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

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

1/11 - LODGE RE-OPENS unless there's
Another change in Gov's orders
1/12 - Lodge Meeting at 7 PM
1/14 and 1/19 - Flags at 5 PM
1/26 - Trustees 6 PM / Lodge Mtg 7PM

#### **FOOD MENU FOR JANUARY:**

EVERY WEDS - Limited Taco Menu EVERY THURS - Broasted Chicken Dinner EVERY FRI - Broasted Fish Dinner SERVED 4:30-6:30 PM - - Take Out Available

#### **TUESDAYS AFTER WE RE-OPEN (4:30-6:30PM)**

- 1/12 Reubens & French Fries
- 1/19 Wings
- 1/26 Barb's Ckn Ala King on Biscuits

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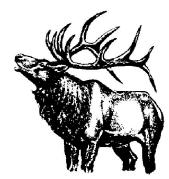
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### January 2021

It's Great to be an Elk!

# Planning a family or business event?

Contact Lottie TODAY to book your event at the Lodge - Call 651.388.5862



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

### Exalted Ruler's Message

Greetings all -

As I reflect back on 2020's challenges, it's important to remember the bright spots & blessings in your life. 2020 was the year that many of us found creative ways to support our communities, local businesses, our family & friends . . . I'm hopeful that spirit of support for others continues to expand & grow in the coming year. Hopefully, our lodge will be able to safely reopen this month and begin welcoming back our members to stop in for a beverage, meal and fellowship. We're all looking forward to seeing one another and catching up! Please utilize our weekly eNews as a means of keeping up with the everchanging schedules and call the lodge (651-388-5862) to provide your email if you aren't getting the weekly eNews.

Please continue to practice the recommended CDC guidelines to keep yourself, your family and friends safe . . . Thank you.

Fraternally -Mike Bignell, Exalted Ruler PLEASE WATCH FOR ADDITIONAL THANK YOUS to Kitchen help, Scholarship reviewers, Blanket tiers and more in the February Newsletter . . . In trying to control our costs & keep this short, we ran out of room!

Also watch for an update from Trustees on some work done this fall thanks to an HRA Loan to fix some roof damage, take care of some fire protection requirements & several other improvements to our lodge!



**BE PROUD!!** 125 Food Baskets delivered thanks to our members and local businesses!!

## From our Lodge Secretary

We have finally made it to 2021 and I sure hope our members and your families are doing well. I hope we will be able to resume the initiation ceremony of new members in person very soon. With the new year comes the start of my process to send out due's statements for the new Elks year as well. In February, I will be mailing out 2021-22 Dues Statements for our new Elk's year which begins on April 1, 2021. To be a member in good standing, all members should have dues paid before that date.

We are now 9 months into the current Lodge year. 23 members remain delinquent in paying their dues and are listed below. Please send me your dues payments today to continue your membership.

Tim Borgen	James Dollar	Chris Earney	Glenn Earney	Austin Engen
Angela Foss	Jesse Fox	Paige Hokanson	Jason Hoppman	Jodi Jones
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Mark Tripp	Ron Walker	Chris Warrington		

Members all, the Post Office charges us each time for returned mail due to addresses being incorrect so please let me know what your new address is before you move. Better yet, use your e-mail address to receive the newsletters so you always get them on time! Contact me either by phone 715-495-2978 or e-mail <a href="mailto:rw845secretary@redwing845.org">rw845secretary@redwing845.org</a>

#### RW #845 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

as of December 23, 2020 Beginning membership on April 1, 2020 Red Wing #845 – **540 members**  Affiliated: 1 Reinstated: 1 Initiated: 11
Deceased: 7 Delinquent members: 23
Current membership: 546

### **Christmas Food Baskets**

THANK YOU so much for your generosity and assistance with this amazing project this year!!!! Your continued support helped us serve almost 600 people during this holiday season!!!! Our volunteers deliver 125 baskets on 12/19 AND we provided 75 meals on Christmas to homeless individuals in our community!!

Even though we had to do things a little bit differently this year, our members & their families rallied to help make it happen!! Led by long -time coordinators Paul Drotos & Dennis Herling . . . Here's a listing of our volunteers for 2020 Christmas baskets:

Kirby & Jan Anderson, Lottie Aslakson, Charlie Brown, Sam Brown, Sue Connaughton, Betty Guse, Scott & Sherri Guse, Sarah Edstrom, Cindy & Mark Eliason, Scott & Jeanie Fairbanks, Cindy & Ron Fox, Jim & Kay Halvorsen, Allison Hammond, Dick Herling, Kyle Herling, John Key, Justin Key, Bob & Lindsey Kubes, Larry & Linda Larson, Dan & Lori Lewis, Kayla McAtee, Becky Nelson, Leanne Nyman, Bill & Lisa Paasch, Cory & Melissa Rassmussen, David, Kristi, Noah & Ella Riegelman, Kevin & Steph Riegelman, Kassy Rother, Tim & Char Sloan, Shayne & Teri Swanson, and Jeff & Teresa Warwick. Thanks as well to our "behind the scenes" volunteers who took home cards to sign!!

Adopt A Vet Christmas Project: Thanks so much to all of our members who donated a gift to support this project.

Thanks also to the MN Correctional Facility Knox Cottage Adult Offenders - - They held a fundraiser dinner and donated the proceeds to help buy Christmas gifts for these veterans!

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- 8 Arnold Clare Chris Gustafson
- 9 Steph Riegelman, PER
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  - Jennie Sammon
- 17 Randy Mehrkens Larry Sonju
- 18 Knute Hanisch Lee Noreen
- 21 Molly Langer Tyler Riegelman David Woods
- 22 Robert Kubik
  - Lori Rosemore
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