



The Golden Antler



Rev it Up:

The days and nights are cooler, the trees are losing their beautiful leaves and it's time to gear up for our fall and winter activities. As a nation, we celebrate Veterans Day on November 11th. As Elks we observe the entire month as Veterans Remembrance Month. "So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them." Thank you to all who are serving and to all who have served. We are grateful for your service.

November 21 is our Elks National Foundation (ENF) basket auction with appetizers, wine & beer tasting and a new addition this year is music with Mark Allen. Plus we will be welcoming our Metro District Deputy, Brad Slocum from St. Cloud, Lodge 2843 and our Metro Esquire, Tracy Rusinyak from Minneapolis Lodge 44.

Our annual Children's Christmas Party will be December 12. This year promises to be bigger and better. Please consider volunteering for this wonderful event. Contact Deb Nordquist, myself or any officer. It's a fun and magical day for the kids.

Be sure to check elsewhere in the newsletter, Facebook, the Lodge monitor, and the weekly email blast for more upcoming events!

In October, Richard & I motored to Eveleth for the Minnesota Elks Mid-Year Conference. The weather was brisk and some snow flurries were spotted, but that didn't dampen the spirit of Elkdom as we listened to reports from the various committee chairs and attended breakout sessions. We were thrilled that Faribault 1166 received the Grand Lodge All American Lodge Contest A Award. It was interesting to hear what other Lodges in Minnesota are doing to demonstrate how "Elks Care - Elks Share" in their communities.

Our membership continues to grow. Thanks for all who have brought in new members. Let's keep our Lodge driving forward as we continue toward the end of the year. Bring a guest to the Lodge and tell them about our "Elks Pride" and our "Community Focus".

*Fraternally submitted,
Ruth Mickelson, Exalted Ruler*



Thank you.....

- to **Peter van Sluis** for organizing and to all those who helped with the highway clean up.
- to **Jeff and volunteers** for the delicious Pasta Bar and Omelet Breakfast.
- to **Deb Nordquist and volunteers** for helping serve chili during the Downtown Faribault chili cook-off.
- to **Lynn Erickson** for all your hard work & dedication getting the Elks Youth Camp Raffle tickets sold. Thanks also to those who bought a ticket.
- to **Rudy Lang** for cleaning the entry-way windows. They look magical when she is done!
- to **Pam Blow** and others who help with this newsletter.
- to **our bartenders**. We appreciate your great service.
- to **all members** for supporting the lodge, keeping it growing and making it a great place to come!

Dates to Remember:

MEETING NIGHTS

Trustee 6:00
Lodge 7:30

- Nov. 5, 19
- Dec 3, 17

Vikings Sundays

November 1, 8,
15 (3:05 Kickoff), 22, 29
Dec 6, 20, 27

Annual Wine Tasting

November 21

Tom & Jerrys
November 25

Memorial Service

December 6

Children's Christmas Party

December 12

Bargo & Food
December 18

Omelet Bar & Euchre

January 1

Chili Cook-off
January 31

Superbowl Sunday
February 7

Veterans' Corner



Some facts about Veterans' Day

It is a federal holiday that is observed on November 11th. Veterans Day was once called Armistice Day. Armistice Day was created to honor veterans of World War I. November 11, 1919 was the first time Armistice Day was celebrated. Germany signed the armistice slowing the hostilities of World War I in the 11th month, on the 11th day, during the 11th hour.

June 1, 1954 was when the United States changed the name to Veterans Day, honoring all military veterans. Between 1971 and 1977 Veterans Day was celebrated on the fourth Monday of October. It coincides with other holidays such as Armistice Day and Remembrance Day, which are celebrated in other parts of the world and also mark the anniversary of the end of World War I.

There are roughly 24 million living veterans. 400,000 of the United States Armed Forces died during WWII. There are more than 5.5 million U.S. veterans living with a disability.

Veterans Day should not be confused with Memorial Day. Veterans Day commemorates the service of all U.S. military veterans, while Memorial Day is a day of remembering the men and women who died while serving their country.

