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† Good Friday Fish Fry

Deming Elks will serve **Fish and Chips** on Friday, April 9th, Good Friday. **Call 546-2799 for takeouts**, and your plates will be ready.



Other meals in April..

**Saturday, April 17th a Diner's Choice.
Steak or Burgers.
Saturday, April 24th Meatloaf Dinner.**

Dinners 5-7 pm. See calendar for details. Volunteer to host a meal. Contact the Lodge.

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Local Student Wins*

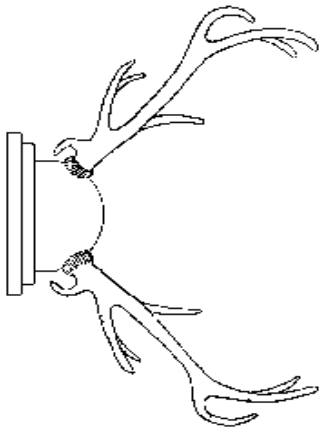
*Secretary's
Corner*

Trustees Report



New Officers!

Deming's new Lodge Officers were installed on Friday, March 26th in a joint ceremony at Silver City Lodge #413. Pictured are (L-R) Sue Burdette, Mike Hedrick, Roxy Dubiskas, Stan Reid, Wayne Krack, ER Fred Kent, Frank Chiprick and Dave Johnson.



Address Correction Requested

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

Elected Lodge Officers

EXALTED RULER- Fred Kent
LEADING KNIGHT- James Metz, Jr.
LOYAL KNIGHT- Dave Johnson
LECTURING KNIGHT- Wayne Krack
SECRETARY- Mike Hedrick
TREASURER- Susan Burdette
TILER- James Metz, Sr.

Appointed Lodge Officers

ESQUIRE- Chris Rossman PER
INNER GUARD- Roxy Dubiskas
CHAPLIN- Stanley Reid
ORGANIST- Barbara Schreiber

Board of Trustees

CHAIRMAN TRUSTEE 1 YR.- Frank Chiprich
TRUSTEE 2 YR.- Arlo Mead
TRUSTEE 3 YR.- Ollie Cooper
TRUSTEE 4 YR.- Harriet Kirich PER
TRUSTEE 5 YR.- Vern Schreiber

Committee Chairmen

AMERICANISM- Chris Rossman PER
CEREBRAL PALSY- Harriet Kirich PER
C & B TRUST- JoAnn Olsen
NATIONAL FOUNDATION- Carl Olsen PER
VETERANS SERVICE- Donna Bellovics
LODGE ACTIVITIES- vacant
YOUTH ACTIVITIES- vacant
HOOP SHOOT- Chris Rossman
SOCCER SHOOT- Carl Olsen PER
PER ASSOCIATION- Ted Lauturner PER
HISTORIAN- Richard Wolf
DRUG AWARENESS- Ted Lauturner PER
LODGE PUBLIC RELATIONS- Frank Chiprich
RITUAL- Dave Cummings PER
EDITOR/CYBER-ASSISTANT- Dave Johnson
ADVERTISING- Dick Salesses
BINGO MANAGER- Carl Olsen PER

Lodge Meetings

1st & 3rd Thursdays

7:30 pm

Instituted February 1, 1997



New Lodge Pin

(Deming)— The Deming Elks Lodge will soon have a new Lodge pin.

Members at the March 18th meeting voted on two designs. Both designs featured a "racing duck" used with permission of the Great American Duck Race Committee. One was a circle, and the other was the shape of the state of New Mexico. The vote was 12-5 in favor of the circular shape. Comments were that "everybody" does their pins in the shape of the state, and we wanted something a bit different. Due to a maximum color limit of five, the original colors were changed slightly, and the black outline will be the gold base color.

Lodge officers decided to create the pin with the "Duck Race" theme, since the annual event has put Deming on the map.

The pins have been ordered through one of the Elks approved vendors, and should be delivered in about 6 weeks.

Since the Lodge beginnings in 1997 there have only been two pins. One pin was produced for the institution itself, and during his term in office then ER Carl Olsen created pins.

Plans are to sell the pins for \$5 each.



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Deming Student in Scholarship Finals

Deming student Mario J. Marrufo has reached the national finals of the Elks National Foundation 2004 Most Valuable Student scholarship contest. Marrufo is one of 500 national finalists competing for a \$60,000 scholarship.

Between now and Mid May ENF national judges will review and score each of the 500 national finalists' applications. The top male and female national finalist will each receive \$15,000 a year for four years (a total of \$60,000). The two runner-ups are awarded \$10,000 a year for four years (a total of \$40,000), and the third-place recipients receive \$5,000 a year for four years (a total of \$20,000). The remaining 494 national finalists each receive \$1,000 a year for four years (a total of \$4,000). Each national finalist is guaranteed a four-year scholarship of at least \$1,000 per year.

Results of the national judging will be announced on or around May 15, 2004.

DD Clinic in Cruces

The April District Deputy Training Clinic will be held at the Las Cruces Lodge 1119 on April 17th. Our State Sponsor requires that the Exalted Ruler, ALL chair officers, secretary, treasurer, Trustee Chairman and at least two other Trustees be present.

