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LODGE MEETING

Thursday, December 5th
Thursday, January 2nd
7:00 pm

INITIATION

Thursday, December 19th
Thursday, January 16th
7:00 pm

PER MEETING

No Meeting in December
Thursday, January 30th
6:30 pm

NOTICE: Hey Elks Members, here is your chance to win an Elks gift certificate! We've hidden an Elk's membership number in this newsletter. Find the number; if it's your number, the \$25.00 Elks gift certificate is yours! To claim your gift certificate, call the office before the end of the current month.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS WEEK: WE WILL BE CLOSED SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

1199 SPEAKEASY LOUNGE

Open for dining on Friday and Saturday
Only 5:30-9:00 pm

BLUES JAM WITH JENNIFER LYN & THE GROOVE REVIVAL

Every Tuesday in the Speakeasy
6:00 to 9:00 pm Bar Menu Available

SEAFOOD SATURDAYS

12:00-2:00 pm

SATURDAY TRIVIA IN TR BAR

2:00-4:00 pm

PINOCHLE

Wednesdays, December 4th & 18th
and January 15th & 29th

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sunday, December 1st • 2:00 to 4:00 pm

THAT 60'S BAND ON THE LODGE FLOOR

December 6th • 7:30 pm

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, December 14th • 12:00 pm
Sloppy Joes, Punch, Chips
and Santa Claus!

PAJAMA AND COCOA PARTY

Thursday, December 26th
6:30 to 9:30 in TR Bar

Prizes for best Pajamas, couples, groups.
Hot cocoa, popcorn and a food special.
MEMBERS ONLY



NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Tuesday, December 31st
Ring in the new year with the Ravens
starting at 7:00 pm on the lodge floor

TOM & JERRY'S & BLOODY MARY'S

Wednesday, January 1st

12:00 to 2:00 pm - Members Only



SUGAR BREAK BAND ON LODGE FLOOR

Wednesday, January 1st • 2:00-5:00 pm
Lodge closes at 6:00 pm

QUALITY SHOES IN THE TR BAR

Saturday, January 18th • 7:00 pm

SLOW BURN IN THE TR BAR

Saturday, January 25th • 7:00 pm

Last Minute Gift
Idea... How About
An Elks Gift Card?



Please Get Your Garlic Toast
and Pâté Orders In Early.

(No Garlic Toast and Pate orders after
Wednesday, December 18th)

LODGE HOURS

LOCKER ROOMS ARE OPEN!

Tuesday thru Friday, 10 am to 8 pm
Saturday, 11 am to 8 pm

Please contact the office to renew your keys.

SUNDAY-MONDAY Closed

TUESDAY-THURSDAY

3:00 pm to Close • TR Bar only
Lounge closed on Thursdays

FRIDAY

TR Bar 3:00 pm to Close
Lounge 5:30 to 9:00 pm

SATURDAY

TR Bar 11:00 am to Close
Lounge 5:30 to 9:00 pm

ELKS 1199 HAPPY HOUR AND DAILY DRINK SPECIALS See Page 7 for Details

Visit **WWW.BISMANELKS.COM** for information on events and dining.

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Contact Arlan Scholl at 701-255-1199

or email him at lodge.secretary@midconetwork.com

or event.elkslodge1199@midconetwork.com

HOURS

DOORS OPEN DAILY

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OFFICE HOURS

9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday - Friday

TEDDY ROOSEVELT BAR

Tuesday - Friday

Opens at 3:00 PM

Saturday

Opens at 11:00 AM

HAPPY HOUR

Tuesday - Friday

4:00 - 6:00 PM - TR Bar

Friday

5:00 - 6:00 PM - Main Lounge

Saturday

2:00 - 4:00 PM in the

Teddy Roosevelt Bar ONLY

TR Bar opens at 11:00 AM

**Men's Locker
Room Update**

Locker Rooms Hours

10am-8pm Tues.-Fri.

11am-8pm Sat.

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Office To Renew

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MEMBERS:

Please be prepared

to show your

membership card.

Thank you,

Arlan Scholl - Secretary



**NEW ELKS
CLUB SIGN
PROJECT**

Attention Bis-Man Elks' Members! A new electronic sign will be coming. This new sign will be instrumental in informing everyone what is happening at your club.

Your Board has approved a fund-raising project to secure adequate money to install an electronic display sign as well as repair the damaged top sign and modernize the lighting system. It is estimated to cost around \$80,000.

We have received over \$20,000 to date.

Good news is we have a generous donor who has pledged to match contributions of \$100 or more received before December 1, 2024.

