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ESTEEMED LOYAL KNIGHT

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Mike Bignell

SECRETARY

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ESQUIRE

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TILER

Roger Kolsrud

TRUSTEES

Dennis Herling

INNER GUARD

Patsy Nesteby

Greg Fleming

CHAPLIN

Lottie Aslakson, PER

Steph Riegelman, PER

Warren Wertman, PER

Dean Reinhart

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

THIS MONTH EVENTS:

2/4 - Super Sunday Party. Lodge opens at 3 PM

2/10 - Valentine Dinner / Not So Newlywed Game
(RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)

2/13 - LODGE MEETING at 7 PM

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS - All members in
good standing are welcome to attend!

2/13 - Fat Tuesday Dinner (Reservation required)

2/15 - Flags up at 5 PM (JOIN US!!!)

2/20 - Flags down at 5 PM (Bring a friend!)

2/22 - Past Exalted Rulers Meeting at 6 PM

2/22 - Convention Committee Meeting at 7 PM

2/27 - Trustee Meeting at 6 PM

2/27 - LODGE MEETING at 7 PM

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - All members in
good standing are welcome to attend!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

3/3/18 - Elks Olympics

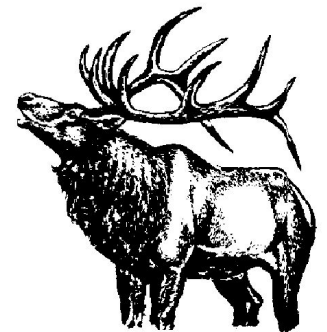
4/7/18 - RW Elks 845's 115th Anniversary Party

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

February 2018

It's Great to be an Elk!



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

Exalted Ruler's Message

To my fellow Elks,

On January 14, I had the privilege of attending the Hoop Shoot. Many talented girls and boys took part in the Shoot. I want to thank all of the young girls and boys who turned out for this event. The winners moved on to the District Hoop Shoot on January 20th and some placed first so they move on to State Shoot in February.

On March 24, a new slate of officers will be installed. I invite all members to come and welcome the new officers.

If you are interested in participating or have questions regarding any programs, feel free to contact any of the new officers or stop in and talk to Lottie to learn more.

In preparation of his term, Justin attended the ER 101 training in Wadena in January.

Just a reminder, all members are encouraged to visit the Elk websites (elks.org, mnelks.org and redwingelks.org) so you can learn more about the various programs the Elks are involved with.

Also please keep Veterans in your thoughts and prayers. They do so much for us.



Fraternally,
Lona Bignell
Exalted Ruler

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?

Call the Lodge (651-388-5862) and talk to Lottie to get your party on the calendar!



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to be an Elk!**

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

Celebrate Valentine's Day at the Elks . . .
and enjoy our own version of the

Not So
Newlywed

Game

**Friday,
Feb 10th**



**FEATURING a Fabulous
Valentine Dinner by Frank Neises
(Reservations Required)**

Dinner will include: Beef Tenderloin with home-made Béarnaise, sautéed Brussel sprouts w/ pecans, creamy mashed potatoes, salad, hard roll and "Better than Bourbon" dessert

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 James Dollar
- 2 Shayne Swanson
Jeff Frost
- 3 Arne Skyberg
- 4 Kim Beise
- 5 Lowell Anderson
- 6 Steve Vagasky
- 7 Joseph Mann
- 8 Ted Seifert
- 9 Charles Frawley
- 10 Jim Pribyl
- 11 Wynn VonBargen
- 12 Rob Magnuson
- 13 Robert Nybo
- 14 Jason Key
- 15 Jeff Bjork
- 16 Dave Everett
- 17 Cassandra Rother
- 18 Dena Shull
- 19 Roger Kolstrud
- 20 Susan Northey
- 21 Glenn Shull, PER
- 22 Mike Bignell
- 23 Brad Boyer
- 24 Vickie Tremper
- 25 David "Jerry" Borgen, PER
- 26 Kip Edquist
- 27 Clair Hemmenway
- 28 Eugene Oberg
- 29 Mark Lynch, PER
- 30 Robert Bean
- 31 Susan Henke
- 32 Virgil Siewert
- 33 Peggy Sorensen
- 34 Dave Blaias
- 35 Jason Dille
- 36 Brian Konz
- 37 Tim Kelly
- 38 Kristi Reuter
- 39 Scott Smith
- 40 Fred Tremper, PER
- 41 Gregg Frankowski
- 42 Glenn Klair
- 43 Paul Nestreby

