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Fort Collins Lodge #804
Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love
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Hello Brothers and Sisters,

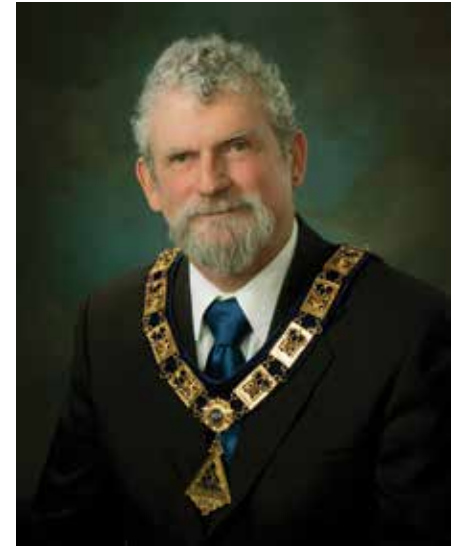
Hard to believe it is February and we are headed into spring time - almost. Spring may not be here, but February is the time of new beginnings as this month we vote on our new officers for the coming year. If you know a member who would like the challenge and responsibility of being an officer of the lodge have them talk to me, Joyce or Chris Smith. Nominations will take place at our meeting on February 5th. Anyone can nominate a member and a second is required. The vote on officers will take place at the February 19th Lodge Meeting by secret ballot. Being an officer of the lodge is an important job and involves a time commitment, but is very rewarding.

The fund raiser for Laradon Hall held on Friday night, January 11th raised \$ 745.00. Thanks to all of you who came out to dinner that night. The officers and I appreciate your support.

Now we come to the results of our January 15th meeting. For those of you who could not attend the meeting following are the results. The proposal to increase regular member's yearly dues from \$120 to \$150 passed. The vote was 46 for and 5 against (total regular membership dues are now \$168.50 - \$150.00 plus \$18.50 for Grand Lodge and State Assessment). The second proposal was to increase the dues of life members to 1/2 the amount of the regular membership dues which also passed. The vote was 47 for and 4 against (life membership dues will now be \$75.00 plus \$18.50 for Grand Lodge and State Assessment which is total of \$93.50 per year). The third proposal to cap life membership at 150 members was defeated - 17 for and 34 against. Thanks to all of you who attended lodge to participate in this important vote. The lodge secretary will be sending out due notices in the late February early March timeframe. Remember you can pay half of your yearly dues (plus Grand Lodge Assessment) by April 1st and the remainder can be paid on October 1st.

Don't forget the Elks National Foundation and always remember and practice Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity

Fraternally
Joe McCarthy
Exalted Ruler



UPCOMING EVENTS 02/03 and 02/15

Sunday, February 3rd Super Bowl Party – Lodge Opens at 2PM
Drink Specials .50 Cents off boxed wine, well and all draft beers!
Shots .50 Cents if you are dressed in the scoring team's apparel.
Food Available from 5:30-8PM

Friday, February 15th Rocky Mountain Oyster Special \$7.00.
Includes Rocky Mountain Oysters, Coleslaw and Fries.
Regular Menu Also Available

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.



Janell Barker - Elk of the Month for December 2012

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

Fort Collins Elks Lodge #804 Officers 2012-2013

Exalted Ruler	Joe McCarthy
Leading Knight	Chris Smith
Loyal Knight	Cory Shortridge
Lecturing Knight	Chris Lion
Secretary	Joyce Bonanno
Treasurer	Charlie Thomas
Trustee	Larry Hulse
Trustee	Mike Sutton
Trustee	Bill Rogers
Trustee Emeritus	Brad March
Esquire	Lee Skrdlant
Inner Guard	Terri Lion
Tiler	TBD
Rep to Grand Lodge	Randy Kettenhofen
Alt Rep to Grand Lodge	Skip Walker
Charitable Trustee	Joyce Bonanno
Presiding Justice	Brad March
Chaplin	Harold Anton

