

# Deming Elks News

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Return Service Requested

## Cornbeef and Cabbage



**Tuesday, March 16th**  
**Serving 5-7 pm Old Lodge**  
Hosted by Pat Johnson. Karaoke will follow at 7 pm till close

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## P.E.R.'s DINNER

**Friday,  
March 19th**

**10 ounce steak  
OR half-chicken**  
\$10 for steaks, \$9 for chicken. Serving from 6-8 pm.  
**At Old Lodge!**

## Elks BINGO

Cash Raffle & Pull Tabs

**Monday Night**  
**3401 Raymond Reed**

Smokers welcome. Door Prize on 29th.

**Open to the Public!**

**Early Bird: 6:30,  
Regular Bingo 7.**  
(every regular game minimum \$100), a winner-take-all game and a possible \$500 progressive call game.  
Doors open at 6.

## Potluck Dinner

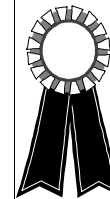
**Saturday, March 13th from 5-7 pm**

Old Lodge. Bring a Dish to Pass.

For more information contact Phyllis Wheeler

## Rib Dinner

**Sun., March 7, 2-5 pm**  
Hosted by Roger Bladow and Richard Wyatt. Proceeds for David Ritchlin's trip to Nashville



## Awards and Installation of Officers Friday, Mar. 19th

Installation and Awards at 5 pm at the Old Lodge. The ceremony will be followed by the monthly PER Dinner from 6-8 pm. Officers, Red Shirts!

**B.P.O. Elks #2799  
Officers & Committee Heads**

**Elected Lodge Officers**

EXALTED RULER - Mike Hedrick  
LEADING KNIGHT - Roxy Dubiskas PER  
LOYAL KNIGHT - Harriet Kirich PER  
LECTURING KNIGHT - Vacant  
SECRETARY - Dave Johnson PER  
TREASURER - Sue Cooper  
TILER - Billy Baker

**Appointed Lodge Officers**

ESQUIRE - Vacant  
INNER GUARD - Anna Enciso  
CHAPLAIN - Stanley Reid  
ORGANIST - Gene Logan

**Board of Trustees**

TRUSTEE 1 YR. (Chairman) - Fred Kent PER  
TRUSTEE 2 YR. - Ollie Cooper  
TRUSTEE 3 YR. - Bill Snell  
TRUSTEE 4 YR. - Barb Schreiber  
TRUSTEE 5 YR. - Rob Kirich

**Committee Chairmen**

AMERICANISM - Anna Enciso  
CEREBRAL PALSY - Dave Johnson PER  
C & B TRUST - Trine Rodriguez  
ENF - Sue Cooper  
VETERANS SERVICE - Don Burgess  
LODGE ACTIVITIES - Marleen Kent  
Pool Tournament: Jim Lyons  
Karaoke: Dave Johnson PER  
YOUTH ACTIVITIES - Anna Enciso  
HOOP SHOOT - Phyllis Wheeler  
SOCCER SHOOT - Phyllis Wheeler  
PER ASSOCIATION - Harriet Kirich PER  
DRUG AWARENESS - Roxy Dubiskas PER  
RITUAL - Dave Cummings PER  
EDITOR/CYBER-ASST - Dave Johnson PER  
MEMBERSHIP - Bill Snell  
LAPSATION - Bill Snell  
ADV. & PUBLICITY - Dave Johnson PER  
BINGO MANAGER - Mike Hedrick  
CLUB MANAGER - Phyllis Wheeler  
BLDG.COMMITTEE - Ollie Cooper

**Lodge Meetings 1st & 3rd Thursdays**

**at 7:30 pm (except July, Aug. & Dec.)**

**Instituted February 1, 1997**



**Secretary's Corner**  
From Dave Johnson PER

Welcome to our five newest members. At a special initiation on February 20th, two new members were initiated: Jim Painter and Jim Beals. In addition, three transfer dimitts were approved in February. George Torres transferred from Las Cruces, Robert K. Bradberry from Lordsburg, and Robert W. Crowell from Silver City. Three candidates that were scheduled for initiation on the 20th failed to show. We are still hopeful we can bring in Ebony Zamora, Raul Devora and Herman E. Gentry III at the meeting in March. With the additional five members, we now stand at 220 up from 195 at the beginning of the Lodge year. That is a gain of 25 members. However, we have 24 members who have not paid their 2009-10 dues, and they will be dropped, and we have one member who has requested an absolute dimit. That means right now we show no gain, but also no loss.

We have two more transfers, and will be voting on Gary Carman and Don Wheeler who are transferring from Ruidoso on March 4th.