February 2018

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Jan 28	Jan 29	Jan 30	Jan 31	1	2	3
		<i>Barb's Soup!</i> Eat-in /Take out Sausage & Beer Cheese 4-6 PM	Barb's Spaghetti Bake	MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM <i>The BEST value in town!</i>	Smoked Pork Chop Dinner Initiation	<i>Lottie's Burgers</i>	
4	SUPER SUNDAY (See ad)	5 <i>Barb's Soup!</i> Eat-in /Take out Ckn Pot Pie 4-6 PM	6 Ckn Bacon Ciabatta Sand w/FF	7 MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM <i>The BEST value in town!</i>	8 Steak Sand & FF	9 Humane Society Spaghetti Fundraiser	10 <i>Valentine Dinner/ Not So Newlywed</i>
11	12 <i>Barb's Soup!</i> Eat-in /Take out Bacon CB 4-6 PM	13 FAT TUESDAY DINNER (Reservation Req) 7PM Lodge Mtg	14 MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM	15 Barb's Parm Ckn Dinner FLAGS 5PM	16 <i>Lottie's Burgers</i>	17 <i>Big Turn Music Festival</i>	
18	19 <i>Barb's Soup!</i> Eat-in /Take out Split Pea & Ham 4-6 PM	20 STEAK NIGHT FLAGS 5 PM	24 MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM <i>The BEST value in town!</i>	22 Maggie's Goulash 6PM—PER Mtg 7PM - Conv Mtg	23 <i>Private Party No Food</i>	24	
25	26 NO SOUP	27 Blooming Onions 6 PM Trustees 7PM Lodge Mtg	28 MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM <i>The BEST value in town!</i>	Mar 1 Food Served	Mar 2 <i>Lottie's Burgers</i>	Mar 3 <i>Elks Winter Olympics</i>	

SECRETARY CORNER

It is that time again! Our new Elks Lodge year 2018-2019 will start April 1st. All dues statements will be mailed in early February. **Dues for the new Lodge year are to be paid before April 1, 2018 to be considered current.**

Please also make sure you update your contact information when sending in your payments. Have you moved? Did you remove your land line phone and only have a cell phone now? Have you changed your e-mail address? Would you prefer to only receive the newsletter by e-mail to save on our postage fees? I must update all these things on your membership record but I will need your help getting the new information.

Delinquent members for the current 2017-2018 year are listed below. Please get your dues payments sent into me as soon as possible to continue your Elks membership. Members not paying current dues before March 30, 2018 will be dropped from the rolls on that date.

Elke Banitt	Ron Delaney	Peter Dixon	Chris Gustafson	Chris Hauschildt
Duane Korte	Dale Kruse	Robert Olsen	Mike Olson	Jake Rohl
Terry Schnabl	Glenn Shull	Tony Strusz		

Please contact me if you are not receiving newsletters, weekly updates or reminders via e-mail. If your e-mail address has changed, please let us know so we can update it in our database. Secretary's phone #715-495-2978 and e-mail address rw845secretary@redwing845.org

RW #845 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

as of January 23, 2018

Beginning membership on April 1, 2017
Red Wing #845 – **471 members**

Initiated: 16 Reinstated: 2
Deaths: 5

Our current membership total: **484**
Currently Delinquent: **13**

Proposed for membership

Mitchell Amdahl by Leigh Ann Anderson
Charles Busdosh by Lona Bignell
Jake Gilbertson by Lottie Aslakson
Jason Hanson by Randy Mehrkens
Brooke Herling by Dennis Herling
John Wiederholt by Dennis Hinck

Elected Life Membership

Dennis Herling and Art Haage

Elected for membership

Mitch Amdahl, Charles Busdosh,
Jake Gilbertson, Jason Hanson

Reinstated

Shayne Swanson

*The clock of his day has
stopped and across its dial
the motionless shadows mark
the hour of eleven.*

Richard Kosec

Born: September 22, 1933

Initiated: March 13, 1999

Died: January 7, 2018

**** **** ****

Lyle Mehrkens

Born: November 7, 1937

Initiated: February 26, 1966

Died: January 21, 2018

*In vain we call, he has
passed into the light beyond.*

*The entire Lodge expresses
deep sympathy to the families
of Richard and Lyle.*

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

Calling all Red Wing 845

PAST EXALTED RULERS!!

Join us on **Thursday, Feb 22 at 6 PM**
for a PER Meeting - we'll discuss PER
events along with setting up mentors
for new Lodge Officers.

Convention Planning Committee Meetings

Thursday, Feb 22 - 7 PM at the Lodge

We are hosting the MN Elks Summer Convention in June.
There are several committees looking for help planning
events. Join us to find out more!!!

Volunteer sign-ups will go up at the Lodge closer to the event



Installation of Officers

Sat. March 24

Installation - 4 PM
Social - 5 PM / Dinner - 6 PM
Music from 7-10 PM

Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship as we thank our outgoing Lodge Officers & welcome the New Officers. We will also honor our Elk of the Year, Officer of the Year and Citizen of the Year.

Members & guests welcome!



ELKS HOOP SHOOT

Congratulations!