New Printer/Copier

Our long needed new laser printer, copier has arrived and is in service. The machine was purchase with \$235 collected with a pass of the hat at a February Lodge meeting, with the rest paid for 50:50 by the lodge and the bar. With the manufacturer's rebate, the cost was about \$350.



Cyber Ready Get your News via the Internet

From Mike Hedrick - Secretary

As part of my effort to modernize the secretary's office, we will begin tracking our membership on the computer. I am very excited about this since it will allow for easy access to our membership, and report features, the ability to track members dues, and even bill our newsletter sponsors. In addition it will allow YOUR Elks Lodge to keep in contact via EMAIL. I envision sending event reminders, last minutes changes, and for those who request it, even the monthly "Deming Elks News".

In order for this to work, I need your email address. While my predecessor, Carl Olsen did a great job filling in after the resignation of Pat Watson, we have very few email addresses. Please send your email address, and your preference to receive the newsletter postal, via email, or both. Please send your email address even if you wish to receive the newsletter via postal mail. We will still email you last minute changes.

You can also request your own address at demingelks.org. Send an email with your requested username and password, and we'll send off instructions on how to set it up on your computer. Any member in good standing is eligible for an address.

To update your record or request an email address, just send an email to secretary@demingelks.org, or call the Lodge at 546-2799 and leave your information.

I am also happy to announce the installation of a high speed fixed wireless internet connection from SWNM On-Line. This connection will not only be used by the secretary's office, but also by ANYONE with a laptop and network card at the Lodge. This will be one more offering, especially for visiting Elks.

I look forward to working for you as your secretary.

Happy Easter!



From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I want to thank the members that had enough faith in me to elect me to the Exalted Ruler's station.

You will hear a lot about getting new members so we can fulfill our dreams of a new lodge building. Membership is the only way we can accomplish these goals. The building fund is slowly growing but is a long way away from being able to start any building. This will take time and a lot of effort on the part of the members.

We have a great slate of Officers for this term and we will always be here to lend a hand to keep this great Lodge operating.

**Yours in Elkdome,
Fred Kent**

Secretary's Corner

From Mike Hedrick - Secretary

Per Statutes and By-laws, the following members have been dropped from the roster for non-payment of dues:

Daniel Anderson, Gerald Bradley, Eugene Chambers, Richard Courtney, Ruby Hervol, Cleatus Jackson, Theodore Madsen, Anita Palochko, Richard Puckett, Gilbert Stoller, Van Jacobsen, Daniel Archuleta, Lawrence Ceranski, Gloria Chambers, William Ellis, James Howeth, Thomas Kenney, Margaret Maxwell, Patricia Orr, Robert Phillips, Robert Rivett, and Gary Sell.

This is an exciting time for our Lodge. With the recent donation of 18 acres, and plans in the works for a new Lodge building, we encourage dropped

members to "get current" and support the efforts to make our Deming Lodge better. We have a great slate of officers, and expect to see much progress this year.

According to Lodge By-laws, requests to continue membership, received before April 30th (within 30 days of being dropped), can be handled administratively. That means if you contact the Lodge Secretary during April you can continue membership simply by paying past dues owed to the Lodge. A simple majority vote is required at the next regular Lodge meeting.

If you wait until after May 1st, then you must make an application for reinstatement. In that case, there is a reinstatement fee of \$15, and a lodge vote, with at least two-thirds favorable is required.

If balloting results in the rejection of the application, reinstatement shall be refused, and you must wait six months before applying again.

Our Lodge can be strong and productive with your help. If you are on the drop list, contact the Lodge and come back to the fold.

Also, two members transferred. Louis A. Benton to Kingman, AZ and Lincoln B. Sherwin to Windsor, VT.

Thanks to outgoing secretary Carl Olsen for compiling the information for this column.

Eddie the Elk

Eddie the Elk is on a vacation this month. Look for his column on our building project in the May edition of "Elks News" Don't forget, your donations to our new Lodge are welcome.

Free Finger Foods on Fridays — Sandwiches now being served daily!



New Lodge Lounge Hours
Monday-Friday 11 am-9 pm; Saturday 1-9 pm
Closed Sunday

We now have the fixings for Strawberry Daiquiris, Pina Colodas and Margaritas. Come in and try one out!

B.P.O. Elks #2799 Calendar of Events— Apr. 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 NIMEA Spring Convention Alamogordo NO Lodge Meeting	2 NIMEA Spring Convention Alamogordo	3 NIMEA Spring Convention Alamogordo
4	5	6	7	8 PERs Meeting	9 Good Friday Fish Dinner	10
11 Easter Sunday	12	13	14	15 Lodge Meeting	16	17 Weekly Dinner
18	19	20	21	22 Elks National Free-Throw Contest	23 Elks National Free-Throw Contest	24 Meatloaf Dinner Elks National Free-Throw Contest
25 Elks National Free-Throw Contest	26	27	28	29	30	

04/01-03/04 NIMEA Spring Convention Alamogordo

The Spring Convention will be held at Lodge #1897. All Elks are invited to attend this session.

