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

#### **THIS MONTH EVENTS:**

9/3 - Flags up at 5:30 PM

9/8 - Flags down at 5:30 PM

9/8 - Lodge Meeting at 7 PM

9/17 - Trustee Meeting 6 PM

9/22 - Lodge Meeting 7 PM

9/27 - Fall Golf Classic (See ad!)

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

10/3 - ENF Night (Serving 1/2 Rack Ribs! & Live Music - see ad!)

#### Planning a family or business event?

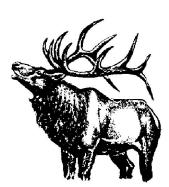
Contact Lottie TODAY to book your event at the Lodge - Call 651.388.5862

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September 2020

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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 Red Wing Elk Members -

Wow! Another month has passed us by and we're now staring into the start of school which means Fall isn't far behind. I hope that all of my fellow Elks and their families are well and have remained healthy. The Fall season typically brings a lot of activity to the



lodge with flags up & down for Labor Day which is a great chance to volunteer while social distancing! It's also time for many Elks meetings including our District Meeting on Sept 12th with other Metro area lodges, our District Deputy visit at the lodge on October 3rd and the Fall Conference which will be held in mid-October at Breezy Point hosted by the Metro District. Anyone in attendance will also have a chance to visit our "pride & joy" the MN Elks Youth Camp if you've never been to camp, it's one of the things we do as Elks that make us proud to be members!! Check out the MNelks.org website to find more information on how you can attend convention— Any member in good standing is welcome to attend! Our lodge officers also have a few of the \$100 Camp Raffle tickets left—buy one yourself or split with a couple of friends! Proceeds from this raffle help pay our Camper Fees for the kids we'll send to camp next summer. Red Wing's been pretty lucky in past year's so we hope to have some more winners!

We recently held a Community Service Appreciation dinner at the lodge. We welcomed local police, sheriff, dispatch, Fire, EMTS and their families for a fabulous dinner of ribs & chicken. We had a great turnout and enjoyed the opportunity to thank these individuals and their families for their continued service to our community. A special thank you to our Manager Lottie Aslakson for organizing this event and thank you to Gary locco for his cooking talents to make the ribs. Look for pictures on Facebook of this and other events at our lodge!

Stay safe, look after your family & friends, keep our first responders and other essential workers in your thoughts and god bless. We hope to see you again at the lodge soon - when you're ready, we'll be there!

God Bless America!

Fraternally - Mike Bignell, Exalted Ruler

#### **Red Wing # 845 Committee Chairs**

Accident Prevention - Lottie Aslakson, PER Activities - Lottie Aslakson. 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 - Jennifer Miles (Leading Knight) Flags for Holidays - Patsy Nesteby (Loyal Knight) Fraternal - Justin Key, PÉR Government Relations - Becky Nelson Highway Cleanup - Allison Eisbach (Lect Knight) Hoop Shoot - Greg Frankowski Lodge Activities - Lottie Aslakson, PER Membership - Becky Nelson Memorial Service - Jennifer Miles (Lead 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 Veterans Service - Lottie Aslakson, PER Youth Activities - Lottie Aslakson, PER Youth Camp Recruiters - Lottie Aslakson, PER & David Riegelman, PER



# It's GREAT to be an Elk!



# WE RECYCLE!

We recycle old ink jet cartridges:
Lottie sends them in and gets some
cash in return - Recently, we received
\$38 from a few cartridges! This helps
with extra expenses that pop up from
time to time in the lodge.

Drop your cartridges to Lottie or ask the bartender to put in her office.

Thanks!

# FROM OUR LODGE SECRETARY . . .

55 of our members are now 5 months delinquent in paying dues for the current year and those members' names will be listed in the October newsletter. We certainly understand that some might be experiencing some financial hardships this year and may not be able to pay their membership. If this is your situation, please reach out to me by phone or e-mail so we can look at options.

If any of your contact information or your e-mail address has changed, please contact me either by phone 715-495-2978 or by e-mail **rw845secretary@redwing845.org** 

#### **RW #845 MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

as of August 25, 2020 Beginning membership on April 1, 2020 Red Wing #845 – **540 members** 

Affiliated: 1 Reinstated: 1 Initiated: 4
Deceased: 6 Delinquent members: 55
Current membership: **540** 

#### Proposed for membership

Sarah Edstrom by Larry Larson Kurt Fuchs by John Howe Rick Nesteby by Patsy Nesteby

#### Elected for membership

Elizabeth Johnston and Robert Sachen

#### Initiated as new members on 8-25-2020

Sue Handwerk, Tom Handwerk, Elizabeth Johnston and Robert Sachen

Congratulations and Welcome!

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

### Lydia Klenke

**Born:** May 17, 1950 **Initiated:** November 23, 2004 **Died:** July 24, 2020

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#### Joseph Smith

Born: April 25, 1960 Initiated: September 12, 2000 Died: August 9, 2020

#### To Our Absent Members

The entire Red Wing #845 Lodge expresses our deepest sympathy to the families of Lydia and Joe.

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



# Do you like to cook?

Lottie's looking for some help in the kitchen - Please contact her at the lodge if you'd like to get involved.

# **Labor Day Flags**

We need volunteers to help with flags

It only takes 30 to 45 minutes with enough help!

Flags Up:

Thursday, Sept 3, 5:30 PM

Flags Down:

Tuesday, Sept 8th, 5:30 PM

We will meet at the Lodge - See you there!



# **BIRTHDAYS**

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	Dennis Schultz	
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4:30-6:30 PM	Chicken	Thursday  Broasted Chicken 4:30-6:30 PM FLAGS 5:30 PM
4:30-6:30 PM	Fish	Friday  4  Lottie's Broasted Fish 4:30-6:30 PM
		FRI-SAT: 3-10 PM  RAY  Saturday  6 PM  12

# Saturday, Oct 3rd Elks Nat'l Foundation Night

Mark your calendar for this important event!

