



THE NINETY-EIGHTER



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March Events

3/1: Great Gobbler

3/8: Youth and Veterans Fundraiser

3/22: Youth Dictionary Project Fundraiser

3/29: In and Out Party

Hello Elks and Does

As I write my last newsletter as ER, I think back to what we have accomplished throughout the year. Rick and I have had a great time. We thank you for your support.

We have raised a lot of money for our charities and helped a lot of families. We have great members that donate so much time and money.

A lodge never survives with just us as individuals. It takes all of its members volunteering to do the work. We can accomplish a great many things as a group.

I hope all of you continue to support the chairs in the Elks and the Does. Please come to meetings and find out what is going on in your lodge. We are always looking for new ideas for fundraisers. Help us to keep our non-profit status and volunteer. Also, turn in your volunteer hours!

Dues are due April 1st. The new card reader will be installed at this time. The old cards will not work in the door.

There are many great volunteers to thank for helping with my year. Chris and Ronda Elsberry for listening to my ideas. Derek Roy for helping with meals. Ryan Roy for proofreading and organizing my newsletter submissions. And of course, Rick Andrews for not letting me stop at all the cookie walks and keeping me on time.

I hope to see everyone at the In and Out Party on March 29. Congratulations to Sue Hearshman as your up-and coming ER.

Sharon Andrews

Exalted Ruler



DOES DROVE



Greetings!

WOW February was a COLD month and I believe we are looking forward to Spring.

Our business meeting this month is March 11th. I would love seeing everyone there!

The Doe's meal will be March 19th. Annette Cook and I will be preparing Chili, Cinnamon Rolls and all the trimmings. We will have brownies for dessert.

We will still have several Wednesday night meals that we need volunteers to prepare. Anyone willing to prepare a meal in the future please contact me.

Doe's social meeting in March is Tuesday the 25th. We will be playing Bunco. I would like to invite everyone as this is such a fun time.

Sincerely,

Sallie Sharp, Drove President, 2025

DOES ANNOUNCEMENT: Thank you to all members who have paid their 2025 Does Dues. Remember dues are \$40 this year.

If you would like my Venmo info email me at mdoug7855@gmail.com

Contact Sue Vignovich when an Elk or Doe passes away.

515-669-1931 svignovich@aol.com



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Praise & Thank You	Date	Reason
Keith Chada (Elk)	20-Jan	New Granddaughter
Mitzi Douglas (Doe/Elk)	24-Jan	Doe of the Year
Sue Vignovich (Doe)	24-Jan	Does Loyalty Award
Mike (Elk) & Brandi Niss	25-Jan	New Grandparents
John (Elk) & Jenn (Doe) Blanchard	31-Jan	New Grandbaby
Thinking of You	Thinking of You	
Mike Ritz (Elk)	15-Jan	" "
Sharrie Steele (Doe)	17-Jan	" "
Steve Eller (Elk)	17-Jan	" "
Sheila Marlow (Doe)	24-Jan	" "
Martha Woosley (Doe)	6-Feb	" "
PSP Ann Patrick (Doe)	27-Jan	Doe from South Carolina
Sympathy	Family Member Who Passed	
Richard Decklever (Elk)	14-Jan	Wife Doe Neva Kellett
Brenda & Chuck (Elk) Bengel	14-Jan	Brenda's Mother Doe Neva Kellett
Rod Dowler (Elk)	14-Jan	His Sister
Karen (Doe) & Jack (Elk) Switzer	15-Jan	Karen's Sister-in-Law
Darin (Elk) & Lisa (Elk) Baarda	22-Jan	Darin's parents Dale & Evelyn Baarda
Donna (Doe) & Gary (Elk) Young	24-Jan	Donna's Father
Glen Ridout (Elk)	27-Jan	His Brother
Rex (Elk) & Mary (Doe) Clendenen	29-Jan	Rex's Sister
Angie Bohlen (Doe)	29-Jan	Her Aunt
Kristen Steele (Doe)	29-Jan	Her Aunt
Mark Anderson (Elk)	30-Jan	His Wife Doe Cindy Robinette Anderson
Darin (Elk) & Lisa (Elk) Baarda	1-Feb	Darin's Uncle
Does Drove #173	27-Jan	Doe Karen Davison 5 x Does president And Florida State President

Veteran's Memorial

Please send **full name, branch, years of service, rank** (optional) to

Sharon Andrews

DES MOINES ELKS LODGE #98

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HELP REBUILD OUR REMODEL FUND!