Held on Sunday, Jan 14 at the RW High School. - 40 local winners ages eight to thirteen year old girls & boys competed for the opportunity to represent Red Wing at the Metro District Shoot. Results for were:

Girls 8 & 9 Years

- 1- Kenzie Lodermeier
- 2- Kendra Nesser
- 3- Kyle Mandelkov

Boys 8 & 9 Years

- 1-Cade Shelstad
- 2-Brady Harrel
- 3-Owen Roschen

Girls 10 & 11 Years

- 1-Taylor Shelstad
- 2-Mayzee Thorson
- 3- Anne Reinatz

Boys 10 & 11 Years

- 1-Caden Berg
- 2-Julius Koehler
- 3-Gavin Schafer

Girls 12 & 13 Years

- 1-Bailie Roschen
- 2- Ali Strauss
- 3- Hallie Roschen

Boys 12 & 13 Years

- 1-Will Opsahl
- 2-Samuel Olson
- 3-Tristin King

The METRO DISTRICT SHOOT was held Sunday, Jan 21st and hosted by the Mpls Elks Lodge. 4 kids representing our lodge participated:

- Boys 8&9 - Cade Shelstad, 1st Place
- Boys 10&11 - Caden Berg, 1st Place
- Boys 12&13 - Will Opsahl, 5th Place
- Girls 12&13 - Bailie Roschen, 1st Place

Congratulations to all of our kids who advanced to the MN STATE HOOP SHOOT on February 17th - GOOD LUCK!



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JOIN THE FUN - GET INVOLVED!!

From our Manager . . .

We had a busy January thanks to holiday and birthday parties. We will be having a busy February with "Super Sunday" on the 4th, our Valentine dinner and "Not so Newlywed Game" on the 10th and then Fat Tuesday dinner by Jerry Gosman on the 13th.

Coming March 3rd is the Elks 845 "Winter Olympics" !!!!! (Yes I know the Olympics are in February) but this is the only open date. We will have many fun games in the lodge room. Medals for winners. Single participation or team of 4 categories. Sign up at the lodge.

Thanks to my fantastic steak night crew. Thanks also to Barb for soup on Mondays and her great meals during the month.

We will be celebrating our 115th anniversary on April 7th with an open house for the community to see what we are and do. I will be looking for volunteers to man a table showing one of the aspects that we are involved in, please contact myself or Justin Key.

Thanks for your continued support -
It's GREAT to be an Elk!
Lottie

**STOP DOWN TO YOUR LODGE
FOR ONE OF OUR GREAT
MEALS THIS MONTH!!**



Ever consider becoming
a RW 845 Officer or
joining a committee?

Current Leading Knight Justin Key is starting to build his team of officers and committee chairs (see the list on Page 2 of committees) for our lodge year beginning on April 1, 2018. If you have an interest in becoming more involved, please contact him at centralkey@icloud.com or text 651.380.6604



Coming in February

Jerry Gosman's

Fat Tuesday Dinner

Maryland crab soup w/hush puppies

Shrimp etouffee

Crab cake

Crawfish stuffed peppers

\$15.00 – 50 person limit

MUST SIGN UP

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LODGE!!!

Are you ready for the



BIG GAME?

Sunday Feb 4th

Doors open at 3 PM

Trivia - - Food - - Fun!!

Bring an appetizer to share - wear your favorite team colors and stop down to the lodge to watch the BIG game with your Elk friends!!

President's Day Holiday Flags

We need volunteers to help put up & take down flags for the upcoming holiday.

It only takes 30-45 minutes with enough help!

Flags Up:

Thursday, Feb. 15th at 5 PM

Flags Down:

Tuesday, Feb. 20th at 5 PM

GRAB A FRIEND OR TWO & TRY SOMETHING NEW!



WE WILL MEET AT THE LODGE - SEE YOU THERE!



It's GREAT to be an Elk!



Willing to cook one of your specialty meals at the Lodge?

Lottie is looking for help - we're down to ONLY 2 cooking teams and they both are filled with "snowbirds." If you LOVE to cook and are willing to help with one meal during the winter or get a group of friends together to cook once a month - PLEASE contact Lottie!!!!

Go for the Gold . . .

Lottie's Indoor Winter Olympics



Saturday, March 3rd

Opening Ceremony at 3 PM

Grab some friends!

Sign up as an individual or team of 4. Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals will be awarded. As Lottie says - "Trust Me" This will be fun!



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THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

THANKS SO MUCH . . .

Newsletter - Thanks to the folders, tapers and labelers who helped get our Newsletter in the mail!

Flags - Thanks so much to our great volunteers who braved the cold to put up and take down flags for Martin Luther King Day! Volunteers: Mike Bignell, Courtney Celt, JoLynn Fleming, Susan Henke and Rhonda Jonas.

Lodge Cleaning Bee - Thanks a TON to our fabulous volunteers who helped do some much needed cleaning at the lodge including Lottie Aslakson, Greg & JoLynn Fleming, Barb Gosman, Dennis Herling, Becky & Charlie Nelson and Steph Riegelman. By the time they left — the lodge, the kitchen, bar and main storage room were sparkling clean!



Pajama Party Fun!

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