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FLAG DAY SERVICE MONDAY, JUNE 14TH



The Elks Flag Day Ceremony will be presented by Lodge Officers and other members on Monday, June 14th at 1 pm in the Lounge area at the Lodge. This is an open public ceremony, and everyone is invited. Come join us for this impressive service in honor of the US flag.

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Bingo Approved

From the Kitchen

June 5th, Green Enchilada Casserole; \$5
June 12th, Pepper Chicken; \$6
June 19th, Smothered Burrito; \$5
June 26th, Ribeye Steak Dinner; \$10

Serving always from 5-7 pm at the Lodge. Members and guests.



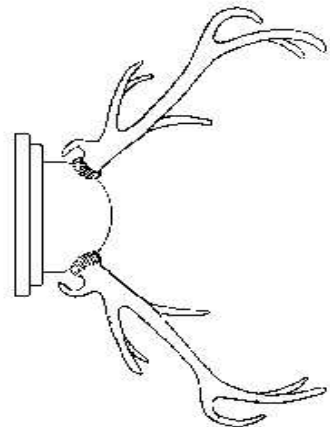
Lodge Caps and Shirts..

Interested?
Let us know.



Bingo

Beginning Soon. See story inside.



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- Roxy Dubiskas
SECRETARY- Mike Hedrick
TREASURER- Susan Burdette
TILER- James Metz, Sr.

Appointed Lodge Officers

ESQUIRE- Chris Rossman PER
INNER GUARD- Anna Enciso
CHAPLIN- Stanley Reid
ORGANIST- Barbara Schreiber

Board of Trustees

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

Committee Chairmen

AMERICANISM - Fred Kent ER
CEREBRAL PALSY - Harriet Kirich PER
C & B TRUST - JoAnn Olsen
NATIONAL FOUNDATION - Carl Olsen PER
VETERANS SERVICE - Headlee Burdette
LODGE ACTIVITIES - vacant
YOUTH ACTIVITIES - Chris Rossman PER
HOOP SHOOT - James Metz, Sr.
SOCCER SHOOT - Carl Olsen PER
PER ASSOCIATION - Ted Lautner PER
DRUG AWARENESS - Harriet Kirich PER
RITUAL- Dave Cummings PER
EDITOR/CYBER-ASSISTANT- Dave Johnson
MEMBERSHIP - Dick Salesses
LAPSATION -Vern Schreiber
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BINGO MANAGER - Carl Olsen PER

Lodge Meetings

1st & 3rd Thursdays

7:30 pm

Instituted February 1, 1997

Elk of the Year



Dave Johnson

As one of his final duties, PER Chris Rossman presented awards for his year in office at the meeting on May 20th.

Dave Johnson was presented the *Elk of the Year* award for his dedication and commitment to the Lodge.

Stan Reid received the award for *Officer of the Year*. Stan was the Treasurer last year.

And the *Senior Elk of the Year* award went to Trustee Vern Schreiber for all he does for the Lodge.

Rossman finished his term on March 31st, but continues to be involved this year as Esquire and in Youth Activities.

New Lodge Officers

The new Esteemed Lecturing Knight is Roxy Dubiskas. Dubiskas was elected by acclamation after the resignation of Wayne Krack. Krack told officers he has taken a second job and would be unable to meet.



Roxy Dubiskas

Dubiskas comes to the position from Inner Guard. ER Fred Kent has appointed Anna Enciso as her replacement.

Plans are to install the new officers one Sunday before Ritual Practice.

Yard Work

Thank you to Members Ed Mills for leveling the side yard, and to H. L. Burdette for repairing the side wall. We all appreciate your efforts. Volunteers WILL make this Lodge successful.



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Student Wins \$4000

A local High School Senior will be receiving a \$4,000 national scholarship as Most Valuable Student from the Elks.

Mario Maruffo was selected earlier this year as one of 500 students who were automatically guaranteed a scholarship after nationwide judging. Final judging for the six candidates to receive larger scholarships concluded this week. Throughout the country the Elk's National Foundation in 2004 awarded a total of \$2.216 million to 500 students.

Marruffo was one of 494 who will receive \$4,000, \$1,000 a year for four years.

Deming Lodge #2799 Exalted Ruler Fred Kent said.. "even though our Deming student did not place in the top six, we are delighted that Mario will receive the \$4,000. This speaks very well for not only the efforts of Maruffo, but also the schools and the community. This student competed against entries from throughout the country, and won."

Of the 23 Elks Lodges in New Mexico, five students received \$4,000 scholarships. Besides Maruffo, other winners were Derek Conrod, Alamogordo Elks #1897, Jennifer Craig, Gallup Elks #1440, Camille Peterson, Santa Fe Elks #460, and Cristal Vasquez, also from Santa Fe #460.