\$100 PER BRICK INCLUDES 3 LINES OF TEXT
13 CHARACTERS INCLUDING SPACES

Your name _____
Line 1 _____
Line 2 _____
Line 3 _____

MARCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Great Gobbler 6PM
2 BINGO 1PM	3 Trustee Meeting 6PM	4 Pool 6:30 PM Cribbage Tournament 6:30 PM	5 Fish Fries Hushpuppies Cole Slaw By: Derek Roy, Crew and Judd	6 BAGS 6:30 pm	7 	8 Veterans and Youth Fundraiser Walking Tacos and Nachos 6PM "THE BAND SPAM" 7 PM TO 10 PM
9 BINGO 1PM	10 Lodge Meeting 7 PM	11 Pool 6:30PM Cribbage Tournament 6:30 PM DOES MEETING 7PM	12 Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes \$12.00 By: Sugar Shack	13 BAGS 6:30 pm	14 	15
16 BINGO 1PM	17 BOARD AND TRUSTEE MTG 6 PM	18 Pool 6:30 PM Cribbage Tournament 6:30 PM	19 Does Meal Chili and Fixins Cinnamon Rolls Brownies By: Annette Cook & Sallie Sharp	20 BAGS 6:30 pm	21 	22 Youth Dictionary Fundraiser Breaded Tenderloins and Macaroni and Cheese 2 PM to 6 PM
23 BINGO 1PM 30	24 Lodge Meeting 7 PM 31	25 Pool 6:30 PM Cribbage Tournament 6:30 PM DOES BUNCO	26 Lasagna Rollups Garlic Bread Sticks Salad Dessert By: Alicia and Rick Gillispie	27 BAGS 6:30 pm	28 	29 In and Out Party 3 PM

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

ELKS

LISA	BAARDA	02
RANDY	NAVIN	03
GEOFFREY	INGRAM	04
DENNIS	MONSMA	05
SETH	THOMAS	05
DOUG	HALL	07
JERRY	HATCHITT	07
JERRY	WHETSTONE	07
TIA	WOLETT	07
STEVEN	IVANOVICH	08
MARK	KLOBERDANZ	09
MATTHEW	VON AHNEN	10
STEVEN	HOWELL	11
JOSEPH	DULLARD	12
RICHARD	DECKLEVER	13
JON	FRISCH	13
DAVID	FROST	14
RAY	LANGILL	14
SUE	HEARSHMAN	15
JOHN	THOMAS IV	15
MICHEAL	ROSS	16
RODNEY	ANDREW	18
RUSSELL	BRETON	18
STEVEN	DORENKAMP	18
SHAYNE	HURGON	18
MARK	CRAWFORD	20
GARY	SCHWARTZ	20
RYAN	CARLSTEDT	21
BRAD	MURRAY	21
LARRY	HARMON	22
ARON	ELDER	23
RICHARD	HALL	24
STEVEN	LUNDBERG	24
JAMES	WIDLUND	24
GARY	ANGELL	25
DAN	LUSK	25
RICK	OLSON	26
JEFFERY	FUNARO	28
PAUL	KLONGLAN	28
JAMES	GIBBENS	30
ROB	HALL	30
NORMAN	KING	30
JAMES	WIDLUND	31

DOES

3	4	BOWLIN	JANE
3	4	THOMAS	JERI
3	6	MARTIN	MADISON
3	7	KOLLASCH	JACQUELYN
3	7	WOLETT (THOMPSON)	TIA MARIE
3	10	HERRMANN	JOANN
3	14	HECK	JACKI
3	15	HEARSHMAN	SUE
3	16	BRAY	DENISE J.
3	19	KLINE	JAIME
3	21	CLENDENEN	MARY
3	22	KEESEY	NICOLE
3	22	THOMAS	MARIA LUISA
3	25	HOWARD	KELLY
3	29	SCHMINKEY	NANNETTE
3	29	SWITZER	KAREN
3	30	GLOVER	CONNIE
3	30	MCMURRY	JANICE
3	31	BLEECHER	JULIANA



<https://www.facebook.com/Elks98>

We will be starting a Cribbage Tournament on Tuesday nights in at 6:30 PM. Contact Tom Moburg



515 669 5533
for more
information.

BINGO IS BACK ON SUNDAYS

Doors open by noon and start at 1 PM!

You are welcome to bring snacks!

This is a public event and everyone is welcome!

Bring your friends and family!



ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SUE HEARSHMAN

Sue will be selling place mats at Monday meetings, Wednesday meals and Friday nights. \$25 per square

Coming Soon New to the Newsletter!!!

Attention Elks, Does, Parents and Grandparents of the Elks Lodge #98!!!!

I am doing a Kids Korner in the 98er. Starting in April Newsletter. This is for the kids to write a joke and have it in the Elks 98er. Each month the committee will pick 3. They will have their name in the 98er. The next month they will have a special meal on the 3rd Friday night, tell their joke to the members of the lodge at 7 pm.

SAVE THE DATE INFORMATION!!!!