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

February

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

1	William Feldman	13	Stephen Vessey
1	Kelly Freed	15	W. Scott Cumings
1	William J. Smith	15	Willy Rowand
2	Dana Gyer	16	Glen Doughty
2	Kenneth Horne	18	David Bishop
2	Irvin Troutt	18	Clare Foote
3	Keith Miller	18	Steve Rumppler
4	Donald Svedman	20	Richard Hammond
5	Larry Hulse	20	Richard Withey
5	Christopher Smith	21	Larry Oligmueller, Jr
8	Robert Brawand	22	David Van Lanen
8	Joe McCarthy	26	James Michalka
8	Bruce Walters	27	Carman Mendoza
10	John Jerry Kissock	27	Virgina Serrano
10	Chris Robinson	28	Robert Walters
10	Laura Salas	29	George Krueger
13	Robert Ellis		

ELKS 804 DRAWINGS

The Bean Pot

(Fort Collins Elk Members and Elk Member Widows/
Widowers Only)

Currently is \$50.00. When you are in the Lodge,
drop a dollar or coins into the clear box, sign the
book for current day only and please no pennies.

You could be our next big winner!

804 Drawing

(Friday Nights - Elk Members Only)

Current Balance is \$550.00

804 Attendance Drawing

(Must be present at Lodge Meeting to Win)

Current Balance is \$550.00

NOTE: Amount of drawings will change
depending the number of winners.

HAPPY ELKS

Happy Elks are Scott
Cumings who won the 804
Friday Night Drawing for
\$450.00. Scott donated
\$180.00 to Elks Help Special
Needs.

Fritz Elliott won \$75.00 in
the Bean Pot Drawing



SAD ELKS

You missed your
opportunity!

Jeff Inama
Bill Smith
Robert Toomey
April Castillon
Chris Lion
Gary Ross
Wes Sargent
Louis Garton
Roy Herbst
Vern Schilling
George VanArsdale
Robert Rogers
Milo Ohlsen

Judy Neckel
Tom Kasari
Haven Bradley
Perry Colebanks
William Button
Mike Demma
Bert McCaffery
Kelly Freed
Laura Salas
Ken Horne
Richard Thompson
Jack Unger
Ron Hefner

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

Call Tom Nix at 223-8518 for more information

BAR BINGO

1st and 3rd Fridays of the Month starting
at 6:00PM. Come out, have dinner and
enjoy a fun night of bar bingo.
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WHERE IS THIS?

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

SECRETARY NOTES – FEBRUARY 2013

As I mentioned in the January Echo, we have important lodge business activities coming up in the next two months, nomination and election of officers, 2013-2014 budgets and Scholarship activities. Remember decisions are made on the lodge floor not at the bar. Please make an effort to attend lodge meetings.

In a recent newsletter I received from another Colorado Elk's Lodge - which I will not identify - the following information was sent to their members "Due to our ever declining membership, ever increasing costs of doing business and lack of participation of our members at our functions we are losing money every month. If we do not start showing a profit in the next several months, we will have no choice, but to close the doors and turn in our charter." How sad that a lodge which has been in existence for a long time is facing this situation. I cannot stress enough, how important it is for our members to sponsor new members, participate at functions, charity events and support our restaurant and club. Let's not put our lodge in the situation mentioned above. If you can volunteer to help with an event, stop down for lunch, Friday night dinners, schedule a celebration at the lodge, stop in for a quick drink after work and sponsor new members each of these activities will help our lodge.

Correction to the January Echo – Darrow Clark was identified as "Darrell" Clark.

As a reminder the normal hours for me to be in the Lodge Office are Tuesday's through Thursday's 10AM-4PM. If you need me to take care of lodge business and these times are not convenient, call me at 493-3777 to arrange another time.

Stop by the lodge on February 14th and have a strawberry daiquiri - \$3.00 Special.

Broncos Play-Off Game Cont'd



At least Al is watching the game.



Some Happy Fans!



