



2025 - 2026 OFFICERS

EXALTED RULER:

Tricia Williams

LEADING KNIGHT:

Mike Mullin

LOYAL KNIGHT:

Trevor Paulus

LECTURING KNIGHT:

Gary Thompson

SECRETARY:

Dave Neeley

TREASURER:

John Cook

ESQUIRE:

Cassie Wilmeth

INNER GUARD:

Tom Williams

TILER:

Brianna Weis

CHAPLAIN:

Deb Veitz

TRUSTEES:

Tyler Mahan

Blade Martwick

Dr. Joel Weis

Samantha Krantz

Eric Shawler

Newsletter Editor:

Cassie Wilmeth

August Dining & Events

***Tuesday, August 4th – Tuesdays in the Lodge– 5pm**

***Friday, August 7th – Friday After 5**

***Tuesday, August 11th – Tuesdays in the Lodge– 5pm**

***Friday, August 14th – Friday After 5**

***Friday, August 18th – Tuesdays in the Lodge– 5pm**

***Friday, August 21st – Friday After 5**

***Friday, August 25th – Tuesdays in the Lodge – 5pm**

***Friday, August 28th – Friday After 5**

Save the date: Member Appreciation Night will be held Sept. 18, with a band playing from 7–10 p.m. On Sept. 19, there will be a barbecue following the parade.

The board and officers have decided to change the building locks. The front door lock has been causing problems, and many keys have been distributed over the years. For security, we need an accurate record of who has a key.

FISH FRIES WILL RETURN IN SEPTEMBER. OCTOBER 16 IS STILL OPEN, SO PLEASE CONTACT ME IF YOUR GROUP WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO COOK THAT EVENING.

Bingo will begin in September and continue monthly through spring.

August Birthdays

3 Allen Rager
Todd Stofferahn
4 Jill Neeley
5 Bill Oetken
Nick Jannings
6 Doug North
7 Ryan Draper
8 Ron Woolsey
11 Daniel Downing
12 Melford Johnston
13 Nathan Haley
14 Wayde Ross
15 Sherri Seago
16 Travis Turner
17 Daniel Marcus
18 Kerry Grumley
Kim Mullin
Marvin McGinnis
19 Carey Lynam
23 Michael Bruce
25 Leslie Carlson
Stephen Montague
26 Dennis Carter
28 Jayrd Merritt
29 William Harris

Dear Fellow Elks,

Summer is in full swing, and so is the heat. I hope everyone is enjoying a wonderful summer. Our Flag Day celebration was a remarkable success. Our guest speaker, Ray “Bubba” Sorenson, gave an excellent speech about the American flag. Thank you to everyone who baked and provided treats for the celebration, and to the volunteers who gave their time to put up and take down the flags for Flag Day.

The July 3rd and 4th activities were extraordinarily successful. Thank you to all the volunteers who worked both days—I genuinely appreciate your time and effort.

I was privileged to represent our lodge at the Elks National Convention in Chicago, Illinois. My husband and I traveled by train, which made for a comfortable trip. I enjoyed Chicago’s famous pizza, met Elks from across the United States, and found the Grand Lodge events truly inspiring, especially the celebration of the Elks Memorial’s 100-year anniversary.

Our lodge is truly made up of the best members, officers, and board of trustees. I am so lucky to be part of this Elks family.

Faternally yours,

Tricia Williams

Creston Elks Lodge 605

WE ARE HAPPY TO REPORT ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SCHOLARSHIP YEAR! OUR LODGE WAS AWARDED \$20,000 FOR LOCAL STUDENTS. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING RECIPIENTS!

CRESTON:

HOLLYNN RIECK – \$6000.00 NATIONAL LEGACY AWARD

LILLIAN JAMES – \$6000.00 NATIONAL LEGACY AWARD

**MAYLEE RILEY – \$1,000.00 IOWA MOST VALUABLE
STUDENT**

**GUNNER MARTWICK – \$1,500.00 VOCATIONAL
SCHOLARSHIP**

TYLER RILEY – \$1,500.00 VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

LENOX:

**BRYNNA PETERSEN – \$1,500.00 VOCATIONAL
SCHOLARSHIP**

**GREENLY RAMSEY – \$1,500.00 VOCATIONAL
SCHOLARSHIP**

MOUNT AYR:

**AUBREE SHIELDS – \$1,000.00 IOWA MOST
VALUABLE STUDENT**

August 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2 Closed	3 Closed	4 Tuesday in the Garden 5pm-Close	5 Closed	6 Closed	7 Friday After 5 Clubroom Open 5pm-Close	8
9 Closed	10 Closed	11 VFW Meeting Tuesday in the Garden 5pm-Close	12 Closed	13 Closed	14 Friday After 5 Clubroom Open 5pm-Close	15
16 Closed	17 Closed	18 Tuesday in the Garden 5pm-Close	19 7 pm Board of Directors 8 pm Lodge Meeting Clubroom Open 5-8	20 Closed	21 Friday After 5 Clubroom Open 5pm-Close	22
23 Closed 30	24 Closed ----- 31	25 Tuesday in the Garden 5pm-Close	26 Closed	27 Closed	28 Friday After 5 Clubroom Open 5pm-Close	29

CRESTON LODGE #605
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

If you would like to receive your newsletter by
 Email; please send an email requesting such to
 dneeley312@gmail.com

Thanks to all our sponsors for their help and support.
 As Members of Creston Lodge #605, please remember to
 Support these fine businesses and individuals.

