## Greetings 413 Family! August 2021 It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year!

Are you Ready!? We are about to kick into gear and be busy doing what Elks do best! The fall is always our time to shine and 2021 we should shine brighter than ever before. As school begins we will be arranging to do our Dictionary Project. Every year your lodge ensures that every 3rd grader in 8 elementary schools in Silver and Cobre Districts receive a new dictionary with copies of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution in them. Red Ribbon Week is coming up in October and we will partner with Elks Drug Awareness Program to promote keeping children off of drugs. I hope to also have students participate in the Elks Americanism Essay contest this year and also push to see more area students apply for the Scholarships offered by the Elks. We also have Hoop Shoot coming, a free throw contest for children ages 8-13. In previous years our Lodge has sent some amazing shooters all the way from the local competition to the district, state, regional and national contests! Lets keep it up! Also we were just approved the Elks National Foundation Gratitude and Beacon Grants for \$6000 to hold our annual Christmas Project this year. All of us were so disappointed to the restrictions placed on us by the NM Governor that we were unable to do this project last year; lets help as many children in our communities as possible this year! These projects and so many more are what makes the Elks the Best People On Earth. As great and exciting as all of this is it will only be accomplished with the help of vou! Get active and volunteer be an Elk!

#### ~Andrew Housley -Exalted Ruler

You should take a look at our State Website and gain member access to keep up with all that is happening with Elks across the state. www.nmelks.com





## Important Dates:

8/4 BOD/BOG meeting at 5150pm

8/4 Charity Committee meeting 645pm

8/4 Lodge Meeting 7pm

Only One Lodge meeting in August

8/14 Lodge Picnic! Come One Come All! NMEA President Hilliard official visit

8/29 District Deputy Clinic hosted in our Lodge.

**Initiation TBA** 





2021 Christmas
Project funds
have been approved! We will
be helping
children in our
communities this
year!



### NMEA Convention and Workshop

October 8-9 has been scheduled for Isleta in Albuquerque. If you would like to attend and why would you not want to, Please reach out to Secretary Carillo and she can get you the reservation forms.

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## ELK ECHOES of the 413 Annual Picnic!

**Saturday August 14th**. We will have our annual picnic with lots of great food, games, music and more. Festivities and food begin at 2pm Also our New Mexico Elks Association President Johnny Hilliard will be in attendance to have fun and enjoy with us! Horseshoes, cornhole, 3 ball, water slide for the kids and more. The Lodge is providing ribs we ask you bring a side dish or two to share

#### Enjoy the herd

The social quarters and gaming is open every Friday and Saturday 4pm to 11pm. Sundays 12 to 4pm

Opening more days soon!

#### Memorials



Dale French a Past Exalted Ruler, 54 year Elk member and dear friend of our lodge passed last year and will be laid to rest with his "sweetie" Shirley at Ft. Bayard Nat'l Cemetery on Aug. 7 at 2pm. Then from 4 to 7pm a reception will be held at the lodge.

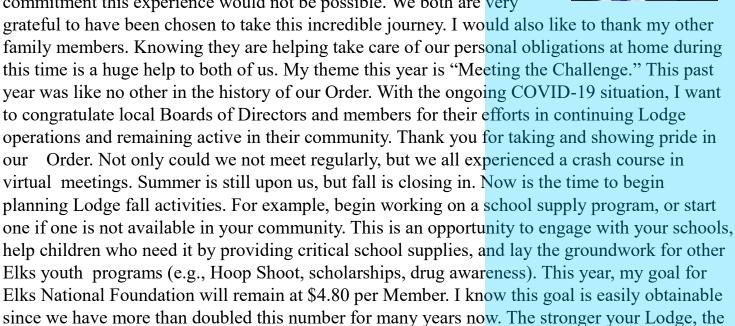
Sunday August 29th at 10am. We will be hosting the District Deputy Clinic Officers are required to attend however all members will benefit from being attendance and be informed of what Elkdom is about!





# Elks keep moving forward and Meeting the Challenge~ A message from our new Grand Exalted Ruler T. Keith Mills

Wow, what a fantastic opportunity to serve our great Order. I would like to first thank my wonderful wife, Amy. Without her love, support, and commitment this experience would not be possible. We both are very







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