

# Sioux City Elks Lodge #112 Newsletter

## February 2026

### Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler: J. Scott Haberer

Esteemed Leading Knight: Jake Kirchmeier

Esteemed Loyal Knight: Jeff Finken

Esteemed Lecturing Knight: Melissa Roupe

Chaplain: Gloriann Miller

Inner Guard: Jason Ross

Tiler: Mike Jovanovic

Esquire: Ted Parks

Trustee: Steve Bradley PER

Trustee: Jim Miller, PER

Trustee: Ken Lillie, PER

Secretary: Mike Halstead, PER

Treasurer: Pat Hoelker

### From the Exalted Ruler



Spring is just around the corner as the days become longer! As we look forward to Valentine's Day and other special events here in Sioux City, let's not forget to thank all those responsible for planning, purchasing, and executing the great events our lodge so famously sponsors! The Murder Mystery dinner party in January was another hit. Keep your eyes open to try out a new event or meal that you haven't experienced before. Jake Kirchmeier and the House Committee have been very creative trying to bring our lodge great new options and the activities committee has been brilliant in scheduling new events. Second lodge meeting in January was blessed to initiate 4 new members! Please, everyone always be on the lookout to introduce new people and encourage new members to join our ranks. We are still down several members who are delinquent in last years dues, been discontinued due to non-payment, or even separated by choice, so new members are extremely important to us to maintain the strength of our "Herd" and

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Men's Stag & Golf Simulator Tickets for Sale

- 2-3 Burger Night 6-8 Mushroom & Swiss \$6.50  
Stretch Fun 5:30
- 2-4 Wings & Hamburger Soup \$6 6-8 SCPOA 7 Poker
- 2-5 Lodge Meeting 7 PER Night
- 2-6 Spaghetti & Breadsticks 6-8 Jeff Finken Crew
- 2-8 Superbowl Sunday Ken Lillie Bartending Open 5
- 2-9 Poker League 6:30
- 2-10 Burger Night 6-8 2 Chili Dogs \$6 Stretch Fun 5:30
- 2-11 Wings & Chicken Noodle Soup \$6 6-8 Poker 7
- 2-13 Elks Valentine's Dinner Prime Rib & Shrimp  
6-8 Ken Lillie, Ken Kamradt & Keven Farrell  
Orientation
- 2-17 Burger Night 6-8 Pork Tenderloin \$6 Stretch Fun 5:30
- 2-18 Wings & Potato Soup \$6 6-8 Poker 7  
Pizza & Puzzle Night \$5
- 2-19 Lodge Meeting 7 Initiation
- 2-20 Lasagna with Fish Option 6-8 Kari Kirchmeier,  
Meghan McClure, Mark & Lisa Dirkson
- 2-24 Burger Night 6-8 Bacon Cheeseburger \$6  
Stretch Fun 5:30
- 2-25 Waffles For Warriors 8-10 Wings & Chili \$6 6-8  
BOD 6 House 7
- 2-27 Kabobs with Seafood Option 6-8  
Chris & Stephanie Amick
- 3-5 Lodge Meeting 7
- 3-7 Men's Stag 6 PM
- 3-19 Lodge Meeting 7 Installation of Officers
- 3-28 Purple Ball Appetizers 6 Dinner & Program 7  
Honoring & Thanking J Scott Haberer 2025-2026  
Welcome Jacob Kirchmeier & Lady Kari 2026-2027

meet Grand ER Bryan Klatt's challenge to grow our numbers. I want to remind everyone that our Purple Ball will be held in March this year so please plan to attend. Also, make arrangements to spend a Saturday this Spring, helping out at the Iowa Elks Fish Fry at the Soldier's home in Marshalltown, Iowa. It's very rewarding. This would be a great family event and your children will learn the joy of service. Men's Stag is coming up and I want to encourage everyone to thank Jeff Finken for the long hours of hard work being chairman of this great fund raiser. Please attend and sell tickets. If you haven't noticed, there's been a lot of pictures posted of our lodge presenting checks and grants to local organizations and charities. It's been a pleasure to present these awards to such deserving organizations that build our community.

