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**Contact the Lodge to book your party, meeting or special event!**

**Look inside for more information on...**

**THIS MONTH EVENTS:**

- 4/7 - Ham Games
- 4/8 - Metro District Meeting (Faribault, 10 AM)
- 4/8 - Kids Easter Party
- 4/11 - LODGE MEETING at 7 PM
- 4/20 - Member Appreciation Night
- 4/25 - Trustee Meeting at 6 PM
- 4/25 - LODGE MEETING at 7 PM
- 4/26 - Convention Planning Meeting, 7 PM

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- 5/6 - Highway Clean-Up (Potluck at 8 AM)
- 5/11 - Challenge Games (Volunteers needed)
- 5/13 - Bike Rodeo (See ad - join us!)

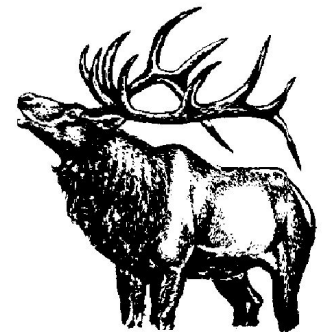
*Watch the April Newsletter for more info!*

# *Wapitidom*

-- Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity --

*April 2017*

*It's Great to be an Elk!*



ISSUE 2017 - 04

*Please Submit your Newsletter Articles by the 20th of the month to Steph Riegelman, Newsletter Editor*

# Exalted Ruler's Message

To my fellow Elks,

This is my first communication with the lodge. So, first of all, I want you all to know how excited I am to be your Exalted Ruler. If you had asked me 5 years ago if I would be ER ever - I would have thought you were joking! But here I am and here we go! I was born in Red Wing and lived in the area my whole life. For many years, I have been active in another service organization and knew about the Elks but never joined. A few years ago, I wanted to try something new and was eventually asked to become an officer. After a little convincing, I decided to try it and started to find out about all the great things the Elks are involved in. Veterans have a special place in my heart and I've enjoyed getting involved with our Veterans service projects. Mike & I enjoy stopping down to the lodge during the week for the social aspect as well as the wonderful food served normally on Tues - Friday.

As we start a new lodge year, I must reflect on the 2016 -2017 year and extend my thanks to Charlie & Becky Nelson as well as Warren Wertman for helping make the year a success and prepare me for my year as Exalted Ruler. This year, we will continue to support the many programs and events that our lodge is known for in Red Wing and hopefully try a few new ones too.

This year, I would to challenge every lodge member to commit to helping with even just ONE event. With nearly 500 members, if everyone helped with ONE thing - think of all the good work we could do for our communities, kids and veterans. Please keep our troops in your prayers. I wish you all well and hope to see you at the lodge.

Fraternally,  
Lona Bignell  
Exalted Ruler



Red Wing #845

## 2017 - 2018 Committee Chairs

Accident Prevention - Lottie Aslakson, PER  
Activities - Warren Wertman, PER  
Americanism - Fred Tremper, PER  
Auditing & Accounting - Rollie Meffert  
Charitable Gambling - Larry Larson, PER  
Christmas Baskets - Paul Drotos /Dennis Herling  
Community Activities - Karlyne Bottin  
Drug Awareness - Steph Riegelman, PER  
Flag Day - Justin Key (Leading Knight)  
Flags for Holidays - Susan Henke (Loyal Knight)  
Fraternal - VACANT  
Government Relations - Becky Nelson  
Highway Cleanup - Mike Bignell (Lect Knight)  
Hoop Shoot - Greg Frankowski  
Lodge Activities - Warren Wertman, PER  
Membership - Becky Nelson  
Memorial Service - Justin Key (Leading Knight)  
Nat'l Foundation - Pete & Peggy Sorensen, PER  
PER Association - Kevin Riegelman, PER  
Public Relations - Steph Riegelman, PER  
Relief (Sickness, etc) - Becky Nelson  
ENF & Local Scholarships - Linda Larson  
State Major Project - Warren Wertman, PER  
Soccer Shoot - Steph Riegelman, PER  
Veterans Service - Lottie Aslakson, PER  
Youth Activities - Lottie Aslakson, PER  
Youth Camp Recruiters - Lottie Aslakson, PER  
& David Riegelman, PER

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SNAIL MAIL???**

Send an email **TODAY** to  
[rw845secretary@redwing845.org](mailto:rw845secretary@redwing845.org)  
and change over to email!!

