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

Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity



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With school in session, please be aware of children on their bikes and walking to school.

One of the goals I set for the Lodge this year was to have \$5.60 per member donated to the Elks National Foundation. As of August 15, 2014 we have total donations per member of \$5.45. I will be presenting a \$200.00 check at the State Convention so we will not only meet this goal, but exceed it. I want to extend my sincere thanks to all of you who attend Lodge meetings and purchase the raffle tickets, to those of you who make personal donations and to Gary Michels and Larry Thyfault for selling the tickets and running the raffle during the Lodge Meeting. We will have additional funds to donate after the annual October Bowling Challenge with Loveland – this year we need to win! We have already received two grants from ENF this year – it pays to meet your per-capita.

At Grand Lodge I had the opportunity to experience the swearing in of the District Deputies from the entire United States. Our new District Deputy is Sheril Wynne from the Boulder Lodge. Sheril will be visiting our Lodge in the fall and I know all of you will enjoy meeting her.

Starting in September, the price of a steaks dinner on Lodge nights will increase to \$8.00. This is due to increased food costs. We will not have chicken available on Lodge nights, but shrimp or hamburgers will be available for \$7.00.

Our organization is fortunate to have a social aspect as well as a charitable aspect. However, it is essential that the Local Lodges properly control the service of alcohol. The primary reason the Lodges have a liquor license is to maintain bar facilities to provide service of alcohol to Lodge members and their guests. Along with the service of alcohol comes the responsibility for all of our members to drink responsible. The Lodge Officers support our bartenders in not serving any member or guest approaching intoxication. If a bartender feels any member or guest is approaching intoxication they will not serve additional alcohol to that member or guest.

Congratulations to Ralph Jordan Elk of the Month for July. Ralph volunteers his time on a weekly basis and always with a smile! Bill Rogers and Jerry Rice have been working hard to keep the back lawn and Pavilion in great shape and you will always see Richard Rein helping out at the Lodge. Thanks to Charlie Thomas, Lee Skrdlant and Al Dillman for volunteering their time on Friday nights to run the Friday night 804 drawing. Randy Kettenhofen has been working hard to get the Ritual Team in shape for the Ritual contest in September.

Grand Exalted Ruler John Amen's motto this year is "Elks Elevating America". John explains "Elks elevate, or lift up America by their good works in their communities. The good works make America a better place to live and work. "Events with Veterans, scholarships, educating our youth about the dangers of illicit drugs and helping Elks who are sick or in distress are a few examples." Since April, our lodge has held two Veterans events, provided donations to help purchase school supplies for under privileged children, supported an Eagle Scout to purchase material for his project, donated the use of the Lodge and funds to the Family Center Fiesta, donated funds to Disabled Resource Services and Project Self-Sufficiency and we will be providing \$24,000.00 in local scholarships this year. Our Lodge continues to make our community a better place to live.

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.

BAR BINGO

1st and 3rd Friday of the Month Starting at 6:30PM. Come out, have dinner and enjoy a fun night of bar bingo.

\$1.00 Regular Game Per Card

Fort Collins Elks Lodge #804 Officers 2014 - 2015

Cory Shortridge **Exalted Ruler** Leading Knight Mike Sutton Loyal Knight Larry King Lecturing Knight **Hugh Shepherd** Secretary Joyce Bonanno Treasurer Charlie Thomas Esquire Tracey Callaghan Inner Guard Laura Salas Tiler Dana Cline Chaplin Leslie Barela **Head Trustee** Bill Rogers 2nd Year Trustee Joe McCarthy 1st Year Trustee Ron Hefner Charitable Trustee Josh Lehman Charitable Trustee **Brad March Presiding Justice Brad March** 1st Rep to Grand Lodge Randy Kettenhofen Club Manager Bob Petri HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!
September

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

- 1 Gary Riedel
- 5 Bill Boltz
- 5 Ed Seitz
- 9 William Button
- 10 John Medlin
- 11 Fritz Elliott
- 12 Tom Ellison
- 14 John Merritt
- 15 Lynn Anduss
- 15 Fred Frantz
- 16 Robert Hoffner
- 16 Bernie Maynes

- 17 Gene Fischer
- 21 David Wilkerson
- 24 Bob Petri
- 24 Jack Schreiner
- 26 Richard Penwarden
- 27 Ron Hefner
- 28 Vern Schilling
- 28 Terri Lion
- 29 William Brennan
- 29 Clarence Streit
- 30 Leslie Barela

KARAOKE

Karaoke 2nd and 4th Friday of the Month
Starting at 6:30PM.

