

FALLS CITY ELKS LODGE

SEPTEMBER 2026

NO. 963

402-245-3814

ACTIVATE – COMMUNICATE - EDUCATE

Greetings Members All.

It's been nearly four months since I was installed as the President of the Nebraska State Elks Association. Dixie and I have enjoyed traveling around the state, trying to participate in as many activities as possible as we visit the other lodges across the state. Including our own lodge, I have been to 9 of the 19 lodges within Nebraska. We have attended dinners and ceremonies, been in parades, and helped with projects!

As I write this, Dixie and I have just returned from Omaha, where we were able to assist in building beds in collaboration with the organization, Sleep in Heavenly Peace. It was hot, sweaty, and dusty, but what a great experience! Knowing that kids in the Omaha area that don't have beds, will soon have beds to sleep in, is a truly rewarding experience! The next day, we helped serve grilled hamburgers and hot dogs to veterans living at Victory Apartments in Omaha.

Of course, in July, we attended the Grand Convention in Chicago. It was an honor and a privilege to represent our lodge and the state of Nebraska during the opening ceremony while carrying the Nebraska State Flag across the stage! Overall, we've enjoyed meeting so many other Elk members from across our great state!

One last thing my friends. I have recently been asked to serve on the local board for Teammates. That's right. Falls City is starting up with the Teammates Mentoring program once again. Beginning with the Falls City Middle School. We are looking for individuals that would be willing to be a mentor to the students.

* Teammates is a school-based mentoring program that matches a student with an adult mentor based on shared interests or experiences.

* Mentors meet with their mentee once a week for about 30 minutes.

* The focus is on building a relationship by playing games, talking about the students strengths, working on a project, or just having a conversation.

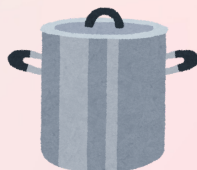
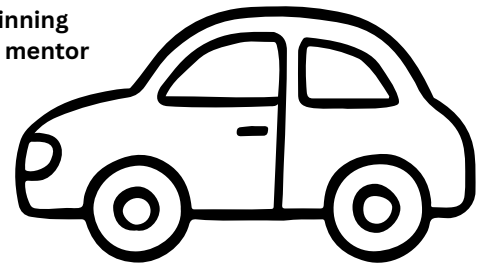
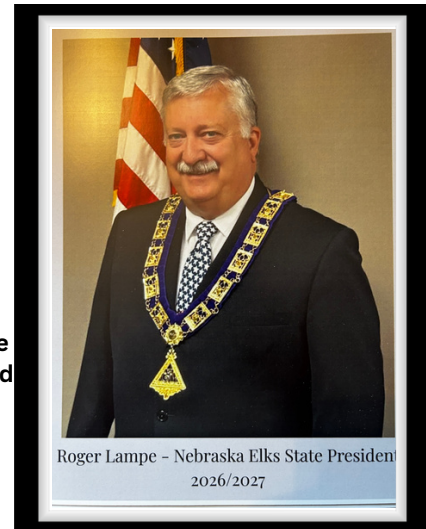
* The matches build lasting relationships.

If you even think you may be interested, please let me know or contact Maggie Suther, our program coordinator at the middle school. Her school number is 402-245-3455.

Thanks for all of your support in all that we do as Elks! Remember- Elks Care ~ Elks Share!

Roger Lampe

President, Nebraska State Elks Association



Alright people, get your calendars out and make room for this special event.

Saturday, September 26th, we will be having a good old-fashioned Seafood Boil at the club. Reservations are required by Wednesday September 16th so we can get the right amount ordered and shipped. We will be serving Fresh Gulf Shrimp, Crab Legs, Sausage, Potatoes, Corn, Onions, Hard Boiled Eggs, and Mushrooms in each pot. You will have the options of a Spicy or Mild batch for the table.

We are taking reservations for tables of 8 for \$300 or \$40/person. Don't miss this fun night of hanging out with friends, eating good food, and getting messy at the table. Please call Derik Lape at 402-883-7469, Barb Sailors 402-245-7034, or Darin Davis 402-801-0148 to book your table. Our first group of tables will start at 5:30 p.m. and the reservations will stagger from there to our last reservation at 7:30. There will be five seating times: 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30.

