

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

Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love  
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Brothers and Sisters-

It's hard to believe it is already mid-July and I am writing my article for the August issue of the Echo. With a combined Echo for June/July and only one Lodge meeting in early June followed by one in late July, much of the summer has passed since I have had an opportunity to address the entire membership. We have had some wonderful events at the lodge this past June. The Dinner Gala on June 11th was a true success and a wonderful dinner! Flag Day on June 14th was, as always, an expression of our love and support of our Country and of our Flag. What a surprise to be introduced to the Great, Great, Great Grandson of General John Pershing, one of the Boy Scouts who posted the Flags of our Country during the ceremony! Thanks to all of you who attended this patriotic event. On June 27th we celebrated in Hawaiian fashion in our backyard with a Luau, another well attended event and once again another great meal. Thanks to everyone on the committees and members of the staff



who help plan and put on these wonderful events. And a special thanks to all of our members who support our Lodge by attending and volunteering at our many functions throughout the year. Be sure to watch the bulletin boards and read the Echo to keep informed of the many events still planned for this year.

July 5th through 9th was the 151st Grand Lodge Session of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in Indianapolis, Indiana. I found Grand Lodge to be a wonderful and informative event and I was truly proud to be there as representative of each member of Fort Collins Lodge #804. I felt lucky to have nice conversations with both, the outgoing Grand Exalted Ruler, John Amen, and our new Grand Exalted Ruler, Ronald Hicks. We were all proud to have John, a Colorado Elk, serve as GER and I am sure the Virginia Elks are equally as proud of Mr. Hicks. I am sure he will be a great Ambassador of our Order as he travels the country this coming year.

Tammy and I thoroughly enjoyed exploring the sights, sounds and tastes of Indianapolis, much in part because of the company of Joyce and Tony Bonanno, Larry and Barb King and Bill and Jean Rogers. Thanks for accompanying Tammy and I and adding to our wonderful experience! I will be making a formal report of the events of the Grand Lodge Session and the ballot results of the 18 resolutions voted on at our Lodge meeting on September 15th.

The Colorado State Elks Convention will be held at the Denver Marriott South September 3rd thru 5th. I would encourage all of our Officers and any other members who would like to learn more about the great Order of Elks to attend and to sit in on some of the informative break-out sessions. If you are interested in attending, it is an easy daytrip. However, if you would plan on staying overnight in Denver, Joyce needs to submit all registration fees and lodging requests along with payment, by July 29th. Enjoy the rest of your summer, keep safe and I hope to see each of you at the lodge!

Fraternally

Mike Sutton

Exalted Ruler Fort Collins Lodge #804

# 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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## Fort Collins Elks Lodge #804 Officers 2015 - 2016

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|------------------------|------------------|
| Exalted Ruler          | Mike Sutton      |
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| Loyal Knight           | Kenny Burkhard   |
| Lecturing Knight       | Leslie Barela    |
| Secretary              | Joyce Bonanno    |
| Treasurer              | Charlie Thomas   |
| Esquire                | Tracey Callaghan |
| Inner Guard            | Laura Salas      |
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| 1st Year Trustee       | Cory Shortridge  |
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| Charitable Trustee     | Brad March       |
| Presiding Justice      | Brad March       |
| 1st Rep to Grand Lodge | Hugh Shepherd    |
| Club Manager           | Bob Petri        |

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! August

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

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Joseph Simpson    | 16 John Tobin       |
| 2 Larry Jones       | 18 Greg Dyer        |
| 4 Diane Hlavacek    | 19 Jesse Lyman      |
| 6 Roger Henderson   | 19 RubenVigil       |
| 8 Johnny Cash       | 20 Russell Mann     |
| 11 Michael Douglas  | 20 Ted McNeese      |
| 12 Robbin Clary     | 20 Charles Vessey   |
| 12 Randy Randolph   | 21 Ethan Unger      |
| 12 Donald Yohon     | 22 Mike Brown       |
| 13 Chris Lion       | 27 Kody Kofstad     |
| 15 Don Aldrich      | 27 Kim Slack        |
| 15 Donald Hahn      | 29 John Rinne       |
| 15 Kurt Sultzman    | 30 Michael Zaloudek |
| 16 Michael Johnston | 31 Dan Bailey       |
| 16 Jake Sigmund     | 31 Charles Irwin    |

## Get Your Cold Beer Here!

Who would have thought that selling beer at CSU home games is not only financially rewarding but fun? Last season, Elk volunteers brought in over \$4000 dollars, benefitting the Lodge and charities we support.