04/01/04 NO Lodge Meeting
Cancelled with permission due to State Convention.

04/08/04 PERs Meeting
Time to be announced.

04/09/04 Good Friday Fish Dinner
Fish and Chips with dessert will be served from 5-7 pm at the Lodge. Cost is \$5. Members and guests welcome. Takeouts available. Hosted by Lodge Officers.

04/15/04 Lodge Meeting
Regular Lodge Meeting, 7:30 pm, 311 E. Maple.

04/17/04 Weekly Dinner
A varied selection of steaks, burgers and possibly chicken from 5-7 pm at the Lodge. Cost varies depending on selection. Members and guests welcome. Takeouts available. Hosted by PER Chris Rossman.

04/22-25/04 Elks National Free-Throw Contest

04/24/04 Meatloaf Dinner
Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy with dessert will be served from 5-7 pm at the Lodge. Cost is \$5. Members and guests welcome. Takeouts available. Hosted by PERs.

Free Birthday Drink
At the Lounge
ID may be required!



Lodge Lounge now open Mon-Fri. 11 am-9 pm, Saturday 1-9 pm.

4/2 Larry Cassell
4/3 Carl Olsen
4/4 Lee Jarvis Jr.
4/5 Birdie Tanner
4/12 A. Taylor Hall



In Memoriam: Della Hamilton, wife of member Dick Hamilton, passed away in Mid March. The family requests donation be made to the Deming Elks Lodge in her name.

Sickness & Distress: This month the following members are suffering from various illnesses and injuries. James Metz, Jr. and Richard Wolf are both recuperating from surgery. Contact the Lodge Secretary with additional names.

Stray Elks: (Visitors) 3/1 Robert W. Crowell, #413, Silver City, NM; 3/5 Dennis S. Kerr, #1896, Wildwood, NJ; 3/8 Dave & Barb Penny, #1361, Jerome, AZ; 3/9 Oliver & Sharon Clarke, #2134, 29 Palms, CA; 3/9 Richard A. Wilson, #2342, Sherwood, OR; 3/10 George Edwards, #2735, Folsom, CA; 3/10 Rod Buens, #1921, Aurora, CO; 3/10 Shirley Buens, #1921, Aurora, CO; 3/12 Clarence Wagner, #461, Albuquerque, NM; 3/14 J. S. Richardson, #2081, Kerrville, TX; 3/15 Charles Parrott, #2171, Lyanwood, WA; 3/19 Rod Erickson, #1948, Torrance, CA; 3/19 D. M Sepulveda, #187, El Paso, TX; 3/19 D. J. Sepulveda, #187, El Paso, TX; 3/19 Anthony Torrence, #689, DeSoto, MD; 3/19 Pearl Torrence, #689, DeSoto, MD; 3/19 Bob Hamilton, #476, Yuma, AZ; 3/20 Frank Logan, #413, Silver City, NM; 3/22 Roy & Nancy DeFrane, #2090, Show Low, AZ; 3/23 Raymond Parker, #1172, Tucumcari, NM; 3/23 Robert Haralyi, #2349, Apache Junction, AZ; 3/25 Diamond Blakeney PER, #978, Gulfport, MS; 3/26 E. Thomas, #1787 Bear Lake, CA

Trustees Report
From Frank Chiprich—Trustee Chriaman

The Elks Lodge 2799 new fiscal year begins on April 1, 2004 (and we're not fooling). The newly elected officers were installed at the Silver City Elks Lodge and are now ready to serve you. Do you know who they are? A good way to meet them and know them is by attending our meetings which are held on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month and by participating in the Lodge activities. Have you paid your 2004/2005 Lodge dues? If you haven't, we encourage you to do it as soon as possible.

The new calendar year also brings promises of new ideas and is also open to ideas, suggestions and support from the membership.

We have a pool table that is ready and waiting for action. Why not have a special men's day and ladies' day for playing team pool or one-on-one competition. We have card tables that are inviting card players to enjoy Bridge, Pinochle, Euchre, Canasta, Gin Rummy, etc.. Do you like to throw darts? With enough interest we can get a Dart Board and then you can create teams or play one-on-one.

Think about it and come forward with your ideas and suggestions. Your

Idea may be the best of them all.

Longer Bar Hours

After a recent meeting of the House Committee, it was decided to expand the bar hours on a trial basis.

The lounge will now be open Monday-Friday from 11 am until 9 pm, and Saturday from 1-9 pm.

Volunteers will be working as bartenders during the new expanded evening hours and Saturdays.

The expanded hours were suggested after several members said they would stop in after work if the club was still open. If successful the new hours will become permanent.

Also, did you know that sandwiches are served daily, not only for lunch, but also for a light dinner. Normally available, hot dogs, hamburgers and burritos.

If you are a certified alcohol server in New Mexico, and would like to volunteer to spend time behind the bar, contact Bar Manager Ollie Cooper.

B	I	N	G	O
3	18	44	58	61
7	26	33	47	
15	29	FREE	60	68
8	16	32	50	68
12	22	40	55	75

Coming soon!

AT THE ELKS