

AMES ELKS LODGE #1626

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Every new ER starts out with list of goals, or, call it a “grand vision” of what he wants to accomplish in the coming year. My vision mirrors that of John Oetken’s when he took the reins a year ago.

I plan to follow the excellent example John set, continue with the progress we made under his leadership, and set new goals that will help and sustain and improve our Lodge.

We have accomplished very much in the last year. Financially we are on the right track and, thanks to our engaged membership, there are many new and exciting events to look forward to. There is also a renewed public interest in our banquet and facility offerings which will bring positive exposure to the Lodge. I hope to lead us to continued financial success as well as fulfill our Benevolent mission to serve our community.

I want to thank all the members who put in a multitude of volunteer hours this year of multiple changes. Your support is valued and key to the success of our Lodge.

Eric Brown, Exalted Ruler

Who said this?

Be the first to cite the quote to the bartender and receive a free drink chip.

“The fact is prosperity has a purpose. It’s to allow us to pursue ‘the better angels,’ to give us time to think and grow.”



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Thank you!

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Karla Kelly, Gayle Edwards, Kim Dillavou, Bobby Nordyke and Jill and Larry Goodale for helping during the St. Patty's Day celebration.

Jerry Cable, Sr., Judy Miller, Larry Goodale, Jeremy Cable, Brandon Cable, Kim Dillavou and Karla Kelly for working burger nights.

Don Barber for installing the wells and corner counter.

Ron Kingsbury for repairing and painting the wall in the main banquet room.

Marc Clayton, Jill Goodale, Jerry Cable, Jr., John Oetken, Eric Brown, Tiffany Wingert and Jerry Magnusen for working the bowling tournament and RL for donating the bowling ball.

Jill & Larry Goodale, Val & Dave Eisenmann, Gayle Edwards, and Mitch & Kim Dillavou for dinner after the bowling tournament.

Celebration of Life - King Block Sr.

Please join the family and friends of King Block Sr. as we celebrate the life of King Block Sr.

King passed away on October 6, 2014. He was a long-time Ames resident and Elk member and was the Offensive Coordinator at ISU under Johnny Majors.

All Elks members are invited to attend, 4 to 6:30 p.m., April 18. Dinner will be served.



Table Donations - THANK YOU!

Thank you to the following people who donated for tables for our banquet space. Thanks to your generous donations we were able to purchase twenty-five 60' round tables, four 8 foot tables and two table carts.

Ron & Kay Bartlett
Brent & Diane Buldhaupt
Burgess Construction
Jerry Cable, Sr.
Marc & Bridget Clayton
Dick Clem
Russ & Pat Crowner
Mitch & Kim Dillavou
Jon & Von Diller
Gayle & Gary Edwards
Nick & Rich Fitch
Larry & Jill Goodale
Roger Gotschall
Jim Gunnerson
Tom & Gaylene Hadaway

Don Heim
Karla Kelly
Rollin Jordan
Ron & Jean Kingsbury
John Maurer
John & Shawna Murphy
Steve Risius
Diane Shonrock
Red & Marilyn Stenberg
Rick & Theresa Swank
Pat Weigel
Greg White
Clare Wilson
Larry Wolters



Gratitude Grants are the ENF's way of saying thank you to every Lodge that meets the National President's per-member goal for giving to the ENF. The goal this past lodge year was \$4.60 per member, and I am pleased to report Ames Lodge met that goal! We received a \$2,000 Gratitude Grant which was donated to the Story County Freedom Flight to help send our veterans to Washington, D.C.

A new lodge year is just beginning, and we will once again be working toward that per-member goal. This year, the Gratitude Grant has been increased to \$2500. We are always looking for ways to use this grant to meet local needs in our community. If you have suggestions, please let me or any of our officers know.

Again, thank you for your continued support. Because of your generous donations, we are able to make a difference!

Karla Kelly, ENF Chair

Elks Care — *Elks* Share



Fundraiser

Join us for wine tasting, beer tasting, finger food and an auction to raise funds for the 2015 Story County Freedom Flight!

April 11, 5 to 8 p.m.

Ames Golf and Country Club

\$30 single/\$50 per couple

Contact Mitch Dillavou for tickets. If you can't make it to the event, you can contribute by purchasing Freedom Flight hats, t-shirts and sweatshirts - see Mitch.

SEE YOU AT THE LODGE!

Elks Lodge
Fish Fry Fridays
 March 27th
 &
 April 3rd

Choice of:
Fish or Chicken Tenders
 served with a side of
French Fries & Cole Slaw

5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
 Prepared by: Larry Goodale

\$8.00

Eat MORE FISH!
 522 Douglas Avenue, Ames, IA
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Bloody Mary Bar & Bingo

Saturday, April 11, 2015
Bloody Mary Bar
Starts at Noon
Bingo at 1:00 p.m.

Create your own Bloody Mary Masterpiece \$5.00
 Mimosas will also be available for \$2.00

Enjoy a variety of Breakfast Casseroles
 Free Will Donation

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Elks Lodge
Tax Day Blues Dinner

Thursday
 April 16th
 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Pork Steak served with
 Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
 Prepared by: Larry Goodale

White Elephant Gift Exchange
 7:30 p.m.
 Got Junk? Put a bow on it
 and get ready to play

\$5.00

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Save the Date!

Please make time to stop down and have fun with your Elks family!

5/1 • Appetizer Contest
 SPAM is the main ingredient

5/5 • Cinco De Mayo
 Quesadillas at the bar

5/10 • Mother's Day Breakfast

5/26 - Memorial Day
 Iowa Hot Dog Bar

6/6 • Homemade Pizza Night

6/19 • PER Steak Fry

April Birthdays

Come in for a free drink on your birthday!

- 5 • Tom Donahey
- 5 • Jerry Giebelstein
- 5 • James Gunnerson
- 11 • James Hutchinson
- 11 • Brian Wehner
- 13 • Paul Fitzgerald
- 14 • Bob Baschke
- 15 • Robert Myers
- 18 • Russ Crowner
- 18 • Al Kockler
- 19 • Harry Buseman
- 22 • Robert Shaffer
- 25 • Bill Fedeler
- 25 • Larry Wolters
- 27 • Brad Stehr
- 30 • Steve Risius



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April 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 Fish Fry Friday 5:30 to 7 p.m. Easter Basket Raffle	4
5	6	7	8	9 Activity Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m.	10	11 Bloody Mary Bar Noon BINGO 1 p.m.
12	13	14 Lodge Meeting 7 p.m.	15	16 Tax Day Blues Dinner White Elephant Exchange	17	18 Celebration of Life King Block, Sr. 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 BOD, 6 p.m. Lodge Meeting 7 p.m.	29 Burger Night 6 to 7 p.m.	30		