



Calling all Elks

Hastings Lodge
#159



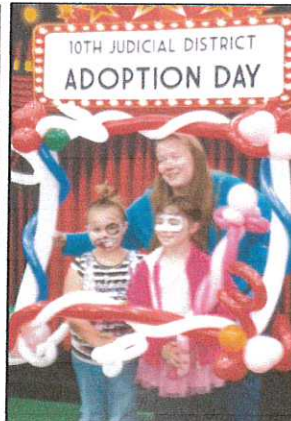
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A Fraternal Organization

Hastings, NE



National Adoption Day By: PER Jackie Norris, Youth Activities Chair

The Saturday before Thanksgiving is a special Day for families who have adopted across the country. This year Hastings held its celebration on November 19th at the YMCA. There was one Adoption held at the Court House at 10:00 am officiated by Judge Timothy Hoeft. The adoption by the Ardiana family was a moving experience. The parents and 8 siblings so happy to finally be a complete family!

Then it was off to the YMCA, who so graciously donate their facility for the 12 Annual National Adoption Day Party. Any family who adopted in the past year, or any other year is invited to come together and share a lunch fellowship, and lots of things to do for the kids. There was face painting, a balloon artist, karaoke, finger painting. Books, bracelets and stuffed animals available for the children to take home. There were about 45 children and 60 adults including volunteers in attendance.

The Hastings Elks assists in the planning, and donates the cakes, pop and the pizza, as well as all the paper products needed. We also donated the paints, brushes, decorations, and the new "Hollywood" red carpet themed backdrop that they needed for photos of the families. A special thanks to E.R Dick Hansen and Lecturing Knight Matt Hoban for coming Friday to help set up for the party and assemble the back drop. P.E.R. Margo Woolman, leading Knight Aaron Martinez and Dick Hansen volunteered their time at the party passing out gift bags from the Elks with "Drug Awareness" Frisbees, bracelets, rulers, pencils and coloring books, and helped served the lunch. This was very much appreciated since the party started at the same time as the Husker game!

Thank you for your donations to ENF and Youth Activities throughout the year! This enables us to apply to grants that help in our community.

Elks Christmas Party

Friday, December 9th

Drinks at 6:30pm

Gift Exchange 7 pm

Bring munchies and a \$15 gift for the
Exchange

New this year.....

Ugly Sweater Contest-

\$20 Elks Gift Card Awarded to ugliest sweater



December Birthdays

**HASTINGS ELKS LODGE #159 B.P.O. ELKS
A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION
3050 EAST SOUTH STREET
HASTINGS, NEBRASKA 68901
(402) 462-6113-Lodge
(402) 462-6616-Golf Course**

01.....Brandon Fisher	20.....Robert J Arndt
01.....Gale Hager	21.....Don Runcie
03.....Randy Gartner	22.....Ron Psota
06.....Joe Swift	22.....Vernon Tweedie
11.....Dale Christen	23.....Billy Riese
11.....Justin McKenna	25.....Richard Dickerson
11.....David V Osborn	26.....Dwane C Moeller
12.....Jeremiah Lepird	27.....Steve W Ernst
12.....Tyler Poppe	27.....Larry D Hagemeyer
14.....Larry Aden	27.....Jim Heyen
18.....Garry Barham	27.....Tom C Taylor
19.....Joe Frink	28.....Robert E Neeman
19.....Glen L Larsen	28.....Paul Spady
19.....Robert D Moderow	28.....Daniel J Yurk
19.....William H Spielman	29.....Karen Faber
19.....Sam Whiteman Jr.	29.....Catelyn Haller
	31.....Brandon J Kinney

Exalted Ruler.....	Dick Hansen
Leading Knight.....	Aaron Martinez
Loyal Knight.....	OPENED
Lecturing Knight.....	Matt Hoban
Esquire.....	PER Mike Norton
Chaplain.....	Duane Norris
Inner Guard.....	Don Runcie
Tiler.....	PER Bob Storehalder
Secretary.....	PER Russ Shaw
Treasurer.....	Eric Wheeler

