## GOLDEN ELKS HOOFBEAT Season of Sharing

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## **EXALTED RULER Gina Frank**

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CHARITY, YOUTH, VETER-ANS, COMMUNITY—IT'S WHO WE ARE!

The Lodge has done a tremendous amount of charity work this year that I, as an Elk, am very proud of being a part. From providing coats and gloves to Golden area school students, to providing funds to the Redistribution Center that expanded its mission during this time to help families in need of food, to assisting kids of deceased Colorado National Guard members with school supplies, and donating funds to the Colorado National Guard to provide clothing and food to Guard families during the holidays. All of this wonderful charity work is possible due to the grants we receive through the Elks National Foundation.

However, my favorite
Lodge charity is our annual food basket program for several reasons. Members come together and donate the amount of needed items to fill our food baskets. Watch for emails of the quantity and type of items we need—we won't have the number of families we will serve until af-

ter the deadline for the newsletter! I enjoy seeing our members come with toys to the McElhinney Friends & Family Event to provide to each child in a family that receives a food basket. And the finale! The Friday night (December 18th) potluck, toy wrapping, and basket stuffing of all of the wonderful donated food items from our Lodge members! Come join us for the camaraderie and the wonderful Charity work our Lodge is providing to members of our community!

As I've been putting plans together for our annual Elks Memorial, I have been recalling often my Elk family/friends who are no longer with me—either my friends have passed away or they have chosen to wander. I think of them often! I may not be able to speak with some, but I love catching up and calling my Elk family/friends that are wandering the States! I so enjoy the fellowship of my Elk brethren-I have so many friends throughout Colorado, and even in other States. I recall how I've met so many--by getting involved, going to other Lodges, and participating, I have developed some

true friendships!

I'd like to personally invite you to attend one of our several activities in December and January to enjoy the fellowship of your friends in the Golden Elks! See the calendar for all details and watch the weekly emails. Our Christmas Day Potluck is a great gathering—you will have time after to join family festivities! Saturday, December 26th will be our Monthly Lodge Dine-In/ Take-Out Dinner and a White Elephant exchange! Plan on stopping by on New Year's Eve for a toast—this will be an early evening celebration which I am looking forward too!

In January Bocce League will begin again so start putting your teams together now. Depending on how many sign up will depend on whether we have 2 or 4 person teams.

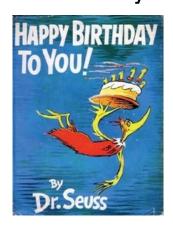
As January approaches we ask members to consider being part of the management side of the Lodge. I'd like to encourage each member to strongly consider being a leader of our Lodge—to provide direction and guidance. Elections will be held in February. Continued page 4...

# Our District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Jeannette Rogers If you have any questions or concerns Can call 303-947-9582 or email jeannette.e.rogers@gm ail.com





## A Minute from the Secretary by Byron McElhinney



Dec. Birthday's 9th Ron Bennetts Sr. 14th James King 16th David Grasso 17th Diana Carlill 20th Cheryl Pittman 21st David Wale 24th Daniel Kerr 31st Sammy Hobbs Jan. Birthday's 6th Ranya Kelly 8th Richard R amstetter 9th Norm Hicks PER 10th Ralph Feeback **PDDGER** 12th Marilyn Priola 13th Martha Krusko 18th Randy Sellinghausen 19th Lester Lakey 21st Norman Condreay

26th James Munyon

28th Jennifer Friberg

Carolyn Thompson

**Drawings:** 

9-23 Tim Schnake \$69 Sad Elk

10-14 Leonard McBroom \$74 Sad Elk

10-28 Marilyn Priola \$79 Sad Elk

11-11 Denise Quintana \$84 Sad Elk

Sickness and Distress:

9-23 Memorial Service for PER Wayne Pierce in Deer Trail

Earl Maxon's son is home but will go in tomorrow for another skin graft.

The service for Ron Beach PER at Westminster Lodge was well attended by Golden Elks and many others in the CFA

10-14 Bob Maxon had a temporary skin graft and tomorrow goes in for a permanent one.

Patrick Rogers continues to go thru recovery from knee replacement surgery. He is back to work.

