

The Benevolent and  
Protective Order of Elks  
Fort Collins Lodge #804

Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love  
and Fidelity



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As I start my second month as your Exalted Ruler one word which comes to mind for me is change. We are in the process of change at our lodge. We are changing our bookkeeping system to make it more efficient, implementing changes to encourage people to renew their membership and return to the Elks and changing our focus back to our fraternal obligations of supporting charities and worthy activities in our community. We are changing our web site to make it easily accessible and user friendly including more information about our lodge activities and links to other Elks sites. Josh Lehman, our Lecturing Knight, is looking at changes in our Lodge Activities Committee to include more family oriented functions. "Any change, even for the better is always accompanied by drawbacks and discomforts." However, these changes are necessary to meet the needs of the times. I have heard many positive comments about the changes which are happening in our lodge and as always your suggestions are appreciated.

Joe McCarthy, our Loyal Knight, has been busy making frames for the portraits of our past Exalted Rulers. These will be displayed in our lodge. Also, my husband Tony and Joe are working on building a cover for our patio and picnic area behind the lodge. Joe and Tony are collecting funds for the building material to finish this project. Look for the donation boxes placed in our lounge. If you have time to help with this project, see Joe. Ship Walker and Ron Hefner have made sure the lawn is mowed and trimmed. Cory Shortridge, our Esquire, will be organizing horse shoe tournaments during the summer. If you are interested in participating, let Cory know. Bob Petri, our chef, has been busy booking functions which will be taking place throughout the summer. These events are important to bring in revenue and also for positive exposure of our lodge.

A special recognition to our trustees and advisors who have spent a tremendous amount of time and effort making sure the Fort Collins Lodge will be preserved. Thanks Gary Michael and Larry Thyfault for your activities in support of The Elks National Foundation and Laradon Hall. I appreciate all of you who are making an effort to attend lodge and who have proposed new members.

Always remember and practice our principles of Charity, Justice and Brotherly Love and Fidelity

Fraternally,  
Joyce R. Bonanno

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Every Friday 8:00  
**Queen of Hearts**  
Drawing

**Coming Events/Meetings:**

June 7, 14, 21, 28 House Committee/Trustees  
4PM

June 8: Lodge 7PM

June 11 Omaha Poker Night 7:00PM

Dinner is available from the Elks Lodge  
Beginning at 5:30PM

June 15 FLAG DAY CELEBRATION

June 25 Texas Hold-em Night 7:00PM

Dinner is available from the Elks Lodge  
beginning at 5:30.

**BRIDGE ANNOUNCEMENT**

All couples and singles who would like to play Bridge on the third Wednesday of each Month-Dinner at 6:00 PM Bridge at 7:00PM. Call Tom Nix at 223-8518 for more information.



**Please Note the Lodge has new email addresses**

Club: fcelks@fortcollinselks.org

Stan Cole: scole@fortcollinselks.org

Joyce Bonanno: jbonanno@fortcollinselks.org

**Bowling Back at the Lodge!**

Do you miss bowling at the Elks and your bowling league? Did you ever want to bowl but didn't like buying the equipment or those funny shoes?

Well, now you have a chance to bowl at the Elks. No, we're not putting in bowling lanes but we're going to use the Wii electronic game system and the Wii bowling game to start a Wednesday league. Sign up on the list at the bar and we will organize our first night in June. Deanna Kerscher is organizing the league and letting us use her Wii.

It's fun. It's a lot like real bowling but without the expense or funny shoes but you could wear yours' if you have them!

Brother Mark Cooper and Deanna Kerscher

**Fort Collins Elks Lodge #804  
Officers 2010-2011**

Exalted Ruler  
Leading Knight  
Loyal Knight  
Lecturing Knight  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Trustee  
Trustee  
Trustee  
Trustee  
Trustee  
Esquire  
Inner Guard  
Chaplain  
Tiler  
Rep to Grand Lodge  
Alt Rep To Grand Lodge  
Charitable Trustee

Joyce Bonanno  
Barry Shuler  
Joe McCarthy  
Josh Lehman  
Stan Cole  
Charlie Thomas  
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Willy Rowland  
Brad March  
Alan Beatty  
Larry Hulse  
Cory Shortridge  
Larry Houston  
Harold Anton  
Lindsey Lussen  
Randy Kettenhofen  
Skip Walker  
Cheryl Shepherd

**THE BEAN POT**

**SAD  
ELKS**



Don Weinland  
Bob Spence  
Tuffy Mullison  
Keith Miller  
Jim Michalka  
Don Weinmeister  
Skip Walker  
Don Ciancio  
Chuck Hagemeister  
Victor Mercado  
Lee Skrdlant  
Charles Hamman  
Justin Woodard  
Bob Salisbury  
Jerry Stroh  
Orville Riddle  
Richard Thompson

IT PAYS TO COME TO LODGE  
LODGE ATTENDANCE DRAWING  
OF \$100 DOLLARS BEGINS

2nd MEETING IN APRIL I will send the 3 days missing along with the Queen of Hearts Happy Elks(Winners) as soon as I can collect them from Skip. I send this to give you an opportunity to maybe find the best format. If you would then tell me how to report this so it is easy for you, you can let me know.

