

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

Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love
and Fidelity



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There are several members of Lodge #804 who have contributed to our success this year. Some of these members go about the business of serving the lodge and do not expect any special recognition. There is a member of our lodge who has contributed a considerable amount of time and effort to facilitate with the "governing" and direction of our lodge. He has been a mentor to me, worked on budgets (insisting they be balanced), revision of our bylaws and spending countless hours reviewing documents to ensure we are in compliance with the laws of our Order and the State of Colorado and he does it pro bono. He is a long time member of our lodge - Trustee and Attorney - Brad March. If some of the new members are not sure who Brad is - he is the trustee on the stage - who I always tell "to turn his phone off during lodge meetings." I want to recognize Brad for the effort he puts forth to make our lodge successful.

Someone else who has worked hard this year is Skip Walker. Like Brad, Skip has been instrumental in making sure we have a balanced budget, Skip is an active member of our House Committee, cooks meals before lodge meetings and also gets to clean up! Thanks to Brad and Skip for their continued dedication to 804.

Our Essay Awards Evening was held before lodge on Tuesday, March 1. If you attended lodge that night, you heard some very insightful thoughts on "What Freedom Means to Me" from the 5th grade winners. The winners were; first place, Aaron Lambert - Johnson Elementary, second place Grace Wankelman - St. Joseph's Catholic School and third Jack Taylor from Heritage Christian Academy. We had several distinguished guests attend the ceremony including Dr. Jerry Wilson, Superintendent of Poudre School District. I want to thank the following individuals who judged the essays and participated in the ceremony - Joan Demma, Mike Demma, Don Uhlanake, Alyssa Garcia (CSU Student), Randy Kettenhofen, Mark Korb and Tony Bonanno. Congratulations to Joe McCarthy - Officer of the Year and Tony Bonanno - Elk of the Year. Both of these individuals have demonstrated their commitment to Elksdom, our community, and our lodge.

"Esprit 'de corps" "The common spirit pervading the members of a group. It implies enthusiasm, devotion, and regard for the honor of the group." I am proud to say our members have devotion to the lodge. I've seen enthusiasm in the following actions, attendance at lodge, support of events and our charities and we definitely honor the order of Elks. I hope this "common spirit" will continue as I start my second year as your Exalted Ruler. I will be counting on every one of you to help make this one of the best years ever for our lodge. Remember and always practice Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity.

Fraternally, Joyce Bonanno, E. R.

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E-mail us at fcelks@fortcollinselks.org or

Fax to 970-493-3787 or

Call 493-3777

Visit our website!

www.fortcollinselks.org



Elks 804
Queen of Hearts
Drawing
Every Friday at
7:30PM

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 2011-2012

Saturday, April 2

Installation Ceremony - 5:30-6:30PM

Buffet Dinner - 7:00-8:00PM

Baked Pit Ham, Au Gratin Potatoes, Salad, Rolls

Vegetarian Lasagna

Brownies

(Cost-\$13/person)

Dancing - 8:00-10:30PM

Band-"Barely Getting By"

(Traditional Country Western & Soft Rock)

OPEN TO ALL FAMILY and FRIENDS of ELK MEMBERS

BRIDGE!!!!

All couples and singles who would like to play Bridge

Third Wednesday of each Month

Dinner at 6:00 PM Bridge at 7:00PM

Call Tom Nix at 223-8518 for more information

ELKS LEGACY PROJECT COMING THIS SPRING!

Legacy – a gift from our predecessors (Webster's Collegiate Dictionary).

Fort Collins Elks Lodge 804 will begin constructing our new front entry with the coming of spring weather. The entry will include our new bronzed Elk standing atop a rock and welcoming our members and guests to the lodge. Included in the structure will be our flagpole with the addition of the Legacy brick display.

The Legacy brick display will be a visible remembrance of those Elks who preceded us in service to the Order and a link to current members continuing to fulfill their obligation. The Legacy display will also serve to invite new members to join us in the honorable work we do in serving our community.

Each Legacy brick will be laid in an array in the enclosure and include the etched name of a designated current or past Elk member. The

enclosure will be lighted with the Elk's spreading antlers standing approximately twelve feet above the pavement. The current cost for inclusion of a named member in the display is \$100.00 per brick with all donations designated for Lodge 804 expenses. By becoming an Elks Legacy participant, you help in preserving the memory of those who came before while sharing in the effort to support our beautiful lodge home.

