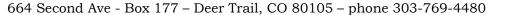


High Plains Bugle

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October 2015

Exalted Ruler – Larry Rector
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Esquire – Dillan Jeffrey

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Exalted Ruler Message

Who would believe it is October with first half of the 2015 -2016 term completed. We are now into Football Season and soon Basketball Season. The kids are back in school and autumn brings a welcome relief to the summer heat. It has been a busy summer with Car Shows, Rodeos, and Golf. Our Hoop Shoot, Veteran, and School support programs continue to be our main focus, as we prepare for Halloween, Turkey Shoot, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

Our challenges continue to be attendance, recruitment, and promoting Elkdom in the community. As we look toward winter, we need to be mindful of increased heating and electrical costs. A reoccurring debate is centered on whether we have the membership and attendance to sustain our large building. The age and design of our building makes it difficult to isolate individual rooms for heating. Even after renovation to the lodge room there is still work to be done to make the building efficient. One option presented for discussion was to sell the current building and purchase or lease a smaller facility. The positive effect would be a lower utility expenses. One negative effect would be, the Elks building has been a social gathering place for many community events. While you can argue either side, an ever tightening budget may force the decision. My understanding is we can sell the current building and use the funds to buy or lease elsewhere. Alternatively, if we give up our Elks Charter all assets become property of Grand Lodge and will be liquidated. Many local people have worked hard to acquire the assets of Deer Trail Elks Lodge. It would be a shame to rely on the Grand Lodge to decide the disposition of these assets. Please feel free to voice your opinion on this subject. Thank You.

Larry Rector larry.rector@gmail.com

Lodge News

Elks Lodge is sponsoring the Deer Trail Turkey Shoot again this year. Event will be October 31st and November 1st. The Elks Lodge will be open for all visitors and plans to serve a Chili Potluck Saturday a 5:00pm. Additional food will be available as sandwiches, pizza, and burritos at Club Room and Trap Shoot.

Because this events coincides with Halloween, we would expect all Elks members and visitors to be careful while driving around town. Our small Goblins will be on the hunt for candy.

Newsletter News:

Beginning next month we will **Stop Mass Mailing** of this newsletter. The monthly newsletter will be posted on the Elks Website, Emailed, or Paper Copies in the Club Room. We are hoping to reduce the effort of mass mailing and reduce the costs associated with printing and mailing. Website at www.elks.org and type "2307" Send Your Email Address to bpoe2307@netecin.net Come by the Elks Club Room for Paper Copy

If you have fallen behind on your dues, \$15 plus this year's dues can put you current.

Come join us building an Elks Lodge we can be proud of.

New Website

Keep up-to-date with Elks News
Log on to www.elks.org
Type in the search box "2307"

Club News

Club Hours

Thursday & Friday & Monday – 5:30 pm to Closing Saturday & Sunday – 3:00 pm to Closing

Contact Rob Byg to Reserve Room for Events

Phone number - 303-769-4480

We are back to sign-up Volunteer Bartenders

Put your name on the bar calendar when you can serve.

Kudos Korner

ELKS would like to thank Susan Rector for all her work on Lodge Room construction, Club Management, and Trustee Accounting. Susan will remain an active member in the Elks, but will pass her Trustee Duties to other members. Thanks for your many years of service and while we can never replace you, we will attempt to maintain the standards you have set.

Thanks

Reports

Sickness and Distress

Bobbie Bell is home from surgery and doing well.

Rob Byg is still recovering and doing light duty.

Grant Committee

We received an Elks Grant to fund Back to School Supplies. School has been notified that funds are available.

Freedom Grant for Veterans Programs was received. Money was used to buy two motor powered chairs and bathroom accessories.

Engraved Brass Plates

Three Lines of Engraving and mounted on the Club Room Wall

Create a Memory - Past Exalted Ruler / Your Family Name /

Company Business / Elk's Event /

Military Insignia / Departed Brother

Contact Ron Byg for details - \$25.00 each

Events

Club Open Monday Starting September 14th



Turkey Shoot October 31st and November 1st



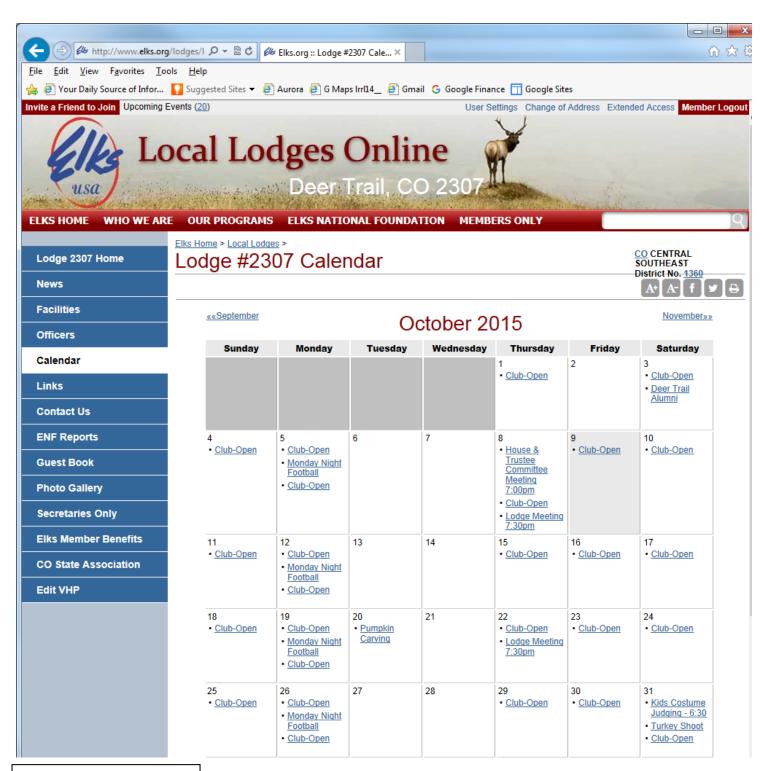
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Contact Susan Rector 719-740-2149 or suzrector@gmail.com



October Birthdays

Elks

10/01 CHRISTINE WOOD

 $10/08\ LORRIE\ UNDERWOOD$

 $10/11\ DUANE\ RECTOR$

10/16 DEBRA WOOD

10/18 RICHARD DAVEY

10/21 DARREL CARNEAL

10/21 KENNY OWENS

10/28 DON STUWE

10/30 EARL FORMAN

Elkettes

10/10 KENDRA BOYD 10/10 SHIRLEY CARNEAL Sept. 14th – Start Monday Night Football Oct. 03rd – Deer Trail Alumni – 6pm

Oct. 31st - Nov. 1st Turkey Shoot

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