



# Calling all Elks

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## Brad's Message by Brad Norton, Exalted Ruler

I want to thank everyone who attended the ER Ball and hope you enjoyed yourselves. I've received great feedback on the Cream Can meal and been asked when we'll do it again. We're thinking about serving it at the 159 Golf Tournament currently scheduled for 18 August.

My sincere thank you to Jim Horsham and our Lodge PERs for running the Officer Installation ceremony on 2 April, great job by everyone! I proudly congratulate Donna Dill, Jackie Norris and Margo Woolman as our 2012-13 Citizen, Elk and Lodge Officer of the year award winners.

I also want to congratulate the two Grand Exalted Ruler's Special Commendation Award winners, Anita Storehalder and Duane Norris, for outstanding contributions to our Lodge this past year. Finally, a pat on the back goes to Don Runcie, who was awarded a special Lodge Volunteer Commendation for his outstanding help with lodge, club and golf course activities this year. Super effort one and all. Please pass on your congrats when you see them.

As an update to my first challenge this year, I've brought three people, who've never been to an Elk's event, into our lodge for functions and they were extremely impressed with not only the events, but especially the outstanding people they met. This reflects directly on you, the members, well done everyone! This summer offers plenty of opportunities for you to bring along new people to "check us out."

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## From the Trustees by Randy Rippen, Chairman

Spring has finally decided to make an appearance at the end of April, and we are definitely glad to see the warmer temperatures! We hope to have a great summer season on the golf course and we hope you'll enjoy your membership and have "fun in the sun" all summer long.

Just a reminder to our "Golf Only" Members - if you want to take advantage of Elks Member drink and food discounts, it costs you nothing to join the Elks Lodge. Just let the Secretary or a Trustee know, and we'll schedule you for Initiation, which only takes an hour or so one Tuesday evening. There are no other obligations beyond the Initiation.

Also, we want to remind Elks Members that the Trustees have adopted a policy to be transparent about our financial results this summer. At every Lodge meeting, we'll be sharing Sales information and monthly profit and loss figures. It's just one more reason to attend Lodge meetings!



Congratulations to Jackie Norris, who was honored April 27th as Nebraska's State Elk of the Year at the Spring Convention in North Platte. Jackie is a Past Exalted Ruler of our Lodge, Chair of our Youth Activities Committee, and a longtime State Chair of Youth Activities for the Nebraska Elks Association. (L-to-R) Mike Ohren, Omaha Elks Lodge; Jackie; Jim Horsham, John Folcik.

## Notes From the Secretary by Butch Lyons

As I prepare this article, I wish to commend the members on the rapid payment of Lodge dues. We have 89 members on the delinquent list; we are a little behind the pace of last year. If you have not paid for 2013-2014 please do so as soon as you can. The generosity of our members is wonderful, in the additional check off columns. We have raised money for the Elks National Foundation, for the debt reduction, for the round up.

May brings us to the results of the State Convention that was held in North Platte--We wish to thank John and Lynn Folcik for their year of service as our State President.

Mother's Day

# BUFFET



Sunday, May 12th 10am-2pm

Mother's Day weekend is filled with hectic activities like guests and graduation and taking care of everybody else. Here's your chance to make sure Mom relaxes for a little while!

Fried Chicken...Ham...Roast Beef...plenty of side dishes. It all adds up to one GREAT buffet for one GREAT mom!

Moms and kids (under 12): Just \$6  
All others: \$12.50

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