

Sioux City Elks Lodge #112 Newsletter

March 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



This is my last official communication as your Exalted Ruler for this year, and although I'm saddened that my year has come to its end, I'm excited for our Lodge's future with Jake Kirchmeier taking over the lead. Please give him all of your support as you have done for me! We have so much to be proud of, let's keep it going! Also, I'd like to encourage all of you to come to Jake and Kari's Purple Ball at the end of this month, it will be very special. In April, Steve Bradley will be installed as our State President of the Iowa Elk's Association and I would also encourage everyone to consider going to the convention and banquet to show our support for our newest State President! My first convention was the year Dan Olson was installed as State President and it was a lot of fun meeting other fellow elks from all of the lodges that comprise our wonderful state association. Men's Stag and of course the Lady's Stag, are coming up soon, always the first weekend in March. Please plan to attend, help sell tickets, and bring guests. I'm

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3-3 Burger Night 6-8 **Mushroom & Swiss \$6.50**
Stretch Fun 5:30 **Christmas Basket Meeting 7**
- 3-4 Wings & Tacos \$6 6-8 **SCPOA 7** Poker 7
- 3-5 **Lodge Meeting 7**
- 3-6 **Chicken & Fish 6-8**
- 3-9 **Poker League 6:30**
- 3-10 Burger Night 6-8 **2 Chili Dogs \$6** Stretch Fun 5:30
- 3-11 Wings & Tacos \$6 6-8 Poker 7
- 3-13 **Elks St. Patrick's Dinner 6-8 Riggs, McClures & Cougills Orientation**
- 3-17 Burger Night 6-8 **Pork Tenderloin \$6** Stretch Fun 5:30
- 3-18 Wings & Tacos \$6 6-8 Poker 7
Family Fun Bingo 6:30
- 3-19 **Lodge Meeting 7 Initiation Installation**
- 3-20 **Chicken & Fish 6-8**
- 3-24 Burger Night 6-8 **Bacon Cheeseburger \$6**
Stretch Fun 5:30
- 3-25 **Waffles For Warriors 8-10 Wings & Tacos \$6 6-8**
BOD 6 House 7
- 3-27 **Chicken & Fish 6-8**
- 3-28 **Purple Ball Appetizers 6 Dinner & Program 7**
Honoring & Thanking J Scott Haberer 2025-2026
Welcome Jacob Kirchmeier & Lady Kari 2026-2027
- 3-31 Burger Night 6-8 Chicken Sandwich Special \$6
- 4-1 Wings & Tacos \$6 6-8 **SCPOA 7** Poker 7
- 4-2 **Lodge Meeting 7**
- 4-3 **Chicken & Fish 6-8**
- 4-24 - 4/26 **Iowa Elks State Convention Des Moines**
Our own Steve Bradley will be installed as
2026-2027 Iowa Elks State President
Congratulations Steve!!

also excited to see the interest and support of installing a Golf Simulator in our Lodge to further benefit our members and hopefully to attract new and younger members. If you haven't purchased a raffle ticket to support this exciting project, please ask the bar tender for a ticket. Contributions are welcome and needed, as well.

Speaking of membership, this has been a very good year for new members. I beg you all to keep proposing new members as our lodge membership still lost a few this year, due to delinquents and normal life attrition, in spite of a very healthy membership drive. Invite family and friends to our special events. Kari Kirchmeier has come up with some very exciting new activities and many are sure to grow in popularity as time goes on. Please consider joining a committee and become more involved in Elkdom. It is very rewarding and we cannot do all the wonderful things we do every year if it were not for the selfless and generous support of our membership. Remember ENF when you renew your annual membership dues- a \$5-10 addition to your check is so helpful to our lodge's success! I want to thank everyone for helping me with this past year. I'm proud to be an Elk, but not as proud as I am to be a Sioux City Lodge 112 Elk. Truly, we are the finest people in Siouxland.

Again, thank you to all and keep the herd strong.

In brotherly love,

J. Scott Haberer, Exalted Ruler

Esteemed Leading Knight



I have been made the Nominee for Exalted Ruler for the 2026-2027 Elks year. I want to thank all of you that are supporting me in this adventure. I am very excited to help sustain the great things we are doing in Sioux City. Please come to officer induction on March 19. We will have a lodge meeting and then an open

meeting for officer induction. We will follow the events with a small meal.

We have a second new bartender. I would like to welcome McKenna Moats. She started in February and will be a welcome addition to both the bar and kitchen staff. We are very excited with both our new employees. This will allow us to easily staff both the regular hours and the rentals. Please come down and meet both McKenna and Kayla.

I would like to remind everyone to register for the Purple Ball. This year it will be March 28 starting with social hour at 6:00 followed by dinner and frivolity. The theme of my year will be Make your Mark. I would like everyone to take a minute and decide how you will better our lodge this year. How will you Make your Mark. If we all come together to work an activity, chair a committee or just show up and support the fun.

