

Frank M. Reynolds III Americanism Chairman



# Nevada State Elks Association

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November 16, 2013

President Boskie, Distinguished Guests and Members,

This report is to give you an update of the Americanism activities within the state of Nevada. Unfortunately, I only received reports from Eight of the lodges. There have been many ways that Americanism has been promoted with in the great State of Nevada. These activities have included, but are not limited to the following: Americanism Essay Contest, Flag Day and Flag Retirement Ceremonies, Fourth of July Parades, Labor Day activities, Law and Order Programs, Memorial Day Celebrations, September 11<sup>th</sup> Ceremonies, Veteran's Day Ceremonies, American Flag Presentations to Scout Troops, Gold Star Dinners, Naturalization Ceremonies of new citizens and Eagle Scout Presentations.

For all of these events and activities that have been reported, the numbers are as follow:

944
3,148
228
638
9,011
\$2,792.00

These numbers are pretty impressive but just think of what our numbers would be if all fifteen Lodges sent in their information.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank M. Reynolds III NSEA Americanism Chairman

Dear State President Dee:

In July we had the Grand Lodge Convention in Reno and the hospitality was great. We stayed at the Atlantis and the people were extremely helpful. We have to fill our room request to at least 80%, and we filled our room request so no extra money was needed to be given to the hotel.

We have continually upgraded our hospitality room to the best of our ability. We now have a portable bar that can travel wherever Grand Lodge is located if there is no bar set-up in the room we are in. We have acquired many small appliances that have been helpful in providing and better experience for our members and their families.

The next convention will be in New Orleans. We are slated to stay at the New Orleans Marriott on Canal Street in the French Quarter. I am in contact with their hospitality manager to set up dates to visit in December or January. The hotel is located roughly 5 blocks from the convention center. It is one of the two co-Headquarters hotels with the Sheraton. There are 12 other states staying at the hotel, and so the hospitality rooms will be in abundance. The price will be comparable to previous years, and will be finalized when I meet with the hotel. I will also have the in-city travel arrangements listed. There will be a file on the state website as soon as I meet with the hotel.

Fraternally submitted

Ross E. Dyer, PER State Housing Coordinator

### MID=TERM ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION REPORT NOVEMBER 14, 2014 - ELY, NEVADA:

GOOD MORNING: I HAVE A VERY POSITIVE REPORT & YOU KNOW WHY. YES, NEVADA IS #1 NATIONWIDE PER CAPITA FOR ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION THROUGH NOV 4, OCT31, 2013, WHICH IS THE END OF THE 8TH MONTH OF THE CURRENT LODGE YEAR. THE FIRST 5 STATES ARE:

#1 NEVADA	\$ 8.83
#2 TEXAS	# 7.72
11TAM	# 195
11 Rhade ISLAN	\$ 6.74
#5 KENTUCKY	

ALSO, I AM CERTAIN THAT SOME LODGES HAS SENT MONEY IN SINCE THE ABOVE DATE. SPARKS SENT IN \$780 AND LAS VEGAS \$1,770. 14 OF THE 15 LODGES IN THE STATE HAS EXCEEDED THE GER GOAL OF \$4.60. I WILL READ THE FIRST 7 OR ALL OF THEM IF YOU WANT ME TO.

#1 FALLON \$ 33.03 #1 FALLON \$ 33.03 #3 LAS VEGAS \$ 16.92#2 CARSON CITY \$ 20.03 #3 LAS VEGAS \$ 8.66 #4 N. LAS VEGAS \$ 8.96 #5 TAHOE/DOUGLAS \$ 8.66 #4 N. LAS VEGAS \$ 8.29 #5 TAHOE/DOUGLAS \$ 8.66 #4 N. LAS VEGAS \$ 8.29 #17 PAKRUMP \$ 8.04 #6 HAWTHORNE \$ 7.49 #17 PAKRUMP \$ 8.04 #6 HAWTHORNE \$ 7.49 #17 PAKRUMP \$ 8.04 #6 HAWTHORNE \$ 7.49 #19 HENDERSON/G.V. & 7.45 #8 SPARKS \$ 7.03 #9 HENDERSON/G.V. & 7.45 #8 SPARKS \$ 7.03 #9 HENDERSON/G.V. & 7.45 #8 SPARKS \$ 7.03 #11 TONOPAH \$ 6.82 #10 EL9 #11 TONOPAH \$ 5.84 #12 LAUGHLIN \$ 6.46 #13 MESQUITE \$ 5.84 #12 LAUGHLIN \$ 4.76 #15 BOULDER CITY \$ 4.12 #14 RENO

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK OF CONTRIBUTING SO THAT WE CAN BE #1 AT THE END OF THE LODGE YEAR. ALSO, DON'T FORGET THAT ONCE YOUR LODGE REACHES THE GER GOAL YOU CAN APPLY FOR THE GRATITUDE GRANT OF \$2,000. THERE ARE OTHER GRANTS THAT THE LODGES CAN APPLY FOR - \$2,000 BEACON GRANT; \$2,000 PROMISE GRANT; & \$10,000 IMPACT GRANT; ALL WHICH CAN REALLY HELP YOUR COMMUNITY. THE EXALTED RULER & LODGE SECRETARY SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THESE GRANTS PLUS OTHER LODGE MEMBERS

REMEMBDER LAST YEAR WE RECEIVED BACK \$4,59 FOR EACH \$1 WE DONATED TO THE FOUNDATION AND THIS HELPS ALL OF OUR STATE CHARITIES. THANKS TO ALL.

William R. Seals

WILLIAM R. SEALS, CHAIRMAN ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

### NEVADA STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION DEE BOSKIE STATE PRESIDENT

LODGE OF THE YEAR Feryl Fitzgerald Chairman 230 S Richmond Ave. - Carson City - Nevada - 89703 775-882-4119 - agoxalis@charter.net



11/16/2013

Mid Term Report

Last night the 2012-2013 Lodge of the Year was awarded to the Las Vegas Lodge 1468.