The Echo deadline for October is September 12th.
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

Joyce Bonanno Won \$90.00 Bean Pot Drawing.





SAD ELKS

You missed your opportunity!

Richard Gareis Laura Salas
Freda Elliott Richard Withey
Alice Anton Bill Brier
Joe Sullivan Frank Barela
Larry Thyfault Randy Reider
Rob Gilmour Kevin Nelson
Brad March Andy Miller

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Jerry Brown Bob Wingert
Art Meyer Ken Hernandez
Diane Hlavacek Ken Forbes

Josh Lehman

All couples and singles Bridge is the third Wednesday of each month. Dinner at 6PM, Bridge at 7PM

For more information.

Call Don Syedman at 482 6941

FROM THE CHAIR OF THE

LECTURING KNIGHT

I cannot tell you what is going to happen in September until you hear about the "Mystery Trip". If you weren't on it you missed out! Now, the Luau and "The Trip" (how's your missed out list doing?).

Before we got to I-25 the crew was trying to solve a riddle. The hospitality "sparkle" was in full swing. Then games of chance with monetary rewards began. Oh my, the laughter was fantastic! Enough said I could go on and on about fun and the big bang for the buck. Thank you to those that went and we will do another one with you getting priority to be on the bus or plane or train even a ship, first.

Hopefully you enjoyed the Car Show and Family Picnic! Okay, September is here and there is one event planned and it is during a Bronco game. I know, Hugh, Bronco game (nah) can't be. Yes! After the bus I just got off of 4 hours ago I got to be around these fun Elks! So break out your favorite appetizer and enter it in the contest then watch the game. We will put the fun in Sunday. See ad in this ECHO.

Maybe more ideas could help create more events so come to the meetings the last Tuesday of the month. Future Events:

September 21 – Broncos vs Seattle Revenge Party September 27 – 1 Day Golf and Fish Event

December 13 - Children's Christmas Party

December 14 – Members' Party "Pot Luck"

Hugh Esteemed Lecturing Knight



Elk of the Month for July Ralph Jordan

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February 1st, 2015

Just an update on the \$99.99
Super Bowl Pool. Things are heating up with the start of the NFL season. In the last issue of the ECHO I reported that we had sold 19 squares, as of today we have sold 37 squares and that number will definitely be higher by the time this issue is printed and delivered. See me at the Lodge to purchase your square before it is sold out!
Good Luck!

Mike Sutton Leading Knight



Super Bowl XLIX 100 Square Pool Open to Elks Lodge 804 members and spouses

\$99.99 per square ... payable to Mike Sutton prior to the end of the regular season, Dec 28th, 2014. 4 payments of a minimum of \$25 will be accepted. You cannot sign the sheet until the \$99.99 is paid in full. Numbers will be drawn when teams are determined following the AFC and NFC Championship games on Jan 18th, 2015.

One Grand Prize winner based on the final score of the Super Bowl. 8 "Good Neighbor" winners. (All squares touching the winning square, wraps if the winner is on an edge or in a corner. See "Good Neighbor" example sheet that is available at the bar).

Party on Super Bowl Sunday, February 1st, 2015, for all square owners.