PDDGER Mike Demma from Ft. Collins Lodge passed on 10/10/20 and we sent a card.

Both parents of DDGER David Borough of Longmont Lodge passed recently and we sent a card.

10-28 Pete Frank's aunt

Betty passed.

Matt McElhinney's in laws lost their cabin in Grand Lake due to the fires.

Gary Granquist is okay but lives in the Grand Lake area.

Tim Schnacke's house is still standing but was in the burn area also.

Arlene Munyon PER reported that she has cancer and won't be seeking treatment.

Doug Marsh had a heart attack and we sent a card.

11-11 Don Schaefer fell and broke his femur, we sent a card.

George Wagner has been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and has moved into a nursing home.

Earl Maxon's son Bob is getting better.

Patrick Rogers is able to drive now but still doing PT. on knee.

Kris Rockwell has been hospitalized with a possible heart attack, awaiting test results.

Keep these members and all others whom we didn't receive word of their illness in your thoughts and prayers.

We hope all our members stay safe and healthy.

#### Pearl Harbor Day by Gina Frank

PEARL HARBOR DINNER
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2020; 6:00 PM
DINE IN/TAKE OUT

Spaghetti with olive oil, Italian Sausage, Salad, Bread, & Dessert - \$12.00

After dinner enjoy a show on the history to the build up to the attack on Pearl Harbor!

RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, 12/2/20 TO

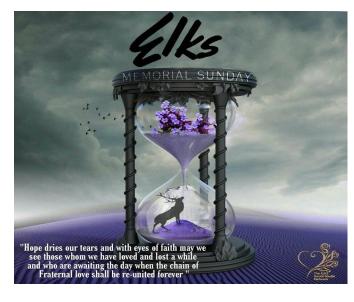
Events.golden2740@gmail.com; 303-279-2740; gina.golden2740@gmail.com

#### ELKS MEMORIAL DAY

The First Sunday in December of each year is commemorated to the memories of departed Members. Members and friends, you are cordially invited to attend the Golden Elks' Memorial Service and help us share memories of our departed on Sunday, December 6, 2020 11:00 A.M.

Light refreshments will follow the service

"Living or Dead Elks Are Never Forgotten, Never Forsaken."









ER Gina Frank with our newest members.

Van loaded with dictionaries and school supplies, delivered by members Arlene, Bob and Wayne.

We delivered about \$800 worth of materials to the elementary schools in Golden

With money from our ENF gratitude grant.

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#### Exalted Rulers message from page 1

In addition, Committee Chairs also need to be filled.

Finally, you still have time to participate in our Pampered Chef fundraiser to help support the Lodge. Orders must be placed by December 8th! This fundraising effort can provide an avenue for you to purchase holiday gifts and help the Lodge. See article later in newsletter with details on how to order! There is a brochure at the Lodge if you prefer looking at a paper version.

Please help me welcome our five newest members – Paul & Jeannie Queneau, Kelan Spindon, and Marvin & Janice Fleming. I look forward to getting to know each of them better and I welcome each to our Golden Elk Family.

Happy Holidays everyone—may you have a joyous, thankful season.

Our Weekly E-mails and our Facebook page (Golden Elks Lodge #2740) provide details on the happenings at the Lodge. If you don't currently receive the emails, please contact me or Byron, the Lodge Secretary.

REMEMBER, if the sign is ON, we are OPEN!

#### HALL RENTAL FOR MEMBERS!

As of the writing of this article, we can host groups up to 40 people under the COVID guidelines. If you need extra space for your gathering, bring it to the Lodge! Members in good standing can rent the Lodge for a discounted rate! Contact Kirk Sales at kirk.golden2740@gmail.com or Gina Frank at gina.golden2740@gmail.com for more information!

#### **QUEEN OF HEARTS PROGRESSIVE CARD GAME**

A new game was started on Wednesday, July 22, 2020. The Queen of Hearts will be played on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month and every Thursday that does not follow a 2nd or 4th Thursday. Each week is a new drawing for our Queen of Hearts game. Tickets are \$1.00 each and are sold from 5:30 PM-6:45 PM on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday and from 5:30 PM-6:30 PM on Thursday night drawings. Drawings are held at 7:00 PM for the Wednesday drawing and after the speaker on Thursday nights (approximately 7:00 PM). This game is open to only Golden Elks #2740 members (regular and associate members). A valid membership card must be provided to purchase a ticket.

