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KEN'S KORNER:

The Faribault Elk's is truly the happening place to be. In September we held our rib cookoff, I think all that participated and enjoyed the ribs would agree it is becoming very difficult to judge who prepared the best ribs, they were all excellent. This Lodge also hosted the Metro District Meetings on Sept. 16th. Thank you Jeff, Andrew, and Kyle for preparing the fantastic food. I also want to thank Jeff, Ruth, Karen, Joanie, and Andrew for keeping the Burger Nights going well into the fall, the numbers have been good.

On October 19th Dani, Andrew, Lynn, Tim, Cheri, Robin, and myself attended the Mid-Year Convention at Breezy Point Resort. The weather was beautiful, the meetings were informative, and we held our own around the fire pit talking smart with fellow Elk's from around the state. Faribault Lodge 1166 was also recognized for having the highest percentage of new member growth and being a leader in the State of MN in ENF donations. All our members should be proud to receive this recognition. People don't join organizations that are unfriendly and have no purpose for the greater good of our communities. I am also happy to report that we have seven new members awaiting initiation. Let's make a push to keep increasing our membership.

November and December are going to be very busy months for our Lodge. Parade of Lights, Member Christmas Party, Tom and Jerry's, Basket Auction, Porch Pots, Toys for Tots Breakfast, VA Dinner, etc. Please also keep in mind that we have entertainment booked for every first Saturday of the month thru 2024. Thank you Mary for your efforts in making this happen. Due to all we have going on, there will be many opportunities to volunteer to make these events special. Don't hesitate to reach out to Trustees and Officers if you would like to help.

In closing, our website, social media, and monitor in the Lodge should be up and running in the next week, this will help with keeping everyone abreast of all the events we have in the future.

Fraternally yours, Ken Weaverling, Exalted Ruler

Special Events!

December 2:

The Lodge is going to participate in the Downtown Parade of Lights. If you would like to help come up with an idea for the float, decorate the float, walk the parade



or help in any way, please contact Lynn Erickson at 507-339-7402.



December 22:

Member Christmas party with Santa's Sleigh of Surprises and an Ugly Sweater Contest.

Dates to Remember:

MEETING NIGHT: Nov. 2 & 16; Dec. 7 & 21 Trustees @ 6 pm; Lodge Mtg. @ 7:30 pm

BURGER NIGHTS: Every Tuesday @ 6 pm. Cost is \$6

VETERANS' DINNER: Nov. 11

MEMBER APP. NIGHT: Nov. 22; Tom & Jerry's **PARADE OF LIGHTS:** Dec. 2 @ 5 pm - Downtown

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Dec. 3 @ 11 am

BASKET AUCTION: Dec. 9

CHAD JOHNSON BAND: Dec. 16 - Sponsored by Amy & Nate Chappuis

MEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY: Dec. 22

VIKINGS GAMES: Nov 5, 12, 19, 27; Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31

Thank You!

- To everyone who has been joining us for burger nights. We plan to continue them throughout the winter. A special thank you to Jeff Isaacson, Rudy Lang, Karen Carver and Joan Trahan for all their help.
- To all the participants who cooked ribs and to everyone who came down to sample. The ribs were delicious. Congratulations to **Kaya Lindell** who won first place again for the 2nd year!
- To **everyone** who purchased the MN Elks Youth Camp raffle tickets. We sold our allotted 38 tickets.
- To **Tim Hallet** who made the signs for the bartender parking spots. They appreciate it!
- To Dan Vanderveen and Jim Heyer who have been installing lights in several areas at the Lodge. They make our days brighter!!
- To everyone who came down and helped to do a deep clean of the Lodge. We plan to continue this once each month.

SECRETARY'S CORNER:



Welcome to November! I hope the cold weather does not stick around yet. Congratulations to our four winners from the Youth Camp raffle drawing that was held during the mid-year convention on October 21st. Cheri Johnson, Don Lietzau, Cyd Peterson and Jan Hansen were the big

winners from our Lodge. To see a complete list of winners go to mnelks.org.

We are planning our annual Memorial Service for Sunday, December 3rd at 11:00 am. I will be contacting the families of members who have passed in the last year but ALL members and friends are welcome to attend this ceremony. There are many upcoming events planned in November and December. Hope to see many of you down at the Lodge! Have a safe and happy holiday season

Fraternally, Lynn Erickson, Lodge Secretary

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VETERANS' CORNER:



November brings Veterans' Day and our chance to thank all the veterans for their service. Our committee is gearing up for the holidays by serving a holiday meal and giving small gifts to our veterans. We will be meeting

to finalize our plans and will be setting a date. Please come and be part of our committee and bring your ideas for any activities you would like to see us do with our veterans. If you know of any veterans that are hurting or may need some help with the holidays, please let us know.

