

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

Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love
and Fidelity



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As I start my first month as your Exalted Ruler I want to thank the members who have supported me and have the confidence I can lead the Lodge through another successful year. We have an excellent core of officer and I'm confident with their help we will have a productive and fun year.

Activities I want the Lodge to concentrate on this year are achieve or exceed the Elks National Foundation per-capita contribution of \$4.60 per members. Continued involvement in the community through participation with Team Fort Collins, Disabled Resources, Foothills Gateway, Family Center, The Food Bank of Larimer County, youth activities like scouting and the Hoop Shoot, activities for Veterans and our scholarships just to name a few. We need to make sure we are "loud and proud" about what we do in our community.

As with many fraternal organizations we need to increase our membership, but just as important is to retain our current members. I will be implementing a suggestion box which will be located in the Club Room. I will consider comments from our members on the activities they would like to have or suggestions for improvement. I believe in open communication so please sign your name.

One of the most important items is to keep our Lodge and Club profitable. We have made significant strides in the past several years by taking steps to save on our electrical and gas bills as well as looking at ways to control our liquor and food inventory. We need to continue to run the Club like a business – a business has to be profitable to survive. Remember without the Club we will not have a Lodge and without the Lodge we will not have a Club.

My main objective this year is to increase our profits. How can you help to make this happen? One word participate! Participation from our members is the key to our success. Attend Lodge sponsored events, if you have a special function – have it at the Lodge, come in for lunch and Friday night dinner.

I look forward to a successful year as your Exalted Ruler. Let's have fun and work on making improvements to our Lodge and Club.

Remember and always practice Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity.

Fraternally, Cory Shortridge



Elks Care, Elks Share!

Tony Bonanno & Cory Shortridge Presenting
Pam Miller with Check for Flying Pig Event.

Elks make a difference!

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 2013 2014**

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 Laura Salas
 Dana Cline
 Leslie Barela
 Bill Rogers
 Joe McCarthy
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 Josh Lehman
 Brad March
 Larry Hulse
 Brad March
 Randy Kettenhofen
 Bob Petri

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

April

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

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 2 Willis Smith | 14 Reinhold Stoll |
| 3 Mike Vergara | 15 Lyle Beaumont |
| 3 Willard Wood | 15 Naveed Rizvi |
| 4 Larry Howell | 16 Bill Tiley |
| 4 Cecil Jacobs | 17 Donald Kelly |
| 5 Richard D. Miller | 17 Jessica Plum |
| 6 Jay Laetsch | 18 Jan Barela-Smith |
| 10 Richard Schott | 18 Gayle Watkinson |
| 11 Tony Bonanno | 19 Janell Barker |
| 11 Ray Gefroh | 20 James Brown |
| 11 Larry Thyfault | 20 Rhinnie Whiteman |
| 11 Bonnie Walker | 22 Stan Schilling |
| 12 Arnold Gonzales | 24 Charlie Thomas |
| 12 A. Taylor Hall | 26 Fritz Kitowski |
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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.

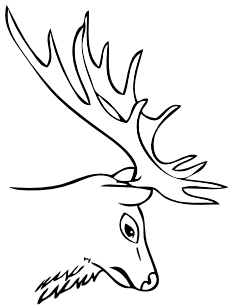
HAPPY ELKS

Kevin Nelson
Mike Peters



SAD ELKS

You missed your opportunity!



Joe Lucero
Robert Rodgers
Leonard Wilson
Brad Raider
John Arnolfo
Thomas Graff
Fred Menke
Flory Peterson
Leonard Wilson
Lawrence Griess

Donald Wickham
Bob Wingert
Milo Ohlsen
Willis Smith
Jay Laetsch
Deanna Kerscher
Duane Jansen
Laurie Hart
Richard Boxberger
Peg Moore

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

Old Timers Night



Leslie Barela & Jan Barela-Smith
Awarded their Elk Belt Buckles



Are you always looking for extra chairs??

When you have friends and family visit are you always looking for extra chairs – the Lodge has a solution!

We are selling our brown folding chairs for only \$5.00 each – cash or checks only.

They can be purchased/picked up Tuesday through Thursday 11:00AM to 4:00PM.

If this time is not convenient call Joyce in the Lodge Office at 493-3777 to arrange another time.

Oh by the way – have you heard about the Mystery Bus Trip? Ask around if you are interested.....

The Echo deadline for May is April 12th. Please send all Echo articles and information on events to joyce.bonanno@gmail.com



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Super Bowl XLIX 100 Square Pool Open to Elks Lodge 804 Members & Their Spouse

Even though Super Bowl XLIX won't be played until February 1st, 2015, it's never too early to think about having some fun and raising some money for the lodge!

