

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

Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love
and Fidelity



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As required by Grand Lodge Statutes, Head Trustee Bill Rogers will be reviewing the financial state of the Lodge at the first meeting in October.

The local Lodges have the ability to operate somewhat autonomously from Grand Lodge, but there are requirements which each local Lodge must meet and perform. Local Lodges must have a District Deputy visit once a year. The purpose of this visit is to ensure the buildings are in good shape, the financial transactions of the Lodge are being tracked and reported correctly, we have a budget for the Lodge and Club and a Profit and Loss Statement which is reviewed monthly by the Board of Directors and the Lodge has the required insurances and they are current. The District Deputy checks to make sure we have all of the Grand Lodge Manuals available in the office and that the transactions on CLMS are done correctly and on time. There are also a host of other activities and reports which are reviewed, but I will not go into detail in this article. Our District Deputy, Sheril Wynne from Boulder, will do her official visit on Tuesday, October 21st.

Along with the review of the financial state of the lodge and the District Deputy meeting the other requirement is the Lodges must review and vote on all resolutions. I realize there may be some members who might look at this as a waste of time, but these resolutions determine how our Lodges are governed. They are not a trivial matter and as Elks we need to take this responsibility seriously.

Bills against the Lodge and Receipts of the session seem to bring up questions. 99% of our bills are nondiscretionary – they have to be paid to make sure we can keep the doors open. Examples are food and liquor purchases, wages to pay our employees, office supplies, electric bill, phones and television to mention a few. If these bills are not paid the Club and Lodge will not be available for our members and their guests. If you would like to review these bills they are available in the Lodge Office during normal working hours.

We are fortunate to have three healthy accounts to use for our Charitable Work in the Community. They are the Charitable Trust, Hadley Trust and Elks Help Special Needs. All three of these accounts have been in existence at our Lodge for many years. I want to assure all of the members; our Charitable Donations are reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors. We receive many requests a month to help with Charities in our Community. We will never discriminate on our Community donations based on who requests them or what organization they are intended to help. The main purpose of our Order is Charity. We want and should provide as much help in our community as possible. "The help we extend to others increases our own riches."

Lastly, on Lodge nights, members in good standing can bring guests in for dinner. We are a family friendly organization and we should always treat guests with respect and make them feel welcome. There may be circumstances where the guest takes their dinner home. If it has been paid for they are welcome to take the food out of the Lodge. Guests are welcome to wait in the Club Room until the meeting is over, but any Member of the Lodge must be in the Lodge meeting or leave the building. "Any Lodge violating this under any pretext whatever shall be liable to a forfeiture of its Charter." XVI, Sec. 16.090, 16.100 – Statutes Annotated.

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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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! October

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

3	Richard Boxberger	12	James Poole
3	Ed Morphet	14	Ed Andrews
3	Mike Sutton	17	John Speaker
6	Matt Davis	20	Don LeFever
7	Mark Cooper	21	Ken Burkhard
8	Savino Barela	22	William Hoffman
8	Howard Bassett	24	Gilbert Boyer
8	Jeff Baughman	26	Ken Forbes
8	Brian White	28	Gene Spencer
9	Pam LePera-Miller	30	Lloyd Pearl
11	Paul Kipping	31	Tom Skillman

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 November is October 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

John Merritt won \$100.00 804 Attendance Drawing



SAD ELKS

You missed your opportunity!



Tracey Callaghan	Rob Gilmour
Kurt Sultzman	Skip Young
Jake Sigmund	Don Woerber
William Button	Kwcin Nelson
Gene Fischer	Bob Wingert
Hal West	Mike Zaloudek
Richard Haynes	Phil Riedesel
Shelly Castillon	Arnold Gonzales
Steve Diltz	Paul Kipping
Howard Swartz	Richard Thompson
Ken Clark	Howard Bassett
Clare Foote	Bernie Maynes
Al Gebhardt	William Durica
Art Meyer	Steve Vessay

**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

October is here and football is underway. Are you taking advantage of watching your favorite team on one of our TV's? Why not? If you said no, consider giving it a try one (1) time!

Okay here is another question – do you like chili, or make a good chili? Then get involved in the 🌶️ cook off we are having in January. More information will follow in November and December.

Activities in October are "Friday night Lights" (regular meals, bingo & karaoke). Activities in November are the PER Spaghetti Dinner and Fund Raiser on Thursday, November 13th, decorating the Lodge for the Holidays on Sunday, November 23rd at 11AM and Bob's Thanksgiving Lunch on Tuesday, November 25th 11:30AM-1:30PM - so get of your duff and climb aboard. It is fun to be an Elk at 804.