**Jackpot** as of November 11, 2020 is \$321.00!

Following are recent winners and the consolation prize won:

09/17/20 - Bryon McElhinney, \$15.00

09/23/20 - Byron McElhinney, \$5.00

10/01/20 - Byron McElhinney, \$5.00

10/08/20 - Ed Utsch, \$10.00

10/14/20 - Jeannette Rogers, \$10.00

10/22/20 - Arlene Munyon, \$5.00

10/28/20 - Arlene Munyon, \$5.00

11/05/20 - Lodge Closed

11/11/20 - Byron McElhinney, \$5.00

#### USE YOUR KING SOOPERS LOYALTY CARD TO HELP GOLDEN LODGE EARN MONEY

#### PLEASE ENROLL, THIS IS AN EASY WAY TO SUPPORT YOUR LODGE!

WE RECEIVED OUR 7/1/20 THRU 9/30/20 STATEMENT FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE KING SOOPERS LOYALTY CARD PROGRAM. THE GOLDEN ELKS HAD 12 HOUSEHOLDS PARTICIPATE AND THE LODGE RECEIVED \$192.70.

Every time an enrolled shopper uses his or her enrolled King Soopers Loyalty Card, our Lodge will earn rewards. Invite family, friends, and neighbors to enroll and choose Golden Elks Lodge #2740 as their designated organization. Here's how:

Sign up/log on at www.kingsoopers.com or with the King Soopers app (you will need an email and loyalty card to sign up)

Look for MY ACCOUNT (top right), log in and click; go to SAVE (top left)

Look for COMMUNITY REWARDS

Choose ENROLL NOW

Use the FIND AN ORGANIZATION and

Search for GOLDEN ELKS #2740 (#XE704, GOLDEN ELKS LODGE #2740

When that comes up, choose ENROLL

Contact Gina Frank if you have any questions at 720-201-6184. THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR LODGE!

#### HOLIDAY FOOD BASKET POTLUCK!

Bring your yummy potluck item to share! Help prepare the food baskets for pickup and to wrap the toys that we put with the baskets!

WHEN: Friday, December 18, 2020

TIME: 5:30 PM

WHO: EVERYONE IS INVITED!

WHAT: Help is needed in a variety of ways—wrapping gifts, filling baskets, matching toys with families. (If you can bring scissors & scotch tape, that is helpful!)



#### Laradon CEA State Major Project by Gina Frank

COLORADO ELKS AS-SOCIATION (CEA) STATE MAJOR PRO-**JECTS** 

This is the 2nd of 3 articles about the three CEA State Major Projects. The 2nd program is Laradon. In the next issue will be information about the Youth Camp.

#### Laradon's Mission

Laradon's Mission is to be an organization of excellence that provides superior, individualized services to children and adults with intellectual, developmental, and other disabilities, supporting their independence in daily life and maximizing their full potential.

#### Laradon's History

In 1948, at a time when the public school system denied an education to their two sons because they were

"mentally retarded," Joseph and Elizabeth Calabrese invested their life savings into the creation of a very special school-Laradon, Named after their two sons, Larry and Don, Laradon was brese's knew that the first charitable organization in the Rocky Mountain region to offer support, education, and training to children with developmental disabilities.

Laradon quickly gained national recognition and referrals increased dramatically, need for a new school was realized. The Colorado Elks were a driving force in securing the current facility at 5100 Lincoln Street in northwest Denver.

In partnership with parents, professionals, philanthropic organizations and generous community members, Joseph and Elizabeth Calabrese created a training

center for people seeking the opportunity to expand their work skills, a school for children with special needs and housing for people in need of a home. The Calawhen provided with the proper education, training and support, people with disabilities could realize their full potential, contribute to the community and become valued members of society.

Laradon is a top resource for school districts today and families looking for individual interventions for school age children. The ratio at the school is about 1:3 teacher to student with some clients receiving one on one. Today the Colorado Elks play a major role by donating school supplies and by funding special programs which are not covered by state funding.