## Convention Planning Meeting

Weds, April 26 at 7 PM

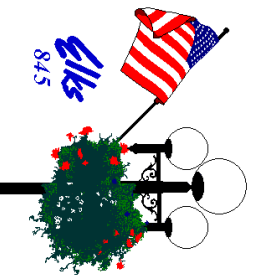
Red Wing # 845 will be hosting the MN Elks State Convention in June 2018 and we need to start planning!! To find out how you can help - join us as we form committees & begin planning!

# BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Peter Olson
- 3 Jim Halvorsen  
Ron Huppert  
Bonnie Kubik
- 4 Ron Wolter
- 5 Gregg Evenson  
Bob "Sk" Lundberg
- 7 Jeff Anderson  
Dan Howland  
Martin Jurgensen  
Chuck Paton
- 9 Robert Bohken  
Jim Isensee
- 10 Tom Peschges  
Terry Schnabl
- 11 Kirby Anderson  
Katelyn Callstrom  
Peter Dixon  
Susan Mahn  
Wallace Berlin
- 15 Arnold Strusz
- 16 David Olson
- 18 Eric Temper  
Chad Vande Hei
- 19 Jeff Boigenzahn  
Robert McCaughty, PER
- 20 Greg Bargrain
- 21 Steve Derleth
- 22 Chuck Klair
- 23 Sue Friedrich
- 26 Mike Polk  
Joe Smith
- 28 Terry Gilbertson  
James Schurhammer
- 29 Jim Van Deusen  
Tim Borgen
- 30 Tim Hutchison

# April 2017

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>Mar 26</b>	<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Mar 28</b>	<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Mar 30</b>	<b>Mar 31</b>	<b>1</b>
		<b>HAPPY HOUR</b> DAILY 3-6 PM	Barb's Beef Sand & Hashbrowns 6PM Trustees 7PM Lodge Mtg	<b>MEXICAN</b> 5:30-7:30 PM <i>The BEST value</i> in town!	Barb's Famous Oven Fried Chicken Dinner	Lottie's Burger Specials Initiation	<b>Private</b> <b>Party</b> 3-6 PM
<b>2</b>	<b>Private</b> <b>Party</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
		<b>Caramel Corn</b> Mondays	<b>Ckn Sand w/ Soup</b> <b>Paint &amp; Sip</b>	<b>MEXICAN</b> 5:30-7:30 PM <i>The BEST value</i> in town!	Hockey Meeting <b>Burgers &amp; FF</b> <b>ONLY</b>	Ham Games (See ad) Barb's Ckn	Kid's Easter Party (See ad)
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	
	<b>HAPPY HOUR</b> DAILY 3-6 PM	<b>Rod's Beef</b> <b>Bolognaise</b> dinner 7PM Lodge Mtg	<b>MEXICAN</b> 5:30-7:30 PM <i>The BEST value</i> in town!	Lori's Beer Cheese Soup, Coleslaw & Brat Patty Sandwich	Good Friday Fish Special Baked Tilapia w/Cheesy Hashbrowns	<b>Paint &amp;</b> <b>Sip Party</b>	
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	
<b>Easter</b> <b>Sunday</b>	<b>Caramel Corn</b> Mondays	<b>STEAK NIGHT</b>	<b>Private</b> <b>Party</b> NO FOOD	<b>Membership</b> <b>Appreciation</b> <b>Night</b>	<b>Private</b> <b>Party</b> NO FOOD	<b>Private</b> <b>Party</b>	
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	
	<b>HAPPY HOUR</b> DAILY 3-6 PM	<b>Chicken</b> <b>Tetrazzini</b> 6PM Trustees 7PM Lodge Mtg	<b>MEXICAN</b> 5:30-7:30 PM 7 PM - Convention Planning Meeting	<b>Private</b> <b>Party</b> NO FOOD	Lake Pepin Open Party Burgers & FF	<b>Private</b> <b>Party</b>	



