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#159



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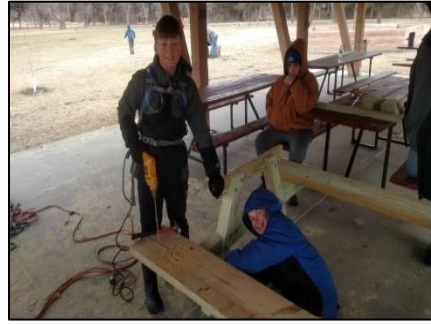
April, 2019

A Fraternal Organization

Hastings, NE

Funds from the ENF Gratitude Grant help Camp Augustine

By: Dick Freeling, Scout Chairman



After blizzards, floods and muddy roads kept moving our project dates back, we were able to get to Camp Augustine on March 23rd. Thirteen Boy Scouts from troops 200 and 207, along with their leaders assisted Elks, Dick Freeling and Leland Buescher at Camp Augustine build picnic tables. Materials and refreshments were provided by Elks Lodge 159 and our ENF Gratitude Grant. Thanks to all our members for their continued support of the Elks National Foundation for making this project possible.

Hastings Elks Lodge Donation Drive for Flood Victims



All the donations given for flood victims



Pictured L to R: Julie Rothfuss, PER Mike Norton, ER Zach Oreskovich and PER Dick Hansen. Not Pictured: Kerrie Oreskovich and Kent Rothfuss



Donation Drop off site-Cajun Navy Supply with temporary site in Grand Island.

The Hastings Elks Lodge held a donation drive for recent flood victims during the last part of March. Participants were asked to donate much needed supplies, household items or monetary donations, and then dropping these items off at the lodge. On Saturday, March 30th, some of the Hastings Elks Lodge Officers loaded all the donations up and hauled them to Grand Island for Missions in Nebraska sponsored by Cajun Navy Supply. These supplies will be going to locations in Northeastern Nebraska. Please visit their website at cajunnavysupply.org to volunteer, request supplies or find a donation location! Monetary donations were given to the Nebraska State Elks to be distributed to areas in need.

A big thank you to all that donated to this worthy cause.

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A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION
3050 EAST SOUTH STREET
HASTINGS, NEBRASKA 68901
(402) 462-6616-Golf Course**

Exalted Ruler.....Zach Oreskovich
 Leading Knight.....Julie Rothfuss
 Loyal Knight.....Bill Esser
 Lecturing Knight.....Todd Fraiser
 Esquire.....PER Mike Norton
 Chaplain.....PER John Folick
 Inner Guard.....OPENED
 Tiler.....Keri Oreskovich
 Secretary.....Brandi Archer
 Treasurer.....PER Dick Hansen

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 Junior Counselor.....Catherine Willits
 Secretary.....Janet Schawang
 Treasurer.....Donna Dill
 Conductor.....Pat DuBois
 Chaplain.....Lynn Folcik

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and Pat DuBois (1yr)

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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

April Elks Birthdays

01.....Preston Davis 11.....Murray Wilson Jr.
 01.....Richard F Gion 12.....Richard M Freeman
 02.....Gayle C Johnson 19.....Lloyd Muhle
 05.....L.F. Anderson 21.....Ken Froschheuser
 05.....Richard Freeling 22.....Robb Woodward
 05.....Cristal Johnson 23.....Dave Helmick
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 11.....Brian Graviette 26.....Tom Ackles
 11.....Aaron Martinez 27.....Daniel Mantas
 11.....Douglas M Snow 28.....Stanley J Harvey
 28.....Richard D Heinrich

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)

Name: _____
 Birthdate: _____
 Membership #: _____

John Folick receives Certificate of Appreciation



During the March 11th Elks Lodge meeting PER Rich Freeman, ENF Chairman presented PER John Folick with a Certificate of Appreciation for his cumulative donations of \$2000 & over to the National Elks Fund.

A new Elks year has started so with that means a new ENF goal for the Hastings Elks Lodge. If you are interested in donated to ENF contact PER Rich Freeman or ER Zach Oreskovich for more details.