The 2013-2014 Lodge of the Year will come to an end next March 31st. All Lodges have time to be the one receiving the award next November.

I would like to thank Dee for allowing me to be one of his Chairman and I will continue to serve the Nevada State Elks Association until I am no longer needed.

Fraternally Fitzgerald PDDGER

### ELKS NATIONAL HOME REPORT

November 16, 2013

Good News—Bad News. I have to report that this is probably my last time I will be reporting about the Elks National Home." Because"," Because," as of December 31<sup>st</sup> the home will officially sold.

I received an e-mail letter from Ronald L. Hicks, Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, that the home was being sold to New River Senior Living, LLC.. The buyer owns a Long Term Care Association and offers to continue attractive pricing and other benefits to our members, while allowing Our Order to maintain a liaison with our resident members.

The Grand Lodge asks for our continued support for our Elk residents. Whether this means we continue our \$1 assessment or we support the residents from the proceeds of the sale is unclear at this time. I am sure this will be a major subject of discussion at our next Grand Lodge session. I always believed that our \$1 assessment was for the upkeep and maintenance and improvements of the home and not to subtilize the Elks wanting to retire there. What happens to the Brick Patio, where we have contributed many hundreds of dollars from Nevada in memoriam to dear departed Elks?

I do not know what the sale price of the home was but I believe any monies received from the sale, if needed, should be used for any subsidies needed for present residents and the 840,000 dollars we donate each year should end.

Enough said, my only regret is that I will lose the reservation for Jim and Pam Shirkey . I really fought hard to reserve for them a one room with the bathroom at the end of the hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Morwick, PDDGER PSP, GL Fraternal Committee

Good Morning -----

Let us, as Elks, not forget what November means to our organization and our Veterans. November is the month we honor our Veterans and you have no idea what this means to our Veterans who will be benefiting from the events each lodge has planned for them throughout the month. Please remember to reflect on those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their county – their life.

I am happy to report that throughout the State of Nevada, the Veterans Chairmen from each lodge are doing an outstanding job with several providing more than 110% support for the Veterans. All in all let me say – everyone should feel very proud of the treatment our Veterans receive through invitations to our Breakfasts and Dinners. They are all treated exceptionally well through the semiannual stand downs and all the visitations made through our Adopt-A-Vet programs.

Russ Childers and I are continuing our talks with the new VA Hospital personnel to hold Bingo. We have been asking for ground rules and guidelines – but are still waiting for answers. However, Russ is not sitting around – he is busy with his VAVS responsibilities as well as volunteering time at one of the Medical Clinics. He also participated in the October Stand Down for southern Nevada.

Ted Balash also has his hands full with the Reno Hospital and the several Medical Clinics he supports in his area in Northern Nevada. Robert Beebe is just as busy with the VA Vets Home in Boulder City. He oversees Bingo parties, resident outings to several locations in the area and supports the Re-Creation group who visits the home several times a year to provide a musical evening.

Last but not forgotten by me ---- you Exalted Rulers, please do not hesitate to nominate your lodge Veterans Chairman or another deserving Elks for the Award of Veteran Volunteer of the Year. You do a disservice to your chairman and members if you do not act on the request sent by me. I also hope to receive more than the two nominations I have received for the past several years. Your Chairman work to see that each event planned is very successful. They work all year long to ensure each Veteran in attendance is treated with the respect they deserve for their dedication to our country and our freedom.

Respectfully, Pete Urdiales Jr., PER

NSEA Veterans Chairman

#### Adopt A Vet Report From Jim Mort

It has been an interesting year as Chairman for the Adopt a Vet committee. Learning how to keep the activities separated from Veterans activities is not always easy. I would encourage Lodges to keep up the effort in adopting veterans. This does not mean literally that they need to be taken into your homes. It means just seeing to some of the needs that veterans may have. Simple can mean so much to one person.

Lodges can report at any time to me what they are doing not just for Mid-term or the April convention. So don't wait. I know that the grant money that Lodges have received will be used in many lodges for veterans programs including the adopt a vet.

Here are some of the activities that I have learned about.

Tahoe/Douglas lodge had little or no activities to report. \$70.00 used so far.

Fallon lost their Veterans rep. and has not reported activity to date. They are involved with veterans and will have something to report later.

Reno had several functions that included a Bar B Q/Pool party for returning Army National Guard Unit for their members and families. A classic car show at the VA was held. A variety show at the Lodge brought out vets for an evening of entertainment and dinner.

There are more being done in our Lodges. Let everyone know what you are doing in the efforts to help our Veterans.

Fraternally submitted,

Jim Mort

# Nevada State



**Elks** Association

November 16. 2013

TO: NSEA President Dee.

SUBJ: Vets Hospital - Nevada North

In April, 2013, the Elks National Service Commission Account for Nevada North, had \$18,385.71 in the checking account. Since then the account has received funds totaling \$12,910.00 - \$910.00 from Elks National Veterans Service Commission in monthly deposits and a one-time deposit of \$12,000.00 from the NSEA Charity Account. My expenses totaled \$1.697.49. The expenditures are: \$100.00 was used to support two Summer Volunteers at the Reno VA Hospital: \$300.00 for the purchase of Canteen Booklets for hospitalized Veterans Bingo; \$1,297.49 used to purchase coffee-bar furniture and DVD/CD equipment for the Lahontan Valley VA Clinic in Fallon; The Total in the account as of this date is: \$29,598.22.

There are VA Vans in Winnemucca; Carson City/Gardnerville; Hawthorne and Fallon, that are used to transport Veterans to the VA Hospital in Reno – all of the Drivers are Veterans and many are Elks that donate their time each month to drive the Vets to their medical appointments.

