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Contact the Lodge to book your

party, meeting or special event!

THIS MONTH EVENTS:

12/1 - Kids Christmas Party at 1 PM (See ad)
12/2 - Memorial Service at 1 PM
12/7 - Christmas Party / Silent Auction (see ad)
12/11 - LODGE MEETING at 7 PM
12/15 - Christmas Basket Deliveries
12/18 - Trustee Meeting at 5 PM
12/18 - New Member Initiation 7 PM
12/25 - NO LODGE MEETING / CLUB CLOSED

UPCOMING EVENTS:

1/13 - Hoop Shoot (VOLUNTEERS NEEDED)

FEBRUARY Not So Newlywed Big Turn Music Festival



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

December 2018

It's Great to be an Elk!

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

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Exalted Ruler's Message

Members All - Time sure flies when you're having fun! Not long ago, we were enjoying Independence Day and then the MN State Fair. Now, we are fast approaching Christmas in December and then it'll be a Happy New Year!

On Sunday Dec 2nd at 1:00pm, we are having our annual Memorial Service for our departed members from the past year in the lodge room. During this service, Elks honor living and departed members which reminds their families that, as an Elk, you are never forgotten. Please join us for the service and for refreshments following the service.

One of my favorite events in December is our Christmas Food Basket Project led by Dennis Herling and Paul Drotos. Each year, Elks & their families gather and work as a team to assemble and deliver these Baskets showing to all that we cherish our community and all the people in it. This is a great way to volunteer in a very fulfilling charity event, we are always looking for more volunteers to help out every year! Assisting with the packing and delivery of these food baskets is another reminder of the true meaning of the holidays. It is a great way to pass that generosity down to the next generation by bringing them along to help!

I am sure that many of you are aware of the terrible wildfires out in California. Many people have died and many are still missing with their loved ones fearing the worst. Paradise Elks Lodge #2026 has been completely destroyed by the fires, except for the American Flag still waving on the flag pole at the charred steel structure. The residents of the burn area have lost most everything. Some were able to leave with a few personal items in their car or truck, while others ran for their lives with only the clothes on their backs. 90% of the members of Paradise Lodge have lost their homes. Members of Chico Elks Lodge #423 are aiding residents of the burn area in and around Paradise, CA. Most of the evacuees are now being housed in Red Cross facilities or are living in cars or tents.

The California-Hawaii Elks Association is seeking donations to help the members of the Paradise Lodge. If you are able to give to a great cause this holiday, Financial Assistance should be sent to: CHEMPI, 5450 E. Lamona Ave., Fresno, CA, 93727. As a lodge, we are investigating how we can best assist and will provide more info as soon as possible. If you choose to send a donation - it might be nice to note you are a member of Elks Lode 845 on your check.

Please keep Members of Paradise Elks Lodge #2026 in your prayers.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Fraternally -Justin Key, Exalted Ruler Red Wing Elks # 845



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 - Lottie Aslakson, PER Flag Day - Susan Henke (Leading Knight) Flags for Holidays - Susan Henke (Loyal Knight) Fraternal - Justin Key Government Relations - Becky Nelson Highway Cleanup - Mike Bignell (Lect Knight) Hoop Shoot - Greg Frankowski Lodge Activities - Warren Wertman, PER Membership - Becky Nelson Memorial Service - Susan Henke(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

Schedule your next gathering at the lodge CALL LOTTIE!!