**Club House Hours
Starting April 1, 2019
Open at 9AM-until
Sunset**

Zach's Message By: ER PER Zach Oreskovich

Hi everyone! For those of you who don't know me, my name is Zach Oreskovich. I am very excited to be coming on as the new ER and excited to learn and grow with this opportunity that I have been given. I want to thank Mike Norton for his second year of service as an ER and the passion he shows for the organization and all the helpful advice he gave me. I'm thankful I have such a great group of people to help guide me through this next year and try and move 159 forward and make it stronger together. I also would like to thank all the officers that stepped up to fill the holes that we have had.

My goals this year will be to come up with new ideas for fundraising to help support our programs and to increase membership. Encourage everyone to get involved, member and non-members alike. Bring out your families and friends for the different activities we have. Ask about our different committees and see what you can do to help with them and get involved. Show them what a great organization this is and what good we can do for our community. Show them why you became an Elk.

If anyone has questions or concerns or complaints with anything, please feel free to come to me. We can address them together reasonably and find solutions to them. If we put forth the work, we can grow stronger together. This upcoming year we have some exciting ideas in the works for fundraising for our programs such as the scholarships and youth activities as well as fixing our budgets. My plan is to get us back on track and building together.

I'd like to thank my officers, PER's, trustees, members and non-members for everything they have done for the lodge and continue to do to support and grow the lodge. I can't wait for a great year!

Does Corner By: Pat DuBois

March 5 meeting was small because of the weather. Discussion was held regarding members that haven't paid their 2019 dues.

Plans are being made for our May 7th Spring Luncheon. It will be a pot luck and you can invite your friends and family. Be sure to call (402) 984-5080 and leave a message on the number of people you are bringing and what type of food dish you are bringing.

Jan Schawang served Potato Soup with all the trimmings.

This was an excellent meal to warm us all up.

April 2 is our next meeting at 11:30am.

From the Head Trustee, Pat Markle....

To our past ER, Mike Norton, thank you for your willingness to serve as our Exalted Ruler. It has been a pleasure working with you. This past year, we have had ups and downs but always had the best interest of the Lodge and Club in mind. I am looking forward to working alongside our new Exalted Ruler Zach Oreskovich and with all lodge officers.

It has been an honor to work alongside Randy Rippen this past year. His knowledge and experience working on the Board of Trustees has been a great asset. Thank you, Randy!! I look forward to this new year working alongside current Trustees and incoming Trustee, Randy Gartner. His past experience working on the board of Trustees is greatly welcomed.

I am excited with the current state and future of the club. The addition of rod Ostrander and the knowledge he brings to the table will not go unnoticed while out on the course.

I can't say enough about Margo. Her financial background and attention to detail is greatly appreciated. It is a thankless job so please when every you see her, say thank you.

Last, but not certainly not least, is our outstanding Club Manager, Theresa Hampton. Her hard work and dedication to this club is the reason we are still here today to enjoy. She puts hours and hours of her time and effort to come up with new ways for this club to make money. Many do not realize how passionate she is about the success and well-being of this Club and Lodge. I am sure you have already heard about Central Community College helping us with a big portion of the financing needed to cover the electrical and VFG valves needed for the well. Theresa's positive and professional relationship with CCC is what made that happen. I had the pleasure to sit alongside her while talking to respective CCC members and you can see they have respect for her and appreciate the work she provides the club. Over the past year, I have heard grumbling and complaints about her. (mostly from people who are not out here on a regular basis to see and experience all the good she does) I know it is hard to please everyone but if you hear complaints, please pass along the good news of CCC helping us even more do to Theresa. I cannot say enough good about Theresa and all she does for us. She will always have my respect and my support as she should from all of us.