Elks Lodges in northern Nevada regularly visit the Reno VA Hospital and distribute clothing, books, toiletries, and most of all a sincere desire to lift the spirits of the hospitalized Veterans.

I have attended the Quarterly VAVS Committee Meetings in June and September at the VA Hospital. I have also had our Annual Review with the Volunteer Service Director

Sincerely & Fraternally,

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Boulder City Lodge No. 1682

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS P.O. Box 60456 - Phone: 293-2457 Boulder City. Nevada 89066

November 14, 2013

Good Morning, President Dee Boskie, Honored Guests, and Members All. This report is on the Nevada State Veteran's Home (South) located in Boulder City.

The Home is in its 11th year, and is at full capacity of 180 residents.

The Nevada Veteran's Assistance League meets the vital social, recreational and psychological needs of the residents with the help of funds and volunteers from the Elks. We help the N.V.A.L. with numerous in-house activities and special field trips to shopping centers, various sporting events, casinos, shows and other activities.

In the coming year, NVAL hopes to continue to provide the financial assistance needed to maintain all of the activities outlined above.

A new support group recently formed at the Veteran's Home is committed to providing the best care and support possible for its residents and their families.

The Veterans and staff continue to thank all of the Elks for their support and assistance this past year, as do I.

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Bob Beebe, PER V.A.V.S. Representative (South)

CC: Pete Urdiales, PER, Lodge 1468 Larry Rackley, PER Lodge 2177

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### LARRY RACKLEY

From:	elizabeth maring <lizannmaring@gmail.com></lizannmaring@gmail.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, November 12, 2013 10:21 AM
To:	HADLEY THIESING; LARRY RACKLEY; Dee Boskie
Subject:	my state soccer shoot report. Short and sweet- please take to mid term-thanks

State President Dee Boskie and all Elk Members,

My state soccer shoot report is short for the mid term conference. I will personally be presently a full and completed report at the State Convention in April 2014 in Mesquite, Nv.

I have had a total of eight lodges report to me on their Soccer Shoot Status. I would like to thank the following lodges for sending me their reports. Henderson/Green Valley, Reno, and Sparks have reported to me that this year they would not be having a soccer shoot. Boulder City, Pahrump, Mesquite, Hawthorne, and Douglas/Tahoe have sent me outstanding reports on their soccer shoots that they had and I will be counting up all the statistics of all the lodges that sent me their reports and reporting to all of you in April. Any other lodges that have or will be having soccer shoots before April 2014, PLEASE send to me the information that I have requested so I can have a completed report for the State Convention.

Thank you for your reports and your support, and your love for the youth of today and the future. Hope to hear from the rest of the lodges in our state by March of 2014.

Liz Maring Boulder City Elks Lodge #1682 State Soccer Shoot Director



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November 13, 2013

To:President Dee BoskieFrom:Max ShenSubject:Midterm Report, New Lodges Committee

This past April, I placed a request to the Grand Lodge Secretary's Office through State Sponsor Past Grand Exalted Ruler Jim Grillo for the names and addresses of Stray Elks living within a 50-mile radius of Elko. A mailing list of 59 names was thus obtained. To these Stray Elks was mailed a questionnaire polling them about their interest in re-activating the former Lodge in Elko. Of the 59 members contacted, only 16 responded (27%). Of these 16 responses, 12 were of a positive nature and 4 were negative. Furthermore, of the 12 positive responses, 5 members offered to serve on a local organizing committee to explore further our goal of re-activating a Lodge in that area.

To that end, I have arranged for you and I to travel on to Elko on Sunday, November 17, 2013, at the conclusion of the Midterm Convention in Ely, and meet with that local group of Elks to discuss this project in greater detail. PDDGER Dave Pressler will also be accompanying us on this visit.

Respectfully submitted,

Max Shen, PER, PDDGER Chairman, New Lodges Committee Nevada State Elks Association



## **Nevada State Elks Association**

NSEA DIRECTORY REPORT MID-TERM Convention November 16, 2013

I have started the 2014-2015 Directory.

The policy has been established to put the Exalted Ruler in all blank spaces. I still had a lot of blanks last year, but the number is going down. This will continue to be the case and there won't be any more of the **"I'll have it for you in a couple of days"**. Cut off for lodges is April 1<sup>st</sup>. No excuses. State deadline will be at the close of State convention in Mesquite. I will make sure that the Lodge Secretaries have information packets by January. The Secretary should take the responsibility to see that the proper people receive the information. If anyone would like me to send them an information packet early please get in touch with me

and I will get it out to you.

Ads have been very good and the directory has been self supporting, but it is getting harder and harder to get the ads. Last year many of the Lodges placed an ad that had not done so before.

Suggestion! ! Go back to your Lodge and vote to send the \$100.00 now to the State Treasurer earmarked for Lodge ad 2014-2015 directory.

Same thing goes for the Lodge PER associations, and any individual or individuals that wish to place an ad. I'll work with you on design if you wish.

I will continue to be adding e-mail addresses this year. If there anything else you would like to see incorporated in the directory or If you have any suggestions please contact me with your ideas.

Fraternally

Gary Ferguson, PSP NSEA Directory Chairman

# Nevada State



## **Elks Association**

NEVADA STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION

### ANNUAL MID-TERM STATE CONVENTION

**GOVERNMENT RELATIONS REPORT** 

NOVEMBER 16, 2013

The recording of the charitable works that all of our members and lodges do falls under the Government Relations committee to ensure that the charitable statistics are recorded. For all of the Youth, Charitable and Community Service Programs that we do, we all know that an "Event Sheet" must be filled out that records man hours, the number of participants and miles traveled. We need to ensure that the event sheets are completed and provided to the lodge secretary and that the secretary in turn inputs the information as the events are done. By entering the information into the Grand Lodge computer system as they are done, it makes the job a lot easier for the secretary.