Our booth is a popular one, and we do a very brisk business serving enthusiastic Ram football fans. It takes four to six people to efficiently pour, serve, and support the operation.

Although we had adequate help last year, we are hoping to increase the number of volunteers this season to allow our helpers a break between games.

There is a sign up sheet near the bar with the scheduled games and number of volunteers needed for each. If you would like to have a good time while contributing to our charitable work, sign up for a game or two. See Larry King or Mike Sutton for more details.

We have less than two months before the start of the season. We need to get the schedule organized soon. GO RAMS!

Fraternally yours,  
Larry King  
Leading Knight



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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

George Van Arsdale – Bean Pot \$110.00  
Ralph Jordan – 804 Attendance Drawing \$50.00



## SAD ELKS

You missed your opportunity!

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|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Brian Muse       | George VanArsdale | Paul Kohler       |
| Lee Fotsch       | Ed Andrews        | Randy Kettenhofen |
| James Herning    | Ed Hanson         | Denise Clynes     |
| Fritz Elliott    | Ed Nix            | Ethan Unger       |
| Mike Maestas     | Gerald Schilling  | Bill Boltz        |
| Victor Mercado   | Tom Metcalf       | Richard Hammond   |
| Ken Hernandez    | Bill Smith        | Ken Arthurs       |
| Terry Keating    | Larry Hulse       | Dan Bailey        |
| Larry Hawe       | Joel Schwartzkopf | Randy Randolph    |
| Tracey Callaghan | Gene Fischer      | Alice Anton       |
| Ed Andrews       | Dan Larsen        | Wes Sargent       |
| Steve Diltz      | Frank Barela      | A.R. Oesterle     |
| Kelly Freed      | Bert McCaffrey    | Brad Reider       |
| Keely Garren     | Josh Lehman       | Jeanette Namuth   |
| Jerry Williams   | Mike Jones        |                   |

**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**

# Flag Day 2015



# FAMILY PICNIC

## Lodge 804 Family Picnic

Sunday, August 30

Noon – 3PM (Under the Pavilion)

Old Fashioned Pot Luck

Bring an entrée, salad or dessert.

Cash Bar

Entertainment Starts at 1:00PM

### Wanted: Volunteer Coordinator!

Your Lodge is looking for an enthusiastic member to work with the Entertainment Committee, Lodge Secretary and Officers in organizing volunteers for lodge events and projects.

The successful candidate will review members' applications and contact those that have expressed a desire to volunteer in various capacities.

Please contact Leslie Barela, Joyce Bonnano, or any officer if you think you have the qualifications to meet this need.



Jeanette Namuth Receiving Elk of the Month for May 2015 From E.R. Mike Sutton

## BAR BINGO

1st & 3rd Friday of the Month

Starting At 6:30PM

\$1.00 Regular Game per Card

The Echo deadline for September is August 13th. Please send all Echo articles and information on events to [joyce.bonanno@gmail.com](mailto:joyce.bonanno@gmail.com)



## LUAU 2015



### Handy With Tools?

As any homeowner or business owner knows, upkeep of the physical property is a never-ending necessity.

If you have experience as an electrician, carpenter, plumber, or any other trade and wouldn't mind giving a little of your time and expertise, our lodge could use your help. We have a number of projects and repairs that need to be taken care of right away.

Please contact Larry King or any Lodge officer for details.



Where is this for August Issue?

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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## From the chair of the Lecturing Knight

Hello Elks!

Thank you to everyone who has supported our lodge through the Summer months!

June was great with a fabulous sit down meal, Flag Day and our Annual Luau!

