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# LODGE #84 - IOWA'S OLDEST SINCE 1888

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### LODGE MEETINGS THURSDAY 5/7 & 5/21 @ 7:30PM

MAY 2015



#### Have you sent in your dues for 2015-2016?

If you have not sent in your dues for the 2015-2016 year, please send them at your earliest convenience. Thank you for being an Elk!

What does it mean to be an Elk? Not only do we have fun with the Tailgate parties, breakfasts and dinners but our lodge also helps our Veterans by collecting deer hides, donating clothing, coffee and serving root beer floats at the nursing home. Our lodge also encourages youth activities such as Outdoor movie night, Family night at the lodge and Hoop Shoot (64 participants from our lodge alone). Community support such as the smoke and CO detectors with our local fire department (over 500 installed this year), plus much more!

Remember why you became an Elk, become involved and send in your dues today!



## **State Spring Convention**

Elks Lodge #84 was on the top of the news at the Elks State Spring Convention in Des Moines the weekend of April 24<sup>th</sup> through April 25<sup>th</sup>. Come to the Lodge and see our well deserved trophies.



for the State but also #1 in State of Iowa Elks National Foundation (2nd year in a row)!

*Our Elks Lodge #84 has Won not only the* "Highest Membership Gain of the State, 13.5%"

# Almost Mother's Day DINNER NIGHT - May 8th

SOCIAL HOUR 5:00 – DINNER 6:30 – \$6.50 On Friday the 8th we will be serving Chicken. Please plan to attend, support your Elks and bring a prospective new member or friend. We strongly request that if you are planning to attend, please call in a reservation so we can make sure we have plenty of food available. A covered dish is always appreciated.

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## MAY BIRTHDAYS

2nd Kim Capdevila 13<sup>th</sup> Matthew McGinity 19<sup>th</sup> Pete LaRue, PER 22<sup>nd</sup> Phil Fleming 3<sup>rd</sup> George Coffin 14th Matt Brown 21<sup>st</sup> LA Sexton 26th Tom Walz



## Mark your calendars! Movie Night Saturday, June 27th

Sponsored by our Elks Lodge, starting at Dusk! Movie will be "Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" the original with Gene Wilder. Our lodge will be setting up games and we will need help. Please volunteer! Bring your family and friends.





That you can make a difference by volunteering? You may not be able to get out and about but there is some way you can help volunteer with the Elks. Volunteers are needed for the several different events and activities such as:

- \* Phone tree to keep in contact with our members
- \* Help setup or run games at movie nights
- \* Make lap blankets for our veterans
- $^{\ast}$  Help distribute dictionaries in the fall

1<sup>st</sup> Rich Schnoebelen, PER

12<sup>th</sup> Mandy Steele, Chaplain

21<sup>st</sup> Victoria Rose Sexton

18<sup>th</sup> Drew McCarthy

\* Rummage Sale in the summer

- \* Help with the Americanism essay contest
- \* Help with the Drug Awareness Poster and Essay contest
- \* Join in on the Steamboat Days and Holiday parade
- \* Help distribute Red Ribbons in the fall
- \* ENF fundraiser in October

and there is so much more! Call and talk to Dana or any of your Chairs if you are interested in volunteering!





#### Thank you so much for your Donations!

Carlos and Kim Capdevila for the donation of a refrigerator and stove. Bob and Darlene Reid for new trash cans for the bathrooms. Pete Korb for bar rags. Miles and Jennifer Dixon for a freezer. Bill Miles for a handcrafted Elks bench. Jeff Johnson and Dana Johnston for a refrigerator.



Don LaRue and the WWII Memorial Raffle WWII Memorial Monument Fundraiser Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown Iowa



There are 72 WWII veterans currently residing at the Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown. There are other monuments for the Korean war and other wars but none for our WWII Vets.

The total cost for the memorial is approximately \$25,000. Over \$20,000 has been raised so far

by donations from different military organizations, an insurance company out of Grinnell and the Iowa Elks (\$2250.00 from Elks which includes \$1000.00 from the Iowa State Elks Association and the balance from 6 Elks lodges). Enough money has been raised to order the Monument, the balance is needed for the landscape, lighting, memorial bricks, flags and sidewalks.

This past weekend at State Convention, Don LaRue donated this gorgeous handmade Rocking Harley to be raffled to raise more funds for this memorial. With the help of all of our Elks 84 members that attended the convention (along with other Elks), the Rocking Harley raised \$1330 towards the cause. Another raffle from Veterans State committee for an Elks ring raised \$910. In total, just this weekend \$2240.00.

Don LaRue, thank you for your donation to such a great purpose! Thank you all of the our Elks 84 members that pushed sales all weekend!