The Golden Elks usually sponsor an annual dinner with proceeds benefiting Laradon. In addition, Wayne Rogers currently is a member of the Laradon Foundation Board. Our members donate school supplies and donate items for the annual Laradon Silent **Auction normally** held at the Colorado Elks Spring Quarterly meeting.

If you would like more information about Laradon's history, read Garden of Hope: Laradon Hall, of which we have a copy at the Lodge if you would like to borrow.



#### Trivia Contest by Melissa Moss

#### **Elks Trivia Contest**

Submit answers to events.golden2740@g mail.com Correct answers will be entered into a drawing! I understand no one submitted last time so chances are if you enter you have a great chance to win.

- 1.The Elks National headquarters building was originally built as a memorial for Elk brothers lost in which war?
- 2. What is the means of Identification for all Elks?
- 3. Which symbol represents the station of the Esteemed Lecturing Knight?
- 4. Name an item given to all new Elks upon initiation.
- 5. The voting sign is made by uplifting which hand?

Correct answers will be published in the next newsletter.

#### Leading Knight Jeannette Rogers:

"2020 will go down in history for many things. Some of us may have found our niche, some may have loved and some of us may have also lost but 2020 came to also remind us why we should always show love and appreciation to the people around us while we still have the chance."

#### — Hopal Green

"for all the talk of 2020 vision over the past few years, it turns out we had some pretty significant cataracts"

— Alex Hagan, What The Hell Do We Do Now?: An enterprise guide to COVID-19 and beyond

2020 has definitely been a year to remember. While we've all had to comply with the many restrictions, changed many habits over the last 9 months, and had to learn new ways of doing many things. We've all built new skills - (I wish I would have had stock in Zoom), think different on how to achieve our goals the Dictionary Program and the Warm Welcome programs were very different from previous years, but we still made a positive impact on kids. And we are learning how to create community and social interaction in a different way – answering the important question – how can we have fun?

So we have a couple events, that I hope we can have with the increase in COVID numbers again, coming up in December. First: the weekend after Christmas, we will be having a White Elephant event. If you have never been to a White Elephant party, you won't want to miss it! We are asking each attendee to bring a wrapped gift that doesn't cost more than \$20 - and we will proceed to have a to have great time handing them out during the game. There is a strategy to going home with the gift you want. Second: we want to send off 2020 to the history books with our New Years Eve Event - we will be doing an "Early Ball Drop" which I expect will be pretty early in the evening, so if you have somewhere else to go and/or want to watch the ball drop in New York – you will be able to. Part of the evening's festivities, we are hoping to be able to have a fire ceremony (if the fire ban has been downgraded), and if you wish to end the year by burning your 2020 calendar, some paper masks, and other 2020 memorabilia (toilet paper rolls, paper towel rolls, etc.) for a donation that we will invest back into our lodge to help start 2021 with a fresh

start. The fire event will be outside of course – so we should be able to share a well deserved send off to memorable year.

The end of the year also brings the need to discuss our next lodge year – we are looking for individuals that would like to be involved, help drive the decisions of our lodge, and make a difference for our community. If you are interested in either an officer position, or committee chair, or just willing to serve on a committee, please let me know.

2021 will be another interesting year, I am sure – I hope it brings an end to some of the restrictions, allows us to be with our friends and family more (how much we have missed them), and hopefully, some of the "old normal" will be able to come back. I wish you and your family the best and safest of holiday seasons.



#### **COOKIE MONSTERS NEEDED!!**

Come One, Come All TO THE COOKIE EXCHANGE!

Not a baker but love those cookies! Come gather a basket of goodies at the Cookie Exchange! If you love to bake, bring your baked items to share at our first Cookie Exchange!

Sunday, December 13, 2020, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Fill your basket: Small - \$2.00 Medium - \$5.00 Large - \$10.00



#### CHRISTMAS DAY POTLUCK!

Bring a dish to share—ham or turkey will be provided!

Friday, December 25, 2020

Noon

Bring your smile, your dish to share, enjoy some friendships!



Picture on the left is of the

Chili Contest and the winners were Cindy, Melissa, and Mr. Moss. Congratulations!!!