Questions about the project or requests for ordering one or more bricks should be forwarded to Tony Bonanno at any of these contacts: anthonybonanno@hotmail.com
970.310.0030 (mobile)
970.498.9223 (home)

A contact and information station will be established at the Lodge.

Fraternally,
Tony Bonanno



Fort Collins Elks Lodge #804 Officers 2011-2012

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

Joyce Bonanno
Joe McCarthy
Josh Lehman
Chris Smith
Stan Cole
Charlie Thomas
Brad March
Larry Hulse
Mike Sutton
Willy Rowand
Cory Shortridge
Mike Murrel
Harold Anton
Peg Moore
Skip Walker
Randy Kettenhofen
Cheryl Shepherd

The Echo Deadline for May is April 15th
Please send all Echo articles and information on
events to scole@fortcollinselks.org



Congratulations
Gin Club
Elk(s) of the Month
for March
For Your Support of
Lodge #804

THE BEAN POT

There is currently \$100 in the drawing.

*When you are in the lodge, drop a dollar or coins

Sign the Book

Please Sign for the Current Day only!

Elks 804 Drawing (Friday Nights)
Currently at \$1,185.00 as of 3-15-2011

HAPPY ELKS

WELCOME - MIKE GROUNDS

Initiated Feb 15, 2011

Deanna Kerscher - \$110.00

Al Dillman - \$50.00



SAD ELKS

You missed your
 opportunity!

Richard Gareis
 Darwin Stengaard
 J. Lawrence Griess
 George Krueger
 Michael Livens
 Arlys Wagner
 Michael Damico
 Howard Bassett
 Robert P. Rodgers

Charlie Hoffman
 Lindsay Lussan
 Ed Tempalski
 R. James Weisser
 Fred Menke
 Tom Clausen
 Gary Ross
 Gary Michels
 Mark Cooper

ALL YOU CAN EAT PASTA BAR WEDNESDAY APRIL 13

**Includes choice of 2 sauces, meatballs, salad,
 and garlic bread**
\$9.00/person
(TIP NOT INCLUDED)

Invest in your community



Consider a gift to the Elks National Foundation when reviewing your dues statement. Your gift supports the ENF's mission to help Elks build stronger communities, and you'll assist us in reaching our Lodge's per-capita goal.

You invest. You give back. You help Elks build stronger communities. To learn more about the Elks National Foundation, its grants, giving options or recognition opportunities, visit www.elks.org/enf.

Elks National Foundation

2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614-2256

Phone: 773/755-4728, Email: enf@elks.org, website: www.elks.org/enf

DEADWOOD, SD

ELKS LODGE #804 GAMBLING BUS TRIP JUNE 3 TO JUNE 5, 2011

LEAVE ELKS LODGE #804 FRIDAY AT 9 AM

RETURN SUNDAY

LEAVE DEADWOOD 10 AM

ARRIVE AT LODGE AROUND 5 PM

DOUBLE OCCUPANCY IS \$130 PER PERSON

SINGLE OCCUPANCY COST \$177 PER PERSON

PACKAGE INCLUDES:

Motorcoach transportation

2 nights lodging

\$25 per person in meal coupons

\$12 per person in gaming coupons

Slot tournament entry

YOU ARE ON THE BUS WHEN YOU PAY

Sorry, you must be 21

PAYMENT DEADLINE IS MAY 13, 2011

NO REFUNDS AFTER THIS DATE

RSVP AT 493-3777 (ELKS LODGE)

