



**Morgan Karloff** is a senior at Hastings Senior High School. He is a member of National Honor Society and Science Club. He plays football, basketball, baseball and track. He participates in choir, Madrigals and All-state Chorus. His community involvement includes Big Brothers Big Sisters, Freshmen Mentoring Program, Youth Group, Youth Choir and Pastor Nominating Committee at First Presbyterian Church and he went on a Mission Trip. He has volunteered at YMCA and worked as a Basketball Camp counselor and Midget football referee. His hobbies are fishing and disc golf. His parents are Melissa and Mike Karloff.

**Antonette Grealich** is a senior at Hastings Senior High School. She is a member of National Honor Society. She plays basketball and volleyball. Antonette is in High School Chamber Choir and Madrigal Choir. She plays in symphonic orchestra, pep band and jazz band. Her community service includes Freshmen Mentoring Program.



Her hobbies include reading, singing, listening to music, watching sports and playing piano.

She is the daughter of Christine and William Grealich.

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## Your ENF at Work

Our Lodge is once again stepping up to help young teens that live at Maryland Living Center with needs they have when first coming to the facility. These are young men and women ages 16-20 that have "aged out" of the Foster system. Each teen has their own small apartment and are taught by a trained staff as well as counselors how to be responsible and pro-



ductive adults before going out on their own. We help out by purchasing all of their kitchen needs, followed by cooking classes for single households. Leah volunteered to help with some of the classes, and her expertise was very much appreciated. The kids really took to her and were very engaged in the 1<sup>st</sup> class we held. The teens also use this time to bond and in the past learned it was easier if they cooked and ate together. Our goal is to give them the tools to shop smart and cook healthy meals when they are able to leave the home.

Picture is Linda Eckhardt and Margo Woolman filling three carts with essentials for young people coming into an empty apartment, so they can be a success in the kitchen.

## Eagle Scout Presentation



On Sunday, March 20 Elks Scouting Chairman, Dick Freeling presented Nathan Zimmerman and Trenton Bruntz their Eagle Scout award. Nathan and Trenton are part of Troop 207.

Nathan chose for his project a Sheltered Bulletin board for the Disc Golf Course Map at Lake Hastings. This project took 74 hours to complete. Nathan has a total of 49 merit badges.

Trenton chose for his project to build 24 bird boxes for the Little Blue NRD at Liberty Cove Lake. This project took 137 hours. Trent has a total of 32 merit badges.

### Veteran's Corner

By: Richard Freeman, PER, Veteran's Chairperson



On March 15 the Hastings Elks served sandwiches at the Nebraska VA Center in Grand Island, NE. We served estimated 70+ vets and guests. We actually ran out of sandwiches and everything thanked us and the Elks for our service. Those volunteering their time were Rich Freeman, Jan Mooney, Rich's Neighbor and Dick Hansen. There is no Veteran's activity the month of April.

### Does Corner

By: Pat DuBois, President

The March meeting for the Hastings Does was held on March 15 with co chairman Andrea Tolwer and Jan Schawang. A Runza Casserole by Andrea and Chocolate Brownies by Jan served as the meal. Pat Wich Shared pictures from year's past of Nationals and District Conventions. We were all reminiscing about the good times.

April 19<sup>th</sup> will be our next meeting where we will be honoring past presidents. Please bring your memorandum to share of your years in the Hastings Does #112.

Dues are past due. Thank you to all that have paid.

Mark your calendars for the **SPRING SALAD SUPPER** which will be held May 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5:30pm-cocktails followed by supper at 6:00pm.

Please bring a salad and a friend  
**RESERVATIONS PLEASE TO 402-463-3244**  
**LEAVE A MESSAGE**

## Scavenger Hunt April 23, 2016 Teams of 4 people

(one must be designated driver)

- 6:00pm....Supper at the clubhouse
- 7:00pm.....Scavenger Hunt Begins
- 10:00pm.....Return to the Clubhouse

Each team will have a list of participating bars and a list of items to find. The team that returns back to the clubhouse with the most items wins!!

Join us for a night of  
**Fun & Prizes!!!!**

### Ladies Golfing Association Opening Brunch

**April 30, 2016**  
**9:30am**

**Please watch the bulletin board**  
**For more information**



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		<b>OPEN AT 9AM DAILY</b>				Wedding Reception
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Private Party	HHS Cheerleader Banquet	Instillation of Officers 6:00 PM Stage/Stagette 6:30PM	Family Night 6:30 - 8:00 PM (Margo Crew)	Thurs. Nite Mens League Meeting - 7 PM		ER Ball Social 6 PM Dinner 7 PM
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
60th Birthday Party	Mon. Nite Mixed League Meeting 6 PM Food Available	Lodge Meeting 8:00 PM	Family Night 6:30 - 8:00 PM (Grothen Crew)	CCC Golf Outing 4:30 PM		Wedding Reception
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		Does Meeting 11:30 AM	Family Night 6:30 - 8:00 PM (Freeling Crew)			Scavenger Hunt 6 PM Supper 7 PM Hunt Begins 10 PM Return to Clubhouse
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		Lodge Meeting 8:00 PM	Senior Golf 1 PM			Ladies Opening Brunch
			Senior Golf 1 PM			