Looking forward to December:

- 1) 13th Children's Party
- 2) 14th Members' Party (pot luck)
- 3) New Year's Eve night Event

You have heard me say it before and I'll say it again "iffin there ain't somthin we be doin' fer ya let me know and we'll sure as heck make it happen." I just don't understand folk that don't like to do stuff – so get involved. Tell me iffing ya read this and I'll buy ya a beverage of your choosin'. Wow, one more thing came to my attention, Steve Rumpler is going to oversee a pool tournament on November 15th. It is a mixed doubles format taking place in the early afternoon. See Steve for more info. Fraternally, Hugh, Lecturing Knight



New Members Randy Randolph, Jeanette Namuth and Greg Dyer

THIS AND THAT

Starting in October, there will be a membership number located somewhere in the Echo. If it is your membership number and you let the Lodge Secretary know you saw it in the Echo you will win a \$10.00 Gift Certificate toward a dinner or lunch at the Lodge. The numbers will be pulled at random from the Bean Pot.

We recently received a communication from Marvin L. Nelson, Chairman – Board of Grand Trustees, concerning the sale of the Elks National Home and Retirement Center. It was sold on Friday, August 29, 2014, thereby, ending over 100 years of operation and maintenance of our assisted living retirement facility in Bedford, Virginia. If you would like to read the entire communication it is available in the Lodge Office.

As a reminder Larimer County will be using the dining room as a Voter Service Polling Center from October 13th through November 5th. During this time members or employees will not have access to the dining room. All functions which normally take place in the dining room will be moved into the Lodge Room. Please see Club Manager Bob Petri if you have 7887 questions.

If you like watching the footballs games at the Lodge please consider donating to help pay for the NFL package. See Joyce in the office to make your donations.

To our Absent Members
The faults of our Members
we write upon the sands,
their virtues on the tablets of
Love and Memory.

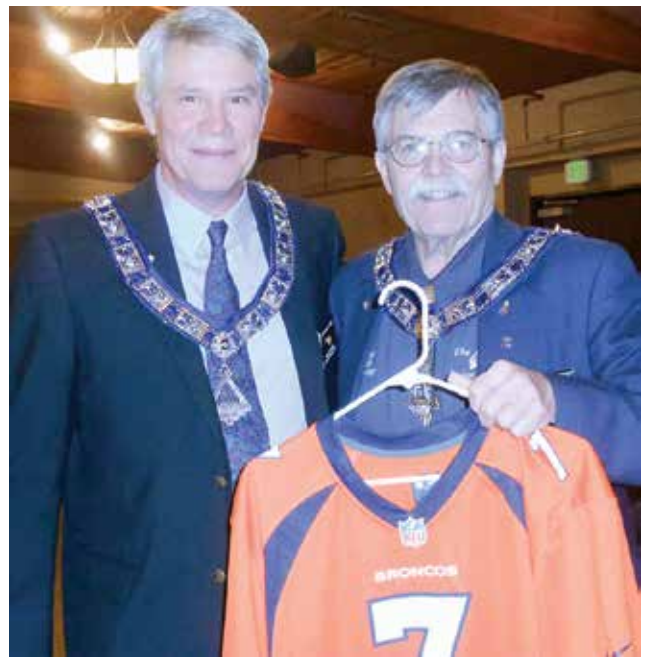


Manual (Manny) Barela

January 28, 1934 – August 15, 2014
Initiated November 26, 1991

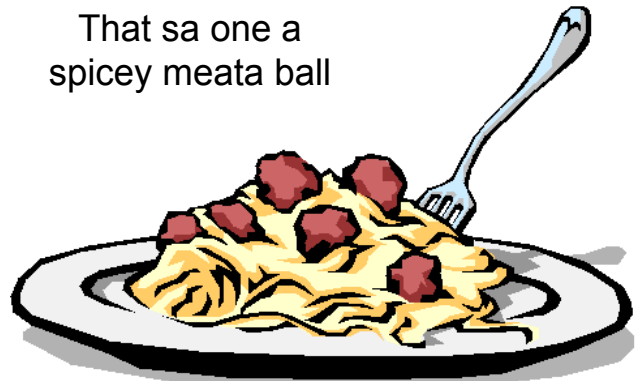
Clayton (Satch) Gray

January 05, 1926 – August 23, 2014
Initiated April 27, 1961



Lecturing Knight Hugh Receiving his Bronco Jersey from Leading Knight Mike for organizing the Mystery Trip

That sa one a
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,
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Lodge Picnic 2014



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

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Secretary Notes

September ISSUE 2014

Exalted Ruler Cory, Leading Knight Mike, Lecturing Knight Hugh, Tony and I recently returned from the Colorado State Convention. It is important for our officers to represent our Lodge at these meeting. The State Convention and Quarterly Meetings provide information on the good work the Order of Elks is doing in the State of Colorado as well as presentation on all of the major committee work.