Beginning April 1st, prior to the lodge meeting, I will be running a 100 square pool for next seasons Super Bowl. The price per square will be \$99.99, payable to me prior to the end of the regular season, Dec 28th, 2014. I will accept 4 payments of a minimum of \$25 if necessary, which will reserve you a square, however you cannot sign a square until the \$99.99 is paid in full. Please note that the bartenders will not be collecting money for this pool, all payments must be made directly to me. In the event a square is not paid in full by the deadline all partial payments will be returned and your square will be resold. I will be available at the lodge before and after all lodge meetings and board meetings and most Thursday afternoons and Friday evenings.

Numbers will be drawn for the pool when the teams are determined following the AFC and NFC Championship games on Jan 18th, 2015. There will be one grand prize winner based on the final score of the Super Bowl. There will also be 8 "Good Neighbor" winners. These will be the 8 squares touching the winning square. In the event of the winner being on an edge or in a corner of the board, the board "wraps" to determine the 8 "Good Neighbors". There will be an example sheet available at the bar which depicts the method used for determining the "Good Neighbors".

The grand prize winner will make a donation to the Hadley Trust Fund and contribute to the cost of the party we will be having on Super Bowl Sunday, February 1st, 2015, for all square owners. So don't miss out on the fun and excitement! Get your square now before the board sells out!

Prize Breakdown:

- \$9999** Total Prize Fund
- \$800** \$100 each to the 8 "Good Neighbors"
- \$999** Donated by the grand prize winner to the Hadley Trust Fund
- \$1000** Donated by the grand prize winner to Super Bowl Party food/bar bill
- \$7200** To the grand prize winner

Good Luck Everyone!
Fraternally-
Mike Sutton - Leading Knight



Where is this for April

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

Elk's Lodge 804 Easter Egg Hunt

Date: Saturday April 19, 2014

Time: 1-3, staggered start by ages

Where: Elk's Pavilion in grassy area

Ages: Up to 10

Members kids, grandkids, and family friends

RSVP By: April 11, 2014 – 493-3777

Secretary Notes

April 2014

Thanks to the members who have paid their 2014-2015 dues. It is important due be paid as promptly as possible. The Lodge is required to pay Grand Lodge and State Assessments of approximately \$7,000.00. Prompt payment of your dues helps us meet this obligation. The key card locks will be changed on Tuesday, April 1st and you will need the "blue" card for entry into the Lodge. Delinquent members cannot be a guest of a member in good standing and they are not allowed in the Club. If you have any questions concerning this policy please see me.

Thanks to Ron and Emily Zais, Mike and Joan Demma, John Merritt, Randy Kettenhofen and Anna Fronek for making our Americanism program a big success again this year. At the March 4th Lodge Meeting Chairman of the Elks Help Special Needs, Tony Bonanno, and Leading Knight, Cory Shortridge, presented Pam Miller a \$2,500.00 check to Support "The Flying Pig Run" which will be held on Sunday, April 6th – 9:00AM at Spring Canyon Park. This event is held by Foothills Gateway and is a fundraiser to benefit families in the Family Support Services Program. The funds are designated to assist families who provide support, at home, to their family member with a cognitive disability or developmental delay. If you would like to participate in the run/ walk see Joyce in the Lodge Office for entry information.

The scholarship selection committee has started working on the 80 applications we received. The scholarship winners will be presented at Lodge meeting on Tuesday, May 6th in conjunction with the Elks Youth Week. Thanks to Pam Miller and Jan Barela-Smith for helping with the scholarship selections.

By the time you receive this Edition of the Echo the new officers for 2014-2015 will be in place. Be sure and come to Lodge Meetings so you can get to know the members who have taken the obligation to represent you and our Lodge.

Be sure and attend the April 6th Breakfast – 9-11AM. \$6.50 – Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Hash Browns, Enchilada Casserole, Toast and Coffee.

Respectively Submitted

Joyce Bonanno – Lodge Secretary



Americanism Scholarship winners!