# SECRETARY CORNER

Our new Lodge year has begun! Dues statements were mailed out in February. If you did not receive yours yet, please contact me. **Dues for the 2017-18 year should be paid before April 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Some of you have already sent in your payments - thank you very much! If you were one of the early birds that paid dues before April 1<sup>st</sup> you should already have your new "**purple**" colored membership card with a little "**early bird**" sticker. **Please sign your new card as soon as you get it!** The new card will get you in the door to any Elks Lodge starting April 1, 2017. It would also be very much appreciated if you could use your membership card to access our Lodge. Our bartenders must take time away from their customers to 'buzz' you in if you don't use that personalized member card.

The 16 members listed below will be dropped from membership on March 31, 2017 unless I receive their dues payment before that date. If you have questions regarding your membership please contact me.

Brad Cordes, Stephanie Fontenot-Scheibel, Stan Gordon, Roy Harley, Brenda Hartl, Ron Hartl, Larry Hawe, Howard Kunz, Peter Lang, Charles Lunde, Peter Mayer, Sandy McDonald, Jackie Padgett, Carolyn Seemann, Paul Tollison, Tamara Woods

**Please contact me if you are not receiving the weekly updates, reminders and monthly newsletters via e-mail.** Phone #715-495-2978 & e-mail [rw845secretary@redwing845.org](mailto:rw845secretary@redwing845.org)

## **RW #845 MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

as of March 24, 2017

Beginning membership on April 1, 2016  
Red Wing #845 - **471 members**

Initiated: 14      Reinstated: 3  
Affiliated: 2  
Deaths: 13      Transferred out: 1

Our current membership total: **476**  
Currently Delinquent: **16**

### **Proposed for Membership**

Thomas O'Dell proposed by Charlie Nelson  
Dion Welch proposed by Charlie Nelson  
Kyle Herling proposed by Dennis Herling  
Paul Nesteby proposed by Patsy Nesteby

### **Request for Life Membership status**

Robert Bauer

### **Request to transfer to RW #845**

Arnold Gorder from Gulf Coast Elks #2782

### **Elected to become members**

Josie Baker, Carol Burma, Kayla Herling,  
Michelle Hurlbut, Melissa Johnson,  
Lance McChristian, Thomas O'Dell, Cassie Price,  
Scott Reps, Brenda Stelter, Mark Tripp,  
Brent Warner, Dion Welch, Pete Wenzel

### **Initiated as new members March 14th**

Thomas Burke, Scott Reps, Mark Schull and  
Anthony Weich

### **Transferred to RW #845**

Anthony Osborne and Arnold Gorder

***Please welcome all of these new members!***

*On Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup> we will hold another  
Initiation Ceremony for new members.*

*Submitted by Red Wing Elks Lodge #845 Secretary, Becky Nelson*



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# JOIN THE FUN - GET INVOLVED!!



Like playing

## Pinochle?

We've had requests for having this card game at the lodge. If you're interested, Contact Lottie at 651.402.8354 or leave a message at the Lodge

### Convention Planning Meeting

Weds, April 26 at 7 PM

Red Wing # 845 will be hosting the MN Elks State Convention in June 2018 and we need to start planning!! To find out how you can help - join us as we form committees & begin planning!



## Kid's Easter Party

**Saturday, April 8th**

Starting at 1:00 PM

*Bring the kids or grandkids for some Easter fun . . . Games, food & an old-fashion Easter Egg Hunt and a visit from the Easter Bunny!*

## Membership Appreciation Night

*Thursday, April 20th*

Serving from 5:30 to 7:30 PM

### **FREE DINNER**

FOR ANY MEMBER WHO HAS  
ALREADY PAID OR PAYS THEIR  
2017-2018 LODGE DUES

## Ham Games



**Friday, April 7**

Starting at 6:30 PM

*Bring the family for  
Barb's Chicken dinner . . .  
Food served from 5-6:30 PM*

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LODGE!!!