In and Out Party: Saturday, March 29, 2025

Installing Officers at 3 pm

Open to Elks and Does and anyone that would like to be a part of it. (Officers-Blue Grays with pictures).

Potluck at 4 pm. Music

YOU ARE ALL INVITED TO

Exalted Ruler Ball: Saturday, April 12, 2025

Theme: Roaring Twenties

Dress as if you would have lived in the 20's. Dress to honor your family members. Or what you would like.

We will have a Speakeasy door. And the main door.

Social Hour 6pm to 7 pm

Introductory of New Officers: 7:05 pm to 7:30pm

Supper at 7:45 pm to 8:30 pm (Chicken ala King)

Music by Brian Hebron and Crystal Blue Band 8:00 PM to 11 PM

Come and have some fun!!!!

At the end of the year, we will take the jokes and pick the top 3.

Only one joke per month per kid. Put the sheet in the box by the ATM on the small table. Make sure child's name, your name and phone number and joke! 12 and under.

Thank you, Sue Hearshman

The Elks Lodge #98 has 2 opening for 2 children to go to camp this year. \$300 a kid.

Please fill out the form and put it in the Kid Joke Box by the ATM. Deadline is April 1.

Please include the following information:

Name of the Elk

Name and Age of Child

Location and Date the child is going to Camp.

Please encourage the child to write something for the 98er when they return from camp.

Question, Please ask Sue Hearshman!



**Elks Lodge # 98 – 2025 - 4 Person Best Shot
Golf Outing**

**Saturday June 21st – 8 AM Shotgun Start at Toad Valley
Golf Course**

\$90.00 per player and includes:

***Golf / Cart / 2 Beverage Tickets / Pork Chop Dinner after
golf at lodge / Prizes***

Limited to 36 teams – ***First 36 registered teams are IN!***

Registration Deadline – Wednesday June 11th

***Your registration form and entry fees must be turned in at lodge
bar***

NO later than Wednesday June 11th

Make check payable to Elks Lodge # 98

Team Names

Team Captain _____ Email Address _____

Player 2 _____

Player 3 _____

Player 4 _____

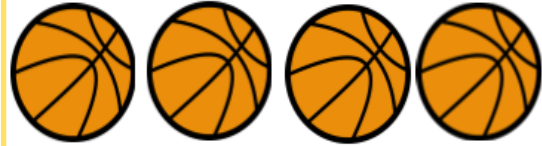
Great Gobbler Dinner – Elks #98
In the Memory of Little Cliffy and PER Dean Patterson
All proceeds to HOSPICE

2025 Annual Great Gobbler Saturday March 1st 6pm

All turkeys have been donated to us and will be prepared at the lodge, so we do not need any turkey donations this year. Meals will be prepared in the kitchen as a boxed meal in sectioned containers and include turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole and a roll and butter. Seating is available inside the Lodge in the Club Room and Lodge Room. Meals will also be available for carry out. Cost of each meal is \$12.



Hope to see everyone there!
 Elks 98 Gobbler Committee



March Fundraiser Event

Saturday, March 22

2 PM to 6 PM

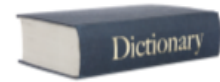
Breaded Tenderloins

Macaroni and Cheese

\$7.00

Proceeds go to Youth Dictionary Project

Come on out to the lodge, watch some basketball, and grab a meal!!!



COME OUT ON MARCH 8 TO THE ELKS 98

WALKING TACOS AND NACHOS

6 PM TO GONE

COST FOR FOOD: \$7.00



FUNDRAISER FOR VETERANS AND YOUTH

WE WILL BE HAVING "THE BAND SPAM"

PLAYING FROM 7 PM TO 10 PM



!!! IT'S BACK !!!

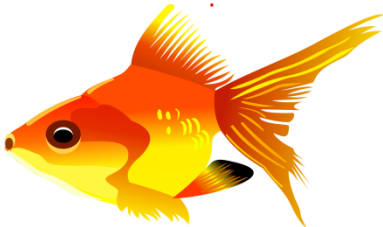
ELKS LODGE #98

GOLD FISH RACES

APRIL 19, 2025

SPAGHETTI DINNER 6:00PM

\$10.00



RACES AT 7:00

8 RACES

2 DAILY DOUBLES

Please join us for our Annual Does #25

'SIP & SHOP'



SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025 - 10 AM to 3 PM

**** Lunch available 11 AM - 1:30 PM ****

ELKS LODGE

5420 N.E. 12 AVENUE

PLEASANT HILL (Behind Fareway)

Please join us for a fun day of *Shopping, Food, & Fun!*



Bring your Friends and Family!



Free admission, 50+ spaces filled with your favorite *Vendors, Crafters & Boutiques* on both floors *inside & out!*

Door Prizes * Raffle * Bake Sale



Bloody Mary's & Mimosas



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