We also have two candidates in the hands of the Investigating Committee: Rosa Esparza and Johnny N. Esparza both proposed by Fred Kent.

Dues notices have been mailed, and cards will be prepared and available for pickup after March 1st. If you need your card mailed, please indicate that when you pay.

Remember your new membership card is not valid until April 1st, so be sure to hold on to the 2009-10 card until then. Dues must be paid by April 1st to remain in good standing. There is no grace period.

**Friday Noon Lunches  
are back!**

Friday at noon at the Old Lodge.  
Something delicious each week.  
Check the white board for meals.

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## Bingo Committee

From Dave Johnson PER—Asst. Manager

The Bingo Committee will be making a couple of recommendations to the Lodge on March 4th.

We will recommend \$400 from charity money for transportation for David Ritchlin and his family to travel to Nashville to receive the "Yes I Can" award, presented by the CEC program, dedicated to over-achievers. Only 22 high school students nationwide were selected, and only two from New Mexico. The \$400 will cover round trip transportation for one person. A rib dinner by Roger Bladow is planned for March 7th with the proceeds also designated for the trip. A fund raiser will also be held at the VFW on March 13th.

Also, the following recommendation will be made concerning the raffle of an Elks Bolo and Belt Buckle donated by Clarence Wagner: Tickets will be grouped in bundles of 12 tickets for \$10, or \$1 per ticket. We will initially print a total of 100 books, or 1200 tickets. The drawing will tentatively be during the Duck Race. Tickets will be available from officers and at Monday Bingo, as well as state Elks functions.

Also, at the Committee's monthly meeting everyone was also advised that there should be NO disruption to Bingo as the Lodge re-works the west and south walls to become compliant with code and the original plans. At least one member of the committee was concerned that we might have to cancel Bingo for several weeks.

We will be calling 50 numbers on the top-three lines progressive call game for \$500 on March 1st. Bingo is open to the public.

Doors open Monday at 6 pm, early bird Bingo at 6:30, and regular games at 7. We hope to see you there.

## C & B Scholarships

The New Mexico Elks Association Charitable and Benevolent Trust Commission announces the availability of scholarships:

One (1) Scholarship, \$2,000 per year for 4 years to the top male applicant.

and One (1) Scholarship, \$2,000 per year for 4 years to the top female applicant. Several \$2,000 one year grants and several \$1,000 one year grants are available.

Applications are due at the local Lodge by March 20th. Applications are available on line at [www.nmelks.org/scholarships.htm](http://www.nmelks.org/scholarships.htm), or at the Lodge.

## Election of Officers

From Dave Johnson PER-Secretary

Congratulations to the 2010-11 Officers, elected at the meeting on February 18th.

ER Mike Hedrick PER, Est. Leading Knight Roxy Dubiskas PER, Est. Lecturing Knight, Monte Feldick, 5 Year Trustee, Fred Kent PER, Secretary Dave Johnson PER, Treasurer Dana Bivens, and Tiler JoAnn Snell. There was only one candidate for each position, and one member was designated and cast the ballot for the whole Lodge.

No one was nominated for Est. Loyal Knight, so we are still looking. Also, there are several appointive positions that need to be filled. Those are Inner Guard, Chaplain, Esquire and Organist. The Lodge also needs to fill all our Committee Chairmanships. Last year, many of our chairmen dropped the ball, and we are really looking for members who can be dedicated and are willing to take on the challenge. The committees that need to be filled are listed on the inside cover of this bulletin. Again, if you are interested in becoming an officer or taking on a chairmanship, please contact Mike. We appreciate your help.

Also, you may notice that many of the officers are repeats. This is because we have such a hard time finding members who are dedicated to the Lodge and our Order, and are willing to serve. We need some new, fresh blood. Even if you are new to Elkdom, please consider offering your services to keep our Lodge vital.

Installation of Officers will be in conjunction with Awards and the PER Steak Dinner on Friday, March 19th.



## From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

First, I would like to thank everyone for your confidence in again electing me as your Exalted Ruler. This will be my third year, and with your help, I feel we can make this a "Great" year. In order for that to happen, I need each and every member to take an active role in the various committees of the Lodge, and programs of the Order. Please get with me if you can serve as a member or chairman of a committee, help fill out our slate of officers, volunteer for our various dinners, at Bingo or at the Lounge. We really do need YOUR help. Without active members, the Elks are nothing.

I would like to congratulate all the 2010-11 officers, and look forward to working with them.