Prize Breakdown:

\$9999 Total Prize Fund

\$800 \$100 each to the 8 "Good Neighbors"

\$999 Donated by winner to the Hadley Trust Fund

\$1000 Donated by winner to Super Bowl Party food/bar

bill

\$7200 To the winner



Ten Ways You Can Support Your Lodge

- **1.** Come to Lodge for the fellowship, the 804 and Bean Pot drawings, and have a delicious, inexpensive supper.
- 2. Have Lunch at the Lodge and bring a guest.
- **3.** Come be a part of the Entertainment Committee and help plan events.
- **4.** Attend Club Entertainment Events like The Classic Car Show, Luau, Horse Races, Bingo or Karaoke.
- **5.** Come enjoy a great Friday night Dinner and the Queen of Hearts Drawing.
- **6.** Stop in for a refreshing beverage and watch your favorite sporting event on one of our six big screens.
- **7.** Volunteer to help with events. If we all help a little it's never a big job.
- **8.**Stop in on Wednesday evenings for a game of pool or horseshoes.
- **9.** Join a group that plays bridge, poker, or Wii.
- **10.** Invite family members, friends, and co-workers to join our wonderful charitable organization and social club.

Information from Club Manager – Bob Petri

This is a reminder we have Prime Rib on the 2nd Friday of the month. On Friday, September 19th we will have a Rocky Mountain Oyster Special which included fries, coleslaw and cocktail sauce for only \$7.50. Saturday, September 27th will be the fish fry after a game of golf at Fort Fun. Be sure and come out to support the Club.

Larimer County will be using the dining room as a Voter Service Polling Center from October 13th through November 5th. An additional door is being installed to completely close off the dining room. The room will be locked during this time and will not be available for any Lodge function or activity. There will be no access to the dining room by members or employees. We do not keep doors in the Lodge locked on a regular basis, but because of the voting equipment which will be in the dining room it needs to be secure. The Lodge is being compensated by Larimer County for use of the dining room.

During this time the following activities will be set up on the Lodge Room – Ladies Tuesday Bridge, Dinner Bridge on October 15th, Saturday Poker (if members not using the front card room) and Texas Hold-em on Friday, October 31st.

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

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Where is this for September

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





The Mystery Bus Trip







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- Pruning
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- Snow Removal

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Grand Lodge 2014









Secretary Notes

September ISSUE 2014

The Veterans appreciation dinner we held on July 24th was a big success. This event was made possible by a grant from the Elks National Foundation. Veterans and active duty military are important to the Elks – to them we owe our undying gratitude!

September starts our regular meeting schedule. Meetings are on the first and third Tuesdays of the month starting promptly at 7:00PM. By attending Lodge meetings you have the opportunity to learn about what is going on in your Local Lodge as well as the Order of Elks

As Exalted Ruler Cory has mentioned in previous newsletters, membership and retention of current members remains a key focal point of our Order and our Lodge. Without active members our organization will not exist. Active members are the members who not only pay their dues, but participate in our community events, attend Lodge events, support our charitable causes like ENF, Elks Help Special Needs, our Charitable Trust and Laradon Hall. If you have a friend or family member have them visit the Lodge. Let them know about the many projects we support in our community. We need to be "Loud and Proud" about what we do in the community and have pride in Membership.

The past several months our Entertainment Committee has sponsored several fun events. These events do not happen without a lot of work and planning. If you would like to be involved in planning and help put these events on, contact Lecturing Knight Hugh Shepherd. The Entertainment Meetings are the 4th Tuesday of the month. They start promptly at 5:30PM and end promptly at 6:30PM.

With the help of Pam Miller and Jan Barela Smith I will be working on selecting the Most Valuable Students from the Fort Collins School District. Providing scholarships to local seniors is one of the most important activities our Lodge does. Jim Chance is the Chairman of the Fort Collins Hoop Shoot this year. If you would like to help with the Hoot Shoot let me know and I will put you in touch with Jim.

I hope to see you at Friday night dinners, Lodge Meetings, at our special events and on Sunday's for the Football games. We will be opened on Sundays during football season – food will be available and Ralph will be bartending! Come down and support the Lodge and cheer on the Broncos.