Thanks to your generous donations, our lodge has received almost \$20,000 in ENF grants THIS YEAR ALONE to help local Teens, Seniors and Veterans.

# ENF Programs help build stronger communities!

Join us for a great evening . . .

Dinner at 5 PM serving 1/2 rack of ribs, baked potato, beans & a roll for \$15

# **Live Music by Everyday People** from 5-7 PM

Donations to ENF can be made online at elks.org or can be dropped off at the lodge anytime!



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# THANK YOU!

### Newsletters -

A huge shout out to Becky Nelson, Tara Rossi and Steph Riegelman for helping fold and prep August newsletters for mailing!

## **Community Service Night -**

Thanks to all of the volunteers that came out to help with our appreciation dinner. We served ribs and chicken to area police, sheriff, dispatch, EMT and Fire employees & their families. Volunteers that night were Jess & Mike Anderson, Leigh Ann Anderson, Lottie Aslakson, Mike Bignell, JoLynn Fleming, Scott Guse, Ribmaster extraordinaire Gary Iocco, Sharon Lee, Becky & Charlie Nelson, Patsy Nesteby, Tara Rossi and Warren Wertman along with meal servers Patty Brown, Mike Goggin, Barb & Tim Haley and Mike Wilson.

Cookie Crew - Thanks SO MUCH to the great crew led by Greta Sloan who helped bake cookies for our Community Service Appreciation Night. Volunteers were Karlyne Bottin, Carol Burma, Jeannie Fairbanks, Sue Handwerk, Char Sloan and Greta Sloan. The cookies were fabulous thanks for your efforts!

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## **Exalted Ruler Awards**



On August 1st, our Lodge gathered to celebrate the 2019-2020 Lodge year. PER Susan Henke presented the following awards:



Citizen of the Year
JoLynn Fleming

**Elk of the Year** Greg Fleming

Officer of the Year Mike Bignell



**Special Appreciation**Tom Velure

Thank you to these individuals for their service to our lodge!!

# TRUSTEE UPDATE

Members all . . .

THANK YOU for all of your efforts to rally and support our lodge! We appreciate each and every member that is stopping in OR ordering take-out. Thanks to your ongoing support, we are weathering the impact of this pandemic fairly well.

We're excited to share some news with you that will continue to assist the financial health of our lodge. The Trustees have submitted an application and received approval for an HRA loan to finance some much needed repairs / improvements to our lodge including some roof repairs, air conditioner repairs, replacing our PA system and a required Fire Alarm system. This HRA loan is a \$25,000 zero percent interest loan with a \$25,000 grant over 10 years. While these funds will help us start to address some longstanding issues with our building, they will not cover the entire cost of these projects and we will continue to raise funds to cover the balance.

Watch our newsletter, Facebook and Weekly eNews for future fundraising events or work bees to help out with some volunteer labor!

## Red Wing Elks # 845 Trustees

Charlie Nelson, Royce Bottin, Dean Reinhart, Scott Guse and Kevin Riegelman



RW 845's Impact Grant

# HEARY SEPTEMBER UPDATE

We have set up several collection bins in the entry way at the lodge and put a breakdown of the various projects on the bulletin board. If you see a project you like, grab a copy of the donation requests and go shopping!

Right now, we are most in need of school supply donations to support local teens! Youth Outreach has shared that there is a need for 2 Inch 3-Ring Binders, Pens, Mechanical Pencils and Headphones for virtual days (Noise Cancelling or Ear Buds—with cords preferred) We'll use some grant funding to buy some of these supplies but any donations are also greatly appreciated!

Thanks for helping show our teens that their community cares about their success!!



# It's that time of year - Get yours before they're gone!

Proceeds from the Raffle pay for our Red Wing kids to attend camp next summer. Because there wasn't camp this year, we did get our camper fees back and will use those funds to support local youth events since our gambling proceeds are struggling this year.

Ask a lodge officer for more info! & get yours today!

# WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH . . .



Sunday, Sept 27<sup>th</sup> Red Wing Golf Course

18 holes, 4 person scramble

Sign up at the Lodge (include your handicap) and join in the fun! Teams drawn based on handicap.

**Shotgun start 10AM** 

Cost - \$50.00 per person (RWGC members \$20.00) includes;

- Pastries
- Golf
- Cart
- Broasted Chicken (after golf)
- Prizes
- Plus "Special Amenities" on
  - the Course



For more information or questions, contact Larry Larson or Royce Bottin Pastries & Team Draw starting at 9:00 am at the Red Wing Golf Course



# **AMERICANISM**

**Essay Contest** 

This year the essay contest is titled; "How can Patriotism be Demonstrated". The contest is open to all students in 5th - 8th grades. If you have a family member, friend or neighbor who is interested in competing, please contact Fred Tremper at 651-456-9633 for the instructions and contest forms. The essays are required to be 300 words or less and must be submitted to the Lodge by 12/15/20 for judging.

Essay winners from the Lodge are then submitted for competition at the District and State Level. Winners at the State are awarded: First Place \$300, Second Place \$200 and Runner-Up \$100. Winning State essays are then forwarded on to the National contest, where winners will receive a plague from the Grand Lodge.



# Take-Out available



# Broasted Chicken & Fish or any other meal

We will continue to offer all of our meals with Take Out options. We will also continue to, whenever possible, serve broasted chicken on Thursday and broasted fish on Friday nights.

To help insure timely preparation of take-out orders, please call in your order at 651-388-5862

Pictures from our Community Service Appreciation Night







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