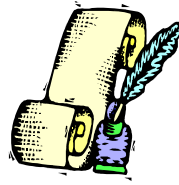
It is with great pride the Elks members of Lodge 1166 say Thank you to our members who served in the Armed Forces and gave their time to ensure our Freedoms. Some of our members who are Veterans!

- ◆ Robert Langer
- ◆ Mark Erickson
- ◆ Steve Bauer
- ◆ James Bakos
- ◆ Don Edel
- ◆ Harry Truman
- ◆ Doug Truman



Fraternally submitted:
Virginia van Sluis, Lecturing Knight
Veteran Committee Chair

SECRETARIES' CORNER



November is the time for Thanksgiving and I'd like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to everyone that purchased the Minnesota Elks Youth Camp Raffle tickets. All proceeds from the raffle go to the Minnesota Elks Youth Camp. Since we sold our 38 allotted tickets our camper assessment fees will be reduced by \$500 next year. There were 1000 tickets sold and our Lodge had two winning tickets. A list of all the raffle ticket winners is posted on the bulletin board at the Lodge. Great job everyone!!

I would also like to thank all our members that have paid their dues, helped out around the Lodge, participated in programs and events and for supporting the Lodge. Thank you to Rudy Lang for signing up 6 new candidates this month! She knows that "membership matters" and is a rock star recruiter!!

Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Fraternally,
Lynn Erickson, Lodge Secretary



Special Thanks to everyone who donated to the purchase of new bar stools, tabletops and high-tops for the bar.

We especially want to thank

Andy Nordquist for all the work he did researching the costs, ordering the merchandise, making the high top bases and putting the new tabletops on. They look awesome and are getting a lot of use!



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.....



WINE AND BEER TASTING

6:30 - 8:00 P.M.

SILENT BASKET AUCTION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

HORS D' OEUVRES

BASKET AUCTION

ENTERTAINMENT BY MARK ALLEN

HOW'S YOUR BASKET COMING?

CAN YOU HELP OUT WITH AN HORS D' OEUVRE FOR THE NIGHT?

SUGGESTED DONATION \$10
YOUR BASKET / HORS D'OEUVRE CAN BE YOUR DONATION



BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

THIS EVENT WILL BENEFIT ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

Traveling Wall Faribault 2016 Vietnam Memorial Aug 31 - Sep 5

The Faribault Elks, VFW, American Legion, and Marine Corp League are joining forces to bring the VATT Vietnam wall to Faribault August 31 - September 5, 2016.

Please contact your lodge to see how you can help plan this event.

Freedom Isn't Free



Thank You, Veterans

November is Elks Veterans Remembrance Month.

In 1946, the Elks made a pledge, "So long as there are Veterans the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them". Let's show our Veterans & military personnel how truly thankful we are for all they have done and continue to do!



Holidays at your Lodge:



Tom & Jerrys: Nov. 25

Lodge Closed: Nov. 26

Children's Christmas Party:

Dec. 12

Dec. 18 - Food & Bargo



Lodge Closed: Dec. 24 & Dec. 25



Open New Year's Day

Jan. 1st - Omelet Bar

from 10 to Noon.

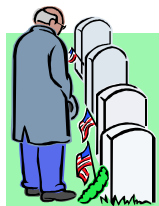
Euchre at 1:00 pm

Memorial Service

December 6th

11:00 a.m.

at the Lodge



Come and honor our members who have passed away this year.

Veterans Care Packages

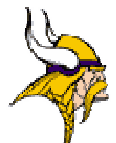


Please think about the items that you can contribute that will go into Christmas packages for our Adopted MN National Guard Troup Company B who are stationed in Kuwait. We need the following dry good items: soap shampoo, deodorant, sun screen, magazines for men & women, cards snacks, beef jerky, nuts, gum, candy. As it gets closer, we will need homemade baked items too. Please purchase small travel size items and we will meet on Nov. 3rd to package items.

Virginia van Sluis, Veteran Committee Chair

**Deadline for the next newsletter:
Monday, Dec. 28, 2015**

Vikings Sundays



We're open
for the Game

Bring a Munchie to Pass and Cheer on the Team!!

Game Day Drink Specials