In Brotherly Love,  
Exalted Ruler, J. Scott Haberer

#### SAVE THE DATE PURPLE BALL MARCH 28

It's not too early to buy your tickets to Purple Ball, Saturday March 28th. This year's theme is Make Your Mark. We will serve southern-inspired appetizers and encourage Kentucky Derby attire, hats. Dinner will be catered by Aggie's with a brisket or salmon option. Either entree will be served with loaded mashed potatoes and bacon wrapped asparagus. Entertainment will be DJ Kari Kat, with dancing and music bingo. Music bingo will cover multiple decades.

## Esteemed Leading Knight



As the manager of the bar, I want to give a big welcome to our new bartender Kayla. She is a wonderful addition to our team. Please welcome her to our Elks family.

The bar will be open for the Superbowl. This year we will have a guest bartender Ken

Lillie. Please watch our social media for exact opening time and specials.

Please ask me if you would like to register for state bowling. This year it will be in Grand Junction, Iowa. It will be hosted by the Jefferson Lodge. Matches will be played on the weekends in March. Everyone can find registration on the Iowa Elks Association web page or you can contact me and I will help you get registered. This will be a great time but spots will fill up fast.

Please watch posts, we will be scheduling a lodge cleanup for this spring. We need to clean the place and clean our street. More information to come.

Finally I would like you all to save the date for Purple Ball. This year it will be March 28. Tickets will go on sale soon. Please come and celebrate all the great things happening at Sioux City Lodge 112.

**NOTICE At the November 20 meeting we voted to add a 3.5% surcharge on credit & debit card charges to cover the cost we incur on these usages effective Jan 1, 2026.**



ER Scott presented \$1000 from our Freedom Grant to Support Siouxland Soldiers Keven Ehlers, (Pictured Above). We presented \$3000 to Sioux City Fire Rescue from our Gratitude Grant. They will use this to help fund their Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detector program that helps keep residents in our community safe. (Pictured Right): Bennett Vanderloo, Jordan Reinders, Lieutenant Adam Preston, ER Scott, Sean Morin, Cameron Peirce.

## From the Desk of the Secretary



February is here and that means everyone should have received their annual dues notice from Grand Lodge. For the month of March, I will be at the Lodge on Tuesdays and Fridays from 6 – 8pm. I will be available to help you with your dues payments and any questions you may have for the Secretary. If you want your membership card laminated, I will be happy to laminate the first 300 who come to the Lodge with this request. Before I can laminate, the card must be signed by the member. Please be

sure to update your phone number, address, and email address to keep up with all the events at the Lodge. See you at the Lodge,  
Michael Halstead PER



Welcome to our new Members: (Front L-R) Loyal Knight Jeff Finken, ER Scott Haberer, Victoria Ford, Dorothy Helgason, (Back Row), Norbert Allen Shoumaker III, Max Luesebrink



**Esteemed Loyal Knight**



Ladies, Looking for that GREAT VALENTINE'S DAY GIFT?? Your Man would love a STAG TICKET !!!



Anyone wanting a gift for someone hard to buy for? We have you covered: A Golf Simulator Raffle Ticket fits everyone!



**Elks 112 Men's Stag**

Date: Saturday, March 7, 2026  
Time: 6:00 P.M. - 12:00A.M.  
Location: Sioux City Elks Lodge  
 1001 Tri-View  
 Sioux City, IA 51103  
Cost: \$60.00

This is one of our Major Fundraisers of the year. The money raised at this event helps the Lodge pay for all of the requests we get from community organizations such as the Food Bank, Little League, Veteran projects, and Scholarships just to name a few.

Your continued support for this event would be greatly appreciated. You can contact any of the following members of the Stag Committee and they will be happy to supply you with any number of tickets you would like to purchase. The cost is only \$60.00 per ticket.

Jeff Finken (712) 212-5431  
 Steve Bradley (712) 389-6094



**Prizes**

- 1st Place 1 Winner \$1000
- 2nd Place 1 Winner \$500
- 3rd Place 10 Winners \$100 each
- 4th Place 10 Winners \$50 each

Limited to the first 250 tickets sold so your odds in winning are approx. 1 in 10.  
 Drawing at 8:00 P.M. SHARP!!

Need not be present to win!!