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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Lodge Hours Mon-Weds: 3-8 PM	Nd 8- <u>SI</u>	Dece	December 2018	018	Lodg Thur-Sa	<u>Lodge Hours</u> Thur-Sat: 3-10 PM
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 <i>Memorial</i> <i>Service</i> Vikings at 3 PM	3 Barb's Loaded Bacon Potato Soup!	4 Barb's Italian Meatloaf Dinner	5 MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM <i>The BEST value</i> <i>in town!</i>	6 Broasted Chicken!	7 Christmas Party / Silent Auction	1 Kids Xmas 8 OPEN 3-10 PM STOP BY!
9 VIKINGS play MONDAY NIGHT	10 SOUPER MONDAYS Creamy Ckn & Rice Soup	11 Broasted Chicken! 7PM Lodge Mtg	12 MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM The BEST value in town!	13 Lottie & Susan's Beef Stew	14 Private Party NO FOOD	15 Christmas Baskets HELP NEEDED
16 RW Volleyball Breakfast 8-11 AM Vikings - Open at 11	17 SORRY - NO SOUPIII	18 STEAK NIGHT! Initiation at 7 PM 5 PM Trustees	19 MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM The BEST value in town!	20 Broasted Chicken!	21 Lottie's Burgers OPEN TIL 10	22 Don Me Now our Plaid Apparel Party
23 VIKINGS FOOTBALL Open at 11 AM	24 Christmas Eve Appetizers OPEN TIL 6 PM (NO SOUP)	25 <i>Merry</i> <i>Christmas!</i> Lodge Closed	26 MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM The BEST value in town!	27 Barb's Parm Ckn Breast w/ Au gratin Potatoes	28 Lottie's Burgers OPEN TIL 10	29 LODGE OPEN 3-10 PM
30 VIKINGS FOOTBALL Open at 11 AM	31 New Year's Eve (See ad)	Jan 1, 2019 HAPPY NEW YEAR!! Lodge Closed	Jan 2 MEXICAN 5:30-7:00 PM The BEST value in town!	Jan 3 TBD Watch Weekly News!	Jan 4 Lottie's Burgers OPEN TIL 10	Jan 5

SECRETARY CORNER

I would like to just say 'Happy Holidays' to all our members and your families. I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and are thankful for at least something and/or someone in their lives. Let that feeling roll into the rest of the holiday season. Make the time but also 'Enjoy' the time you have with family and friends! Give hugs, handshakes or just kind words instead of gifts! The feeling will fill your hearts with so much love and warmth!

We still have the below delinquent members. We are already into the 9th month of the 2018-2019 Elks Lodge year so please get those dues payments sent into me. You can contact me if you have questions regarding your membership.

James Bouchard, Thomas Burke Jr., Chris Castner, Clarence Demers, Greg Domke, Roland Furchner, Chris Hauschildt, Jeff Magnuson, Dean Masset, John O'Reilly, Mike Olson, Peter Olson, William Reeves, Dustin Schulenberg, Jeff Stenerson, Robert Weir, Dion Welch.

If you have not been receiving monthly newsletters, weekly updates or reminders by e-mail please let us know. If you would prefer to receive your newsletter each month via e-mail along with Lottie's weekly updates, please let me know so I can get your e-mail added to the distribution list. If your e-mail address has changed, please contact me at 715-495-2978 or via e-mail at rw845secretary@redwing845.org

RW #845 MEMBERSHIP REPORT as of November 25, 2018

Beginning membership on April 1, 2018 Red Wing #845 - **485 members**

Initiated new members: 30 Deaths: 5 Transfer out: 2 Delinquent: 19

Our current membership total: 508

<u>Proposed for membership</u> Lory Holets proposed by Jan Struss Kelsey Flueger proposed by Dee Whipple Lisa Siewert proposed by Virgil Siewert Karl Siewert proposed by Virgil Siewert Jeffrey Black proposed by Susan Henke

Initiated as a new member November 20th Steven Tripp

Please welcome this new member!

The next initiation ceremony is planned for Tuesday, December 18th The clock of his day has stopped and across its dial the motionless shadows mark the hour of eleven.

