

## CRESTON LODGE #605

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks  
403 W Montgomery  
Creston, IA



February 2023

### 2022 - 2023 OFFICERS

#### EXALTED RULER:

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Tyler Mahan

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Samantha Krantz

#### Newsletter Editor:

Cassie Wilmeth

#### BUSINESS HOURS

Wednesday 5pm-8pm

Thursday-Friday

5pm-12am

Saturday 11am-12am

Sunday-Monday -

Tuesday - Closed

Closing times may  
vary if business is  
slow.

### February Dining & Events

\*Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> – PER Night – Chili & Cinnamon Rolls – 6pm

\*Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Fish Fry

\*Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> – Vinyl Night – 6pm

Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> – Superbowl Viewing Party & Potluck

Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry

Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> – Chili Cook-off & Fundraiser – Turn in Chili  
from 4-5, judging at 5:15

Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry

#### February & March Fish Fry Committees

Feb

3 Deb Veitz, John Shaw, Joel Weis  
17 Kevin Mahan, Mike Eblen, Bill Oetken  
24 Eric Shawler, Donna Stringham, Eric  
Campbell, Steve Peterson

Mar

3 Lee Freeman, Jen Worisek, Kyle Krantz,  
Tom Williams  
10 Brian Davis, Mark Shepard, Jenny  
Wheeler  
17 Matt Walden, Randy McIlravy, Ken  
Callahan  
24 Travis Anderson, Chuck Hulett, Clint  
Hoffman, Matt Shultz  
31 Ryan Samo, Drew Floyd, Jason Hyde,  
Willie Harris

Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>  
Vinyl Night  
6pm



With the age of our building additional maintenance items need to be addressed. The entire exterior needs tuck pointing, and a water leak has occurred in the basement dining room ceiling that needs addressed. Insurance will cover a portion of the dining room ceiling, but the \$2500.00 deductible will be our responsibility. These are repairs that cannot be delayed. In total \$17,500 is needed for these repairs.

Over the years the Officers and Trustees have continued to maintain and make improvements to the building and grounds. The porch roof has been totally replaced, new sidewalks installed in the east yard, replacement of air-conditioning in the lodge room, new ceiling tile and lights in the club and lodge room. In the east yard there is a new concrete stage, new tables and chairs, an outside bar building, new fencing, and outdoor lighting. This has all been done thanks to the support of our members.

In addition, over the past 6 – 7 years your membership dues and ENF support has made it possible for us to give over \$28,000 in grants to local charitable groups and over \$63,000 in scholarships to local students.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>

CHILI COOK-OFF

TURN IN CHILI 4PM-5PM

JUDGING AT 5:15



\$5 A SPOON, ALL YOU CAN EAT.

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## February Birthdays

- 3 Chuck Hulett  
David Rouh
- 4 Clint Brown
- 5 James Young
- 6 Mike Coen
- 7 Monica Fastenow
- 10 Brian Tucker
- 11 Jodie Weis
- 14 Michael Buck  
Brad Stehr  
Shon Berry
- 16 Jeromy Burgmaier  
Ashli Peterson
- 17 Charles Western  
Tyler Wolf  
Bradley James  
Heath Downing
- 18 Thomas Campbell  
Roy Sargent
- 19 Shawn Smith
- 20 Lynn Weland
- 22 Larry Richardson
- 23 Stew Stewart
- 24 Dave Neeley
- 25 Thomas Fremi
- 27 Tom Hartsock
- 27 Trisha McDonald

### Birthday Special

Thursday or Saturday...One free drink and either \$1.00 off sandwich or \$2.00 off dinner entrée.

Good for one visit during the month of your birthday.

**Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**PER Night**  
**Chili & Cinnamon Rolls**  
**6pm**



## Greetings Fellow Elks!

We had a great time over the holidays at our local lodge! New Year's Eve was rocking and the Tom and Jerry's were excellent on New Year's Day. Thank you to all who volunteered and participated to make these events successful.

February 2<sup>nd</sup> will be our PER meeting night. We will be serving chili and cinnamon rolls that evening.

We are bringing back vinyl night on the 10th at 6:00. Bring your favorite Album to spin as we travel back in time and enjoy the Golden Age of music!

Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> we will have a Superbowl potluck and viewing party! Come up and watch the game and bring a snack to share!

February 18th will be our annual Chilli cookoff and fundraiser. This is always a good time; make sure to mark it on your calendar.

This is the time of year when we begin looking to the next lodge year and filling our roster of officers. We will need to fill trustee positions and Lecturing Knight. If you are interested in becoming more active at your local lodge let an officer or board member know.

See you at the Lodge,

Joel Weis, Exalted Ruler Creston #605

The Elks National Foundation (ENF) has kicked off the 2023 scholarship year. Here are the details!

Attention SENIORS and parents of Seniors: The Iowa State Elks Association is pleased to offer twenty (20) \$1,500.00 Vocational Grants to individuals pursuing a vocational (2-year or less) training/educational program. These grants are open to current high school seniors or any non-traditional student (second career, etc.) pursuing such a program at an accredited school. These grants ARE NOT intended for students who will pursue a 4-year course of study eventually leading to a bachelor's degree; this includes students attending a community college with the intent of continuing on to a four-year degree program. Applications received for persons ultimately pursuing a 4-year course of study will be disqualified from consideration. The application deadline is MARCH 6, 2023.

You may apply online at [www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org), follow the instructions carefully (as of this writing, the application was not yet on the website, but should be added shortly). I will also have some applications printed for the entryway of the lodge.

### Legacy Awards




The Legacy Awards program begins on September 1, 2022. Legacy Awards provide \$4,000 scholarships for children and grandchildren of dues-paying Elk members. The ENF offers a total of 350 national awards. The application deadline is February 6, 2023. Please visit [enf.elks.org/Leg](http://enf.elks.org/Leg) for more details and the application link.

**Last year the Creston Elks Lodge awarded 6 scholarships totaling \$14,500 to local students!**

Please call me with any questions – thank you!

Deb Veitz 641.344.1155

## February 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Clubroom Open 5 – 8 pm	2 7pm Gov Body 8pm Lodge PER Night Chili & Cinnamon Rolls	3 Fish Fry - Deb Veitz, John Shaw, Joel Weis	4 Celebrity Bartender Dave Neeley Free Lunch provided by Dave & Jill No Saturday Night Dining
5	6 Closed	7 Closed	8 7 pm PER Clubroom Open 5 – 8 pm	9 Members Night	10 Vinyl Night 6pm	11 Celeb Bartender Gabe Looney No Saturday Night Dining
12 Superbowl Potluck 	13 Closed	14 Closed 	15 Clubroom Open 5 – 8 pm	16 7pm Gov Body 8pm Lodge Members Night	17 Fish Fry – Kevin Mahan, Mike Eblen, Bill Oetken	18 Celebrity Bartender Samantha Krantz Chili Cook-off Turn in 4pm-5pm Judging 5:15
19	20 Closed	21 Closed	22 Clubroom Open 5-8pm	23 Members Night	24 Fish Fry – Eric Shawler, Donna Stringham, Eric Campbell, Steve Peterson	25 Celeb Bartender Lee Freeman No Saturday Night Dining
26	27 Closed	28 Closed	March 1 Clubroom Open 5-8pm	2 7pm Gov Body 8pm Lodge Members Night	3 Fish Fry - Lee Freeman, Jen Worisek, Kyle Krantz, Tom Williams	4 Celeb Bartender Jake Davis No Saturday Night Dining

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