

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

Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love
and Fidelity



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Fall is here and with fall comes hunting season. The Veteran's Leather program is in need of hides. The Veterans Leather program began in Philadelphia in July of 1948. Hides collected for this program are sent to a tannery to produce crafting leather, craft kits and fingerless gloves for wheelchair-bound Veterans. You can learn more about the Veterans Leather Program, including how to prepare the hides for shipping at www.elks.org/vets/leather.cfm. With your help we can benefit more Veterans. Speaking of Veterans, we are having our annual Veteran's Appreciation Breakfast on Saturday, November 8th from 8:30-11AM. Veterans and all active Military are invited to attend and their breakfast is free. All others are \$6.50 – children 8 and under are \$3.00. Come out and enjoy pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee and juice and thank our Veterans and Active Military for their service to our Country.

We recently initiated six new members into our Lodge. They are Mike Maestas, Ken Roach, Jeff Bruce, Jerry Hixon, Peter Callaghan and Bob Blanco. Everyone please make an effort to get to know these new members and make them feel welcome.

Proceeds from our volunteer efforts at the CSU home football games have been great so far, and with three more home games in November our Lodge stands to generate much needed revenue for the Lodge and the Elks Help Special Needs Project. Thanks to all of the volunteers who have worked at CSU and especially to Mike Sutton for his leadership role this year. Also, a big thanks to Jim Chance for Chairing the Hoop Shoot this year and the volunteers who helped Jim. Ron Zais will be chairing the Americanism Essay Contest this year. If you are interested in helping select the winners, please get in touch with Ron. John Merritt was selected as Elk of the Month for August and Skip Walker as Elk of the Month of September for the work on they have done to make our Indoctrination Program an outstanding presentation!

Even in times of challenge I believe Elks are generous. With the holidays approaching we need to keep in mind our motto "Elks Care Elks Share". We have donated to the Toys for Kids already and we will be providing Holiday Baskets for needy families. This year along with our regular Children's Christmas Party for members Children, Grand Children and their guests on December 13th, we will be selecting 30 needy children from the community and taking them on a shopping spree! This is a new event and I know it will be successful and meaningful. If you would like to participate in the Children's Christmas Party or help with the shopping spree please see Secretary Joyce.

Once again, I need to stress the importance for each of you to participate in Lodge Meetings, at our events and support our restaurant. Membership and participation is the life blood of all organizations and with your participation our Lodge will continue to be successful.

I hope you have a special and meaningful Thanksgiving with individuals important in your life. Please remember and always practice Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity.

Fraternally,
Cory Shortridge
Exalted Ruler



ELKS 804 LEGACY PROJECT

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

Fort Collins Elks Lodge 804 is continuing to add bricks to our front entry. The Legacy brick display is 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.

The current cost for inclusion of a named member is \$100.00 per brick with all donations designated for Lodge 804 general expenses. Contact Joyce Bonanno at the lodge to order a brick.



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Bill Rogers
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Ron Hefner
Josh Lehman
Brad March
Brad March
Randy Kettenhofen
Bob Petri

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! November

*Please Enjoy a FREE Dinner
during your Birthday Month on a Lodge Night*

3 Jay Bowser	19 Richard Haynes
3 Dana Cline	20 Gene Barker
3 Jeanette Namuth	20 Richard Shortridge
4 Gary Perman	20 Nick Yobbagy
5 Jim Chance	21 Harold Anton
5 Larry Hawe	21 Frank Barela
7 Ken Carson	21 Justine Barela
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7 Dave Parrish	23 Victor Mercado
7 Bob Swerer	25 Terry Keating
8 Roger Rogers	25 Phil White
12 Dave Swinehardt	27 Chard Nordtvedt
13 Ron Brown	29 Tomas Gonzales
14 Randy Reider	30 Matt Doyle
16 Ken Clark	30 Laurie Hart
16 Richard Deines	30 Mark Mekelburg
16 Edwin Hanson	30 Barry Shuler
16 Skip Walker	

BAR BINGO

1st & 3rd Friday of the Month
Starting At 6:30PM
\$1.00 Regular Game per Card

KARAOKE

2nd & 4th Friday of the Month
Starting at 6:30PM
Hosted by Joe and Kathy Lucero

The Echo deadline for December is November 13th.
Please send all Echo articles and information
on events to joyce.bonanno@gmail.com



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ELKS 804 DRAWINGS

Because the amount of the Bean Pot, Friday Night 804 and 804 Attendance Drawings change frequently, starting in December the amounts will not be listed in the Echo. They will continue to be posed by the Bean Pot, On the 804 "Drawing" Board and reported in Lodge Meetings.