Charles Paton

Born: April 7, 1954 Initiated: September 23, 1975 Died: October 28, 2018

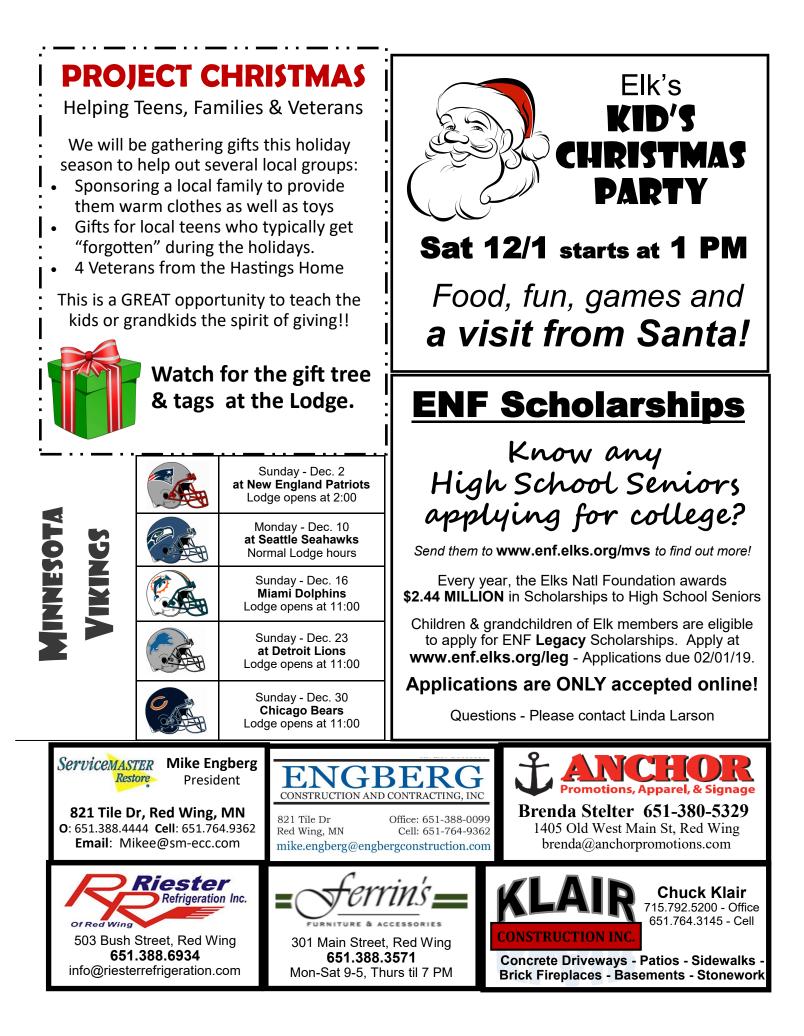
To Our Absent Members

The entire Red Wing #845 Lodge expresses our deepest sympathy to the Paton family.

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

Check out the WEEKLY E-NEWS for changes in schedules & menus! **NOT SIGNED UP?** Email - rw845secretary@redwing845.org





WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LODGE!!!



Help us honor those true and loval Elks who have gone before us. . .

Sunday, December 2nd

1 PM in the Lodge Room

Elks honor living and departed members at the hour of Eleven. We also honor our departed members at the annual Memorial Service on the first Sunday in December.

Please join us for the service and for refreshments following the service.

This year, we remember our members:

Jeff Bjork **Richard Kosec** Jerry Borgen Lyle Mehrkens Terry Carlson Chuck Paton Dennis Cushing David Tufte James Kirk Sr. Gary Zemke





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Mark your calendar . . .



ELKS HOOP SHOOT Sun Jan. 13th

Registration open: 11:30 AM RW High School Gym

Don Me Now

Our Plaid

Apparel

Watch for sign-up list at the lodge Volunteers needed to score and shaq

Help us find our next National Hoop Shoot participant!!

Saturday, Dec 22nd

Stop in / wear your favorite plaid apparel and have some fun!!

Drink specials

Reindeer Games & MORE!

Join us and . . .

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LODGE!!!

Barb's Appetizers \$10.00

Barb is serving a combination of hot & cold appetizers, and would like some idea of quantity.

Please RSVP

by calling the Lodge (388-5862) with name & number of people. Thanks!



Red Wing Elks Lodge #845 16th Annual Member & Guest Christmas Party

Friday, Dec 7th, 2018

If you or your business is interested in donating an item for , please contact Royce (651-301-0075), Becky (715-495-2978) or Kevin (651-764 2373)

As donors, you can choose where the funds raised from your donation go either RW Elks Lodge #845 to support our Lodge or to the MN Elks Youth Camp (our State Project and a 501c3 charitable organization)

Appetizers 5:00 - 7:00 Silent Auction 6:30 - 8:30

Proceeds benefit Red Wing Elks Lodge #845 & The Minnesota Elks Youth Camp



Christmas Food Basket Drive



Give Generously ... Start a new Family Tradition ...

Joy to the World --- That's what generosity brings; and, that's what Elks will share again on December 15th this year. "The Biggest Little Envelope" in last month's newsletter isn't fancy; but, what it buys is a knock on a door. When that door opens, it reminds everybody that somebody cares about a family and especially kids in need.

Please remember that the core of the Christmas Basket Project is the names of families (*STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL*) submitted to receive a basket. The heart of Elkdom needs eyes and ears in our community now so we can help those in need — If you know of any family that is struggling - Please drop off the names, addresses, phone numbers & number of people in family at the lodge.

