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**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

10/10 - Lodge Meeting at 7 PM  
10/13 - ENF Night  
10/23 - Trustee Meeting at 6 PM  
10/24 - Lodge Meeting at 7 PM  
10/26 - Meat Raffles at 5:30 PM  
10/28 - Rib Fest (See Ad)

**Mark your calendar:**

11/11 - Veterans Day Steak Dinner  
11/17 - Turkey Games  
12/1 - Annual Christmas Silent Auction  
12/16 - Christmas Basket packing & delivery

**Planning a family or business event?**

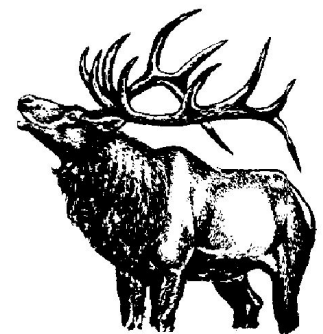
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-- Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity --

*October 2023*

*It's Great to be an Elk!*



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*Please Submit your Articles by the 20th of the month  
to Steph Riegelman, Newsletter Editor*

# Exalted Ruler's Message

Greetings to all members of Red Wing 845 -

Fall is here! Even with the cooler temps, it is still a great time to come on down to the lodge and enjoy some great food, drinks and visit with all your favorite members. Don't be afraid to bring in a few friends and show them what a great organization we are.

In mid-Sept, I attended our District Meeting at the new Faribault Lodge. They did a great job getting their new home done and ready for all Elks to be able to enjoy. If you are ever in the Faribault area, please stop in.

Later this month, I am so excited to be attending our fall convention at Breezy Point. I just love being able to go up and see our wonderful youth camp. If you have not seen it in person, I encourage you to find the time. We are always looking for volunteers in the spring to get the camp ready for youth and in the fall to close the camp down for winter.

Remember to check our monthly calendar so you don't miss any of the great fall events planned at your lodge.

Thank you to all our members for the continued support you give the lodge. All of you make this Lodge of ours great.

*It's GREAT to be an Elk!*

Jessica Nelson,  
Exalted Ruler



**Our Tall Bar Stools:** In July's edition, we thanked all the members who donated to help reupholster our bar chairs.

However, we've been remiss in thanking all of the members who donated funds last winter to help us buy new tall bar stools for our bar and the tall tables. Our lodge GREATLY APPRECIATES this amazing donation drive led by Dennis Hinck to buy the 10 bar stools at the bar.

**A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU** to all of the members who made generous financial donations! Donors included Jeff Cole, Dean Dahling, Reed & Jill Demmer, Gary Diercks, John Diercks, Sarah Edstrom, Don Falk, Bill Hardyman, Denny Hinck, Bill Holst, Barry Johnson, Chuck Klair, Larry Larson, Bob Magnuson, John Mahn, Roy Neufeldt, Al Quarnstrom, John Quist, Duffy Schafer, Neal Siewert, Scott Smith, Pete Sorensen, Wynn & Lu VonBargen, John Wiederholt, Mike Wilson and Dave Wooden.

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Youth Camp Recruiter - Lottie Aslakson, PER

## Welcome New Members!



# From our Secretary . . .

Do you have friends or relatives who would like to join the BPOE (Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks)? You can do them the honor of proposing them as a member. All you need to do is ASK them! That is the first step of the process. We have applications at the Lodge so stop in and grab one.

50 members have not paid their annual dues for the current 2023-24 Lodge year. These were due before April 1<sup>st</sup> when our new year began. Delinquent members are listed below and posted at the Lodge. Please mail your payment or stop in to drop it off to continue to enjoy your Elks Lodge.

Ben Anderson	Jeff Anderson	Mitchell Anderson	Jackie Augustin
Greg Bargrain	John Bauer	Joseph Bigalke	Stacy Bystrom
Roger Diercks	Shelley Diercks	Emma Drazkowski	Thomas Drazkowski
Allison Eisbach	Scott Fagan	Annette Fennern	Joseph Garrison
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Maggie Purmort	Carl Quist	Cory Rasmussen	Melissa Rasmussen
Ryan Riester	Tara Rossi	Dustin Schulenberg	Kristen Titus
Mark Tripp	Adam Vosburgh	Brent Warner	Chris Warrington
Susan Weigenant	Martin Winfrey		

Have you moved lately? We need to update your address if you have moved because we are charged fees for undeliverable and returned mail due to addresses being incorrect. You can use your e-mail address to receive newsletters and weekly updates by Lottie, so you always get them on time! Call me at 715-495-2978 or e-mail me at [rw845secretary@redwing845.org](mailto:rw845secretary@redwing845.org)