The Bean Pot

Sign up for current day only. You must be an 804 Elk Member in good standing to play.

804 Drawing

Drawing Every Friday Night at 7:30PM. You must be an Elk Member in good standing to play.

804 Attendance Drawing

You must be present in Lodge Meeting to win.

HAPPY ELKS

Happy Elk Mark Naber - won
804 Drawing for \$960.00! -
Donated \$320.00 to Elks Help
Special Needs Project!!!



SAD ELKS

You missed your
opportunity!



Matt Davis	Joe Sullivan
Roger Rogers	Skip Walker
Lary Scheinhost	Chad Nordtvedt
Donald Wickham	Brad March
Mike Demma	R. James Weisser
Alex Arnold	Thomas Herring
Robbin Clary	Hugh Hiigel
Alice Anton	Carmen Mendoza
Russ Mann	Mark Cooper
Joe McCarthy	Michael Craft
Steve Vessey	Gerald Schilling
Kay Rios	Mike Peters
Al Gebhardt	Cory Shortridge

**All couples and singles Bridge is
the third Wednesday of each month.
Dinner at 6PM, Bridge at 7PM
For more information.
Call Don Svedman at 482 6941**

FROM THE CHAIR OF THE

LECTURING KNIGHT

Thank you to the twelve wonderful people that took the time to go golfing and fishing After CSU beat Boston College. Yet, more over, thanks to those that joined us for just the fish fry and pleasant conversation. Congratulations are in order for Lee Skrdlant and Tony Bonanno for low scores, Lee, Skip & Linda Walker for most hole in ones and finally Linda W for getting the most for her \$.

Is your week getting longer? Maybe your easy chair is your favorite "hang out", or running out of ideas for fun has left you with a blank? JUST PLAIN BORED – come to the Elks and experience friendship, activities and a chance to become happy again.

Have you signed up with Steve Rumpler for the Mixed Doubles Pool Tournament yet? Why not? See Steve for this event scheduled for Saturday November 15th. (See Flyer in this ECHO)

Mark the 23rd down right now as we will be decorating the Lodge for the Christmas Season. We need young healthy bodies to reach those high lofty places. Won't help, see paragraph TWO!

Have I got your attention yet? Good because I am inviting you to a waffle breakfast that I will provide for donations only and I am supplying the makings. I am pretty sure Good Ol' Ralph will offer up some of his Bloody Mary's for a reasonable price. So mark Sunday November 30th for this special date.

In December keep the 13th saved for your children and grandchildren it is their Christmas Party Day. You, the Members, well your day is the 14th! Remember it is a "pot luck" function. Be there or be "square" again, refer to paragraph TWO!

"Friday Night Lights" is still a happening even though the 804 Drawing got hit (it will build again). So, come to YOUR Lodge - sing a tune or scream BINGO. Let yourself have fun or see paragraph 2.
Fraternally, Hugh, Lecturing Knight



**New Members Jerry Hixon, Jeff Bruce, Bob Blanco,
Mike Maestas, Ken Roach, Peter Callaghan**

**Skip Walker and Ron Hefner are Members
of the USSSA Worlds Master Softball
Tournament Team Winners**

Skip and Ron play for the Scrap Iron Softball Team which consists of players throughout Colorado and who recently won first place in Las Vegas at the USSSA World Masters Tournament. At the tournament they played on the 65 and older age group which included twenty-three teams. They lost the first game and then won 9 in a row playing 10 games in four days. Ron plays third and first base and catcher. Skip plays left field and was selected to the All World's Team. Ron and Skip have been playing on the Senior Softball Tournament Team for approximately 8 years and senior softball for about 15 years. Congratulations to Ron, Skip and their entire team!



