



**Aberdeen Elks Lodge #1046**  
**BENEVOLENT PROTECTIVE ORDER OF THE ELKS**  
**705 CIRCLE DRIVE, ABERDEEN, SD 57401**  
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Open every Thursday & Friday evenings at 5 PM.

**July-August 2019: NEWSLETTER & ACTIVITIES CALENDER**

***Don't forget to keep saving your Best Choice labels from Kens Fairway!***



***News from the Exalted Ruler,***

Well everyone, summer has finally arrived, and warmer temps are here. Horseshoes are clanging every Thursday and we have started a bean bag league for adults and children.

The annual spring workshop was held in Huron May 3-5, 2019. Jim and Angie Goetz along with Jan and myself attended to represent the lodge. The workshop was very informative, especially for the year end reports that must be filed with the Grand Lodge. Jan was asked to give a brief report about the grant writing she does for our lodge. We were very pleasantly surprised to receive an award for membership gain of 18, for the ENF (Elks National Foundation) donations of \$10.30 per member and Jan received the South Dakota Elk of the Year Award.

We have several new volunteer bar tenders, thanks for stepping up to help share the load with all the rental events and the usual Thursday and Friday night crowds. Thanks also to several members who have helped with dishes and clean up after the suppers. Hopefully this volunteering trend will continue.

We have upgraded our sound system with a wireless mic and blue tooth. This will help when we have rentals that need a mic system. It works great, Jan used it when calling during the Bingo Bonanza, and it was much easier to use and sounded great.

We celebrated Flag Day on June 14, 2019. We had Scout Troop 359 bring in the flags, and Rich Wilson sang several songs during the ritual. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make the celebration meaningful. Each person who attended received a flag to wear during the ceremony. We will be doing this every year on Flag Day; the Scout Troop is willing to help, and we want to get the young people involved.

Jan and I will be traveling to St. Louis on June 30 through July 3 to attend the Grand Lodge Convention. Looking forward to this trip since we have never been to Missouri.

Hope to see you at the Lodge on Thursday or Friday nights!!!

Remember: Elks Care Elks Share

***Jim Weismantel, Exalted Ruler***



***Sign up at the Elks to be a Brown County Fair Volunteer!***

Just a reminder to mark your calendars for the Brown County Fair's volunteer sign up event hosted by the Elks. Come and be a vital member of the Brown County Fair! Refreshments will be provided. The event will be held on Tuesday, July 9th at 6:30pm until 8pm. See you there! ***by Stacy Sprengeler, Brown County Fairboard Member***



### *Notes from the Secretary:*

We still have 31 members who have not paid their dues for 2019-2020. Please remit the appropriate fees and bring your memberships current. Your support is vital to the success of the lodge. We are gaining new members quite often, but we want to keep you as a member. Thank you to everyone who is getting the word out to join the Elks and be a part of a wonderful organization. Note: we also have Elks pins for members for \$5.00 each. Wear one proudly!

We gained a new color printer donated by Healthcare Plus Credit Union.

This is a commercial sized printer, very fast and is very much appreciated. We can make the color rules handouts for Bingo Bonanza, e-mail information and fax along with scanning etc. It is a nice addition to the office. Also, thank you to Jim Goetz and Dale Mork for hanging the shelves in the office, now the bingo supplies, pull tabs and extra flags etc. are off the floor and neatly arranged in the office.

We received the Gratitude Grant funds for 2019 that we secured for BACA (Bikers Against Child Abuse), The check presentation was done at the last meeting on May 27, 2019. After the members of BACA related their interactions with several abused children (anonymously) many lodge members had a few tears in their eyes. This group is so supportive of abused children. We wish the organization did not have to exist, but are very thankful that they are there to support these children. Since BACA members do not use their real names, thank you to Lone Wolf, Boo Boo Bear and Berger for all that you are doing for these children.

We have finalized the year end reports for the lodge with the Elks Grand Lodge. We have had to pay dollars to the IRS for the bar sales to the public so our accountant has asked that we separate the member sales from the non-member sales. I have this all separated on the I-pad that we use at the bar so next year our IRS tax will be much lower. Even though we are tax exempt as the lodge, we have to pay income tax on the sales to non-members.

I was very surprised and honored to be named the SD Elk Member of the Year. So unexpected!

Welcome to Deb Eisenbeisz, Ryan Schwab, Zona Schanzenbach, Ann Milbrandt, and Trevor Murray who gained membership in April and May 2019.

