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JUNE 2026

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COMMUNITY FRIENDSHIP CHARITY SHARING CARING

- EAL1626 OFFICERS 2026/2027
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- LOYAL KNIGHT Julie CARROLL
- LECTURING KNIGHT Nathan M. MOORE
- ESQUIRE James HOFFMAN
- TILER Clare WILSON
- TREASURER Karla KELLY
- CHAPLAIN Lisa RYAN
- TRUSTEES Alex BURGER Gerald CABLE Rick SWANK
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Howdy, LODGE1626,

Happy June, welcome Summer, and boy o'boy what a great time to celebrate our **Elks Community**, and to become an Elk.

I've **highlighted** a few of our many glorious June events. Also, please consult our flyers and calendar for additional information.

- SAT06JUN - A STENBERG FUNDRAISER AND CELEBRATION
- THU11JUN - TENDERLOINS & FLAG DAY CELEBRATION
- SUN21JUN - FATHER'S DAY, SUMMER SOLSTICE, & US OPEN GOLF.
- WED24JUN - IOWA VETERANS HOME (IVH) + ICUBS BASEBALL
(A few tickets remain, \$10.00 at the Club Bar)



Dave DELAGARDELLE, ER

As per previous messages, membership continues to be our primary challenge. Secondly, we are working on our member participation. Recently, the BoD received a Lodge Membership Analysis. Below, please find the summary of said numbers,

The average member age is **66.8yrs.**

23% of members are classified as Sponsors/Supporters, **77% of members** are Participant/Spectator.

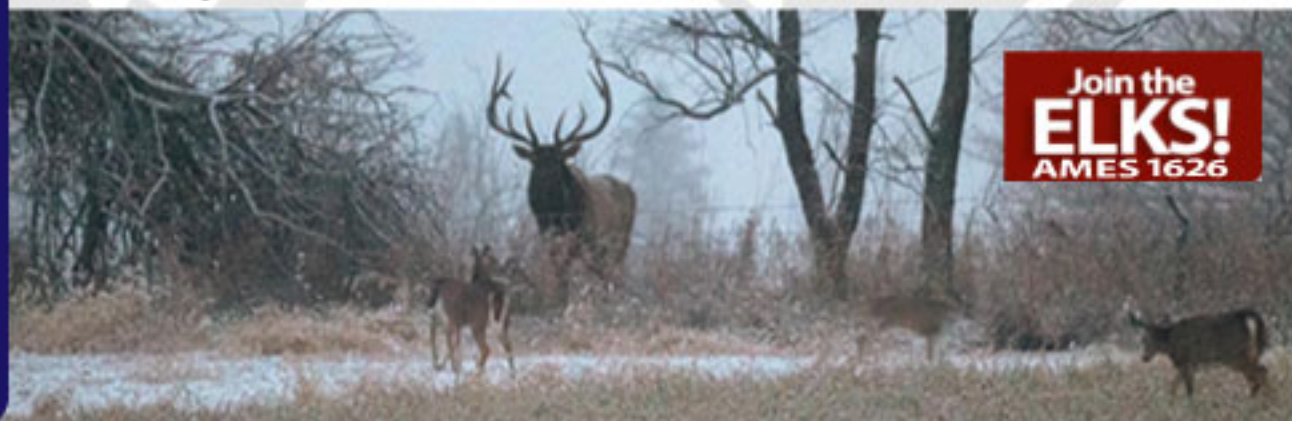
PARTICIPANT	21-66	%	67-95	%	TOT	%
SPONSOR	5	3	16	8	21	11
SUPPORTER	15	8	8	4	23	12
PARTICIPANT	22	12	26	14	48	26
SPECTATOR	51	27	43	24	94	51

We would love to hear your input regarding increasing our member participation.

Finally, if you know of any members that haven't renewed, share our excitement of things to come. And remember, the best method to get new members is **"Just ask them"**.

Onward, and enjoy,

Dave Delagardelle, ER





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The HAPPY Page COMMUNITY FRIENDSHIP CHARITY SHARING CARING



BRUSHY CREEK AREA HONOR FLIGHT

"We all can't be heroes. Some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they go by."