**HAPPY ELKS**

QUEEN OF HEARTS  
The pot is \$1585.00 as of 5/14/10

THE BEAN POT  
is at \$89.00 as of 5/14/10  
No happy Elks submitted



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!  
June**

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Hugh H Hiigel       | 16 Arthur L Meyer     |
| 2 Donald Corbin       | 16 Kay Rios           |
| 3 Stever Lind         | 17 Cassie Murinko     |
| 4 Gary D Ross         | 18 Stephen Inman      |
| 4 Howard R Swartz     | 19 Charles C Burch    |
| 5 Brian Autler        | 20 William P Phillips |
| 5 Harry L Binkly      | 21 Robert L Rodgers   |
| 5 Francis M Gillis    | 21 Jerome R Zajicek   |
| 5 Jerry A Schott      | 22 Dan L Henderson    |
| 5 Wayne K Schrader    | 24 Francis E Bruen    |
| 5 Harold E West       | 25 Charles R Hamman   |
| 6 Gerald H Delaney    | 26 Ralph W Jordan     |
| 6 Jack Moad           | 26 Earl C Kerbel      |
| 6 Dennis C Shortridge | 26 PAul O Mcdonald    |
| 10 Leo V Gormally     | 26 Donald C Willette  |
| 10 Robert Michels     | 28 James R Hesse      |
| 12 John B Moore       | 28 Donald L Reffel    |
| 13 Robert L Carnes    | 28 Donald H Woeber    |
| 13 William J Nauroth  | 29 Daniel R Evans     |
| 16 Robert Aukerman    | 30 James R Chinn      |
| 16 L J Dilsaver       |                       |



### 2010 Scholarship Winners

The Fort Collins Colorado Elks Lodge #804 has awarded five - \$2,000.00 Scholarships and three - \$600 Vocational Scholarships. Pictured are: (Front) Peter Scanlon (V), Breanna Hernandez (A), Jamaica Nichols (V), Kimberly Kosofsky (V), Michael Wang (A), Katie Elder (A), and Scott Uhlrich (A). (Back) Alan Beatty (Trustee/Scholarship Committee), Gina Cordova (\$1,000.00 Colorado Elks Grant), Cheryl Shepherd (Scholarship Chair), and Joyce Bonanno (Exalted Ruler/Scholarship Committee). Not Pictured: Gayle Watkinson (Scholarship Committee)

## STAY INFORMED READ THE ECHO

### Article to amend Lodge By-Laws and return to original By-Laws wording.

By-Laws currently stated under Article X: Section B: Fees and dues

(b) All Lodge dues hereafter specified shall be payable annually, in advance, on or before April 1st of each year.

By-Laws Section B shall be deleted and Section A will be included to now read:

(a) semi-annually, in advance, on the first days of April and October in each year, unless the Member chooses to pay the full year's Lodge dues on or before April 1st;

Lodge Hours of Operation:

Monday 11 to 6 \*

Tues – Friday 11 to 10 \*

Closed Sat & Sun except for Events

\* Bartender / Manager's discretion

Check the website [www.bpo804.com](http://www.bpo804.com) for updates

### FROM THE VETERAN'S AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Attention all Elks and all Veterans! The Fort Collins Foxes baseball team is hosting three special events this year for veterans – and everyone else who wants to come out, watch great college-level baseball and enjoy our hometown team.

The first event will be the "Culver's Salute to the Air Force" on Friday, June 11th starting at 6:15 game time. The visiting team will be the Cheyenne Grizzlies of the Mountain Collegiate Baseball League. Air Force vets will be honored between one of the innings and asked to come onto the field so the fans and players can show their appreciation for their service.

The second event will be the Independence Day Game on Sunday, July 4th starting at 1 in the afternoon. Every fan will get a mini American flag and all vets will get a chance to get on the field and be recognized for their service to our great nation.

The third event will be the "Hooter's Salute to the Marine Corps" on Friday, July 9th starting at 6:15 game time. Semper Fi Marines! All Marines (remember – there are no "ex" Marines) will be honored for their service.

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for kids 5 to 14 and seniors (over 65) and free for kids under 5, and free for active duty personnel. Or you can watch for free by bringing your lawn chair or blanket and sitting along the sidelines.

So come out to the City Park baseball field, get your peanuts and crackerjacks and root root root for the home team – the Fort Collins Foxes. I'll see you there!

## Congratulations

Cheryl Shepherd

Elks Lodge 804

## Elk of the Month

For the Month of May



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## June 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 Friday Night Dinners 5:30 to 7:30 pm	5
6	7 House Committee/ Trustees 4PM	8 Lodge night	9	10	11 Omaha Poker 7:00PM Friday Night Dinners 5:30 to 7:30 pm	12
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