#### PAMPERED CHEF LODGE FUNDRAISER!

The Lodge is hosting a Virtual Pampered Chef party. You're invited to a Pampered Chef ONLINE Fundraiser for Golden Elks #2740! 2020 has been a difficult year and as with many organizations our income has been affected. We are trying to think outside the 'box'! We have had success in providing take out dinners, online league play, and community activities.

This fundraising effort can provide an avenue for you to purchase holiday gifts and help the Lodge. 20% of your product purchase will go to the Golden Elks. You will receive a FREE gift of your choice with a product purchase of \$80 or more (choose one of three Teak Wooden Spoons). Pampered Chef has high quality products that make entertaining and your time in the kitchen A LOT MORE FUN!

Share this link with your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers. www.pamperedchef.com/party/goldenelks

Your order will be shipped directly to where you wish it to be delivered. Pampered Chef can ship anywhere in the U.S. or APO



#### December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
*		1 League Play 630 PM	PER Meeting 6 PM Girl Scouts 630 PM Mship. Meeting 7 PM	3 Q of Hearts 530 PM Dinner Talk 6 PM	4 Friday Pizza 6-7 PM	5 Pearl Hbor Dinner 6 PM
6 Elks Mem. Serv. 10AM	7 Pearl Harbor Day BOD/House 6 PM	8 League Play 630 PM	9 Q of Hearts 530 PM Lodge Meeting 730 PM	10 Dinner Talk 6 PM	11 Friday Pizza 6-7 PM	12 1st Resp Bkfst 8 AM Card Making 1030 AM Lodge Rental 4-8 PM
13 Nat'l. Guard Birthday Cookie Exchange 2PM	14	15 League Play 630 PM	16 Girl Scouts 630 PM	17 Q of Hearts 530 PM Dinner Talk 6 PM	18 Food Bskt Potlk 530PM	19 Food Bskt Pickup 8AM
20	21 BOD/House 6 PM	22 League Play 630 PM	23 Q of Hearts 530 PM Wings Night 6 PM	24	25 Christmas Christmas Potluck 12PM	26 White Elephant Dinr 6PM
27	28	29 League Play 630 PM	30	31 New Year's Eve Q of Hearts 530 PM Lodge Dinner 6 PM Poker 7 PM		

#### **Lodge Activities by Kirk Sales**

Oct. 1, 2020 ER Gina Frank and Esquire Wayne Rogers went to Golden High School to meet with the principal and donated 2 \$500 checks to be used for Need for Clean-a group on campus that provides for housing challenged students. They provide showers, money for laundromats, bus passes and drinks and snacks during the school days. Hopefully this will help them stay in school to graduate. Second check was to Sources of Strength, a campus group trained to recognize and intervene with other students who may be showing signs of depression or thoughts of suicide.

Oct. 3rd we had a chili cookoff with 9 contestants hosted by Dan & Melissa Moss. Also had a visitation from State President Al Lenort and his wife Kim. Also visiting was 3rd VP Geff McDaniel and his wife Ellen. Had some great chili's and there were prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

Oct. 4 we had a very successful Paint and Sip which was attended by 32 people.

Oct. 10th was a 1st Responders breakfast and this one had 27 attendees from Fairmount Fire, Colorado State Patrol, Jeffco Sherriff's, and several EMTs.

Oct. 12th Arlene Munyon and Bob Munyon delivered dictionaries to Coal Creek Canyon Elementary and Wayne Rogers delivered them to 4 other schools for all the 3rd graders. We all

dropped off school supplies for them also.

Oct. 18th Gina and her sister taught about 8 of us to make pierogi's and then we had dinner with roasted pork and pierogi's.

Oct. 25th we hosted the CNW District workshop via zoom as Wayne is the President of the group this year.

Nov. 14th we had our Veterans dinner and Dan Moss hosted as he is our Veterans chairman and after a great dinner he had a short film on the history of Veterans Day.

At our Lodge meeting ER Gina had all Veterans in attendance to please rise and state what branch of the service they served in. We had 4 Veterans in attendance and by chance

we represented the Navy, Army, Air Force and Marines. Wayne gave a brief presentation on Veterans Day.