CONTACT ARLYS WAGNER at 493-9322

if you need additional information

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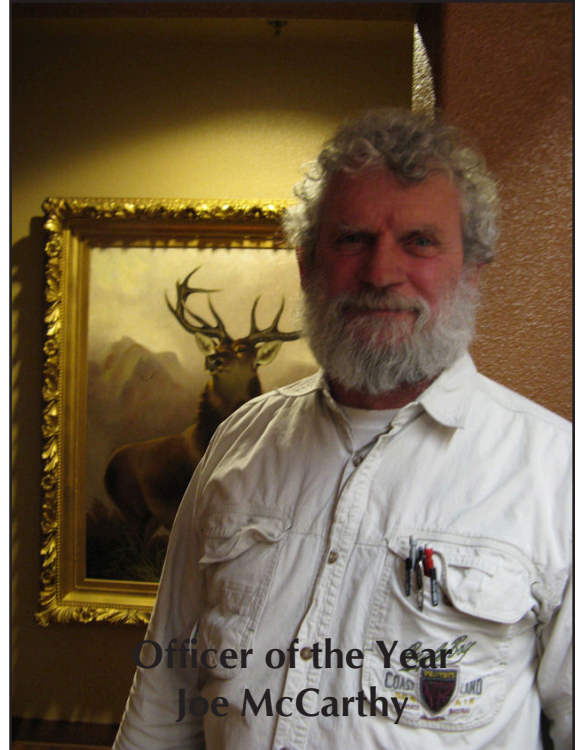
WHAT'S HAPPENING AT LODGE 804



Charity Justice
Brotherly Love
Fidelity

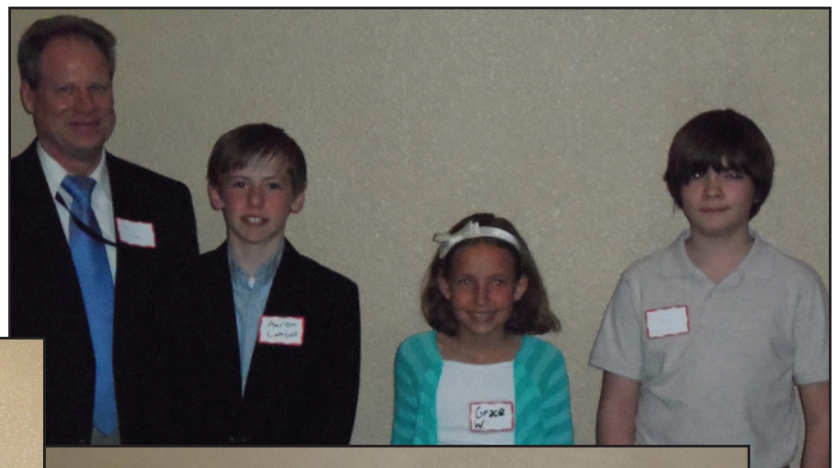


Elk of the Year - Tony Bonanno



Officer of the Year
Joe McCarthy

Essay Contest



THE ELK ARRIVES!



A Word from the Lodge Secretary

ATTENTION - IMPORTANT CHANGES TO FORT COLLINS ELKS LODGE #804 BY-LAWS

The regular By-Law revisions are now available for your examination. We will be voting on these revisions during one of the Lodge meetings in April. The only substantive change will be in the governance issue whereby a Board of Directors, composed of the four elected officers and three trustees, will be the governing body of both the club and Lodge. This change provides for compliance with our Articles of Incorporation.

Mother's Day Buffet Sunday, May 8th

\$26.00/person (Children under 5 FREE)

Reservations Required by Wednesday, May 4th
Seating Times

11:00AM, 12:00PM, 1:00PM, 2:00PM, 3:00PM

Bloody Mary Bar (\$3.50/drink) Make your own!
Carved Honey Baked Ham and Prime Rib, French Toast,
Blueberry Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon,
Sausage Links, Hash Brown Potatoes, Strawberry Blintz,
Chicken & Dumplings, Steamed Broccoli and Cheese
Sauce, Green Bean Casserole, Baked Lemon Cod,
Fresh Fruit, Garden Salad, Macaroni Salad, Potato Salad,
Marinated Mushroom Salad, Fresh Baked Rolls, Mini Danish,
Cinnamon Rolls, Peach Cobbler with Whipped Cream,
Brownies and Cookies

1st Annual Garage Sale and Pancake Breakfast

A Benefit for Elks Lodge #804 General Fund
Saturday, May 21st (Rain or Shine)

8:00AM-3:00PM

Pavilion Area - North End of the Lodge

Pancake Breakfast - 8-10:30AM - \$6/person

Includes Scrambled Eggs, 2 Pancakes, 2 Sausage Links,
Coffee, Juice, or Milk

Any item priced by you and in good condition will be accepted

Items can be delivered beginning Thursday, May 19th

Any items not sold will be donated to

ARC, Salvation Army, or Disabled Veterans

If you want unsold items, you must pick them up by 4:00PM

the day of the Garage Sale

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Call the Lodge to volunteer

Times:

