



**NEVADA STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
2018-19**

Aloha All,

As we begin a new year for the Nevada State Elks Association it is important to realize the obligations we all have as members of this great state organization, and our Order in general. The enjoyable and often "challenging" tasks we perform as leaders and volunteers have molded our state into a powerful and benevolent Elks alliance! I am proud to have surrounded this presidency with true unselfish Officers, volunteers and Committee Chairmen.

As your President I can only aspire to perform as well as my predecessors, and roll out our states programs with professionalism and pride. This will be exigent, but most importantly it will be fun! I welcome the challenge! My support group is massive, and it starts with the constant encouragement of your first lady, Sue Ellen. She is excited, ready, motivated, and looking forward to representing our state association in this most vital role as my partner in this undertaking.

Please take a few moments and review my travel schedule, committee chairmen list, and officer corps pages in this directory. My travels will take Sue Ellen and I to each lodge allowing us some "quality time" with the ER's, Officers, and Members. These visits will no doubt be the highlight of our year. The lodges are the "glue," and each one has its own unique characteristic and flavor! Our obligations to our youth, veterans, Elks National Foundation, State Major Project, and country is paramount and in great hands with great volunteer leaders to help steer each lodge. The State Committee Chairmen are ready and willing to help your lodge "shine!" The State Officers are also prepared to perform their duties with the understanding the "Silver State" has a reputation that other states aspire to be.

As of "press time" for this directory I have yet to travel to the Grand Lodge Convention in San Antonio, Texas over the 4th of July! This will be a "party for the ages" and our great fraternal organization will celebrate 150 years of service to our country! Carrying our State Flag will be an honor I will hold in high regard for the rest of my life! I would love to see the "Nevada contingency" be a powerful state association attending these historic sessions.

"I'm Into Elkdom!" is the motto I've chosen for our year as President and First Lady. I hope you will adopt it as well taking pride in promoting a truly American service organization with the "Best People on Earth!"

With fraternal appreciation,

William "Bill" Bohnett
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