Membership is always a discussion items at these meetings. The bottom line, membership in the Order of Elks is declining. Without members the Elks will not exist to continue our Charitable work in the many communities where we have Lodges. Locally, Fort Collins Lodge has 41 Delinquent members, 7 of our brothers have passed away this year, we have initiated 4 new members had 5 reinstatements and 2 transfer. Ask your friends and family to consider joining the Elks. Let them know about the charitable work we do in our community, that we are family friendly and have a safe and welcoming social club. At all times we must be aware of the messages we send to people both by our actions and our interactions because they create perceptions that affect our membership.

I would like to thank Randy Kettenhofen (E.R. and Ritual Coach), Cory Shortridge (Esquire), Lee Skrdlant (Leading Knight), Gayle Watkinson (Lecturing Knight), Hugh Shepherd (Loyal Knight), Leslie Barela (Chaplain) and Laura Salas (Inner Guard) for competing in the State Ritual Contest. It takes time and effort to memorize the Ritual and a lot of practice to ensure a good presentation for the judges. We came in 7th in the State. Head Trustee, Bill Rogers, has done a great job keeping our Pavilion area looking good this summer – thanks Bill.

The Past Exalted Rulers will be hosting a spaghetti dinner and fund raiser on Thursday, November 13th. They hope to see our members out to support our local charities. Additional information is in this issue of the Echo.

We have several activities coming up in the next few months. Be sure and come down and support the Lodge.

Respectfully Submitted:

Joyce Bonanno

Secretary Fort Collins Lodge

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.

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EVENTS AT A GLANCE

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS

October 2014

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

Wed Oct 01	Pool 5:30PM
Fri Oct 03	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM
Sat Oct 04	Lodge Opens at Noon/Food Available
Sun Oct 05	Breakfast 9-Noon Lodge Open/Football
Mon Oct 06	Lodge Closed
Tue Oct 07	Lodge Meeting 7PM
Wed Oct 08	Pool 5:30PM
Fri Oct 10	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Prime Rib Special Karaoke 6:30PM Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM
Sat Oct 11	Lodge Opens at Noon/Food Available
Sun Oct 12	Lodge Open/Football
Mon Oct 13	Western's/Bar Open
Tue Oct 14	House Committee 5:30PM
Wed Oct 15	Board of Directors 5:30PM Dinner Bridge 6PM
Fri Oct 17	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM
Sat Oct 18	Lodge Opens at Noon/Food Available
Sun Oct 19	Lodge Open/Football
Mon Oct 20	Lodge Closed
Tue Oct 21	Lodge 7:00PM/DD Visit
Wed Oct 22	Pool 5:30PM
Fri Oct 24	Karaoke 6:30PM
Sat Oct 25	Lodge Opens at Noon/Food Available
Sun Oct 26	Lodge Open/Football
Mon Oct 27	Lodge Closed
Wed Oct 29	Pool 5:30PM
Fri Oct 31	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Elks Only Texas Hold-em 7PM

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
Wed Nov 5	Pool – 5:30PM
Fri Nov 7	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6PM
Sat Nov 8	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
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/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
Sun Nov 16	Lodge Open/Football
Mon Nov 17	Lodge Closed
Tue Nov 18	Lodge Meeting 7PM
Wed Nov 19	Pool 5:30PM Bridge Night/Dinner 6PM Bridge 7PM
Fri Nov 21	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6PM
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



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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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October 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Pool 5:30PM	2	3 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	4 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
5 Breakfast 9AM- 12PM Lodge Open Football	6 Lodge Closed	7 Lodge Meeting 7PM	8 Pool 5:30PM	9	10 Friday Night Dinner Prime Rib 5:30 - 8PM Karaoke 6:30PM Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM	11 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
12 Lodge Open Football	13 Western's/Bar Open	14 House Committee 5:30PM	15 Board Meeting 5:30PM Pool 5:30PM Dinner Bridge 6PM	16	17 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	18 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
19 Lodge Open Football Revenge Party/Best Appetizer Challenge	20 Lodge Closed	21 Lodge Meeting 7PM DD Visit	22 Pool 5:30PM	23	24 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Karaoke 6:30PM	25 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
26 Lodge Open Football	27 Lodge Closed	28	29 Pool 5:30PM	30	31 HALLOWEEN Friday Night Dinners 5:30 to 8:00 pm Elks Only for Texas Hold em 7PM	