As an NSEA Committee Chair, this reporting and recording of your individual hours and mileage also needs to be done and is rather simple to do. If your time and hours for a charitable event are not reported through a lodge event sheet and you want to be counted, then all you have to do is get the NSEA Secretary the information and the information will be entered into the system for the State Association.

For the Nevada State Elks Association in the last lodge year, 2012-2013, the member lodges and the State Association reported the following information. Total Participants in the Programs, 115,205. Elks and Helper total 14,075. Hours donated by Elks and Helpers total 86,455. The cash value of donated hours was \$1,883,854. Miles traveled for Elks and Helpers totaled 282,880 with a cash value of \$155,584. Cash and non-cash totals were \$737,202. For the Nevada State Elks Association, all of these contributions come up to a total cash value of \$2,776,640. The Federal Government has determined that the hourly rate for such work is valued at \$21.79 and the mileage is computed at \$0.55 per mile.

Ladies and Gentlemen, this concludes my report.

Larry Rackley, PODGER, PSP, DL NSEA Government Relations Chairman



Grand Exalted Ruler, Past Grand, Mr. President, Dignitaries and Members all,

My report as Accident Prevention and Insurance Risk Chairman this year will be short.

- Out of 15 Lodges I received written reports from 11 Lodges. I received a verbal from the remaining 4 Lodges. Giving a total of 100% Lodges Reporting.
- Out of the 15 Lodges we only had one reported accident since April 2013. This accident was a
  property only with no injuries.
- After attending the Accident Prevention/Insurance Risk Program Seminar on 2 November 2013, it was reported that 2 of our 15 Lodges did not have D&O (Directors & Officers) coverage. After further investigation, it was found that only 1 is without this coverage at this time.
- Voluntary Workers Comp Coverage was again discussed at the Accident Prevention/Insurance Risk Program Seminar this year. It is asked that each Lodge goes out and gets a quote for this coverage even if you decide not to purchase. If you have any questions on this please contact me and I will furnish the information I have available.
- It is requested by Grand Lodge that each Local Lodge has an Accident Prevention Manager within their Lodges. It is this Manager's responsibility to perform Lodge Self-Inspections, Safety Inspections and complete/submit accident reports (if required). I would like to request at this time that the Lodges be sure to keep me updated on who this Manager is so the current information can be set to Lodges as needed.

This concludes my report for the Accident Prevention and Insurance Risk for 2013. Let's strive for an accident free year.

Thank you, respectfully submitted November 16, 2013.

Sue Catlin, PER

Accident Prevention and Insurance Risk Chairman

### **BLUE PIG MID-TERM REPORT**

November 16, 2013

Grand Exalted Ruler Pickering, President Boskie, and Members all:

The following seven Lodges have turned in their totals for Blue Pigs.

LODGE	AMOUNT
Las Vegas #1468	\$683.34
Hawthorne #1704	\$150.00
Fallon #2239	\$2,786.00
Sparks #2397	\$233.13
Pahrump #2796	\$1,700.00
Henderson/Green Valley #2802	\$280.00
Laughlin#2872	\$786.00
TOTAL	\$6,618.34

The remaining Lodges have not replied with a total, or have told me they will have one later.

Fraternally,

Lella Vore, PEK

Tella Vore, PER Blue Pig Chairwoman



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November 13, 2013

To:President-Elect Lee ButtsFrom:Max ShenSubject:Midterm Report, Lodge Community Activities Committee

As of this date, November 13, 2013, only four Lodges out of the 15 in Nevada have submitted their Midterm Report for their Lodge Community Activities. The four Lodges are: Reno 597, Sparks 2397, Henderson/Green Valley 2802 and Laughlin 2872. I thank these four Lodges for taking the time and effort in submitting their reports in a timely fashion. Attached please find the summary of these Lodges' reports.

I want to take this opportunity to remind the Lodges which have not submitted their reports that they have one more chance to do so—no later than March 31, 2014, so that their numbers can be included in my final annual report to be presented at the Annual Convention next April in Mesquite. Look at it as an opportunity to brag about your Lodge's achievements.

Respectfully submitted,

Max Shen, PER, PDDGER Chairman, Community Activities Committee Nevada State Elks Association

cc: Dietrich "Dee" Boskie, President, Nevada State Elks Association

	Reno 597	Sparks 2397	Henderson GV 2802	Laughlin 2872	TOTAL REPORTED
No. of Events	21	89	5	5	120
Participants		10091		530	10621
Elks		684	37	135	856
Non-Elks		352	51	8	360
Elks Hours	42	2006	296	3963	6307
Non-Elks Hours		1312	200	454	1766
Elks Miles	308	8029	925	5007	14269
Non-Elks Miles		5889	520	4618	10507
Non Cash	6478	9509		1642	17629
Cash		287	75	9102	9464

### SUMMARY, NEVADA LODGES COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES REPORT Lodge Year 2013-2014, as of 11/13/13

# Nevada State Elks Association

M. Pamela Shirkey Drug Awareness Chairman pspshirkey621@sbcglobal.net



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November 16, 2013

2013 State Mid Term - Ely

Reporting Period:

April 2, 2013 to November 1, 2013

In July, as the new State Association Drug Awareness Chairman, I was able to attend the Elks National Drug Awareness Program training seminar held for two days during the Grand Lodge Convention in Reno.

My instruction during the seminars helped me understand the important work we do with our Elks DA program and how we can prevent drug use by our youth through education. As they told me, we are not experts in the field of drug education, however, we have the resources in dollars, facilities and volunteers to work with the experts to ensure that young people know the facts about drugs.

We know that children are using drugs and drinking alcohol, sometimes starting at a very young age. The Drug Awareness program by the Elks is instrumental in educating our youth about the dangers of drug use; heroin, marijuana, cocaine, and all the new "social" drugs that are being distributed - new ones every year. We are establishing with the youth a platform of avoiding alcohol. Drug dealers don't care about the nine year old they get addicted, or the teen they can entice with money to be a dealer. Peer pressure to use drugs and alcohol is wide spread, and we use our drug awareness literature, and our time to educate children and their parents. We can make a dent, we can do it - if we try.

