



Calling all Elks

Hastings Lodge
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Hastings Elks Golf Course Hires Groundskeeper

The Hastings Elks Lodge trustees are pleased to announce that Rod Ostrander has accepted the position of Head Groundskeeper at the Elks Golf Course. Rod started his duties on January 1, 2019. Rod grew up in Ord, Nebraska and graduated from Ord High School. He held several different jobs before becoming the groundskeeper/club manager at the Ord Golf Course in 1989 and continued there until accepting this position. Rod is married to Carmen and they are new home owners in Clay Center.

Rod has already started his duties by checking out the machinery, the course, and is in the process of helping the Trustee's out with the budget for the course. He is very approachable and

is excited to meet our members. Welcome Rod!



Hastings Elks Lodge host Bingo at the VA

Hastings Elks Lodge hosted bingo at the Grand Island VA Hospital on January 29. Hastings Elks helping were PER and Veteran's Chairman Dick Hansen, PER Jackie Norris and Julie Rothfuss. Hastings Elks Lodge had help from Grand Island Elks lodge members. There were 25 to 30 veterans that enjoyed an hour of Bingo, cookies and juice and were very appreciative for our lodge coming out on such a cold evening.

Messages from the GER

A new Elks year means a new donation goal

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler
MICHAEL T. LUHR

I am gratified and humbled to have been chosen as the National President of an organization that does so much for communities across this great land. The hard work of every Local Lodge Member is what makes our charitable work possible, which is why I chose the theme "Working Together to Make a Difference" for this exciting new Elks year.

As Elks, we are all working toward a common goal, whether it be Lodge Members giving back to their communities, strengthening a charitable organization through a State Association's Major Project, or enriching a life because of a Grand Lodge Program. These are the ways we truly make a difference in people's lives.

This year, I have set the ENF donation goal at \$4.75 per Member. I encourage everyone to donate. When you give back to the ENF, Lodges throughout the country are able to take advantage of the numerous charitable opportunities it provides. The difference your Lodge can make in your community is more than doubled by taking advantage of these incredible opportunities.

I also encourage you to take a hard look at the programs and contributions your Local Lodge makes to your community. Is your community aware of the impact your Lodge makes on the lives of people living in your town? Are your contributions meeting your goals? Are you making the most of the ENF grants offered through Grand Lodge?

The Elks provide the perfect opportunity to get involved in projects that benefit the community while enjoying the personal rewards that come from unselfishly giving back. Best of all, we reap the rewards of benevolence while enjoying the camaraderie of our families and closest friends. Make sure that both current and prospective Members are aware of the good work you're doing in your community. Provide them with a well-maintained, inviting, and fun place to socialize. Not only will your Lodge grow, but you'll also find more people eager to volunteer.

Barb and I are looking forward to our travels across the United States to see the great work you're doing in your Local Lodges and State Associations. Most of all, we are looking forward to meeting all of the amazing Elks who are so dedicated to our grand organization. Hope to see you soon.

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Lecturing Knight..... OPENED
Esquire..... OPENED
Chaplain.....PER John Folick
Inner Guard.....PER Rich Freeman
Tiler..... OPENED
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Treasurer.....PER Dick Hansen

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

Trustees

NoElla Snow (3yr), Janet Schawang (2yr),
and Pat DuBois (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

February Elks Birthdays

02.....John Garman 13.....Eugene E Schreiner
02.....Michael C Hardin 14.....Cristal Johnson
02.....Roger Pitney 16.....Tom Hastings
04.....Kenneth W Stevens 17.....Steven Hansen
06.....Elizabeth J Hoit 17.....Linda Holding
07.....Theresa Hampton 19.....Elmer G Murman
10.....Patrick Willey 23.....Richard J Davey
11.....Michael Bauder 24.....Mark A Beck
12.....Richard Bedlan 25.....Wendell P Maupin
12.....Denly Jacob Thompson 26.....Gerald E Buttell
12.....Randy J Witt 26.....Dennis Rose
13.....Roy De Mars 27.....Jesse Wright

BIRTHDAY PARTY COUPON

We congratulate all Elks who have birthdays in February.
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 #: _____



Mike's Message By: ER PER Mike Norton

Hello members,

We are quickly approaching the end of the Elks year and with that comes a lot to discuss. First, we will have our annual P.E.R. run lodge meeting on February 12th at 7pm. At this meeting we will be accepting nominations for the upcoming 2019-2020 lodge year. We are always looking for new members to join our lodge officers so if you know of anyone that might be interested please encourage them to volunteer for a position. During this meeting we will be discussing the implementation of the solutions that we came to from our meeting with District Deputy to the Grand Exalted Ruler Barry Hopkins on Thursday January the 27th. The Lodge Trustees are also hard at work on the budgets for the upcoming year so if any of our committee chairs would like input on their activities budget please contact one of the trustees, Zach Oreskovich, or myself and we will see what we can do for you.