DID YOU KNOW..... Elks National Foundation Lodge Grants

The Elks National Foundation allocated \$12.4 million this year to fund the Community Investments Program. Lodges meet local needs through grants that offer Lodges opportunities to serve the community in ways that will raise the Lodge's profile, energize the membership, encourage former members to return to the fold, and gain the notice of people who want to be part of an organization that's doing great things. To learn more about the Community Investments Program, please visit elks.org/CIP.

HASTINGS ELKS LODGE #159
305 0 E South St (East Hwy 6)
Hastings, NE
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6:30-11:00 pm- Pulled pork sandwich meal

7:30-11:00 pm- Game Time!

9:00 pm-First Auction

11:15 pm- Second Auction

Casino Games- \$20 donation to youth and scholarships- includes "10,000 Funny Money Packet" and meal

\$15 for first "10,000 Funny Money Packet" only

\$10 per additional packets

Funny money will be used to play games, buy chips, and bid on prizes!

Proceeds go to help fund our local scholarship programs and area youth



ALL ELKS AND GENERAL PUBLIC 21 AND OLDER ARE WELCOME

Maryland Living Center Cooking Classes By: Jackie Norris, Youth Chairman



On Monday March 4th, Angie Pedroza taught her 2nd cooking class at the Maryland Living Center with the assistance of Brandi Archer and myself to 9 teenage young men who live there. They were all eager to learn something new and were really interactive with Angie and Brandi.

Angie taught them how to make breakfast casserole and enchiladas. The director, Jennifer and her daughter who is part of the staff that works there also attended and



ate with the kids. They all got to bring back to their apartment a loaf pan of enchiladas and casserole to either eat or freeze for another day,

The boys were all so polite and not a phone in sight either time. They all made it a point to thank each of us for what we were doing for them. It was such a compliment that they were wanting to know when we would be back, and could we please continue the classes even though the grant dead line was March 31st. Angie and Brandi really enjoy the classes and relate with them so well, they too want to continue. We have enough funds to do one more after the 1st of April, we are only required to spend the grant funds in full by March 31st. I will re-apply for the new grant sometime in April. A fun class is planned with desserts in mind for next time!

I am so happy that we can make a difference in young people's lives with the grants the National Elks Foundation makes available to us. Thank you for the generous donations you give to ENF and youth activities over the years! I cannot obtain these grants without our Lodge meeting our ENF goals.

Maryland Living Center receives Furniture from Elks Anniversary Grant

On Sunday, March 24, Dick Hansen, Aaron Martinez, Kyle Gydesen, Kent and Julie Rothfuss delivered furniture bought by the Hastings Elks Lodge through the \$1500 Anniversary Grant. Though the help of Furniture Down Under Store and



Walmart, the Elks were able to furnish Maryland Living Center with 1 small kitchen table, 14 living room chairs, 4 night stands, 4 coffee tables, 12 coat trees, 20 microwave splatter covers, 12 bath mats, 16 night lights and 24 ice cube trays. The residents and directors of the center were blown away by the generosity of the Elks and what we could accomplish for their center.



**Hastings Elks Lodge Youth Banquet
Sunday, April 28, 2019
5:30PM
At the Hastings Elks Lodge**

February 2019 - Student of the Month By: Allison Bohlen

Sydni Grace Sullivan is a senior at Hastings Senior High School. She is a member of National Honor Society, Hastings High School Orchestra, and Honor Roll. She is also a member and letter award winner of the girls' golf, girls' basketball, and girls' soccer teams. When she is not busy with her academics and activities, she is a mentor, a volunteer for her church, Faith Lutheran Church, she volunteers as a Half Hastings member for Mary Lanning Healthcare, and Hastings area Kids against hunger as well as volunteer for the Mary Lanning Fun Wun and Hastings Middle School Glow Run. Sydni's hobbies include running and weight lifting. Sydni is the daughter of Kelly and Becky Sullivan.