We've got a Car Show here at the Lodge on Saturday, August 22, come join us for breakfast and vote on your favorite entries! If you've got a car to enter, make sure you get it registered! Come down for Our Family Picnic on Saturday, August 30. It's never too early to start planning your potluck dish!

Get your voices warmed up and ready, you may be the Best Elk Bugler at 804! Bring your voice and your best chile for our Elktober Fest! We are sure to have a great time with everyone's favorite homemade chile smothered over burritos from our Burrito and Taco Bar! Check at the lodge for Chile Entry Rules and Sign-up.

We always need volunteers for our events! Contact me or any member of the Entertainment Committee for more information.

Our Entertainment Committee meets the Fourth Tuesday of the Month (August 25) at 5:30, come join us and bring your great ideas!

Fraternally,

Leslie Barela - Lecturing Knight

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# Secretary's Notes

## Echo August 2015

I hope all of you are having a good summer, it is going fast. We have one Lodge Meeting in August which is on August 4th. In September we will return to our "regular" meeting schedule with meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday's of the month. Be sure and attend Lodge Meetings, they are an excellent opportunity to get to know your Brother and Sister Elks and stay informed on the business of the Lodge. Remember, membership is the life blood of our organization. Ask your friends, family members and co-workers to visit the Lodge on a Friday night to attend dinner and play bingo. Let them know about all of the charitable work we do in the community and invite them to become a member of our wonderful organization. Our Lodge donations to the Elks National Foundation are currently \$7.018 per capita – out of 55 Lodges in Colorado we are number 6!! All of our members should be proud of this accomplishment.

In the interest of safety, please do not back down the East side drive way. This drive way is a one way with the exit to the north parking area onto Link Lane. Please be careful when you are turning off of Mulberry onto the frontage Road. There have been several accidents at this intersection in the past few months. Remember, you can also turn off of Link Lane and enter the back parking lot of the Lodge property.

I want to thank Bill and Jean Rogers for all of the work they have done this summer to keep our lawn area looking nice and thanks to Jean for providing pictures for the Echo. Thanks to Jim Chance for filling in for Bill while Bill was attending Grand Lodge. Thanks to Tony Bonanno for continuing to do our re-cycling. Thanks to Charlie Thomas, Bob Matney and Al Dillman for running the Queen of Hearts on Friday nights. All of the members who have helped with the bingo, volunteering on Friday nights to help our wait staff, working our events and supporting the Lodge on Friday nights - we could not do it without you! Hugh Shepherd and Gayle Watkinson put on an impressive Flag Day Ceremony again this year. 7986

The Colorado State Elks Association recently donated \$2,000.00 to our Lodge as an additional donation for the DeCapio Family who lost their home in the 2013 flood. We will be presenting this check later in August. Thanks to incoming Colorado State Elks President Rich Stolte for spear heading this effort. Mike Sutton, Larry King and I recently presented \$2,100.00 in Gift Cards to Crossroads Safe House. This donation was made possible by a grant from the Elks National Foundation and a \$100.00 donation from Walmart. Michael Douglas did not see his membership number in the Summer Edition of the Echo and lost out on \$10.00 toward food or drinks at the Club.

Be sure and support the businesses of our members who advertise in the Echo.

Fraternally, Joyce Bonanno – Secretary Lodge 804



Grand Lodge 2015



Donating Gift Cards to Crossroads Safe House

## EVENTS AT A GLANCE

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

#### August 2015

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

Sat-Aug 1 Lodge Opens at Noon  
Food Available

Sun-Aug 2 Breakfast 9:00-11:30am

Mon-Aug 3 Lodge Closed

Tue-Aug 4 Lodge 7PM  
Only Meeting in August

Wed-Aug 5 Horseshoes-5:30pm

Fri-Aug 7 Friday Night Dinner 5:00-8pm  
Bar Bingo 6:30pm

Sat-Aug 8 Lodge Opens at Noon  
Food Available

Sun-Aug 9 Lodge Closed

Mon-Aug 10 Lodge Closed

Tue-Aug 12 Board Meeting 5:30pm

Wed-Aug 13 Horseshoes 5:30pm

Fri-Aug 14 Friday Night Dinner 5:00-8pm  
Prime Rib Special  
Elks Only Omaha Poker 7pm

