



Calling all Elks

Hastings Lodge
#159



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A Fraternal Organization

Hastings NE

A NOTE FROM THE CLUBHOUSE...

By: Theresa Hampton, Club Manager

Thank you to everyone who supported all of the tournaments and events throughout the year, because of your support many have already booked again for next year. I appreciated all of you.

The Cancer Benefit Golf Tournament for the "From the Heart Patient Assistance Fund" through Morrison Cancer Center was a huge success. We raised over \$3000.00 to donate to help local cancer patients. Thank you to all that donated, helped coordinate and played. Hope to see you all again next year!!



OCTOBERFEST 2015

by Jackie Norris, PER

On Sunday September 27th we held our 5th Oktoberfest Tournament. We had a record 20 teams join us for great golf on a beautiful day. We were served terrific food with the Oktoberfest theme throughout the day. Trustee, Vaughn Holding supplied us with authentic German music, and Mike and Marci Bogan, as usual ran a challenging Shamble/Scramble! We were happy to see some new faces, and thanks to all of you who signed up and made it a success!

A special thanks goes to Alayna Bogan for bringing a beautiful handmade Husker Bench that her uncle donated to our club for a raffle. She raised \$130.00 to go towards the golf course. Thanks for such a generous donation. The winner of the bench was Murray Wilson.

We raised \$375 by selling mulligans with \$90 of the pot being won by Dick Hansen, who generously donated \$70 back to the club; \$285 went to fund the Halloween party. The remaining amount left will go towards seed money for next year's Oktoberfest. Hopefully we can bring a Polka band in again.

One last shout out to Theresa and her staff for doing such a great job with service and a really delicious German food after the tournament! They all got into the spirit of the celebration and made the day fun.

TEAM UP FOR LADDER GOLF

Beginning Friday night October 16th at 7:30 pm the **ELKS Country Club** will start offering a Progressive Ladder Golf League. We will charge \$10.00 a team (2 person teams) each night with 1/2 of that paid weekly. We will play 8 weeks for each series. Series one starts October 16th. Series two will begin after the first of the year. Points will accumulate and a progressive pot will be paid out at the end of each series. If you have questions contact the clubhouse. Get your teams together and we will see you October 16th.

**CALLING ALL MEN
AND WOMEN**

**GOLF COURSE
WORK DAY
SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 4, 2015
9AM- 12AM**

**Please bring chain
saws, gloves, paint
brushes, etc. to help
clean up the course.**

**ELKS STAG & STAGETTE
1st Tuesday of the month
Starting
October 6, 2015
6:30 pm**

Mike's Message by Mike Norton, Exalted Ruler

I hope that everyone enjoyed the Octoberfest festivities at the lodge. I hear Jackie Norris did a wonderful job as always. With October upon us the weather will start to cool down but be aware that as long as it is nice out we are still planning to have golf activities, to include some A-B-C-D tournaments. So please come out and enjoy our facilities. This month, on Oct. 4th, we will be having our course clean up. If you are interested in helping out please come out and we can find a job for you. We have a lot of things that need to be done so the more help we have the better.

We will be having our annual Halloween Party on Friday the 30th this year since our lodge was booked for a wedding reception on Halloween night. Please come out dressed to impress in your funniest costume, or come to enjoy great company.

On the state level we will be participating in the Haunted Armory Program again in Grand Island on the 16th, Omaha on the 29th, and Lincoln on the 30th, if you are interesting in helping please contact myself or Brad Norton for more information.

We will also be having the State Soccer Shoot at the lodge on Saturday Oct. 3rd on the driving range at 10:00am and will try to have the Nebraska Elks State President, Rich Hurlless, down to help out.

Our District Deputy, Daryl Reynoldson, will be down for our DD visit on Nov. 10th. This is our first meeting in November and because we have a dinner to welcome him and his wife, Carol, we will be starting that meeting at 8pm instead of 7pm. We will start our 7pm meetings on Nov. 24th.

I would like to thank Jimmie and Shirley Meers, Jackie Norris and Rich Freeman for working our Sandwich Day at the VA in September. Also a big thank you to John and Lynn Folcik, Joe Thompson, Margo Woolman, Rich and Lori Gion, Jackie Norris, Kent and Julie Rothfuss, Dick Hanson and Brad Norton for helping with this year's Local Soccer Shoot. We had a great turn out and the kids seemed to have a blast. Finally I would like to thank everyone that helped with Octoberfest this year I don't have a list of names yet but I will be sure to mention you all in the next newsletter.