Does-Drove 112

President.....	Pat DuBois
First Counselor.....	NoElla Snow
Senior Counselor.....	Pat Wich
Junior Counselor.....	Neva Semotan
Secretary.....	Janet Schawang
Treasurer.....	Donna Dill
Conductor.....	Andrea Towler
Inner Guard.....	Lynn Folick
Outer Guard.....	Rose Kehn
Chaplain.....	Sue Crabtree

Trustees

No Ella Snow (3yr), Andrea Towler (2yr),
and Janet Schawang (1yr)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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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

BIRTHDAY PARTY COUPON

We congratulate all Elks who have birthdays in
December. 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)

Does Corner By: Pat DuBois

During our November 15, Does meeting it was decided
that all 2016 officers would remain for the 2017 officers.
This would allow some of our does members to complete
their 5 year office. All end of the year donations were voted
and approved. Hostess NoElla Snow served lunch.

- **Friday, December 2-**Does Christmas Party
6:00pm at the Plainsman Steakhouse in Juniata.
Please make your reservations by calling (402)
463-3244-leave message.
- **Sunday, December 4-**Elks and Does Memorial
Service. 4:00pm Charter Members Mary Lou
Brouillette and Marceline Lovell will be honored.
- **Tuesday, January 17-**Installation of Officers,
11:30am

Need a Stocking Stuffer?
Have that one person you just don't know what to
get for them?
Hastings Elks Club Card
Make Perfect Gifts
Load to whatever amount you want



**The NEW Elks
CLUB CARD!
Load it...
Use it...
Reload it again!
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Dick's Message By: ER Dick Hansen

We had an event filled month of November. The month started off with the Veterans Day Parade. I would like to thank Aaron Martinez for getting a trailer donated by LCL Truck Equipment, for helping me get the trailer prepared and decorated. Aaron then pulled the trailer for us in the parade. Thank you very much Aaron.

November 11th was Veterans Day. My wife and I attended the Veterans Day service at the city auditorium and after the service the Hastings Tribune interviewed me about why I was at the service. I was proud to tell them it was because of all the support that the Elks provide for our veterans and service personal.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a Big Thank You to Jackie Norris for her hard work planning and setting up everything, in conjunction with CASA, for the National Adoption Day. Matt Hoban and I assisted Jackie in the set up on Friday afternoon and Margo Woolman, Aaron Martinez, and I were at the YMCA on Saturday noon to help Jackie serve the pizza, after the adoption ceremony at the courthouse. All the families had a good time and we really enjoyed being a part of the celebration. Thank you Aaron, Margo, and Matt for all your help.

We had our annual District Deputy meeting and review on November 22nd and I am happy to report that everything went very well. DDGER Jane Berggren was very impressed and before she left she told me that she and her husband Dennis were going to try to get back here this year to attend some of our functions. I would like to thank Theresa for her hard work in preparation for the DD visit. I would also like to thank Russ Shaw and Theresa for cooking the wonderful meal we had, and the staff for their hard work during the visit.

On November 29th we once again called bingo at the Grand Island VA Hospital. Thank you very much Rich Freeman, Don Runcie, Joe Thompson, Brad Norton and Mary Brooks for helping me make the bingo a big success.

Coming up this month of December: On December 4th is our annual Elks Memorial Service at 5:00pm. Everyone is encouraged to attend. We will have one Lodge meeting this month on December 13th at 7:00pm. Our Lodge Christmas Party is on December 9th at 6:30pm. Christmas wrapping and delivery will take place on December 17th at 9:00am with delivery to start at 1:00pm. Anyone wishing to help with the Christmas shopping prior to the 17th should contact Julie Rothfuss or John Folcik. Finally on December 31st we will be hosting Bingo at the Grand Island VA hospital at 7:00pm and the New Years eve party will be at the Lodge.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Everyone!!!