Hope to see you there and have a blast!!!
House Committee Seafood Boil



JOIN US FOR COBBLESTONE!

AUGUST 21-22, 2026



FRIDAY, AUGUST 21ST

BEER GARDEN AND MUSIC
BY KENT SEIBE

KITCHEN OPEN UNTIL 10:30 PM

BAR OPEN UNTIL 1 AM
OPEN TO THE PUBIC



SATURDAY, AUGUST 22ND

LUNCH AFTER THE PARADE

11:30 AM- 1:30 PM

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

KITCEN & BAR CLOSED AFTER
LUNCH

**FYI: In September we will
be closing on Monday's
and Tuesdays. Open on
Saturdays.
BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR
AN ALL YOU CAN EAT
SHRIMP NIGHT!**



State President Roger Lampe and Dixie helping
with the Sleep in Heavenly Peace organization
and the Omaha Elks Lodge # 39 making beds. On
this day we made 23 beds in about 3 hours.

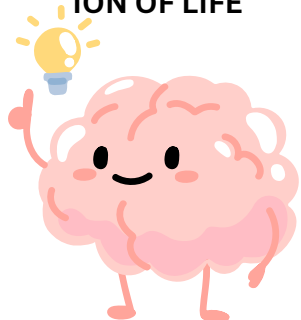
Tuesday's ladies Bridge Club has generously
purchased the new military flags .
Thank you to Nancy Kelly, Kay Frey, Leona
Knoble, Joann Neidfeldt, Eva Stark, Lorna
Simon, CaroBoatman, Kristy Gerweck, Shirley
Weber, Deanne Dixon. F & M is going to
purchase a set of armed services flags so there
will be new ones to put up when these flags
need replaces. If anyone else would like to
purchase a set of flags, contact one of our
officers!

State President Roger
Lampe, Grand Trustee for
Region 6, Michael Ohren,
Dixie Lampe helped the
Omaha Lodge serve
Veterans lunch at Victory
Apartments.



DID YOU KNOW:

THE ELKS HAVE A
RITUAL THAT THEY
CAN PERFORM AT
FUNERALS?
IT'S CALLED RITUAL
FOR FUNERAL
SERVICES/CELEBRAT
ION OF LIFE



Elks Care - Elks Share

Falls City Elks #963

Membership Report

Membership Total on 4-1-26:
553

Increases Decreases

Initiated: **23** Transferred Out: 0
Reinstated: **1** Deaths: **3**
Transfers In: 0 Dimits: 0
Total Increase: **24** Dropped: **4**

Membership totals as of 8-15-26:
570

Applications on hand: 0

Members who have yet to pay
their 2026-2027 Dues: **48**

SEPTEMBER

Happy
Birthday



3RD STEPHEN SEVERIN
5TH KYLE DAAKE
6TH ROBERT BROWN
7TH DAVID EBEL, MICHELLE KREIFELS, JAMES LIPPOLD & MICHAEL ROLFE
8TH BRYAN SICKEL
9TH CHRISTI CHAPPLE & DAVID MATHEWSON
10TH NATHAN FROESCHL & THOMAS WILHELM
11TH JACK BANGERT, DON FERGUSON, KELSI KRESIN & ROBERT WALSH
12TH MARK FLESKOSKI & RANDY WILLY
13TH DAVID KNOBBE
14TH THOMAS GIST, JAMES KIRKENDALL, JONATHON KIRKENDALL, WAYNE KREUTZER & MERLE VEIGEL
15TH ERIC GUILLIAMS, JON KEAN & SEAN NOLTE
16TH WILLIAM ELY & LANE SCHEITEL
17TH JAROD FIEGENER, JOSEPH FLESKOSKI, EDWARD HARTMAN & PHILLIP SCHEITEL
19TH JAMES JONES & DAN SCHAWANG
20TH VINCENT BEYER & NEHEMIAH VOLTMER
21ST MICHAEL SIMON & JENNIFER WILLMAN
22ND PHILIP BLETSCHER
23RD SARA AMUNULLAH-RUIZ & CASEY WITT
24TH JACOB SIMON
25TH ROBERT AITKEN
26TH TIM HECKENLIVELY, TIMOTHY PUGH, BRIAN WITT & RACHEL WITT
27TH MARK CASPERS, ROBERT GERWECK & BRIAN MCKIM
28TH NICHOLAS KRAFT & JOHN TAFT



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

August 4, 2026
Elroy, Stephanie
Boyer, Loyal
Knight, Mark
Lowe, Esquire,
and Jacob Smith,
Chaplin,
participated in
the National
Night Out.