As you can see we have a lot going on still while staying safe and complying with the Covid 19 health quidelines. If you feel safe in small group settings come down for awhile, we have mask, hand sanitizer and we disinfect after every event. Does the soul good to get with friends every so often. If you get tired of cooking all our meals can be to go also, just let us know ahead of time and we will package up your order and have it ready for you to come in and pick up or we will bring to your car.

#### January 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 New Year's Day	2
3	4 BOD/House 6 PM	5	6 PER Meeting 6 PM Girl Scouts 630 PM Mship. Meeting 7 PM	7 Q of Hearts 530 PM Dinner Talk 6 PM	8	9 Card Making 1030 AM Lodge Dinner 6 PM Hoop Shoot 9AM-1PM
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17 District Workshop 9 AM	18 MLK Jr. Birthday BOD/House 6 PM	19	20 Girl Scouts 630 PM	21 Q of Hearts 530 PM Dinner Talk 6 PM	22	23
24	25	26	27 Lodge Meeting 730 PM Q of Hearts 530 PM	28 Dinner Talk 6 PM Poker 7 PM	29 Winter Quarterly	30 Winter Quarterly
31						

#### **Upcoming Events by House Committee**

First 2 Fridays in Dec. we are going to try fresh made pizza to go or eat in. Will be 2 or 3 sizes and 2 or 3 options and of course different price points. You will receive this before the first week of Dec. so let me know what kind of toppings and size pizza you like to order. We are going to get some pizza boxes to put them in. Give me some ideas at

#### waynerogers51@msn.com.

Pearl Harbor dinner and documentary on Dec. 5th.

Dec. 6th is our Elks Memorial Service at 10 am

with some refreshments afterwards. This is to remember all our departed members and is open to all family and friends who wish to be there.

Dec. 12th 1st responders breakfast from 8 to 11 am.

Come down and visit with them and enjoy some breakfast.

Dec. 18th we have our potluck and put together the food baskets and wrap gifts and on the 19th they get picked up and some usually need to be delivered also. If you wish to help just contact any of the officers to get times and discuss how you want to get involved.

On Christmas if covid 19 allows we will do our annual Christmas potluck with the Lodge providing the ham and or turkey and everyone else bringing a dish. We found years ago many of our members don't have a big family to share the Holidays with so we decided we could be each others family. We don't share gifts or anything just a meal and some conversation. If you would like to join us you are always wELKome and if you don't have a dish to share come anyway we always have plenty to eat. Invite someone to come

with you if you want even if they are not Elks. We start at noon and it's free unless you want something from the bar, but we have water and coffee also.

Dec. 26th having a dinner and a White Elephant starting at 6pm. Plan to attend as it should be a good time.

New Year's Eve they have a dinner and an early drop of the ball Queen of Hearts and Poker with a 2020 burning of mask, toilet paper rolls, as a get out of here to 2020 so bring some stuff you want to see gone from 2020.



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Send an email to: events.golden2740@gmail.com and receive the Hoofbeat Newsletter via email and weekly updates on the happenings at the Lodge! Or contact Gina Frank at 720-

#### **Golden & Lakewood Elks host**

201-6184.







Wheat Ridge Anderson Gym—4355 Field St, Wheat Ridge, CO January 9, 2021

Pre-Registration REQUIRED by 12/31/2020:

https://forms.gle/WL5sWbQJN4eirEez5

Boys & Girls Ages 8—13 (age as of 4/1/2021)

Check-In for Ages 8-9 begins at 9:00 AM

Boys & Girls Ages 8-9 Shoot: 9:15 AM—10:15 AM
Boys & Girls Ages 10-11 Shoot: 10:30 AM—11:30 AM

Boys & Girls Ages 12-13 Shoot: 11:45 AM-12:45 PM

- Participation may be restricted due to current COVID-19 rules in place at time of shoot.
- Awards presentation after each Age Group Shoots
- Top Shooters advance to District Hoop Shoot!
- COVID-19 safety policies will be followed; participants must bring their own regulation size ball to participate. Boys 8/9, 10/11, and all girls 28.5"; Boys 12/13 29.5".

Hoop Shoot Directors: Randy Hyman, Lakewood Elks 303-503-1777 or dweeser@aol.com Gina Frank, Golden Elks

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#### **DEVELOPING GRITTY KIDS!**