## **RW #845 MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

as of September 25, 2023

Beginning membership on April 1, 2023

**576 members**

Initiated: 19      Reinstated: 1

Delinquent: 50      Dropped: 5

Deaths: 3

Current membership total: **587**

### **New members initiated on September 19th**

Rita Fox, Curtis Hermanson, Duane Hermanson

*Please welcome these new members  
when you see them!*

### **Proposed for Membership**

Leanell Rusch by Ann Bergo  
Robin Wedrickas by Ann Bergo  
Donald Anderon by Linda Larson  
Karolyn Bennis by Nani Parker  
Kathy O'Connor by Nani Parker

*Our next initiation ceremony will be held  
Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>*

*Submitted by Red Wing Elks Lodge #845 Secretary, Becky Nelson*

# What's happening at the lodge?



## Americanism Essay Contest

**NOW OPEN  
Due 12/15/23**

Open to students in grades 5-8, the Elks' Americanism Essay contest is now open!

This year's contest includes:

- 4 separate divisions for grades 5, 6, 7 & 8
- Cash awards for winners at the Grand Lodge level for each division = \$1,000 for 1st place, \$500 for 2nd place & \$250 for 3rd place

The theme for this year's essay is  
**"What the Bill of Rights means to me"**

Essays cannot exceed 300 words and are due to the lodge by 12/15/23. Rules & registration forms are available online at Elks.org under Fraternal Committee / Contest Forms.

Copies are also available at the lodge.

Contest winners can win up to \$350 at the State Level in prizes and up to \$1,000 for a National Essay Winner!!

Please help spread the word to any teachers as well as your kids or grandkids!



Lodge opening for Sunday Vikings games starting in OCTOBER!



The Lodge will again be opening this year for Sunday Vikings games starting in October, hosted by your favorite game-time bartenders; Mark Lynch, Lottie Aslakson & Royce Bottin

### Drink Specials Every Sunday!

Sun 10/1 - Noon @ Carolina (FOX) - Lodge Opens at 11:30

Sun, 10/8 vs Kansas City (CBS) - Lodge CLOSED for Wedding

Sun, 10/15 - Noon @ Chicago (FOX) - Lodge Opens at 11:30

Mon, 10/23 - 7:15 PM vs San Francisco (ESPN) - Regular hours

Sun, 10/29 - Noon @ Green Bay (FOX) - Lodge Opens at 11:30

**FALL  
VENDOR EVENT**  
RED WING ELKS LODGE #845  
Saturday, October 7th  
10am - 2pm  
306 W 4th St, Red Wing, MN

**Batters Up:** New to Red Wing # 845 is the Batters Up program aimed at providing a competitive batting opportunity for boys and girls ages 5 to 15.

Thanks to PER Scott Guse our lodge started offering this opportunity. In August, Red Wing had several of our local winners attend the State Event. Two of our youth placed in the State Event:

Girls 5 & 6 Yrs

Boys 11 & 12 Yrs

1st - Ava Pyle

2nd - Riley Rehdantz

## Meat Raffles are at the Elks!



Join the fun starting at 5:30PM  
on Thursday, Oct 26th

## PARTY FOR A CAUSE

Benefiting Pay it Forward Red Wing

**10/14/23** at the Elks

Join the Hardyman and Magnuson clans for this guaranteed-to-be fun-filled event

**\$10** ticket includes cash prize drawing & live entertainment by The Hooligans!

TICKETS ON SALE AT THE ELKS

Food available from PicNick's Menu

**Avoid cleaning your house to host family gatherings or any other function**

**CALL LOTTIE!!**

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# BIRTHDAYS

Lodge Hours  
MON-THURS: 3-8 PM

# October 2023

Lodge Hours  
FRI-SAT: 3-10 PM

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Joseph Bigalke						
2	Allison Eisbach						
	Michael Henke						
	Tom Scheibel						
	Mike Wilson						
3	Richard Luhman						
5	Matt Hardyman						
	Larry Hawe						
7	Kip Anderson						
	Don Featherstone						
	Greg Fleming						
8	William Schroeder						
	Patricia Evenson						
9	Charley Nelson						
	Robert Allyn						
11	Kris Hager						
12	Nancy Rosener						
13	Don Hillis						
14	Annette Bergo						
	James Cushing						
17	Ervin Bueckers						
19	Richard Friese						
	Deane Hinrichs						
	John Wooden						
20	Glenn Mattson						
	Milton Sorensen						
	Ronnie Thompson						
21	Michael Anderson						
	Tracy Gadient						
23	Leo Dressen						
	Jeff Hardy						
	Leanne Nyman						
25	Don Falk						
28	Dave Anderson						
	Mallary Anderson						
	Miles Edstrom						
30	Lottie Aslaksen, PER						
	Heath Jakes						
	Steve Olson						
31	Dale Mehrkens						
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# Elks Care - Elks Share