Order Drug Awareness literature through me - it is of no cost to you or to our State Association. Of the 15 Lodges in our State Association, only 8 Lodges have ordered Drug Awareness literature since July. All Lodges and Lodge Drug Awareness Chairmen were sent literature order forms and all the information about the various DA Programs. Those Lodges who have not ordered literature - two Lodges in the north and 6 Lodges in the South - must be using old material. New material is available. Contact me.

Every Lodge Exalted Ruler and Drug Awareness Chairman were sent information, three different times in four months, about the Drug Awareness Essay and Poster Contests including the parent release form and rules, and information on submitting a law enforcement officer for the Enrique S. Camarena Award whereby you can honor an anti-drug officer who made a difference. The events in the month of October were Red Ribbon Week, and National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day. The Hard Choices Comic Book kit, which includes the Marvel comic books, posters, brochures and bookmarks, features the Marvel Super Heroes; Spider Man, Mr. Fantastic, Thing, Torch, and Invisible Woman. Marvel Entertainment has teamed up with the Elks to produce this comic book in the battle against peer pressure and underage drinking. The comic is designed to educate 4th through 8th graders about the perils of underage drinking. This kit is free to your Lodge. Only three Lodges have ordered this kit through me. I have forms here with me today. The form has to be signed by me and sent to Grand Lodge by me for you to receive this kit.

Two Lodges ordered soccer balls. Five Lodges ordered the Parenting is Prevention Video Series and 6 ordered the Ur Choice Ur Voice DVD. There are other materials available to promote your Drug Awareness Program, and all items have the Elks Drug Awareness message on them; rulers, frisbees, yo-yos, plastic bags, soccer balls.

Sincere thanks to 11 of the 15 Elks Lodges in Nevada who sent in their Drug Awareness report, and the following is the result of their reports from April 1, 2013 to November 1, 2013.

Fraternally,

Pam Shirkey State Drug Awareness Chairman

LODGE	# DA Literature Ordered and Materials	# Elks	Elks Hours	Elks Miles	# Non Elks	Non Elks Hours	Non Elks Miles	# Children & Parents Reached	EVENTS Back Packs Day In the Park Sheriff's Night Out Nevada Day Parade Labor Day Parade
RENO	2,950	6	12	90					Dictionaries & Drug
TONOPAH	0 Ordered	No Report							Awareness
HAWTHORNE	0 Ordered	10	18	6			1	300	Lemonade Stand Run For Education
LAS VEGAS	5,200	6	12	18				1,396+	Drug Awareness Bags
CARSON CITY	3,600	24	164	140	3	18	14	1,200+	Hard Choices Comic Book DA Video Series DA DVD Red Ribbon Week Nat'l Prescription Take-
ELY	3,500	3	30	60					
FALLON	850	15	70	167	1		1	150	
BOULDER CITY	0 Ordered	No Report							
SPARKS	0 Ordered	37	219	498	21	142	190		
N. LAS VEGAS	0 Ordered	No Report	1						Back Day
TAHOE/DOUGLAS	5,800	3	34	80					Enrique S. Camarena
PAHRUMP	0 Ordered	No Report							Award Soccer Balls
HENDERSON GRN VLY	0 Ordered	10	145	342				265	North DA Trailer South DA Trailer
MESQUITE	500	11	44	147				412	Elroy T. Elk
LAUGHLIN	0 Ordered	26	253	176			1	200	Drug Awareness
TOTAL	* 25,900+	151	1,001	1,724	25	160	204	3,923	Literature Scouts Schools
Total Dollars	\$20,271.00					1	1		
* Other supplies for I		to Literature	Order: 3.5	500	1				



## Elks National Drug Awareness Program Hard Choices Comic Book Order Form

Educate fourth- through eighth-graders in your community about the perils of underage drinking.

The Elks National Drug Awareness Program teamed with Marvel Entertainment to produce the *Hard Choices* comic book featuring Marvel Super Heroes and Elroy the Elk in a battle against peer pressure and underage drinking! The comic is designed to educate fourth- through eighth-graders about the perils of underage drinking.

We are pleased to announce the availability of a limited supply of comic books for Lodge communities.

To place an order for a school or event in your community, please complete this form and return it to your State Association DAP Chair. If requesting a kit for a school, the Lodge must secure the signature of a school official. If requesting a kit for a community event, please explain in the space provided below.

Each order contains 250 comic books, 10 classroom posters, 25 Drug Awareness Program brochures and 250 Elroy and Super Heroes bookmarks. There is a one kit per Lodge limit.

For more information, visit www.elks.org/dap. To find the contact information for your State DAP Chair visit www.elks.org/dap/chairmen.cfm or call 773/755-4734.

Order Date:	State:	If req	uesting a kit for a community
Lodge Name:	event	, please explain:	
Ship to: School	Lodge (for Community Event only)		
School Name (if applicable):_	_		
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LodgeRepresentative:			
	Signature	Return	Date this form by:
School Official:		Email Fax	
	Signature	Mail	Elks Drug Awareness Program
If requesting for a school, must in	clude both signatures to be eligible to receive supplies.		2750 N. Lakeview Avenue Chicago, IL 60614-2256

Drug Awareness Program funding is provided by the Elks National Foundation, Inc., the charitable arm of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the USA. The Elks are committed to providing a healthy future for America's youth. In addition to educating young people about the dangers of drugs, the Elks provide positive alternatives such as the Hoop Shoot® and Soccer Shoot athletic programs and Youth Veteran Volunteers. Also, the Foundation annually awards more than \$3.6 million in college scholarships. For more information, contact your local Elks Lodge or visit the Elks website at www.elks.org.



