



# The Golden Antler

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## REV IT UP:

We've been cruising along and it's hard to believe it's already the end of June. Richard and I are looking forward to attending the Minnesota State Convention in Rochester on June 26 and 27<sup>th</sup>. Then it's on to Indianapolis for the 2015 National Convention. I can't think of a better city for getting revved up! We feel honored to represent your Lodge at these two conventions and it will be interesting to talk with members from all across the nation, renew old acquaintances and make new Elk friends.

I'd like to thank everyone who has assisted with the many events we have had. Maybe you attended the Medal of Valor ceremony or stuffed boxes for soldiers to send overseas, participated in the Memorial Day Parade or Heritage Parade, helped with burger night, assisted or attended our Flag Day Ceremony in Central Park....we couldn't do any of these things without your commitment. This is what we as Elks do and we should all feel very proud! We're making a difference in our community!

As July fast approaches, make a point to stop at your Lodge. It's our birthday month and we're celebrating 106 years as a Lodge in Faribault! Yes! How awesome is that!! Bring a friend and share the wonderful story of Elkdom. Be sure to check the monitor and email blast for upcoming July events.

Speaking of events, if you have an idea for one, let me or any officer or trustee know. YOU are what make Faribault Lodge #1166 the "happening place to be".

Have a safe and Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!

*Fraternally submitted,  
Ruth Mickelson, Exalted Ruler*



### Thank you.....

- to **everyone** who has helped on burger nights. The food is always delicious. (To be part of this fun & delicious evening every Tuesday, sign up on the bulletin board.)
- to **the volunteers** that worked the Mother's Day buffet. We could not serve as many people as we do without everyone's help. Also, thanks to anyone who donated flowers or money for the center-pieces.
- to **Jeff and volunteers** for the excellent steak dinner.
- to **everyone** who walked the Memorial Day and Heritage Day parades, and carried the Elks and Antlers banners, handed out flags to our veterans or handed out candy.
- to **Ruth Mickelson and all the Officers** that participated in the Flag Day ceremony at Central Park. It was a beautiful day and a memorable ceremony.
- to **Chris LeMieux** for her efforts in recruiting 12 eligible campers to send to the MN Elks Youth camp. Also, thanks to **everyone** that drove the kids to camp and back. They all had a great time.
- to **all members** for your support of the Lodge.
- to **our bartenders**. We appreciate your excellent service.

### **Dates to Remember:**

#### **MEETING NIGHTS**

Trustee 6:00  
Lodge 7:30

- August 6
- Sept. 3 & 17

#### **Tuesday Nights**

Burger Night  
6:00 p.m.

#### **Cupcakes, Cocktail,**

**Canvas**

July 15

#### **Birthday Bash Omelet**

**Bar**

July 26

#### **State Golf Tournament**

July 25

#### **All You Can Eat Corn**

**Feed**

August 15

#### **Annual Golf Outing &**

**Boyd's Pork Chops**

August 20

## Veterans' Corner



On November 11, 1982, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (VVM) was completed, ten years after the end of the bitter and divisive Vietnam War that tore the United States apart. After ten years of shame, anger, and painful fights over US participation in the Vietnam War, the sacrifice and courage of the soldiers who fought was finally to be recognized and remembered. Speaking at the wall for a Veterans Day ceremony, President Reagan declared, "The night is over. We see these men and women and know them once again and know how much we owe them, how much they've given us, and how much we can never fully repay".

This memorial has become a monument to that living love. The messages and mementos they leave speak with a whispering voice that passes gently through the surrounding trees and to out across the breast of our peaceful nation: a childhood teddy bear, a photograph of the son or daughter born too late to know his or her father, a battle ribbon, a note -- there are so many of these, and all are testimony to our living love for them. And our nation itself is testimony to the love our veterans have had for it and for us. Our liberties, our values, all for which America stands is safe today because brave men and women have been ready to face the fire at freedom's front. And we thank God for them.

It is with the greatest of pride, that the Faribault Elks Lodge #1166, American Legion Post #43, 40-8, SAL, VFW Post 1562 and the Marine Corps League, have partnered to bring a replica of the Vietnam Wall to Faribault over the Labor Day weekend of 2016 for all Veterans and citizens to experience. There will be more information to follow in upcoming months.

Thank you to all veterans from Lodge #1166 for your service; Here are some of our lodge Veterans

- Don Quinell
- Robert Langer
- Don Prodoehl
- Joseph Donkers

*Fraternally submitted:*  
 Virginia van Sluis, Lodge Chaplain  
 Veteran Committee Chair

## SECRETARIES' CORNER



I hope everyone is having a great summer! It is flying by as usual.