To our Absent Members
The faults of our Members
we write upon the sands,
their virtues on the tablets of
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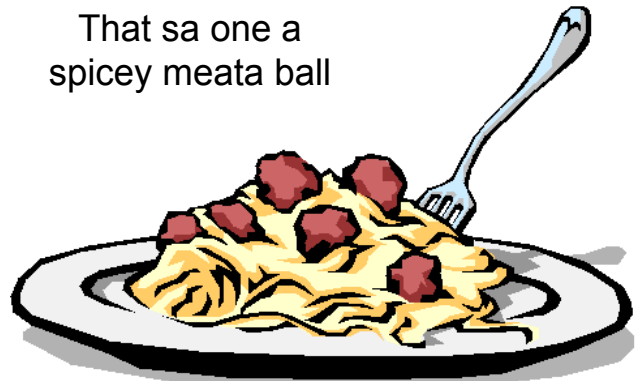
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**Come out and support
Boy Scout Troop 87
Pancake Breakfast
Will be held in the
Lodge Room
On Sunday, November
16th 9:30AM-Noon**

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spicey meata ball



**Past Exalted Ruler
Spaghetti Dinner and Fund Raiser**

Thursday, November 13th 5:30-7:30PM
Spaghetti with red or white sauce or both
meatball and sausage,
salad and garlic bread

Only \$7.50

50/50 Raffles for the Lodge Charities
Come out and have the PERs serve you
dinner and support the Lodge Charities!

**B.P.O.E. #804
is a proud sponsor of
Boy Scout Troop 87**



Where is this for October

If you think you know where this photo was taken, come to the lodge and fill out an entry form and deposit it in the "Where Is This" photo box for a chance to win dinner for two at the lodge. The contest will close on the last Thursday of each month at 3:00 PM and the winner will be drawn from all correct entries received. Dinner

coupons are good for two entrée's off the menu and will be honored as long as this contest runs. Ala carte items, beverages and gratuity are not included. Please present coupon to server when ordering.

NOTE: All photos will be taken in Fort Collins



♠ ♥ Poker Tournament ♣ ♦



CSU 50 Year Club recognizes Elk Member Tom Nix

Each year, the 50 Year Club recognizes a graduate for public service and for career achievement. The awards are presented during the annual luncheon, held on the Friday of Homecoming and Family Weekend. This year the recipient of the Public Service Award is Tom Nix ('50, Animal Science). Tom is a 36 year member of the Fort Collins Elks as well as an active member of the Lions Club. After returning home from WWII Tom enrolled at Colorado A&M. Upon graduation, Tom became a dairy farmer and held numerous leadership positions in the dairy industry. After 23 years of dairy farming, Tom retired and became a realtor in 1973. Tom is well known and respected for his leadership in various organizations in our community as well and being a founder of the Heart of the Rockies Christian Church. Tom is a tremendous Ram fan, attending every football and basketball game for almost 50 years. When you see Tom congratulate him on this very prestigious award. Our Lodge is proud of Tom, his service to our community and his commitment to the Order of Elks.



Terry Kasprzak, Joyce Bonanno, Terry Kettenhofen



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Secretary Notes

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I am always pleased about the generosity of our members. Recently Head Trustee Bill Rogers held a poker tournament at his home as a fund raiser for the year old grandson of our Member Robbin Clary. Robbin's grandson has been fighting a brain tumor. Many of our members participated in the tournament which raised \$1,600.00. Member Shelly Castillon was the big winner and donated half of her prize back to fund raiser. Other winners were Ken Clark and John Yocum who also donated part of their winnings back to the fund raiser. Thanks to Bill and all of the members who participated to help Robbin's grandson.

Another new happening at our Lodge is Terry Kettenhofen, an Elk member for the past 41 years, is presenting a display of fine art for our enjoyment and that of our guests. The showing, by Terry Kasprzak and other artists is livening up the walls throughout our facility. Terry Kettenhofen is providing exposure for artists while raising funds to benefit our Lodge. A generous donation, as noted on each work of art, will be returned to our Lodge. I know you will enjoy the art and if you purchase one of the these beautiful pieces you will be helping our Lodge.

I would like to thank the members who have generously donated to help pay for the NFL package. A big thanks to Joe and Kathy Lucero for all the work they do on Karaoke. I for one just like to hear Kathy sing! Exalted Ruler Cory thank you for getting the lighting on the front of our building fixed. The Elks sign on the building, the front entrance and the Elk are finally visible at night and safer for our members and employees.

By the way Jason Bowser your membership bean was drawn and published in the October Echo but you did not claim your \$10.00 Gift Certificate toward lunch or dinner at the Lodge.

Respectfully Submitted
Joyce Bonanno
Secretary
Fort Collins Elks 804

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.

