

The Benevolent and  
Protective Order of Elks  
Fort Collins Lodge #804  
Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love  
and Fidelity

# THE ELKHO

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# 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 Fridays of the Month starting at 6:00PM. 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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 Dana Cline  
 Harold Anton  
 Mike Sutton  
 Bill Rogers  
 Joe McCarthy  
 Larry Hulse  
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 Skip Walker  
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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! February

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

- |                       |                      |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 William Feldman     | 15 Scott Cumings     |
| 1 Kelly Freed         | 17 Joel Schwrtzkopf  |
| 1 Bill Smith          | 18 David Bishop      |
| 2 Dana Geyer          | 18 Clare Foote       |
| 2 Kenneth Horne       | 18 Steve Rumpler     |
| 2 Irvin Troutt        | 20 Richard Hammond   |
| 4 Donald Svedman      | 20 Richard Withey    |
| 5 Larry Hulse         | 21 Larry Oligmueller |
| 5 Chris Smith         | 22 Dave Van Lanen    |
| 8 Bob Brawand         | 26 James Michalka    |
| 8 Joe McCarthy        | 27 Carmen Mendoza    |
| 8 Bruce Walters       | 27 Virginia Serrano  |
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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

Sorry, No Happy Elks  
This Month



### SAD ELKS

You missed your  
opportunity!

Mike Brown  
Havyn Bradley  
Sylvia Portales  
Bill Rogers  
William Brier  
Lyle Beaumont  
John Medlin  
Robert Hoffner  
Dennis Marion  
Richard Boxberger

Taylor Hall  
Jerry Williams  
Don Reeves  
John Dixon  
Ken Clark  
Dale Erickson  
John Morrison  
Mike Peters  
Willard Wood  
Russel Mann  
Jerry Rice

**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**

## What it means to be an officer From Leading Knight Cory Shortridge

With election of officers in February, I feel this is an appropriate time to provide information on "what it means to be an officer of the Lodge".

How are officers selected and how much time does it take to be an officer? These are the two most frequently asked question from members. To answer this briefly, there are two methods of choosing an officer. First is to self-select by making it known to the Exalted Ruler you are interested. Second is by observation from other members and officers who feel you would be a candidate for an office in the Lodge. Both of these methods assume you have sufficient back ground in the Order of Elks and it history especially if you are interested in becoming a Trustee or Chair Officer.

Each officer has well defined committees and responsibilities. Being an officer does not mean you are simply seen twice a month during Lodge Meetings. An officer's time commitment at the Elks can affect family, church, job and recreation. A spouse or significant other must be fully supportive of your commitment to the Elks. Most officers are not paid with the exception of the Secretary and Treasurer who have daily hours and expectations of certain duties. Most officers will have "out of pocket" travel and food expenses. The exception to this is the Lodge is required to pay for the Exalted Ruler to attend the Elks National Convention which is held yearly in a large city in the United States.

Officers are required to learn when and how to apply rules, regulations and by-laws of their Local Lodge. They must have a working knowledge of the political structure of the Elks, State and National, as well as being familiar with "Elks Protocol". An excellent way to obtain this information is by attending an Elks Leadership Seminar. The next seminar is being held in Fort Morgan on March 1st and 2nd. Contact our Lodge Secretary for additional information. This seminar is open to any Elk in good standing and is an excellent opportunity to learn about the Order of Elks as well as meet members from other Lodges.

"An officer must have Predictability, Punctuality and Dependability". These three words describe exactly what is expected of an officer in the Order of Elks. Each person must decide what contribution they will make. No pressure exists to be a part of anything. The motives for being an Elk are personal and you are always welcome to volunteer in any capacity.

During the past year I have appreciated the support and encouragement I have received from our current officers as well as the Lodge Membership. Remember and always practice Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity

# New Members



Brian Warner and Larry Murch

## Elk - CSU Supporters at New Mexico Bowl!



### Dominic Hedinger Receiving his Elk Belt Buckle



### Tom Nix Receiving Elk of The Month for January 2014



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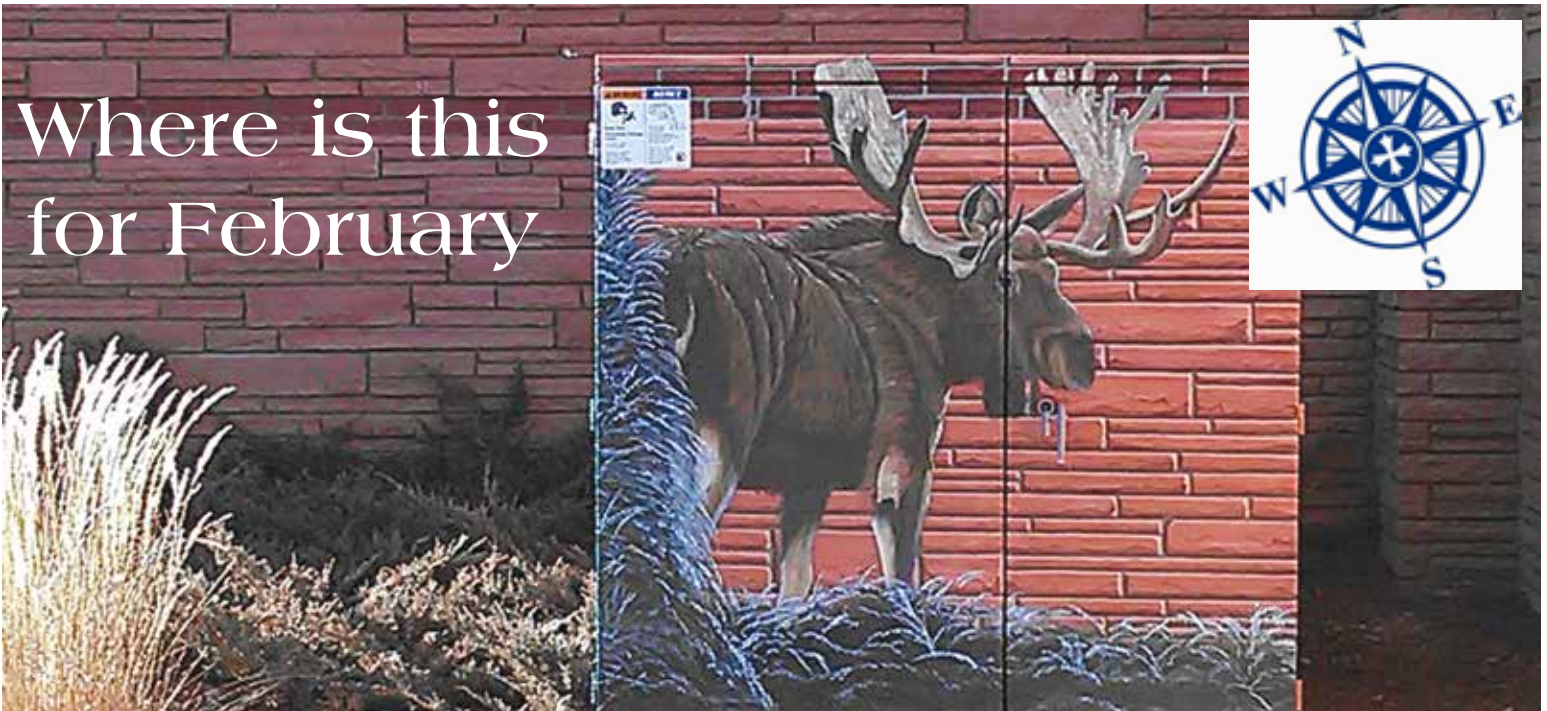
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# Where is this for February



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**

## VALENTINE DINNER DANCE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

**COCKTAILS: 5:30 6:15PM**

**BUFFET DINNER \$18.00 Per Person : 6:15 7:00PM – In  
the Lodge Room**

**DANCE: 7:30 10:00PM**

**Local Band Deja Blue playing a wide range of music  
for your dancing and listening enjoyment.**

**Members and Guests Welcome**

**Menu:**

**Tossed Salad with your choice of dressing.**

**Au Gratin Potatoes**

**Green Beans Almondine**

**Carved Baron of Beef**

**Parmesan Chicken**

**Cherry Pie for Dessert**

**Call The Lodge (493 3777) to RSVP and Purchase Tickets**

# Secretary Notes

## February 2014

The new Lodge Year will start on April 1st and Membership due notices will be sent out the first week of February. The new cards for the 2014-2015 Lodge Year will be blue and the card readers will be changed on April 1, 2014. You must have a new membership card by Tuesday, April 1, 2014 for entry into the Lodge. The membership dues are the same as last year - \$168.50 for Regular Members, \$93.50 for Life Membership, \$50.00 for Associate Members and \$5.00 for a spouse card. If you cannot pay your dues in full we do accept half payments for regular and life membership. If you are a regular member half of your dues are \$93.50 by April 1st with the remainder of \$75.00 payable on October 1st. If you are a life member half of your dues are \$56.00 by April 1, 2013 with the remainder of \$37.50 due on October 1st.

The Entertainment Committee has put together a Valentine Dinner/Dance event on Saturday, February 15th. We are having a live band, Deja Blue, which was arranged by Dana and Cory Shortridge. I would like to thank them for their continued support of our Lodge and their generosity so we could keep this event at a reasonable cost. Thanks to Jean Rogers and Laryl Laetsch for supplying us with many great pictures from our New Year's Eve Event and the members who helped set up and cleaned up after the event. We were able to raise \$142.00 for the Charitable Trust and \$142.00 for the Elks Help Special Needs through our 50/50 raffle. Dana Shortridge did a great job on the gift baskets and thanks to all of the members who volunteered to be dealers. Welcome to our new members Larry Murch and Brian Warner. Membership and participation is the life blood of our organization. Congratulations to Tom Nix – Elk of the Month for January 2014 for his years of service to our Lodge and the Wednesday Night Bridge Group. Congratulations to Dominic Hedinger for receiving an Elks Belt Buckle for attending 10 consecutive meetings since he was initiated.