Danny M Vuong is a senior at Hastings Senior High School. He is a member of National Honor Society and is an HHS top 10% of the senior class. Danny is a 4-year letter winner and member of the HHS Track team and a 3-year letter winner and member of the and team captain of the HHS Cross Country team. During his track and cross-country career, he has won All-state, GNAC all-conference and All-state honorable mentions awards. When Danny is not busy running and studying, he works at the Hastings Water Park, volunteers at the Zone, at the food pantry, and with various running events in the Hastings area. (CCC Ram Run, SASA Fun Run, Cross Country Camp, Kool-aide Days and packing Food for Thought packages for Haiti. Danny's future plans include attending Nebraska Wesleyan for pre-osteopathic medicine, attend medical school and return to Hastings to someday practice medicine. Danny is the son of Billy and Kim Vuong.

MARCH 2019 - Student of the Month By: Allison Bohlen

CECILIA DANIELLE BEAHM is a senior at Hastings Senior High School. She is a member of National Honor Society, HHS Honor Roll, 3-year Student Council Member and member of the HHS Leadership Program. She is also a member and letter award winner of the girls' volleyball team, girls' swimming team, and girls' track team. Cecilia has won numerous GNAC conference awards, media awards and high school awards in volleyball and track. When she is not busy with her academics and activities, she is a mentor for Big Brothers Big Sisters and Mentoring Works, she is a volunteer at Good Samaritan Village and SASA. Outside of school and volunteer work she has worked at eh YMCAS, C & H Detasseling, Hastings Aquacourt and South-Central Volleyball Cub. Cecilia is the daughter of Travis and Augusta Beahm.

Jefferson Tin Mai is a senior at Hastings Senior High School. He is a member of the Hastings High School Skills USA, CCC Actions Day, Hastings College Math Challenge and the Table Top Club. He is also a member of the Hastings High school Cross Country Team. Outside of school Jefferson is a member of the Nebraska State Bridge Builders, plays intramural basketball, and takes part in the Teammates Beyond School Walls Program. When he is not busy at school Jefferson likes to work with CAD and Auto CAD, is an inventor, and loves Math working out Differential Equations and Integral Calculus. He also enjoys building balsa wood bridges. Jefferson is the son of Nahn Mai and Kim Phuong.

**ARMED FORCES DAY GOLF TOURNAMENT
2 PERSON SCRAMBLE
MAY 18, 2019
9:00AM SHOT GUN START
ELKS GOLF COURSE
3050 E SOUTH STREET
HASTINGS, NE**

**ALL MILITARY AND VETERANS
PLAY FOR FREE
NON-VETERANS PLAY FOR \$40
CARTS ARE EXTRA**

**For more information or to sign up call Kent (402) 984-6037
Or call the clubhouse (402) 462-6610**

Proceeds from this tournament go to fund our Veteran's Service Programs

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Senior Golf 1:00 PM	Mens League & 00 PM	Ochner Graduation & 00 PM	Gehring Graduation
			Wing It Wednesday & 30 - 8:30 PM (Horsham Crew)		Two Couple Golf & 00 PM	
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		Ladies Ass'n Golf 4:00 PM	Wing It Wednesday & 30 - 8:30 PM (Mooney Crew)			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mother's Day	Mixed Couple League & 00 PM	Ladies Ass'n Golf 4:00 PM	Senior Golf 1:00 PM	Mens League & 00 PM	Rehearsal	Armed Forces Golf
		Lodge Meeting-8 PM	Wing It Wednesday & 30 - 8:30 PM (Duane Crew)		Two Couple Golf & 00 PM	Wedding
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Adams Graduation	Mixed Couple League & 00 PM	Ladies Ass'n Golf 4:00 PM	Senior Golf 1:00 PM	Mens League & 00 PM	Rehearsal	Graduation Party
			Wing It Wednesday & 30 - 8:30 PM (Margo Crew)		Two Couple Golf & 00 PM	
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Memorial Day Tournament 1:00 PM	No Mixed League	Ladies Ass'n Golf 4:00 PM	Central NE. Seniors	Mens League & 00 PM	Two Couple Golf & 00 PM	
		Lodge Meeting-8 PM	Wing It Wednesday & 30 - 8:30 PM (Freeling Crew)			