## ENF Scholarships

*Know any High School Seniors applying for college?*

This year, the Elks Natl Foundation is awarding **\$2.52 MILLION** in Most Valuable Student Scholarships to 500 High School Seniors across the country. **Applications are accepted through 11/13/23**

**Go to [enf.elks.org/mvs](http://enf.elks.org/mvs) to apply!!!**

In addition, ENF awards \$1.4 MILLION in \$4,000 scholarships to 350 children & grandchildren of Elk members in good standing through the ENF Legacy Scholarships. Applications are due 02/05/234

**Go to [www.enf.elks.org/leg](http://www.enf.elks.org/leg) to apply!!**

**Applications for both groups are ONLY accepted online!  
PLEASE HELP SPREAD THE WORD!!!**



## Highway Clean-up Saturday, Oct 7th

Meet at the Lodge at 8:30AM

**Grab a couple of friends & join us!**

It might not be the most glamorous service project we do - but we certainly have **FUN** doing it!!!!

**Sign up at the Lodge!**



## HELP NEEDED: Hygiene Donations

It's back to school and we need to replenish our hygiene supplies for local teens with these **MOST** needed items:

- Men's Old Spice
- Body wash
- Feminine hygiene products
- Unscented Lotion
- Women's Shave Gel & Razors
- Men's Shave Gel
- Women's Shampoo & Conditioner Sets

Please drop off your donation at the lodge in the entryway



## Porky's Piggy Party Fundraiser

**Saturday, Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 3:30PM**  
**Red Wing Elks Lodge**

**Rib Masters Sign Up at the Lodge**

Drink Specials all day  
Games

Sponsor Wall - A donation of \$25, \$50, \$100 or Other gets your name on the "Stack The Rack" wall!!

Serving Ribs 3:30 - 5:30  
First come first serve

Ribs Only or Ribs plus Sides (Baked Potato, Baked Beans, Deviled Eggs, Corn Bread & Dessert Table

All proceeds will go towards 2 new beer coolers behind the bar

For more details, or to sign up, contact Lottie Aslakson 651-388-5862 or Jan Struss 612-382-0136

*Event open to Members and Guests*

Check out the WEEKLY E-NEWS for changes in schedules & menus!

**NOT SIGNED UP?**

Email - [rw845secretary@redwing845.org](mailto:rw845secretary@redwing845.org)

# THANK YOU

We are SO GRATEFUL to all of our donors and volunteers

## Friday, Oct 13th Elks Nat'l Foundation Night

*Mark your calendar for this important event!*

**Join us for German Beer  
and a German Buffet  
catered by PicNicks  
followed by music by  
Brent & Sheena**

By donating to ENF - you are helping your lodge make a HUGE difference in our community for veterans and children! Our lodge receives more than **\$22,000 in community impact grants** to support programs like our Bike Rodeo, Food Shelves & Hygiene Products for Teens, School Supplies, 2 Veterans support projects and more!!!

*\$16/person — Buffet served 5-7 PM  
Pork Schnitzel & Spatzle, Potato Pancakes,  
Roasted Root Veggies, Assorted Breads and  
Blackforest Cake*

**MUST SIGN UP AT THE LODGE**  
**BY 10/9 FOR MEAL**

**Kitchen Helpers and Bartenders** - We're incredibly grateful for our kitchen **VOLUNTEERS** especially Dan & Joyce Erz, Susan Henke, Bonnie Kubik and Sharon Lee for cooking & serving meals.

Thank you **VOLUNTEER** bartenders: Justine Becker, Jolynn Fleming, Lory Holets & Kurt Huffman. Thank you to all who help around the lodge with cleaning and maintenance work including Arnie Struss, Scott Guse and Dan & Joyce Erz.



**A little dreary but still a lot of fun!**

A special thank you to organizers and helpers Larry & Linda Larson and Royce & Karlyne Bottin. Thank you to Lottie Aslakson, Sharon Lee and Darla Reese for their support at the lodge! Thank you to Dan Diggins and the RW Golf Club for their generous prizes for our event.

Thank you to everyone who brought food including Kari Bemis, Karlyne Bottin, Sarah Edstrom, Joe Fox, Kathy Hutchson, Bonnie Lohman, Mark Lynch, Betsy Mahn, Peggy Sorensen, Denny Witgert and Tom Zibble.



This fall, our lodge supported the Hastings Vets Home with new flags for their Mini Golf holes! Left: RW Elks Member Vickie Tremper with Robert Vandenbos from Hastings Vets Home

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