Jackie Edwards Exalted Ruler



David L. Wilson Lodge Secretary

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Hawthorne Lodge #1704 P.O. Box 1118 Hawthorne NV 89415 Phone (775) 945-1704

Mr. Lee Butts President Elect NSEA November 15, 2013

President Elect Batts,

As you know Hoop Shoot is upon us once again. I am very proud to serve you and our association as the State Director this year, filling in for Jim Smolenski.

The following dates have been selected for our contest:

North District will be held on January 25, 2014 in Reno Central District will be held on January 18, 2014 in Austin South District will be held on January 11, 2014 in Boulder City

The State contest will be held in Hawthorne on February 01, 2014

The starting time for the State contest will be 10:00 a.m.; however, the starting time and locations for the District contest should be confirmed by the District Directors.

It is my honor to introduce the District Directors for 2013-2014:

Chris Anastassatos, North District Charles "Bud" Lemmond, Central District Ron Welsh, South District

I hope to see a great turn out this year for the Hoop Shoot program.

Fraternally,

Steve McBride Hoop Shoot State Director



Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks P.O. Box 143 • Minden, Nevada 89423-0143

November 15, 2013

Toni Wendt Tahoe/Douglas Elk Lodge #2670 Leading Knight Nevada State Scholarship Chairman

To: Boskie, NSEA President

This is the Mid-Term report for the 2013 - 2014 - Most Valuable Student Scholarship, Vocational, and Emergency Grants and the Legacy Award:

At the end of August each Lodge in Nevada was sent a package from Grand Lodge containing all materials and information needed to promote the above Scholarships, Grants and Awards.

September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013, I sent each Lodge in Nevada a package containing hard copies of the Scholarships and Grants with instructions on how to proceed.

On Oct 24, 2013, I sent out an e-mail to the ERs and Chairman requesting a status report. I requested the following information:

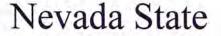
How many High Schools are in your Lodge area? How many High Schools did you visit? How many applications have your received, if any? How many do you anticipate?

I have received answers from more than half of the Lodges, however since the applications aren't due in until Dec 6<sup>th</sup>, it is difficult to give a true snap-shot of how well we will do this year. The schools have the applications and the Lodges are just waiting for the deadline to arrive in order to proceed.

Fraternally, MX

Tori Wendt - Leading Knight MVS & Vocational Chairman 1408 Sally Lane, Gardnerville, NV 89460 775.265.6136 E-Mail - <u>kairos4@frontier.com</u>

Al Closi, PER 2517 Solera Sky Dr. Henderson, NV 89044-4448 (702) 438-2535/h (702) 769-2091/c E-mail - <u>Albertclosi@centurylink.net</u> Fax # - (702) 438-7231





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November 16, 2013

President Dee Boskie, Distinguished Guest and Members

Thanks to the encouragement of President Dee Boskie the NSEA website (<u>nsea-elks.org</u>) continues to be used as a tool to support the efforts of the NSEA Offices Committees. We have now gone over 11,000 hits and over 25,000 page viewings on the site. That is 35% increase in usage in the past year. Through use of the e-mail notification system I'm now reaching over of 450 members. With the support of the Lodges forwarding these messages to their members we are now able to reach over 2000 of our members. The website continues to play a very important role in much needed communications with our members.

Improvements are continuing to be made to the site. The site home page has been given a new look, the Committee page now has a photo of the chairs, where available. A new quiz has been added to the NSEA Training program. The Training program is beginning to be used more and more and I thank you for your participation. New Business Practices, Drug Awareness, Youth Activities and Organ & Tissue Donation pages have been added with links to the committee chair, where applicable. A number of fillable forms have been added for your use. We need your suggestions for any additional form you feel would be useful.

It should be noted the code has been change for each page in an attempt to block the code and images from being copied without explicate permission to do so. Additional effort is being put forth to put in place code to protect our officers and members privacy where possible.

Remember this is your web site; I need your comments, ideas and/or suggestions as to what you would like to see on the site. It should be noted the site was submitted to Grand Lodge for Award Recognition for 2012-2013 and received the 5-Star Award. This makes four years in a row to receive the 5-Star recognition. I have submitted the site for judging for 2013-2014.

Sincerely and fraternally,

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Bill Wiseman, PDD NSEA Webmaster



#### Public Relations Report Midterm 2013

President Dee, Honored Guests and Members all,

The Public Relations Committees at all Lodges are doing well as they report the good work they perform in their communities. Lodges from Reno in the north to Las Vegas in the south have had great pre and post event media coverage of their events. We are six months into our 2013-2014 Elk year and all lodges in the state have had hundreds of events and programs to report on. Although we do not have a Grand Lodge Public Relations committee, the Grand Lodge still provides the guidelines for attaining high marks in P.R. within our communities. You should have received a publicity kit and anniversary kit earlier in our year. The P.R. kit is especially helpful in planning the rest of your year. All lodges received a copy of the first annual Nevada State Elks Association Public Relations Contest at the April annual convention. You should have been tracking and posting your public relations results on the form. We will be awarding the first annual perpetual Public Relations Trophy to the top Public Relations Chairman in the state. If you do not have the form, please contact me after this meeting. Continue to send your event coverage and photos to the Elks Magazine. It is an excellent way to show the rest of the country the good job your lodge is doing. Nevada lodges have had 14 articles or photo articles published to date. Mesquite, Tahoe-Douglas and Reno continue to contribute to most issues. You can also review media kits on line.

Mr. President this is the first installment for 2013-2014 year.

**Respectively submitted** 

Lou Martin PER

DAN Wells PER



Nevada State Elks Association Ritualistic Committee Dom Buffamonte, PDDGER – Chairman <sup>508</sup> Bright Lights Ave, North Las Vegas, NV 89031 (702-487-3364) H (253-208-6439) C e-mail pastdd@hotmail.com

Dee Boskie NSEA State President

The Ritual Committee met on October 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> in Tonopah. We had 20 members in attendance, five of which were officers representing three Lodges.