Contributions will be recognized on a plaque with the following levels:

- BRONZE Level \$200-\$999;
- SILVER Level \$1000-\$1999;
- GOLD Level \$2000-\$4999;
- DIAMOND Level \$5000 and above.

Make contributions to "Bismarck Elks Home Association" and drop off in the Office or mail to Bismarck-Mandan Elks, PO Box 1596, Bismarck, ND 58502.

Exalted Ruler Message – Craig Boehm

My fellow Elks

It's hard to believe we are at the holiday season, where has the year gone? I am hoping this letter finds everyone happy and healthy, and wishing all a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. We have several events coming up. Please check your bulletin, our web page or facebook for more info.

We start off with our annual Elks Memorial Service December 1st at 2pm. This is to pay respect to all the members that have passed away this last year. This event is open to the public. Followed by the kids Hoop Shoot

on December 7th, Josh Atkinson and Mark Webster are still looking for some help so if you are interested, please let them know. Our Children's Christmas Party will be held December 14th from 12 to 3pm on the lodge floor, stop by and see Santa.

Our membership drive is still going. Please ask a friend or family member to consider joining our lodge. It's a great way to meet new friends and be active in your community.

In January, we start with our New Year's Eve party, with the Ravens playing on the lodge floor, New Year's Day we will have our Free Tom & Jerry's and Bloody Mary's on the lodge floor from noon to 2pm followed by music by Sugar Loaf from 2 to 5pm. The lodge will close after that for the day. This is a paid member event only so if you haven't paid your dues please consider doing so. It helps our lodge continue

to be a great resource for surrounding charities and a great place to socialize.

Our Seafood Saturdays followed by Trivia are a great time. Stop by and try our famous Oyster Stew and let Josh and Terry pick your brain on some great questions. Our weekly Blues Jam starts at 6pm to 9pm in the 1199 Speakeasy lounge and we still have our 2 for \$20 burger baskets on Thursdays from 5:30 to 9pm.

As always, my officers and I look forward to seeing you at the Elks.

Craig Boehm
Exalted Ruler

It is my sad duty to announce the death of Harry Darling, Benny Graf, Brian Berube, Michael Donahue, Gloria Olson and Dean Johnson. May their virtues be written on the tablet of love and memory.



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Secretary's Corner

Fellow Elks Members, here we are at the holiday season. It was great to see everyone for the Thanksgiving Tom & Jerry's. A good time was had by all.

I would like to thank all who have paid their membership and those who have signed up a new member or reinstatement. So far this year we have signed up 74 new members and reinstatements. We are off to a great start but we still have a way to go to reach our goal of 2300 paid members.

To accomplish this we need 2 things, one is to sign up new members before March 31st, 2025, the other is to have those who have not paid their dues yet to please do so. No one likes or enjoys the rising costs; however, it is something we all must deal with.

Your dues cover all the fixed costs of running an Elks Lodge. This includes Heat, Lights, Water, Taxes, and Insurance as well as the Grand Lodge assessment.

Please consider paying your dues and signing up a new member. The dues you contribute are essential for us to continue our mission as a Benevolent and Charitable organization, enabling us to support our community and those in need.

Arlan Scholl - Lodge Secretary

Notice to all paid members

Fixed costs to be paid by dues - October 19th, 2024

Gas/Electricity	\$99,306.00
Water & Sewer	\$16,212.00
Property Insurance.....	\$23,335.00
Property Taxes	\$41,540.00
Building maintenance.....	\$69,000.00, 2 staffers per year cost
Secretary/Treasurer yearly salary ...	\$12,000.00 each = \$24,000.00
Total fixed costs expenses	\$273,393.00

Membership Dues

Regular Members.....	1232 x \$132.00 = 162,624.00
Life Members	1184 x \$84.00 = \$99,456.00
Total dues received	\$262,080.00

Loss per year

(\$11,313) After increase if approved

New dues with increase less Grand Lodge and State assessment totaling \$39.00 per member.

New Regular member dues.....	\$132.00
New Life member dues.....	\$84.00

A special Governing Board meeting was held on Saturday October 19th at 11am with all members present except Brant Boeckel. All expenses and income were reviewed. After discussion by all it was voted (all in favor) to increase the dues subject to Lodge floor approval. This meeting will be held on December 5th, 2024, for discussion. A vote will be taken on January 2nd, 2025.

The Governing Board



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Annual Veteran's Feed



We are so proud to be a part of the annual Veteran's Feed, an event that has been going on for 14 years now!

The Veteran's Feed is a complimentary banquet open to all veterans, active duty, and guard reserves, as well as police, EMS, and firefighters.