7:30-9:30, 9:30-11:30, 11:30-1:30, 1:30-3:30

Activities:

Setup and place items on tables

Attend tables during Garage Sale

Take Down tables & general clean up

Help with Pancake Breakfast

From the House Committee

To The Elks Mug Club:

To all those who still have their Beer Mugs (with personal logo) at the lodge. Please come and pick them up. We can no longer store them and we can no longer use them due to increase in cost of beer. Please come and pick them up by June 1st, 2011, after that they will be gone.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Joe McCarthy

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! APRIL

Enjoy A FREE Dinner During Your Birthday Month On A Lodge Night

3	Michael A. Vergara	17	Brett Autler
3	Willard E. Wood	17	William R. Gibbens
5	Richard D. Miller	17	Donald W. Kelly
6	David Bruning	18	Gayle Watkinson
6	Gerald 'Jay' Laetsch	20	James W. Brown
10	Richard L. Schott	20	Kenneth Pastor
11	Anthony Bonanno	20	Rhinnie Whitman
11	Ray Gefroh	20	Charles R. Wilkins
11	Larry Thyfault	21	William D. Miller
11	Bonnie Walker	21	Michael P. Wilson
12	Robert Deakin	22	Jerry L. Applebee
12	Arnold Gonzales	22	Stanley Schilling
12	A. Taylor Hall	24	Robert E. Schmick
12	Fred Menke	24	Charles Thomas
12	Dean A. Rydholm	25	Don Uhlenhake
12	Donald Weinland	26	Fritz Kitowski
14	Flory Peterson	28	William J. Button
14	Reinhold Stoll	28	Frank J. Currie
15	Lyle Beaumont	28	Tracy Ochsner
15	S. Naveed Rizvi	29	Leland Skrdlant
16	Tom Clausen	30	Thomas Graff
16	K. Bill Tiley		

DEPARTED BROTHERS

Glenn Webster on 7/18/2010 - Life Member
Ronald Grant on 10/29/2010 - Life Member
John 'Jack' Mason on 12/26/2010 - Life Member
Robert Salisbury on 2/6/2011 - Life Member

ON THE TABLETS OF LOVE
AND MEMORY

COMMENTS FROM THE E.R.

Congratulations

Elk of the Year (Tony Bonanno) and Officer of the Year (Joe McCarthy)

Elk of the Year Tony Bonanno:

The selection of Elk of the Year is made by past Elk of the Year winners and is nominated from the Elk of the Month winners from the current year. Tony has been an Elk since 1979 and involved with many charitable projects since he joined the Elks. Tony's recent contributions include "acting Chairman of the Charitable Trust" this year due to the illness of our Chairperson. He updated the Charitable Trust Brochure, participated in selection of our scholarship recipients, met with our financial representative and interacted with local agencies like the Salvation Army, Disabled Resources, Respite Care and Foothills Gateway Rehabilitation Center for selection of recipients of Christmas Baskets, then delivered them. In support of fund raising for the Special Needs Committee, he worked the concession stand at CSU. During the past year Tony has spent many hours working with special needs children. He is co-chairman of the Drug Awareness Committee and worked with Team Fort Collins to promote fund raising and curriculum development for drug awareness in our community schools. Tony was instrumental in the building of the Pavilion in support of our Veterans. He helped care for and was an advocate of a disabled veteran until his death in 2010. Tony attended every District Deputy Meeting, Quarterly Meeting and The Grand Lodge Convention. If there is anything which needs to be done at the lodge you will see him helping. Tony has also proposed several new members.

Congratulations Tony for the honor of being selected as Elk of the Year for 2011-2012.

Officer of the Year Joe McCarthy:

Joe has acted as Chairman of the House Committee this year. It was not just saying he was chairman, but involved twice a month meetings to review financial reports and determine ways to increase our revenue in the club. Joe had responsibility for doing inventory at the bar and directing the club manager on purchasing decisions and also attended Trustee Meetings. He was Chairman of the CSU Concession Sales in support of fund raising for our General Fund and the Elks Help Special Needs Program. This "job" involved scheduling people to work, working himself at every home game and being there several hours before game time and taking inventory as well as the accountability for the money. Joe was instrumental in building the Veteran's Pavilion and about any kind of carpenter work we've had to get done at the lodge. Joe has proposed several new members.