Five members took the test for word judging to either become a word judge or re-qualify.

Six members took the floor judging test to either become a floor judge of re-qualify.

We will be holding our Ritual Contest in Mesquite in April. We will have the normal two divisions with first and second place medallions being awarded in each division. We will not have a final contest to determine the Grand Lodge representative. The highest scoring team from the combined divisions will represent Nevada.

Due to several lodges throughout the country adopting the short form of the ritual, the ritual contests have depleted tremendously. Three years ago we had over 40 teams represented at the national contest. Last year we had only 28 teams. The expectation for New Orleans is 26 teams.

Those of us that are involved in the Ritual committee can stand here and talk the Ritual all night, I'm not going to do that, I going to close by saying, if any member asks you what the Elks are all about, have them read the manual "What it means to be an Elks. If any new member asks you what the true meaning of Elkdom is, have them read the original long form Initiatory Ritual, because the short form does not tell the complete story.

Dom Buffamonte NSEA Ritual Chairman

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November 16, 2013

President Dee Boskie, Distinguished Guest and Members

Business Practices continues to assist the Lodges, at their request, by providing presentations covering questions regarding unrelated business income reporting, volunteer bartender's tips reporting, workman's compensation, purchase of alcoholic beverages for resale in the Lodge and Directors and Officers insurance requirements.

I have worked closely with PDDGER Don Schultz Area 7 Auditing and Accounting on resolving issues identified in his reports to the Lodges. This mostly involved restricted accounts, cost of sales, related and unrelated business income issues and proper structuring of the Lodge profit centers.

I continue work with the State Association to add a Business Practice Presentation to the agenda at both the Annual and Mid-Term Conventions. The first was held yesterday with a seminar presented by Don Schultz Area 7 Auditing and Accounting. Both Don and I have made ourselves available to answer questions the Lodges may have had. This a program I would like to see continued as I feel it is a great benefit to the Lodges.

The NSEA Business Practices Manual will be revised to include more detail to covering Related and Unrelated income, cost of goods calculations and restricted accounts.

If I can be of assistance to your Lodge please contact me. Sincerely and fraternally,

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Bill Wiseman, PDD NSEA Business Practices



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# **Elks** Association

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November 16, 2013

President Dee Boskie, Distinguished Guest and Members

I continue to work at keeping the Membership informed of important happenings in the state through the e-mail notification system. His service provides the State Officers and Committee Chairs with a toll to reach the Lodges and Members with information to assist them with performing their duties. The e-mail can be sent with attachments in both text and graphic (html) formats.

Every effort is being made to keep the NSEA and Grand Lodge Manuals current. I'm presently revisiting the NSEA manuals to see how to bring them more in line with the changes made to the GL Committee structure. The changes made by GL also effected the Subordinate Lodge Committee assignments. I will be working with the State President and Advisory Board to insure the changes to the manuals permit merging of both the State and Lodge requirements to make them more useful to the state committee chairs to better interface with the Lodges. Any input from the state committee chairs to make these manuals more useful will be greatly appreciated.

We are also reviewing the duties of the Coordinator to better define the shared duties with the NSEA Secretary.

Sincerely and fraternally,

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Bill Wiseman, PDD NSEA Coordinator



November 14, 2013

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President Dee Boski,

This is the 2013-2014 mid-term report for NSEA Youth Activities. Eight lodges have reported so far this year. Those lodges are Tahoe/Douglas, Boulder City, Mesquite, Ely, Las Vegas, Sparks, Laughlin, and Pahrump, HAWTHARNE

The totals for activities are as follows:

Elk Hours	4,649
Non-Elk Hours	2,246
Miles traveled	11,473.5
Money expended	\$3,878.00
Participants	21,376

This concludes my report until April 2014.

Fraternally,

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Gary R. Wendt, PER NSEA Youth Activities Chair

### 2013-2014 YOUTH ACTIVITIES REPORT

Lodge/Activity	Elk hours	Non-Elk hours	Miles	Expenses	Participants
Tahoe/Douglas Soccer Shoot	125	40	506	\$91.00	177
Boulder City Soccer Shoot & D.A.R.E.	89	6	146		
Mequite Youth Dinner					14
Boulder City D.A.R.E. Picnic	72	8	71.5		150
Ely Student of the Month	57	i?	68	\$3,725.00	
as Vegas Helldorado Days Rodeo	3554		8080		17,000
Sparks seven events	209	132	926		3739
Pahrump?					
aughlin Drug Awareness	263	800	976	\$62.00	226
Laughlin Special Olympic Bowling	280	1260	700		70
TOTALS	4649	2246	11473.5	\$3,878.00	21,376

Subject:	Youth Activities Report
From:	John Berg (nseapaper@sbcglobal.net)
To:	kairos4@frontier.com;
Date:	Friday, November 1, 2013 9:22 PM

Gary

This is a difficult report for me to write as I spend so much time working with the Youth in the Pahrump area. I spend about 25 hours per week working on Youth Programs and possibly drive about 200 total miles.

Pahrump Lodge is involved in the Hoop Shoot which will take place on November 23rd. This is handled by a seperate Chairman.

We had a Soccer Shoot also handled by a separate Chairman. I know we had a large turnout, but I was not involved.

Last year we gave "Student of the Month Awards" at 6 Schools. I estimate that I spent a minimum of 10 hours a week during School Months (9 Months). Plus "Student of the Year Awards" Milage covered was about 100 miles per month.