Schwan Buick GMC Cadillac partnered with the following local sponsors to make yesterday's event successful: H.A. Thompson & Sons, AAction Movers, Valley Sport & Marine, First International Bank & Trust, Northwest Contracting Inc., KFYP Radio, and Bismarck/Mandan Elks Lodge #1199

Steve Schwan says the cooks and volunteers cooked up 50 turkeys yesterday along with sides and desserts, paying tribute to active-duty soldiers, but also veterans who served in past conflicts, including the Korean and the Vietnam wars.

We loved seeing everyone's faces and expressions.

THANK YOU to who all participated!

THANK YOU to all the volunteers and staff!

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And most of all THANK YOU to all those who serve our communities and country!

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From the Office

Elk's members and guests, fall is officially over and it's time to welcome the holiday season. It was great to see everyone on Thanksgiving Eve for the Tom & Jerry's. The staff at 1199 would like to thank all the officers and PER'S for their support this year. We look forward to working with you on all the events that are planned or being planned.

Some reminders for all every Tuesday we have our Blues Jam. If you haven't stopped by for this event, please do so, the music is fantastic.

Thursdays we have our 2 for \$20 Burger Baskets of your choice.

Saturdays our famous Seafood Saturday from noon to 2pm in the TR Bar, followed by Trivia from 2 to 4pm.

It's winter again so check your calender: the annual Children's Christmas party will be held December 14th, from noon to 3pm. Bring the kids or grandkids to see Santa.

We will be closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, however Thursday after

Christmas we will be holding our first Christmas Pajama and Cocoa night in the TR Bar. Wear your favorite Christmas PJ's and we will see you there (members only). Drink specials and prizes for those who dress-up.

On December 31st the Ravens will be playing on the lodge floor. Come on out for the music and dancing for the evening. January 1st we will be holding our traditional Tom & Jerry's and Bloody Mary's on the lodge floor from noon to 2pm followed by music by Sugar Loaf from 2pm to 5pm. We realize this is a Tuesday and Wednesday but we look forward to seeing all. New Year's Day is a (member only event), please be prepared to show your card.

We will be holding music in the TR Bar January 18th and 25th for your easy listening enjoyment.

From the staff and Management at the Elks have a very happy and safe holiday season, thank you for your support of Elks 1199.

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Gaming News

Elk's members and guests, it has been a great year for Elks 1199 charities and those in need in our community.

We do have Electronic Pull tab machines with 24 games to choose from. We also have pull tab machines available for your enjoyment.

Our ANNUAL RAFFLE is underway. Members you should have received your tickets in the mail. Please consider purchasing them or selling them. There are several cash prizes as well as other items for you to win. If you would like more tickets please stop by the office and we will be happy to get you more.

Your charitable dollars at work have helped: Century Band, The Bismarck Cancer Center, Stone Lutheran Cemetery, Grant County 4-H, Heartview Foundation, Roosevelt School, Welcome House, Century Boys Hockey, Pride Inc., Meals on Wheels, Adult Teen Challenge, Legacy Swim Team, Bismarck Figure Skating, Camp Grassick, Bismarck Rural Fire Department, The Dakota Zoo, and South-Central High School.

Thank you for your support, see you at the Elks.
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Arlan Scholl – Gaming Manager

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TUESDAY-FRIDAY

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2:00-4:00 pm
in the TR Bar

\$1.00 OFF

Domestic and Premium Beer

\$1.00 OFF

Glass of House Wine

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(Add another shot to
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DAILY DRINK SPECIALS

RUM TUESDAYS

\$6.00 Rum Drinks

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WEDNESDAYS

\$4.00 Whiskey Shots

\$5.00 Glass of
House Wine

THIRSTY THURSDAYS

\$5.00 Domestic

25oz Taps

\$6.00 Premium

25oz Taps

FIREBALL FRIDAY

\$4.00 Fireball Shots

SATURDAYS

\$6.50 Bloody Marys and
Caesars



DINING AT THE ELKS

TUESDAYS: Jennifer Lyn in the Speakeasy

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The Bismarck-Mandan Elks New Members – Welcome to the Elks!



October 17, 2024

L to R: Michael Linden, Jeff Dick, Doug Eberle, Arthur Hellman, Alan Wilson, Tony LaFond. Not Pictured: Kenneth Weigel.



November 21, 2024

L to R: Ashley Messner, Mason Martin, Kayla Schmidt, Andrea Dolajak

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We are excited to announce that this year's **Bucks For Bras** raised \$60,000 for the Bismarck Cancer Center Foundation! Thank you all, attendees, sponsors, and volunteers. Thank you to the Bismarck Elks and Bismarck Elks staff! Thanks for making this an amazing year once again!