I hope that February brings warmer weather this year so that we can all get out to the lodge and enjoy some fun in the sun.



**Clubhouse
Winter Hours**
Open Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday
and Saturday at NOON
**CLOSED SUNDAY,
MONDAY & THURSDAY**

Does Corner By: Pat DuBois

January 8 was a very busy meeting for the Hastings Elks Does. Secretary Jan Schawang read the minutes- minutes were approved as read. The treasurers report was given by Donna Dill-approved. Collection of 2019 dues as well as membership cards were handed out. A ceiling fan was presented to Elks 159 from Does 112. Discussion was held on the upcoming Soup Supper to be held January 27.

A memorial service was held for Sue Crabtree and Coleen Obert.

Club house Manager Theresa Hampton and attending Does did a rearrangement of the Does Closet following the meeting. Catherine Willis and Pat DuBois were January hosts.

Next meeting February 5 at 11:30am.

JANUARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH By: Allison Bohlen



Alex Richard Ehrman is a senior at Silver Lake High School. He is a member of National Honor Society, the football team and basketball team. Alex has served as the Vice President and President of the Student Council, and the Historian, Vice President and President of the FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America). When Alex is not busy at school, he enjoys playing basketball, X-Box and being with friends. Alex is the son of Allen and Amie Ehrman.



Adrian Marie Crumm is a senior at Silver Lake High School. She is a member the FBLA where she has served as both the Secretary and the Historian, she is on the school newspaper the Pony Express and she is also on the Journalism team. Adrian's hobbies include; writing, reading, and listening to music. Adrian is the daughter of Steve Crumm and Jody Lang.

Tying Together the Elks Family



Every scholarship is a doorway. These doors open into an Elks family that's composed of other Elks scholars, alums and Elks alike. Sean Pringle is a 2010 Most Valuable Student recipient who walked through the doorway, stayed involved with Elks and scholars, and then joined his sponsoring Lodge, Oceano/Five Cities, Calif., Lodge No. 2504.



"I'm proud to be able to continue serving my local community in many ways as a member of my home Lodge," Sean says. "Hopefully I can continue giving back in the way that the Elks have given to me through my scholarship."

Receiving a scholarship to attend college meant Sean didn't have to worry about student loans. He's paying it forward by donating to the Foundation through a monthly recurring gift as an ENF Fidelity Club member.

"No matter what you contribute," Sean shares, "you have peace in knowing it's going toward incredible programs that benefit Elks communities and students who receive ENF scholarships every year."

As the Lodge and District Scholarship Chair, Sean sees the impact of the ENF's support in his Lodge and in the high schools he visits to talk about scholarships and youth programs. Sean continues to give because he believes the ENF embodies the Order's cardinal principle of charity. He hopes to encourage more scholars to walk through the doorway and into Elkdom.

"The ENF does a wonderful job of connecting our Elks scholars to our one, big Elks family," says Sean, "showing us the promising future of our Order and helping us continue to build strong communities."

Give to the ENF with ease. Donors who join the ENF Fidelity Club, the ENF's monthly giving program, have their names listed on our website and receive a special pin. To learn more about participating in the Fidelity Club please visit enf.elks.org/FidelityClub

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						Baby Shower 2 PM
						Private Party 6 PM
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		Does Meeting 11:30 AM Stag/Stagette 6 PM	Wing It Wednesday 6:30 - 8:30 PM (Margo Crew)			4 Rivers Banquet
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	Wing It Wednesday 6:30 - 8:30 PM (Freeling Crew)			Private Party
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
			Wing It Wednesday 6:30 - 8:30 PM (Horsham Crew)			Private Party Employee
24	25	26	27	28		
Baby Shower		Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	Wing It Wednesday 6:30 - 8:30 PM (Mooney Crew)			

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		Lodge Meeting 8:00 PM	Wing It Wednesday 6:30 - 8:30 PM (Margo Crew)			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
			Wing It Wednesday 6:30 - 8:30 PM (F reeling Crew)			Anniversary Party
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Gender Reveal Party		Lodge Meeting 8:00 PM	Wing It Wednesday 6:30 - 8:30 PM (Horsham Crew)			
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