**Indoor Ice Fishing - winter fun!  
Mark Lynch (l) & Royce Bottin (r)**

*From our Manager . . .*

*March was a very busy month and April looks to be more of the same! Thank you all for your continued patronage and remembering the lodge when you're hosting any events or parties! Check out all the great events listed on our calendar and stop down!*

*Our 1st Indoor Ice Fishing contest was a lot of fun and we hope to do it again next year!*

*Several "snow bird" cooking teams are back in Minnesota and are planning to make some of their specialty meals - stop down and enjoy!*

*I have been in contact with the Hasting VA center and have found items that we will start collecting for our Veterans. Please check the list in the newsletter and see if you can help with any of these items.*

*It's great to be an Elk  
Lottie*

**Elks** What are the benefits of your membership

**Hall Rental is FREE for members!**

Have a wedding, reunion, anniversary, birthday, business meeting, bridal shower, engagement party, rehearsal dinner or holiday party to plan?

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LODGE!!!

## Highway Clean-up

Sat, May 6th



Potluck Breakfast 8AM / Clean-up @9AM

**Grab a couple of friends and join us!**

It might not be the most glamorous service project we do - but we certainly do have **FUN** doing it!!!! Sign up at the Lodge!



*"So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks will NEVER forget them . . ."*

Help is needed for the 140 Veterans who call the Hastings MN Veterans Home their home. Veterans (men & women ages 26-90) live at the home and are looking for the following donations of personal items:

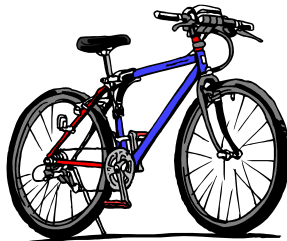
- Irish Spring Deodorant
- Irons w/auto shut off
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- Room Fresheners

**Elks**

It's *GREAT* to be an **ELK!**



## Bike Rodeo



**Sat, May 13 at 9-11 AM**

Law Enforcement Center Parking Lot

*Safety Training - - Free Food*

Drawings for bikes & more donated by RW Elks # 845

**Volunteers needed**

*to sign in kids, serve hot dogs and assist with prize drawings*

Sign-up at lodge to help

## Painting for a Cure!

Tuesday, April 4 at 5:30 PM

\$30 / Person - Reservation Required  
(\$10 of your fee donated to Cancer Walk team)

*No Experience Necessary!*

## Paint & Sip Afternoon!

Saturday, April 15 at 1:00 PM

\$25 / Person - Reservation Required

*No Experience Necessary!  
Food available for purchase.*

Call / Text Kayleen at 515.333.8363  
to register or online at  
[www.brushstrokesparty.com](http://www.brushstrokesparty.com)

**Register now and join the fun!!!!**



# THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

## THANKS SO MUCH . . .

Newsletters - Thanks to our volunteers who helped send out our newsletters for March!

**Cooking Help** - - Thanks SO MUCH to our volunteers who help Lottie in the kitchen! In March, special thanks to Bob Bauer, Jean & Barry Dosedall, Susan Henke, Larry Horlitz, Ron Huppert and Glenn Mattson.

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU** to Barb Gosman who continues to provide several EXCELLENT meals each month at the lodge.

**Lenny's Fish Fry** - Thanks so much to the great crew that helped Lenny Strusz serve his fabulous fish including Roger & Delma Deden, Peggy Sorenson and Tony Strusz.

**Installation** - Thanks so much to everyone who came down to the lodge to thank our lodge officers from 2016-2017 and welcome our new slate of officers for 2017-2018. Watch the May Newsletter for more info & pictures!

## Indoor Ice Fishing Contest

Thank you to the 12 teams that participated in the Indoor Ice Fishing Contest!

**Everyone had a good time!**

Also, thank you to the organizers & helpers, Lottie Aslakson, Mark Lynch and Royce & Karlyne Bottin



## WE RECYCLE!

We recycle old ink jets, toners, cell phones and laptops. We send them in and get some cash in return. This helps with extra expenses that pop up from time to time in the lodge. Drop your items off with Lottie or the bartenders. Thanks!

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