Veterans' Dinner

Our Lodge is partnering with the Marine Corp league for a Veterans dinner on November 11. Chef Jeff is preparing a great meal. Veterans eat for free and others for just



\$20.00. Please register for the meal as space is limited.

Fraternally,

Cheri Johnson, Veterans' Committee Chair



Vikings Sundays at the Lodge. Come down and enjoy some fellowship and the game.

(See calendar on page 3 for schedule.) Note: We will be open on December 24 from 11 to 5 for the game.

Basket Auction, Potato Bar, Entertainment

December 9th



Basket Auction: 5:30-8:00 pm

Potato Bar: 5:00-7:00 pm





Music by Todd Jameson: 6:00-9:00 pm

How's your basket coming?

Member Donations Needed:

We would LOVE to bring in the holidays with a beautifully decorated space, but we're lacking in the decoration department as we cleaned house in the move. If you have nice, unused decorations that you'd be willing to part with, please consider donating them to our lodge by November 15th. Our Tom and Jerry event is on Thanksgiving Eve and we'd love to be decorated by then.

LODGE HOURS: (28 NW 3rd St.)

Monday thru Friday: 4 pm

Saturday: 3 pm **Sundays: Noon**

There is a patio area in the back at our new location for smokers. NO BEVER-

AGES ALLOWED IN THAT AREA! Our liquor license doesn't

allow us to bring liquor outside.

ELKS SCHOLARSHIPS:

Do you have a child, stepchild, or grandchild who is a high school senior? They are eligible to apply for the Elks 2023 Legacy Award Scholarship starting September 1, 2023 and closes on February 5, 2024. Apply online at elks.org.

Do you know a high school student who is a senior? Have them apply for a most valuable student scholarship at elks.org. Deadline to apply is November 13, 2023.

LIKE TO HAVE FUN? WANT TO HELP AT THE LODGE?

We want to get an event committee together to help plan upcoming events at the Lodge and bring in some fresh ideas. If interested, call Mary Loftus at 612-756-4690.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

A special thank you to Luann & Jim Heyer and Shari & Dan Vanderveen for all their help with the Basic Blessing Program. Their contin-



ued support helps our Lodge show our community the Elks Care Elks Share.

Also, anyone wanting to help at the food shelf, anytime of the year, feel free to contact Cheri for information, Let's show Faribault what the Elks Do!

Cheri Johnson 507-838-1913 or cherijohnson 57@gmail.com

2023 - 2024 LODGE OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler Ken Weaverling Leading Knight Tyler Larson Loyal Knight Danielle Herrlich Lecturing Knight Andrew Kintner Secretary Lynn Erickson Treasurer Sue Cochran Chaplain Jan Hansen Esquire Tim Johnson Inner Guard Missy Thibodeau Tiler Emily Braun

TRUSTEES: Ruthann Lang, Chelle Marquardt, Mary Loftus, Doug Truman, and Robin Finke

November 2023 - Faribault Elks Lodge #1166									
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
			1	2 <u>Meeting Night:</u> 6 pm - Trustees 7:30 pm - Lodge	3	4 Andy Tackett			
5 Vikings vs. Falcons @ Noon	6	7 Burger Nite	8	9	10	11 Veterans' Dinner			
12 Vikings vs. Saints @ Noon	13	14 Burger Nite	15	16 <u>Meeting Night:</u> 6 pm - Trustees 7:30 pm - Lodge	17	18 Birthday party in bar			
19 Baby Shwr. Vikings vs. Broncos @ 7:20pm	20	21 Burger Nite	22 Tom & Jerry's	23 LODGE CLOSED HARPY	24 Birthday party in bar	25 Birthday party in bar			
26	27 Vikings vs. Bears @ 7:15pm	28 Burger Nite	29	30					

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
					1 Event in bar	2 Parade of Lights			
3 Memorial Service	4	5 Burger Nite	6	7 <u>Meeting Night:</u> 6 pm - Trustees 7:30 pm - Lodge	8	9 Basket Auction			
10 Vikings vs. Raiders @ 3:05pm	11	12 Burger Nite	13	14	15	16 Chad Johnson Band BA Snowbash			
1 <i>7</i> Vikings vs. Bengals (time TBD)	18	19 Burger Nite	20	21 <u>Meeting Night:</u> 6 pm - Trustees 7:30 pm - Lodge	22 Member Xmas Party Birthday party	23			
24 Vikings vs. Lions @ Noon	25 LODGE CLOSED Merry Christmas	26 Burger Nite	27	28	29	30			

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Vikings vs. Packers @ 7:20pm