Since the formation of the Deming Lodge in 1997, this is the first time a local student has received one of the Elks National Scholarships.

Lodge By-laws

Per the Constitution and Statutes of the Order, official notice is hereby given that a vote will be taken on the following change to Lodge 2799 By-laws at a regular meeting on Thursday, June 17th. Notice must be given to all members at least ten days in advance. Add the Sentence "Recurring bills after approval of the Board of Trustees may be paid without prior Lodge approval. Payment of these bills shall be reported at the next Lodge meeting". The change is to Article XIII, Bills Against the Lodge.

Thanatopsis

From Roxy Dubiskas - Lecturing Knight



Raymond Smith

I want to say a big THANK YOU to State President Elect Raymond Smith for doing the Thanatopsis for us. It's a part of the Initiation Ritual that I never expected to see done in this manner. State President Elect Raymond Smith has this wonderfully expressive poem by William Cullen Bryant memorized as he did it in the dark! The ambiance of the room, combined with the expressiveness of his voice put meaning to it for me. For those of you who missed it, you missed an "experience", which I'm glad I didn't.

Mother's Day

The Deming Elks Lodge hosted their annual Mother's Day Tribute on Sunday, May 9th.

About 50 Elks and their moms attended the traditional Elks Mother's Day service, which was open to the public, and then enjoyed a brunch of bagels and cream cheese, brisket, beans and potato salad. All moms were free.

Thanks to Curt and Deana Russell for preparing the meal, Secretary Mike Hedrick for hosting, and to the Mid-High Dance team for helping clean.



ER Fred Kent and others enjoy Mother's Day

Happy Father's Day
June 20th
From Deming Elks #2799



From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are on our way. Since the 1st of April we have initiated six new members, reinstated two and have three more pending. Let's keep up the good work, This is the way to make this Lodge work. With the prospect of a new Lodge building we should have less problems attracting new members.

The initiation the last meeting night, we were treated to the presentation of the Thanatopsis by the President elect of the New Mexico Elks Association, Ray Smith, who just happens to be Chris Rossman's Father-In-Law. This is a very impressive ceremony and after 25 years as an Elk was the first time that I ever witnessed it. Ray traveled all the way from Española to present this.

I will be away until the meeting in July. Going on a cruise and then to Kansas to visit relatives and then on to Minneapolis for the Grand Lodge Convention. I will make every effort to make it back by the 15th of July.

**Yours in Elksdom,
Fred Kent**

Secretary's Corner

From Mike Hedrick - Secretary

Welcome our new members. Both Anna Enciso, proposed by Michael Hedrick and Michal Rudloff, proposed by Ed Mills were initiated on May 6th.

Then on May 20th Richard E. Kohn, proposed by Dorman Hoskinson, George and Lorraine Bunch, proposed by James Metz, Sr. and Arnold Lively, proposed by Vern Schreiber were

initiated. That means in the last month six new members.

There is one candidate awaiting initiation, Elaine Coffman proposed by Leonard Coffman.

Balloting will take place at the June 3rd meeting for Curt L. and Diana Molina Russell, proposed by Fred Kent.

Our delinquent member count is now at nine.

I still won't name names this early. You know who you are and we would appreciate your prompt attention. Remember you must have a current membership card to take advantage of club and meeting privileges. If you HAVE paid your dues and HAVE NOT received your membership card, please contract me.

If you need to call, the best time is during office hours, Monday, Friday and Saturday from 10 am until noon. Leave me a message at other times. There will be no office hours on Friday or Saturday, June 11th and 12th.

Bingo Approved

New Mexico Gaming has approved the Lodge's application to begin Bingo, and the final details are being worked out now.

If all goes as planned, we hope to start Bingo on Monday, June 21st.

Bingo will be held every Monday night at the DAV Hall on Diamond, just in front of the Elk's Lodge. Plans are to also make light snacks available. Keep watching for details.

At this point Bingo Manager PER Carl Olsen is awaiting final approval to open the necessary bank accounts and order Bingo supplies. Once that is done, Bingo can begin.

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



**** Lodge Lounge Hours ****

Monday-Friday 11 am-5 pm; Saturday 1-5 pm
Broadband Internet Access - Video Game - Closed Sunday

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

TV
Pool Table
Jukebox

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

06/03-17/04 Lodge Meeting
Regular Lodge Meeting, 7:30 pm, 311 E. Maple. Initiation on the 17th.

06/05/04 Green Enchilada Dinner
Green Enchilada Casserole with beans, rice, salad and dessert. Cost is \$5. Proceeds to the Lodge General Fund. Serving from 5-7 pm. Hosted by Mike Hedrick and Sue Burdette.