This year we have changed the program to "Student of the Quarter". We have added 3 more Schools in Nye County. I Estimate that I will be spending about 20 hours per week for about 30 weeks per year and will be traveling about 500 miles four times per year. The total cost is about 1200.00 per year

In addition to this we participate in the Dictionary Program in % Schools. Cost about 800.00

We also have a Youth Appreciation Dinner each May and get a Proclamation from our Town Board. We give awards for Americanism, Soccer, and Hoop Shoot. Total Cost about 600.00

Also we support a Group of Impoverished Youth Sponsored by Nye Community Coalition. We provide an Annual Barbecue and give them all Tee Shirts. About 60 Youth. About 20 hours and about 450.00

If I had to record all this I would not have time for all we do.

John Berg, PER Pahrump Lodge #2796 Youth Activities Chairman Grant Coordinator NSEA Newsletter Editor nseapaper@sbcglobal.net

11-16-13 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR COMMITTE CHAIRMAN: JOHN LOURITT PER TAHOE BOUGLAS #2670

- 1. CITIZEN OF THE YEAR LETTER COMING TO YOUR LODGE AT THE END OF DEC.
  - 2. PLEASE FILL ONT YOUR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR BIO AND SEND IT TO ME, I'M IN THE STATE DIRECTORY
  - 3. MY COMMITTE WILL SELECT A NSEA CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
  - 4. IF YOUR LODGE RECEIVES THE AWARD, IT WILL BE PRESENTED TO HIM/HER AT ONE OF YOUR LODGES EVENTS IN ZO14 BEFORE APRIL.
  - 5. YOUR LODGE NEEDS TO PARTICIPATE TO ALSO WIN.

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Grand Exalted Ruler, Past GER, Mr. President, Dignitaries, Members All -

This will be my report on the Elks Training Program

The program was established by the NSEA after the Grand Lodge Convention in Phoenix, AZ decided to discontinue it. The purpose of the program is to help Lodge Officers and future Officers find the information they need to correctly administer the affairs of the Lodge and beyond. A familiarization with the statutes and by laws can save you and your Lodge many problems and headaches. I received a letter from Sparks Lodge ER Jim Hefner telling me his lodge is using two Lodge officers who completed the test to develop an in house method/program to entice all members to attend. I would recommend all lodges to sue this as a guideline for your own lodge.

I hope everyone is aware of how to take the test. Go online to NSEA-Elks.org and key on Elks training. The site will explain the entire program. Remember, knowledge is Power. While participation is voluntary, I look forward to hearing from you – on line.

Fraternally

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Kenneth N Catlin Jr

PER, PDDGER, NSEA Vice President

Flag Day report, 2013

Saturday November 16, 2013

President Dee, Honored Guests and Members all,

I was striving to give a report of 100% participation from all Nevada Lodges for the second year in a row. However, I was not so successful this year. Even after numerous attempts at sending e-mails and letters to the Lodges, Exalted Rulers and the Lodge Flag Day Chairman themselves I must report that one Lodge failed to submit a Flag Day report.

I am very proud of the Lodges that did take the brief minute to send in a report on what their Lodges did on that day.

Most used the Scouts in some way, some were done in the Lodge and others in public areas in the community, there were local civic leaders who spoke, vocalist who sang, honor guards, there were Flag burning ceremonies to retire the old flags, the local media was invited to several Lodges, and there was even a Flag Pole dedication. It seems that all Lodges had some sort of food from light refreshments to full meals to complete the ceremony.

In all, it seems that every Lodge, its members and guests had a great time at each event celebrating the history of our Nations Flags.

I hope if I am asked to be the Flag Day Chairman again next year that Tonopah will submit their report.

ELK attendance 293, Non Elks 226 Elk hours 640, Non Elks 242 Elk Miles 2123, Non Elks 1167

Respectfully submitted,

Don Wolf, PER NSEA Flag Day Chairman

### NEVADA STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION HIDES/LEATHERS COMMITTEE REPORT DAVID PRESSLER, PER, PDDGER, CHAIRMAN MID-TERM MEETING NOVEMBER, 2013

APRIL 20, 2013: informational memorandum (attached) sent to all Nevada Lodges. Where a Committee Chairperson was not identified in the NSEA Directory the information was sent to the Lodge Exalted Ruler. The following Lodges contacted me and informed me that they do not participate in the Hides/Leathers program: Laughlin Lodge #2872, North Las Vegas Lodge # 2353 and Henderson/Green Valley Lodge #2802.

MAY 2013: informational page (attached) detailing the program was sent to the Reno VA Hospital who was not familiar with the program. Subsequently we have been in contact with the Recreation Program and they have indicated interest in the program. We will shortly be delivering tanned hides which were donated directly to Sparks Lodge #2397 and Reno Lodge #597.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2013: made contact with the Nevada Department of Wildlife NDOW) Information Officer about distribution of program information "Hunters We Need Your Hide" (attached) to sporting groups. Additionally, the information was placed on the NDOW Face book Page.

OCTOBER 10, 2013: the attached article "Elks looking for big game hides" has been run weekly on the Outdoor Life page since this date.

OCTOBER 11, 2013: sent out a request for reports of Committee activity to all Nevada Lodges for inclusion in the Mid-Term Report. With the exception of the non-participating Lodges I only heard from Sparks Lodge #2397 and Reno Lodge #597:

Lodge	Participants	Elks	Elk Hours	Elk Miles	Non-Cash	Cash	
Sparks	1	1	2	30	0	0	
Reno	3	3	24	0	0	\$10.	
Chairman	1	1	60	50	0	\$40.	
TOTALS	5	5	86	80	0	\$50.	

\*NOTE: I am aware that there are other Lodges participating but have no reports.

Lodge Activity Report **Midwinter Convention** November 14, 2013

The totals for lodge activities are as follows: Number of activities: 97 Number of successful activities: 92 Elk members participating: 3619 Non Elks participating: 774 Total people participating: 4453 Elk's miles: 21017 Non Elk's miles: 6435 Total number of miles: 27763

Respectfully submitted,

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Patricia Avery ER/PER