Please volunteer by signing up at the Lodge to help pack the Christmas meals for families in need and then go out & deliver some Joy to the World!

It's GREAT to be an Elk - - Merry Christmas!!!! Paul Drotos & Dennis Herling, Co-Chairs

Sat. Dec 15th at 8 AM

Our day starts with breakfast, then we pack & deliver the baskets.

It's chaotic but VERY rewarding when you drop off a basket and see the smiles on the faces of mom or dad.

2018 - A YEAR IN REVIEW





THANKS FOR SUPPORTING OUR KIDS, VETERANS AND COMMUNITY IN 2018!



DICTIONARY PROJECT - Thanks to the RW Elks, 150 kids in the Ellsworth School district enjoyed receiving a Reference Dictionary and will continue to use it throughout the school year!!!











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THANK YOU FOR DONATING YOUR TIME & TALENTS TO OUR LODGE & COMMUNITY!

Thanks so much to <u>EVERYONE</u> who helped make the <u>Holiday Stroll</u> a HUGE success!

Thanks to our Almond Makers including Lottie, Susan Henke, Don & Mary Hiles, Cheryl Klair, Bonnie Kubik, Bonnie Lauchlaw, Sharon Lee, Evan Rumann, Peggy Sorensen and Deanna & Norm Westby. (Top Right - some of the volunteers)

For the Holiday Stroll Breakfast - our THANKS goes out to John & Charlie Friedrich for donating some homemade syrup! Thanks to our hardworking kitchen crew including Dean Dahling, Denny Hinck, Frank Neises, Giovanna Reed, Skyla Reed, Gerry Strom, Warren Wertman and Dave Wooden.

THANKS to our Holiday Stroll Burger Crew including: Lottie Aslakson, Bob Bauer, Jen Buck, Rod Frantzen, Don & Mary Hiles, Ron Huppert, Justin Key, Cheryl Klair, Sharon Lee, Betsy Mahn, Glenn Mattson, Charlie & Becky Nelson, Jonathan Paradis, Dean & Linda Reinhart, Peggy Sorensen, Steve & Clarice Vagasky and Warren Wertman.

Thanks to the **GUSE FAMILY** (see picture –right) for another FABULOUS year of Tom & Jerry's on Thanksgiving morning! They also raised \$301 for the Hastings Veterans Home's Adopt-A-Vet program!!!!









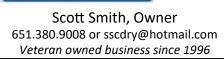
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THANK YOU!

Newsletter - Thanks to our HUGE crew who helped stuff, fold, tape, add food basket envelopes and label our December Newsletters. Our crew for this big mailing included Mike Bignell, JoLynn Fleming, Sherri & Scott Guse, Dennis Herling, Kayla Herling, Becky Nelson and Kevin & Steph Riegelman.

Kitchen Helpers - Thanks to our November volunteers including Sue Connaughton, JoLynn Fleming and Sharon Lee.

<u>Veterans Night</u> - Thanks so much to our steak team for another fabulous dinner for our Veterans who are members! Volunteers included Bob Bauer, Barry & Jean Dosdall, JoLynn Fleming, Susan Henke, Ron Huppert, Sharon Lee and Glenn Mattson.

Decorating - Thank you to Becky Nelson and Kevin & Steph Riegelman for setting up our trees and helping get the lodge ready for the Holiday Season!

Turkey Games - Thanks to all of our PER's who donated turkeys for our Annual Turkey games! Thanks to volunteers Lottie Aslakson, Royce Bottin, Mark Lynch, Charlie Nelson, David Riegelman, Kevin & Steph Riegelman and Tyler Riegelman.

Viking Football - Thanks so much to Royce Bottin and Mark Lynch for volunteering to tend bar for our Sunday Viking Football Games!!

Do you STILL get your NEWSLETTER by SNAIL MAIL???

Send an email <u>TODAY</u> to rw845secretary@redwing845.org and change over to email!!

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MINNESOTA ELKS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP DRIVE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE Bring any three (3) new members

into the Lodge this Lodge year and get your Lodge dues free next year!

Our Lodge year is April 1, 2018 through March 31,2019. A new member is defined as someone that has been initiated into the Lodge. Applicants in the pipeline and not initiated before March 31 do not count toward this program. If you bring in 3 new members (new applicants or reinstatements) during the 2018-2019 Lodge Year YOU QUALIFY!!!