NON-PROFIT ORG.

U.S. POSTAGE
 PAID
 CRESTON, IOWA
 PERMIT No. 5

Kyle Wilson, Financial Advisor Edward Jones 808 Laurel St Suite C 641-782-0017	Haven Wellness Skin Care & Massage Therapy Bethany Campbell 203 W Adams 641-732-2522	Ms. T's Massage Therapy Tori Feinhage 203 W Adams 641-782-3199	Carroll Family Chiropractic Dr. Gabe Carroll Dr. Linda Holbrook 203 W Adams 641-782-3199
WEAVER MEATS Custom Meats & Processing Afton, IA 641-344-4337	SERVICE TECHS INC. Kevin Glick, Owner 1401 HWY 34 West (641) 782-5245	Hulett & Sons Auto Salvage 	Nancy E. Loudon, Realtor Chris Lane Real Estate PO Box 347 609 West Adams Street Creston, IA 50801 Licensed in Iowa Since 1999 (641)-745-0372
STALKER CHRYSLER, DODGE, JEEP, RAM 410 S Sumner Ave (641) 782-2107 www.stalkerjeep.com	STALKER CHEVROLET, GMC 601 S Sumner Ave. (641) 782-2181 www.stalkergm.com	KSIB AM/FM Chad Rieck, General Manager KSIB FM 101.3 – KOOL 102 KSIB AM 1520 (641) 782-2155 www.ksibradio.com	CHAMPION STEAKS Champion Show Feeds 1407 HWY 34 Creston, IA
TURNER & ASSOCIATES, INC. American Family Insurance (641) 782-7471	CHRIS LANE AGENCY Insurance and Real Estate 609 W. Adams (641) 202-2384 (641)782-6749	KEN CALLAHAN REAL ESTATE 105 S Sumner Ave. (641) 782-2332	COENS HOME FURNISHINGS Meg McGrath, Owner 121 N Maple (641) 782-2121
NAPA AUTO PARTS STORE Locally Owned 221 N Pine (641) 782-2125	CRESTON VISION CLINIC Dr. Joel Weis 1610 W Townline Ste. 115 (641) 782-7619	OUR TOWN REALTY Kiki Scarberry, Broker 208 S. Maple 641-247-1122	FAMILY VISION CENTER 807 N Sumner (641) 782-2111
HICREST AUTO UNITED SUPERWASH HWY 34 East (641) 782-2202	HARTSOCK INSURANCE SERVICES, INC 800 S Vine (641) 782-8516	CRESTON CHIROPRACTIC P.C. Dr. Dennis Hopkins, Chiropractor 905 W. Townline St Creston, IA 50801 (641) 782-6226	Northwest Bank Creston – Afton - Shenandoah Member FDIC (641) 782.2195 www.nw.bank
SHARP STORAGE & Properties, LLC Creston, IA U Store it – U Lock it – U Take the Key (641)782-6227	SOUTHERN IOWA SETTLEMENTS Real Estate Closing Company Kiki Scarberry, Closer 641-552-6284	BIG BOYZ TOYZ Marine & Truck Accessories 900 S. Division (641) 782-6104 www.crestonbigboyztoyz.com	ADAMS STREET ESPRESSO 213 W Adams Street (641) 782-5353 Order online at adams-street-espresso. square. site
CRESTON NEWS ADVERTISER 503 W Adams (641) 782-2141 Get the News		IOWA STATE SAVINGS BANK 401 W Adams (641) 782-1000 Member FDIC ISSBbank.com	TYLER INSURANCE SERVICES Devon M. Tyler-Leith, CIC 111 W Mills (641) 782-5503 www.tyleriowa.com
RHINE BODY REPAIR Dave Rhine 301 E Montgomery (641) 782-5016		COOK VIDEO & APPLIANCE John & Shelly Cook 706 E Taylor (641) 782-5112	POWERS FUNERAL HOME Joe Powers, Owner, Director Brian Cramer, Director 601 New York Ave (641) 782-7036
Green Accounting & Tax, LLC Elizabeth A. Green 100 E Taylor St. Suite 1 Creston, IA Phone or Text: 641-782-2264			