NOTICE:

There will be NO LADDER GOLF in the month of December. It will resume January 6, 2017

From the Trustees By: Kathy Riese

The Trustees met in a special meeting on Sunday, November 20th, for an open membership meeting. Reports were presented and questions from the members were fielded by the Trustees. The Trustees reported that we still have a cash flow problem for the winter months and would like any member who is able, and would like to help, to consider paying their membership early.

There was considerable discussion concerning the timing of membership payments and could we just move the date due to January 1st of each year. After a long discussion, the Trustees feel that that would be a wonderful idea, but implementing such would cause quite a few bookkeeping nightmares as those making monthly payments all have different due dates.

There we a few rate changes. The 2017 rates are published on the last page of this newsletter.

The ELKS will be offering "Associate Memberships" this year. These memberships will be available to those golfers who have current memberships with Lochland or Southern Hills. These golfers, who show proof of annual membership at another Hastings course, may purchase an ELKS golf membership for half price. These memberships do not include any lodge dues.

Please remember we have several items for your Christmas giving. We have pre-paid ELKS cards that are good for anything we have to offer. There are also punch cards that are good for golf, carts, and range balls. Be sure to ask the staff about Beer Bonus Cards.

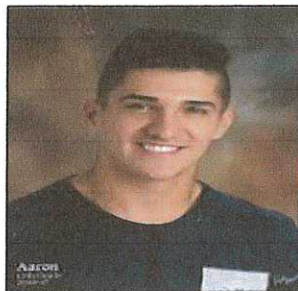
Thank You all for a very successful year, and Merry Christmas!

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 <p>WITT PLUMBING COMMERCIAL / RESIDENTIAL 463-4664 HASTINGS, NE 1726 N. Kansas Hastings, NE Randy Witt</p>	 <p>NAPA AUTO & TRUCK PARTS 1045 South Franklin 463-9875 Get the Good Stuff at NAPA</p>	<p>These merchants sponsor our Elks Newsletter.</p>

October Students of the Month



Mary O'Keefe is a senior at St. Cecilia High School. She participates in play production, Regional Science Fair, cross country, basketball and track. She is a member of National Honors Society, Teens Leading Teens, Student Council, FBLA and is Treasurer of Teens for Life. She is a member of NSAA student advisory committee and represented the group at a leadership summit in Indiana. Mary was chosen by the school administration to attend the Life of an Athlete symposium in New York. She is working on dual credit and is on track to obtain 23 college credit hours for transfer to her school of choice. Mary's community involvement includes Big Brothers Big Sisters, Mayor's Youth Council, and volunteering at CSS.. Her hobbies include photography, music, reading, scrapbooking, tennis and biking. She is the daughter of Carol and Tim O'Keefe.

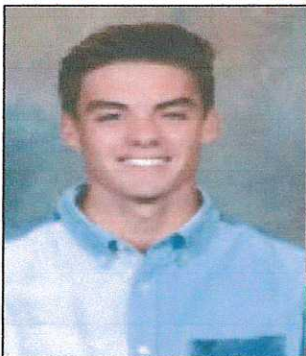


Aaron Heras is a senior at Hastings Senior High School. He is a member of National Honors Society, Multicultural Club and Science Club. His sports are Track and Football. He participates in Freshman Mentoring Program. Aaron's community involvement includes volunteering at Hastings Library and Good Samaritan Village. He has work experience at Walgreens and detasseling. His parents are Erika and Aaron Heras.

November Students of the Month



Emma Redinger is a senior at Hastings Senior High School. She participates in debate as public relations, congress adviser; High School Democratic Association as President; Multicultural Club as Secretary; Tiger Club Online as editor-in-chief; Cornhusker Girls State; ALA Girls Nation and Art Club. She plays volleyball. Emma's community involvement includes Hastings Youth Leadership Academy, field organizer in training for Retain A Just Nebraska, Mary Lanning Hospital volunteer, Adams County Teen Court and Mayor's Youth Council. Her hobbies include photography, writing, guitar, painting and drawing. She is the daughter of Javae and Bill Redinger.