Happy Halloween from the Bismarck Elks Lodge #1199 Saturday Seafood Crew. They chose the Central Dakota Humane Society for their Saturday donation. Thank you, volunteers!

Congratulations to the winners at the Bismarck Elks Halloween Party!! Thank you, everyone who participated!



Mocktail Taste Test and Charcuterie Boards
Public Event by Heartview Foundation and Bismarck-Mandan Elks Lodge 1199.



2024 Mocktail Taste Test held at the Bismarck Elks Club was an amazing success! Thank you to all the vendors who participated, all the volunteers and thank you to the Bismarck Elks staff.

Congratulations, Stacy, Thomas & Moriarty's, for the win!

Congratulations to all the 25-year and 50-year Bismarck Elks memberships



January 2025

December 2024 calendar is on page 12.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The Lodge is CLOSED on Mondays. If you would like to keep updated on our events, follow us on Facebook or sign up for our text messages, Text Elks to 51660.			1 Tom & Jerry's & Bloody Mary's 10:00 am-2:00 pm Sugar Break Band 2:00-5:00 pm on lodge floor Lodge closes at 6:00 pm	2 Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm 2 Burgers for \$20.00 5:30-9:00 pm	3	4 Seafood Saturday Noon-2:00 pm Trivia in TR Bar 2:00-4:00 pm
5 Closed	6 Closed	7 Blues Jam 6:00-9:00 pm in the Speakeasy	8 \$5.00 off 2 Appetizers \$5.00 pitcher of domestic beer (limit 1 pitcher per 2 appetizers)	9 2 Burgers for \$20.00 5:30-9:00 pm	10	11 Seafood Saturday Noon-2:00 pm Trivia in TR Bar 2:00-4:00 pm
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19 Closed	20 Closed	21 Blues Jam 6:00-9:00 pm in the Speakeasy	22 \$5.00 off 2 Appetizers \$5.00 pitcher of domestic beer (limit 1 pitcher per 2 appetizers)	23 2 Burgers for \$20.00 5:30-9:00 pm	24	25 Seafood Saturday Noon-2:00 pm Trivia in TR Bar 2:00-4:00 pm Slow Burn TR Bar 7:00 pm
26 Closed	27 Closed	28 Blues Jam 6:00-9:00 pm in the Speakeasy	29 Pinochle \$5.00 off 2 Appetizers \$5.00 pitcher of domestic beer (limit 1 pitcher per 2 appetizers)	30 2 Burgers for \$20.00 5:30-9:00 pm PER Meeting 6:30 pm	31	



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December 2024

January 2025 calendar is on page 11.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 Memorial Service 2:00 pm	2 Closed	3 Blues Jam 6:00-9:00 pm in the Speakeasy	4 Pinochle \$5.00 off 2 Appetizers \$5.00 pitcher of domestic beer <small>(limit 1 pitcher per 2 appetizers)</small>	5 Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm 2 Burgers for \$20.00 5:30-9:00 pm	6 That 60's band on the Lodge Floor 7:30 pm	7 Seafood Saturday Noon-2:00 pm Trivia 2:00-4:00 pm	
8 Closed	9 Closed	10 Blues Jam 6:00-9:00 pm in the Speakeasy	11 \$5.00 off 2 Appetizers \$5.00 pitcher of domestic beer <small>(limit 1 pitcher per 2 appetizers)</small>	12 2 Burgers for \$20.00 5:30-9:00 pm	13	14 Seafood Saturday Noon-2:00 pm Trivia 2:00-4:00 pm	
15 Closed	16 Closed	17 Blues Jam 6:00-9:00 pm in the Speakeasy	18 Pinochle \$5.00 off 2 Appetizers \$5.00 pitcher of domestic beer <small>(limit 1 pitcher per 2 appetizers)</small>	19 Initiation 2 Burgers for \$20.00 5:30-9:00 pm	20	21 Seafood Saturday Noon-2:00 pm Trivia 2:00-4:00 pm	
22 Closed	23 Closed	24 Closed Christmas Eve	25 Closed Merry Christmas 	26 2 Burgers for \$20.00 5:30-9:00 pm Pajama and Cocoa Party 6:30-9:30 pm in TR Bar	27	28 Seafood Saturday Noon-2:00 pm Trivia 2:00-4:00 pm	
29 Closed	30 Closed	31 Ravens 7:00 pm Lodge Floor	<p>The Lodge is CLOSED on Mondays. If you would like to keep updated on our events, follow us on Facebook or sign up for our text messages, Text Elks to 51660.</p>				
							