All You Can Eat

Prime Rib Dinner

All You Can Drink



Several Gun Raffles

Winners of gun raffles will receive a certificate to Sioux City Schools to claim the gun they win

All the Fun you can stand!  
 Designated Drivers will be available

**Esteemed Loyal Knight**



Hello Fellow Elks. As we all finished up our busy year at the end of 2025. I hope all had a safe and enjoyable few holidays with family and friends. Deer season has already arrived and ended so now the hides begin their process, and the gloves and such will begin for our veterans. This is a great thing that the Elks do for our

Veterans. This is another reason I am proud to be an Elk. I want to thank all of those who help with our waffle for worriers breakfast that we do on the last Wednesday of each month.. Have a safe and happy month. Remember it's Valentines month ... Be super nice to your valentine..!! Melissa Roupe

**Waffles For Warriors**



**TRIVIA**

Here is your monthly Trivia: What year did we move into our present building?

Answer to last month's trivia: The four chairs are Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight, Loyal Knight & Lecturing Knight

Do you have a February birthday? Bring this coupon to the lodge during the month of February and redeem for \$10 towards your bar or kitchen purchase. For Members only. Must be used in one visit.



New Years Eve Murder Mystery Dinner Was Fun For all

## ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

January was very busy for our activities committee - proving again how much fun we can have when we gather together. The New Year's Eve murder mystery was another fun night as our killer went undetected. Congratulations, Mary Kilzer, for being the only person to figure out the killer's riddle, and Joelle Pease for getting away with murder.

On a sunny Sunday, January 11th, we had a 20-team cribbage tournament. All competition fees were paid out to the top 3 finishing teams. We held a 50/50 raffle to support our Elks Scholarships and boosted our bar and food sales. Thank you to Janet Mueller for arranging the tournament, Noah Kirchmeier, cook & Jake Kirchmeier, bartender. Got something you want to add to the calendar? Let our committee help you get it done.

The first pizza and puzzle social night was January 14 and our second is February 18th. Meet in the lodge. These are all ages events. \$5 a person share in the pizza and cookie table. We had 20 people join us for Papa Murphy's pizza. The Papa Murphy's off Hamilton is owned by a member's granddaughter. It was fun to include her business in our event.

**Our By-Laws/House Rules are available online, follow the instructions below and you will have access to not only the By-Laws/House rules, but also the monthly newsletter & calendar.**

### By-Laws/House Rules available online

To access By-Laws and House rules follow instructions below:

- Type [www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org) in your browser and hit the enter key and create an account
- [Click on the "Members Only" tab](#)
- Choose Local Lodges from the blue drop-down menu
- Click on Lodge 112 from the white drop-down menu
- go to Blue drop-down menu and choose "Members Only tab"
- Choose "By-Laws" from the white drop-down menu

### LODGE RENTAL

Anyone wishing to rent the Lodge / Patio contact Neil Magnusson for scheduling and availability at 402-494-6255 or 712-281-2477.

Anyone renting the Lodge, member or non-member, must have a signed rental agreement. A rental agreement requires an Elks employee to be present whether there will be alcohol served or not. Rental is \$250 for members and \$700 for non members and \$200 deposit.



Elks #112 Dignitaries VP Mike Halstead and State President Elect Steve Bradley

Serving the VP Lunch (L-R) Jim Miller, John Evenson, Janet & Mike Rigg & Kathy Lillie

## DON'T MISS A MEETING



January 8, 2026

**\$14 WAS WON by Sue Jovanovic**

**\$81 WAS NOT by William Misczak**

January 15, 2026

**\$23 WAS WON by Mike Jovanovic**

**\$95 WAS NOT WON by Leigh Woodard**

**Please send newsletter articles by the 15th for the next month to: [siouxcityelks112@gmail.com](mailto:siouxcityelks112@gmail.com)** 

**HOLIDAY STRETCH FUN Tuesdays 5:30 PM**  
Too much pumpkin pie or too much Christmas candy? Guys and Gals are welcome to come to the Elks Lodge to stretch and bend in some low impact, easy exercises while having fun together & keeping healthy, For information, call Brenda at (712) 389-6675.

**Golf Simulator coming to Elks 112** 

**We began selling raffle tickets for the golf simulator project on January 1 and they are selling rapidly. Committee members will have the tickets until 500 are sold. We appreciate your support for this project and look forward to the future enjoyment and revenue the project will bring to the Lodge.**

**NW VP Mike Halstead hosted the NW VP Clinic at our lodge on Jan 10 with 40 district dignitaries & committee members present. Highlights below**



Esquire to DD Jerry Anderson, DD Jon Needs, VP Mike Halstead, President Elect Steve Bradley (Above) We also Celebrated the 54th Anniversary of State Parliamentarian Steve & Suki Smith at NW VP Clinic (Below)