Grant Schmidt is a senior at St. Cecilia High School. He is a member of National Honors Society, FBLA and is President of Student Council. He attended the FBLA Fall and State Leadership Conferences. He is the only varsity athlete in Hastings who has been a four-sport athlete his entire life. His sports are football, basketball, golf and baseball. He is working on dual credit and is on track to obtain 15 college credit hours for transfer to his school of choice. Grant and his family provide newborn care for Nebraska Children's Home. His other community service includes assisting with youth football, basketball and baseball camps, volunteering at Adams County Fair and the school's fund-raising dinner and Big Brothers Big Sisters. Grant's hobbies include being with family and friends, fishing, video games, sports and being outside. His parents are Jamie and Scott Schmidt.

REGIONAL SOCCER SHOOT RESULTS

With five states competing at this year's Regional Soccer Shoot, the kids that were representing Nebraska did very well.

The following is the list of winners from Nebraska:

Girls U-8: Abby Jensen, Columbus 2nd Place

Boys U-8: Addison Torres, Hastings 2nd Place

Girls U-10: Kendall Consbruck, Hastings Champion

**Kendall scored more points than any other girl on the small goals and won the grand champion*

Boys U-10: Jose Marez Campos, Hastings 3rd Place

Girls U-12: Skylar Huber, York Competitor

Boys U-12: Michael Matulka, Columbus, 2nd Place

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Business Luncheon	2	3 Private Christmas Party - 6:00 PM
4 Kids Christmas Party - 1:00 PM Memorial Service 4:00 PM	5 CLOSED	6 Stag/Stagette	7 Family Night 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (Freeling Crew)	8 Private Party Special Friends	9 Elks Christmas Party - 6:30 PM	10 Private Christmas Party - 4:00 PM
11 CLOSED	12 CLOSED	13 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	14 Family Night 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (Horsham Crew)	15 CLOSED	16 Private Christmas Party	17 Gift Wrapping Delivery - 9:00 AM Private Party-6:00 PM
18 CLOSED	19 CLOSED	20	21 Family Night 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (Mooney Crew)	22 CLOSED	23	24 CLOSED
25 CLOSED MERRY CHRISTMAS	26 CLOSED	27	28 Family Night 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (Duane Crew)	29 CLOSED	30 Rehearsal Dinner	31 News Years Eve Party

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Tom & Jerry's Noon HAPPY NEW YEAR	2 CLOSED	3	4 Family Night 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (Margo Crew)	5 CLOSED	6 Ladder Golf 7:30 PM	7 Wedding Reception 6:00 PM
8 CLOSED	9 CLOSED	10 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	11 Family Night 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (Grothen Crew)	12 CLOSED	13 Ladder Golf 7:30 PM	14 Private Christmas Party 6:00 PM
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HASTINGS ELKS GOLF COURSE RATES

Family: \$996.00	Monthly Rate: \$83.00
2 Party: \$939.00	Monthly Rate: \$78.25
Single: \$745.00	Monthly Rate: \$62.08

PERSONAL CART STORAGE

\$425.00 **Monthly Rate: \$35.42**

****Open to All Golfers that golf out at the Elks
Golf Membership not needed but Golf Members have priority**

UNLIMITED GOLF CART

\$725.00 **Monthly Rate: \$60.42**

GENERAL PUBLIC RATE

9 Holes: \$20.00
18 Holes: \$30.00
With Lodge Member
9 Holes: \$15.00
18 Holes: \$25.00

GENERAL PUBLIC CART RENTAL

9 Holes: \$12 per rider
18 Holes: \$16 per rider
Cart Trail Fees: \$10