I want to thank everyone who has already accepted a committee position and would encourage you to call me if you want to volunteer. I still have a couple of committee spots available.

I will be working with the membership committee this next year. I charge everyone to invite your friends. The lodge can be a place to make great new friends, but it is also the place to bring your old friends and create new memories. We are only a strong lodge if we continue to grow.

I am looking forward to having a great Lodge Year. I hope to see you all.

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 us-ages effective Jan 1, 2026.



**Christmas Basket Meeting
March 3 7 PM**



**We will be discussing corporate sponsorships.
All Are Welcome**

From the Desk of the Secretary



Greeting Fellow Elks,

I am happy to announce I am already processing pre-paid dues for the upcoming year and a big thankyou to everyone who has either mailed yours in, or paid at the Lodge. Remember, in the month of March from 6-8pm I will be at the Lodge to help with your dues payments, and laminate your membership card after you sign your

card. We still have some members who haven't paid their current dues. Please remember what your dues accomplish as a whole, as one member stated the other day "the Elks has touched thousands of lives and I am proud to be part of this organization". Our dues help young adults with educational grants, veteran organizations, EMTs, Fire Departments, and more.

Also, I continue to update our records so if you have a new address, phone number, or email address please send it to me at: elks112secretary@gmail.com. This will help keep you up to date on your Lodge events and opportunities to serve our community.

See you at the Lodge,
Michael Halstead PER
Secretary

Exalted Ruler Scott was honored for sponsoring 3 new members this year. Receiving the national GER pin is an annual goal for him, he's made it happen over 5 times. Great Job Scott Haberer. Pictured below: Exalted Ruler Scott Haberer and PER Mike Halstead Secretary.



Esteemed Loyal Knight



Hi Elk's members,
 March is a super busy month. It starts with the Men's Stag on March 7th and will end with the Purple Ball at the end of the month honoring Scott as the outgoing Exalted Ruler and Jake as the incoming Exalted Ruler. I look forward to carrying the Leading Knight

role and hope to see all of you down at the Lodge in this upcoming year. This organization is in need of some volunteerism. If you have a group of friends that can help prepare and serve a Friday Night meal that would be much appreciated. Please get in contact with one of the Lodge officers. Let's have some more fun and camaraderie.

Jeff Finken Loyal Knight

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 Scheels to claim the gun they win

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

Esteemed Loyal Knight



NO ARTICLE SUBMITTED

Waffles For Warriors

We were happy to serve 115 veterans & their family members at January Waffles for Warriors in Partnership with Support Siouxland Soldiers. Pictured Below.



Thanks to Joyce Evenson, Janet Rigg, Kathy Lillie & Preston Parmalee for putting up our Veterans Tree. Pictured Left.

TRIVIA

Answer to last month's trivia: We moved into our present building in 1986.

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



ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

January's bourbon night was a lot of fun. Special thanks to Joe Florke for coordinating the pork tenderloin donation. Several members tried roasted brussels sprouts for the first time! If you need the recipe for the blackberry sauce, just reach out to Kari. If you missed the event, there are a few of the bourbons on the bar. Sorry, flights were on special just that night. In February, the activities committee brought you Valentine's treats on prime rib night and second pizza and puzzle family fun night. In March we will have family friendly bingo on March 18th. We are well underway on planning our next year's events. Got suggestions? See Kari, Allie, Stephanie, Ted, Jeannette, or Jody! May 1st we will have Backyard Movie Night - Ghostbusters.

Purple Ball preparations are well underway. If you have any empty bourbon, whiskey, tequila, or vodka bottles, please bring them into the bar for the Kirchmeiers for centerpiece creations. RSVP by paying for your meal at the club or by mail. Please include your selection of your main dish: beef brisket or salmon. For \$35 dinner includes southern appetizers and dessert. Recommended dress is Kentucky Derby style, including hats! Steve Smith will emcee. After dinner we will have a mix music bingo and dancing. We will cap our evening with the eleventh-hour toast. Just like stag night and holiday auction - members can bring guests.

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 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.



DON'T MISS A MEETING



February 5, 2026

\$23 WAS WON by Skip Hoelker
\$119 WAS NOT WON by John Mueller

Please send newsletter articles by the 15th for the next month 
to: siouxcityelks112@gmail.com

STRETCH FUN Tuesdays 5:30 PM
Want to get ready for summer fun? Join us for Stretch Fun. 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 have a few raffle tickets left for the golf simulator project. Committee members have the tickets until all 500 are sold and they are selling rapidly. We appreciate your support and all financial donations for this project and look forward to the future enjoyment and revenue the project will bring to the Lodge.