Also, thanks go out to Phyllis Wheeler, our Club Manager, for the Super Bowl Party, Valentines Dinner, and Friday meals. We all appreciate your effort. Also, thanks to Richard Wyatt, Harold Hood and the Float Committee for putting on a last minute Mardi Gras celebration. The food was great, and the event was well attended.

Also, congratulations to Roxy Dubiskas, our Leading Knight, who competed in the Southwest District Ritual Competition in Las Cruces on February 20th. She competed with a team of subs, including Secretary Dave Johnson PER, who substituted in the position of Esquire. The team, and Roxy and Dave individually, finished third against Las Cruces and Alamogordo. At least our Lodge competed. Three Lodges in our district didn't even bother. Congratulate Roxy next time you see her.

I also had the pleasure of traveling to Rio Rancho for the State Hoop Shoot on February 13th, and have some good ideas on what we need to do next year. Phyllis Wheeler has again agreed to chair the event, and to her I give a big Thank you.

Now on to March. On the 7th, Roger Bladow will be putting on a rib dinner,

and all the proceeds will go to David Ritchlin for his trip to Nashville.

On the 16th, Pat Johnson will host a St. Patrick's cornbeef and cabbage dinner, on the 13th we will have another potluck, and on the 19th the PER steak dinner, awards, and installation of officers. Installation will be at 5 pm. Officers please wear red shirts.

We are still working on getting the dictionaries to our 3rd graders. If you can help, please let me know.

Thanks again for your support.

Yours in Elkdom;

Mike Hedrick ER

## Mardi Gras

From Harold Hood

The Mardi Gras Celebration on February 16th was a success, even though the meal was planned on short notice. Those who attended enjoyed it.

The meal made a little over \$100, and that money has been earmarked for the RV Park at the new Lodge.



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**February Pool Tournament Winner:** 1st Place, Hector Palacio, Jr. Next Tournament is 3/13. (Archive photo)



## Monthly Pool Tournament


Saturday, Mar. 13th at 2 pm. Double Elimination 8 Ball. Entry fee is \$5.

Members and guests welcome

\*\*Food will be available\*\*

League of Gentlemen's Pool Tournament at the Elks March 27th at 1 pm.

# B.P.O. Elks #2799 Calendar of Events– Mar. 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2 Elks Bingo	3	4 Lodge Meeting	5 Lodge Meeting	6 Leadership Training Seminar	6 Leadership Training Seminar
7 Leadership Training Seminar Rib Lunch	8 Elks Bingo	9	10	11 Trustees Meeting Governing Board Meeting	12	13 Monthly Pool Tournament Pot Luck Dinner
14	15 Elks Bingo	16 Cornbeef & Cabbage Karaoke Night	17	18 Lodge Meeting PER Assn. Meeting	19 PER Dinner Installation	20 Private Party- Old Lodge
21	22 Elks Bingo	23 Bingo Committee Meeting	24	25 NIMEA State Convention	26 NIMEA State Convention	27 NIMEA State Convention League of Gentlemen Pool Tournament
28	29 Elks Bingo	30	31 <b>Happy St. Patrick's Day</b>	<div style="border: 2px solid purple; border-radius: 50%; padding: 10px; text-align: center; color: white;"> <b>Free Birthday Drink at the Lounge</b> </div>		

3/4 Raymond Baese  
3/6 Peggy S. Dickinson  
3/7 Guy Gilmore  
3/10 Fred Kent PER  
3/13 Robert W. Crowell

3/13 Barbara Hood  
3/13 Ed Mills  
3/23 Frances Koble-Chase  
3/23 Terry Webb  
3/24 Richard L. Wyatt

3/25 Frank Chipruch  
3/31 Wayne Ball  
3/31 Rob Kirich

**03/01-08-15-22-29/10 Elks Bingo**  
Elks Bingo at 3401 Raymond Reed Blvd. Doors open at 6 pm.. Early Bird Bingo at 6:30, and Regular Bingo at 7 pm. More than half our games pay \$125 or more, plus a progressive call game with possible \$500 payout. Smokers are welcome. Open to the public. Door Prize on 29th.

**03/04-18/10 Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm**  
NEW Lodge. Red Shirts on 4th. White Shirts on 18th  
**03/06-07/10 Leadership Training Seminar** Rio Rancho.  
**03/07/10 Rib Lunch 2-5 pm**

Ribs, beans, salad and bread at the Old Lodge. Donation is \$6. Proceeds go to travel expenses for David Ritchlin, who will be receiving an award in Nashville. Hosted by Roger Bladow and Richard Wyatt.