As am sure you can see we have a lot going on. I encourage our members to come out and get involved. I know it may seem like a lot of work at times but there is a great since of satisfaction you get when you help out with our activities. I challenge you to just try one and if you don't enjoy yourself at least you know that you tried. Enjoy the month and I will see you at the lodge.

The following people have been proposed for membership and will be voted on during the October 13 regular Elks Lodge meeting.

**Scott Collins
Randy Gartner**



EAGLE SCOUT AWARD PRESENTATION

Brad Norton represented our lodge by presenting a framed Eagle Scout certificate to Austin Seamann during his Eagle Scout Court of Honor on Sunday, September 20, 2015.

Don Runcie does a fabulous job volunteering to frame the Eagle Scout pin, Elks award certificate and the US flag for this presentation.

Congratulations Austin!

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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: 7:00 p.m. November-February;

8:00pm March-October

at

3050 East South Street, Hastings, NE

Lodge Phone: 402-462-6113

Golf Course Phone: 402-462-6616

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 01 Patrick L Mitchell | 14 Gerald A Levander |
| 02 Jon M Engelhardt | 16 Steve A Kovanda |
| 02 Ben Pegg | 17 John Folcik |
| 04 Timothy J Boyd | 19 Linda D Hall |
| 04 Paul E Holm | 19 Richard Meester |
| 04 Gregory Micek | 19 Randall L Meyer |
| 04 Jackie Norris | 20 Mark L Pfeiffer |
| 04 William G Pauley III | 21 John M Crowley |
| 05 Dale A Funkey | 25 Keith J Dreher |
| 05 Jim Horsham | 25 Todd Gehring |
| 07 Bradly R Wynn | 27 Kevin Beck |
| 08 Larry L Barnes | 28 Duane Norris |
| 11 Matthew Hoban | 28 Doug F Thompson |
| 11 Dennis McHale | 29 Lavern Franzen |
| 12 Rodney W Bruntz | 29 Robert W Lippstreu |
| 12 William Mooney | 29 Abigail Ott |
| 13 John J Griffith | 31 Kathy Riese |
| 14 Thomas Cafferty | |

BIRTHDAY PARTY COUPON

We congratulate all Elks who have birthdays in October. 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)

Veterans' message By PER Rich Freeman, Vets Chairperson

The VA Sandwich Day at the GI Outpatient Medical Clinic on September 15 went well, however for some unknown reason the number of vets, family members and guests was down. We served approximately 50-60 people. I want to thank the following people who gave me a hand in this function: Jackie Norris, PER, Michael Norton, ER; Jimmie and Shirley Meers and volunteer Shari Abner.

There are no "Veterans functions scheduled for October with the exception of Army of Hope's" HAUNTED ARMORIES." October 16 will be at the Grand Island Armory, 6pm-7:30pm; October 29 will be at the Omaha Armory, 6pm-7:30pm and October 30 will be at the Lincoln Armory, 6pm-8pm. If you can help out in any of these functions, PLEASE CONTACT: Brad Norton at 402-462-2027 or 402-705-8955.



2015 State Elks Golf Tournament by Brad Norton

Pictured is Team 1 of 2 teams from Hastings Elks Lodge at the State Elks Golf Tournament held at the Fall Conference in Kearney on August 21, 2015 at the Kearney Country Club.

Team 1: Rich Freeman, Mike Norton, Bob Storehalder and Matt Hoban (-4)

Team 2: Joe Thompson, Rich Geion, Brad Norton and Scott Averell (Omaha) (-2)

The traveling team trophy was won by Columbus Lodge 1195 with a 58 (-14).