The last meeting in March is when we present special awards to outstanding members. This year as we celebrate the 5th year we have been in our Lodge Home on Mulberry we will also be recognizing the members who were instrumental in the success of our move. Plan on attending the Lodge Meeting on Tuesday, March 18th to thank these individuals.

Fraternally, Joyce Bonanno

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## *Enlightening News*

Have you noticed that the lighting has been a little brighter and more consistent throughout the Lodge lately? Well it's due to a great effort by Lodge members volunteering their time and expertise and a grant from Platte River Power and the City of Fort Collins.

Our Lodge was able to upgrade our lighting to more efficient LED bulbs in the lodge room, club room, dining area, hallways, as well as some outside lights. The initial cost of the project was \$3,813.90, but because of the rebate we were reimbursed \$2,951.00. So our total cost for the project was \$862.90. We should recoup this amount in less than six months due to the efficiency of these LED bulbs.

According to Jesse Monn, a Platte River Power Authority engineer, our energy savings should amount to about \$2,500.00 annually. We will be able to track the savings by comparing our 2014 electric consumption to past years. Additionally, these bulbs are rated to last approximately 20 years.

Projects such as these will not only cut down on lodge operating expenses, but also demonstrate that Elks are doing their part to reduce energy consumption and our "carbon footprint".

Many thanks to Aaron (employee of Cory Shortridge/Gary Hooley Heating and Air Conditioning), Joe and Jamie Lucero, Bill Rogers, Corey, Dana and Delaney Shortridge, Mike Sutton and Skip Walker for their contributions to the completion of this project.

Fraternally, Larry King – Lecturing Knight

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## *Old Timer's Night*

Old Timer's Night will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 7:00PM. If you've been a member for 25 years or longer, please plan on attending Lodge on Tuesday, February 18th. We would like to honor your membership in our great organization and thank you for your continued involvement. Plan on coming down for dinner on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 prior to 6:30PM.

Fraternally, Mike Demma – Past Exalted Ruler's Association

## EVENTS AT A GLANCE

### YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS

#### February 2014

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

Sat-Feb 1	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun-Feb 2	Breakfast 9AM-Noon \$6.50 Super Bowl Sunday Food Available During Football Game
Mon-Feb 3	Lodge Closed
Tue-Feb 4	Lodge 7PM/Officer Nominations
Wed-Feb 5	Pool – 5:30PM
Fri-Feb 7	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6PM
Sat-Feb 8	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun-Feb 9	Lodge Closed
Mon-Feb 10	Westerners Lounge Open for Members
Wed-Feb 12	Board Meeting 5:30PM Pool 5:30PM
Fri-Feb 14	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Prime Rib Special Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM
Sat-Feb 15	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available Valentine Dinner Dance
Sun-Feb 16	Lodge Closed
Mon-Feb 17	Lodge Closed
Tue-Feb 18	Lodge Meeting 7PM
Wed-Feb 19	Pool 5:30PM Bridge Night/Dinner 6PM Bridge 7PM
Fri-Feb 21	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Dinner Special/To Be Announced Bar Bingo 6PM
Sat-Feb 22	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun-Feb 23	Lodge Closed
Mon-Feb 24	Lodge Closed
Tue-Feb 25	Entertainment Committee 5:30PM
Wed-Feb 26	Pool 5:30PM
Fri-Feb 28	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Elks Only Texas Hold-em 7PM

#### March 2014

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

Sat-Mar 1	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun-Mar 2	Breakfast 9AM-Noon \$6.50
Mon-Mar 3	Lodge Closed
Tue-Mar 4	Lodge 7PM
Wed-Mar 5	Pool – 5:30PM
Fri-Mar 7	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Bar Bingo 6PM
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Mon-Mar 24	Lodge Closed
Tue-Mar 25	Entertainment Committee 5:30PM
Wed-Mar 26	Pool 5:30PM
Fri-Mar 28	Friday Night Dinner 5:30-8PM Elks Only Texas Hold-em 7PM
Sat-Mar 29	Lodge Opens at Noon Food Available
Sun-Mar 30	Lodge Closed
Mon-Mar 31	Lodge Closed





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**LODGE HOURS OF OPERATION**  
 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:  
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# February 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
<b>2</b> Breakfast \$6.50 9AM Noon <b>Super Bowl Sunday</b> Food Available During Football Game	<b>3</b> Lodge Closed	<b>4</b> Lodge Meeting 7PM Officer Nominations	<b>5</b> Pool – 5:30PM	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Friday Night Dinner 5:30 8PM Bar Bingo 6PM	<b>8</b> Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
<b>9</b> Lodge Open at 11:00 Divisional Playoffs Food Available	<b>10</b> Western's Dinner/ Lounge Will Be Open for Members	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>ECHO DEADLINE</b> Board of Directors 5:30PM Pool – 5:30PM	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Friday Night Dinner 5:30 8PM Prime Rib Special Elks Only Omaha Poker 7PM	<b>15</b> Lodge Open at Noon Food Available <b>Valentine Dinner Dance</b>
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