SCHOLARSHIPS!!

School is back in session and that means our local high school seniors (and parents) should be thinking about scholarships as well. Whether it be for a four year college/university or any vocational school, there are scholarships available through the Elks!

All of our scholarships are available on the state website at www.nebraskaelks.org. The National Scholarships are also listed there. The Most Valuable Student (opened August 1 st and closes November 12 th) awards four scholarships per state of \$4,000 over four years.

Nebraska had three \$4,000 winners last year and one \$30,000 winner. The Most Valuable Student Scholarship is open to ALL seniors. No Elks Affiliation is required. Falls City Lodge #963 awards a total of six MVS Scholarships to three male and three female \$500 winners. There are also three State Scholarships, which are open to all seniors, opened August 5 th and close on February 5 th , 2027. These are one-time awards, with the student having up to two years to utilize. The Past Exalted Ruler Scholarship awards six scholarships of over \$1,000 each, with 3 male and 3 female winners. The Nebraska Elks Vocational Scholarship awards \$750 each to three male and three female applicants, going to the top male and the top female in each of Nebraska's 3 Districts. The Nebraska Elks Golf Scholarship awards one \$1,500 or two \$750 scholarships, depending on the number of applications and how they score in judging. The final decision is determined by the Golf Committee and Scholarship Chair.

There are two Scholarships that require a connection to the Elks organization. The Legacy Scholarship is a National Scholarship, and requires that a parent or grandparent have been a paid-up member for the past three years. This opens on September 1 st and closes on February 1 st , 2027. Our state is guaranteed 3 winners, but has received as many as 6 in the past few years. These are for \$6,000 over four years and require service with an Elks Lodge 3 times per year. The McQuillan Marauder Scholarship is available only to seniors whose parent or grandparent is a current officer in an Elks Lodge. This is a one-time award of \$1,000. An application must be requested through the Lodge Exalted Ruler, Secretary, or the Lodge Scholarship Chairman. Please look into these Elk Scholarship opportunities soon!

Roger Lampe
Lodge Scholarship Chairman



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Lodge Officers 2026-2027

Ben Hullman, Exalted Ruler
Rob Gerweck, Leading Knight
Stephanie Boyer, Loyal Knight
Yvette Washington, Lecturing Knight
Mark Lowe, Esquire
Jacob Smith, Chaplain
Jason Harmon, Inner Guard
Peter Diltz, Tiler
Racy Hullman, Secretary
Mik Christian, Treasurer

Trustees

Alan Romine, 1 yr TTEE
Rick Johnson, 2 yr TTEE
Tedd Gilkerson, 3yr TTEE
Becky Gilkerson, 4 yr TTEE
Roger Lampe, 5 yr TTEE

House Committee

Rob Gerweck
Rachel Rankin
Yvette Washington
Stephanie Boyer

Newsletter

Dixie Lampe

Newsletter Advertising

Racy Hullman

Normal Business Hours:

*Wednesday through Saturday 5pm to
Close*

Sunday Buffet 11am to 1pm

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Falls City Elks Lodge #963



DON'T MISS LIST...

- Closed on Mondays & Tuesdays
- Saturdays: **Special Burger Nights**
- Wednesdays: Wing Wednesday
- Sept. 3 - Trustees Meeting @ 6 PM
- Sept. 3 - Lodge Meeting @ 7:30 PM
- Sept. 6 - CLOSED
- Sept. 7 - Labor Day
- Sept 19 - Lodge Meeting @ 7:30 PM
- Sept. 16 - Reservations due for Seafood Boil
- Sept. 26- State Soccer Shoot @ Hastings Elks Lodge
- Sept. 26 - Seafood Boil