Congratulations Joe, you have done an outstanding job as Loyal Knight and deserve the honor as Officer of the Year for 2011-2012,

Fraternally, Joyce

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS

APRIL

Sat Apr 2nd	Installation of Officers and Dinner/Dance
Tue Apr 5th	Lodge Meeting 7PM
Fri Apr 8th	Friday Night Dinner Omaha Poker 7PM (Elk Members Only)
Sat Apr 9th	District Deputy Clinic/Akron
Tue Apr 12th	Officers Ritual Practice (7-8PM)
Wed Apr 13th	Board of Directors Meeting (4:45-7PM) Officers Meeting (7:15-8PM) All you can eat Pasta Bar (5:30-7:30PM) (Includes Choice of 2 Sauces, Meatball, Salad, and Garlic Bread)
Fri Apr 15th	Friday Night Dinner Karaoke 7:15PM
Tue Apr 19th	Lodge Meeting 7 PM
Wed Apr 20th	Bridge Night (Dinner-6PM/Bridge-7PM)
Fri Apr 22nd	Friday Night Dinner Texas Hold 'Em 7 PM (Elk Members Only)
Fri Apr 29th	Friday Night Dinner

MAY

Tue May 3rd	Lodge Meeting 7 PM Scholarship Presentation
Fri May 6th	Friday Night Dinner
Sun May 8th	Mother's Day Buffet
Tue May 10th	Officer Ritual Practice (7-8PM)
Wed May 11th	Board of Directors Meeting (4:45-7PM) Officers Meeting (7:15-8PM)

Fri May 13th	Friday Night Dinner Omaha Poker 7PM (Elk Members Only)
Tue May 17th	Lodge Meeting 7PM
Wed May 18th	Bridge Night (Dinner-6PM/Bridge-7PM)
Fri May 20th	Friday Night Dinner Karaoke 7:15PM
Sat May 21st	Inaugural Elks Garage Sale & Pancake Breakfast (8AM-?)
Tue May 24th	Officer Ritual Practice (7-8PM)
Fri May 27th	Friday Night Dinner Texas Hold 'Em 7PM (Elk Members Only)
Mon May 30th	Memorial Day Lodge Closed

JUNE

Fri June 3rd	Friday Night Dinner
Tue June 7th	Lodge Meeting 7PM (ONLY 1 Lodge Meeting in June)
Wed June 8th	Board of Directors Meeting (4:45-7PM) Officers Meeting (7:15-8PM)
Fri June 10th	Friday Night Dinner Omaha Poker 7PM (Elk Members Only)
Tue June 14th	Flag Day
Wed June 15th	Bridge Night (Dinner-6PM/Bridge-7PM)
Fri June 17th	Friday Night Dinner Karaoke 7:15PM
Tue June 21st	Officers Ritual Practice (7-8PM)
Fri June 24th	Friday Night Dinner Texas Hold 'Em 7PM (Elk Members Only)



Fort Collins Lodge #804
1424 E. Mulberry
Fort Collins, CO 80524

**LODGE HOURS OF OPERATION
SPRING & SUMMER**

Monday – Lodge Closed

Office Open Tuesday-Friday 9:00AM-5:00PM

Lounge Open Tuesday – Friday

11:00AM – 10:00PM

(Bartender/Manager's Discretion)

**Check the Website www.fortcollinselks.org
for updates**

**At times, the Lodge may be open for Special
Events and Fort Collins Members are welcome to
come in and use the Lounge**

Needed from Members - Your e-mail address

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or Call 970-493-3777

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April 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 Installation of Officers
3	4	5 Lodge Meeting	6	7	8 Omaha Poker	9 District Deputy Clinic (Akron)
10	11	12 Officers Ritual Practice	13 Board of Directors and Officers Meetings	14	15 ECHO DEADLINE Karaoke	16
17	18	19 Lodge Meeting	20 Bridge	21	22 Texas Hold 'Em	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30