3rd Place Ryan Bode, 2nd Place Maggie Fahrenbruch, 1st Place Aidan Adams
Americanism Committee Randy Kettenhofen, John Merritt, Ron Zais & Mike Denna

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS

April 2014

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

Tue-Apr 1 Lodge 7PM
 Wed-Apr 2 Horseshoes 5:30PM Weather Permitting
 Food Available
 Fri-Apr 4 Friday Night dinner 5:30-8PM
 Bar Bingo 6:30PM
 Sat-Apr 5 Lodge Opens at Noon
 Food Available
 Sun-Apr 6 Breakfast 9:00-11:00AM \$6.50
 Mon-Apr 7 Lodge Closed
 Wed-Apr 9 Board Meeting 5:30PM
 Horseshoes 5:30PM Weather Permitting
 Food Available
 Fri-Apr 11 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
 Prime Rib Special
 Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM
 Sat-Apr 12 Lodge Opens at Noon
 Food Available
 Sun-Apr 13 Lodge Closed/Palm Sunday
 Mon-Apr 14 Westerners/Lounge Open to Members
 Tue-Apr 15 Lodge Meeting 7PM
 Wed-Apr 16 Horseshoes 5:30Pm Weather Permitting
 Food Available
 Bridge Night/Dinner 6PM
 Bridge 7PM
 Fri-Apr 18 Dinner Special/To Be Announced
 Bar Bingo 6:30PM
 Sat-Apr 19 Easter Egg Hunt 1-3PM
 Sun-Apr 20 Lodge Closed/Easter
 Mon-Apr 21 Lodge Closed
 Tue-Apr 22 Entertainment Committee 5:30PM
 Wed-Apr 23 Horseshoes 5:30PM
 Food Available
 Fri-Apr 25 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
 Elks Only Texas Hold-em 7PM
 Sat-Apr 26 Lodge Opens at Noon
 Food Available
 Sun-Apr 27 Lodge Closed
 Mon-Apr 28 Lodge Closed
 Wed-Apr 30 Horseshoes 5:30PM
 Food Available

May 2014

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

Fri-May 2 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
 Bar Bingo 6:30PM
 Sat-May 3 Lodge Opens at Noon
 Food Available
 Sun-May 4 Breakfast 9-11AM \$6.50
 Mon-May 5 Lodge Closed
 Tue-May 6 Lodge 7PM
 Wed-May 7 Horseshoes 5:30PM
 Fri-May 9 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
 Prime Rib Special
 Elks Only for Omaha Poker 7PM
 Sat-May 10 Lodge Opens at Noon
 Food Available
 Sun-May 11 Lodge Closed/Mother's Day
 Mon-May 12 Lodge Closed
 Wed-May 14 Board Meeting 5:30PM
 Horseshoes 5:30PM
 Fri-May 16 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
 Bar Bingo 6:30PM
 Sat-May 17 Lodge Opens at Noon
 Food Available
 Sun-May 18 Lodge Closed
 Mon-May 19 Lodge Closed
 Tue-May 20 Lodge Meeting 7PM
 Wed-May 21 Horseshoes 5:30PM
 Bridge Night Dinner 6PM
 Bridge 7PM
 Fri-May 23 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
 Dinner Special To Be Announced
 Sat-May 24 Lodge Opens at Noon
 Food Available
 Sun-May 25 Lodge Opens at Noon
 Mon-May 26 Lodge Closed
 Tue-May 26 Entertainment Committee 5:30PM
 Wed-May 27 Horseshoes 5:30PM
 Fri-May 30 Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM
 Elks Only Texas Hold-em 7PM
 Sat-May 31 Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available



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 Saturday – Lodge Open 12PM
 Sunday – Lodge Open 11AM (During Football Season)
 Monday – Lodge Closed
 Office Open Tuesday Friday 10:00AM 3:00PM
 Lunch Available Tuesday Friday 11:30AM 1:30PM
 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.

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
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April 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Lodge Meeting 7PM	2 Horseshoes 5:30PM	3	4 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	5 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
6 Breakfast 9AM- 11AM \$6.50	7 Lodge Closed	8	9 Board Meeting 5:30PM Horseshoes 5:30PM Food Available	10	11 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 - 8PM Prime Rib Special Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM	12 ECHO DEADLINE Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
13 Lodge Closed Palm Sunday	14 Western's Dinner/ Lounge Will Be Open for Members	15 Lodge Meeting 7PM	16 Bridge Night Dinner 6PM Bridge 7PM Horseshoes 5:30PM	17	18 Friday Night Dinner Dinner Special/To Be Announced 5:30 8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	19 Easter Egg Hunt 1-3PM
20 Lodge Closed Easter	21 Lodge Closed	22 Entertainment Committee 5:30PM	23 Horseshoes 5:30PM Food Available	24	25 Friday Night Dinners 5:30 to 8:00 pm Elks Only for Texas Hold em 7PM	26 Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
27 Lodge Closed	28 Lodge Closed	29	30 Horseshoes 5:30PM Food Available			