- Will Rogers

Arriving at the Fort Dodge Regional Airport in the early morning hours of Tuesday, May 26th, I was on my way to a very long, yet unforgettable day of camaraderie. This was the day that I was fortunate enough to be a volunteer "guardian" on the most recent Brushy Creek Area Honor Flight headed to Washington, DC.

Our flight of nearly 100 veterans (from all branches of the Service) along with medical staff and guardians, landed at Dulles International Airport at 10:00 am (EDST). As many of these men and women had done many years before, hit the ground running. On a very tight, yet organized schedule, we visited the Lincoln, Korean, and Vietnam Memorials all before lunch.

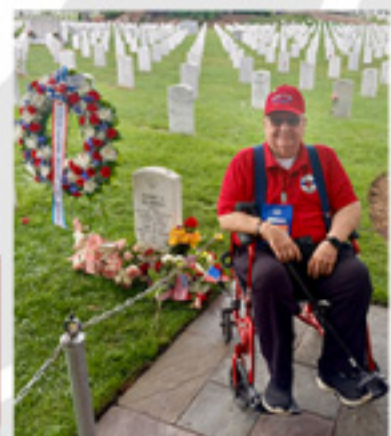
During a quick bite on the bus, we had a tour of D.C. before stopping at the WWII monument, Arlington National Cemetery where we experienced Changing of the Guard & Public Wreath Laying Ceremony, and as well as Iwo Jima and Air Force Monuments.

At 10:00 pm, we arrived back on Iowa soil with "welcome home" well wishers on the tarmac. You couldn't tell how exhausted we all were, seeing the joy on these veterans who appropriated the trip and respect from all.

For more information on Brushy Creek Honor Flights at: [Honor Flights | Story County, IA - Official Website.](#)

Truly my honor,

Jon Needs, NWDDGER, Leading Knight





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A STENBERG CELEBRATION and Fundraising EVENT

MALEYS and BOB STENBERG INVITE YOU TO A CELEBRATION

The STENBERG'S have donated the menu below (sponsored by Chef Larry Goodale) celebrating Marilyn Stenberg and the couple's anniversary.

IN LIEU OF GIFTS, THE STENBERG'S REQUEST YOU GIVE GENEROUSLY TO ELKS AMES LODGE 1626 (Division of Improvement Fund).

MENU

APPETIZER: Shrimp Cocktail
MAIN: Beef Steak
SIDE: Mashed Potatoes/Gravy
Dessert: Cake
Beverage: Soft Drink
OR: Fruit Salad/Chocolate
OR: Cheese & BREAD Salad
DESSERT: Cake
Hot Soda/Water

SAT 06 JUN
6:00-8:00p

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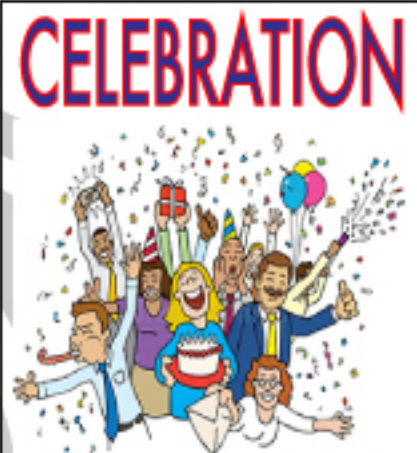
LOVE ME TENDERLOIN.

RAYGUN

Tenderloin, Fries, Onion Rings, Condiments

LOVE ME SWEET

THU 11 JUN
6:00-7:00p



- CELEBRATION**
- Michael KELLY 06
 - Clare WILSON 06
 - Ken EICHENBERGER 08
 - Willis FAIN 14
 - Dale PACKER 14
 - John BUTTOLPH 16
 - Janet HOUGHAM 16
 - James BENSON 20
 - Doug BURGESS 24
 - Scott DILLAVOU 24
 - Scott MYERS 24
 - Noel POWELSON 24
 - Cory PAYSEN 27
 - Kent HAGEN 29

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Celebration of Flag Day

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Ames Lodge 1626 is proud to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the United States of America with a special event on Thursday, June 11th, 2026. The event will be held at the Ames Elks Lodge 1626 and will feature a variety of activities, including a parade, a picnic, and a fireworks display. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact the Ames Elks Lodge 1626 at 515.230.6314.