Next year we hope to have increased participation and every lodge represented in this tournament.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
Open at 9 AM					Divorce Golf 6 PM HC Alumni Golf	HC Baseball Fundraiser Golf Tourney 1:00 PM
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Course Clean-Up 9 AM - Noon		Stag/Stagette	Family Night 6:30 - 8 PM (Duane Crew)		Divorce Golf 6 PM	
			Senior Golf 1 PM			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Backwards Golf Tourney 1 PM		Lodge Meeting 8:00 PM	Family Night 6:30 - 8 PM (Margo Crew)	Adams Central Cross Country 4PM	Cards 7:30 PM Ladder Golf 7:30 PM Haunted Armories G.I. Armory 6 - 7:30 PM	Private Birthday Party
			Senior Golf 1 PM			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Private Birthday Party	Private Business Seminar	Does Meeting 11:30 AM	Family Night 6:30 - 8 PM (Grothen Crew)		Cards 7:30 PM	Wedding Reception
			Senior Golf 1 PM			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Craft Vendor Show		Lodge Meeting 8:00 PM	Family Night 6:30 - 8 PM (Freeling Crew)	Haunted Armories Omaha Armory 6 - 7:30 PM	Halloween Party Haunted Armories Lincoln Armory 6 - 8 PM	Wedding Reception
			Senior Golf 1 PM			

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
CLOSED	CLOSED	Stag/Stagette	Family Night 6:30 - 8 PM (Duane Crew)	CLOSED	Cards 7:30 PM	Veterans Day Parade
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
CLOSED	CLOSED	Lodge Meeting 8:00 PM	Family Night 6:30 - 8 PM (Margo Crew)	CLOSED	Cards 7:30 PM	Family Reunion
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Craft Vendor Show	CLOSED	Does Meeting 11:30 AM	Family Night 6:30 - 8 PM (Grothen Crew)	CLOSED	Cards 7:30 PM	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
CLOSED	CLOSED	Lodge Meeting 8:00 PM		Private Party Thanksgiving	Cards 7:30 PM	Wedding Reception
29	30					
CLOSED	CLOSED					



GOLDEN AGE GAMES

By: Brad Norton, PER

Dick Hansen, Jane Marie and Brad Norton were among the Elks from across the state participating in the opening ceremony of the 29th Annual Golden Age Games held for disabled US veterans from across the entire country. These VA sponsored games are held over a four day period and hosted over 800 participants from 46 different states and the Virgin Islands. The opening ceremony was held at the Century Link Convention Center in Omaha on the evening of August 8, 2015. As volunteers, we assisted in registration, assisted with seating, helped organize the state flags presentation march, and escorted disabled veterans needing assistance during state flag march. Other participating Elks lodges were Columbus, Nebraska City, Norfolk and Omaha. Additionally, several Elks members volunteered time in the Elks National Veterans Service Commission booth set up by the Grand Lodge.



Donations are now being accepted to finish the Tee Marker on Hole 14

The 14th Hole Tee Marker is in honor of all men and women who have served our country.

Plans include blocks with rock to go around the marker with concrete markers depicting each branch of service on one side and one larger statue entitled "Battlefield Cross" on the other.

There will also be patio block laid for the water and ball washer.

To finish the project a cement cart path will be added from the white tee box up to the red tee box.

For more information or to make a donation please contact Kent Rothfuss (402)984-6037 or email kdr6210@gmail.com

2015 ENF CONTRIBUTORS TO DATE

By Rich Freeman, ENF chairperson

Our annual goal this year has been increased by a whopping .05 cents per Elks Lodge member to \$4.65 each. Folks, that is less than \$.02 a day or \$.40 a month, or 3-4 cans of beer a year. By making our annual goal (this year's goal \$1540.00) we in return receive grants of approximately \$6000 that we use for youth, veteran, scholarship and other good works of our order. The following is a list of Elks members who have given to the ENF for this year (April 1, 2015-March 31, 2015)

L. F. Anderson, Neil Beck, Mike Beekman, Gerald Buttell Jr., Michael Carroll, Royce East, Shane Eckhardt, John Folcik, Laverne Franzen, Dick Freeling, Rich Freeman, Gale Hager, James Hannon, Dick Hansen, Joanna Hinrichs, Vaughn Holding, Jim Horsham, Milt Kennedy, Keith Kinney, Don Kissler, Milo Kocourek, Glenn Kramer, Marcella Lemonds, Buth Lyons, Bill Mooney, Jackie Norris, Brad Norton, Mike Norton, Jim Oberg, Leland Preston, Kathy Riese, Randy Rippen, Julie Rothfuss, Kent Rothfuss, Don Runcie, Eric Schmitz, Russ Shaw, Bob Storehalder, Joe Thompson, Don Whitcomb, and Kevin Wright.

Anyone wishing to make an automatic monthly donation please contact me and I would be happy to get you started. Thank you all for our contributions, large or small. **IT ALL COUNTS!!**

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&

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Music Provided

Pumpkin Decorating/Carving contest