EVENTS AT A GLANCE

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS

FEBRUARY 2013

Fri Feb 01 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
Bar Bingo 6PM

Sat Feb 02 Lodge Opens at Noon
Food Available

Sun Feb 03 Super Bowl Sunday
Lodge Opens at 2PM
Food Available

Mon Feb 04 Lodge Closed

Tue Feb 05 Lodge Meeting 7PM
Nomination of Officers

Fri Feb 08 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM

Sat Feb 09 Lodge Opens at Noon
Food Available

Sun Feb 10 Lodge Closed

Mon Feb 11 Lodge Opened 5PM
Private Party
Lounge Opened to Members

Wed Feb 13 Board of Directors 5PM

Fri Feb 15 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
Bar Bingo 6PM
Rocky Mountain Oyster Special \$7.00
Regular Menu Available

Sat Feb 16 Lodge Opens at Noon
Food Available

Sun Feb 17 Lodge Closed

Mon Feb 18 Lodge Closed

Tue Feb 19 Lodge Meeting 7PM
Vote on Officers

Wed Feb 20 Dinner Bridge Dinner 6PM
Bridge 7PM

Fri Feb 22 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
Elk Members Only Texas Hold-Em 7PM

Sat Feb 23 Lodge Opens at Noon
Food Available

Sun Feb 24 Lodge Closed

Mon Feb 25 Lodge Closed

Tue Feb 26 Entertainment Committee Meeting 5:30PM

MARCH 2013

Fri Mar 01 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
Bar Bingo 6PM

Sat Mar 02 Lodge Opens at Noon
Food Available

Sun Mar 03 Lodge Closed

Mon Mar 04 Lodge Closed

Tue Mar 05 Lodge Meeting 7PM

Fri Mar 08 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM

Sat Mar 09 Lodge Opens at Noon
Food Available

Sun Mar 10 Lodge Closed
Daylight Savings Begins

Mon Mar 11 Lodge Closed

Wed Mar 13 Board of Directors 5PM

Fri Mar 15 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
Bar Bingo 6PM

Sat Mar 16 Lodge Open
Bob's Famous Corned Beef Special

Sun Mar 17 Lodge Closed

Mon Mar 18 Lodge Closed

Tue Mar 19 Lodge Meeting 7PM

Wed Mar 20 Dinner Bridge Dinner 6PM
Bridge 7PM

Fri Mar 22 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM

Sat Mar 23 Lodge Opens at Noon
Food Available
Installation of Officers 5PM
Dinner 6:30PM

Sun Mar 24 Lodge Closed

Mon Mar 25 Lodge Closed

Tue Mar 26 Entertainment Committee Meeting 5:30PM

Fri Mar 29 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
Elk Members Only Texas-Hold Em
Good Friday

Sat Mar 30 Lodge Opens at Noon
Food Available

Sun Mar 31 Lodge Closed/Easter



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 Lounge Open Tuesday-Friday 11AM-10PM
 (Closing of Lounge is at Bartender/Manager Discretion)
 At times, the lodge may be opened for special events
 Elk Members are welcome in the lounge area.

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February 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6PM	2 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
3 Super Bowl Sunday Lodge Opens 2 PM Food Available	4 Lodge Closed	5 Lodge Meeting Nomination of Officers	6	7	8 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Elk Members Only For Omaha Poker 7PM	9 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
10 Lodge Closed	11 Lodge Opened 5PM Private Party Members Welcome in Club Room	12	13 ECHO DEADLINE Board of Directors 5PM	14	15 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6PM	16 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
17 Lodge Closed	18 Lodge Closed	19 Lodge Meeting 7PM Vote on Officers	20 Bridge Night Dinner 6PM Bridge 7PM	21	22 Friday Night Dinners 5:30 to 8:00 pm Elks Only for Texas Hold-em 7PM	23 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
24 Lodge Closed	25 Lodge Closed	26 Entertainment Committee 5:30PM	27	28		