Sat-Aug 15 Lodge Opens at Noon  
Food Available

Sun-Aug 16 Breakfast 9-11:30am

Mon-Aug 17 Lodge Closed

Wed-Aug 19 Horseshoes 5:30pm  
Bridge Night/Dinner 6pm  
Bridge 7pm

Fri-Aug 21 Friday Night Dinner 5:00-8pm  
Bar Bingo 6:30pm

Sat-Aug 22 Elks Car Show 8am-Noon  
Breakfast Available

Sun-Aug 23 Lodge Closed

Mon-Aug 24 Lodge Closed

Tue-Aug 25 Entertainment Committee 5:30pm

Wed-Aug 26 Horseshoes 5:30pm

Fri-Aug 28 Friday Night Dinner 5:00-8pm  
Elks Only Texas Hold-em 7pm

Sat-Aug 29 Lodge Opens at Noon  
Food Available

Sun-Aug 30 Family Picnic Pot Luck Noon-3pm

Mon-Aug 31 Lodge Closed

#### September 2015

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

Wed Jul 01 Horseshoes 5:30PM

Tue-Sep 1 Lodge 7pm

Wed-Sep 2 Horseshoes 5:30pm

Fri-Sep 4 Friday Night Dinner 5-8pm  
Bar Bingo 6:30pm  
Colorado State Convention

Sat-Sep 5 Lodge Opens at Noon  
Food Available  
Colorado State Convention

Sun-Sep 6 Lodge Closed/Labor Day Weekend  
No Breakfast

Mon-Sep 7 Lodge Closed/Labor Day

Tue-Sep 8 Board Meeting 5:30pm

Wed-Sep 9 Horseshoes 5:30pm

Fri-Sep 11 Friday Night Dinner 5-8pm  
Prime Rib Special  
Elks Only Omaha Poker 7pm

Sat-Sep 12 Lodge Opens at Noon  
Food Available

Sun-Sep 13 Lodge Open/Football

Mon-Sep 14 Lodge Closed

Wed-Sep 16 Horseshoes 5:30pm  
Food Available  
Bridge Night/Dinner 6pm  
Bridge 7pm

Fri-Sep 18 Friday Night Dinner 5-8pm  
Bar Bingo 6:30pm

Sat-Sep 19 Lodge Opens at Noon  
Food Available

Sun-Sep 20 Breakfast 9-11:30am  
Lodge Open/Football

Mon-Sep 21 Lodge Closed

Tue-Sep 22 Entertainment Committee 5:30pm

Wed-Sep 23 Horseshoes/Pool 5:30pm

Fri-Sep 25 Friday Night Dinner 5:00-8pm  
Elks Only Texas Hold-em 7pm

Sat-Sep 26 Lodge Opens at Noon  
Food Available  
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Sun-Sep 27 Lodge Open/Football

Mon-Sep 28 Lodge Closed

Wed-Sep 30 Horseshoes/Pool 5:30pm



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**LODGE HOURS OF OPERATION**  
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 Sunday – Lodge Closed  
 Monday – Lodge Closed  
 Office Open Tuesday-Thursday 10AM-3PM  
 Lunch Available Tuesday-Friday 11:30AM-1:30PM  
 Friday Night Dinners 5:00-7:30PM  
 Lounge Open Tuesday-Friday 11:30AM-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.w

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# August 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b>  Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
<b>2</b>  Breakfast 9AM-11:30	<b>3</b>  Lodge Closed	<b>4</b>  Lodge Meeting 7PM/ Only Meeting in August	<b>5</b>  Horseshoes / 5:30 Weather Permitting	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>  Friday Night Dinner 5:00 - 8PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	<b>8</b>  Lodge Open at Noon Food Available
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<b>30</b> Family Picnic Pot Luck Noon-3pm	<b>31</b>					