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Tom Gravink	1980-81
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Tom Gravink	1985-86
Bob Doud	1993-94
Marty Mello	2011-12

## Coming Events

Every Monday	Bingo
Every Friday	Happy Hour
Every Friday	Dinner
October 6	Brunch
October 10	Golf Tournament
October 15	Taco Tuesday
October 18	Oktoberfest Dinner
October 25-27	Haunted House

**CHECK THE CALENDAR  
AND THE "BUGLE" FOR  
COMPLETE DETAILS**

## EXALTER RULER'S MESSAGE

### REALITY VS PERCEPTION

I believe that each and everyone of us wants to be perceived in a positive light. People who don't really know me sometimes think that I am grumpy because I may not be smiling, when in reality I am usually in deep thought trying to think five moves ahead. Linda sometimes has to grab me by both ears and make me look at her when she is talking to me. She perceives that I am not listening when in reality, I hear every word....most of the time. When perception does not match reality it can indeed be bothersome. During the Stroll Thru History tour last Saturday in which 300 people showed up at the lodge, it became apparent that 290 of them had a perception of the Elks that does not match reality. To many we are perceived as a secret society complete with secret hand shakes and Celtic rituals. To some we are perceived as a bunch of old men sitting around drinking, smoking cigars and playing cards. Many did not know that our facility could be rented for events in the community and that some kinds of fund raisers could be done at the lodge at no expense. Many still thought that woman were not allowed to participate. Most had no idea of how much money we give away yearly and few had notion of our scholarship programs, or any other programs for that matter. Wow, how could this possibly be? And we sit around scratching our heads, wondering why membership is down, when the answer is right under our noses. The perception of the Elks does not match reality!!Shame on us, for we have done it to ourselves. We have hidden our light under a bushel. We have under performed in getting the word out, tooting our own

horn, or whatever you want to call it. Like it or not folks, we have changed. We are not the same organization as 40-50 years ago. We can't go back nor should we want to. All we have to do is shout it out, loud and proud. Lets make today's reality everybody's new perception!



Rod Battaglia  
Exalted Ruler

## A MESSAGE FROM LEADING KNIGHT — Debra Mello

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped at the Stroll.

Docents: Tom Gravink PDD, Marty Mello DL, John Fabiani Chairman of the Board.

Music: Rod Battaglia ER

Ice cream scoopers and helpers: Linda Battaglia, Karen Wells Loyal Knight, Rod Riggins Lecturing Knight, Francine Santos, Debbie Gravink, Steve Gravink PER, and Brian Flemmer PER.

We had over 300 people come to the lodge and we took that opportunity to let them know what we do for our community. It opened our eyes to how many people didn't know we were here. We passed out a lot of membership applications and hope to get some new members. The hall was set up for an event and it looked real good; hopefully we should get more rentals in the future as a result. It's time to get out there and spread the word about the elks. We are planning to be part of the Stroll again next year. We all had fun this year and that's what Elkdom is all about.

From this event we raised \$79 for Major Project. Dick McDonald Grand Exalted Ruler is asking every member to add \$5 more to what they already donate to Major Project this year. This would bring in over \$400,000 more to this program so we are asking every elk to donate just a little more.

Thank you once again for supporting our Lodge.

## SUNDAY BRUNCH

The next Sunday Brunch will be on Oct 6<sup>th</sup> from 9am -11am. Give us a try. The room looked good, the food was good ,and the cost is cheap. Feel free to bring some guests. If planning a Sunday outing, hit us first.

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## **A MESSAGE FROM THE LOYAL KNIGHT—Karen Wells**

Fall is upon us!

Oktoberfest will be Friday, October 18. Tom and I will be cooking Brats, Sauerkraut and my famous German Potato Salad. Marty will be serving up beer and drink specials, while Rod keeps us entertained with Karaoke.

Plans for the Halloween house are coming along. We have a group of ghosts and goblins, but we need a few more witches warlocks. The Haunted House is being planned for Thursday, October 24 from 6-9pm, Friday, October 25 from 6-10pm and Saturday from 3-5pm and 6-9pm. Admission is \$3 for kids 13 and under and \$5 for adults. This is great fun and a way to be involved with the community.

## **A MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY—Don Hall**

We are sending the Bugle out via e-mail, we are doing this for a couple of reasons. First we can get it you much quicker and it does look better in color and of course it saves us money in printing and postage.

If you have not given us your e-mail address and you would like to so that you may receive the Bugle via e-mail, please send your e-mail address to me. I hope to hear from you.