At the spring workshop in Huron May 3-5 the Most Valuable Student scholarship winners from South Dakota were presented with their awards. These students related what they plan to do in the future. These students are so worthy of the scholarships, congratulations to all of them.

Seniors should be applying for the scholarships from the Elks. The application time period will open next fall, so please check out Elks.org for the deadlines. This is all done on line except for the Vo-tech scholarship. If you know a student that may want to apply, be sure to have them research the scholarship requirements for applications. These are made possible through your ENF donations. They are competitive scholarships but so worth the effort. These scholarships range from \$2,000.00 to \$50,000.00. It is not difficult to apply; it just takes a little time.

There is also a Legacy Scholarship available to students if they are related to an Elks member. The scholarship is for \$1,000.00. Check Elks.org for information and deadlines. Please take advantage of these scholarships!!!

Thanks to all who do add the extra monies to the dues and seriously consider donating to the ENF. Your continued support helps many students achieve their goals in college and Vo-tech education. You directly affect the lives of many families, children and organizations through the Elks Beacon and Gratitude Grants that our local lodge utilizes.

*Your secretary, Jan*

*There will be initiation for new members on Tuesday September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:30PM.*

*Letters will be mailed to the newly accepted members for their initiation!!!*

## ***Note from the Manager!***



I'm so impressed with all the people coming forward to help work at the lodge; assisting with dishes, various duties as needed with the events, and bartend! Thank you so much! Many hands make lighter loads.

As you can see with our calendar, we have a busy July and August. We sure have a good time with the various events; making new friends and showing people our lodge. We hear over and over how nice our lodge is and are getting rentals from those who came to a previous event. We are doing something right! Please note on our calendar, that we have several weddings here along with the reception. I believe with those rented this year; we will be up to 5 actual weddings that have been held in our Lodge since I became manager! How cool is that?!



We had a fun 70<sup>th</sup> birthday/ 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary party for Ron & Dorothy Goehring. Their family did a great job making plans become reality. Their place was packed. Here is a cute picture of the Goehring's with their grandchildren who recreated the look of their wedding day! ***Georgia Smith, Manager***

## ***THEY FOUND THE QUEEN OF HEARTS!!!!***

Yes...it's true Gregg Cramer and Jim Weismantel teamed up and went on the hunt and found her hiding under lucky #37!! Together they won \$4224.00!!! All from a \$2 ticket!!!

We have started a new search for the Queen so stop on down and try your luck! The new jackpot is starting out at over \$3300! It only takes one lucky ticket to win!! Either way everyone's a winner because we get to all come together for some good food, fun and socializing!! See you Friday...doors open at 5:00pm, supper is available at 6:00pm. Check our Facebook page for current events, karaoke, dances, etc.



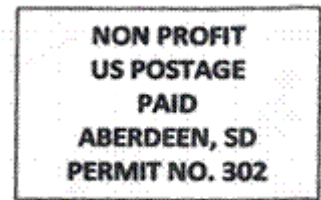
## ***Many Awards to the Aberdeen Elks Lodge and its Members!***

Aberdeen Elks Lodge 1046 and its members were noticed by the State Elks for all the wonderful things our Lodge does and the great members we have. Our Secretary Jan Weismantel (left side) was chosen the SD Elk of the Year. Board member Lee Schinkel (middle) was named Aberdeen Elks Lodge #1046 Officer of the Year. Nick Westphal was named Aberdeen Elks Lodge #1046 Member of the Year (not pictured). Jim Weismantel received certificates for Lodge #1046 Membership increase and ENF donations.





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***BRING ON MORE BINGO BONANZA!! We can't get enough! By Lexi Westphal***

Even though we had blue skies and sunshine, we still had over 50 people make time to pop in and take home over \$3400 in cold cash in May and June!! We were also able to take some nice donations of items and money to the Brown County Pet Rescue League in May and Salvation Army Food Pantry in June thanks to our wonderful bingo players! We also treated all of the Mothers red roses for Mother's Day!

Our tentative future Bingo Bonanza dates are:

August 4th  
September 15th  
October 13th  
November 10th  
December 8th



So please to watch our Facebook page for updates and current events.

Remember, doors open at 11:30am and we also have food and beverages available. No outside food or beverages can be brought in. Come on down, support our lodge and charity for the month and hopefully leave with some cash. The next one will be July 21st and the Progressive Blackout will be up to \$1900! As always, we can't say enough thanks to all the volunteers that help put on this event!!

***Other Ways to stay in touch, stay connected to latest updates and current information:*** [www.Elks.org](http://www.Elks.org) or

***find us on Facebook; Aberdeen Elks Lodge 1046***