Respectfully Submitted – Joyce Bonanno – Secretary Fort Collins Elks

Veterans Appreciation Dinner July 24, 2014









EVENTS AT A GLANCE YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS

September 2014

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

Mon Sep 01 Lodge Closed/Labor Day Tue Sep 02 Lodge Meeting 7PM Wed Sep 03 Horseshoes/Pool 5:30PM Fri Sep 05 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM Elks State Convention/Denver Sat Sep 06 Lodge Opens at Noon/Food Available Elks State Convention/Denver Sun Sep 07 Breakfast 9AM-Noon State Convention/Denver Lodge Open/Football Mon Sep 08 Lodge Closed Tue Sep 09 House Committee 5:30PM Wed Sep 10 Board of Directors 5:30PM Horseshoes/Pool 5:30PM Fri Sep 12 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Prime Rib Special Karaoke 6:30PM Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM Sat Sep 13 Lodge Open/Food Available Sun Sep 14 Lodge Open/Football Mon Sep 15 Lodge Closed Tue Sep 16 Lodge Meeting 7PM Wed Sep 17 Horseshoes/Pool 5:30PM Dinner Bridge 6PM Fri Sep 19 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Rocky Mt. Oyster Special \$7.50 Bar Bingo 6:30PM Sat Sep 20 Lodge Open/Football Lodge Open/Football Sun Sep 21 Mon Sep 22 Lodge Closed Tue Sep 23 **Entertainment Committee 5:30PM** Fri Sep 26 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Karaoke 6:30PM Elk Members Only Texas Hold-EM 7PM Sat Sep 27 Lodge Opens at Noon/Food Available Golf 4PM At Fort Fun/Fish Fry 5:30PM

Lodge Open/Football

Lodge Closed

Sun Sep 28

Mon Sep 29

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
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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
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
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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
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Mon Oct 27 Wed Oct 29	Lodge Closed Pool 5:30PM
Fri Oct 31	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM

Elks Only Texas Hold-em 7PM

We waited 7 months, now it is time for -





1:00 pm start time for entrants

Be here or go hungry

Cash \$\$\$ prizes.

SEPTEMBER 21 BRONCO VS SEATTLE REVENGE PARTY

Game starts at 2:25 pm

BEST APPETIZER CHALLENGE

For a mere \$5 you can enter an appetizer share it and have it judged using the People's Choice Format.







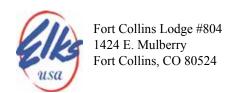


I Day Golf and Fish Event!

September 27th
Men, Women and Children Welcome
That's right Golfin' & Fish Fry all in 1
(one) day!!!

Try your skills at putt-putt for prizes at Fort Fun! 10 or more golfers only \$5.50 per person.

Then indulge in a scrumptious fish fry with all of fixings' at the Lodge for \$8.00! Golf Starts at 4:00PM at Fort Fun! Fish Fry Starts at 5:30PM at the Lodge! "Regular Menu Not Available" Call the Lodge Office to RSVP 493-3777



LODGE HOURS OF OPERATION

Needed from Members:
Your e mail address: E mail us at:
fcelks@fortcollinselks.org
or Fax to
970 493 3787
or Call 493 3777
The ECHO is online at
www.fortcollinselks.org

September 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Lodge Closed LABOR DAY	2 Lodge Meeting 7PM	Horseshoes/ Pool 5:30PM	4	5 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM Elks State Convention/Denver	6 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available Elks State Convention/Denver
7 Breakfast 9AM- 12PM Elks State Convention/Denver	8 Lodge Closed	9 House Committee 5:30PM	10 Board Meeting 5:30PM Horseshoes /Pool 5:30PM	11	12 Friday Night Dinner Prime Rib 5:30 - 8PM Karaoke 6:30PM Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM	13 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
14 Lodge Open Football	15 Lodge Closed	16 Lodge Meeting 7PM	17 Horseshoes/ Pool 5:30PM Dinner Bridge 6PM	18	Friday Night Dinner Rocky Mt. Oyster Special \$7.50 5:30 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	20 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
21 Lodge Open Football Revenge Party/Best Appetizer Challenge	22 Lodge Closed	Entertainment Committee 5:30PM	24	25	Priday Night Dinners 5:30 to 8:00 pm Elks Only for Texas Hold em 7PM	27 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available Golf 4PM At Fort Fun/ Fish Fry 5:30PM
28 Lodge Open Football	29 Lodge Closed	30				