THANK YOU



## **RIB KRAUTER**

It's time to start making your plans to attend the Rib Krauter Dinner to be held on Wednesday December 4<sup>th</sup>. The cost again this year will be \$15.00 per ticket. **ALL TICKETS WILL BE PRE SOLD. THERE WILL BE NO TICKETS SOLD AFTER THE DEADLINE.** The deadline to get your tickets will be Tues, Nov 26<sup>th</sup>. Jeff and the guys again promise to stuff us to the gills with some fantastic ribs and kraut. Please ...get those tickets early.

**FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS  
FOR SEPTEMBER**

**October 4           Streak Sandwich**  
**October 11         Tri-tip Dinner**  
**October 18       Oktoberfest Dinner**  
**October 25                 Pizza**

**FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS  
FOR October**

**November 4       Streak Sandwich**  
**November 8         Hamburger**  
**November 15     Enchilada Dinner**  
**November 22       Turkey Dinner**  
**November 29       Hors d'oeuvres**

*PUTTING ON THE HITS 2013*

*“ONE PART TALENT, TWO PARTS RIFFRAFF”*

That's the recipe for a do not miss evening of fun. It is also the name of this years Putting On The Hits show. I had been thinking about past shows and what had made them so great and bam, the recipe appeared. (This is all tongue in cheek of course.) The dinner and show will be on Saturday, November 23, one night only. If you want to be involved, call me. Ticket prices have been set at \$25.00 per person and are a steal since they have not gone up in 15years. Tickets go on sale November 1st. More information will come out in the November bulletin. The acts will be limited to 10 and I already have 5 so don't delay calling. Mark your calendar, your going to want to try this recipe.



## TACO TUESDAY IS BACK!! Please note date change



Tuesday, October 15, Rod, Linda, Steve, Debbie and Viola will be cooking up Taco's and making margaritas. Come and join us! Nobody wants to cook on a Tuesday!

## GOLF TOURNAMENT—LETS PLAY!!!

Lets play some golf folks. This tournament was never designed for anything other than some fellowship on the golf course on a nice fall afternoon, followed by some cocktails and some grub. We've made it simple and a fun format. Get some buddies together, form a four-some, and lets get with it. I need names and your money ASAP. See you at Wildwings, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 12noon.



## POKER RESULTS



Our first poker tournament is in the books and a grand time it was. Congratulations to Rod Riggins for taking first place. It came down to a two man show down with Dave Eddy after 3 and 1/2 hours of play. It was fun and we are going to have this on a regular basis. The next tournament will be Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 12pm-4pm. If interested, please RSVP for a spot with the office. Also, thank you Linda for doing a knock out job dealing and especially for dealing your own husband such wonderful cards. They were so good that he was the first one out, being beat by two players that had never played. Just peachy!

## HOOP SHOOT

Warren Meyer has graciously taken on the Hoop Shoot this year. We thank Warren for his years of service to the lodge and to this event. With that said, Warren can not do it alone. Please give him a call and offer your services. It can be an extremely rewarding experience working with the kids. Hoop Shoot, Saturday December 7. We will work on having a breakfast that day also. Anybody interested in cooking it, call me maybe.

## NEW MEMBERS

Your lodge officers did their first initiation on Sept 11<sup>th</sup>, initiating new members. I would like to state that for their first time out of the chute, they did pretty darn good. At this time I would like to say welcome to Mat , Donna, Dennis, Pete and Kevin. I am looking forward to seeing you at the lodge, and working with you to promote Elkdom.



## Americanism



### To all Elk Veterans:

I am creating a Patriotic wall with photos of Woodland Elk Members who have served in the armed forces. Send a photo (to the Elks office) with your name and a brief description of the years served and whether or not you served during a war. We are very proud of our men and women who have served our country with dignity and honor. If you have any questions, please contact me at 530-666-9253. This is an ongoing project, but as of today I've only received 2 photos. This article will be sent out in every monthly bulletin until I have a good representation of our Elk Veterans, so please step up and be recognized.