THU 11 JUN
7:45p

* CEREMONY BEFORE BODY CONCEPT

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HOT DOGGIN'

\$3

LIKE THE DOO-DAH MAN

Hot Dogs, Chips, & Condiments

THU 18 JUN
6:00-7:00p

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J.D. & the lil' JIMMYS

present

BYO

SUSHI WEDNESDAYS*

*except for BURGER NIGHT

6:00-7:00p

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Kas KORNER

KOUNTRY KITCHEN

Specialties Sandwiches • Lunch • Treats

SUMMER MONDAY'S
6:00-7:00p

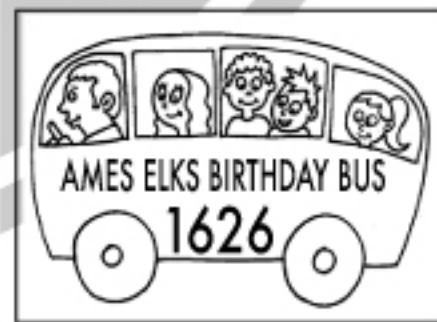
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BURGER JOY

TASTY

Burgers, Specials, Fries, Onion Rings, Condiments

WED 24 JUN
6:00-7:00p



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Friends in the area. ❤️

YOU'RE INVITED!
— JOIN THE —
AMES, IOWA
ELKS LODGE #1626

The Ames Elks Lodge #1626, located at 522 Douglas Ave., Ames, IA 50010, has been a cornerstone of our community since 1923—dedicated to charity, service, and fellowship.

— We're more than a lodge. We're a community. ❤️

THE ELKS ARE:

- COMMUNITY SERVICE
- FINANCIAL SECURITY
- HELPING OTHERS
- WELFARE

Why Join?

- Affiliations
- Experienced participation
- Financial security
- Fellowship
- Many a service/charity orgs.

COME SEE WHAT WE'RE ALL ABOUT!

1626 Elks Lodge #1626
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• Open House
• Free Snacks
• Free Drinks
• Free Entertainment

Let's have fun together!
You just say "Hi!"

★ A PROUD TRADITION & SERVING OURSelves. A COMMUNITY THAT CARES. ★
Like You. Like Us.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 MICHAEL KELLY CLARE WILSON 6-8p STENBERG CELEBRATION
7	8 KEN EICHENBERGER 6-7p KAS'S KITCHEN	9 6-7p LODGE MEET	10 6-7p BYO SUSHI	11 6-7p TENDERLOINS 8-10p FLAG DAY BANDSHELL	12	13 4p - OPEN
14 FLAG DAY OBSERVED WILLIS FAIN DALE PACKER	15 6-7p KAS'S KITCHEN	16 JANET HOUGHAM JOHN BUTTOLPH 6-7p BoD MEETING	17 6-7p BYO SUSHI	18 US OPEN GOLF 6-7p HOT DOGGIN'	19 US OPEN GOLF	20 JIMMY BENSON US OPEN GOLF 4p - OPEN
21 SUMMER SOLSTICE FATHER'S DAY US OPEN GOLF	22 6-7p KAS'S KITCHEN	23 6-7p LODGE MEET	24 DOUG BURGESS SCOTT DILLAVOU 1p ICUBS+IVH SCOTT MYERS NOEL POWELSON 6-7p BURGERS	25	26	27 CORY PAYSAN 4p - OPEN
28	29 KENT HAGEN 6-7p KAS'S KITCHEN	30				

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HAPPY FLAG DAY . HERE COME'S SUMMER . PEACE&GRACE

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PEWEE's GOTTA NEW HANG



NICK/EMILY KOBET + FAMILY. WELCOME



DECOR. THANKS LISA/CLARE ER & PER. LOOKING GOOD



DISPLAYING THE ELKS WREATH



DIGNITARY LEIGHTON & SECURITY DETAIL



FRESH POPCORN. THANKS JULIE&NICK



UPSTATE NEW YORK IN THE HOUSE



MEMORIAL DAY COLORS



NO COMMENT.

HAPPY FLAG DAY . HERE COME'S SUMMER . PEACE&GRACE