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EVENTS AT A GLANCE

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS

November 2014

(Closing of Lounge is at Bartender/Manager
Discretion on Saturday/Sunday)

Sat Nov 1	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun Nov 2	Breakfast 9AM-Noon \$6.50 Lodge Open/Football Day Light Savings Time Ends
Mon Nov 3	Lodge Closed
Tue Nov 4	Lodge 7PM Colorado Elks 1st Vice President Visit
Wed Nov 5	Pool – 5:30PM
Fri Nov 7	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM
Sat Nov 8	Veteran's Breakfast 8:30-11AM
Sun Nov 9	Lodge Open/Football
Mon Nov 10	Westerners/Lounge Open for Members
Wed Nov 12	Board Meeting 5:30PM/ Pool 5:30PM
Thur Nov 13	PER Dinner & Fund Raiser/5:30-7:30PM
Fri Nov 14	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Prime Rib Special Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM Karaoke 6:30PM
Sat Nov 15	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available/Pool Tournament
Sun Nov 16	Lodge Open/Football
Mon Nov 17	Lodge Closed
Tue Nov 18	Lodge Meeting 7PM
Wed Nov 19	Pool 5:30PM/Bridge 7PM Bridge Night/Dinner 6PM
Fri Nov 21	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM
Sat Nov 22	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun Nov 23	Lodge Open/Football Decorate Lodge/Holidays
Mon Nov 24	Lodge Closed
Tue Nov 25	Bob's Turkey Lunch Entertainment Committee 5:30PM
Wed Nov 26	Pool 5:30PM
Thur Nov 27	Lodge Closed/Thanksgiving
Fri Nov 28	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Karaoke 6:30PM Elks Only Texas Hold-em 7PM
Sat Nov 29	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun Nov 30	Lodge Open/Football

December 2014

(Closing of Lounge is at Bartender/Manager
Discretion on Saturday/Sunday)

Mon Dec 1	Lodge Closed
Tue Dec 2	Lodge 7PM
Wed Dec 3	Pool 5:30PM
Fri Dec 5	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM
Sat Dec 6	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun Dec 7	Breakfast 9:30-Noon Lodge Open/Football
Mon Dec 8	Lodge Closed
Wed Dec 10	Board Meeting 5:30PM Pool 5:30PM
Fri Dec 12	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Karaoke 6:30PM Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM
Sat Dec 13	Children's Christmas Party 11AM-1:00PM
Sun Dec 14	Member Christmas Party Pot Luck Noon-??
Mon Dec 15	Lodge Closed
Tue Dec 16	No Lodge Meeting
Wed Dec 17	Bridge Night Dinner 6PM Bridge 7PM Pool 5:30PM
Fri Dec 19	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM
Sat Dec 20	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun Dec 21	Lodge Open/Football
Mon Dec 22	Lodge Closed
Tue Dec 23	Entertainment Committee 5:30PM
Wed Dec 24	Christmas Eve – Lodge Closed
Thur Dec 25	Christmas – Lodge Closed
Fri Dec 26	Lodge Closed
Sat Dec 27	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun Dec 28	Lodge Open/Football
Mon Dec 29	Lodge Closed
Wed Dec 31	New Year's Eve party



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Lounge Open Tuesday Friday 11:30AM 10:00PM
Friday Night Dinners 5:30 8PM
(Closing of Lounge Bartender/Manger Discretion)
At times, the lodge may be opened for special events
Elk Members are welcome in the lounge.

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The ECHO is online at

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November 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
2 Breakfast 9AM- Noon \$6.50 Lodge Open/Football Day Light Savings Time Ends	3 Lodge Closed	4 Lodge Meeting 7PM Colorado Elks 1st Vice President Visit	5 Pool 5:30PM	6	7 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	8 Veteran's Breakfast 8:30-11AM
9 Lodge Open Football	10 Western's Bar Open for Members	11 House Committee 5:30PM	12 Board Meeting 5:30PM Pool 5:30PM	13 PER Dinner & Fund Raiser/5:30-7:30PM	14 Friday Night Dinner Prime Rib 5:30 - 8PM Karaoke 6:30PM Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM	15 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available Pool Tournament
16 Lodge Open Football	17 Lodge Closed	18 Lodge Meeting 7PM	19 Pool 5:30PM Bridge Night Dinner 6PM Bridge 7PM	20	21 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	22 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
23 Lodge Open Football Decorate Lodge/ Holidays	24 Lodge Closed	25 Bob's Turkey Lunch Entertainment Committee 5:30PM	26 Pool 5:30PM	27 Lodge Closed Thanksgiving	28 Friday Night Dinners 5:30 to 8:00 pm Karaoke 6:30PM Elks Only for Texas Hold em 7PM	29 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
Lodge Open Football 30						