Thank you,

Denise Tabor - Americanism Chairperson

## PAST ACTIVE EXALTED RULERS

Ted R. Carrion (Mary)	1966-67
Thomas Gravink (Jane)	1972-73
Romeo Losoya (Joyce)	1973-74
William Southard (Maddie)	1974-75
William Hartwig (Vicki)	1975-76
Bob Alspaugh (Pat)	1976-77
Al Soga (Phyllis)	1977-78
Herb Caudill	1981-82
Dale Ebbinghausen (Evelyn)	1985-86
Bob Doud	1986-87
Rod Battaglia (Linda)	1987-88
Carl Rocksvold (Danielle)	1989-90
Jeffrey McGuire (Mary)	1993-94
Jon Tuscher	1994-95
Roy Drilling (Patricia)	1995-96
Craig Lowart (Pam)	1997-98
David Wyrsh	1999-00
Juan Garcia Jr. (Leisah)	2000-01
Perry Niehues (Carole)	2001-02
Bill Hurt (Fran)	2002-03
Malcolm Fenner (Chris)	2003-04
Marty Mello (Debra)	2004-05
Dave Eddy (Kathy)	2005-06
Don Hall (Joyce)	2006-07
Brian Flemmer (Debbie)	2007-08
Bruce Newman (Pam)	2008-09
Brian Flemmer (Debbie)	2009-10
Rod Battaglia (Linda)	2010-11
Garlyn Aday (Dorene)	2011-12
Steve Gravink (Debbie)	2012-13

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# October 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Dinner 6:30m Spaghetti Smokey D's	3	4 Happy Hour 4-7pm Dinner 6-7pm Steak Sand- wich	5  DO Jensen
6 Sunday Brunch 9am -12noon	7  <b>BIG</b>  6:30pm	8	9 Dinner 6:30 Chicken Fried Steak- Bill Hurt Meeting 7:30m Voting on By- law changes	10	11 Golf Tourna- ment 12noon Happy Hour 4-7pm Dinner 6-7pm Tri-Tip	12 District Talent Show  DO Hall
13	14   6:30pm	15 Taco Tues- day 5pm House Com- mittee/ Board of Directors Mtg. 6pm	16 Dinner 6:pm Meatloaf— Brian Flemmer Meeting 7:30pm	17	18 Happy Hour 4-7pm Oktoberfest Dinner 6-7pm	19 Breakfast 7:30-9am  DO D Mello
20	21   6:30pm	22	23 Dinner 6:30pm Lasagna-Dave Eddy	24	25 Happy Hour 4-7pm Dinner 6- 7pm Pizza Haunted House Opens	26 DD Home- coming Rancho Cor- dova Hunted House DO Wells
27 Haunted House—last night  	28	29	30  Dinner 6:30pm Pizza	31  Halloween		

# November 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Happy Hour 4-7pm Steak Sandwich Dinner 6-7pm	2  DO Riggins
3  Daylight Savings Time Starts	4  BIG  6:30pm	5 Emblem Mtg 4pm  Scouts	6 Dinner 6:30pm	7  PER Dinner	8 Happy Hour 4-7pm Hamburgers 6- 7pm	9 Texas Hold'um 12noon-4pm  DO J Mello
10  Sunday Brunch 9am-12noon	11 Veterans Day   6:30pm	12	13  Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30pm	14  Blood Drive 12noon-6pm	15 Happy Hour 4-7pm  Enchilada Dinner 6-7pm .	16 Breakfast 7:30am-9am  DO Tapia
17	18   6:30pm	19 Taco Tuesday 5:00pm  House Committee/Board of Directors Mtg. 6pm	20 Dinner 6:30pm	21	22 Happy Hour 4-7pm Turkey Dinner 6- 7pm	23  DO Jones
22	25   6:30pm	26	27 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30pm	28 Thanksgiving Lodge Closed	29 Happy Hour 4-7pm Hors d'oeuvres Decorate for Xmas	30  DO Plaskett



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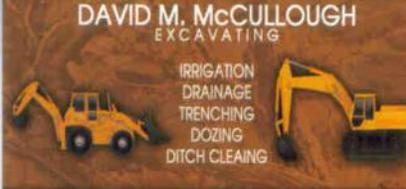
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Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Member # \_\_\_\_\_

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 John Dyer

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**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Ruben Arias  
Jared Hunter  
Jeffery Hunter  
Jerry Wright
- 2 Rudy Howard  
Robert Paschoal
- 3 Leroy Leonard
- 4 John Birtwistle  
Frank Hildebrand
- 5 Dennis Puccetti
- 6 Dudley Chapman  
Robert Kuhn  
Tim Pettit
- 8 Russell Stocker
- 9 Sean Conley  
Warren Meyer
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David Lopez  
Larry Rominger
- 11 Robert Moeller
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Gary Rupert
- 14 Alex Martin
- 18 Larry George
- 19 Jim Webber  
Donald Gary  
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- 20 Don LaPlante
- 22 Bob Buchignani
- 23 Mark Chriss  
Malcolm Fenner  
Joseph Kalfsbeek
- 24 John Armus  
Brent Conley  
Ferd Hanson
- 25 Kevin Frazier
- 26 Bill Spurlock
- 27 George Hold  
Gary Walgenbach
- 28 John Mello
- 29 Bruce Aliquist  
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