

**NEVADA STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION  
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE  
2024-25**



will be fun and informative.

Dana and I would like to thank all the people who have supported us thus far. We have been lucky enough to have friends from all corners of this state, and that makes becoming the president and first lady more pleasurable. We look forward to visiting all the lodges throughout the state in the upcoming months and making new acquaintances. By the time this comes out, we will have visited California and Arizona. I know that both of those conventions

In the near future, or recent past, new committee, chairs will be contacting the lodges for reports. I can honestly say that the majority of the people who were replaced have done a masterful job with their assignments. I made the changes so that more people can be involved, and to give people a rest. We tend to overuse our people and that causes burnout. This happens at all levels, so we need to be aware of this.

A very important concept that we have sometimes let slip away is “Remember the Why.” Why do we do the things we do? Why is something important to us? Why don’t we seek the help we need to do things right? In this case, most importantly, “Why did we join the Elks?”

We must look into ourselves for the answers to the above questions if we are to grow as a state. There is inevitably going to be personal gain by being an Elk. You will grow with the people and the organization. You can make friends, learn many new things, see new places, and in some cases, your business might increase. These are all acceptable for the continued personal growth and growth of the organization.

Unfortunately, there are many who need the ego boost that “power” gives. There are some who want to get the “freebies” or “cheapies” as the case may be. These people make it more difficult for the rest who want to continue what the Elks have stood for all these years. Charity is one of the key elements of our organization. Working to give others a chance is a basic tenet of our group. Think about that when someone asks for your help with an event.

All of this is a continuation of Frank’s Be an Elk not just a Member. So, let’s have a good year and continue to make our organization stronger with our good deeds.

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NSEA President 2024-25