**03/11/10 Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm Old Lodge**  
**03/11/10 Governing Board Meeting 7 pm Old Lodge**

**03/13/10 Monthly Pool Tournament**  
Monthly Pool Tournament Double Elimination 8 Ball Tournament. Entry fee is \$5. No advance sign up needed. Tournament begins at 2 pm. Members and guests.

**03/13/10 Pot Luck Dinner 5-7 pm**  
Bring a dish to pass. Contact Phyllis Wheeler 544-0684

**03/16/10 Cornbeef & Cabbage 5-7 pm**

Enjoy an early St. Patrick's dinner with cornbeef and cabbage. Hosted by Pat Johnson. Desserts welcome

**03/16/10 Karaoke Night 7 pm till close**

**03/18/10 PER Assn. Meeting 7 pm New Lodge**

**03/19/10 PER Dinner 6-8 pm**  
10 oz. Steak dinner or half chicken dinner, with potato, and salad. Donation for steak is \$10, \$9 for chicken.

**03/19/10 Installation 5 pm**  
Installation of Officers & Awards

**03/20/10 Private Party-Old Lodge** Sue and Kenny Stailey.

**03/23/10 Bingo Comm. Meeting 6:30 pm Old Lodge**

**03/25-26-27/10 NIMEA State Convention in Roswell.**

**03/27/10 League of Gentlemen Pool Tournament**  
1 pm this week at the Elks. Rotates at Moose, American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars.



## Notes from the Club

From Phyllis Wheeler Club Manager

I would like to thank everyone who participated in February activities at the bar. Please don't forget about Friday lunches. And we can always use more volunteer bartenders. There will be a class on March 7th.

Pat Johnson will be hosting a cornbeef and cabbage dinner on March 16th. Desserts would be appreciated.

Also, lets congratulate Susie and Kenny Stailey on their new grandbaby. They will be having a baby shower at the Old Lodge on March 20th at 1 pm. I will close for now.

## Per Capita

From Dave Johnson PER– Secretary

As we close out the Lodge year, I would like to congratulate the Lodge on meeting all the major per capitas for the 2009-10 Lodge Year.

Our per capita for the Elks National Foundation (ENF) was \$4.50 (although the State President asked we try for \$10). We will finish out the year at \$5.27. This will allow us to apply for

## Sickness & Distress:

Palma Richmond, wife of member Harold Richmond, suffered a heart attack, and was hospitalized. She has since returned home. Roxy Dubiskas reported that Inner Guard Anna Enciso is very, very sick. The doctors say her problem is more than a sore throat, but has to do with her vocal cords. PER Chris Rossman passed away on January 29th in Arkansas (his membership with the Elks had lapsed). Dave Cummings PER was hospitalized in Silver City for C.O.P.D. Phyllis Wheeler's son, Steven, was hospitalized in Silver City with an immune problem. And Tiler Billy Baker will be going in for knee surgery.

**Visiting Elks:** 2/9 Floyd Witfield, #855 Sumter, SC; 2/14 I. F. Castro, #2190 Canoga Park, CA; 2/15 Charlie Nathan, #402 Eau Claire, WI ; 2/15 Roy King, #402, Eau Claire, WI; 2/15 Paul Greeder, #1726 Torrington, WY; 2/15 Con Carlson, #2131 Willcox, AZ; 2/16 Lew & Wilma Nelson, #413 Silver City; 2/16 Bob Conner, #413 Silver City

a \$500 Gratitude Grant from Grand Lodge. What the money will be used for will be discussed at a Lodge meeting in the near future. We must use the money by the end of July.

The per capita for C & B Trust was set at \$3.50, and Deming will finish at \$4.91. C & B is much like ENF, except at the state level.

The per capita goal for Veteran's Service is \$1.00, and the Lodge finishes at \$1.27.

And for our Major Charity, Cerebral Palsy, the per capita was set at \$10. Deming finishes at \$11.28.

I would like to thank the PER Association, the Bingo Committee, and individual members who contributed with their dues, through participation in various meals earmarked for these charities, and for purchasing CP raffle tickets. Thanks to you, we achieved our goals.

Awards will be given out at the State Convention in Roswell on March 25-27th. The convention is open to any Elks in good standing, and all our members are encouraged to attend. The agenda and registration can be found at the state website, www.nmelks.org.



### Lodge Lounge Hours

**Mon-Fri 11:30 - 7; Sat-Sun 1 - 7**

Open Sunday!

Internet Access: Bring your own computer. We have WiFi!

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Mon-Sat 4-6 pm  
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Domestic Beer \$2.00, Premium Beer, Wine & Well Drinks: \$2.25. Top Shelf \$3 or \$3.50