06/06-13-20-27/04 Ritual Practice
Ritual Practice 4 pm at the Lodge.

06/12/04 Pepper Chicken Dinner
Chicken Breast cooked in a wine sauce with red and green peppers, with baked potato, green beans and salad. Cost is \$6. Serving from 5-7 pm. Proceeds to the Building fund. Hosted by Dave Johnson.

06/14/04 Flag Day
A public ceremony will be held at 1 pm at the Elk's Lodge. Come join us for this impressive service in honor of the US flag.

06/19/04 Smothered Burrito Dinner
Smothered Burritos with beans and rice and dessert. Cost is \$5. Serving from 5-7 pm. Proceeds to the Lodge General Fund. Hosted by Jim and Bertha Metz.

06/21/04 Elks Bingo
Bingo will tentatively begin at the DAV Hall.

06/26/04 Ribeye Steak Dinner
Ribeye Steaks with baked potato, salad and dessert. Serving from 5-7 pm. Cost is \$10. Hosted by PERs.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	
			Lodge Meeting	Lodge Meeting	Green Enchilada Dinner	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Ritual Practice						Pepper Chicken Dinner
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Ritual Practice	Flag Day			Lodge Meeting		Smothered Burrito Dinner
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Ritual Practice Father's Day	Elks Bingo					Ribeye Steak Dinner
27	28	29	30			
Ritual Practice						

Free Birthday Drink
At the Lounge
ID may be required!

6/22 Donald I. Damstra
6/24 Donna M. Bellovics
Lodge Lounge open Mon.-Fri. 11 am- 5 pm, Saturday 1-5 pm, and for special events.

6/2 Larry E. Dillion
6/5 Elmer E. Olson
6/7 Richard H. Rudolph
6/9 Robert R. Kammarchal
6/13 B. Jean Lantis
6/21 Clarence Day



Sickness & Distress: This month Henry Tilly was reported suffering from a massive stroke, Hank Nelson recovering from a stroke and heart attack, Trustee Vern Schreiber has a cancerous growth on his head, and PER Carl Olsen underwent recent gallbladder surgery. Remember, sickness and distress is always in order. Contact the Leading Knight or Secretary with names.

Stray Elks: The following Elks strayed from their home Lodge and made a recent visit to Deming: 4/26 Dale Lockmiller, #2750 T or C; 4/28 Ben Slater, #888 Long Beach, CA; 4/28 Ken Flowers, #1889 Harlingen, TX; 4/30 Jack Ellsworth, #3 San Francisco, CA; 4/30 Don Robinson, #2349 Apache Junction, AZ; 4/30 R. C. Smith, #2083 Los Alamos; 5/1 Clarence A. Wagner, #611 Albuquerque; 5/7 Con Carlson, #2131 Willcox, AZ; 5/12 D. S. Kerr, #1813 Lordsburg; 5/15 Chuck Pierson, # 2639 Desert Hot Springs, CA; 5/15 Frank Logan, #413 Silver City; 5/18 Donald Wilson PER, #823 Vancouver, WA; 5/21 Blaine Thiers, #2809 Globe, AZ

Eddie the Elk
The dictionary defines "coordination" in a number of ways. Our immediate problem in coordination is that of the people who have to sign off on the land.

The survey of the land has been done and delivered to the lawyer's office. We must realize that vacations will take their toll on the coordinating of the people necessary to get the document made up.

We then have to present it on the floor and give ten days notice to the membership. To complicate matters even further, we are only having one meeting a month in July and August.

We were hoping to have the entrance road prepared and at least a few of the ten RV pads completed by the first of October. Perhaps that is a little ambitious. Who know maybe we will get lucky.

In any case we plan to contact the Carmichael Elks Lodge (the lodge that does the RV guide) and inform them of our plans. I'm not sure how often they update their books but I think it's not too often. It's always better to give them advanced notice because we could always let the RVers dry camp even while construction is being completed. I have found that traveling Elks love to check out new facilities because they are inquisitive and will spread the good word to others in their

travels.
Always Remember
Every Elks Can Make a Difference and Every Elk Should Try.



New Lodge Pins on Sale!

The pins are here! 300 new Lodge pin arrived during May and are now on sale at the Lodge. The pins feature a Deming Racing Duck, used with permission of the Great American Duck Race Committee. The choice to use a racing duck was made since Deming has become know as the home of the World's Richest Duck Race. Live ducks make their way down wet and dry tracks every 4th weekend in August during the annual festival. The pins are \$3 each and can be purchased from the bartender or Lodge Secretary.

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3	18	44	58	61	
7	26	33	47		
15	29	FREE	60	68	
8	16	32	51		
12	22	40	55	75	

Coming Soon!

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