We currently have 29 members that have not paid their dues. Lodge membership dues help us put on programs such as the hoop shoot, soccer shoot, kids Christmas party and the ice fishing contest. I'll be sending past due notices out again. To those 29 members that have not paid – please help us support the many programs we offer by sending your payment in soon.

Have a great 4th of July. I hope to see you at the Lodge soon.

*Fraternally,*  
 Lynn Erickson, Secretary



**Volunteer Event @ Rice County Fair  
 Meeting, Wednesday, July 15th  
 6:30 pm @ Your Lodge!**

The Traveling Wall Faribault 2016 ("Vietnam Memorial Wall") is looking for volunteers to be in our booth at the Rice County Fair, July 21 – 26, 2015. The Faribault Elks, VFW, Legion, and Marine Corp League are joining forces to bring the VATT Vietnam wall to Faribault August 31 – September 5, 2016. We would like 3 people in the booth at the Fair this year at all times to hand out material, give general information and provide coverage for others. Shifts will be 3 – 4 hours each. If you are interested and would like to be part of this historic event please meet at the Elks on Wednesday, July 15th at 6:30 pm to discuss the details and get your information sheet.

### Lodge Closed Labor Day

The Lodge will be closed September 7<sup>th</sup>  
 for the Labor Day Holiday

### 2015 - 2016 LODGE OFFICERS

<i>Exalted Ruler</i>	<i>Ruth Mickelson</i>
<i>Leading Knight</i>	<i>Cheri Johnson</i>
<i>Loyal Knight</i>	<i>Peter van Sluis</i>
<i>Lecturing Knight</i>	<i>Virginia van Sluis</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Lynn Erickson</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>George Smith</i>
<i>Chaplain</i>	<i>Bob Langer</i>
<i>Esquire</i>	<i>Tim Johnson</i>
<i>Inner Guard</i>	<i>Richard Lock</i>
<i>Tiler</i>	<i>Sue Cochran</i>

**TRUSTEES: Jeff Isaacson, Andy Nordquist, Deb McAlpine, Bob Erickson, Donna Braun**

# AROUND THE LODGE.....



**It's Our Birthday Month!** Join us at YOUR Lodge all month long for some planned events along with a month's worth of **BIRTHDAY SURPRIZE! SURPRIZE! SURPRIZE!** events thrown in. See below for a few of the birthday special events we have in store:

**Know your Number?**  
 YOUR membership number is what we're talking about! During our BIRTHDAY MONTH, show us your membership card. If the last digit of your membership number matches the last number of the date you are at YOUR Lodge, enjoy a special buy one/get one complimentary cocktail of your choice. **Happy Birthday!**

Offer Valid July 1 – July 31, 2015.

**Birthday Breakfast!** Sunday, July 26, 2015  
**Omelet Bar**  
 10:00 am - 12:00 Noon

**FARIBAUT Elks USA #1166**

Build your own with all the fixins', along with sides of potatoes, pastries and fresh fruit.

**\$8.00 Adults**  
**\$5.00 Kids ↓ 10**  
 \*Lodge Open @ 10 am

**CUPCAKES, COCKTAILS, CANVAS**  
**WEDNESDAY, JULY 15<sup>TH</sup>**  
 Join us for an evening of cupcakes, cocktails and canvas painting. Starts at 6:00 p.m. Brought to us by Gallery on the Go. Invite a friend and come down and have fun with "paint and sip"!

**Cost is \$26 per person**  
**RSVP Requested: 507-334-9811**





**Minnesota Elks Youth Camp Fund Raffle**  
**Sending a Deserving Child to Camp!**  
**Minnesota Elks State Project Available now!**


- Prize money based on 1000 tickets sold
- Prizes from \$100 to \$9,000
- \$100 donation

Checks made payable to the Minnesota Elks Youth Camp. Your donation is tax deductible and for every ticket sold at our Lodge, we receive a discount assessment fee for our campers.

Tickets available by email to [info@faribaultelks.org](mailto:info@faribaultelks.org)



**Annual Golf Outing**  
**Boyd's Pork Chops**  
**August 20**  
 Sign up at the Lodge for Golf and or Dinner.



**Corn Feed:**  
**Sweet Corn, Brats & Beer**  
**Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**

Sponsored by the PERS  
**\$7 Per Person**



**DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER:**  
**Friday, Aug. 28, 2015**